

LIVERY BRIEFING

May 2017



Message from the Chairman, Deputy Richard Regan OBE

Dear Liverymen,

I have pleasure in sending you the latest edition of the bi-monthly Livery Briefing, which I hope is both interesting and useful to all members of the Livery.

The Livery Committee website (www.liverycompanies.info) also provides a huge source of information and I hope you will not hesitate to let either myself or the Deputy Chairman, Victoria Russell, know if there are any areas of interest that you feel are not covered either in the periodical newsletter or on this website. Should you wish to contact us or contribute to future editions of the Briefing, please contact the Clerk to the Livery Committee, Gregory Moore (Senior Committee and Member Services Officer, Town Clerk's Department) at gregory.moore@cityoflondon.gov.uk, who will pass on any correspondence.

Thank you.
Richard Regan OBE, Deputy
Livery Committee

NEWS

Aldermanic Succession

The Court of Aldermen have announced or confirmed their endorsement of their preferred members to go forward to the offices of Lord Mayor and Sheriff over the next two years, subject, as always, to election by the Livery at Common Hall.

- 2017 - Lord Mayor, Charles Bowman; Sheriff, Tim Hailes
- 2018 - Lord Mayor, Peter Estlin; Sheriff, Vincent Keaveny

The Town Clerk wrote to all Clerks, Masters, Prime Wardens, and the Upper Bailiff advising the above preferred progression on Wednesday 31 May.

Common Hall: Election of Sheriffs

Monday 26 June will see the annual election of Sheriffs. At the closing date for nominations, two candidates had put their names forward for election to be the two Sheriffs from 28 September. They are:

- [Tim Hailes](#), Alderman and International Banker
- [Neil Redcliffe](#), Citizen and Basketmaker

The election at Common Hall will therefore be uncontested.

Sir Paul Judge

It is with sadness that we must report the recent death of Sir Paul Judge, who sadly passed away on 22 May. Sir Paul served as Alderman for the Ward of Tower from 2007 until his death and also as Sheriff of this City in 2013. Our thoughts are with his family at this time.

Aldermanic Election: Aldersgate

On Wednesday 3 May 2017, an Aldermanic election was held in the Ward of Aldersgate. The result was as follows:

- Anstee, Nicholas John – 367
- Tayab, Tanvir – 25

Nick Anstee (Butcher) was duly re-elected as Alderman for the Ward.

Elections – Court of Common Council

On 23 March 2017, the City-wide elections for the Court of Common Council took place. All existing Common Council Members had to seek re-election on that day and turnout was up by almost 10% compared to the 2013 elections. The results are on the [City of London website](#).

Farewell

In the wake of the recent City-wide elections, the Livery Committee would like to take the opportunity to wish a fond farewell to Bill Fraser - former Common Councillor, Past Chief Commoner, Past Master Gardener and a former Chairman of the Livery Committee. Bill served for 36 years on the Common Council and we were privileged to benefit from his expertise on the Livery Committee for the past decade, both during his time as Chairman and member. We are extremely grateful for the contribution he made to City of London, the Livery Committee and the City Corporation over the years and wish him well for the future.

Lord Mayor's Overseas Visits: North Africa

Last month between 8 and 14 April, the Lord Mayor visited North Africa, taking in Algeria (Algiers), Tunisia (Tunis) and Morocco (Casablanca). He was accompanied by Alderman Dame Fiona Woolf, who had visited the region herself as Lord Mayor in 2014, and by the Lord Risby (Prime Minister's Trade Envoy to Algeria) and Dr Andrew Murrison MP (Prime Minister's Trade Envoy to Morocco and Tunisia). He was also joined in each country by a business delegation representing UK financial and associated professional services. The visit sought to promote, across all three markets, the role of London as a global hub for infrastructure finance, green finance, capital markets and education, and training and qualifications, forging introductions for UK business and continuing the high level dialogue between the City and these three important partners in the region. In Algeria, the Lord Mayor met with the Prime Minister, the Finance Minister, the Energy Minister and the Central Bank, discussing opportunities for British business in Algeria's extensive energy sector, while also exploring ways in which the UK can help diversify the Algerian economy away from reliance on oil and gas, at a time of low oil prices. In Tunisia, where economic growth has suffered with the decline in tourism since 2015, renewables and fin-tech are both areas of potential greater partnership with the City. The Lord Mayor met with the Prime Minister, the Finance Minister, the Foreign Minister and the Energy Minister to take these conversations forward. In Morocco the Lord Mayor's programme of business meetings focussed on the ongoing collaboration between London and the Casablanca Finance City project and the further development of Morocco's capital markets.

Interactive Livery Halls Map

An interactive map of the City's Livery Halls (as well as other points of interest) has now been developed. The map can be found either through the [Livery Committee website](#) or hosted on the [City of London website](#). We hope it is of use to Clerks, Companies and indeed all Liverymen and Freemen.

Lynn Painter-Stainers Art Prize

The 2017 Winner of the Lynn Painter-Stainers Prize, awarded at the Mall Galleries on Monday 6 March, was *Lunchtime, Liverpool Street* by Christopher Green. For full details and all winners, please visit the [Lynn Painter-Stainers Art Prize website](#).

Inter-Livery Bridge Competition

The 35th Annual Inter-Livery Bridge competition was held at Drapers' Hall on Monday 6 March 2017. 56 pairs took part in the event and represented 36 different Livery Companies. Prizes were presented by Alderman and Sheriff Peter Estlin; for full details and all winners, please visit the [Inter Livery Shoot website](#).

Inter-Livery Clay Shoot

Held on 17 May at the Holland & Holland ground (organised by the Environmental Cleaners' Company), the overall winners of this year's event were the Gunmakers A team, followed by the Carmen in second with the Gunmakers F in third place. Individual discipline winners included the Gold & Silver Wyre Drawers in the Side by Side and the Gunmakers C in the Flush. Please [click here](#) to see the full list of winners and results.

Inter-Livery Regatta

The annual Inter-Livery Regatta took place in Cowes on Saturday 20 May and our congratulations go to Assassin, crewed by the Worshipful Company of Stationers, on becoming the winners of the 48th Lord Mayor's Cup. For more information and pictures of the event, please visit the [City Livery Yacht Club's website](#).

DIARY DATES

Midsummer Evening of Music & Wine

The Lord Mayor will be hosting a very special Midsummer Evening of Music and Wine in the grand surroundings of Guildhall on Wednesday 21 June. The event will involve the tasting of several excellent wines from around the world, carefully chosen by the Master of the Vintners' Company, over a sumptuous 3-course dinner and beautiful pieces of music performed by musicians from the world-renowned London Symphony Orchestra. Individual tickets start from £250 and can be purchased from the [Lord Mayor's Appeal website](#). If you are interested in taking a whole table of ten guests (available from £2,500) please [Pauliina Lyttinen](#).

Livery Schools Link (LSL) AGM

The LSL Annual General Meeting will take place on Monday 3 July in the City Centre, 80 Basinghall Street. Further details will be sent out nearer the time, but if anyone is interested in working with LSL, please visit the [LSL website](#) for more information or email [Lis Goodwin](#).

City Beerfest

Organised by the City Music Foundation, in partnership with The Worshipful Company of Brewers, the fifth annual City Beerfest will take place in Guildhall Yard on Wednesday 6 July. The event is held in support of the Lord Mayor's Appeal and the City Music Foundation – for more information, please visit the [City Beerfest website](#).

Headteachers' Conference

The LSL's annual conference for secondary school Headteachers will take place on 7 July at Staple Inn Hall from 8.45am to 12.45pm. The theme is apprenticeships, with presentations by the Lord Mayor and Baroness Wolf of Dulwich as well as time for round table discussions. The event provides an opportunity to members of the Livery concerned with education to discuss and exchange views with the Heads on how the Livery and schools can work together to help pupils. The LSL also plan to present their volunteer engagement platform at this event. Invitations will have been sent to all Livery Companies in April, but if anyone would like further information please contact [Lis Goodwin](#) or visit the [website](#).

Cart Marking Ceremony

On Wednesday 12 July the annual Cart Marking ceremony will take place in Guildhall Yard. The event, open to the public, sees each vehicle brought for the Master Carman's inspection, then branded by the Keeper of Guildhall, using a special brazier and gloves provided by the Glovers' Company. The duties of the Keeper are shared with the Lord Mayor, and also the Master Carman. Afterwards the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, Master Carman and Wardens doff their caps as each vehicle passes the rostrum.

Race for Dogget's Coat and Badge

Tuesday 25 July will see the 302nd annual race for Dogget's Coat and Badge. The event, first rowed in 1715, (and hence arguably the oldest continuous, annually-staged sporting event in the world), is organised by the Fishmongers' Company. For more details, please visit the [website](#).

City Giving Day - Celebrating volunteering and philanthropy in the City

Launched in 2014, [City Giving Day](#) is an annual event that unites the City through its charity and community partnerships. It gives business around the Square Mile and beyond, the opportunity to promote and celebrate the good work that they do. Over 100 companies have already signed up to take part in City Giving Day 2017, which will take place on Tuesday 26 September. You can help by introducing your own company and asking others to join in. Companies that would like more information can either contact the Lord Mayor's Appeal Team by emailing [Jan.Foster](#) or calling on 020 7332 3177.

City Briefings

These early evening events (5.30-7.30pm) are aimed at introducing Liverymen and Freemen to the City of London Corporation and its links and inter-relationships with the Livery. Taking place at Guildhall, forthcoming dates are as follows:

- Tuesday 10 October 2017
- Monday 6 November 2017
- Wednesday 7 February 2018
- Monday 8 October 2018
- Tuesday 20 November 2018

Comments from past attendees have highlighted how useful and informative they have found these sessions, as they provide an opportunity for you to ask questions of the City Corporation and the role of the Livery. We hope that as many of you as possible will take full advantage of the service offered. To book on to these (or any of the Briefing Courses organised for the benefit of the Livery), please go to the [website](#) or contact your clerk.

Wardens and Court Assistants Course

There is also a briefing session for Wardens and Court Assistants, both prospective and in post, scheduled for Wednesday 20 September. Spouses and consorts are also welcome to attend the day at Guildhall. The programme and online booking can be found [here](#). The Course is particularly aimed at those expecting to take office in 2018.

Silent Ceremony

The Admission of Lord Mayor, or Silent Ceremony, as it is also known, will take place on Friday 10 November in Guildhall. Ticket application forms for the Silent Ceremony will be available via the City of London website from the afternoon of Monday 26 June. For further information, please [email](#) the Remembrancer's department.
