

# NEWS REPORTS Oct 11 to Oct 12 Master Doug Barrat

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## **3rd October - Installation Court - Drapers Hall**

The Master, Doug Barrat, presided over his last official duty of his most successful year as Master at The Court Meeting at which the business of the Company was discussed and agreements made on a wide range of activities. These included forthcoming events, Scholarships, Finance (including the report of the year accounts to date), Charitable Trust update and a number of other interesting progressive matters including update on new ladies attire and reflection on the spacings and activities at Court Meetings to be further discussed at GP.

Following which The Master Gowned Mr Steve Brawley as a Liveryman of The Company



Mr Steve Brawley BA (Hons) MCIPD MCMI The Chief Executive of Joint Industry Board for The Electrical Contracting Industry based in Sidcup, Kent. Steve is introduced by Sir Michael Latham.

The Master then granted The Freedom of The Company to Squadron Leader Mike Alden, Mr Matthew Savastano and Mr Martin Watson.



Squadron Leader Mike Alden RAF The Chief Engineer at The Center of Aviation Medicine 5001 Regt RAF based at RAF Henlow. Mike is introduced by Past Master David Hattersley MBE.



Mr Martin Watson BA (Hons) Dip Arch RIBA a Architect Partner of Brock Carmichael Architects LLP of Old Hall Street, Liverpool. Martin is introduced my Court Assistant Mike Parrett.



Mr Matthew Savastano B Eng (Hons) a Railway Engineer and Trackside Services Director of WSP Group of Basingstoke. Matthew is introduced by Junior Warden Graeme Monteith.

After these ceremonies The Master Doug Barrat installed The Clerk, The Beadle and then The New Master Mr Stephen Rigden being Master Elect.

The New Master then paid thanks to Past Master Doug Barrat for a splendid year.

### **1st October - Election of The Lord Mayor of The City of London**



In the ancient Guildhall The Master processed with other Livery Masters to lead The Company in electing our New Lord Mayor Alderman Roger Gifford.

Every Liveryman has the right to vote in Guildhall and many Members of The Company joined with The Master.

Photo above of The Lord Mayor Alderman David Wootton on the left with the newly elected Lord Mayor Roger Gifford on the right of photo.



Photo below The Lord Mayor Alderman David Wotton with Alderman Roger Gifford and the two City Sheriffs: Sheriff Alderman Jeffery Evans (on left of photo) and Sheriff Nigel Pullman on the right. Taken outside Guildhall on a rainy day immediately after the conclusion of the election procedure.



See above The Company gathering in the beautiful Painter-Stainers Court Room and thereafter in the Great Hall for luncheon. Top left Master Elect Stephen Rigden with Renter Warden Elect Graeme Monteith, right is Liveryman Prof Barry Symonds with Junior Warden Elect Ian Mason. Below a group and right The Master Doug Barrat arranges the seating for The Constructors' table.

A luncheon followed as the kind guests of The Master Painter-Stainer in their beautiful Hall. The Master enjoyed a large number of members of The Company and Guests probably making up the largest group lunching in hall. The Master expressed his gratitude to The Master Painter Stainer.

### **12th September - Election Court held at Wax Chandlers' Hall**

The Master, Doug Barrat, presided over The Court Meeting at which the business of the Company was discussed and agreements made on a wide range of activities. These included forthcoming events, Scholarships, Finance (including the report of the year accounts to date), Charitable Trust update and a number of other interesting progressive matters including authorisation of expenditure levels, approval of new Court Gowns to be manufactured, update on migration to new website and the development of our members being on our LinkedIn contact.

The Court were further briefed and approved the extension of The Royal Charter Young Persons Travel Award with sponsorship from BRE bringing this award to a very usable amount enabling travel and research throughout the known world.

Following which The Master Gowned Mr Philip Willmott, Mr William (Bill) Scott and Mr David Johnson as Liverymen.



Mr Philip Willmott TD a Major Projects Director of Vinci Construction UK Ltd.



Mr David Johnson BA (Hons) LAW a Business Development Director with N G Bailey of London E14. David is introduced by Liveryman Paul Jackson.



Mr William (Bill) Scott BSc (Hons) MBA FICE a Civil Engineer and Deputy Chief Executive of First Engineering the Multi Disciplinary Railway Maintenance, Renewal, Design and Construct Company. Bill is also a Liveryman of The Coopers Company. Bill is introduced by Junior Warden Graeme Monteith.

The Master then granted Freedom of The Company to:- Ms Julia Evans, Mr Michael Burke, Mr Thomas Daly, Mr Graham Clarke



Ms Julia Evans MBA MPhil BA The Chief Executive Officer of The National Federation of Builders a Trade Federation with its HQ in Crawley, West Sussex. Julia is introduced by Court Assistant John Sayers



Mr Michael Burke a Business Development Director with Sustain Group (UK) Ltd a company acquiring and delivering sustainable and renewable energy projects in Solar PV market. Michael is introduced by Liveryman Robert Sykes.



Mr Thomas Daly LLB (Hons) FCIOB MRICS FCI Arb MEWI Barrister a Chartered Quantity Surveyor and Chartered Builder. A Director of Patronus Consulting Group Ltd a company of Chartered Surveyors based in Farnham, Surrey. Thomas is introduced by Honorary Court Assistant Kenneth Kent.



Mr Graham Clarke BA (Hons) Dip Arch (Hons) RIBA a Director of Architecture with McBains Cooper the Construction Consultancy based in Oxford. Graham is introduced by Court Assistant Tony Ward.

**The Court Business continued and for the following year from 3rd October 2012 the Court approved the following to go forward for agreement at Common Hall.**

Master	(2012/13)	S Rigden BSc MSc CEng MICE MCIM
Senior Warden	(M 13/14)	A Longhurst BSc BArch RIBA
Middle Warden	(M 14/15)	V Russell LLB(Hons) FCI Arb FCIOB FFB
Renter Warden	(M 15/16)	G Monteith BSc(Hons) CEng MICE FIHT
Junior Warden	(M 16/17)	I Mason MRICS

Clerk	K Tyrrell
Beadle	E Prior

CA 1	Sir V Ramsey MA MICE
CA 2	A Ward Ceng FI Struct E
CA 3	M Parrett FCIOB CSCI FRSA FIMMM FIOD
CA 4	A Hovsepian BSc(Hons) MCIOB MASI
CA 5	J Sayers MAPM
CA 6	S Wells BSc(Hons) Ceng FICE FCIWEM
CA 7	H Lamb BSc(Hons) Dipls FCIOB FBEng MAPM
CA 8	T Fitch BSc MSc DIC CEng FICE
CA 9	D Farrow BSC (Hons), MRICS MIDHE
CA 10	J Coles MCIOB ACI Arb
CA 11	J Taylor LLB(Hons)
CA 12	A Hornby RmaPS TechIOSH MIIRSM MRSPH FFB

Hon CA 1	D Rundle RIBA FCIOB PPASI PPF B HonFGIS
Hon CA 2	K Kent FCIOB MRICS FASI MCM I
Hon CA 3	A Seymour FCIOB FFB, (Hon Treasurer)
Hon CA 4	R Heathfield PPCIOB
Hon CA 5	G Crook MSc FICE FI StructE ACI Arb
Hon CA Emeritus	K Wilson ARIBA
Hon CA Emeritus	Sir Michael Latham DL

Immediate PM	D Barrat FRSA
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Committee Chairmen & Reporting (to GP & the Court) Wardens. Scholarships and Awards; Chairman Bob Heathfield, Reporting Warden, Victoria Russell. Events; Chairman D Rundle, Reporting Warden Graeme Monteith Sponsorship; Chairman Mike Parrett, reporting Warden, Ian Mason.

Company Illustrator H Stephenson MCSD FSAI FRSA  
Almoner & Archivist J Burrell BSc MICE

**12th September - Common Hall - Wax Chandlers` Hall**

The Master presided over Common Hall attended by the Court and many members of The Company. Business included a full report of The Company activities and finances.

The proposed officers for the following year was put to a vote by all members and approved as set out in the Court Meeting.

Mr Stephen Rigden will take office during The Installation Court on 3rd October and will preside over his first formal occasion later that day at Drapers` Hall and Members, Members Guests and Company Guests will join the New Master and Mistress as they start their year in office.

### **12th September - Henry Stephenson Exhibition - Wax Chandlers` Hall**



Liveryman Henry Stephenson MCSD FSAI FRSA Joint Hon Fellow London SBU has been our Company Illustrator for many years. Members know of his fine work and quite special skill in depicting Company Events. This year as started by Past Master Bob Craig our Master Doug Barrat pressed forward to ensure the members at Common Hall had every opportunity to see some of Henry`s work.

Some of his drawings have been used as cards for St Lawrence Jewry and some works as presentations to Lord Mayors. Always of the highest standards and proudly displayed on many walls.

See above Past Master Martin Wade discussing the exhibition with Henry and on the right The Master thanking Henry for putting together a most interesting and informative exhibition.

### **31st August - Annual "Three Clerks Golf Trophy"**



The Constructors team (Alan Longhurst, Tim Nicholson, Melvile Dunbar & Peter Tomsett) successfully retained the "3 Clerks Trophy" at the Tyler & Bricklayers Golf Day yesterday at Muswell Hill Golf Club. The Match was played in near perfect conditions on a course which was deceptively lush and narrow which in itself caused its fair share of problems but all were overcome in a determined manner to bring victory.

Report by Kim Tyrrell

## 19th July The Company Golf Day at Tandridge Golf Club



Liverymen and their guests took part in a wonderful days golf (in the dry!) at the superb Tandridge Golf Club, Oxted, Surrey. We returned here again as the facilities, hospitality, quality of fare and the wonderful condition and challenge of the course itself. All were delighted with their day some bagging more points than others in the afternoon Stapleford competition.

The Master, Doug Barrat, presided over the evening Livery Country Dinner, open to all members and guests, and thereafter presented the prizes for the golf competition.



See here pre dinner gathering at The Clubhouse especially our former Clerk Tim Nicholson and Past Master John Robson JP on the left and the gathering at our tables on the right with our Clerk Kim Tyrrell in left foreground.



As every year we are indebted to Warden Alan Longhurst for organising our day but see here Mrs Lee Longhurst and guest tucking into "seconds" of Tandridge speciality Plum Pudding covered in golden syrup!





After dinner Warden Alan Longhurst announced the prize winners. On the right the top prizes - The Peter Allen Bowl for top Guest and on right The Ken Brown Cup for top Liveryman.

Note Peter Allen was a founder member and past master. He always organised the company golf day at Tandridge GC of which he was a long time member. In his memory our former sponsor AET donated the bowl.



This year G Nagle won and above the bowl presented by Past Mistress Monica Allen



Third place was R Oakes (left) and second place T Cramphorne (right)



Turning to The Livery Competition and this year won by Alan Longhurst. Alan last won in 2005 and for previous winners see side tab "Company History"



Third place John Sayers (left) and second place Melville Dunbar (right)

**19th July A presentation to The Master by The Company Illustrator Henry Stephenson  
MCSD FSAI FRSA Joint Hon Fellow London SBU**



Since 1995 Henry Stephenson has most generously presented to each Master a pen and ink drawing watercolour and framed as a memento of the Masters` Weekend. This year Henry chose the warm Mediterranean frontage of The Masters` home where he hosted a wonderful luncheon during his weekend in Hereford.

See above The Master with Henry Stephenson have presented the watercolour.



See The Master show members the delightful and timeless work of Henry.

A most generous and wonderful gift.

**5th July - The Master hosts a Private Luncheon for visiting Livery Masters in The Guildhall Club.**



In keeping with tradition The Master hosted a private luncheon for two visiting Masters. Doug Barrat The Master together with The Wardens and four Past Masters hosted Clive Turrell Master Joiner & Ceiler together with John Harding Master Lightmonger.

The Guildhall Club again proved a most delightful venue with the Menu and Wines carefully selected for the occasion.

**29th June - Regents Park Canal Cruise. A Livery Company Dinner Cruise through London Zoo, Regent's Park, and the short Maida Hill canal tunnel, to emerge at "Little Venice" and return.**



The My Fair Lady dinner boat cruise was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The weather was bright and clear for once. The dinner was superb with three delicious courses, then coffee. There was a good selection of fine wine and beverages, and the service was solicitous. The Master, members and guests behaved themselves and stayed within the confines of the boat. We cruised calmly into the unknown, that is, the cruise took us to scenic parts of London generally unseen - unless you travel on a canal boat. We flowed past lush, elegant back gardens in the tranquil sunset, with balmy breezes, many ducks, and just a few natives. ... waving. ... It was idyllic!

The Master particularly thanked Freeman Dr Francine Baker who organised a wonderful evening for The Company to enjoy. *"Thank you for organising an absolutely marvellous evening, everything went without a hitch and every one I spoke to really enjoyed themselves"*.

### **June 2012 - Our Former Sponsors and good friends AET Flexible Space report their Golf Day Success at Tandridge Golf Club**



We're delighted to inform you that this year's overall winner was Steve Willock of Brinson Staniland Partnership. The Open Golf Championship was a closely fought competition between around 40 attendees from all sectors of our industry.

On what was without doubt the hottest day of the month, those attending were able to enjoy the newly remodelled Tandridge course, as well as the usual delights that have become a feature of the annual event.

This year we saw many old faces and some new guests joining us for the first time. Tandridge Golf Club as usual provided excellent hospitality and dining, and the venue continues to exceed expectations.

Congratulations again to all the winners and please save the date for next year, Thursday 27th June 2013. We hope to see you there.

Glan and all the team at AET



Announcing the 10th AET Flexible Space Open Golf Champion!

See here Liveryman Glan Blake-Thomas CEng MCIBSE sporting his Livery Company Tie presenting a rather grand award to Steve Willock.

**Does that not wet your whistle to book in for the company golf day in July - see side tab.**

**25th June - Election of Sheriffs**

At Common Hall, held in Guildhall on Monday 25 June 2012, the assembly of the Liverymen of the City of London elected the following persons as Sheriffs of the said City:

**EVANS, Jeffrey Richard (Alderman and Shipwright)**

**PULLMAN, Nigel Reginald (Citizen and Leatherseller)**

The two Sheriffs will take up their posts on 28 September 2012.

The Company sends its warmest congratulations to both candidates and wishes them well for a most successful upcoming year.

The two Sheriffs of the City of London are elected each year by the Livery. Both are of equal standing, but one is customarily an Alderman, known as the Aldermanic Sheriff. The other, colloquially called the Lay Sheriff, doesn't need be either an Alderman or a Common Councilman. The City Sheriffs attend the Courts of Alderman and Common Council and also occupy a central place in the assemblies of Common Hall. In addition, they are also responsible for the daily opening of the courts at the Central Criminal Courts at Old Bailey.

The Sheriffs also travel with the Lord Mayor when necessary on his many trips abroad promoting the interests of the City and, on occasion, will stand in for him/her if needed.

**5th June - The Master Doug Barrat attends Westminster Hall to represent The Company at The Diamond Jubilee Lunch**





The Queen travelled from Mansion House to Westminster Hall to be given lunch by the Livery. The Prince of Wales and Duchess of Cornwall, The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge and Prince Henry of Wales also attended the lunch.

Representatives from sponsoring livery companies were present at the lunch, including our Master Doug Barrat, with the vast majority of the guest list of approximately 700 comprising people from all over the country whose trade, craft or profession is represented by one of the many different liveries taking part in the event, together with the charities, schools and other organisations they support.



Above The Master with the members of The Constructors' table at the luncheon.

The National Children's Orchestra of Great Britain performed a programme of music at the lunch.

The Master Mercer proposed the grace to Her Majesty.

The Master joined others and took a table of our Scholars, Award Winners and Charity workers to enjoy the following wines & menu:-

First it will be canapes with the following drinks:

Nyetimber Classic Cuvée 2007, Sparkling English Wine  
Sandringham Apple Juice

#### **THE MAIN MENU**

Marinated Uist Island Salmon with Lyme Bay Crab  
Fresh Herb Salad with Lemon Soy Dressing  
Sancerre Sauvignon Blanc, Bué Loire Valley, France 2011

Saddle of Welsh Cambrian Mountain Lamb with Braised Shoulder of Lamb  
Grilled Isle of Wight Asparagus, Jersey Royal Potatoes, Jubilee Sauce  
Château Cap de Faugères, Côte-de-Castillon, France 2007

Followed by a Symphony of Dessert by Anton Mossiman

Chocolate Délice  
Bread & Butter Pudding  
Berry Compote with Sandringham Apple Sauce

This will be accompanied with:

Ceylon Tea,  
Fairtrade Coffee  
Petit Fours

The Ceylon Bush Tea was planted by The Duke of Edinburgh during a State Visit to Sri Lanka in 1954 in the Pedro Tea plantation in Nuwara Eliya

HRH Prince William, The Duke of Cambridge dined at the Engineers and Arbitrators table, while HRH The Countess of Cambridge dined at The Master Glovers and Pattenmakers table.

HRH Prince Harry of Wales dined on the Fruiterers and Gardeners table.

**Something else for you:-**



Award Winning former Apprentice of Court Assistant Jon Coles and Past Master Roger Adcock at Killby & Gayford Ltd; Mr Darryl Buckley Bsc FIOC seen here above **SITTING NEXT TO** Mr Speaker and slightly accross from HM The Queen. Darryl had won several craft apprentice competitions and went on to become one of the UKs leading Apprentices in his trade of Bench Joinery. He won several Joiners & Ceilers competitions resulting at one Livery Award Dinner of his competition work being shown. He was granted Yeoman Membership and through Clive Turrell of J&S, he was invited and found himself at lunch on THE TABLE! WOW! Think of the millions of souls would would have loved the opportunity.

*As Darryl told your humble reporter "It was a very great honour and still can't believe it really, all the family are really proud, Clive Turrell got me the main invite, then somehow I was selected to sit at HM 's table, The queen was meant to be asking all 6 guests on her table a personal related question (as we had to write a 150 word biography a few weeks ago) but the hall was so noisy she didn't, could have been awkward if we couldn't hear her.....! The Queen however enjoyed sipping her Dubonet and Lemonade.*

Dressed in full morning dress Darryl made his family, friends and colleagues very proud.

### **The Master's Summer Week-End 25th May – 27th May 2012**

To be based at: The Old Court Hotel, Symonds Yat West, Ross on Wye, Herefordshire.  
[www.oldcourthotel.co.uk](http://www.oldcourthotel.co.uk)



The Master Doug Barrat and The Mistress Mrs Lesley Barrat living in the beautiful county of Herefordshire and very near the wonderful City of Hereford welcomed 50 guests to stay the weekend in the heart of their home town, home and family. As if by divine intervention the weather from start to finish was glorious being up to 27deg C and warm balmy evenings.

We were welcomed to The Old Court Hotel by The Master and Mistress with cool drinks and a big hug! The owner of Old Court was most concerned for our every comfort which was particularly appreciated. (What comfortable beds they have!)



Without a pause we were on our arranged transport and away to Weston's Cider. Located only a short hop away we had the private tour kind arranged by The Master. A most interest tour of Cider and Perry manufacture using old methods to produce a traditional and popular beverage. Of course the tasting of all the products was most generous and certainly set us all up for a lovely weekend.





Back to the hotel, finding a moment to unpack and take some tea then a very short walk to the Symonds Yat River for a absolutely lovely boat trip up and down (to the rapids) drinking rose sparkling all laid on by The Master so that none shall be without inner refreshment.



The Master was not yet finished having arranged a Constructors Informal Dinner at the Hotel. Old Court pride themselves at using fresh local produce all beautifully cooked so it was an opportunity for them to demonstrate their skills and we were dissappointed topped off with local cheeses. Wonderful. Time for a nightcap under the stars. What a great day and more to come.



On the bus, after a super breakfast, and off to see the Beautiful City of Hereford and its Cathedral.



The Master had arranged four private tours by the most knowledgeable and distinguished guides in Hereford.



We were very privileged to be shown The Chain Library, The largest in the UK, and containing books and manuscripts dating back to 850AD,



Then the Mappa Mundi together with a most interesting technical explanation and translation of this ancient map.

On our tour we even had a private coffee station! now thats impressive. A wonderful spiritual visit to an unknown gem of England. The Queen is visiting shortly on her Diamond Jubilee Tour and will open the front concourse on which we gathered.

Time now for shopping in the town. A Medieval layout of shops and market proved intriguing. Past Mistress Tina even found the handbag she wanted to complete her ensemble for her youngest sons wedding in the summer. A lovely memento of Hereford too!



After shopping and or lunch at personal needs it was back on the bus and off to "Lasketts" the private garden of Sir Roy Strong.



Welcomed by Sir Roy to his garden we were told in explanation he had created the garden from 4 acres of ordinary garden. Sir Roy and his Late Wife Julia created the largest post war formal garden and we were invited to wander at will to experience what really is a life story. Quite unique and quite stunning. Sir Roy was, of course, The Principle Guest at our Ladies Banquet held in April. It was such a delight and privilege to see him again, in his garden relaxed and comfortable.



The Master and The Mistress were not finished with us yet. Back to Hotel and dress for a return trip to Hereford City Hall and a welcome by Councillor Denis Brian Wilcox JP the 631st Mayor of Hereford for the Municipal Year May 2012 – 2013 together with The Mayoress Mrs Lynda Wilcox. The Mayor kindly hosted a reception in The Parlour and there followed a grand dinner at which The Master, Doug Barrat, spoke to thank Councillor Denis Wilcox for his gracious

hospitality and how much all these folk now assembled had enjoyed his City and the links between The Cities of Hereford and London. We were delighted to learn Brian and Juilia`s daughter works in The City of London creating a nice link with us. The Master also had dining with us Major General Ted Willmot CBE and his wife Mrs Sally Willmot. Major General Willmot was the Masters Principle Guest at his Installation Dinner so it was rather special to dine with him again in his home city.



The Master also had Sir Roy Strong as our guest in some small thank you for his kind hospitality at Lasketts. A group photo on the stairs captured the moment of a warm evening inside the most impressive Town Hall.



Before Dinner The Mayor Councillor Denis Wilcox presented a beautiful glass goblet to The Master as a memento of our visit.



Our quite special evening ended with beautiful singing from the amateur Operatic Society. A wide range of classical and modern songs to enlighten our evening - Thank you so very much.

Our Weekend was not finished!

Sunday morning off back to Hereford Cathedral for Morning Worship lead by The Bishop of Hereford, The Right Reverend Anthony Priddis, to a service of great spiritual uplift and very much appreciated by the congregation in a very full Cathedral.

Church over and off to lunch at the beautiful home of The Master and The Mistress. Located in a village outside Hereford City. A part medieval farm house proved such a wonderful spot to lunch under the shade of some large trees in the garden. Here The Senior Warden Stephen Rigden thanked our host and hostess for what was quite simply a "Triumph" and lovely weekend. He now knew he has a tough act to follow!

**Tuesday 23rd May - Squadron Leader Mike Alden Lately Officer Commanding 5001 Sqn RAF invited the Master to visit the RAF New Entry Officer Training Establishment RAF Cranwell.**



Squadron Leader Mike Alden Lately Officer Commanding 5001 Sqn RAF invited the Master to visit the RAF New Entry Officer Training Establishment RAF Cranwell.

Here The Master, Senior Warden Stephen Rigden, Past Master Christine Rigden CA Mike Parrett, HCA Godfrey Crook and The Clerk enjoyed a fascinating visit hosted by Mike and his Wife Emily, walking in the foot steps of Sir Douglas Barder, Sir Frank Whittle and scores of others. during the visit the Master conducted an extraordinary Election Committee, which Mike passed with flying colours and we look forward to his joining as a Freeman in the near future.

The day was blessed with wonderful weather and was much enjoyed by all.

**Wednesday 9th May 2012 - The 189th Session of the Court was held onboard HQS WELLINGTON, Temple Stairs, Victoria Embankment, London, WC2R 2PN**

The Master, Doug Barrat, presided over The Court Meeting at which the business of the Company was discussed and agreements made on a wide range of activities. These included forthcoming events, Scholarships, Finance (including the adoption of the prior year accounts), Charitable Trust update and a number of other interesting progressive matters including progress on Ladies' Scarves, The Master's Badge, Archives – progress, Property Re-valuation, Website, Cadets, Henry Stephenson Exhibition, Management of WCC's History.

During The Court Session The Master welcomed into The Livery:



Sean Yeo a Construction Insurance Broker. Currently a Branch Manager with Aston Scott Group Plc of London. Mr Yeo is already a Liveryman of The Worshipful Company of Paviers and was proposed by Court Assistant Tim Fitch.

The Master then granted The Freedom of The Company to:



Martin John Hickey ACIOB currently a Regional Construction Manager with The Buxton Group of Caterham Surrey. Mr Hickey was proposed by Court Assistant Mike Parrett.



John Gerard Caine BSc, Dip Geo, C.Eng, MICE, F Cons E, MStructE a Consulting Structural Engineer currently a Director and Manager of The London Office EC1 of Curtins Consulting Ltd. Mr Caine was proposed by Past Master Patricia Newton.



Dean William Wincott a Construction Estimator and Cost Consultant. Currently a New Business Director with The Apollo Group Ltd of Waltham Abbey, Essex. Mr Wincott was proposed by Senior Court Assistant Ian Mason.



Sean Dean Fishlock MRICS MCIQB MBA DMS CM a Construction Consultant. Currently Managing Director of Navigant Consulting Europe of Woolgate Exchange EC2. Mr Fishlock was proposed by Liveryman Robert Sykes.



The Master, Doug Barrat, posed on HQS Wellington with our new Liveryman and Freemen.

### **The Constructors Companions Luncheon onboard HQS Wellington**

Following The Court Session The Master, Doug Barrat, together with The Mistress Mrs Lesley Barrat hosted a pre lunch reception followed by Luncheon in honour of The Companion Members being Widows of former members of The Company. The Master was especially pleased to welcome so many Companions attending.



The wonderful arrangement of HQS Wellington provided a lovely reception area for pre lunch drinks. See above the gallery and a welcome for friends.



Above Renter Warden Victoria Russell chatting to new Freeman John Caine with Hon Court Assistant Sir Michael Latham to their right. The Master, Doug Barrat, chatting to Canon David Parrott and Past Master John Trussler.



The Master and Mistress, Mrs Lesley Barrat talk to Hon Court Assistant Bob Heathfield.



Over Luncheon The Master hosted 60 and sat between Mrs Georgina Craig and Lady Valerie Dixon with Mrs Lesley Barrat.



The Clerk, Kim Tyrell (feeling very at home on a former HMS Ship as a former Royal Marine Officer!) organised the whole day and events with military efficiency and ensure everyone had a



wonderful day and a very decent luncheon! See Kim here sitting beside Past Master Patricia Newton and Court Assistant Tim Fitch.



At the end of Luncheon The Master, Doug Barrat addressed the luncheon then all assembled moved to St Lawrence Jewry for our Annual Service of Worship.

### **Annual Church Service in the Church of St Lawrence Jewry next Guildhall.**

The service was conducted by Canon David Parrott, Guild Vicar St Lawrence Jewry & Honorary Chaplain.



Our Company Church next Guildhall



The Master, Doug Barrat led with the reading 2 Peter 2:1-10, The Company Chaplain David Parrott took us through a beautiful act of Worship and we enjoyed the beautiful singing of The Choir to whom we were indebted for their wonderful contribution.

### **18th April - Ladies' Banquet - Merchant Taylors' Hall.**

Dear Kim.

A quick line to let you know images from the Ladies Banquet are now on our website, archive disk to follow.

As always, if your members could be reminded of this facility in the next general communication that would be greatly appreciated.

I hope this finds you in improved health, sorry to hear about your problems but I wish you a full and speedy recovery.

Any queries please let me know.

Kind regards,  
Stuart.

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The Master Doug Barrat and The Mistress Mrs Lesley Barrat hosted the Annual Ladies Banquet in Merchant Taylors' Hall. The Masters' Principle Guest Sir Roy Strong FRSL an English art historian, museum curator, writer, broadcaster and landscape designer. He has been director of both the National Portrait Gallery and the Victoria and Albert Museum in London. He was knighted in 1983.

The Great Hall of Merchant Taylors' Hall is a grand, triple-height space, dates back to as early as 1347. The King's Gallery gets its name after King James I used it as a private dining space in 1607 and throughout there are exquisite reminders of the many centuries through which Merchant Taylors' has stood.



The Master led The Wardens, their guests, visiting Masters and Sir Roy Strong into the hall for dinner. A wonderful occasion with many members and guests.



On behalf of The Company The Master was presented with a personal gift from Past Master Mrs Patricia Newton to the Company to commemorate the granting of the Royal Charter - a beautiful and thoughtful silver salver.

Lists of Company Guests and speeches to follow.

*draft photos from Gerald Sharp Photography above contact for members to order own selection.*

### **18th April - "The New Constructor" The Journal of the Worshipful Company of Constructor Released.**

The new issue of our glossy, high quality journal was released and posted to each member. If your copy has not turned up please advise The Clerk.

The contents include details of our Royal Charter Award for Excellence in Construction, extracts of our sponsored Scholar's papers, schedule of events, personal highlights of Past Master Patricia Newton year of office and of course a detailed message from our 35th Master Doug Barrat. "A thoroughly good read". All with grateful thanks to our Editor: Court Assistant Derek Farrow. We appreciate all our Sponsors valuable contribution details of which are in our magazine.

### **2nd April 2012 - Sir Ian Dixon and FAS scholars announced for 2012**

### **NEW CIOB SCHOLARS ANNOUNCED**

Pam Egbochku from Laing O'Rourke and Arup's Andrea Charlson have been named as the 2011/12 Sir Ian Dixon Scholars. The Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB), in conjunction with the Worshipful Company of Constructors, has run the Sir Ian Dixon Scholarship since 1998 and they have covered a wide range of subjects. The scholarship, which is awarded annually, involves a twelve month study of a Construction Management topic which is of mutual interest to the individual's host company, the Worshipful Company of Constructors, the CIOB and the individuals themselves. Pam Egbochku from Laing O'Rourke is investigating: "Has the adoption of the NEC3 Contract in the UK achieved client satisfaction so far," and Arup's Andrea Charlson is researching: "Counting carbon: Practical Approaches to Life Cycle Assessment in Façade Engineering."

The Faculty of Architecture and Surveying Scholarship, in conjunction with the CIOB's Faculty of Architecture and Surveying and the Worshipful Company of Constructors, supports research in the field of design management. Philip Taylor from Skanska and Kier's Wes Beaumont have been named as the 2011/12 FAS Scholars. Philip Taylor from Skanska is investigating: "The creation of a network infrastructure to aid the development of innovation within a Major Construction Organisation," and Kier's Wes Beaumont is researching: "Can Building Information Modelling facilitate Integrated Project Delivery?"

The scholars are the industry's brightest young talents and quickly establish a reputation for consistent excellence. The research is related closely to the specific needs of the employer and so it can provide a positive platform to take on board any further development within the organization.

The CIOB's 2011/12 scholars are researching highly topical areas that will provide the industry with some really important advice. We are absolutely delighted with the quality of this year's scholars and I am sure that the end results of their research will play a significant role in their future career in the industry.

If you are interested in applying to become a CIOB Scholar or would like further information please contact Una Mair at CIOB on Tel: 01344 630748 or email [umair@ciob.org.uk](mailto:umair@ciob.org.uk)

**26th March - We report the Very Sad News of the Passing of Liveryman Donald A Nelson our International Liveryman from Illinois USA.**



***Don in centre with City Freedom Certificate in 2008.***

It is with a great deal of sadness that we have to inform the Company that in the early hours of the morning of 26th March Don passed away. His long battle with cancer was finally over. The Master wrote to Don and his wife Pam just a few weeks ago. Don was very proud to be a member of the Company and the first International Liveryman, who took the Freedom of the City. The Freedom plaque was proudly displayed on the living room wall above the ornate wooden wagon seat that had been passed down through his wife Pam's family, as they were amongst some of the earliest settlers in America, who came from Yorkshire and arrived by covered wagon to 'stake' out their

lands, much of which still remains in the family and is managed jointly by Pam and her brother. Indeed Pam had traced her ancestral history back and is one of a rare breed of Americans who are officially recognised as one of the 'Daughters of the American Revolution'. Understandably the Nelsons were proud of their English connections.

The funeral arrangements are currently being made for next week.

In January Don received the John E Cox award from the American Society of Home Inspectors at their conference in Phoenix Arizona for his contribution over the years to the ASHI organisation. Don was unable to attend in person, but was able to receive the award via a Skype link to his home in Northbrook Illinois.

For the last number of weeks Don was admitted to a Hospice where only last Wednesday he was sharing some happier times of their trips to England with Frank & Vicki Lesh. He passed away peacefully in the early hours of this morning.

Donald published this CV on his own website:-

### **Donald A. Nelson, Building Analyst**

I attended Chicago Technical College, Illinois Wesleyan University and Illinois Institute of Technology. I worked in the family construction business which began in 1948 by my father and uncle and known as Nelson Brothers. We constructed luxury homes until 1977. Custom remodeling and renovation work from 1974 to 1986.

I conducted my first home inspection in 1967 (a freebee), the first PAID inspection was in 1973. I realized that this could be a business and began to develop what is now recognized as one of the first Home Inspection Companies in the Midwest.

I became a full journeyman union carpenter in 1962 with Local 1307 of the Carpenters and Joiners of America, Chicago District Council. While becoming involved with home inspection, I joined The American Society of Home Inspectors®, Inc. in 1985 and soon after the Great Lakes Chapter of the American Society of Home Inspectors®, Inc. in 1987. Along with certified member status in ASHI® and the Great Lakes Chapter, I am also an associate member in the International Association of Electrical Inspectors, a certified construction inspector in the Association of Construction Inspectors, a member in the Exterior Design Institute as a certified third party EIFS inspector and a certified moisture analyst. In 2006 I became a Freeman of The Worshipful Company of Constructors at the Pewterers Hall in London, England.



Don with then Master Roger Adcock when Don received The Freedom of The City in 2008.

I am a Past President of the Great Lakes Chapter of ASHI® (GLC is the largest chapter of ASHI.) I recently completed three years as a director of the ASHI, the American Society of Home Inspectors, Inc. (ASHI is the oldest and most respected home inspector association in the US.) I am still on various committees at both the chapter and national levels of ASHI.

I was inducted in as the first International Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Constructors, London, England. The company is one of over one hundred of London's Guilds and Liveries, some over 7 centuries old. I am a Freeman by redemption of the Freedom of the City of London.

I am involved as a volunteer with the Boy Scouts of America in the Northeast Council serving on the Risk Management and the Properties committees.

### **21st February - Livery Pancake Races Guildhall Yard**



The Master Doug Barrat ran in the annual City Livery Pancake Races held in Guildhall Yard. We are told he ran like the wind in smart trainers but found himself edged out in the final turn. Well Done Master, a splendid day with a packed crowd.

This annual Shrove Tuesday race, is reported by bringing together teams from all the livery companies who are in some way involved with the making and consuming of pancakes. So, the Poulterers bring the eggs, the Fruiterers bring the lemons, the Cutlers bring the plastic forks, and so on and so forth. Quite what the Constructors bring is unsure, some speculated an uncertain finish date, some say they ate all the breakfasts but we think they bring the most modest of final accounts!! boom boom.

Thanks go to The Worshipful Company of Poulterers for once again organising and hosting the event.

### **15th February - Livery & Awards Dinner - Vintners` Hall**



The Company held its annual Livery & Awards Dinner in the splendour of Vintners Hall.



The Livery and Awards Dinner is very much focused on the Construction Industry. The Company invited the Masters of other industry companies, the leaders of several industry institutions, and, as private guests, friends, colleagues and clients from within the industry. It is the custom that spouses are not invited unless they are themselves connected to construction. A number of Company prizes were awarded and our 2011 Scholars were present.



The Company also awarded the David Tong Cup, Constructors' Prize and Shafting and Shoring Cup; the last to a member of our affiliated Regiment, 101 Engineer Regiment (EOD)(V) and awards to 5001 Sqn RAF and HMS LANCASTER (the newly adopted ship of The Company).

This years dinner saw the initial award of the Company's Royal Charter Legacy Award for Excellence in Construction to Howard Shiplee who was also our key note speaker.



Howard Shiplee is the Director of Construction at the Olympic Delivery Authority for the 2012 Summer Olympics games to be held in London. As part of his this job, he developed, lead and managed various construction contracts, budgets and timelines for all permanent and temporary venues for the Olympics. He is also responsible for helping construction inspections, workmanship standards and best practice on site. Howard Shiplee was awarded a CBE in the New Years Honours.

Our Company Guests were:-

Howard Shiplee CBE FCIQB

President of The Institute of Civil Engineers Eur Ing Richard Coackley BSc CEng FICE CWEM FCIWEM

Peter Baker, The Master Plaisterer accompanied by his Clerk Nigel Bamping.

John Price DipArch RIBA LLDip, The Master Pavior accompanied by his Clerk John White.

Mickola Wilson FRICS, the Master Chartered Surveyor.

Hew Dundas Chartered Arbitrator DipICarb CEDR, The Master Arbitrator accompanied by his Clerk, Mrs Gaye Duffy.

John Harding, The Master Lightmonger accompanied by his Clerk Steve Thomas.

Barry Dennis FCIWM, CEnv, The Master Water Conservator.



Commander Steve Moorhouse RN accompanied by Warrant Officer Matt Fisher RN winner of the HMS LANCASTER trophy. (Above with Company Illustrator Liveryman Henry Stephenson)

Major Martin Heffer RE Officer Commanding accompanied by L Cpl Tony Field the winner of the Shoring & Shafting Cup.

Sqn Ldr Mike Alden RAF accompanied by SA Gary Armstrong the winner of the Air Commodore Dow Trophy.

Chief Executive of The Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB) Chris Blythe BA(Hons) FCMA.

Chief Executive of The Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers (CIBSE) Stephen Matthews.

SIDS-FAS Scholars.



Sarah-Jayne Brewin – David Tong Cup Winner.

Samatha Hallam – Constructors Prize Winner.

To complete our evening The Junior Warden Graeme Monteith proposed the toast to the guests.

**Award Citations:-** (photos used as drafts awaiting delivery of originals from Gerald Sharpe)

**SHAFTING AND SHORING TROPHY 101 (City of London) Engineer Regiment (Explosive Ordnance Disposal) (V)**



**Lance Corporal Tony Field**

LCpl Field is currently serving as part of the Recruit Reception team at 579 Field Squadron. In his 11 years with the TA he has deployed on operations to Afghanistan twice, most recently on Op HERRICK 13 where he was a Bomb Disposal Officer's No2 and where he was part of a team that suffered a death by shooting. LCpl Field returned to the Squadron in March of this year and since his return he has contributed beyond his rank and years to the efficiency and development of its soldiers. He is a committed, highly energetic, and dedicated soldier who has proved himself a critical part of 579 Squadron's delivery mechanism.

It is typical of him that when the Regiment's Regimental Operations Support Officer was physically injured and could not drive, LCpl Field stepped in to act as his driver, meaning that the support work to families and soldiers impacted on by operations could continue unhindered.

Having now seen numerous reserve soldiers return from operations and often struggle to balance the readjustment to home and work life with continued involvement with the TA, LCpl Field's performance this year has been exceptional. He has shown a dedication to both Squadron and Regiment that has made a material difference in the development of its recruits, fitness of its soldiers, the preparedness of those deploying and the support to the families of those already deployed.

**HMS LANCASTER TROPHY**



### **Warrant Officer First Class Matthew Fisher.**

See left with The Master and right with Past Master John Trussler

Warrant Officer First Class Fisher joined the Royal Navy at the age of 18 in 1985. He performed with distinction during MCM operations off Kuwait during the 1991 Gulf War and saw further front line service in the Adriatic on board the destroyer HMS LIVERPOOL in 1995. He served in the patrol vessel HMS PLOVER off Hong Kong during the hand over to China in 1997 and he was unwavering in HMS RICHMOND during the Second Gulf War in 2003. In the same ship, he was awarded the Queen's Commendation for Bravery in post-hurricane Grenada the following year and showed extraordinary courage in the face of danger and natural catastrophe.

In a career spanning 27 years, of which 20 have been at sea, Mr Fisher has been exemplary in organising the men and woman who have worked for him during a rapidly changing Navy. He continues his outstanding career as the Executive Warrant Officer of HMS LANCASTER where his professionalism, integrity and devotion remain at the highest level and is justly deserving of this recognition.

### **AIR COMMODORE DOW TROPHY to 5001 Squadron RAF**



### **Senior Aircraftsman Gary Armstrong**

Senior Aircraftsman Gary Armstrong is an individual whose impressive capabilities and performance belie his actual rank. He is without doubt a most impressive technician and an equally talented supervisor and manager who has impressed all with his innate technical abilities and boundless enthusiasm.

Dedicated and always very willing, Armstrong has taken frequent, back-to-back Out of Area deployments in his stride. Having completed a lengthy and very successful tour in Afghanistan, Armstrong was called upon to re-deploy to Camp Bastion having only been back in the UK for one month. Having completed an additional month without hesitation, had only been back in the UK with his family for 2 months before again being asked to return to Afghanistan to complete a 3rd

consecutive tour at Camp Bastion, this time for a period of 2 months. During these 3 periods alone, Armstrong broke the MoD's 'harmony' guidelines, but did so without complaint, performing to the highest standards on each occasion and receiving exemplary reports from his management team in Theatre.

All of the above would be impressive credentials for a seasoned Senior Non-commissioned Officer and any self-respecting Junior Non-Commissioned Officer aspiring for promotion. All of these achievements are even more impressive when one realises that Gary is actually one of the Sqn's junior airman, who has had little or no formal managerial or leadership training. He has demonstrated a real "can do" attitude and should be justifiably proud of the contribution he has made to defence over the last 12 months.

## **E DAVID TONG CUP**



### **Sarah-Jayne Brewin: BSc (Hons) Construction Management**

Sarah-Jayne graduated from London South Bank University in July 2011 with a First Class Honours Degree in Construction Management. Sarah-Jayne is a member of the staff at Guernsey College of Further Education. She took the opportunity to enroll on the degree course that is delivered in taught block weeks on the Island as an Outreach Franchise by the University academic staff.

Sarah-Jayne proved to be not only very hard working and enthusiastic, but also very self demanding in perfecting her work. Whilst her dissertation met the criteria for a first class award, it was in the taught modules assessed by the University staff that she received the most credit, obtaining the highest average mark in the final year student cohort, within the Department of the Built Environment's main campus and its three franchised colleges.

We are sure she will continue to progress her education and continue to develop her teaching in Built Environment subjects at Guernsey College. It is a pleasure to have had Sarah-Jayne as a student and continues to be a pleasure to have her in our teaching profession. She is a worthy recipient of the E David Tong Cup.

## **CONSTRUCTOR'S PRIZE**



### **Samantha Hallam: BSc (Hons) Building Control Surveying**

Samantha graduated from the University of Westminster in June 2011 with a First Class Honours Degree in Building Control Surveying. Samantha undertook the degree course on a part time (day release) basis over five years whilst employed as a building control surveyor for Surrey Heath Borough Council. Throughout the duration of her course Samantha achieved consistently outstanding grades in all her modules, with an overall average mark of 73%. Such a level of performance is obviously exceptional, but to achieve it whilst having to balance her studies with the demands of full time employment is clear evidence of Samantha's commitment.

Samantha was an enthusiastic student who got on very well both with academic staff and with her fellow students, and approached all her modules with a positive attitude. It has been a pleasure to have Samantha as a student at Westminster and she is a worthy recipient of the Constructor's Prize.

### **15th February - Court Meeting at Vintners' Hall**

The Master held The Court Meeting in the stunning Vintners' Hall at which business of The Company was conducted including updates on Finances from The Hon Treasurer Arthur Seymour and updates on The Charitable Trust from Hon Court Assistant Kenneth Kent Chairman of The Trustees.

There followed the clothing as Liverymen the following:-



Dr Joseph Giordano BSc (Hons) MSc PhD MRICS AMIPR a Director and founder of Bargate Consulting, a successful construction and property consultancy. He is a Member of The RICS Board and lead author of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors' recent Project Monitoring Guidance Note and regularly publishes on the risks associated with construction costs and procurement. His entrepreneurial spirit has led to him to start several ventures, including Equityinterchange.com, Bluegate Capital, REFM Group and various real estate development projects. Joe a Trustee of Article 25 the built environment's charity for disaster relief and international development. Article 25 role is the responsible stewardship of the building process from start to finish. [www.article-25.org](http://www.article-25.org)



Ian West Dip (QS) a Director of W B Projects Ltd. WB Projects was established in 2005 and in that time have successfully completed more than 100 fit out and store development projects, representing over 1m square feet of space. The scale and type of project they undertake can range from 1,000 to 100,000 square feet in refurbishments, extensions, new stores, roll outs or minor works. Some of their projects have involved substantial structural and infrastructure work and they have worked in Retail Parks, Outlet Centres, High Streets and Central London.  
[www.wbprojects.com/](http://www.wbprojects.com/)



See above both Ian and Joe in full Liveryman gowns and on right Ian with Mrs Kathryn West who remained "without-the-bar" during the ceremony but nevertheless welcomed to the circle of our hearts.



The Master welcomed to the Company admitting as a Freeman Fabrice Paul Davis BSc (Hons) MSc MRICS ASI Arb a Regional Commercial Manager with Kier Plc based in Harlow Essex.



The Master welcomed to the Company admitting as a Freeman James Charles Gates BSc a General Manager with Programme Management Limited of Friday Street London EC4.

**15th February - Nigel Pullman, who is standing for election as Non-Aldermanic Sheriff on 25th June, takes tea with The Master, Wardens and The Court**

Nigel Pullman is standing for Non-Aldermanic or Livery Sheriff on 25th June and to show him the support of The Company Nigel kindly attended for tea to introduce himself to each member of Court.

Members are requested to read the side tab on Nigel Pullman and be sure to be at Guildhall to vote in the election.



See here Nigel Pullman chatting to The Master Doug Barrat before The Court opened and to the right Nigel Pullman chatting with Past Master Martin Wade, Court Assistant Tony Ward and Hon Court Assistant Sir Michael Latham.

Thank you Nigel for coming to see us.

Promoted and published by Ian Seaton of Manor Farm, Church Street, Thriplow, Royston, Herts SG8 7RE on behalf of Nigel Pullman, 36 Ladbrooke Grove, London W11 2PA.

**15th February - The Master and members of The Company attended The Memorial Service for the life of Past Master Peter Knight.**

In the historic St Mary-le-Bow Church on Cheapside The Master Doug Barrat led the company to join other City friends with Peters' Wife Catherine and family including his Daughter Jacqui Buchan, of Lloyds of London and a Liveryman of The Shipwrights, to celebrate a truly wonderful man , husband, father and dear friend.

See the separate side tab for more information on Peters' life.

The service was given by the Reverend George R. Bush. The reason for this choice is several, not least that Peter was very fond of George, and that it is the Knight family Church in the City; Peter also was a great supporter and Trustee of the East London Charity "Arts for All", which he first encountered at St Mary-le-Bow.

Peter was also a member of the Worshipful Company of Insurers, The Worshipful Company of Painter Stainers and The Worshipful Company of Arbitrators plus the City Livery Club.

"God light his way, with Grace please grant - Him everlasting peace."

### **31st January - The Master is hosted by The Worshipful Company of Plumbers.**

On Tuesday 31st January the Master was the guest of the Plumbers Company at their annual Lecture at the Royal College of Physicians. Around 200 members and guests attended followed by a very excellent dinner. Carriages were at 9.30, somewhat earlier than the Regimental dinner a few days before.

### **26th January 2012 - The Master dines with 101 (City of London) Engineer Regiment.**

"The Master enjoyed a terrific evening as a guest of 101 (City of London) Engineer Regiment at their Regimental guest night dinner. Around 100 officers and guests assembled at Carver Barracks near Saffron Walden in Essex for a reception at 7pm on Thursday 26th January. At 7.30 we all assembled for a group photograph after which we enjoyed a four course dinner with plenty of fine wine and regular musical interludes provided by The Minden Band of the Queen's Division. The CO Lt Col Mark Budden MBE welcomed all the visitors and expressed his thanks for all the support given by Livery and others. A very moving silent slide show showed the Regiment at work in Afghanistan followed then by a very amusing speech to his guests and troops. The evening concluded at 12 midnight when the CO was piped out and we all then had to find our way out ! "

### **17th January 2012 - Sir Ian Dixon Scholarship and CIOB Faculty of Architecture and Surveying Scholarship presentations held at Skinners' Hall in The City of London.**



In front of an invited audience from The Company, the CIOB and their employers Laing O'Rourke, Sir Robert McAlpine and Willmott Dixon the 2011 Scholars made their presentations following 18 months of research and writing.

See above the start of the presentations hosted by Bob Heathfield both a Liveryman of The Company and a Past President of the CIOB. We remain indebted to Bob for his year after year mentoring of our scholars. His work with Dr Sarah Peace of the CIOB, also a Freeman of The Company, has resulted in so many valuable pieces of quality research it is not at all surprising that this annual award has reached a very high level of status in the industry.

See above right The President of the CIOB Alan Crane CBE also a Liveryman, to his left Lady Dixon also a Companion Member of the Livery and to her right our Master Doug Barrat.

This year our scholars were:

**Alistair O'Reilly BSc (Hons) MCIOB** a 26 year old Construction Process Engineer from Laing O'Rourke who had as his topic **BIM - A Waste Minimisation Tool?** Alistair was supported on the evening by Callum Tickett the Laing O'Rourke the Construction North and Scotland Business Unit Leader.

**Zac McElvenny BSc (Hons)** a 27 year old Environmental Advisor with Sir Robert McAlpine who had as his topic **The Carbon Reduction Commitment Energy Efficiency Scheme.** Zac was supported on the evening by Vince Corrigan a Director of Sir Robert McAlpine.

**Richard David MSc MCIOB** a 30 year old Construction Manager with Willmott Dixon who had as his topic **Procurement and Contract Choice: A Contribution to Project Failure.** Richard was supported by Rick Willmott Group Chief Executive of Willmott Dixon Holdings Ltd.



The presentations by Lady Dixon



See here after the presentations our superb Scholars with Lady Dixon, Bob Heathfield and The Master. On left is Richard David, centre next to Lady Dixon is Zak McElvenny and right in red tie is Alistair O'Reilly.





During the evening President of the CIOB Alan Crane CBE spoke to congratulate all our scholars. He outlined the most recent involvement with The Cabinet Office of these very topics and invited our Scholars to contribute to government thinking. I particular he was most keen for Zak McElvenny to create an 8 minute presentation from his research to give to The Cabinet Office team in Whitehall.

See here above Alan Crane with our Master Doug Barrat. The Master says he is writing to offer Yeoman Membership of The Company to each scholar.

**9th January UPDATE on the Very Sad Passing of Past Master Peter Knight FRICS FCILA ACII ACI Arb FRSH; 2004/05**



It is announced that Peter passed away on Christmas Eve.

Peter's funeral is on 12th January at 1pm (those intending to attend are advised to arrive at 12.30) at Epping Forest Burial Park, Woodland Park, North Weald Bassett, it is just off the M11.

A memorial service is to be held on The City on 15th February. Will be February 15th at 2pm. The venue is confirmed at St. Mary-le-Bow on Cheapside and the service will be given by the Reverend George R. Bush. The reason for this choice is several, not least that Peter was very fond of George, and that it is the family Church in the City; Peters` daughter was married there. Peter also was a great supporter and Trustee of the East London Charity "Arts for All", which he first encountered at St Mary-le-Bow.

Peters family have said livery members all will be warmly welcome to join the service, if they do so it would be hugely appreciated.

Peter was also a member of the Worshipful Company of Insurerers, The Worshipful Company of Painter Stainers and The Worshipful Company of Arbitrators plus the City Livery Club.

**Any further information required please seek from The Clerk please.**



### **Peter Knight from The Buntingford & Royston News:**

A LARGER than life former Buntingford deputy mayor who ran businesses in the town and headed up the town's Scouts has died aged 67.

Peter Knight was born in Bishop's Stortford in 1944, attending schools in the town and was county diving champion at 14. The youngest qualified Scout master at 18, Peter spent time in America running scout camps.

He started working life as a quantity surveyor for Herts County Council, marrying Diana Dedman in 1965. The couple had three children together, Andrew, Jacqueline and Jonathan. Andrew tragically died in a road accident aged four. Moving to Westland Green outside Little Hadham in 1977, he later qualified as a chartered loss adjuster.

He opened a branch of his surveying and valuing business Knight & Co. into Buntingford's Red House on High Street in 1985. Soon after, a history in scouting re-emerged and Peter found himself as the town's group Scout leader, later organising a one-off family camp in Little Court, on The Causeway.

In 1993, he started estate agency Churchills from the same premises with Alan Brown. Peter ran for the town council in 1995, serving for three years as councillor and finishing off as deputy mayor.

The same year he bought a hotel in Lowestoft coast which he and Diane transformed into the Flying Fifteens tea room. After stepping down from the council he was also involved in setting up the Town Centre Management Team with John Warren, becoming chairman in its first year.

Peter was appointed President of The Insurance Benevolent and Orphans Funds at the 1997 AGM which was held at The Insurance Hall on 22 July. The Funds give vital financial support and practical advice to insurance people and their dependent relatives.

He also gained freedom of the City of London in the 1970s, also serving as president of the National Insurance Charities as well as Master of the Worshipful Company of Constructors.

In September, he saw the conclusion of 20 years of fundraising that started on his watch materialise in the form of the new Buntingford Scout hut.

He died of a heart attack on Christmas Eve. Peter was be laid to rest today at Epping Forest Funeral Park, North Weald.

**He is survived by his second wife Catherine, his children Jacqueline and Jonathan and four grandchildren.**

### **31st December - New Years Honours**

The Master, Wardens and Court congratulate Sir Michael Bear and Howard Shiplee CBE on their awards just announced:-



**KNIGHTS BACHELOR** for Michael David Bear. Formerly Lord Mayor, City of London. For services to Regeneration, Charity and the City of London. (London, N3)

&



**CBE** for Howard John Shiplee. Director of Construction, Olympic Delivery Authority. For services to Construction. (Echingham, East Sussex)

Members will know Howard Shiplee CBE is the winner of our first Royal Charter Award and our guest at the up coming Livery Awards Dinner in February.

### **19th December - Trauma of the hacked company e mail account with apologies to Members**

Our Gallant clerk, Kim, has had his email account hacked into and it is sending out spam emails.

You may receive emails purporting to come from Richard Tyrrell but they are spam. Please ignore any emails from Kim dated today or later.

He will have a new email address in a few days time of which you will be informed.

If you have any problems please contact me.

Kind regards and a merry Christmas,

Arthur Seymour  
Treasurer - Worshipful Company of Constructors

**8th December - Court Meeting at Vintners' Hall.**

The Master presided over his December Court Meeting at which The Court heard reports and updates on a wide range of Company business.

Thereafter the following new Freemen were admitted by The Master and Court into The Company:



Robert (Robbie) Owen a Solicitor and Legal Advisor who is a Partner of Bircham Dyson Bell LLP of Westminster SW1 who was proposed by Court Assistant Tim Fitch.



Daniel Peter Shaw LLB (Hons) ACIrb Barrister-at-Law a Construction Lawyer who is an Associate of White & Case LLP of Old Broad Street EC2.

Thereafter The Master admitted as a Yeoman:-



Brendan Keilthy BSc (Hons) MCIOB a Civil Engineer with Vinci Construction UK of Watford WD24. who was proposed by Past Master Patricia Newton.

Following The Court The Master hosted a Luncheon for court members and company guests. Prime amongst our guests was the Rev Guy Treweek Priest-in-Charge of St James Garlickhythe. Guy

would later take a wonderful Carol Service for The Company. Rev Treweek has a background in The City and offers this brief CV: Before ordination, Guy worked in the City of London's financial sector. He was educated in London and went on to study at the LSE and Keio University in Tokyo. He trained for ordination in Cambridge at Peterhouse and Westcott House, with further study at Yale Divinity School in Connecticut.



Vintners' Hall provided excellent service with selected wines and a delightful afternoon followed. See above the company at lunch.



After lunch all progressed to St James Garlickhythe for our Carol Service. St James Garlickhythe is the livery church of a number of livery companies.

The site has been a sacred place since 1100 AD. Sir Christopher Wren rebuilt St James in 1683 to be full of light, since when it has become known as 'Wren's Lantern'.

St James is renowned for its music and professional choirs. Its Organist and Director of Music is Alderman Dr Andrew Parmley.

The Service, a traditional mix of carols and readings with anthems sung by the first class St James Choir.

A delightful performance by the Organist & Choir set the tone and readings by: Freeman Christine Baltas, Renter Warden Victoria Russell, Middle Warden Alan Longhurst, Senior Warden Stephen Rigden and the Master sent the Company on their way in festive mood. A collection will be taken for CRASH, the construction industry's homeless charity, and gift aid envelopes will be available in the Church.

#### **A note from CRASH:-**

Dear Kim

Thank you so much for inviting CRASH to be part of the carol service yesterday. Francesca and I

greatly enjoyed the afternoon.

I am pleased to tell you that CRASH received £405 in donations from the service. We are so grateful for your generosity and please pass on our thanks to all those who donated.

100% of the donations we received yesterday will go towards the renovation and refurbishment of hostels, night shelters and day centres used by homeless men and women. This wouldn't be possible without your support.

I wish you and the worshipful company a very merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Kind regards,  
Kate

### **1st December - The Master visits our Associated Ship; HMS Lancaster as a guest of Commander Steve Moorhouse**



The Master along with the Senior Warden Stephen Rigden and Past Master John Trussler and the Clerk Kim Tyrrell were guests of Commander Steve Moorhouse (above) and his officers on board Lancaster in Portsmouth.



After lunch in the Ward Room the Master made the presentation of a gas b-b-que to the ratings.

The party was then given a tour of the new Carrier part of which is being constructed in the Dockyard at Portsmouth.

HMS Lancaster is a Type 23 frigate. She is currently undergoing a refit and will be returning to sea early 2012. [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/HMS\\_Lancaster\\_%28F229%29](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/HMS_Lancaster_%28F229%29)

**18th, 19th & 20th November - TEAMBUILD Weekend at Eynsham Hall Oxford.**

The Master Doug Barrat attended in his official capacity as both Judge and Benefactor. After the weekend The Master said *"I spent an exhilarating week-end at the Team Build event in the company of fifty highly talent young professionals split into eight teams on a real project exercise. The teamwork exercise produced some outstanding results. It was really cruel to have to select a winning team, they were all so deserving of a Gold Medal !"*

[www.teambuilduk.com/events/2011-winners-announced/](http://www.teambuilduk.com/events/2011-winners-announced/)



Held at the stunning Eynshall Hall Hotel over the weekend of 18th - 20th November. Sixty young professional graduates under the age of 30 all competed in teams for the experience of collaboration in the industry but also to strive for the special awards. The Company gives the winning team "The Worshipful Company of Constructors Award" plus each member of the weekend and winning teams are invited to apply for Yeoman Membership of The Company.

The Master was one of the very high profile industry judges. Judges from Industry, The Institutes and Livery Companies. The other Master was Michael Wilkins of The Worshipful Company of Chartered Architects.



See here the Judges.



The Master was a very keen judge and ensured he followed every phase of the challenge from Friday evening to Sunday evening - yep it was a long hardworking weekend!



Before the light faded and the actual prize giving every assembled on the steps to have a team photo. See our Master lower right of group.



The winning teams were announced after a seriously hard weekend of challenge upon challenge. EVERYONE who entered were winners in many ways and happy memories for years to come. See here The Master addressing everyone on his views off the weekend and announcing the overall winners who were "Greenprint" a team name of individuals from different locations of the outstanding BDP company of Architects.



See here The Master Doug Barrat with the winning team plus Chairman of the TEAMBUILD Trustees Past Master Richard Rooley who created TEAMBUILD 21 years ago. Over the years he has guided over 1000 graduates through TEAMBUILD and everyone given the support of our livery company - A most remarkable achievement"

**Saturday 12th November - The Lord Mayors` Show**





Under beautiful skies our Master Doug Barrat supported by The Senior Warden Stephen Rigden and Liveryman Stephen Hornby paraded with The Modern Companies in The Lord Mayors` Show through the streets of The City of London.



See above our Master Mr Doug Barrat and our Senior Warden Mr Stephen Rigden supported by Liveryman Andrew Hornby during the parade and The New Lord Mayor Alderman David Wotton.

Following the parade The Constructors party of participants and watchers lunched at The Little Ship Club and watched the fireworks later in the day from the riverside.

**Wednesday 12th October - Haberdashers Hall - HRH The Earl of Wessex**



Our Installation Court was delayed a few moments while HRH The Earl of Wessex attended Haberdashers Livery Company to be enrolled into The Company. We waited in the sunshine admiring his vintage Rolls Royce (with no number plate) and on his departure caught him in this delightful photograph. Congratulations to His Royal Highness. On his departure in the car he kindly waved at our group, which The Wardens present greatly appreciated.

### **Wednesday 12th October - Installation Court**

The court met to install the new Master Doug Barrat, Wardens and Court Assistants who was elected at Common Hall in September.

Before that protocol The Current Master Patricia Newton admitted as new Freemen of The Company the following:



**Denis O'Driscoll BSc (Quantity Surveying) LLB Dip ACB MRICS FCIARB** a Solicitor specialising in Construction Law with his own business Denis O'Driscoll & Associates of Skibbereen, County Cork, Ireland. Proposed by Honorary Court Assistant David Rundle.



**Mrs Lydia Walpole BSc MEng ICE** (Past Master Dr Christine Rigden indentured Livery Apprentice - "an exceptional apprentice") See above photo taken in May 2003, nearly 8 years ago when Lydia was indentured to Dr Rigden)

Since her 13th May 2003 indenture as an Apprentice to Dr Christine Rigden, Lydia has completed A-Levels in Maths, Physics, Chemistry and Geography and went on to study Civil Engineering at the University of Surrey – a Masters Degree with sandwich year. In 2005 she obtained a Scholarship with the ICE & The University of Surrey and went on to be sponsored by Costain throughout her time at University. Lydia also was appointed Chairman of the Civil Engineering Society. Lydia graduated from the University of Surrey in 2010 with an Honours for the year in Industry and a Merit for her Masters Degree (MEng). Quite recently Lydia was appointed ICE President's Apprentice for 2011/2012.

The Master then proceeded to welcome the following as Yeomen Members of The Company



**Claire Woodhouse BSc MSc MCIOB** a Construction Site Manager with Killby & Gayford Ltd in London also a former Sir Ian Dixon Award Scholar who presented her paper "Can Construction and Heritage Work Together?" on Tuesday 18th January 2011 - held at The Royal College of Pathologists. Carlton Place. London. SW1. Proposed by The Master.



**Kainaz Karkara** a trainee Architect currently studying in London. Proposed by The Master.

The Court then received reports from The Hon Treasurer Arthur Seymour. Followed by Past Master Martin Wade in respect of the highly successful Charitable Trust Luncheon held in The Long Room at Lords. PM Wade wanted it recorded the exceptional effort in organisation of Honorary Member Tim Nicolson. Finally from Court Assistant Mike Parrett regarding the developing Sponsorship and Supporters of The Company.

There then followed The Installation of The New Master and Court for years October 2011 to October 2012



Having been elected the outgoing Master Patricia Newton conducted the swearing in and robing of Doug Barrat with Gown and Chain of Office. Doug Barrat then took his place in the Masters Chair.



The Master then thanked Immediate Past Master Patricia Newton and enrobed her with the IPM Gown and Jewel



The Master then installed two new Court Assistants Jon Coles MCIOB ACI Arb (left) and Derek Farrow BSc (Hons) MRICS Hon MIDHE who were clothed and took their places in Court.



The Installation Court concluded with acclaim for The Master now installed and for The New Wardens so installed as follows:



Master Doug Barrat FRSA



Senior Warden Stephen Rigden BSc MSc CEng MICE MCIM



Middle Warden Alan Longhurst BSc BArch RIBA



Renter Warden Victoria Russell LLB(Hons) FCI Arb FCI OB FFB



Junior Warden Graeme Monteith BSc(Hons) CEng MICE FIHT

Court Assistant Ian Mason MRICS

Court Assistant Sir Vivian Ramsey MA MICE

Court Assistant Anthony Ward Ceng FIStruct E

Court Assistant Michael Parrett FCIOB CSCI FRSA FIMMM FIOD

Court Assistant Artin Hovsepian BSc(Hons) MCIQB MASI

Court Assistant John Sayers MAPM

Court Assistant Stephen Wells BSc(Hons) Ceng FICE FCIWEM

Court Assistant Henry Lamb BSc(Hons) DipIs FCIOB FBEng MAPM

Court Assistant Tim Fitch BSc MSc DIC CEng FICE

Court Assistant Derek Farrow BSc (Hons), MRICS MIDHE

Court Assistant Jon Coles MCIQB ACI Arb

Honorary Court Assistant David Rundle RIBA FCIOB PPASI PPFB HonFGIS

Honorary Court Assistant & Chairman of The Charity Trustees: Kenneth Kent FCIOB MRICS  
FASI MCMI

Honorary Court Assistant & Hon Treasurer: A Seymour FCIOB FFB

Honorary Court Assistant & Scholarships Chairman: Bob Heathfield PPCIOB

Honorary Court Assistant & Senior Steward: Godfrey Crook MSc FICE FIStructE ACI Arb

Honorary Court Assistant Emeritus K Wilson ARIBA

Honorary Court Assistant Emeritus Sir Michael Latham DL MA FRSA HonFREng HonFCIOB  
HonFICE HonFRIBA HonRICS HonFCIBSE HonFLI HonFRIAS HonFCIPS

Immediate PM Patricia Newton BSc (Hons) Arch Dip Arch RIBA FFB MBAE FRSA DCHS

Stewards Liverymen: Jessica Taylor, Yaeger Rolf, Julian Kent, Andrew Hornby, Douglas Kerr,  
Simon Wilkinson

Company Illustrator; Henry Stephenson MCSD FSAI FRSA Joint Hon Fellow London SBU.

Almoner & Archivist Past Master John Burrell BSc MICE

### **Wednesday 12th October - The Installation Dinner at Haberdashers` Hall**

Following The Installation Court The Master Doug Barrat hosted The Company and Guests to  
Dinner.



A fine reception in this stunning Livery Hall.



Senior Steward and Liveryman David Fell (who assisted all during our reception to ensure our guests were hosted and attended) poses here with Mrs Rita Fell in front of the actual Royal Charter of The Company. Many passing this coveted document on the way into dinner commented how delightful to have this on display for Members and Guests.



**The Master hosted the following Company Guests:**

Major General Ted Willmot CBE and Mrs Sally Willmot

Piers Nicholson, Master The Worshipful Company of Tylers and Bricklayers

Colin Freeman, Master The Worshipful Company of Glaziers and Painters of Glass

Lian Krieger, Master The Worshipful Company of Turners of London

Clive Turrell, Master The Worshipful Company of Joiners and Ceilers of The City of London

Peter Holt, Master The Worshipful Company of Environmental Cleaners and Mrs Linda Holt

Graham Bishop, Master The Worshipful Company of World Traders



The toast to The Guests was proposed by Court Assistant Liveryman Sir Vivian Ramsey QC



The response and propose to The Company "May it flourish root and branch forever" was undertaken in fine form by Major General Ted Willmott CBE a Past Master of The Worshipful Company of Engineers.



The Master then rose to end our evening and spoke of The Company, its past and future. The Masters speech was as follows:

*Ted, I thank you for your kind words and your most gracious toast to the Company. A very warm welcome to you all, especially to all our guests and particularly to my personal guests. We meet in the splendour of this magnificent Livery hall, one of the benefits of being a relatively modern Company is the necessity of a nomadic existence, it allows us the opportunity to meet and dine in many of the City's wonderful Livery Halls. The Haberdashers can be traced back to the first recorded ordinances by the Mayors Court in 1371. It's coat of arms was adopted in 1446, and this was an important symbol, as many people could not read in those days. In 1448 Henry VI granted them their charter, and by 1459 the first of three subsequent halls was built in Gresham Street. So here we are 552 years later enjoying the surroundings of this, their current Hall. It puts into perspective the quite extraordinary history of the Livery.*

*Now every new Master I am sure steps forth with a great deal of pride, excitement and determination, tinged with a little fear and trepidation, to continue the work of their Company*



*through the Livery year, and indeed, I fit all of the above. Now following our immediate Past Master Patricia Newton sets me quite a task. This Company has been exceptionally well managed under her leadership, through a year that has had its' challenges. She has been calmness personified although like the proverbial swan, I guess much paddling under the surface.*

*I should also like to pay a short tribute to Sir Michael Latham. Michael has contributed so much through his years in the Wardens Chairs and although he has taken a step back it is completely typical of Michael, who has insisted that he wishes to continue to support the Company in his Honorary capacity. We can therefore rely on his great experience and wise council in the years to come, Michael we are so grateful for that, and thank you.*

*We are of course in the History of the City but a short blink in time but collectively over the centuries what a powerful contribution the Livery makes to the well being of the City and the ever ongoing support to the Lord Mayor's. If you will forgive a little personal indulgence my mind goes back to the two members of this Company, David Sheppard and Jack Neary who were responsible in supporting my membership so many years ago and I couple those memories with a comment about our Past Masters and our Founders. Now our Industry, one of the great Industries struggled to have a single, coordinated, strong and professional identity, and representation particularly to Government. It's an Industry made up of Designers, Builders, Engineers, Quantity Surveyors and many different specialist Consultants. The Founding members of this Company in their wisdom, brought together all the contributing professionals into one organisation forming the Company of Constructors, and eventually Livery status was granted, as The Worshipful Company of Constructors, and then the most recent honour of receiving our Royal Charter granted by her Majesty the Queen and so graciously presented to us by His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester at our Banquet last year. Our first Royal Charter Award will be presented next year, and from a list of potential awardees there is now a short list of extraordinary talent and achievements. I do not envy the task of the external selection committee in finding a winner from such an outstanding group.*

*So much has been achieved by the Company over a relatively short space of time, very ably led by very capable Masters, who continually built the membership and through their conduct and endeavour and professionalism enhanced the reputation of this Company in the City. We are a diverse Industry with such different backgrounds and skills but we all need each other to provide our product, and nowhere is there more evidence of that, right at this very moment, than here in this great City where our Designers, our Builders, our Engineers and Consultants have brought together their combined talents to show the world what can be done by the British Construction Industry in regenerating a part of East London and producing a fantastic Olympic venue, to all intent and purposes finished many months ahead of time.*

*This Company has many members who have been very heavily connected to the project, I hope that reputation will reflect well on our Company as I continue the ambition of those past Masters in building the Membership of The Constructors and to encourage those who have already the Freedom, to take the next step to full Livery. I cannot emphasis enough just how important that is to the Company, and I shall be writing to you all, asking you to seriously consider that move.*

*Membership of the Company brings many benefits, it is of course an opportunity to network with professional colleagues in the Industry, to enjoy and indeed provide hospitality to colleagues and guests at our formal dinners. For senior professionals to, if they wish, contribute to what we try to achieve through our Scholarship programmes, and through our Charitable work. Even now more importantly that ever in these very testing economic times that we are all finding difficult, we should make that extra effort to help those young and aspiring in our industry to achieve, and those who have very little, to benefit from our charitable kindness. So for the year ahead my ambition is to complete an initiative already started a short while ago to encourage as a matter of course a route*

*for all members to be able to regularly, annually, contribute to the Charitable trust. Encourage the continuing development of our Scholarship programme which I am pleased to say has led to Yeomanship and eventual Membership of this Company by some excellent Scholars.*

*With Autumn upon us and Christmas just around the corner, is a time for families, and I am particularly sensitive to the losses we have suffered in the Company with the passing of three Past Masters in a short space of time, we do keep good contact with our Widows, they have been a very important part of the life of our Company and it is gratifying that we continue to recognise that. Also at a time of conflict around the world we continue our support to 101 Regiment who are at this very moment being relieved of their tour of duty in Afghanistan, and to 5001 Sqdrn of the Royal Air Force and HMS Lancaster Royal Navy.*

*Now I hope the year will be a happy year, alongside the serious work that is undertaken by the Company we should also have some fun. So apart from our rather splendid formal Dinners we have throughout the year, there are many smaller events, rather informal, and varied and easy on the pocket. I need also to particularly ask that you support the annual church service and the Christmas Carol Service, which this year will be at St James Garlickhythe which is opposite the Vintners Hall. To me it really signals the start of the festive season and a marvellous opportunity for the Company to come together for the last time in the year. So family, friends, colleagues please come and support, I am sure you will enjoy.*

*Can I thank our caterers, they have provided excellent fare this evening, and the whole evening has been marvellously enhanced by the music of the Thames Fanfare Brass, they deserve a sign of our appreciation. And finally to all members of the Company, Lesley and I hope that you will join us for our Summer week-end in the glorious county of Herefordshire where we have arranged what we hope will be a memorable couple of days. Hereford is famous for the SAS, for Cider, for Bulls, for Elgar and C.S.Lewis, for the Mappa Mundi, for Ronny Radfords right boot, and for local produce to die for, and for exceptionally friendly people. Hereford is the second most rural county in the country which is marvellous, I would describe it as rustic, but we have selected a just lovely Hotel close to the River Wye for our stay – rustic of course, so do not delay in indicating your desire to join us on the last week-end in May, once we are full the overflow means crossing the border - into Wales !!! that must be an incentive to book early, I joke, I like the Welsh really, my dear late Mother in law was Welsh and I will be cheering for them on Saturday.*

*Last but by no means least I must thank our sponsors Wilkins Kennedy for their past and ongoing support it is much appreciated, and to a number of others who do so much to help and support us in many different ways, we hope that you too can join in with our Social programme through the year.*

*Those who wish are very welcome to join us for a stirrup cup and those who are not, I wish you a safe journey home.*

### **Friday 14th October - 101 (City of London) Regiment EOD Royal Engineers - Medal Parade**

The Company is grateful to our Clerk, Kim Tyrrell (himself a former Major with The Royal Marines ) (101 Regiment EOD personnel worked closely with The Royal Marines in to make safe hellish Loy Mandah, formerly an HQ for scores of Taliban commanders in May 2011) for attending on behalf of the Master and Company, 101 (City of London) Regiment EOD RE's presentation of The Freedom of Uttlesford District (Saffron Walden) followed at Carver Barracks by the Medals parade. 101 Regt, who have returned from a tour of Afghanistan, paraded through Saffron Walden town centre after being given the Freedom of the District.



Saffron Walden was packed to see some 350 members of the Regt parade through the town and receive the Freedom from Councillor Cliff Treadwell Head of Uttlesford District Council. This was accepted by The regiment's commanding officer Lt Col Mark Budden

The Parade took place through the town with the presentation taking place in a packed town square.

In the photograph above left our Clerk Kim Tyrrell can be seen rear left. His photo taken from that spot at the same time is right.

The Regiment then moved to Carver barracks for the Military Medals Parade in front of the Families and Senior Military Representatives and the salute was taken by Major General Burley (Late RE).

There were three badly injured young men on parade and they insisted in marching past the General. These young men were applauded by all on parade, until they marched to the edge of the parade where their uninjured comrades joined in the applause.



We remember with sadness Sapper William Blanchard, 39, from Gosport in Hampshire, from 101 (City of London) Engineer Regiment (Explosive Ordnance Disposal) was killed on October 30 and at whose funeral Kim Tyrrell attended on our behalf. Sapper William Blanchard, a Territorial Army soldier was shot dead in Afghanistan as he prepared to defuse an improvised explosive device (IED).

For his Regiment an excellent homecoming in beautiful weather.