

Chairman's Report to the Livery Committee
Wednesday 8th June 2016

May would seem to be the month for inter livery sports, and so I am happy to report on the Clay Shoot, organised by the Environmental Cleaners, and won by the Butchers; the Prince Arthur Golf, organised by the Coachmakers, and won by the Brewers; and the Cowes Sailing Regatta, organised by the City Livery Yacht Club, and won by a boat jointly crewed by Stationers & Marketors. Early June will see the Rifle Shooting, organised by the Bakers, and since my last report, the Bridge competition arranged again by the Makers of Playing Cards, and won by the Actuaries.

Also there have been other occasions when liveries have the opportunity to come together, for example at the recent Festival of the Sons of the Clergy, Barts View Day, the successful Livery Schools Link Showcase event, the Northern liverymen Brigantes Breakfast this year at Cutlers' Hall in Sheffield, and coming up - the Ironbridge Weekend.

During my tenure as your chairman, I have endeavoured to attend as many of these events as possible, and invariably find them well supported with a vibrancy demonstrating the health and breadth of the livery. I thank all their organisers, and this year have invited each of them to our Committee Dinner next week to say so publicly.

But one celebration I had not attended previously was the Zurich Guilds Sechseläuten, and so I was honoured to be invited as their guest to a spectacular parade on a wet and cold day in April. There I joined with the Cutlers, Gold & Silver Wyre Drawers, Joiners & Ceilers, Pattenmakers, and World Traders, as well as a large number of individual liverymen from other companies. There continue to be many active links between the Zurich guilds and ourselves.

On 24th May, the City Livery Club presented its third "Root & Branch Award" to a liveryman who has made a noteworthy contribution to the Livery. This year it was won by Paul Jagger of the Information Technologists. Bob Heathfield of the Constructors was Highly Commended.

The [Livery Companies Database](#) gives comprehensive contact information about them all (kept up-dated by their individual clerks) and may be viewed alphabetically, by precedent, or by hall. Now, [at the same](#)

[database](#), nearly 100 City institutions and organisations are listed at **Clubs & Guilds**, with contact information, including at Guildhall, Mansion House and the Old Bailey, as well as various City guilds, clubs, ward clubs and past master associations (PMA's). Also included are a number of trade/business related bodies, military units, and places available for venue hire. A selection of merchants and guilds from outside London are listed.

Your feedback on this new element of the website would be welcomed, though as you will see, it still very much work in progress.

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Chairman

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