



Newsletter



Philip Wynn installed as the new Master, with Wardens Julian Sayers and Rosie Carne



The new Master and Mistress



The Installation Luncheon

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Meet the New Master

Philip joined the Farmers' Company in 1994 and the Court in 2000. He has subsequently chaired the Finance Committee and more recently been a Director of the Farmers and Fletchers' Hall Ltd, and instrumental in the commercial launch of the newly refurbished Hall.

He was educated in London, Durham University and the Royal College of Agriculture at Cirencester before embarking upon his farming career. Via a number of management roles he moved to Lincolnshire in 1982 to manage Sir Henry Nevile's Estate. Henry Nevile was Master of the Farmers' Company in 1991-92. From this base in Lincolnshire Philip developed a national farm management and consultancy business which ultimately became part of the Savills plc Group. Following the sale of the business he was Head of Agribusiness for the Group for a number of years, before leaving to develop his own business once more.



increasingly important in the new era for farming. We are at the Plaisterers' Hall for this event and I am determined to see it full of liverymen, guests and of course alumni!

In July, at the Master's Summer Outing you will have the opportunity to look around the newly formed, 32,000 acre, Beeswax Dyson Farming operation in Lincolnshire which I am involved with. Our tour will include its multi-million-pound investment in AD, infrastructure and environmental schemes. You will also be warmly welcomed at Belvoir by Emma, Duchess of Rutland, who has masterminded the complete regeneration and restoration of the Estate over the last 8 years – her achievements as you will see are quite remarkable.

Please do support and get involved with these activities. I really want to see in my year as Master the Worshipful Company of Farmers recognised and understood as a 'force for good' in our industry."

He now manages and advises on a diverse portfolio of farming and food businesses covering in excess of 60,000 acres. Speaking at the Installation Luncheon Philip talked about his hopes and aspirations for the year ahead.

"In my year, I want to look at both the challenges and opportunities we will face, both as a Company and as an industry and I hope our Livery can play some part in the development of future farm policy.

So, I am looking forward to seeing and talking to you at the events that I have planned in the coming year. Just to give you a little flavour: At our December lunch at the Fishmongers Hall, Sean Rickard the eminent economist will speak, although he is under strict instructions not to give you indigestion as we eat our Copas turkey!

In April, our Agricultural Lecture will be given by Professor David Hughes. He is without doubt our industry's leading guru on marketing and this aspect will become

And our New Wardens

Senior Warden Julian Sayers is a Chartered Surveyor who advises farmers and landowners on many aspects of rural property. He is based in Oxfordshire but works throughout England. For the last two years he has been Chairman of the Farmers & Fletchers' Hall Board responsible for launching the new Livery Hall and the associated trading business.

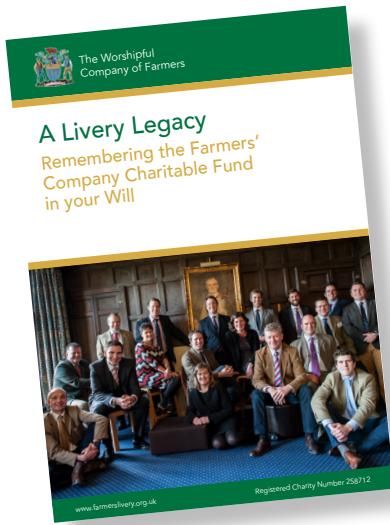


Junior Warden Rosie Carne read agriculture at Reading and has spent her whole career with Yara in the fertilizer industry. She was clothed in 1998, was elected to Court at the second attempt and has subsequently chaired the Livery Liason and the Almoners Committees. Rosie sits on the AIC Board and is a Trustee of the Henry Plumb Foundation.





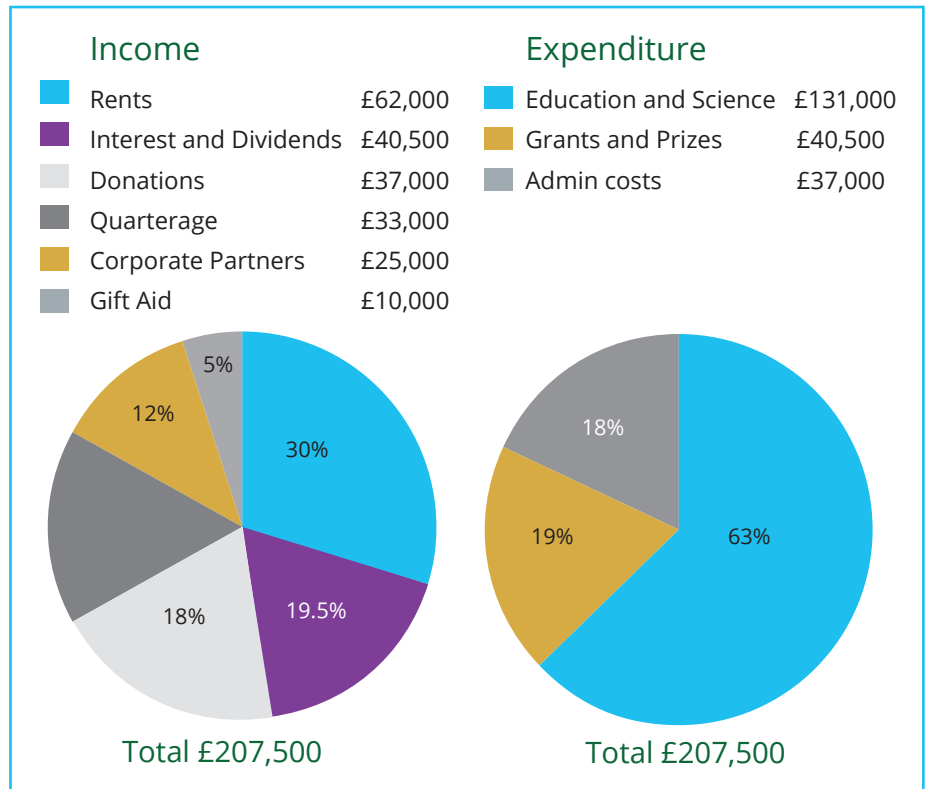
The Charitable Trust



By the time you read this many of you will have visited our refurbished Hall in Cloth St; I hope you like and approve of the transformation. It has had widespread acclaim, not only from Liverymen of the Farmers and Fletchers' Companies, but also from other City Liverymen who have been guests at the Hall.

Its a delightful contemporary venue and I would recommend it to anyone organizing an event in London – be it business or social. The Board responsible for running the Hall is now 100% Owned by the Farmers' Company and has implemented a business model which, hopefully, will gain the bookings which will help to provide the income to support our charitable activities.

My sincere thanks to all of you who donated to our Appeal Fund and



helped us achieve our objective, whilst leaving our charitable funds intact for their intended purpose.

When we launched the Appeal we said that any donations over £30,000 would provide a room naming opportunity but I am pleased to say that we did not have enough rooms to fulfill this obligation so, with the consent of the donors concerned, they are recognized with a brass plaque on the wall of the Dining Hall behind the Master's chair. All donors, irrespective of amount, will be inscribed alphabetically on a wall hanging in the reception area and in a leather-bound volume which was created at the time of the founding of the Hall and will also contain the story of the refurbishment.

Some years ago I published pie charts to illustrate the income and expenditure streams of our Charitable Account and felt it was time for an update for new and older members of the Livery.

I have always regarded being a Liveryman as a great privilege. Our objective is to promote Agriculture within the City and excellence across all sectors of our great industry. We achieve this by offering a much acclaimed programme of education, training and research. We strive to maintain and improve the quality of this offering – be it at basic skill training level or an MBA, so safeguarding and increasing our income is paramount. Leaving your Company a legacy is the most effective way you can help to achieve these objectives. A bequest from you, no matter how large or small, would be welcomed and remembered as it helps shape our future. Enclosed you will find a copy of our legacy leaflet and I ask you to keep it on the desk as a reminder when the time comes for you to make or revise your will; please also check our recently refreshed website which has a section on legacies.
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Surrey Docks Farm

I have been a member of the Company since 1999 and over the years I have been on many a fine visit. But I have never been on one, as inspiring and heart warming as our recent trip to the Surrey Docks Farm.

The Master, members of Court, Liverymen and guests met at the Farmers Club and took the Thames Clipper, ferry service down to London's East End. A short walk brought us to the 2.2 acre farm site, which sits on the Thames Path at Rotherhithe. Here we met by Farm Manager, Gemma Hooper and Deputy Farm Manager and head of livestock, Claire Elson.

Surrey Docks Farm was first established in 1975 and relocated to Rotherhithe in 1986. It is now one of the most successful and awarded, working farms in London. It is truly remarkable just how much has been crammed onto this tiny site.

We saw everything from breeding pigs and cattle, to allotments for the local community. From donkeys for children's rides, to a fully functioning bio-digester that feeds gas to the outdoor BBQ. There's even a herd of goats, that inhabit the open, animal area at the center of the site. And towards the western perimeter sit beehives, where beekeeping is taught.

The farm works with its local community to provide opportunities for everyone to get to learn about farming, food production and animal management and welfare.

And there is even a local version of 'Young Farmers Club' where children



can experience practical farming for themselves.

The WCF has been supporting the farm for a number of years now, and through our main point of contact, Edward Hitchcock, look to provide



assistance wherever we can. An example being the new western area of the site with its glass fronted, muck heap sitting next to the new pig breeding unit which the Company helped to fund. This unit has been built with windows at all levels so even the tiniest visitor can quietly observe the pigs as they rear their young undisturbed.

Our hosts could not have been more attentive and or engaging. Listening to them speak with authority and passion

about the farm, was inspiring. They are clearly not only knowledgeable and effective as a management team, but determined and undaunted by the daily challenges that they face.

Funding is a constant issue, with additionally at the moment, the threat of Southwark cutting or withdrawing funding.

But despite these pressures the farm is constantly developing and finding new and unusual ways to engage the community in its work.

I left determined to see what more I could do to help the farm. And I am sure the visit had that effect on many in our party. I will definitely be going back soon, and I hope reading this will encourage many others to go and see for themselves what is happening at this remarkable place and find ways to support it.



Engaging afresh with past course members

With our new Master installed, it is time to develop the key themes and activities for his year.

One high priority is creating a stronger link between the Company and the ever-growing number of people who have completed our educational courses – our Alumni.

Our educational courses have been in existence for well over 50 years. Many of the alumni of courses past now hold a range of senior and influential positions within the agricultural, food and rural industries.

The camaraderie generated within year groups and the general goodwill towards the Company cannot be over estimated.

While some alumni have quickly joined the Company, many for perfectly good reasons, have not. Hence, the Court and the Master are determined to find ways to maintain links with the broader alumni community. Both the Education Committee and the Fellowship and Communications Committee have been tasked to find sustainable connections to help the Company grow and develop, especially our educational and charitable reach.

The process began last year when a database of alumni, carefully tended for many years by Past Master Jeremy Courtney was used to send an electronic survey to all 800 of those for whom we held an email address.

The response of over 200 was unusually high for an unsolicited enquiry. That was really encouraging. What those responses told us was that no matter which course the respondent had attended, or the year they had been involved, their perception of the value of the course was incredibly high. Reflected a net promoter score (broadly the percentage of people who would

recommend) in excess of 70%.

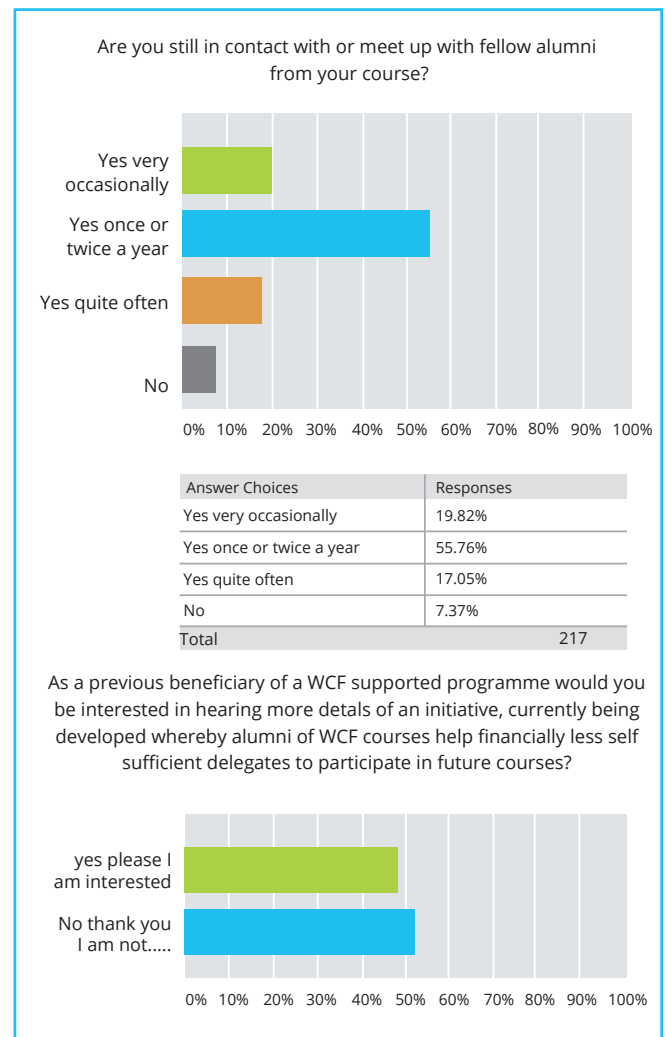
And another interesting feature of the responses was the number of alumni still in touch with their year group colleagues years, even decades, after attending.

But one worrying aspect of the survey was the relatively small number of alumni who go on to connect in a more formal way with the Company itself.

There were a host of explanations for this, from not knowing they could, to not really understanding what it is we do, or why they should consider joining. The survey told us lots more besides, including a willingness of more than half of the respondents to get involved in a possible initiative to help less self-sufficient participants attend one of our courses – but it is the combination of these two key aspects that is driving our actions for 2016.

An immediate decision was taken to make sure that every alumni receives, electronically at least, a regular copy of this newsletter – so I hope a number of you are reading these very words.

And, encouraged by the results of the initial alumni survey, the Fellowship and Communications Committee has been charged with arranging a more in-depth study to help us understand how we can best serve the alumni community and what kind of contact they want to have with us. To do this



we plan to conduct focus groups with alumni to explore possibilities and with them to start to design an alumni relationship that delivers for the ex-students and the Company.

If you are reading this and you are an alumnus of any of our courses, and you would like to take part in one of these groups, please contact Liveryman Christopher Day who is taking on the task of coordinating recruitment for the group discussion which are planned for between now and the end of the year. More news on developments in this area in the next issue of the newsletter in April 2017.

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The Master's Summer Outing 2016

The Summer Outing commenced on the Dorsington Estate, home of the late Felix Dennis, infamous for his appearance in the 'Schoolkids Oz' Obscenity Trial of 1971, and later in life a very successful publisher of computer magazines.



commissioned by Dennis. They range from the ancient - including a piece depicting pre-historic man, through to modern, such as Steven Hawking, Elvis Presley, Crick and Watson and the Beatles.

At the end of the tour a short drive across country took us to the splendid Welcombe



At Dorsington we received a presentation on Dennis' passion in later life - the creation of the Heart of England Forest. The plan for this new forest, to which Dennis left some 80% of his considerable fortune when he died, is to plant a huge, unbroken swathe of native, broadleaf woodland spanning some 30,000 acres. We heard from Estate Manager David Bliss, an alumni of the very first Challenge of Rural Leadership Course in 1996, that over 1 million trees have already been planted on 3000 acres stretching from the borders of

Shakespeare's ancient forest of Arden southwards to the edge of the Vale of Evesham.

The second element of the Outing, was a delightful tour of the gardens including the Garden of Heroes and Villains. This garden contains a very individual and catholic collection of bronze statues amounting to some 40 individual pieces, each specially

Hotel, where the Company enjoyed a convivial dinner hosted by the Master.

The second morning dawned brighter and far less threatening than day one and after a hearty breakfast we set off for Ragley Hall. This historic Country House is the ancestral seat of the Marquess of Hertford and dates back to 1680. It was designed by Dr Robert Hooke and built for the 1st Earl of Conway. Threatened with demolition on several occasions it was eventually rescued and restored, over a period of some 40 years, by the 8th Marquess of Hertford, father to the current



Gardens.

The gardens are extensive and varied, with the current fashion for wild flower and naturalistic planting very much in evidence.



balanced by intriguing little insights into family life in the Hall today – with photographs of the current Marquess and his family in many of the rooms.

The standout feature of the house is the fabulously eccentric and quite spectacular Graham Rust mural. Commissioned by the 9th Marquess and completed in 1983, it ascends the main southern staircase and features pets, friends and family and

amusingly in the very topmost spot, looking down on all the family and friends, the family's butler.



of the Ragley trilogy was a trailer-back tour of the Estate. Hosted by Farm Manager Hamish Stewart, it took in a number of elements of what is clearly, a tightly managed and professionally run operation. One fascinating fact that emerged was the fact that the Farm Shop, run by one of the Estate's tenants, actually turns over more than the whole of the rest of the estate put together – food for thought for more than a few of our Company.

Marquess, who kindly hosted our visit.

Ragley is not only one of the nicest English Stately Homes but also a successful working estate of some 3000 acres. There was a lot for us all to see, so the party was split into groups to tour the Estate, House and

The house is huge and splendid. The Great Hall, decorated by James Wyatt in 1780, is presented, as is the rest of the house, as it was in period. The furniture and paintings are a fascinating reminder of the grandeur of earlier times but they are

An excellent lunch, hosted by the Marquess, was held in the Great Hall with views out through the main entrance and across the gardens and estate.





Being the Clerk

I have often thought that it would be hard to imagine a job requiring as many different skills as that of a full time farmer. But in talking to our Clerk, Graham Bamford, I have come to realise that the Clerk's job does indeed compare, at least in terms of the occupant's requirement to be incredibly multi-talented.

If you were to combine the roles of accountant, nanny, hospitality manager, web master, managing director, keeper of antiquities, wine buyer and committee secretary all in to one role. And imagine all those tasks being undertaken during the Company's biggest ever cash investment, whilst organising a peripatetic Livery, meeting all over London, you would be looking at something close to describing the Clerk role.

Graham however has the ideal background, training and character to fulfill these manifold tasks. Born in Lancashire, there's just a trace of the accent remaining, to a grocer father and paralegal mother (there is a bit of farming in the family too, he points out), he says he has 'attention to detail' in his DNA.

On leaving school in Lancashire his first inclination was to train to become a chef. I am not sure what this says about his cooking skills – but his then boss suggested that he thought his future might better be in hotel management. A suggestion that was to turn out to be particularly prophetic.

Graham joined the Savoy Hotel in London as a management trainee, and while there he met his wife Janet, learned the hotel and banqueting trade and developed his extensive wine knowledge. This was followed

by positions in top hotels, such as the Royal Garden Hotel, Claridges and The Mandarin Oriental in London and The Royal Plaza on Scotts in Singapore.

But it is the Royal Garden that holds the greatest affection for Graham, he took it through a massive refurbishment and re-launched it as THE London destination for those in sport and the arts, with perhaps its greatest single claim to fame being,



that it was the hotel that the England team stayed in during the 1966 World Cup and where they returned to celebrate after winning the trophy.

In all he ended up spending over 20 years of his career at the hotel and clearly still feels passionately about it as a venue today.

So why take on this role you might wonder. Well Graham says that after a career in the hotel business, worrying about filling the beds every night, he wanted a change. But he wanted to stay in hospitality and he wanted to continue to put his attention to detail to work - so taking on a Livery Company

seemed the perfect option. And a quick glance up at the titles on the files that surround his desk confirms that organisation and detail are essential in his, not now so new, role. Company Property : Insurance : Grants and Awards : Archives and Records : Gift Aid : Hall Liaison : Banking and Accounts : Minutes and Agendas – to name but a few.

We are lucky indeed to have found someone as good as Graham to take over from Clerk Emeritus, Colonel David King. It was certainly a hard act to follow, although Graham says made easier because the handover was so good and the basic systems so sound.

Now, he says, he is beginning to feel in control, and how that control and his immense

hospitality experience shines through in the organisation, catering and wine selection when dining in the refurbished Farmers & Fletchers' Hall.

So now when The Clerk writes or you see him in Cloth Street – you will have some idea of what he has been doing, and why he is so good at it!





Remembering Jill Willows

British agriculture suffered a great loss with the unexpected death in April of Liveryman Jill Willows, aged just 60. Jill was the first woman to graduate from Newcastle University with first class honours in agricultural marketing. She then worked for RHM Agriculture and the Higgins potato merchanting group before returning to the family farm at Newhall Grange, Yorkshire in 1980, where she farmed for 25 years.

Seeking direction for her farming enterprise Jill won a Nuffield Scholarship. Her report, Attitudes to Changing Circumstances, was completed in 1991 and she was also the sole female on the 1994 Course of Advanced Farm Management.

Jill then became increasingly involved in a number of agricultural industry organisations. She was a Fellow of the Royal Agricultural Society, a trustee of

Harper Adams University Development Trust and herself sponsored four Nuffield scholars. Indeed the international Nuffield movement became in many ways her family.

Jill was an active and committed member of the Livery and very involved in the company's support of the Surrey Docks Farm. She was also a committee member of The Farmers Club, acting as liaison with the Under 30s section and a generous supporter of the Guild Of Agricultural Journalist Charitable Trust. In 1997 she was chairman of the Oxford Farming Conference.

Through her many roles Jill encouraged and mentored literally hundreds of young women and men helping them develop their careers in agriculture and their farming and countryside enterprises.



Jill seemed to know everyone in our industry. The many whom she befriended and mentored enjoyed her unwavering support, encouragement and generosity. Her energy, warmth and infectious enthusiasm for our industry and its people will be sorely missed.

Anne Chamberlain, November 2016

Middlesex Wing Air Training Corps

On Sunday 11th September our Company accompanied Middlesex Wing of the Air Training Corps at their Annual Wing Field Day. This is the highlight of the year for the cadets, showcasing their abilities. It encourages the spirit of competition at Wing level and the Squadron winners go onto to represent their Wing at Regional level.

The Company was represented by the Master and his wife and Past Master Jeremy Courtney and his wife, Liveryman Anne Courtney, who is our contact with the Cadets.

We were introduced to Cadet Warrant Officer Stewart Davies who was the recipient of an Overseas Award to travel to Australia this summer; one of 4 Cadets who visited Sydney, Brisbane and Canberra to meet with the Australian Air Cadets. Stewart

enthusied about his trip and was extremely grateful to Liveryman Stephen Watkins who gave a donation towards this Award.

Group Captain David Manning was presented with a framed ensign to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Air Cadets and 5 years of the Middlesex Wing at RAF Northolt.

Our party were extremely impressed with the enthusiasm of the the Cadets, many of whom are going onto university to study with the ambition of joining the RAF afterwards. They were truly inspirational.

The culmination of the day was the Parade with 26 Squadrons, over 400



Cadets, from the Wing taking part. The Master presented the Livery Salver to 2473 Highlands and Southgate Squadron for the outstanding community involvement of their cadets. The Salute was taken by Group Captain David Manning who also presented the remaining awards and gave a brief speech.



2017 Events not to be missed!

The 2017 Master's Summer Outing - July 3rd & 4th

The Master is pleased to announce that the 2017 Summer Outing will be held on Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th July in Lincolnshire.

In brief, we will meet at the Nocton Estate Office for a tour, by coach, of the 32,000 acre Beeswax Dyson Farming Enterprise before driving to our hotel, Stubton Hall where we will have exclusive use of this fine property. A champagne reception and 3 course dinner will be served there before retiring to our rooms.

The next morning, following breakfast in the conservatory, we will drive to Belvoir Castle which has had a massive three year restoration. We will be visiting the Castle, Estate and Capability Brown Gardens.

Perhaps unusually, for this summer outing, room reservations are included in the price, subject to availability, early booking is advised!

Full details, including costs and a booking form can be found in the



events section of the Members area of our website or by contacting the Clerk.

www.farmerslivery.org.uk
Make Sure you don't miss it

The 2017 Annual Livery Banquet – January 17th

The Master has announced that for the 2017 Banquet the Goldsmiths' Hall, Foster Lane, London EC2V 6BN has been selected.

In 1327 the Goldsmiths' Company received its first royal charter, giving it the right to enforce standards within the trade and emphasising its pre-eminence over provincial goldsmiths.

This marked the beginning of the Company's formal existence as a craft guild and in 1339 the Company bought a site near the 'Goldsmithery' on which to build its first Hall. This is the same site on which the current Goldsmiths' Hall now stands. No other Company can claim a longer or earlier tenure.

Built to impress, this magnificently proportioned Livery Hall, with



Corinthian columns of scagliola, has a richly decorated moulded ceiling in gold leaf. The draped embrasure in the north wall was designed as a buffet to display the Company's ceremonial plate. Above the arch of the embrasure appear the arms of William IV.

To either side, in front of large mirrors, are marble busts of George III and George IV.

The four matching chandeliers of English glass, supplied by Perry and Co. in 1835, now electrified internally, each hold forty-eight candles. One of the delights of attending an evening reception or dinner is to see the crystal facets twinkling in the candlelight.

Our Banquet at Goldsmiths' is not limited to members and spouses; friends, family and other guests are very welcome. Dress will be either white tie or black tie, so anybody who does not possess evening dress should not be in any way reluctant to attend. All the popular features of our Banquets are of course planned for the evening. We will assemble from 6.30pm and rise by 10.45pm.

The price of tickets is £130 per person, double tickets £260. Please book via the Members Portal of the website or by contacting the Clerk.

We will apply the usual rule of "first come, first served" until we are full. Those on the waiting list will be advised, and invitations will be mailed well before Christmas.





Annual Livery Sheep Drive

The sight of a Defender 90 and livestock trailer parked on the London Bridge is not what one expects to see on a sunny Sunday morning in Autumn, but this is the first sign that this is no ordinary Sunday; it is the setting of Sheep Drive 2016. Now in its fourth year, the event drew some 600 participants from 60 of the City's Livery Companies.

It is a fun event, but with a worthy and serious objective: to raise a lot of money for charity. The right of Freemen of the City to drive livestock across London Bridge without toll is an ancient one. But it is doubtful if even members of the Farmers' company would consider exercising their right today given the traffic, movement licences, etc.

Four years ago, the Worshipful Company of Woolmen came up with the idea of the Sheep Drive. It provides a safe, controlled way for any Freeman to drive livestock across London Bridge with an entry fee that is divided between the Woolmen's charities and the Lord Mayor of London's chosen charities. To date several hundred thousands of pounds.

The 2016 event was started by former Formula One World Champion Nigel Mansell who swapped steering wheel for a crook.

Following a few groups behind was our own Company, with a party led by the Master and Mistress. Following on were Liverymen, Jan Boomars, Geoff Dodgson, Walter Simon and Belinda Young; Freeman Peter Ward; as well as Penny Simon, Sarah Boomaars and Rebecca Dawson.

The bright sunny day meant the crowds were on the streets and one can only wonder what our foreign visitors will have made of this rather unusual aspect of their sight seeing tour.



Photos taken, certificates awarded the participants dispersed to a range of watering holes and lunch engagements.

Why not consider Sheep Drive 2017. You will exercise an ancient right, have considerable fun and help raise funds for some very worthwhile charities.

Editor's Note

Time flies when you are enjoying yourself they say. If that's true then I must have been having a whale of a time, because I can't believe it's already the moment in the Company calendar when we welcome Philip Wynn our new Master.

Each new appointee to the Mastership brings something different to the role, which is one of the great joys of our constitution and organisation. But this year there is also a definite sense of continuity, with close co-operation between the outgoing and incoming incumbents and with the Senior and Junior Wardens too; and that has to be a very good thing.

There is also a very outward looking aspect to the way Philip is approaching his year of office. There is already a theme developing on Court, in the Committees and in the words of the Master's Installation address. It's one of

communication, helping the agricultural community understand what it is we do and why it is important. New leaflets and displays are the outward sign of the Company's determination to build our reputation and standing - not for its own sake, but to help us be a more effective fund raiser so that we can do more to help the industry and everyone who works in it. If you have views on this or any other topic I would love to hear from you. You can email me on Richard@redcomms3d.com, call me on 07836 333008, or if you see me at an event just grab me.





ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following were admitted as Freemen by redemption at the Court meeting on the 8th June 2016

Mr Richard John Williamson
Proposed by P G Wynn
Seconded by T Wheatley-Hubbard

Mr Timothy Simon Banks
Proposed by P G Wynn
Seconded by R W Parker

Mr Robert James Willey
Proposed by N D S Brown DL
Seconded by S N Roughton

Mr Edward Michael Astley-Arlington
Proposed by T W Kemsley
Seconded by T A Copas

Mr Edward Bevis Hurford
Proposed by T A Copas
Seconded by D A Kelly MBE

EVENTS

2016

Monday 5th December
Court Meeting
Farmers & Fletchers' Hall

Tuesday 6th December
Common Hall and Christmas Luncheon
Fishmongers' Hall

Tuesday 20th December
High Tea and Carols
Farmers & Fletchers' Hall and St Bartholomew the Great

2017

Tuesday January 17th
Annual Banquet
Goldsmiths' Hall

Thursday 19th & 20th January
Inter-Livery Ski Championships
Morzine, France

Tuesday 21st February
The City Food Lecture
Guildhall

Tuesday 28th February
Inter-Livery Pancake Race
Guildhall Yard

Tuesday 7th March
Court and Livery Luncheon
Farmers & Fletchers' Hall

Friday 31st March
United Guilds Service
St Paul's Cathedral

Wednesday 12th April
Agricultural Lecture and Dinner
Plasterers' Hall

Tuesday 6th June
Court and Livery Luncheon
Farmers & Fletchers' Hall

Monday 26th June
Election of Sheriffs & Inter-Livery Luncheon
Farmers & Fletchers' Hall

Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th July
Master's Summer Outing
Beeswax Dyson Farming and Belvoir Estate

Friday 29th September
Election of Lord Mayor & Inter-Livery Luncheon
Farmers & Fletchers' Hall

Tuesday 10th October
Installation, Court & Livery Luncheon
Haberdashers' Hall

Tuesday 5th December
Court & Livery Luncheon
Clothworkers' Hall

2018

Wednesday 17th January
Annual Livery Banquet
Stationers' Hall

DEATHS

It is with sadness and regret that we announce the deaths of the following:

Mr William Cumber of Manor Farm, Marcham, Abingdon, Oxfordshire OX13 6NZ
Who died on the 29th October. He was clothed on the 23rd March 1976 by Servitude
He was bound as an Apprentice of the Company on the 23rd September 1969

Mr William Donald Peck of Yew Tree Cottage, Cotswold Lane, Old Sodbury, Bristol
Who died on the 20th March 2016. He was clothed on the 28th November 1994.

Mr Keith Arundel McDougall of Hill House, Wells-next-the-Sea, Norfolk,
Who died on the 22nd August 1916. He was clothed on the 16th September 1985

Mr Reginal George Leslie Haydon OBE of South Stoke Farm, Arundel, West Sussex
who died on the 26th August 2016. He was clothed on the 2nd December 2008

Mr Alan Raymond Sutton of Ballachrink, Bayr Ballagawne, Ballasalla, Isle of Man who died on the 18th September 2016. He was clothed on the 15th December 1980.

Mr Robert Lawrence Clifton-Brown of Maltings Farmhouse, Little Bradley, Haverhill, Suffolk
who died on the 8th October 2016. He was clothed on the 11th June 1974.

Mrs Gillian (Jill) Willows of The Mews, Newhall Grange, Maltby, Rotherham. South Yorks who died on the 24th April 2016. She was clothed on the 6th April 1998