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## Royal Honour for 400th Anniversary

In his first official role as the newly elected Deacon Convener of the Trades of Glasgow, Graham Goodridge-Cox welcomed HRH The Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex, as the guest of honour at the Trades House of Glasgow prestigious 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary dinner last October.

The dinner celebrated 400 years since the signing of the Letter of Guildry, which established the Trades House as a federal union of the 14 Crafts in 1605.

Joining HRH The Earl of Wessex as guests of honour at the anniversary dinner were former Secretary General of NATO, the Rt Hon The Lord Robertson of Port Ellen; the Rt Hon The Lord Provost of the City of Glasgow Councillor Liz Cameron; and Professor John Wallace, Principal of the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama.

Commenting on the Quatercentenary dinner, Graham said: "We were most honoured to welcome HRH The Earl of Wessex and our distinguished guests to celebrate four centuries of the Trades House of Glasgow. As well as the Royal Family, Government and the City, many walks of life were represented, including the universities, colleges and public bodies, the Church and the arts, industry and commerce, the armed forces and the media.

"We saw Dr Morris perform one of his last official duties as Chaplain of the House, prior to his retirement in November. It was truly a tremendous occasion to commence my year in office as Deacon Convener."

The dinner was attended by 218 people including Deacons, Visitor, members of the 14 Incorporations of Crafts and their guests.

*More photographs centre spread...*

**Graham Goodridge-Cox (centre) introduces Collector Ian Dunsmore to HRH The Earl of Wessex.**

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## Preserving Glasgow's Historic Legacy

Plans are underway to secure the financial future of what is one of the most historic buildings in Glasgow, the Trades Hall. Designed and built between 1791 and 1794 by Robert Adam and his brothers, it is the only building in Glasgow, apart from the mediaeval Glasgow Cathedral, still used for its original purpose – as a meeting place for the Trades House of Glasgow and the 14 Incorporated Crafts.

Working closely together, the Trustees of the Trades Hall Trust and the Trades House of Glasgow are aiming at improving the financial outlook and commercial viability of the building. One of the first initiatives to help promote the Hall and its facilities is to invite key organisations in Glasgow to an evening presentation on Thursday 23 March, which includes a tour.

*Story continued centre spread...*

*The Grand Hall in all its glory as it awaits guests for the Deacon Convener's 400th anniversary dinner. With its Spanish mahogany panels, striking centre dome, baroque chandeliers and spectacular soaring windows, it is popular for wedding receptions and corporate dinners. Depending on layout, it has a capacity of up to 250. The Grand Hall is also suitable for conferences and exhibitions.*



# VIEW FROM THE PLATFORM

It is a privilege and a unique experience to represent the Trades House. The 400<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner on that evening in October following my election provided an outstanding launch into what is proving to be an extremely busy, but nonetheless, very rewarding and enjoyable time. That time has included functions involving the House, Crafts, City and outside organisations, all of which underline the real friendship and warm relationship in which our organisation is viewed.

Numerous City events increasingly feature in the diary and the Lord Provost, her staff and colleagues, have most warmly welcomed both my wife Kay and myself. We look forward to further participation in the varied Civic events and, in particular, working with the Deacons, Visitor and Crafts in our support for the Lord Provost's Annual Procession in June when the theme will be the Kelvingrove Museum and Art Gallery.

I am very pleased to have such a fine Chain Gang. It has been very rewarding to see their enthusiasm and support grow for one another as the season of well-attended formal dinners has progressed. Their wives have matched their enthusiasm, resulting in a very strong cohesive group of friends.

We decided early on that the proceeds of the Glasgow Ball should be used for something that would be appreciated by a large number of people for many years. The result is to be the Trades House Garden in the new Beatson Oncology Centre. That choice is even more fitting now, as Dr Hosney Yosef, Senior Consultant at the Beatson and Deacon of the Fleshers, was recently awarded the OBE for his services to medicine in the West of Scotland. The Ball will be held in the Glasgow Hilton Hotel on the Saturday 13 May.

I am also indebted to my colleagues on the Platform, the Clerk of the House and his professional staff for their guidance and hard work to date. The Co-ordinators and committee members of the School Citizenship Awards, School Craft Competition and Craftex will see their hard work come to fruition in June and I thank them in advance.

GRAHAM GOODRIDGE-COX Deacon Convener



*Graham Goodridge-Cox (left) with Ian Dunsmore following the election*

It was a great honour to be elected as Collector of the Trades House last October. Although I have been involved with the House in various ways since 1968, principally through the Incorporation of Weavers, it has been a fascinating experience to learn how the organisation works from "the other side" as it were.

Eileen and I have been privileged to enjoy generous hospitality and tremendous fellowship during the five months since I took office.

My predecessor Malcolm Wishart was able to effect some reduction in the costs of administration of the House and, although inevitably, there have been some increases provided for in the budget for the year to 30 May 2006, every effort will be made to contain these.

Since I took office as Collector, I have been very aware of the tremendous interest in the House and, indeed, the Trades Hall, in the City and beyond. However, there is no doubt that there is a lot of work to be done to increase the public perception of the work we do. Many people are unaware of the charitable funds which we administer and that we are a major force for charity in the City of Glasgow and beyond.

The recent initiatives in connection with the Trades Hall – as detailed in this issue of the Craftsman - will clearly help in this direction. The Glasgow Ball to be held in the Hilton Hotel on Saturday 13 May 2006 is a major fundraising event – to fund a tranquil garden for patients of the new Beatson Oncology Unit at Gartnavel Hospital – and will also help raise the public profile of the House. The Chain Gang look forward to your support to ensure the success of this event.

I look forward to the rest of my year as Collector and, in particular, to working with the Platform to ensure the continued prosperity of the Trades House.

IAN L DUNSMORE Collector

## THE COLLECTOR'S GOBLET

A stunning sterling silver goblet was commissioned by Malcolm Wishart, demitting Collector of the Trades House, and presented to Ian Dunsmore, as he took up his new position of Collector to the House last October. The magnificent goblet, formed in three sections, was designed and created by Professor Roger Millar DesRCA DA, a former senior lecturer and Head of the Department of Silversmithing and Jewellery at Glasgow School of Art.



"The tradition of silver goblets being used by the year's Deacon Convener and Deacons/Visitor of each Incorporation goes back to 1986, when they were first created as part of the Lord Forte Commissions for students at Glasgow School of Art," explained Late Collector Malcolm Wishart. "It was a love of Glasgow, a passion for silver and the quality of design and craftsmanship at the School that led Lord Charles Forte, then Chairman of Trusthouse Forte, to commission the goblets amongst many other wonderful pieces. However, no goblet was made at that time for the Collector of the House.

"I wanted to take the opportunity to complete the Chain Gang collection by commissioning a silver goblet that would be passed onto successive Collectors in years to come. And who better than Professor Roger Millar who also created the original Forte goblet for the Incorporation of Fleshers?"

The cup has a central four-sided gilt boss, engraved with the symbols of the Trades House of Glasgow and City of Glasgow – the bird, bell, fish and tree to signify the linkage between the House and City. The stem foot has 14 facets to represent the Trades. An engraved commemorative disc is fitted under the base.

"I am absolutely delighted to be the first recipient of the new goblet, which is a superb example of the silversmith's craft" said Ian. "It is a wonderful gesture by Malcolm, as he passed on the Collector's reins to me, and a splendid addition to the goblet tradition of House and Crafts."





## THE VERY REVEREND DR WILLIAM J MORRIS – A TRIBUTE

*In addition to decades of service to Glasgow Cathedral and the City, Dr William J Morris was well known to House and Crafts for penning unique graces. Many can still be enjoyed in his book *Amazing Graces*.*

Dr William J Morris addressed his last Sunday morning service at the end of November 2005, having served 38 glorious years since becoming Minister of Glasgow Cathedral and the City in 1967. It was during almost the same period that he served the Trades House of Glasgow, giving his first opening prayer for the new House the following year on 10 October 1968.

"We were honoured to have Dr Morris serve as our Chaplain for so many years," said Deacon Convener Graham Goodridge-Cox. "He attended every Deacon Convener's dinner and many Crafts events, delivering his customarily unique prayers for each and every occasion.

"One of his last official duties on our behalf was to perform the Kirking of the House service at the Cathedral last October. We send him our very warmest and heartfelt best wishes for his retirement years."

A special retiral dinner was held in his honour at the Trades Hall in January, attended by the Platform, ex Conveners, the Clerk and their partners, when a presentation on behalf of the Platform and Ex Conveners took place. A further retiral presentation will be made to Dr Morris on behalf of the House and Associates in February.

His work with the Church of Scotland extended for more than 54 years, following his ordination in 1951. Within the Cathedral, he sustained his role longer than any other minister since the 16<sup>th</sup> century Reformation, making his mark and going on to be loved as one of the most notable ministers within Glasgow and the wider Church community.

As Chaplain to the Queen since 1969 and Dean of the Chapel Royal from 1991 to 1996, Dr Morris was honoured with the accolade of Knight Commander of the Victorian Order. Honorary doctorates were awarded by the Universities of Strathclyde, Glasgow and Caledonia, and he was made an Honorary Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons in Glasgow, just some of the many distinctions he received and positions he held over the years.

Many of Dr Morris's special prayers, including those given on behalf of the House and Crafts, can still be enjoyed in his book *Amazing Graces*, published by Neil Wilson Publishing Ltd priced £5.00 and available at all good bookshops or order online at: [http://www.nwp.co.uk/show\\_publication.cfm?pub\\_id\\_var=1298](http://www.nwp.co.uk/show_publication.cfm?pub_id_var=1298)

## MEMBERSHIP SURVEY

Pamela Foster, an MSc student at the University of Strathclyde, has now completed her dissertation, which took the form of a marketing review of the Trades House of Glasgow and 14 Incorporated Crafts. The main component of the project was a membership survey that achieved a very high response rate of 24.6%.

"The survey data is now being reviewed," explained Late Collector of the Trades House, T Malcolm T Wishart. "It will help the House and Crafts not only ensure that they can meet the needs of existing members, but also continue to attract new members and the charitable funding vital to safeguarding their work in this area in their fifth century. I would thank all the members who responded to the survey for their support."

The survey, issued to a random sample of 980 members of the House and Crafts, offered a prize of two tickets to the 2006 Glasgow Ball to one of the respondents. The winner of the tickets is Mr D Wiseman of Perth, former Clerk to the Maltmen.

Full results of the survey will be featured in the next edition of the Craftsman.

## A LEGACY APPEAL

Ever thought of leaving a legacy to the Crafts or Trades House? While the financial position of the 14 Incorporations varies greatly between Crafts, undoubtedly their funds would be significantly enhanced by legacies, enabling them to increase their giving to beneficiaries, education, charities and, generally, in accordance with their individual aims and objectives.

"We would like to encourage members to consider leaving a legacy to their Incorporation," said Collector Ian Dunsmore. "As the law presently stands, such a donation is not subject to Inheritance Tax on death.

"If you would like to leave a legacy, the process is very simple. You should consult your solicitor, who will draw up the necessary codicil and, if need be, approach the Clerk to your Incorporation to ensure that the correct wording is used.

"Just one note of caution – wherever possible, it is beneficial to avoid any conditions to the legacy. A legacy 'for the general purposes of the Incorporation' would be preferred to one with rigid conditions that can limit the ability to use funds to best advantage. With the passage of time, some conditions may become difficult to implement."

The legacy appeal also asks members not to forget the Trades House. Although the organisation has significant funds under its control, it is still unable to respond to all the many appeals it receives. A legacy to the House would enhance its ability to continue its charitable work within Greater Glasgow and beyond.

The ability of the House and 14 Incorporations to disburse charitable funds has traditionally stemmed from legacies. Help from the members will ensure they are able to continue these valuable services to the people and City of Glasgow, as they enter their fifth century.

## HISTORY IN THE MAKING

As the Trades House of Glasgow enters its fifth century, it has steadily evolved over the past 400 years to become widely viewed as a centre of excellence in the administration of charitable trusts and legacies. Today, funds managed are in excess of £14 million with around £300,000 distributed annually and, through a wide variety of events and support from the 14 Incorporated Crafts, the historical organisation aims to raise upwards of £30,000 towards a charity selected each year by the Deacon Convener.

Now with its membership at more than 7000 men and women drawn from a wide range of backgrounds, the Trades House also continues to preserve traditional craft skills in parallel with new technologies. Also close to its heart is the wide variety of initiatives it organises including the high profile Craftex, the crafts awards and exhibition run in association with the nine colleges of Glasgow, and the crafts and citizenship awards that attract participation from all primary, secondary and special needs schools across the city.

When Graham Goodridge-Cox took up his post as the new Deacon Convener last October, he congratulated Late Deacon Convener Tom Gilchrist, Late Collector Malcolm Wishart and the past Chain Gang team on all their hard work during the Quatercentenary year.

"Their hard work and dedication helped raise the profile and standing of both House and Crafts in what has been a momentous year for our organisation," said Graham. "With the backing of Collector Ian Dunsmore and our new Chain Gang, I am confident that we too have a strong and enthusiastic team that will build on the foundations of the past and be fully active in the affairs of the House.

"Whilst our principal purpose is the collection, administration and distribution of funds for the benefit of the elderly, young and public at large within Glasgow, we also employ a social worker who visits beneficiaries and ensures their needs are met. On top of this, regular outings are arranged for their enjoyment. I am greatly honoured indeed to serve both the Trades House and this great City of ours."

During his year in office, Graham works closely with his Platform, Deacons and Visitor, warmly referred to as the Chain Gang, a name that comes from the chains of office worn at House and Craft events. The charity of choice for this year is the new Beatson Oncology Centre now under construction at Gartnavel Hospital.

# GLASGOW BALL

Glasgow Hilton will provide the striking venue for the Trades House Glasgow Ball on Saturday 13 May 2006, with the Sandals Dance Band, John Carmichael Ceilidh Band and Dave Wilson Jazz Quartet providing the musical entertainment.

The Chain Gang is working enthusiastically to ensure the evening is another great success. The charity beneficiary this year is the new Beatson Oncology Centre at Gartnavel Hospital, where a permanent Trades House Garden will be created in an inner courtyard setting.

"The beautiful garden, which will be cleverly illuminated in the evenings, will provide a tranquil setting for patients, their family and friends," said Deacon Convener Graham Goodridge-Cox. "So we are calling upon everyone to lend their support to the Ball in any way they can, whether it is helping out on the night, through sponsorship, donations, or the gift of prizes for our major auction, silent auction or tombola.

"Not only is this special annual charity evening an ideal opportunity for corporate entertainment or simply spending an enjoyable evening with friends. Its fundraising purpose will also truly benefit many people for years to come. Remember, your help will directly help others."

Tickets are selling fast, with many of the 54 tables of 10 or 12 guests already allocated. To apply for tickets, priced £65, or to donate a prize, please contact: John Blue at The Glasgow Ball 2006, Events House, 9 Fairley Street, Glasgow G51 2SN, Tel: 0141 427 9995, Fax: 0141 427 3943 or email: [eventsco@globalnet.co.uk](mailto:eventsco@globalnet.co.uk)



The Trades House donation will transform these simple gardens, providing a stunning, colourful outlook for all to enjoy.

## LEADING THE WAY IN CANCER CARE

As the Lead Centre for the delivery of non-surgical cancer care in the West of Scotland and the second largest facility of its kind in the UK, it is easy to see why the Beatson Oncology Centre is the charity of choice this year. It serves a population of 2.6 million and has clinical links with 16 hospitals in five surrounding health board areas.

Each year the Beatson team see over 8,000 new patients and administer more than 15,000 courses of chemotherapy and 6,500 of radiotherapy. Waiting times for radical treatment are amongst the lowest in the UK.

Currently based at three sites around Glasgow - the Western Infirmary, Gartnavel General Hospital and Glasgow Royal Infirmary - the Beatson is now looking forward to a single site, state of the art £100 million unit being built at Gartnavel. The transfer of personnel is scheduled to commence towards the end of this year.

Funds raised from the annual Glasgow Ball will help establish a Trades House garden in an inner courtyard, illuminated in the evening to provide a focal point from both ground and upper rooms. The garden will provide a tranquil setting for use by the patients, their family and friends.

## ANNUAL DINNERS

The Deacon Convener and his Lady held their Annual Dinners at the Trades Hall and Western Club, Glasgow.



### STOP PRESS

*It has been announced that the Coca Cola On Trade Division UK, will be the main sponsor of the Ball.*

## PRESERVING GLASGOW'S HISTORIC LEGACY ... continued from front page

A marketing review helped identify certain matters that required early attention, with one of the key focuses on improving the presentation of the Hall and attracting quality users in keeping with the prestigious nature of the building. With the real need to increase the rental income, several initiatives have been adopted by the Trustees with the support of the House.

Plans have also been drawn up to convert the ground floor reception room into a retail unit, in keeping with the original design of the building which provided for shop units on either side of the main entrance. A new reception area will be created on the second floor. The plans have been lodged with the Planning Department and early indications are that the proposals are being sympathetically considered.

Everyone who has the best interests of the House and Hall at heart is urged to become Ambassadors for the Trades Hall, to help ensure that its future as the spiritual home of the 14 Incorporations and, indeed, as one of the most prestigious venues in the country, is secured.

Further details of the presentation will be announced shortly and posted on the Trades Hall website [www.tradeshallglasgow.co.uk](http://www.tradeshallglasgow.co.uk). All enquiries should be directed to Carole Nelson, Operations Manager of the Trades Hall - see back page for contact details.

George Horspool Chairman Trustees of Trades Hall	Ian Dunsmore Collector Trades House of Glasgow
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### ABOUT THE TRADES HALL

Born in Kirkcaldy, Fife, Robert Adam (1728-1792) became one of Scotland's most famous architects, renowned for his classical designs of fine buildings, furniture and interiors throughout Britain, inspired and influenced by Italian classical design and ancient Roman architecture.

Robert was commissioned to design the Trades Hall in Glassford Street in 1791, as a meeting place for the Incorporated Trades and Trades House of Glasgow. He worked on the Hall at the very end of his career, dying two

## FOND FAREWELL

Guests gathered to say a fond farewell to Trades House social worker, Christine McKaig, who took care of the Macfarlane Fund beneficiaries for 17 years. Christine's extended family of pensioners turned out in force to wish her well, at the special retiral function organised in her honour by the House.

Along with afternoon tea, guests enjoyed entertainment from the McKenzie Singers. Christine was also able to circulate around the tables and say her personal farewells. In his role as Deacon Convener at the time, Tom Gilchrist made the retiral presentation to Christine on behalf of the House.

Presenting the gift of gold jewellery, Tom said: "Christine joined us in 1988 after 29 years in social work services. She told me how much she enjoyed her time with us and I know that her reward has come from the hard work she has put in to getting to know all the beneficiaries and building up a relationship of friendship.

"We thank Christine for her dedicated service to the beneficiaries who she looked after with care and trust, enabling them to enjoy life to the full. By her great encouragement, she also made sure we had terrific turnouts at the many events held for the beneficiaries during the year. These outings became a true reunion gathering of friends."

Working alongside Christine as a social worker was Wilma Campbell, who will now take over the care of the Macfarlane Fund beneficiaries and ensure continuity of services in the years ahead.



years before its completion. His brothers, James and William, were responsible for finishing the building, which opened in 1794. Today, the Trades Hall is his only major work surviving in the city.

Following its £1.2 million refurbishment two years ago, the Trades Hall opened as a visitor centre for the first time in its 200-plus year history, allowing them to explore and enjoy its many hidden treasures.

Adam's most famous commissions include Sion House, Chiswick Park and Kenwood House in London. Apart from the Trades Hall, his most enduring Scottish works include Edinburgh's Charlotte Square, the Old College of Edinburgh University and Culzean Castle in Ayrshire. He is buried in Westminster Abbey, London.



*The Trades Hall Saloon can be hired together with the Grand Hall, as an ideal breakout room for lunches or a bar area for evening events. On its own, it can accommodate up to 100 people and is popular for meetings, dinners and receptions.*

The next event in the Ladies' calendar will be a floral demonstration and meal at the Garfield Hotel, Stepps, on Tuesday 21 February. This will be the Association's fundraising event this year for the Deacon Convener's charity. Further information is available from Sheena Watson on 0141 772 5970.



*Committee members are pictured with guest speaker Sandra Hood (third left), former Assistant Chief Constable of Strathclyde Police, at the Association of Trades House Ladies Annual Dinner at the Western Club. The ladies enjoyed a great evening hearing about Sandra's role in the police from joining as a constable in Ayr to holding the highest rank of a female police officer in the country.*

## TOP TALENT SHOWCASE

Plans are well underway for Craftex 2006, the Trades House annual crafts awards and exhibition held at the Trades Hall between Thursday 15 and Sunday 18 June 2006. Showcasing the very best crafts and skills taught at Glasgow's nine colleges of further education, it is seen as a unique platform that recognises and rewards the superb talent being honed in the city.

Craftex presents curriculum work prepared by college students across a comprehensive range of subjects including traditional and modern crafts, design and technology. For the awards, a top student is selected in each subject, with all winners receiving a cheque for £200 and the chance of taking the coveted Gold Medal for best overall piece of work.

The exhibition is once again attracting support from loyal sponsors including Glasgow City Council, Melville Exhibitions and the 14 Incorporated Trades of Glasgow.

## DIARY DATES

**ERSKINE LUNCH** - Annual visit by the Chain Gang, Thursday 23 February 2006

**VISITATION OF PAST MASTERS OF THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANIES OF THE CITY OF LONDON** - Friday 19 May 2006

**BENEFICIARIES' TEA PARTY** - will take place in the Trades Hall on Tuesday 23 May. The beneficiaries are joined for the annual event by members of the Chain Gang and their partners, who are invited to attend as hosts for the afternoon tea.

**ROYAL GARDEN PARTY** - Wednesday 5 July 2006



# CRAFT NEWS . . .

## HAMMERMEN AWARDS

Two Rolls Royce employees were presented with awards at the Craft's Annual Dinner. Alan Mileham received the Craftsman Award having impressed Collector Gavin Maclellan and Prize Convener Ian Young with a wealth of hands on skills. The award aims to recognise, encourage and publicise good practice in innovative engineering within the metalworking and engineering industry.

The second award was presented to Richard Henderson, a Glasgow University graduate in Aeronautical Engineering. This is a joint award with Scottish Engineering. Deacon David Manson MBE, along with Peter Hughes and Susan Andrews of Scottish Engineering, agreed that the standards of the three finalists were phenomenally high.

Richard is a Project Manager with Rolls Royce and has made a major contribution to achieving cost reductions in aero-engines servicing, thereby attracting additional work from world markets.



Richard Henderson (left), Deacon David Manson and Alan Mileham

The Hammermen Service Group Pantomime outing to Cinderella at the King's Theatre, Glasgow, was enjoyed by more than 140 guests led by Robin Brown and Jim Morris of the organising committee and joined by representatives from the Platform. Before the glittering treat, guests enjoyed pre-theatre dinner at the Thistle Hotel. The superb performance was led by panto favourites Gerard Kelly and Jonathan Watson (Only An Excuse) and the fun-filled cast included West End and TV star Joe McFadden, Juliet Cadzow (Balamory), Ken Drury, Jane McCarry (Still Game), Frances Thorburn, Tom Urie (The Karen Dunbar Show) and Jordan Young. It was the same performance enjoyed by many Craft outings this panto season.

The Hammermen summer outing to Crieff Hydro will take place Saturday 19 August.



## BAKERS

### ...ON THE RISE



Deacon Norrie Fyfe with Collector Shirley Adams

Thirty new members joined the Bakers at its admission ceremony in December. In the presence of Deacon Convener Graham Goodridge-Cox, Collector Ian Dunsmore, Craft members, friends and guests, Deacon Norrie Fyfe welcomed the new members, many who have active links with the baking industry.

Shirley Adams, as Collector to the Craft and last surviving member of the Macfarlane Lang family, proudly donated William Wylie Macfarlane's DCM and other First World War medals to the Bakers. Acknowledging this fine gift, the Deacon Convener spoke warmly of the charitable work carried out by the House through the various Macfarlane Trusts.

As well as receiving the customary loaf of freshly baked bread, the new members also enjoyed some delicious cake produced by Glasgow Metropolitan College and adorned with the Bakers Crest (pictured above).

Closing the ceremony, Norrie presented Gordon Carlisle, Chairman of Glasgow Old People's Welfare Association, with a magnificent cheque for £4,760 raised at the most successful annual Craft dinner for years.

## CORDINERS

### ADMISSION OF WOMEN

The Scottish Executive Protocol Unit has now received an Order in Council from the Privy Council Office in connection with the Craft's Supplementary Charter, which will allow the admission of women for the first time. The Order requests the First Minister to prepare a Royal Warrant for passing under the Great Seal of Scotland.

The Warrant has been prepared and requires the signature of the First Minister and HM The Queen. Following this, the Protocol Unit will arrange the production of Letters Patent and the final Supplementary Charter through the Register of Scotland Executive Agency.

### MASTER COURT COMMISSIONS NEW CRAFT HISTORY

The Master Court has commissioned Joyce Steele MA (Hons) FRA Scot, to write a new History of the Incorporation of Cordiners in Glasgow. The bulk of the Craft's archival material, including minute books from 1550, seals, membership records, pensioners' rolls, Collectors' records and miscellaneous material including photographs is kept in the Mitchell Library, Glasgow. Mrs Steele has already begun her initial research collating and analysing the minutes and it is hoped that publication may take place late in 2006 or into 2007.

## FLESHERS

### NEWS IN BRIEF

The Incorporation of Fleshers is very proud to announce that Deacon Dr Hosney Yosef has received an OBE in the New Year's Honours List for his services to Medicine in the West of Scotland.

At the Craft's annual dinner dance, £3,000 was raised for charity - the Craft and its chosen charity the Beatson Oncology Centre.

Craft beneficiaries attended the Pantomime Cinderella at the King's Theatre in January, followed by dinner together at a nearby restaurant.

The Fleshers is a recipient, together with the Trades House of Glasgow, of a substantial legacy from one of their late members, Robert Colquhoun, who produced The Craftsman for many years and passed away in December 2004.

# GARDENERS

## LANGSIDE COLLEGE GRADUATION CEREMONY

The Incorporation of Gardeners has enjoyed a long, happy and fruitful association with Langside College, especially its Horticultural Department at Woodburn House, where members of the Master Court visit each year for an informal tour.

The Craft presents a number of prizes at the College's annual awards ceremony and makes an annual donation for the purchase of equipment at Woodburn House. The Deacon and Collector are guests at the College graduation ceremony that takes place in the Barony Hall each year. For the ceremony last September, the then Deacon J Douglas Anderson and the then Collector Brian Porteous represented the Craft.

An additional pleasure for the Gardeners was that Margaret Hamilton, Academic Head of Woodburn House and a good friend of the Craft for many years, joined the Master Court at the AGM as its first lady member.



## GLASGOW LAND SERVICES

As part of its educational function, the Gardeners provides annual prizes and travelling scholarships for gardening apprentices and students of horticulture. In November, an awards ceremony was held at Glasgow City Chambers, attended by Deacon David Dickson, Collector Michael Yeomans and their wives, along with the Clerk, Deputy Clerk and Officer of the Craft.

A civic welcome and short address was given by Lord Provost Liz Cameron and Robert Booth, Director of Land Services, welcomed the apprentices and guests. Prizes were presented by Steven Purcell, Leader of the Council, with David making the awards to seven horticultural apprentices and trainees.

Winners included Aaron Hamilton who took the quach for highest achievement and Chris Walsh, who is pictured receiving his travelling scholarship from David. Chris presented a report of his experiences in the Himalayas. David also gave a potted history of the Gardeners and its involvement with Land Services and provided a vote of thanks to the Chair, the award winners, their parents, guardians and guests.



*The Gardener's New Year drinks reception held at the Botanic Gardens visitor centre in early January was blessed with some bright sunshine. Deacon David Dickson along with his wife, Susan and Collector Michael Yeomans - whose wife gave birth to their fourth child, Fergus in early January (congratulations!) are pictured with members of the Master Court and their families, including Ewan Donaldson, Craft member and Curator of Glasgow Botanic Gardens.*



**Admission Ceremony**

The Gardeners held their admission ceremony and box opening dinner in the Trades Hall last September. With the Dinner over subscribed and a waiting list for the first time in a number of years, the message for 2006 is book early!

The admission ceremony is a formal occasion when new members – eight on this occasion - take the oath. It is followed by the dinner when the Gardeners box is opened allowing the outgoing Deacon to add mementos of his year in office.

Pictured are Late Deacon Anderson, Late Collector Porteous and the new entrants, including Eleanor Sandford, President of the Association of Trades House Ladies.

## BONNETMAKERS AND DYERS

Somewhat unusually this year, the Deacon of the Bonnetmakers and Dyers hails from Hertfordshire, regularly travelling to Scotland to represent his Craft. Deacon Christopher Hayward is also a Court Member of one of the London Livery companies, the Worshipful Company of Pattenmakers.



*Deacon Chris Hayward and Master Pattenmaker, Christopher Stone, together with their ladies Alexandra and Brenda.*

At his Choosing Dinner, Deacon Hayward was delighted to welcome a delegation of Past Masters and members of his London Livery, including the Master Pattenmaker, Christopher Stone and his lady.

# SPORTS NEWS . . .

## ANGLING

The 73<sup>rd</sup> Trades House Angling Competition was held at the Lake of Menteith last September when 20 Craftsmen representing eight Crafts took part in the event. Conditions were better than 2004 and 17 fish were caught weighing a total of 34 lbs 14 ozs.

The Dallas Trophy for the best individual basket was won by Archie Hutchison (Barbers) for three fish weighing in at 6 lbs 9 ozs. Second was Alberto Laidlaw (Maltmen) with three fish, 5 lbs 1 oz. Team trophy, the Jackson Millar Cup, was won by the Maltmen (Alberto Laidlaw, Hector MacLennan, five fish, 9 lbs 5 ozs), with the Barbers (Archie Hutchison, David Roser, four fish, 8 lbs 10 ozs) in second place.

The Train Trophy for heaviest fish was won by Hector MacLennan (Maltmen) 2 lbs 12 ozs and second Archie Hutchison (Barbers) 2 lbs 1 oz. The Michael Beale Trophy for the heaviest basket by a Craftsman aged over 60 was won by Archie Hutchison (Barbers) with three fish, 6 lbs 9 ozs.

After the competition, high tea was enjoyed at the Rob Roy Motel where the then Deacon Convener, Tom Gilchrist, presented the trophies.

The 2006 competition is scheduled for 16 September. More details are available from Angling Convener Murray Blair on 0141 638 0155.

## GOLF

The Trades House Golf Shield competition will take place at Milngavie Golf Club on Thursday 18 May and the Borland Trophy will tee-off on Tuesday 5 September at Glasgow Gailles Links in Ayrshire. More details are available from Golf Convener Allan Ramsay on 0141 221 6516 (B) or 0141 649 6921 (H).

### Ladies' Golf Competition

Twelve Crafts were represented in the Trades House Ladies' Golf Competition at the Balmore Golf Club last May. The weather was kind and a happy day was enjoyed by all. The then Deacon Convener Tom Gilchrist presented the trophy and prizes, thanking the scorers, Golf Convener Charlotte Horspool and her helpers for organising the day.

This year's 32<sup>nd</sup> Ladies' Golf Competition will be held at Riccarton Golf Club, Hamilton, on Thursday 18 May, when the Deacon Convener's Lady, Kay Goodridge-Cox, will be delighted to welcome all the teams.

#### 2005 Results:-

Winning Team	99 points	Bonnetmakers & Dyers
Runners Up	94 points	Coopers

#### Longest Drive

Silver	Kay Clark	Bonnetmakers & Dyers
Bronze	Jill Massey Cordiners	

#### Nearest the Pin

Silver	Susan Wilson	Coopers
Bronze	Sue Harvey	Bonnetmakers & Dyers

## BOWLING

The 2006 bowling competition takes place on 11 June, 2pm, at Giffnock Bowling Club. For more details, contact: Stewart Cobb on 0141 639 6472.

## CURLING

As this edition of the Craftsman goes to print, the 2005-06 curling competition is reaching the semi-final stages.

"Gardeners 2 and the Tailors will have to do battle in the first semi final," said Curling Convener Michael Burton. "The second semi-final will be between the victors of the Ladies Association and the Skippers, and the Gardeners 1 or Coopers."

The final will take place at Braehead Curling Rink on Monday 13 February, 5.30pm. For those interested in finding out more about the curling, call Michael on 0141 638 2819.



*Last year's curling final at Braehead saw the Gardeners pitted against the Masons, two strong teams that had ably fought their way through the rounds. Winning 14 shots to seven, the Gardeners took the title in what was an entertaining and well played final. The team (pictured from left) are Tom Nimmo, Tom Gemmill, skipper Charles Jackson, and Ross Sandford. Presenting the Trades House Cigar Box trophy was Helen Burton, wife of Michael.*

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