



# Clerk's Tidings

Newsletter of the Worshipful Company of Environmental Cleaners

January 2003.

## DIARY FOR 2003

I attach a further copy of this year's diary and ask you to note a couple of changes to dates published in the October issue of the Clerk's Tidings, namely:

United Guilds Service is now Friday 28 March, not 14 March.

Court Meeting and Lunch in July is now Monday 21 July, not 14 July.

Golf Day is confirmed as Thursday 18 September.

You are asked to specifically note the Lord Mayors Show day on 8 November, as the Company will be entering a Float and Carriage in support of the anticipated Mayoralty of our Honorary Freeman, Alderman Robert Finch.

Date	Event	Venue
10 Jan	Corporation of London 'Clean City Awards' when we present an award to the 'Cleaner of the Year' – this is a new event	Guildhall
16 Jan	Charity and F&GP Committees	Wax Chandlers' Hall
17 Feb	Election Court & Company Lunch	Wax Chandlers' Hall
4 to 6 Mar	Cleaning Show – for info only	NEC Birmingham
28 Mar	United Guilds Service and lunch	St Paul's Cathedral & Stationers Hall for lunch
15 April	Installation and Banquet – yes it is a Tuesday as Mansion House is not available for any Friday in April	St Olave's Church for Installation and Mansion House for Banquet
1 May	Charity and F&GP Committees – moved to a later date to avoid clash with Easter this year	Wax Chandlers' Hall
19 May	Court Meeting and Masters' Lunch	Wax Chandlers' Hall
21 May	Inter-Livery Clay Pigeon Shoot	Holland & Holland Ground
23 June	Election of Sheriffs & lunch	Guildhall & Painter-Stainers Hall for lunch
26 June	Charities & F&GP Committees	Wax Chandlers' Hall
21 July	Court Meeting and Company Lunch	To be decided
18 Sept	WCEC Golf Day	Oxfordshire Course, Thame
22 Sept	RAMC Awards and Company Lunch	To be decided, but probably at a venue in London
29 Sept	Election of Lord Mayor & lunch	Guildhall & Painter-Stainers Hall for lunch
16 Oct	Charities & F&GP Committees	Wax Chandlers' Hall
Provisionally 14 Nov	Ladies Banquet	To be decided
8 Nov	Lord Mayor's Show & lunch – we will be having a Float and Carriage in the Show to support of the anticipated Mayoralty of our Honorary Freeman, Alderman Robert Finch	Grandstand at St Paul's & lunch at Stationers Hall
24 Nov	Court Meeting and Company Lunch	Wax Chandlers' Hall

## **WELCOME TO NEW FREEMEN.**

The following were admitted to the Freedom of the Company at the November 2002 Court meeting:

David Jonathan Cole  
Gordon Robert McVean

## **WELCOME TO NEW LIVERYMEN.**

The following were 'Clothed in Livery' at the November 2002 Court meeting:

Michael Murray  
Colin Russ  
Andrew Starbuck  
Richard Thorne

## **NEW COURT ASSISTANT**

Peter David Holt was admitted as a new Court Assistant at the November 2002 Court meeting.

## **FEBRUARY LUNCHEON – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2003.**

Applications (from Freemen and Liverymen) are invited to attend this luncheon, which follows the Election Court, when the Master and Wardens for the ensuing year are elected. It will be held as usual at Wax Chandlers' Hall, Gresham Street, London, EC2. Reception at 12.30 p.m. for Lunch at 1.00 pm. Alderman Robert Finch, our Honorary Freeman, and anticipated Lord Mayor for 2003/2004, will be in attendance and speaking about the potential challenges the Mayoralty faces, the Lord Mayors Show in November, and, thanking the Company for its support of his candidature. ***Applications should be made on the attached form and returned as soon as possible, complete with payment, by not later than Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> February.***

## **HANDOVER OF GUILDHALL JUBILEE WINDOWS – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2003.**

HRH The Duke of Edinburgh will attend Guildhall at 10.45 am on the morning of 20<sup>th</sup> February to receive on behalf of the Queen, and hand them onto to the Corporation of London, the five stained glass windows installed in the new Art Gallery at Guildhall. These lancet windows, designed and installed by Ms Stella Timmins, were commissioned by five livery companies, each window depicting a company's coat of arms. The Companies are:

Environmental Cleaners  
Gardeners  
Engineers  
Shipwrights  
Air Pilots and Navigators

Unfortunately the numbers able to attend are restricted to about 30 for each of the companies, and, the Master wishes that those members of our Company, who generously contributed to the £4,000 cost of our window, should preferentially be able to obtain tickets first. Due to security reasons, entrance will only be permitted with a special invitation card. Should there be any vacancies, the Clerk will advise any member who lets him know by Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> February latest, they would like to attend, on a first come first served basis.

The Guildhall function is free, but our Company, and, the Engineers, have decided that there will be a stand-up buffet lunch, with wine, in Wax Chandlers' Hall, at 12.15 pm, following the Guildhall event, and the cost for this is £20.00 per person.

## **INSTALLATION, SERVICE OF REDEDICATION, AND BANQUET – Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> April 2003.**

The Installation ceremony and Service of Rededication will take place in St Olave's Church, Hart Street, EC3, starting at 5.15 pm. The Banquet will follow, and, will be held in the Mansion House at 7.00 for 7.30 pm. This is the Company's premier event, when all Liverymen and Freeman are expected to attend (such summons being agreed when one is admitted as a Freeman and Liveryman). Application forms will

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be circulated to everyone after the Election Court in February. However, now is the time for every member of the Company to ensure the date is their diary, and, to extend invitations to clients, colleagues, friends and family. The Clerk anticipates that ticket costs will be similar to last year at about £97.50 per person.

#### **MAY LUNCHEON – Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> May 2003.**

The lunch that follows the Court meeting in May is when, traditionally, our Company invites Masters of other Companies to attend and make a short speech about their Company. This makes for a most interesting occasion, and for those of you who have not attended before, the Clerk recommends you make a diary note, and endeavour to attend. Application forms will be circulated nearer the date.

#### **INTER LIVERY CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING COMPETITION – Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> May 2003.**

Court Assistant Chris Parr will again be organising the Inter Livery Clay Pigeon Shooting Competition at the Holland & Holland Ground, Ducks Hill Road, Northwood, Middlesex, on Wednesday 21 May. This event is attended by over 40 Livery Companies, sometimes with several teams from a company, and is recognised as one of the top events in the London Livery Calendar. Last year some £7,500 was raised for charity.

Members wishing to form a team should contact our Captain, Liveryman Chris Lawrence on 01474 852375.

#### **INTER LIVERY BRIDGE COMPETITION (21<sup>st</sup> Year)– Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2003.**

This well established, popular event, is again being held by The Worshipful Company of Makers of Playing Cards, at Drapers Hall, Throgmorton Street, London, EC2, on Monday 3 March, Reception at 5.00 pm, with the Competition starting at 5.45 pm. There will be an interval of 40 minutes at about 7.40 pm during which a Buffet Supper with wine, beer, soft drinks and coffee will be served. The charge for entering is £105 per pair (VAT inclusive), and the closing date for entering is Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> February. Full details and application forms are available from the Clerk. If you are a bridge player without a playing partner, and you would like to participate, please contact the Clerk.

#### **INTER LIVERY SWIMATHON – Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2003.**

The Chartered Surveyors' Company is holding the 11<sup>th</sup> Inter Livery Swimathon on Monday, 28 April at the Royal Automobile Club, Woodcote Park, Epsom, Surrey. A team of five or more swimmers is required to swim a total distance of 5,000 metres per team. This is not a competitive race, the simple object being to complete the course. A prize is awarded to the Company, which raises the most money through participation in the Swimathon, and it is hoped that the Companies taking part will wish to donate at least part of the funds they raise in sponsorship to The Lord Mayor's Appeal 2003/03 for Save the Children. The event will be followed by an informal dinner, which it is hoped that those participating will wish to attend. Those members of our Company interested in making up a team of at least five, and raising sponsorship, should please contact the Clerk by not later than Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> February, when he will be pleased to advise the Chartered Surveyors of our entry.

#### **THE ERIC HILL MEMORIAL AWARD WINNER RECOGNISED BY THE QUEEN.**

For those of you unable to attend the Ladies Banquet, which was held at Drapers' Hall on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> November 2002, you should be aware that the Master presented The Eric Hill Memorial Award to Matthew Boulton College, Birmingham. A certificate and cheque for £500 is awarded, each year, to the educational establishment, which achieves the highest number of successful candidates in the examinations of The City & Guilds of London Institute in 7641 Cleaning Science and 7642 Cleaning Services Supervision.

On that same day, Her Majesty The Queen affirmed the Award of:

The Queen's Anniversary Prize for Higher and Further Education to Matthew Boulton College.

The Award follows the recommendation from the Awards Council to the Prime Minister, who advised the Queen. It is a biannual award and made to a further and/or higher education institution, which has demonstrated outstanding achievement, innovation and excellence in their work. It is the highest honour given to an educational institution, and the Prize Medal in gold, silver gilt and rich enamels, together with a signed certificate, will be presented at Buckingham Palace.

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**POST GRADUATE MEDICAL OFFICERS GENERAL PRACTICE PRIZE.**

Also at the Ladies Banquet, the Master presented this award to Major (now Lt Colonel) Hugh Tooby RAMC. The Company presents this prize each year to the person who performs best in the RAMC General Practice examinations for newly commissioned officers. As Major Tooby was on duty in Germany and unable to attend, his prize of a Medal and Cheque for £500 was received by Colonel Jonathan Leach, who has taken over the role in the RAMC previously fulfilled by our Honorary Freeman, Colonel John Richardson, who retired in October.

**PLEASE HELP THE CLERK TO COMMUNICATE WITH YOU QUICKER AND MORE CONVENIENTLY**

Currently the Clerk has Email addresses for some 90 members of our Company, out of a total of about 250. It would be much easier, and more efficient, for all concerned if the Clerk had email addresses for every member. He could then send details of other livery events, often notified at short notice, that you may be interested in, or even wish to attend, that are otherwise uneconomical or impractical to circulate the entire Livery by post.

If you have received these Clerk's Tidings by post, and you have an email address, the Clerk would like to have note of it. You can do this by simply sending an email to the Clerk at:

[michael.bizley@environmental-cleaners.com](mailto:michael.bizley@environmental-cleaners.com)

Or Fax back this page to 01359 242947 completing the section below:

My email address is.....

Name in capitals.....

**MEMBERS' BOOKLET UP-DATE**

We publish and distribute to every member of the Company each year, a Member's Booklet, which provides essential information about the Company, its events, and more particularly the contact details of every member.

***The Clerk wishes to ensure that the 2003-2004 issue is up to date and accurate. Please would you assist by completing the attached form and returning it to the Clerk by not later than Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> February 2003.***

Wishing you all a very happy and successful New Year.

***Michael Bizley***

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Clerk of the Company



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## COMPANY LUNCHEON

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2003.**

Wax Chandlers' Hall, Gresham Street, London EC2.

Reception 12.30 p.m. for luncheon at 1.00 p.m.

£57.50 per person

**The Master invites Liverymen and Freemen to join him, the Wardens and Members of the Court of Assistants for Lunch following the Meeting of the Court earlier in the day when the Master and Wardens for the ensuing year will have been elected.**

The lunch will be attended by a number of new Freemen and new Liverymen who will have been admitted at the earlier Court Meeting and it is hoped that as many as possible will support this event.

Liverymen and Freemen are warmly invited to bring a guest but we are limited to 60 places and early application is essential.

Dress Code: Lounge Suits and Company ties for the Gentlemen.  
Business Suit/Dress for the Ladies  
Badges for Members of the Court

***Application:*** *Please use the application form attached*

**Closing Date for applications: Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> February 2003.**

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## COMPANY LUNCHEON

**Monday 17th February 2003**

Please reserve. .... Places for me at £57.50 each for the Company Luncheon on  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2003. I enclose my cheque for £ ..... payable to WCEC.

My guest(s) name is .....

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Any special dietary requirements to be specified:

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Signed .....

Name in Capitals. ....

Address .....

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Post Code.....

Email .....

Daytime contact number .....

**PLEASE RETURN BY THURSDAY, 6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**

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**MY CONTACT DETAILS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

Mr/Miss/Ms/Mrs.....

Family Name.....

Forenames.....

Date of Birth.....

Home address.....

.....

.....Post Code.....

Tel No.....Fax No.....

Home Email address.....

**AND**

Business Name.....

Business Address.....

.....

.....Post Code.....

Tel No.....Fax No.....

Email address.....

My Mobile phone number is.....

Which address details do you wish to use for Livery Communications –

Home or Business (state).....

**PLEASE RETURN BY NOT LATER THAN THURSDAY, 6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2003**

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