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Diary at liverycompanies.info

This note sets out the criteria as to which events are listed at the Diary pages of this website, and which are not.

As a general over-riding principal, events that are included are those to which ALL or many livery masters, and/or all liverymen are invited, WITHOUT charge, and which are clearly livery/City events. Also included are all events at which every livery master might reasonably be expected to attend.

UK national/bank holidays and a few other “national/religious” days of note are also included.

City civic and ceremonial

The most obvious examples of such events would be Common Hall, and other events relating to the election and installation of the LM and sheriffs.

Church services

Bearing in mind the livery’s strong religious roots, the various church services aimed especially at liverymen may be included, again most obviously, the United Guilds’ Service.

Sporting events

The various inter livery sporting events and competitions (summarised and described in the note in the Almanac) are included, but not the myriad golf days arranged for liverymen (aside from the Prince Arthur).

Lectures

Assuming they are open to all (or at least a significant number of) liverymen/masters, and there is no charge, many are included. Similarly other cultural/educational events – eg art exhibitions etc.

What’s not included!

Any charity fund-raiser (the Diary page heading includes a link to the LM Appeal programme)

Any lunch/dinner or social event hosted by one company

Any paid for event or activity promoting ticket sales (the Diary page footer gives details of halls that host “restaurant” lunches open to all liverymen)

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Why not?

The Diary is designed as a service for livery masters and their clerks, to help with diary planning and to ensure attendance at those events that they “should” attend, or at least be aware of.

It is not intended to be a “listings” site to promote charity events or ticket sales, or to publicise individual livery dinners etc.

Also, the pages are maintained manually by one retired individual, and aside from not wishing the pages to become overly cluttered with miscellaneous events, the work load of complying with the above criteria is as much as this editor wishes to undertake.

Exceptions

The afore-mentioned Editor reserves the right to include or exclude any event as he judges relevant, and to over-rule his own guidelines above.

New additions

If you wish to list an event which would seem to comply with the spirit of the above, please feel free to suggest it by emailing the details to the address below. Following the same format as existing listings would be helpful, especially including a URL link for more details – hopefully at your own livery/organisation’s website. Be aware that there is also a facility at every company’s page at the livery companies database to promote any event that the company organises.

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