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WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF
PATTENMAKERS

OUT OF THE MUD

The new History Book of the Worshipful Company of Pattenmakers

Out of the Mud is the new, rewritten History Book of the Pattenmakers published to coincide with the 350th Anniversary of the Grant of our original Charter.

This once in a generation event is an opportunity for you to become a recognised **SUPPORTER** of the new Livery Book and be recorded in it for posterity.

To support the publication of the Book there is a suggested minimum donation of £100. You will receive a copy of the book and be listed at the front on the Supporters Page.

If you prefer, we are also producing a limited edition leather bound version for a minimum donation of £300. This beautiful book, will of course, include your name on the Supporters Page.

Our history was last updated seventeen years ago, and this time it was decided that the Company should take a much broader view of our lively heritage.

Out of the Mud is a combination of our carefully researched history melded with fascinating stories about the many personalities that have been members of the Livery and how we have changed over our many years of existence. We have tracked the major events (both good and not so good) over the centuries that have helped create the Company we are today.

Just to whet your appetite!



Learn about the Company's long history of eccentric and exotic Members, amongst them the flamboyant theatre impresario, the Father of Modern Pantomime (*'He's not a Pattenmaker: Oh yes, he is'*) and The Kaid who rose to become Commander of the Sultan of Morocco's Army as well as bringing bagpipe music to that country.



Why did the Irish Catholic Emancipator and Nationalist, Daniel O'Connell, join the Pattenmakers in 1825?



Which Pattenmaker footballer and ace sprinter scored a last minute equalising goal for England against Scotland in the world's first football international?



Why did the Livery nearly go broke in the 1790s, 1860s and 1960s? Who were the benefactors that saved us on each occasion?



In 1674, over 100 new members joined and between 1790 and 1840 over 1,500 new entrants became Freeman– why and how?



The first female Pattenmaker joined in 1751. Since then there have been 114 women Pattenmakers, interestingly mainly in the years before 1860.



How is the Company connected to the HMS K4 submarine tragedy of 1918, and how did other Pattenmakers show their bravery and heroism in the two World Wars?



Handbags at dawn: What happened when competing Lord Mayors and Pattenmakers City processions clashed and how the solution to keep the peace exists to the present day.



The Crown v The Master in 1831 – was the Master elected legally?

Our story is that of a proud Livery fighting for survival despite a dying trade and how we subsequently reinvented ourselves to be a vibrant and relevant force within the City of London. '**Out of the Mud**' indeed!

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Out of the Mud will be available to forward order for members of the Livery from May onwards priced at £25.00 a copy. Publication date is Summer 2020.

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