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## Beatson Benefits from Ball

A staggering sum exceeding £51,500, and still counting, was raised by the Deacon Convener and his Chain Gang at the Trades House annual Glasgow Ball.

Proceeds will go to the Trades House Garden being created at the new West of Scotland Cancer Centre at Gartnavel Hospital - the former Beatson - to be enjoyed for many years by patients, their family and friends. Remaining funds will similarly be used to provide lasting benefit to patients and visitors to the Centre.

"Success was thanks to the support and generosity of many organisations and individuals," said Deacon Convener Graham Goodridge-Cox. "Along with my Chain Gang and Professor Alan Rodger, Medical Director of the Beatson Oncology Centre, I would like to express our sincere thanks and compliment all those involved in such a successful outcome."

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## EXTENDED FRIENDSHIP

The Platform, Ex-Conveners and their wives joined together to show their great appreciation for The Very Revd William J Morris, Chaplain to the Trades House of Glasgow between 1968 and 2005, at a dinner in his honour in the Trades Hall.

"The House has had a long connection with Glasgow Cathedral, but it is with Dr Morris that we have had the extended friendship of its Minister," said Deacon Convener Graham Goodridge-Cox. "Bill is the longest serving Minister of the Cathedral since the Reformation and in that intervening time he has met 32 Deacon Conveners and played an important part in their lives."

Sir Robert C Smith, Ex Convener 1976-77, led the personal tributes, which concluded with a presentation to Dr Morris. A further formal presentation was made to Dr Morris at a House Meeting when he was given a framed photograph of the dinner with the Ex Conveners, a framed Trades House Certificate and a cheque from the House and the Grand Antiquity Society.



*Dr Morris with the group of Ex Conveners, the Deacon Convener, members of the Platform and wives who gathered to honour his time with the Trades House.*



## VIEW FROM THE PLATFORM



The year of a Deacon Convener rapidly accelerates as his diary extends beyond the formalities of House business and Craft dinners and he takes on the duties of Third Citizen, in parallel with the House's public image involving the various schools and college competitions, the Trades House Lecture, the fundraising activities of the Glasgow Ball and participation in the Lord Provost's Pageant.

Life for Kay and I has been somewhat hectic, but a very rewarding and unique experience. I know the contribution that the House gives to our City is highly valued and the warmth of the welcome received from our City Fathers reflects this. My thanks go to the Co-ordinators of the various committees who work so hard on our behalf.

The Chain Gang and their wives have provided exceptionally strong support throughout the year. This was reflected in the attendance at their Craft dinners and their enthusiasm for the Annual Ball where over 600 guests enjoyed a fantastic evening raising the grand sum in excess of £51,500 for the chosen charity, the new Beatson Oncology Centre. This was further augmented by a private donation of £5,000 and I sincerely thank that family for their generosity. The Chain Gang is not complete without the Collector and both Ian Dunsmore and wife Eileen have provided strong input and support.

The second Wednesday in October is fast approaching. I am very proud and honoured to have served this House and take this opportunity to record my sincere thanks to Late Convener Tom Gilchrist and his wife Anne for all their help and advice. I shall shortly hand over the DC's Chain to Malcolm Wishart and I wish him and Aileen a most successful and enjoyable year. Last but not least, my thanks to Iain Paterson and his staff, Annette, Myra and Kirstine for all their help and guidance.

GRAHAM GOODRIDGE-COX Deacon Convener



I am honoured to be nominated as the next Deacon Convener of the Trades of Glasgow. Aileen and I are looking forward with anticipation to a fulfilling year.

Deacon Convener Graham Goodridge-Cox, Collector Ian Dunsmore and their 400th Chain Gang are to be congratulated on having continued to raise the profile and standing of the House particularly through a most successful Glasgow Ball. I with the support of my Chain Gang wish to continue that process.

My year in office will see the election of the first ladies as Deacons, a milestone in the history of the House as Maria MacKellar of the Weavers and Annemieke Cunningham of the Barbers become Deacons of their respective Crafts.

My vision for my year in office is to "Promote and Preserve". I wish to promote the House and Crafts by fully engaging with our membership, the city, commerce and academe and preserve the dignity and effectiveness of this great institution to ensure the traditions that have served us well over the centuries are understood, maintained and developed in a way that is relevant to the 21st century.

To help achieve these objectives, arrangements to hold the Glasgow Ball on 12 May 2007 have commenced and I am delighted to announce that this event will raise funds for the Chain Gang's chosen charity, The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice, to provide a much needed specialist ambulance. On 31 August 2007 we will hold a further fund raising event on the Tall Ship Glenlee.

Finally I will be announcing in October details of a high profile event to be run in March 2007 that will build on the House's already strong links with the city, business and academe.

The year ahead will be a challenging and exciting one and I know that with your support the Trades House of Glasgow will continue to make a real difference to our fellow citizens in this great city.

T MALCOLM T WISHART Late Collector



Since taking office as Collector in October last year, I have been able to take part in the many aspects of the work of the House. I have particularly enjoyed being involved with the School Craft competition and also the School Citizenship awards.

The work being done by the Schools and, of course, the pupils is quite amazing and as citizens of Glasgow we have every reason to be proud of our young people. Craftex has also highlighted the wonderful talents that exist among the students in the city's Further Education Colleges. We must continue to strive to let the public at large know of the House's involvement in these projects and where possible, attract additional sponsors.

The financial year for which I am responsible is over and we have managed to show a small surplus. However, we must continue to monitor our administration expenses. During the year the House has agreed to take over the Barony of Gorbals Benevolent Society and we are in discussion with another charitable fund where the current Trustees are mindful to reduce the administration expenses. The House is, of course, willing to take over other suitable charitable funds so as to spread the overall administration expenses. During the year to 31 May 2006, the House has received significant bequests – from the late Bob Colquhoun for the general purposes of the House and from the late Miss Constance Legge for charitable purposes in connection with the elderly. A further and final payment has been received from the Andrew Kerr Trust for the Commonweal Fund.

We are very grateful for these further additions to both the corporate and the trust funds, which will enable the House to continue and indeed expand its work in relation to the education of young people and the care of the elderly and the disadvantaged.

Eileen and I have thoroughly enjoyed our year on the Platform and we are grateful for the support and friendship extended to us.

IAN L DUNSMORE Collector

## BENEFICIARIES TEA PARTY



Graham Goodridge-Cox and Ian Dunsmore help out with tea party duties.

The annual Trades House tea party in May saw more than 100 beneficiaries gather at the Trades Hall for an enjoyable afternoon. Lunch was followed by choral and instrumental pieces courtesy of the 34-strong Craigholme School Junior Choir, a Pollokshields-based independent school for girls. A donation was made to the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice, the charity chosen by Craigholme. Following tradition, the occasion was used to introduce the newly nominated Collector Elect of the Trades House, David Dobson, who will be formally elected in October. The beneficiaries extended a warm welcome to David and his wife Jan.



Collector Elect, David Dobson (right) with his wife Jan.

## MARKETING PUSH FOR HALL IS LAUNCHED



One of the main planks of the Trades Hall Trust's strategy is the growth of quality lets of the Hall. With the support of Brian Porteous, Late Collector of the Incorporation of Gardeners, the Trust has developed a marketing plan that focuses on quality business that will complement the culture and traditions of the Trades House. The emphasis is on growing corporate lets for conferences, exhibitions and meetings.

To support this initiative, a new brochure has been produced - Take a closer look at The Trades Hall of Glasgow. It comes complete with a CD virtual tour of the Hall and online access to Hall staff. The brochure is complemented by other promotional materials in a new house style that collectively emphasise the focus on professionalism and quality.

The Trustees launched the initiative at their first promotional event in the Hall in the spring, attracting key business contacts. For many it was their first visit to the Hall and the initial feed back has been good. Carole Nelson and Alison Dick of the Trades Hall Trust office are busy following up on expressions of interest and converting these to lets.

Following a Trustees workshop facilitated by Late Collector Malcolm Wishart, a new sales management process is being introduced.

"Whilst it is still early in the process, the effectiveness of the new sales strategy and other initiatives undertaken by the Trustees is being reflected in increased lets," said Malcolm. "Our Hall is a precious resource and the spiritual home of the House and Crafts. Please support the work of the Trust to ensure the Trades Hall continues to play an important place in the life and work of Glasgow."

For more information on the Trades Hall or to make a booking telephone 0141 552 2418 or e-mail [info@tradeshallglasgow.co.uk](mailto:info@tradeshallglasgow.co.uk)

## next phase . . .

The next phase of the development of the Trades Hall has been cleared to proceed with planning consent granted to create shops on the ground floor. With the increase in commercial activity in the Merchant City, this opportunity is expected to attract quality retail interest. The proposal is based on the original Adam design taking this historic building back to its roots. These changes, recommended by the Trades House working with the Trades Hall Trust, will help to secure the commercial viability of the Hall as the home of the Trades House and the 14 Crafts.

## OUR SURVEY SAYS...

Pamela Foster, an MSc Student at the University of Strathclyde, has completed her marketing study on the Trades House, which formed an important part of the dissertation that helped earn her a MSc in Marketing.

"Whilst many of the conclusions are not surprising, the survey does highlight a number of areas that the Platform and Crafts can consider to ensure the ongoing health and effectiveness of the House and Incorporations," said Late Collector Malcolm Wishart.

A high 24.5 per cent response rate was achieved from the 1000 questionnaires issued to a random selection of members. Here are some interesting responses:

## CLICK ONLINE FOR PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE



The Trades House of Glasgow has a new look website. It has been updated to form a more cohesive and comprehensive overview for members and friends of the House and the general public offering a user-friendly experience that provides a wealth of information on the past, present and future of the Trades House.

A new content management system has been implemented to improve the overall ease of use, which will allow each of the Crafts to update its own section of the site. To facilitate this, Clerks of each Incorporation and those representing associated organisations have been issued with passwords.

"It is hoped that this enhanced access will be reflected in content being added at more regular intervals which will include current Master Courts, events, news stories, information on how to join a Craft, background history and much more," said Myra Martin of the Trades House administration team.

"For the first time, the Craftsman will be available via email when published in February and August each year. Visitors to the new website can now register their email address to access this service."

The Trades Hall website has undergone a similar transformation and provides information on the facilities available, including room dimensions, booking information and contact details. As well as web links to caterers and associated services, a virtual tour of the Hall and its facilities is available for the first time.

Any problems experienced with either site should be referred in the first instance to the Trades House administration team on 0141 553 1605 or [myra.martin@btconnect.com](mailto:myra.martin@btconnect.com).

Visit the site at: [www.tradeshouse.org.uk](http://www.tradeshouse.org.uk)

- The average age of respondents was 56
- 55% were from the Glasgow area
- 65% of respondents felt that joining a Craft was easy
- 38.2% had joined to help the community
- 50% indicated that they did not receive enough information or encouragement to be involved in the charitable work of the House and Crafts
- 43.5 % were in favour of some form of annual subscription under £50
- Over 90% felt that communication with them from their Craft was good
- 80% wished to be contacted by e-mail
- 60.9% had not attended an event in the past year
- 45% wished more non dinner Craft events
- Only one response was received from a lady member

The Deacon Convener Elect and his Chain Gang are reviewing the full survey responses to help them ensure that the House and Crafts are as effective as possible in retaining and gaining new members and involving them in its social and charitable aspects.



## DOUBLE TOPS FOR ANNIESLAND COLLEGE

George Rutland of Anniesland College lifted the best in show Gold Medal honours for his modern sideboard in ash with African Blackwood inlays at the Trades House of Glasgow 11th annual craft awards and exhibition. Craftex 2006 showcased the very best end of term curriculum work of students studying traditional crafts and design, modern skills and new technology, at the city's nine colleges of further education.

Elizabeth Herbin of Kilearn, an HND student in Public Art at Anniesland College, picked up the Trades House of Glasgow Deacon Convener's Design prize for her unique wall hanging in constructed textiles, which also won her £200 in the Open Advanced category. A top student was selected in each of the 46 categories with winners receiving a £200 cheque for advanced and £150 for non-advanced categories.

"Once again all 313 pieces on show at Craftex were of a remarkably high standard across the 24 subjects," said Deacon Convener, Graham Goodridge-Cox. "George's sideboard won for its fine craftsmanship and is well deserved of the Gold Medal.



**Gold Medal winner George Rutland**



**Design prize winner Elizabeth Herbin and Graham Goodridge-Cox with her wall hanging**

My own selection of Elizabeth's wall hanging recognises her individual approach to depict her 'self portrait' through soft materials and words, incorporating some reflections on her life. Our congratulations go to them and all category winners."

Sponsors for 2006 included Melville Exhibitions, Glasgow City Council, Tilney Investment Management, CBC Group, J R Reid Print & Media Group, the Merchants House of Glasgow, Scottish Goldsmiths Trust, Thomas Tunnock Ltd, Weavers of Anderston and the 14 Incorporated Trades of Glasgow.

*The Platform would like to take this opportunity to thank the individual co-ordinators and committees for all their work in making Craftex, the Schools Crafts and Citizenships events such a success.*

## MOLENDINAR TAKES CITIZENSHIP TITLE



**Proudly displaying the Citizenship plaque are eight year olds Samantha McGlynn and Darren McKay with Head of Centre Allyson Waddell, Graham Goodridge-Cox and Ian Dunsmore.**

Recognising the great contribution it has made to its local community, Molendinar Family Learning Centre in Blackhill beat stiff competition from schools across Glasgow to be the first family learning centre to pick up the Trades House of Glasgow Citizenship Award 2006.

Now in its 7th year, the Citizenship award continues to directly encourage and reward good citizenship in schools and is supported by Glasgow City Council Education Department. It is open to all schools throughout the city – pre-5, primary, secondary and special needs.

"Our Citizenship Award acknowledges the dedication of the Molendinar team in encouraging many valuable educational, environmental and social initiatives and truly contributes to its community in the broadest sense," said Deacon Convener Graham Goodridge-Cox.

"Molendinar has forged a deep involvement with its local community, involving many groups and individuals but in particular it encourages quite a unique involvement by parents."

## TOP CRAFT HONOURS

Helen Anne Love (17) a pupil at Lourdes Secondary and Lewis Kennington (15) from Shawlands Academy scooped the top accolades in the annual Trades House of Glasgow School Craft Competition. Supported by Glasgow City Council Education Department, the awards recognise exceptional craft skills produced in schools across Glasgow as part of standard and higher grade curricular studies.



**Helen Anne Love and Graham Goodridge-Cox with her award winning lamp.**

As overall winner for higher grade, Helen Anne picked up an exclusive certificate and cheque for £75 for her light in acrylic, wood and metal. Lewis was awarded a certificate and £75 for his suit of Roman armour as overall winner for standard grade.

At a special awards ceremony in the Trades Hall, more than 60 pupils were also presented with 1st, 2nd, 3rd and commended certificates, each receiving £40, £20, £15 and £10 respectively.



**Lewis Kennington with his winning suit of armour.**

"Following the review of hundreds of submissions before we made our commendations, we are hugely encouraged by the high standards and congratulate all the pupils for their tremendous efforts," said Deacon Convener Graham Goodridge-Cox.

# PAGEANT

Snaking through the city centre streets of Glasgow, the annual Lord Provost's Pageant in July headed off from George Square towards destination Glasgow Green, with the Trades House represented by a number of the Chain Gang. Leading the parade, the Lord Provost of Glasgow Liz Cameron was accompanied by Deacon Convener Graham Goodridge-Cox (pictured) in the guise of St Mungo and his wife Kay as Queen Languoreth. Others were dressed as a variety of characters with Deacon of the Bakers, Norrie Fyfe, attracting the attention of many photographers as Scotland's golden boy Oor Wullie complete with bucket.



## A NOURISHING FOUNTAIN OF LEARNING

Taking the stage for the annual Trades House lecture was the newly installed Chancellor of the University of Glasgow, Professor Sir Kenneth Calman, former Chief Medical Officer at the Scottish Office Home and Health Department and Chief Medical Officer for the Department of Health in London.



"Let a nourishing Fountain of Learning Spring There", was the title of his address at the Western Infirmary Lecture Theatre as he set out his vision for what people want from the city and how the University could contribute. He focused on the big issues of the day including the role of education and the student experience, arts, culture and sports, health and the environment.

## MEDICAL PRIZE

Lorna Young has picked up the coveted 2006 Trades House Medical Prize – a cheque for £500 – as the best final year student out of 245 graduates at the University of Glasgow. The Trades House prize is one of only two awarded to this widely respected faculty, which attracts students from all over the world. The Medical Prize is administered by the Trades House and was set up by Ex Convener Roy Scott in 2000. This is the second year it has been awarded.

## FLORAL FUNDRAISER

The Association of Trades House Ladies (ATHL) raised a spectacular £2,000 towards the Deacon Convener's chosen charity, the new West of Scotland Cancer Centre, at a floral art demonstration attended by more than 80 ladies. The night at the Garfield Hotel in Stepps was decorated by the stunning displays created by Enid Reid who donated a prize of a demonstration at her shop where the winner could bring along five of her friends. Eleanor Sandford, President of the ATHL, is pictured (below) presenting the cheque to the Deacon Convener at the Glasgow Ball.

Next year will see a return to the catwalk, as the ATHL stage a fundraising fashion show with the Dresser of Kirkintilloch. This will take place on Wednesday 7 March 2007 at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Glasgow. Further information is available from Mhairi MacLennan on 0141 885 1886.

## NEW CUP FOR ASTO

A new trophy has been created by the Trades House in association with the Merchants House and Glasgow Maritime Trust for award to the winner of the Association of Sea Training Organisations (ASTO) race. ASTO works with disadvantaged young people, giving them the opportunity to experience the life of a sailing ship crew racing off-shore.



"The idea was borne out of our association with the Tall Ship Glenlee, which had been offered by Bailie Dr Christopher Mason to both the Trades House and Merchants House in alternate years with the purpose of raising money for a good cause in Glasgow," said Late Deacon Convener Tom Gilchrist.

"Bailie Mason suggested the excellent idea of coming together to provide a cup, which we all agree is a great reflection of our separate traditions. The Merchants House members were the overseas traders entirely dependent on Clyde build ships to carry their cargoes around the world and the Trades House members were the craftsmen who built the ships."

Deacon Convener Graham Goodridge-Cox was invited to present the new Glenlee Cup to Ron Dadswell, President of ASTO. Graham is pictured (left) handing over the trophy to Ron, with Bailie Mason and Tom Gilchrist (right). This year's race from Glasgow to Belfast saw the Glasgow owned Clyde Challenger cross the line first, although the trophy went to the Lord Rank of Belfast, which won on corrected time by just four minutes.

## GLASGOW BALL 2006





# CRAFT NEWS . . .

## WRIGHTS

Last year at the Wrights Box Opening Dinner, the then Late Collector Jonathan Parkins realised that he would have a problem at the next dinner – this box was full and overflowing! Each year at the Opening it is tradition that the reigning Deacon places an article in the box in remembrance of his year of office. As he sat on the box - to close the lid - he realised that the Incorporation needed a new box.



The Wrights already has two boxes, both full. The smaller one, originally called the Collector's box, is well over 300 years old and the other, which was called the Deacon's, is over 200 years old. The original use of the boxes was to keep the funds and documents of the Incorporation.

*Deacon Jonathan Parkins takes delivery of the box from Charles McBrian*

Jonathan commissioned Charles McBrian, a third year craft student on the Metropolitan College Furniture Design Course, to design and make the new box. Charles designed a modern yet traditional box made of oak with dovetailed corners. On the lid, the Wrights Arms have been beautifully inlaid using many different types of wood.

"The new box is exactly what I perceived," said Jonathan. "Charles took note of my comments and produced plans, which, after discussion with the Master Court were accepted. Then the pressure was on to get it finished for the Box Opening in May. Hopefully we won't need another for a few hundred years!"

The box was finished in time and presented at the Box Opening by Deacon Jonathan and his Queen Marilyn. After the Box presentation Queen Marilyn went through the ceremony of Chaining the Queen.

Since the presentation, there have been many complimentary comments made about the box, which now stands alongside the other Trades House boxes in the Trades Hall.

## GARDENERS

### BIG DAY AT BENMORE BOTANIC



The Incorporation of Gardeners made their annual June pilgrimage to one of Scotland's famous gardens. On this occasion, the destination was Benmore Botanic Garden by Dunoon, one of the National Botanic Gardens of Scotland.

The 50-strong troop were treated to Scotland at its very best as the sun shone upon the magnificent gardens. After a picnic lunch, the gardeners and their friends - including the Deacon Convener, Late Deacon Convener, Lord Dean of Guild, Late Collector of the House and their respective ladies - were given a guided tour of the estate by a Depute Curator, arranged by Marion Kins, the wife of Master Rodger Kins.

All were sun kissed and suitably refreshed at the end of a perfect day.

### LET GLASGOW FLOURISH

Lord Provost of Glasgow Liz Cameron was welcomed to the Trades Hall by Deacon David Dickson of the Incorporation of Gardeners to present prizes in the annual Let Glasgow Flourish Awards.



Set up in 1983, the awards are presented each year to businesses that have contributed most to brightening up Glasgow thanks to plant and floral displays outside their premises. This year 25 awards were made including the prestigious Robertson Silver Spade which went to overall winner, Kelvingrove Hotel at 944 Sauchiehall Street. Mandy Somerville is pictured collecting the prize from the Lord Provost on behalf of her grandmother, Muriel Young, who tends the garden in this family run hotel.

## WEAVERS

### NEW SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Incorporation of Weavers is making arrangements for a scholarship fund to assist weavers in furthering their craft. The scholarship, which will take the form of a one year grant, will be open to Scottish and Scottish based weavers. Applications will shortly be invited for the first grant to be awarded next summer.

### HISTORY IN THE MAKING

On 22 September 2006 the Incorporation of Weavers will elect Maria MacKellar as its first lady Deacon. As the election takes place at 10.15am on Deacon's Choosing Day, she will also be the first lady Deacon in the Trades House, just ahead of the Barbers who will elect Annemieke Cunningham later the same day - two truly historic events.

Maria graduated with a BA (Hons) from the Glasgow School of Art as a mature student in 1994 specialising in Woven Textiles and is a practising weaver who has exhibited her hand woven silk scarves at many events including Chelsea Crafts Fair. She has woven cloth for the Weavers, which is displayed at the Weavers Choosing Dinner, as well as designing a tartan for the Craft. From her home town of Dunoon, Maria runs her own gallery Juno Design where she exhibits seasonal painting exhibitions along with hand made designer jewellery, textiles and design led crafts.

## BARBERS

### FIRST LADY

Annemieke Cunningham will be elected the first lady Deacon of the Barbers just an hour after Maria MacKellar assumes the role for the Weavers. A Physiotherapist who graduated from Leiden in the Netherlands in 1980, Annemieke came to Scotland in 1982 and is currently working as a Physiotherapist in the Community Older People Team (COPT) in Glasgow. She has been involved with the Trades House since 1995 when her husband, Duncan, was Deacon of the Coopers. Annemieke is now looking forward to getting involved with the Trades House in her own right as Deacon of the Barbers and is following in the footsteps of her brother-in-law, Ford Macfarlane, who was Deacon of the Craft in 1996.

## MASONS

### Deacon Donald Angus Macdonald (1934-2006)

It was with great sadness that we learned that the Incorporation of Masons of Glasgow Deacon Donald had passed away suddenly but peacefully on Sunday 12 March 2006 aged 72. Deacon Donald joined the Incorporation of Masons during Deacon John R Steele's year in office 1998-1999, was elected to the Master Court on 20 September 2002, became Collector on the 19 September 2003 and finally Deacon on the 16 September 2005.

During his years as a member of the Master Court he was a regular contributor at our meetings and as the Deacon admirably supported and promoted our Incorporation at all the Trades House functions and the wider social occasions within the City.

He was the beloved husband of Catherine who ably supported all his work for the Craft and a devoted father to David and Catriona and granddad to Calum. He will be sadly missed by all his many friends not only within the Incorporation of Masons and the Trades House but also the City of Glasgow.

After a well attended Service of Thanksgiving at Greenbank Parish Church, Clarkston where members of his Craft, associated Crafts and members of the Trades House were represented Deacon Donald was laid to rest at Eaglesham Cemetery.

At the Church the retiring collection which raised in excess of £800 was donated by Catherine to the Deacon Convener's Charitable Project 2006, the garden space for the patients of the new Beatson Oncology Unit at Gartnavel Hospital, Glasgow.

## CHAIN GANG



The 2003-04 Chain Gang enjoyed an excellent day out at Culzean Castle, Ayrshire, in the spring with the reception and lunch organised by Ex Deacon of the Tailors Tim Purdon. The happy party were subsequently entertained by Ex Deacon of the Fleshers, James Clark and his wife Agnes, at their luxurious caravan.

## 1995-96 CITY OF LONDON LIVERY PAST MASTERS ASSOCIATION

Members of the London Livery Past Masters Association and their wives visited members of Trades House in May. Kenneth Ayres, Past Lay Sheriff of London led the delegation in the absence of Sir John Chaltrey, Past Lord Mayor of London who joined his colleagues later that day. Members of the Platform and the Chain Gang along with their ladies welcomed the Past Masters and their ladies with a tour of the Hall followed by morning coffee. The Past Masters were drawn from the various London Livery Companies, which included the Vitners, Butchers, Upholders, Turners, Loriners, Wheelwrights, Fan makers, Carmen, Scientific Instrument Makers, Actuaries and Watermen & Lightermen.

## SKINNERS

### William Leggat Smith (1918 – 2006)

In March the Trades House lost its senior Ex Convener with the death of Bill Leggat Smith at the age of 88. Educated at Glasgow Academy and Oxford reading politics, philosophy and economics, Bill returned to Glasgow to train as a solicitor. His legal training was interrupted by a most distinguished war service being awarded the Military Cross for 'outstanding leadership and bravery'.

Deacon of the Skinners 1959–1960 and Deacon Convener 1964–1965 for two years at the age of 46, Bill was the last Convener to wear the traditional dress of velvet doublet with jabot, breeches, black hose, silver buckled shoes with hat and sword on special occasions.

Notwithstanding the demands of his professional life, which now included a son and twin daughters, he threw himself wholeheartedly into a parallel life of unstinting voluntary public service.

As a devoted husband, father and grandfather, Bill Leggat Smith was an inspiration and example to those close to him no less than to the many in the city of Glasgow and beyond whose interests he served so selflessly and self-effacingly.

## SPORTS NEWS....

### LADIES GOLF

Riccarton Golf Club in Hamilton was the venue for the 32nd Ladies Golf Competition with ten Crafts represented. The individual prize went to Susan Wilson of the Coopers who also notched up a hole in one. Deacon Convener Graham Goodridge-Cox was accompanied by his wife Kay to present the prizes.

RESULTS			
Winning Team	87 points	Hammermen	
Runners Up	83 points	Fleshers	
Longest Drive	Silver	Coopers	Susan Wilson
	Bronze	Skinners	Marilyn Muirhead
Nearest the Pin	Silver	Skinners	Lois Browns
	Bronze	Weavers	Eileen Dunsmore
Best Individual Score		Coopers	Susan Wilson
Hole in One		Coopers	Susan Wilson

### GENTS GOLF

Results of the Trades House Shield, which took place at Milngavie Golf Club in May 2006 are:

- 1st - Chris Mennie and Andy Douglas - Incorporation of Wrights
- 2nd - Raymond Weaver and David Milligan - Incorporation of Wrights
- 3rd - David Stirrat and Donald Laing - Incorporation of Hammermen

### BOWLING

The Trades House Bowling Competition took place at Giffnock Bowling Club in June with the Weavers as winners and Tailors as runners up.

"Only four Crafts were represented and we would like to see many more at future events," said bowling convener, Stewart T Cobb. "Unfortunately not all Crafts have a bowling convener, which would of course help. So any Craft members who are bowlers and are not receiving information, please either contact the Clerk to your Craft or come direct to myself on 0141 639 6472 for more details."

# CRAFT NEWS . . .

## HAMMERMEN



*University prize winner Kirsty Allan receives her certificate and cheque from HRH The Princess Royal. Kirsty has gone on to be awarded the Incorporation's Prince Philip's prize for 2006.*

## ROYAL AWARDS

HRH The Princess Royal, honorary member of the Incorporation of Hammermen, presented this year's Hammermen Awards in an informal ceremony at Trades Hall. Awards were introduced as Trades prizes in 1960 when the Hammermen first extended their benevolence to students. Now the Engineering Departments in Colleges of Further Education, together with the four Universities in the West of Scotland, are invited to nominate their best students for these awards.

Interviews with the "best of the best" are undertaken by the organising committee to select the Craft's Prince Philip Award recipients. This year 16 students were present to receive their Hammermen Awards from The Princess Royal.

On arrival at the Hall, The Princess Royal was met by the Deacon Convener of the Trades and Collector of the House together with the Deacon, Collector and Clerk of the Hammermen. Her Royal Highness was then introduced by Deacon David Manson MBE to various members of the Master Court of the Hammermen who in turn introduced the various students together with College or University representatives.

The Princess Royal presented each winner with a cheque for £250 and runners up were awarded £150. Addressing everyone in her own inimitable fashion, she then congratulated them all on their achievements and encouraged the ladies to spread the word about women in engineering. She accepted a cheque from the Hammermen for the Riding for the Disabled Association in Summerston, Glasgow. The Princess Royal showed great interest in what the students were doing and their career plans, impressing many with her knowledge of engineering in practice.



## FLESHERS

Dr Hosney Yosef Deacon of the Incorporation of Fleshers and a Consultant at the Beatson Oncology Unit proudly receives his OBE from Her Majesty the Queen. He received the honour at the July investiture, which took place in the Palace of Holyroodhouse, Edinburgh. After Hosney received his OBE in the morning, he went on to join the Chain Gang and their wives at the Royal Garden Party.

## HONOUR FOR TOM AND ANNE

Late Deacon Convener of the Trades House of Glasgow, Tom Gilchrist and his wife Anne, have been recognised for their outstanding public service as part of the annual Lord Provost of Glasgow Awards. Instigated in 1987, the awards give official recognition to unsung heroes who have 'made a significant impact on the lives of the citizens of Glasgow'.

The Public Service Award was made to the husband and wife team in recognition of their work whilst Tom served as Deacon Convener in 2004-05, the Trades House's 400th anniversary year. Tom, often accompanied by Anne, attended 430 engagements in just 12 months and helped raise thousands of pounds for charity.

Commenting on the award, Tom said: "We are delighted that our work on behalf of the Trades House has been recognised by the Lord Provost in what was a tremendous year for our historic organisation. It was a great honour to serve as Deacon Convener during the Quatercentenary year. I am equally delighted that Anne is recognised by this award."



*Tom and Anne receive their medal of honour from the Lord Provost.*

Tom and Anne, who were presented with the Public Service Award by Lord Provost Liz Cameron at a glittering ceremony in the City Chambers, have a family connection with the Trades House dating back to 1798. For the past 40 years, they have been involved with the activities of the organisation through the Incorporation of Skinners, one of the 14 Trades. Anne is a seventh generation member of the Incorporation of Skinners through her father and Tom joined the charitable group when they married in 1966.

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