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Found at the Guildhall - our old Coat of Arms

Whilst attending the City Management Course at the Guildhall the Renter Warden was shown some of the Archival treasures from the Guildhall Library. Amongst the many fine books on display was a copy of the "City Armory" dating from the 17th century. Turning the pages he was astonished to find what is apparently a hitherto unknown version of the Tobacco Pipe Makers Company Crest.



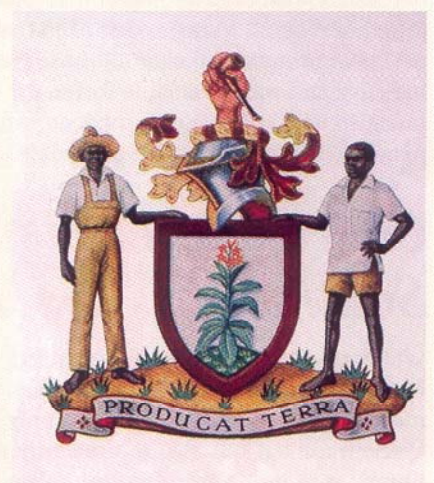
*Arms shown at head of 17th Century
Apprentice document (see p12)*

Showing it at the Autumn Court meeting it appeared that no-one had seen it before! Perhaps some of our senior members may remember whether it was used in drawing up the design for our present Arms?



*The Coat of Arms found in the Guildhall
Library records*

It is interesting to compare it with our present coat of arms and the only other known example which appears at the head of an indenture document for apprentices shown in the history of the Company.



Our present Coat of Arms





Tobacco Trade Lunch and presentation of Retailer of Year Trophy

- Savoy Hotel 19th January 2005

Once again a most entertaining day was enjoyed by several members of the Livery who supported this Trade event. The Livery Trophy was this year awarded to John Withers for his outstanding contribution to the retail sector and the cup and prize money was received on his behalf by Keith Williams, a director of the firm. John himself had unfortunately been trapped on a certain notorious cruise ship in the Channel!



The runner-up was Paul Carpenter of Smokers Choice in Blackpool. The awards were this year co-sponsored by the Pipe and Pipe Tobacco Trade Association. It is indeed sad that this event no longer features the Pipeman of the Year Award, an event that was always much enjoyed by the trade in general as well as the members of the Livery who had supported the event so whole heartedly over the

decades. It can only be hoped that some way can be found of making a similar award in the future, as the occasion brought together all those involved in the industry and was a valuable forum for everyone involved with the world of tobacco, whether manufacturing, selling or consuming!

Court Ladies visit to Southwark - 23rd March 2005

Whilst their husbands were occupied with the Court Meeting fourteen of the Court Ladies were given a most instructive guided tour not only of Southwark Cathedral itself but also the recently refurbished library with its beautiful stained glass window overlooking the Thames.



The visit provided a fascinating insight into the history of the church and the site from Roman times, and also its role as one of the first routes into the City of London. Our thanks to Janice Glynn-Jones for organising this most enjoyable event.

Nicola Tranter

Tobacco Pipe Makers Golf Day

- Tandridge 7th July 2004

Another excellent day was enjoyed with thirteen Liverymen taking part together with six guests. Ian Kimmins (*below right*) was this year's winner of the Charles Rich Cup, Ian Panto managed the longest drive and Jack Golding was "nearest the pin". Jimmy James, the guest of John Gossage scooped the "Best Guest" Prize with a score of 36 points.



The prizes, which were kindly sponsored by Gallaher Ltd. Were presented by the Master. This year's competition has already been booked for 6th July and details can be obtained from Past Master Derek Harris.



The Tobacco Pipe Makers and Tobacco Blenders Benevolent Fund

The work of the Benevolent Fund continues to form a vital part of our Livery life. In this last year our charitable giving has exceeded £60,000 and over the last twenty years has totalled almost £1 million. We publish here brief extracts from reports received from three recipients of our support – Sevenoaks School, The Arundel Cricket Foundation and our newest addition, the National Clay Tobacco Pipe Archive.

Sevenoaks School Voluntary Service Unit

*A summary from Jason Morrow,
Co-curriculum Deputy Head*

“Sevenoaks was one of the pioneers of school-based community service in the 1960’s and it remains one of the most valued and distinctive aspects of our co-curricular programme. The idea of service is also integral to the International Baccalaureate, and all pupils must complete a minimum of 50 hours service activities to be awarded the Diploma.

Schools

Approximately 100 pupils go out to fifteen schools in the local area and are involved in a wide range of sporting and creative activities or general assistance. Around 50 pupils are attached to local primary schools. We also have a link with a number of schools for pupils with special needs, in which drama and games play a strong part.

Work with the elderly

50 pupils mainly from years 10 and 11 go out to visit elderly people in Sevenoaks and the surrounding area. The focus of the programme is to help with simple household chores, weekly shopping and to spend time with individuals.

Pupils are also involved in visiting a number of local residential homes and sheltered housing developments to spend time with residents.

Environmental Work

A small number of pupils work on environmental projects to benefit the local area or challenge the school community to continue to be more “green”.

The design and building of bird boxes for woodland settings has been particularly successful and we are keen to explore and establish more projects of this kind.

Work with the Handicapped

As well as the involvement with Valence School and Dorton House, 15 pupils work with individuals with special physical or mental needs on a number of projects.

These include assisting with a riding club for the disabled and IT skills for residents of a local home.

Work with children

The school runs a rainbow club for children from the town. Staff and 25 pupils organize a range of activities in the school for young children each Thursday evening.

There is also a weekly crèche for infants and toddlers.

International activities

As an international school, it is not surprising that a large number of pupils plus staff are committed to several projects abroad, working with poor and disabled children in Romania, Moldova and Tibet.

Amnesty International and Model United Nations also thrive in the school, raising awareness of global issues and challenging pupils to become informed and active citizens”.

The Arundel Castle Cricket Foundation

*John Barclay, Director of Cricket and
Coaching writes:*

“The Arundel Cricket Foundation was established in 1986 to fill a gap and encourage young people, and particularly those for whom opportunities are limited, to enrich their lives through cricket at Arundel where there is plenty of space, indoors and out, and a castle to visit too!



Special needs schools

In recent years we have increasingly turned our attention to developing lives of children with learning difficulties and disabilities. Never would I have believed that cricket, not everybody's favourite game, could be used to inspire and help these disadvantaged youngsters so much. And yet they love it!

Where we are so lucky at Arundel is that the activities do not always revolve around cricket. A visit to the Castle is very much part of the entertainment and something which is quite new for the children. They love the atmosphere and it is hard to get them out of the shop at the end! When there is time we take them to the beach where, at Littlehampton, they can combine dipping their toes in the water with trying their hands at the games in the amusement arcade! But it is the sea they all love most. Sand, pebbles, shells and the excitement of an incoming tide rushing in to keep everyone alert. Squally rain adds to the fun too!

This is why they come to Arundel. It does them so much good and I am proud that we have been able to play a small part.

Inner London Boroughs

Since 1986 we have devoted two weeks activity each year to the schoolchildren of Inner London Boroughs. They have visited us for cricket coaching and matches and stayed nearby in suitable accommodation. It is an adventure for them and, by all accounts, one which they enjoy.

Many of these children have already shown sporting promise in London, but here at Arundel they have the chance to use the space, green grass and indoor cricket school to their advantage. There is an endless round of games and matches in the course of which expert cricket coaches demonstrate the skills of the game and encourage the youngsters. The girls too are making tremendous progress and have had a huge impact upon the whole programme this year.

The London Youth Clubs

Possibly no single group displays more fervently the strength of purpose that can be derived from a single visit to Arundel than the annual visit of the London Youth Clubs. They play cricket enthusiastically and continuously all day in a series of matches where the rules are baffling but the pleasure is undiminished!

The happy atmosphere is further improved by delicious picnics spread out on the boundary's edge and generously shared out amongst players and families who make this a real day out. This is sport at its best: friendly competitive and lots of fun!

The National Clay Tobacco Pipe Archive – A general update on our support

The work of the NCTPA at Liverpool University was fully covered in the 2004 Livery Newsletter. We are particularly interested in the archaeological, historical and museum aspects and during the past year our involvement with the NCTPA has continued on three main fronts.

Bursarial support

An initial bursary of £3000 per annum is being offered for up to three years to any MPhil or PhD student to assist with the cost of fees or maintenance for a suitably qualified individual carrying out research on some aspect of the clay pipe industry of the London area, or a related topic. In future years the geographical area may be widened.

Pipe exhibitions

The possibility of an exhibition of the Austrian Tobacco pipe collection, maybe to coincide with the Capital of Culture celebrations in 2008, is an exciting prospect. The Livery will give support in any way possible.



Pipe collections

Support has already been given by the Livery towards the acquisition of two important clay pipe collections, and also the cataloguing of the Museum of London collection. In addition to all of this it is hoped that in due course the recipients of bursarial support will give talks to the Livery on their work.



The Master looks back on a truly Golden Year



I find it difficult to express my gratitude to the Company in electing me Master for the year marking the Jubilee of our re-formation in 1954. The last nine months have been something of a rollercoaster for Janice and I and we have been delighted to represent our Company on very many occasions.

It was good to pre-empt the start to the year with a visit to Ironbridge where we were able to meet many other Masters and Mistresses two weeks before my Installation.

My main objective has been quite simple and that was to use the Jubilee celebrations as a vehicle to raise the

profile of the Tobacco Pipe Makers to an even higher level within the City Livery. Therefore the highlight of our year was the Ladies Banquet held at Mansion House on 30th September. I hope you are all able to share in my pride at filling the Egyptian Hall and entertaining almost 50 Masters and Mistresses from other Companies, both from within London and from further afield.

I will never forget the wonderful sight of three-quarters of the guests on their feet waving their napkins in the air, and turning to the Lord Mayor, seeing him joining in! Our objective was to have fun and we certainly did that.

The success of the event was evidenced by the very many warm letters I received from our guests. Many commented on the way that our members looked after them during the evening. I hadn't quite expected the event to have such far-reaching repercussions with invitations from other Companies coming in thick and fast as a result.

At the time of writing I am committed on behalf of the Company every day this week. As you might imagine this has had an effect on my girth and I am already planning my post-Mastership diet! Despite these social events I have also enjoyed enormously the number of church services that we have been able to attend. I was particularly pleased to be invited by the Launderers to read a lesson for them in Southwark Cathedral. The United Guilds Service in St. Paul's was as spectacular an occasion as ever.



Turning to more parochial matters, opinions seem to be divided on the decorations at the newly re-furbished Glaziers Hall in which we have a share. I personally consider the result to be splendid, and I am particularly pleased to see our banner hanging in the main Hall.



The Master, Senior and Renter Wardens and their wives.



The Mistress in her element!



The Lord Mayor inspects the Carpet Guard from HQ Company the London Regiment.



She seems to like his jewellery!



The Rt Hon the Lord Mayor Alderman Robert Finch (now Sir Robert) speaks.



Full house at the Mansion House.



"Where did you get that hat!" (The Smoking Cap ceremony).



"Funiculi, funiculi, funicula.....!"



Our very surprising "surprise" guest Maria Kesselman.



The Pastry Chef.



As many of you will recall, our speaker at the January Dinner was Lord Wakeham and I am please to announce that he has accepted our invitation to become an Honorary Freeman of the Company.

My thanks go to the Benevolent Committee for all the continued hard work. We can all be particularly proud of the performance of Sevenoaks school which to my mind goes from strength to strength. My thanks also to the Wardens and Immediate Past Master Michael Bramwell for their wise guidance and counsel during the year. Finally I am deeply indebted of course to the Clerk for ensuring that I have always been at the right place, on the right day and at the right time!



Our Beadle Albert Mayle retired this year and received a presentation at our January Dinner.

Taking note of Albert's long service as a Royal Fusilier, and his interest in their history the gifts included three sets of framed cigarette cards illustrating Army uniforms,



badges and head-dresses. I am indebted to the Renter Warden for diplomatically sourcing one set each by Gallaher, Players and Carreras! Welcome also to his successor Simon Dodd who was duly invested with his regalia at the January Court, and we all wish him well for the future.

Past Master Simon Orlik is also to be congratulated on a very successful first year as our Assistant Clerk and Treasurer.

So as I move towards the end of my time as Master I am reassured that I will be able to represent the Company well over the next and final three months with a very full diary. I have tried to break the traditional mould a little, certainly with the entertainment at our functions, and I note that it has been

appreciated by many of you and certainly by our guests.

However nothing is for ever, and I have my mind firmly on the future. Building our membership continues to be our prime objective, it is not easy but we must keep up our efforts. The General Purposes Committee has also been considering succession planning so that we can ensure a steady stream of good calibre officers moving through the Company. I have every confidence in our future but it will take considerable effort on the behalf of each and every one of us to ensure that we maintain the high standards of this great Company.

My thanks to you all for allowing Janice and I to represent you in such a very important year.

David Glynn-Jones



HQ Company The London Regiment

*An update from
Major Miles Griffin.*



HQ Company has had a quiet year in training terms in line with the rest of the Regiment, mainly due to the effort and drain on resources in having two composite companies, 200 personnel serving in Iraq. WO2 Cheese (Co'y Sergeant-Major), Sergeant Hussain (Finance Clerk), Sergeant Freeman (Medic), Private Reynolds (medic), and Private Watts (Chef) represented HQ Co. during the last six months and all have returned safely. Annual Camp for the remaining troops was a small-scale affair in Norfolk, with the majority taking the opportunity to attend courses. One notable training weekend that is becoming a bit of an institution is the visit to Wyke Regis where the facilities allow training over water, in addition to the nearby attraction of Weymouth in the summer. Congratulations to WO2 Martin Gordon and Chris Percival who have been commissioned. Captain Gordon will become Quartermaster, and Captain Percival QVRM has transferred to Media Operations Group.

Shoot v. HQ Company

8th March 2005

Past Master Derek Harris reports.

The Annual shoot at the barracks was notable for two things – the extent of hospitality from HQ Company, and the sound beating we were given! Sadly only eleven members of the Livery attended and it is hoped that many more will make the effort next year and give support to our Territorial friends. It is very much a social occasion and the shooting match is only a very small part of the evening. We also extend our good wishes and thanks to Miles Griffin who handed over command of HQ Co. to Major Micky Blake at the end of March. His distinctive tall frame will be missed!

New Freeman and Liverymen

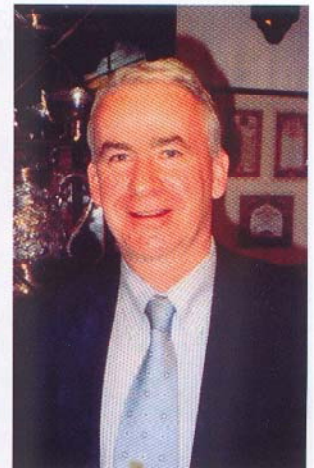
Once again we have a number of new admissions to report and these are as usual listed in chronological order.

*Autumn Court - 28th October 2004 held at
the Aldermans Court Room, Guildhall*

Jemma Freeman and **Tom Palmer** were both admitted to the Freedom by redemption.

Jemma who was educated at Marlborough College and Manchester University, is the daughter of the late Assistant Nicholas Freeman, Chairman of Hunters and Frankau, and is proud of her family's tradition of service in the Livery Company. She joined the family company in 2001 following a career as a strategic planner in advertising.

Married, she lives in London and has a keen interest in the history and future of the cigar industry, gardening and travel. She believes strongly in the Livery's charitable work, and looks forward to making her contribution.



Tom is the Managing Director of the world-famous pipe company Petersons of Dublin, whose factory is at Sallynoggin. A graduate of Dublin University he worked in banking and the food industry before buying Petersons in 1992. He believes that joining the Livery gives him the opportunity to give something back to the industry in which he has enjoyed working for the past 12 years. He is married with two sons and a daughter and enjoys all sport, especially golf. We look forward to seeing you at Tandridge then, Tom!



Court Meeting held at Painters Hall on 18th January 2005.

Liveryman **Gareth Davis** was installed as an Assistant to serve on the Court.

We gowned two more Freemen with the Livery, **Martin Hughes** (below left) and **Nicholas Gibbon** (below right).



They were both welcomed by the Master. Their profiles were published in earlier Newsletters.

We also admitted three new Freemen.

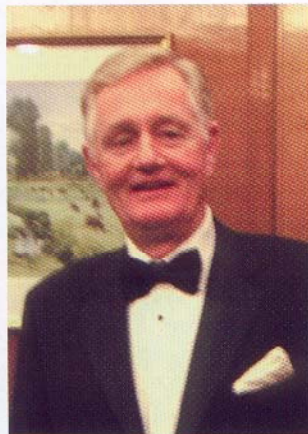


Michelle McKeown is Corporate Affairs Manager with the Gallaher Group. She has spent her entire working career with Gallaher and sits on several industry trade committees. We are very pleased to see her joining the small, but increasing number of lady members.



Rupert Saunders, the son of Liveryman Charles Saunders is an Executive with Barclays Bank.

He was educated at Dulwich College and Exeter University. In the family tradition he is keen to make a contribution to the community in which he lives and works.



Chris Bischoff worked for 40 years with Rothmans International and British American Tobacco. He retired from the industry in 2003 and looks forward to maintaining contact and involvement through the fellowship of the Livery. Married, with two daughters aged 28 and 24, he lists his interests as golf, music, bridge, rugby, and clay pigeon shooting.

Footnote: We apologise for the poor quality of the above pictures. Our Beadle has not quite mastered the intricacies of the Editor's new digital camera!

Oh Raleigh!

Sir Walter Raleigh got into a dispute with his son while both were at a dinner party. The enraged father struck his son, but the young Raleigh was too polite to strike back. Instead, he turned and hit the man sitting on the other side of him, then told him "Box about. It will come to my father anon."

The idea of everyone hitting everyone else around a circle struck the fancy of the British elite as an apt metaphor for the Elizabethan age, and "box about" became a popular saying.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 25th May
Master's Reception. Evening visit to the Tower of London including the Ceremony of the Keys.

Thursday 16th June
5pm Court Meeting and Installation Dinner - Painters Hall

Thursday 24th June
Common Hall (Liverymen only)

Wednesday 6th July
Livery Golf Day at Tandridge - spectators welcome!

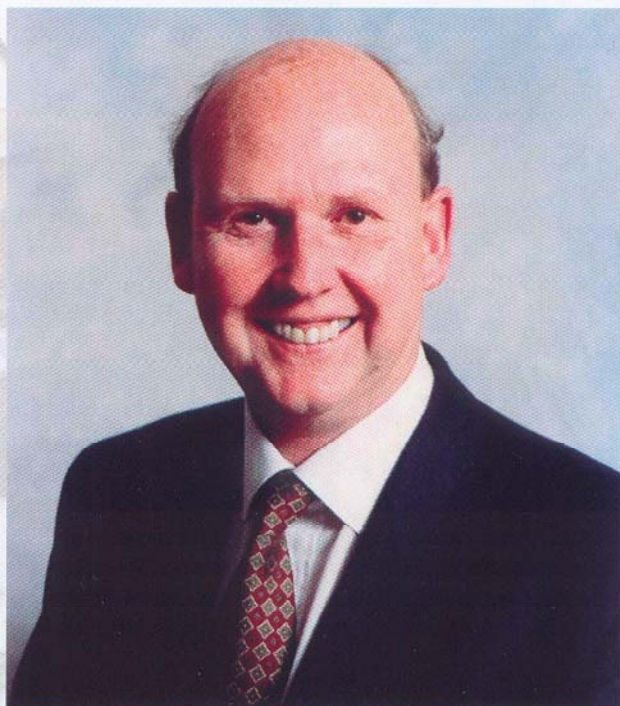
Wednesday 26th October
Ladies Banquet at the Goldsmiths Hall.



Election of officers for 2005/6

The Master Elect

Our Senior Warden **Richard Yeo** will take office as Master at the Installation Court on Thursday 16th June.



Richard was born in Wiltshire in 1940 and emigrated with his parents to what was then Rhodesia. His first job in the tobacco industry was in that country as a buyer on the Salisbury tobacco auction floors with London tobacco dealer Siemssen Maunder. He returned to England in 1965 to take up a role with Carreras (subsequently Rothmans) with whom he was latterly Leaf and Product Director, working at their Basildon and Aylesbury offices until his retirement in 2000. Since then he has been engaged in various consultative capacities. He is married to Adriane, who is the daughter of our late Past Master Roy Siemssen. He has a daughter, a son who works with Universal Leaf, and three stepchildren.

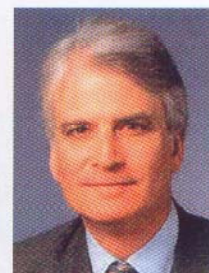
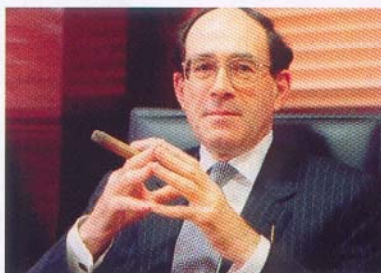
Senior Warden The Renter Warden Richard Tranter will take office as Senior Warden for the coming year.

Renter Warden Richard Anderton will succeed as Renter Warden.

Third Warden Nigel Rich becomes Third Warden for 2005/6



Fourth Warden Assistant John Alexander has accepted the nomination for the post of Fourth Warden for the year ahead. John, who is Head of Corporate Recovery with Chartered Accountants Carter Backer Winter, joined the Livery in 1991, and was elected to the Court in 1996. He is married to Jackie. They have two daughters, Josephine and Juliette. Among their interests are collecting antique carved meerschaums.



Assistants to serve on the General Purposes Committee and the Court We congratulate **David Lewis** (above left) and **Michael Prideaux** (above right) on their respective appointments.

Obituary

Alan Paterson. 8.9.1937 – 22.4.2004

The sad news of Alan's death came too late for inclusion in last year's newsletter. A talented linguist, and a graduate of Selwyn College Cambridge he was recruited by Reuters in the early 1960's and progressed through a number of posts before joining the fledgling IT group Logica in 1974 and eventually setting up his own consultancy practice. Amongst many other things he was virtually responsible for setting up the first word processing programme. He was admitted to the Freedom of the Livery Company in 1986 and took up Livery in 1994.

Alan was a committed Christian and family man, and although an adoptive Norfolkman he loved the county dearly, especially Norwich and the north coast. He is survived by his wife Jenny, three sons and three grandchildren.



These are the Instructions for the APPRENTICES of the Company of TOBACCO-PIPE-MAKERS, for them to do and observe, during their APPRENTICESHIPS.

YOU shall constantly and devoutly on your Knees every Day serve God Morning and Evening, and make Conscience in the due Hearing of the Word preached, and endeavour the right Practice thereof in your Life and Conversation: You shall be diligent and faithful in your Master's Service during the Time of your Apprenticeship, and deal truly in what you shall be trusted: You shall often read over the Covenants of your Indenture, and see and endeavour yourself to perform the same to the utmost of your Power: You shall avoid all evil Company, and all Occasions which may tend to draw you to the same; and make speedy Return when you shall be sent on your Master's or Mistress's Errands: You shall avoid Idleness and be ever employ'd in God's Service or about your Master's Business: You shall be of fair, gentle and lowly Speech and Behaviour to all Men, and especially to your Governors; and avoid all manner of Gaming, Swearing and Drunkenness. And according to your Carriage you must expect your Good or Evil from God and your Friends.

Instructions to Apprentices dating from the early 17th century showing one of the early Armorial bearings of the Tobacco Pipe Makers Company.