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## OUR ROYAL OCCASION

Monday 7 June was a red letter day in the history of the crafts when the Freedom of the Guildry as a Craftsman was conferred upon H.R.H. The Duke of Rothesay who was then enrolled into membership of the Incorporations of Hammermen, Masons and Gardeners. At a special ceremony in the Trades Hall Prince Charles was first enrolled into the Gardeners membership, which he had accepted in 1988 to mark the Glasgow Garden Festival. He was then enrolled into the Hammermen membership, which he had accepted later the same year following on from his father Prince Philip, a member since 1955. Finally he enrolled in the Masons whose invitation he had accepted in this Glasgow's Year of Architecture and Design at the behest of Deacon Jack Steele, which provided the opportunity for all three ceremonies to be held on the same day.

**NOTE: FULL DETAILS OF THE ADMISSION CEREMONIES APPEAR IN A SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT**



Entering the combined ceremony are Clerk to the House, Gordon Wyllie followed by Deacon Convener Allan Denholm, Prince Charles, Deacon Jack Steele and Lord Provost Alex Mosson, The Lord Lieutenant

## ... AND A PRINCE OF DENMARK CALLS

Prince Charles was the second Royal visitor to the Trades Hall in the space of five weeks. At the end of April H.R.H. Prince Henrik, the Prince Consort of Denmark, was the guest of the Trades Hall Trust which hosted the opening management committee meeting of Europa Nostra, a pan-European federation of more than 200 heritage non-governmental organisations including the Scottish Civic Trust and the National Trust for Scotland.

A certificate of merit was presented by Prince Henrik to the Trades Hall Trust and he in turn received a decanter and set of engraved Trades Hall crystal glasses.

Pictured in the Trades Hall are (l to r) G Campbell Duff, Hall architect; Carole Nelson, Hall letting agent; Ex-Convener John Ford, Administrative Director Scottish Civic Trust; H.R.H. Prince Henrik; Antonio Marchini Carnia, Secretary General of Europa Nostra and Gordon M Wyllie, Secretary to the Trades Hall Trust



Prince Charles signs the Trades Hall visitors' book

## LOTTERY BOOST TO HALL COMPLETION HOPES

Hopes that the final phase of restoration and renovation of the Trades Hall can be completed within the next two years have been given a major boost by the Heritage Lottery Fund with an indication that they are prepared to consider a grant of £500,000 towards the £1.2 million required to complete the outstanding work and tackle the ventilation problems at the Hall.

The award of a 'Stage 1 pass' to the Trades Hall means funding will be awarded to the project provided that it meets all the Fund's criteria in making a final decision on funding support.

In coming to their interim decision the Heritage Lottery Fund Committee for Scotland stated that they "formally acknowledge the importance of the building and the potential heritage and public benefits of a project that will both reinstate the original architectural appearance of the building and extend the opportunities for public access to the interior."

The Committee for Scotland further stated that they recognised that the Trades Hall Trustees are actively pursuing sources of partnership funding towards the project and depending on the outcome of this a final decision on Heritage Lottery Funding could be expected soon.

"This is very welcome news" said Gordon Wyllie, Secretary to the Trustees, "but in no way does it mean that the Trustees can relax their efforts to acquire the necessary £1 million partnership and other funding which will be outstanding."

The Hall Trustees and their professional advisers are now attempting to secure further partnership funding from bodies such as Historic Scotland, Glasgow City Council, Glasgow Development Agency and the European Regional Development Fund. Even with support from some or all of these bodies there is still likely to be a financial shortfall needing to be filled to ensure completion of the project. Therefore there will be a renewed appeal for the crafts, individuals, trusts and private business to contribute in a variety of ways which will be communicated over the coming months.

Assuming that adequate funding is in place it is the intention of the Trustees to seek tenders for the final phase early next year with a start date of late summer 2000 envisaged leading to overall completion by late 2001.

Completion of the outstanding work will see the upper floor of the Hall transformed and bring back into use the former schoolroom and other areas unused for a century.

Letting accommodation and visitor interest will be increased greatly in this area by the formation of a Craftsman's Gallery/Museum comprising the old main schoolroom and the two smaller rooms on either side of the dome. Some catering facilities will also be provided and the whole area can be accessed by both stairs and a lift.

Externally it is intended that the main Glassford Street facade will be rearticulated by reconstructing the main windows to the original Robert Adam 1791 design. It is also planned to reopen one of the Robert Adam "shop doors" to allow tourist and visitor access even when large events are being held in the main rooms. Modern tourist audio-visual facilities will also be provided.

If you can assist with this exciting project or would like further information please call the Trades Hall office on 0141 248 5566.

PICTURE (COURTESY OF THE EVENING TIMES) SHOWS THAT ROT REMOVAL WORKS IN THE EARLY TWENTIETH CENTURY HAVE LEFT THE UPPER FLOOR SOUND BUT TATTERED.



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# VISITORS VOTE CraftEx 99 "A SUCCESS"

With over 2200 visitors coming from as far afield as Canada, New Zealand, the United States, Germany and Italy to this year's CraftEx the event has been voted the most successful ever. Visitors, particularly gratifyingly those from the UK SKILLS organisation, were impressed by the continuing high standards of the craftwork presented. The much improved layout of the entries, made possible by the display stands provided free of charge by the Melville Beck company, was much admired.

At the award ceremony in Trades Hall Deacon Convener Allan Denholm said: "I am delighted that we are going back to our craft roots by encouraging craft skills in the city. Much of this is due to the dedication shown by lecturers and staff at the nine participating Glasgow colleges in the way in which they guide their students."

The Deacon Convener said that CraftEx provided

many students with both commercial opportunities and the chance to take pride in displaying their work. One person who is hoping that eventually she can start her own business is Mary Barrie, the winner of the CraftEx gold medal for the best entry overall – a stained glass Japanese Geisha House lamp. A student at North Glasgow College, Mary (40) is a former carpet factory worker who left school without any formal qualifications.

Mary is pictured here proudly displaying her gold medal while Deacon Convener Denholm admires her winning entry.

Success for CraftEx 99 has been due to the dedicated work put in to organising the event by the CraftEx committee under its chairman Cyril Gore. The committee is already planning for an even better CraftEx 2000 and details of how they can assist are being sent to all craft master courts.



## SPONSORS MAKE CraftEx POSSIBLE

A prestigious annual event such as CraftEx requires a great deal of financial resources to ensure its success and once again the organising committee worked hard to ensure this. Twenty-three companies and organisations gave support as sponsors over and above the 14 Incorporations. Many of these companies have supported CraftEx for several years and others for the first time this year. This wonderful support is greatly appreciated. Could your firm help next year? If so, contact the House office for details or speak to Cyril Gore.

Some of our sponsors are pictured here.

Our thanks are also due to all the other sponsors of CraftEx: Glasgow City Council, Clydesdale Bank PLC, Thomas Tunnock Ltd., Cosmos Ceramics, Wylie & Bisset, The Miller Partnership, Hunter and Clark Ltd., First Glasgow, Tilney Investment Managers, The Weavers Society of Anderston, the Merchants House, Melville Beck (for providing the exhibition stands), Slush Puppies (printing certificates), Wm Duncan & Co., DMS Menzies, Pollock & Cochrane, Saltire Engineering, Duguid & Stevenson and our 14 Incorporated Trades.

The rewards for the sponsors can be seen below in the quality of the entries such as those in the Open categories and the Gardening category – and for the first time in the Team category with the winning entry a restoration dinghy by students at Anniesland College.

And the delight of winning is expressed by young Wallace McLennan whose mother Pauline, a student at the College of Food Technology won the Advanced Bread Making category.



Deacon Convener Allan Denholm with David Miller of Millers Creativity Shop a regular sponsor of the Advanced Art category



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And putting everyone in the picture, a publicity photograph is taken for the Sunday Post (DC Thomson) first time sponsors of the Advanced Open category



**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR CraftEx 2000 IN THE MILLENNIUM YEAR THEN PLEASE CONTACT THE TRADES HOUSE OFFICE ON 0141 228 8000 FOR FULL DETAILS**

## SCHOOL CRAFT QUALITY PRAISED

Speaking at the prizegiving for the annual Trades House Schools Craft Competition Deacon Convener Allan Denholm said that once again Glasgow schools were taking the lead in the quality of the craft work produced by their students.

"This is particularly pleasing for the Trades House," said the Deacon Convener, "when you consider that for over 240 years our members were responsible for controlling the quality of all the craft work produced in the city."

This year 66 awards were made to students at 18 Glasgow secondary schools in the competition promoted jointly by the Trades House and the Glasgow City Council Education Department.

As well as overall winners awards, portfolio and special needs prizes, presented by the Deacon Convener, awards were made for metalwork presented by Deacon Henry Mitchell of the Hammermen, for woodwork presented by Baillie Malcolm Green and by Ex-Deacon

Councillor Robert Gray, Convener of the Education Committee, for plastic/technological studies.

Pictured here are the Deacon Convener and the overall and first place standard and higher grade category winners with a selection of their entries.



## BENEFITS FOR THEATRE AND FOOTBALL

A total of 49 grants amounting to almost £31,000 have been made by the Commonwealth Fund Committee. These include £1000 for the Citizens Theatre towards a new internet website and staff training and £600 to purchase strips for the Victoria Gaelic Football Club.

Other grants range from £2000 to the Erskine Hospital 2000 Appeal, £1750 to Glasgow Common Purpose to help with their work of stimulating the social consciousness of young managers, £1500 to East Park to purchase equipment which will enhance crippled children's quality of life, £100 towards a local community production of "Hello Dolly" in Partick and £100 to help the Strathclyde After School Care Association purchase a photocopier.

Projects to help the elderly, young people and women's care organisations also received assistance as did community initiatives in Dalmarnock, Easterhouse, Gorbals, Milton, Reidvale, Simshill, Summerston, Maryhill, Possilpark, Langside and Battlefield.



# VIEW FROM THE PLATFORM

## AN UNIQUE ROLE IN CITY AFFAIRS

The Trades House of Glasgow has a unique position in Scotland in its relationship with the city council. In the interregnum from May 5 to 20 when there were no bailies or Lord Provost, the Lord Dean of Guild and the Deacon Convener shared the hosting of civic functions and represented the city in a way no other city or town in Scotland could do.

The range of national and international conferences which have been held in Glasgow has been enormous – Waste Management, S.T.U.C., Funeral Undertakers, British Council for Offices, Chest, Heart and Stroke Association, Urologists, Beatson International Cancer Conference, Anatomical Society and so the list goes on. What a marvellous recognition for Glasgow bringing, of course, many millions of pounds in spending power.

During the past year there have been many "grand events", some of which will be reported elsewhere. As Collector I have along with my wife Janette been involved in many interesting informative and enjoyable occasions. However, our everlasting memories will be of the many "smaller" and yet very significant gatherings held within individual crafts or organised by groups such as the Association of Deacons. On such occasions we have enjoyed the true social friendly and intimate kindness of

As the time approaches when I take office as Deacon Convener of the Trades of Glasgow, with the distinction of leading the House towards the Twenty First Century, I have often been asked what my plans are for the Trades House. As a civil engineering contractor it is part of my job to build for the future on firm foundations and I can think of no better way to approach the next millennium than build on the foundations the Trades House laid almost four hundred years ago.

Like all historical buildings, such as the Trades Hall which has undergone numerous changes over the years and will still require further work to be carried out, the Trades House, elected from our 14 incorporated Crafts, may benefit

Civic dinners recognised the 400th anniversary of the founding of the Incorporation of Barbers and of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow. There were also visits by ambassadors, consuls general, representatives from Japan, India, the Czech Republic and others. All of these were fine opportunities to broadcast what the House is about – 400 years of contribution to the community of Glasgow creates a very creditable impression. Elsewhere in the Craftsman you will read details of exciting and challenging activity – the Trades House Lecture, CraftEx 99 and Let Glasgow Flourish awards to name but a few. It has been a real privilege to represent the House and I hope that many outside the House are better informed of what our history is and what we are trying to achieve.

**J ALLAN DENHOLM, Deacon Convener**

the individual Incorporations. Many new friendships have been formed as well as a close inspection of how the whole organisation works – aided and cajoled by the well experienced and ever helpful administrative staff. New facets have been added to the overall History of the Trades but it has happened against a background of the work of a few dedicated individuals.

All in all a year to remember.

**ROY SCOTT, Collector**

enefit from changes. As we approach the next century we have to look at ways of encouraging new members, not only to join the Crafts but to have more active participation in craft affairs and events by new and old members. The Crafts should endeavour to provide a programme of interesting and enjoyable events in which all members of the House can participate to make these a success, and allow us to continue with the main purpose of our existence – assisting those who need our help within the environs of the City of Glasgow.

With the help of the Crafts the House will continue to flourish and I will be privileged to lead the way in the millennium year.

**IAN MacCONNACHER, Late Collector**

## INTO THE MILLENNIUM ON A FIRM FOUNDATION

With a civil engineer and an architect in command the Platform of the House will be in sure hands for the year 2000.

The Deacon Convener elect, Ian MacConnacher, has been in the construction industry since leaving school in Glasgow. He set up in partnership as a civil engineering contractor with Glachan Excavations and Construction in Paisley which was sold to Grampian Holdings. In 1982, with his eldest son Kenneth, he formed Kamsco Construction Ltd in Kilmacolm, a business which Kenneth still continues.

Deacon of the Masons in 1992-93 and a member of the Wrights, he is also a member of the Incorporation of Hammermen of Paisley. A keen golfer at Bridge of Weir and Kilmacolm he enjoys boating and caravanning and has a passion for classical music, opera and ballet having visited many of the world's great concert

halls and opera houses as well as owning a large collection of records which he enjoys on high quality equipment.

Ian lives in Kilmacolm with his wife Anne. They have two sons, a daughter and four grand-children.

During the millennium year Ian will preside over the affairs of the House. The three other elected members of the Platform are:

\* **GEORGE HORSPOOL**. A Kilmarnock man, George is a graduate in architecture from Strathclyde University. He established his practice in Glasgow in 1968 and was president of the Glasgow Institute of Architects 1988-90. He is a former Deacon of the Incorporation of Wrights and a member of the Masons.

\* **ROY SCOTT**, the present Collector.

\* **ALLAN DENHOLM**, the present Deacon Convener



*Ian MacConnacher*



*George Horspool*

## A LA CARTE ANTIQUITY

It's your chance to dine in style at the candle-lit Centenary Dinner of the Grand Antiquity Society to be held in the Trades Hall on 26 November. An outstanding 4/5 course meal is promised from caterers Ecosse A la Carte from Aberdeen who, along with Ecosse Executive Catering, are sponsoring pre-dinner drinks and savouries and all wine with the main meal. The dinner will be accompanied by light musical entertainment.

Tickets priced £40, are available to both members and non-members from Carole Nelson (0141 228 8075)

## WELCOME AT THE DOOR

Volunteer guides are wanted to welcome visitors to the Trades Hall on Sunday 19 September as part of Glasgow's annual Doors Open Day. If you can help between 10am and 4pm contact Carole Nelson at the House office (0141 228 8075) or come along to the guide training evening in the Trades Hall on Wednesday 15 September at 7.30pm.

## UP OR DOWN LECTURE



Will interest rates go up or down? Obviously Deacon Convener Allan Denholm and Collector Roy Scott were hoping for clues from Professor John Vickers, the Bank of England's chief economist and a member of the Monetary Policy Committee (which sets the Bank rate) before he delivered the annual Trades House of Glasgow Lecture in May.

The lecture was held at the University of Strathclyde on the second anniversary of the formation of the Monetary Policy Committee and Professor Vickers chose as his topic Price Stability in the UK – the benefits of living with low inflation. He said that the UK record of price stability over the past six and a half years of inflation targeting had been unusually good and that probably a recession in the UK had been narrowly avoided.

"In each of the last 10 months inflation has been within 0.2% of the 2.5% target level", said Professor Vickers, but warned that bigger inflation deviations are bound to happen sooner or later upwards as well as downwards. "However, if the Monetary Policy Committee sets policy right, given the existing target, inflation will remain about 2.5% on average," he added.

Professor Sir John Arbuthnott, Principal of the University of Strathclyde, commented on the long standing links between the University and the Trades House ranging from the University's founding lecture held in the Trades Hall in 1796 to the present day with the joint Millennium Garden project between the Incorporation of Gardeners and the University.

## LEGLESS OR ARMLESS?

Following the House's tradition of entering a float evoking the Deacon Convener's craft in the annual Lord Provost's procession the subject this year was "drink". Deacon Convener Allan Denholm was Visitor of the Maltmen as well as being for many years a director and company secretary of whisky distillers William Grant & Sons.

Visitor Ian O'Connor along with Deacons Henry Mitchell and Jack Steele and Ex-Deacon Alex Paterson joined the Academia de Salsa dance group to enter into the Bacchanalian spirit of the day – even if they somehow managed to "misplace" the float's statue of Venus (complete with arms) outside the City Chambers – its safe return would be welcome.



## GREET 2000 VIENNESE STYLE

Millennium year or not, most ticket prices have been held at their normal rates for the prestigious Trades House "Glasgow Greets Vienna" New Year's Day Concert. However, soaring hotel costs mean that the usual black tie supper is probably not possible although a pre-concert reception is being considered as an alternative.

Tickets to experience the orchestra under conductor David Charles Abell rendering a wide selection of Viennese music are priced from £8.50 from the Royal Concert Hall booking office. The £25 tickets are available only from Carole Nelson (0141 228 8075).

Once again we are grateful to the support given to the Concert from Tennent Caledonian Breweries, Glasgow City Council and Austrian Airlines among others.

## CRAFT ANNUAL MEETINGS

The 14 craft incorporations will meet in Trades Hall on Friday 17 September to elect their office bearers for 1999/2000.

The appointments to be ratified are:

<b>HAMMERMEN</b>	
Deacon: David Stirrat	Collector: Donald Rutherford
<b>TAILORS</b>	
Deacon: Ian Dale	Collector: James Morrison
<b>CORDINERS</b>	
Deacon: Ronald A Carswell	Collector: Stuart G Leitch
<b>MALTMEN</b>	
Visitor: David McClymont	Collector: Adrian J Laird Craig
<b>WEAVERS</b>	
Deacon: James McManus	Collector: Dugald Cameron
<b>BAKERS</b>	
Deacon: Robert Henderson	Collector: David Grahame
<b>SKINNERS</b>	
Deacon: Alan M Ferguson	Collector: Rajkumar Singh
<b>WRIGHTS</b>	
Deacon: David McMillan	Collector: To be confirmed
<b>COOPERS</b>	
Deacon: Alastair Cumming	Collector: Richard Paterson
<b>FLESHERS</b>	
Deacon: P Rory Duff	Collector: John McKenzie
<b>MASON</b>	
Deacon: Alasdair S Macrae	Collector: Bill Richardson
<b>GARDENERS</b>	
Deacon: Allan G Ramsay	Collector: Harry H L Yeomans
<b>BARBERS</b>	
Deacon: George Finnie	Collector: Stanley Hutchison
<b>BONNETMAKERS</b>	
Deacon: Iain McCowan	Collector: To be confirmed



## CRAFT NEWS



## IN BRIEF

The COOPERS have provided £5880 in apprentice prizes and £1692 to Clyde Maritime Trust for the renovation of SV Glenlee; the WEAVERS have made 16 donations totalling £11,250 to charitable bodies and the MALTSMEN provided £7,397 towards 20 good causes; the SKINNERS have given £1000 to a hospital in Lesotho.

South Africa and the MASONS £100 to the same cause; support for pensioner grantees continues with the GARDENERS providing £11,980 and the WRIGHTS £5,970. And the BAKERS with funds raised at their Deacon's Choosing Dinner have donated £750 to St Vincent's Hospice, Howwood. Deacon James Black is pictured here presenting the cheque to the Hospice matron.

## SEWING MACHINES FLY TO INDIA

Over the past few months members of the Tailors, assisted by members of the 13 other crafts, have been collecting sewing machines to send out to Dr Graham's Homes at Kalimpong in India where they will be used to both make clothes for underprivileged children and provide them with vocational training as tailors.

In all a total of 37 machines have been collected ranging from some vintage Singer machines to more modern electric machines along with five irons.

Much of the project was co-ordinated by Tailors Allan McNeill, Jim Morrison, and Deacon Tom Jessop. Local firms also made the project possible with World Express in Hillington providing storage facilities and GeoLogistics at Glasgow Airport providing the shipping and export documentation. Members of the Tailors along with the Rev John Webster and Miss Veronica Cassie of Dr Graham's Homes saw the consignment fly off to India in June.

## DOUBLE WIN FOR MARTIN

Martin Lacey has become the first person ever to have won the Hammermen's Prince Philip Prize for an engineering craft apprentice twice. Now a student at Strathclyde University, Martin first won the £1500 prize in 1996 as a student at Langside College.

## CRAIG ALL KEYED UP

It is not just his tie that gives Craig McKirgan the title of "Wee Kay" in the Wrights where his grand-father Bryan McKirgan is Deacon. At the Wrights' box opening, held in Myrtle Inn, Callander (owned by Master Court member,

the Trades Key Robert McKirgan) young Craig (Deacon's Key) opened the Wright's trick gold box in record time. To complete the family affair Bryan's wife Jean was "chained" as "queen" by Auld Deacon Robert Rogerson.



## ... AND 400 YEARS STRONG

The big day in the year 2000 calendar for the Wrights is 3rd May when to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the granting of their charter the craft will be honoured with a civic reception in the City Chambers to coincide with the Wrights' Box Opening Ceremony

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## MASONS STRIKE WHEN YOUNG

Ages spanning over 60 years were no deterrent to the fun and games when members of the Masons and near hand children and grandchildren enjoyed a family day out ten-pin bowling. Organiser Collector Hugh Sutherland is pictured here with some of the young competitors.



## SCALING THE HEIGHTS FOR HOSPITAL

The Cordiniers are prepared to go to any lengths – not to mention heights – to raise funds for Erskine Hospital's ERSKINE 2000 appeal which encompasses not only a new hospital on the existing site but accommodation for ex-servicemen throughout Scotland.

To raise funds for the appeal Late Deacon Donald Smith was in a party of six experienced climbers visiting Innsbruck in August. Based in huts on the edge of a glacier, they were attempting to climb five surrounding peaks – all over 3000 metres. Sponsored by DM Hall, support for the climb has been pledged from several crafts.

The Cordiniers have already donated £5000 to ERSKINE 2000. The cheque was handed over when the craft held their Old Deacons' Dinner in the library of the mansion house at the hospital. This was the first such function to be held in the library which has only once before been used in a dinner format – as an army mess for an episode of "Taggart"



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

17 September - Annual meetings of the Incorporations.  
19 September - Doors Open Day. The Trades Hall open to public  
13 October - House meeting and Deacon Convener's Dinner  
26 November - Grand Antiquity Society Centenary Dinner  
1 January - Glasgow Greets Vienna Concert

HAMMERMEN	–	11 NOVEMBER
TAILORS	–	12 NOVEMBER
CORDINIERS	–	11 FEBRUARY
MALTMEN	–	15 NOVEMBER
WEAVERS	–	25 NOVEMBER
BAKERS	–	26 OCTOBER
SKINNERS	–	5 NOVEMBER
WRIGHTS	–	6 OCTOBER
COOPERS	–	3 MARCH
FLESHERS	–	10 DECEMBER
MASONS	–	17 SEPTEMBER
GARDENERS	–	15 OCTOBER
BARBERS	–	24 MARCH
BONNETMAKERS	–	29 OCTOBER

## KEEP IN TOUCH

Material for The Craftsman should be sent to the Trades House, 310 St Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5QR (0141 228 8000) or to Bob Colquhoun, 33 Greenlaw Avenue, Paisley PA1 3RE (0141 889 6708).

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## NURSING HOME FLOURISHES

The Clarence Court Nursing Home has won the Incorporation of Gardeners "Let Glasgow Flourish" award, The Robertson Silver Spade, for the best use of plants and flowers by a city business. In all a record number of 46 awards were made to city businesses in the event which is now in its 16th year. Lord Provost Pat Lally is pictured presenting the Robertson spade to Clarence Home resident Molly Weeple who is 88 years young.



## SPORTS NEWS

## Hammermen fail to Flatten Bakers

The last Trades House Curling final of the millennium was fought out between the Hammermen and the Bakers and it could not have been a closer run thing, nor a more keenly contested battle. The Hammermen, skipped by Don Rutherford, assisted at third by Murray Cruickshank and with Tom Cruickshank and Ian McDermid at second and lead drew first blood, taking a single shot at the first end. At the second and third, singles were exchanged, but Don pulled out all the stops at the fourth, and a steal of two gave the Hammermen a convincing lead of 4 shots to 1 at the half way stage.

The Bakers, skipped by Ayrshire farmer Willie Brown, took legal opinion from third Graham Davidson, and second Robin Primrose and lead Bob Paterson decided that the cause was far from lost. A two was snatched back and a one stolen, and all was set for what turned out to be the last end, with the score even at 4 each. In the event, the play was worthy of a final and the last end went to the last stone. Don just failing to beat Willie's counter. The Bakers were worthy winners of the cigar box trophy.

Next year, it is hoped to play the curling competition at Braehead, where ice has been applied for. All Crafts are represented, some with two teams, so no Trades House curler should feel that his services will not be required. He should make himself available to his Craft Convener, or to me, Michael Burton at the following numbers - Home: 0141 638 2819, Business: 0141 621 4233.



The winning Bakers (l to r) Bob Paterson, Graham Davidson, Willie Brown and Robin Primrose

The Annual golf competition for the Trades House Shield was held at Pollok Golf Club on Wednesday 26 May. Despite rather dull and damp conditions an excellent entry of thirty two players found the course in first class condition.

Playing a Stableford competition in pairs with the better ball counting at each hole no fewer than eleven Crafts were represented with the Dyers fielding four teams: well done Stephen Braid, Dyers Golf Convener.

Results were:- Trades House Shield - Incorporation of Tailors (J.S. Sinclair and R.G. Mickell) 45 points

Runners-up - Incorporation of Weavers (R. MacLaurin and A.H. Howie) 44 points. Association of Deacons' Prize - Incorporation of Gardeners (A.M. Martin and W.E.M. Marshall)

The match with the Edinburgh Merchant Company Golf Club will be held at Pollok on 25 August. It is some years since the Trades House team won this game and we shall be trying doubly hard this time. In view of the Merchant Company Golf Club celebrating their Centenary in 1999 we are presenting a Trophy for this annual match.

The David Borland inter-craft competition will be played at Cathcart Castle Golf Club on Tuesday 21 September. Each Craft may enter up to six players with the best four scores counting towards a team result.

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# Royal Membership and a Royal Invitation

At a special meeting held in the Trades Hall on 7 June, His Royal Highness Prince Charles, The Duke of Rothesay, formally accepted his Burgess Ticket conferring on him the Freedom of the Guildry as a Craftsman qua Gardener. He was also enrolled into membership of the Incorporations of Hammermen and Masons.

In return Prince Charles surprised and delighted members of the House by inviting senior members, together with members of the three incorporations to inspect the gardens at his home in Gloucestershire.

Although Prince Charles first accepted membership of the Gardeners in 1988 (the year of the Glasgow Garden Festival) and of the Hammermen later that year (following his father, Prince Philip, in 1955) it was only this year when invited by Deacon Jack Steele of the Masons to join the craft during Glasgow's year of Architecture and Design that he was able to fit the ceremony into his busy schedule.

Prince Charles was welcomed to the House by Deacon Convener Allan Denholm who stated that the House was very honoured by his agreeing to be enrolled in three of its crafts.



Prince Charles is introduced to (l to r) Gardeners' Deacon David Yeoman, Hammermen's Deacon Henry Mitchell and Masons' Deacon Jack Steele and their respective ladies. The Prince admired the flower being worn by Deacon Yeoman and was told that the "fine" for a Gardener not wearing a flower is a bottle of port.



The Prince is introduced to Masons' Collector Hugh Sutherland, Late Collector Alasdair Macrae and Clerk George Snowden



H.R.H. Prince Charles arrives at the Trades Hall and is introduced by Lord Provost Alex Mosson, the Lord Lieutenant, to Deacon Convener Allan Denholm, his wife Avril, Collector Roy Scott and his wife Janelle

**Conferring the Freedom of the Guildry as a Craftsman upon his Royal Highness THE PRINCE CHARLES PHILIP ARTHUR GEORGE and his admission as a freeman of the Incorporations of Hammermen, Masons and Gardeners**



The Masons' certificate of admission



The Hammermen's certificate of admission



The Gardeners' certificate of admission



Prince Charles' Guild Brother ticket





As an introduction to the admission ceremony Deacon Steele said that it was with great pride that the Masons learned that Prince Charles had accepted membership of the craft.

"To-day, as in historic times, the crafts draw members from all sectors of industry and Prince Charles with his interest in architecture is well qualified to be a member of the Incorporation of Masons," said Deacon Steele.

Clerk to the House, Gordon Wyllie, read the wording of the Guild Brother ticket which the Deacon Convener presented to the Prince who was then invited to sign the roll of the Incorporation of Gardeners by Deacon David Yeoman and Clerk Hugh Hopkins. Deacon Henry Mitchell of the Incorporation of Hammermen and Clerk Alistair Burrow then invited Prince Charles to sign their roll as did Deacon Steele and Mason's Clerk George Snowden, who also administered the Oath de fideli.

In his response Prince Charles said that he was honoured by the craft memberships bestowed upon him and was particularly flattered to be following other members of the Royal family including his father and looked forward to many more links with the crafts.

The Prince said that the membership of the Masons was very relevant to his particular passion for urban regeneration and encouraging young

people to take an interest in their environment.

"We need to create much more harmony and integration in our architecture instead of the fashion of zoning which influences so many aspects of our lives," said Prince Charles.

The Prince also welcomed his membership of the Gardeners as he had been trying for 19 years to create a garden at his home where there was no garden before.

"I should like to invite the members of the Gardeners, and indeed the other crafts, to come and see what I have tried to achieve in Gloucestershire particularly in the preservation of rare plants and trees including more than 60 varieties of beeches," said the Prince.

Prince Charles concluded by saying that he was not much of an expert with a hammer "although I have to do the most unexpected things from stonewall building to bricklaying so I am prepared to have a try at anything."

The meeting concluded with Deacon Convener Allan Denholm presenting the Prince with a cheque for £2000 for the Prince's Scottish Youth Business Trust.

Thereafter Prince Charles inspected craft artifacts and tools and viewed the contents of the two Masons' Deacon's boxes.



*The Prince signs the roll and certificate of admission to the Gardeners before Deacon Yeoman and Clerk to the Gardeners Hugh Hopkins*



*The Prince signs the membership roll of the Hammermen before Clerk Alistair Burrow and is welcomed to the craft by Deacon Mitchell*



*The Prince signs the membership roll of the Masons before Deacon Steele and Clerk George Snowden*



*The Clerk of the Masons administers the Oath de fideli*



*Deacon Steele presents Prince Charles with a commemorative Masons' mell (the Glasgow masons version of a maul)*



*The Prince inspects craft artifacts including the original Masons' Deacon's Box from 1684 and in return presented the craft with a signed photograph for inclusion in the box*