



# Clerk's Tidings

Newsletter of the Worshipful Company of Environmental Cleaners

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## SIR ROGER CORK

It is with tremendous sadness that I have to advise you of the untimely death of our Honorary Court Assistant, Alderman Sir Roger Cork.

Sir Roger had attended a reunion of Millennium Masters in York over the weekend of 19/20 October, attending a dinner at Merchant Taylors' Hall on Saturday and a lunch at Merchant Venturers' Hall on Sunday. We understand that he felt unwell whilst driving home and admitted himself to a hospital. He died at 1.00 am on Monday morning 21<sup>st</sup> October.

Sir Roger was Lord Mayor of London for the year 1996/97, and we were delighted to support him with our float in the Lord Mayor's Parade in November 1996. He was a very active and supportive Honorary Member of our Company, and it was anticipated that he would become Junior Warden in April of next year. His Father, Sir Kenneth Cork was of course a sponsor of our Company when we sought Livery status.

The funeral is expected to take place at his local Parish Church, St John's, Lee Common, Great Missenden, Buckinghamshire on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 11.00 am. At the time of writing these Tidings the Clerk has no further details, although we do expect to be advised of any Memorial Service in due course, details of which will be passed on the Members of the Company.

## OTHER OBITUARY

It is with sadness that we record the passing of the following members:

Liveryman John Sanderson  
Liveryman Brenda Hughes

## DIARY FOR 2003

Members may like to see how next year's diary of events is 'shaping up' and may care to pencil the following dates in their diaries **now**:

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	NEC Birmingham
14 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

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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
14 July	Court Meeting and Company Lunch	To be decided
Provisionally 18 Sept	WCEC Golf Day	To be decided
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	Street Grandstand & lunch at Stationers Hall
24 Nov	Court Meeting and Company Lunch	Wax Chandlers' Hall

The Clerk will confirm 'provisional dates' and 'venues to be decided' in future Tidings and communications.

#### **LADIES' BANQUET, FRIDAY 15th NOVEMBER**

There are still places available for the Ladies' Banquet at Drapers' Hall on Friday 15th November. Full details and application forms have previously been circulated. **The last date for applications is 1<sup>st</sup> November** and it does help in the administration to have early indication of numbers. Please let the Clerk know your numbers as soon as possible before 1<sup>st</sup> November and if you have lost your application form the Clerk will happily provide another on request.

Freemen who have not yet been admitted are most welcome to apply for tickets for themselves and guests.

Looking into the future and the likelihood that one of our Honorary Members will stand for election as Lord Mayor in 2003, we shall wish to support him by entering a float in his Lord Mayor's Show in November 2003. In order to defray the expense we are again holding a raffle during this year's Ladies' Banquet and generous prizes have been donated. There is now no excuse for not coming prepared on the night!

#### **COMPANY LUNCHEON MONDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2002.**

Following the Court Meeting on Monday 18th November when some new Liverymen will be admitted, Liverymen and Freemen are invited to join the Master, Wardens and Members of Court for Luncheon at Wax Chandlers' Hall. A Reception will be at 12.30, for Lunch at 1.00 p.m. The cost is £57.50 per head and the Dress Code for gentlemen is lounge suits and Company tie: for ladies a Business Suit or Dress.

This promises to be a convivial occasion and the Master hopes that members of the Company will support this event when we shall welcome new Liverymen who have been admitted earlier in the day.

***An application form is attached to these tidings, which should please be returned to the Clerk by not later than Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2002.***

### **INTER-LIVERY 'SAIL' 2003**

The Framework Knitters are organising this event during the weekend of 9/10 August 2003 at Rutland Water, which is the largest man made lake in Europe, with the active participation of the Rutland Sailing Club. Sailors and would-be sailors are encouraged to join those taking part in the 'sail' on the Saturday afternoon, and come with their families to enjoy a beautiful venue, where the whole family can participate in other events and activities around Rutland Water during the weekend. Basic accommodation is available in the Club House and there is an adjacent camping and caravan site. Alternatively there are many local B&B's, pubs and hotels in the area to choose from.

Any Company members interested should contact the Clerk for further details and an application form, which needs to be returned not later than 1<sup>st</sup> January 2003.

### **INTER-LIVERY DUPLICATE BRIDGE COMPETITION 2003**

The Company of Playing Card Makers is organising the 21<sup>st</sup> Inter-Livery Bridge Competition, for pairs, on the evening of Monday 3 March 2003 at Drapers Hall. The cost per pair, including supper, will remain at £105 (incl. of VAT) and whilst this is not a charity competition, per se, any surplus will be donated to the Lord Mayor's Appeal 2003. Both Liverymen and Freeman may compete either as pairs or with their spouses or other close relatives. There is no restriction on the number of pairs each Company may enter. Full details, rules and application forms will be available later this year. In the meantime if any Company member were interested in taking part would they please advise the Clerk soonest?

### **PLUMBERS 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Lecture – 29 January 2003**

The subject will be 'Skills and Education – Challenge and Opportunity' and is being held at the Institute of Electrical Engineers, Savoy Place, London on Wednesday 29 January 2003 at 5.00 pm, to be followed by a dinner in their magnificent dining room. The speaker is John Harwood, CE of Learning & Skills Council. Cost £9.00 for the lecture and £46 for the whole evening. Any Company members interested please advise the Clerk soonest.

### **LIVERY COMMITTEE**

The Livery and Livery Consultative Committees have been replaced with a newly formed Livery Committee with effect from Common Hall in June 2002. The objects shall be to undertake initiatives such as:

- Intended to assist livery companies in their support of the mayoralty and the Corporation;
- Aimed at creating an awareness amongst liverymen and the general public, especially opinion formers, of the work of the livery companies in their trade, professions, educational, community support programmes and charitable activities, and;
- To undertake such other tasks which are intended to be in the best interests of the general body of the livery.

The committee is made up of 2 liverymen, who are aldermen, nominated by the Court of Aldermen; 6 liverymen who are common councilmen, nominated by the Court of Common Council; 6 liverymen, not aldermen, common councilmen or clerks, nominated by the livery companies, one through the Clerks of the Great Twelve livery companies, one through the Clerks Association, and four through the Fellowship of Clerks; 6 livery company clerks, nominated by the three clerks associations, two by each association or as mutually agreed between them.

*Michael Bizley.*