



The Pattenmaker

WEEKLY NEWS FROM AROUND THE LIVERY

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From the Master, Dr David Best



To The Editor The Newsletter
By E mail 10 July 2020

Dear Ian

I am writing to formally record my appreciation of the Newsletter and in particular the effort that you and the Master Elect put into each week's edition.

Although some doubted that we would be able to keep this going on a weekly basis, in fact the opposite has been the case, and the increasingly diverse content, information and the wealth of news about the Members of the company is week by week more impressive.

I am struck in each edition by the variety and richness of members' experience, skills, and range of occupation not just professionally but also in terms of hobbies and pastimes.

Each week the content is fresh original and beautifully illustrated by the photographs submitted by contributors.

It would be invidious to give examples- every contribution is remarkable in one way or another, but I cannot say how highly I regard the submissions that you publish.

Thank you to everyone involved from authors, to the Clerk and Assistant clerk for getting it out each week. Please keep it up and I hope this is now an established part of Pattenmaker life.

Yours sincerely,



From the Master Elect, Jennifer Bryant-Pearson



I have just returned from my first trip to London since lockdown and it was a very different City to that which I left in March and was shocked to see that the City itself was empty with hardly any coffee shops even open. Back in Westminster, it was

extremely quiet with just a limited number of parliamentarians present and virtually no civil servants so restaurants/bars and even Prets were deserted. However, you will have seen that my local Pret in Horseferry Road has been at the centre of media coverage regarding whether Ministers were wearing masks or not whilst collecting their sandwiches!



I joined a call for 20/21 Masters with the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs and we talked about getting the City working again. The Lord Mayor is expecting more businesses to return in September and already some Livery Halls are opening up for small events and dinners. Past Master Sheriff Hayward told us all about the changes the City is making to ensure our safety with wider pavements and outside eating. The Lord Mayor identified the major issues as being confidence and transport and that is something he will be working with government to improve.

The City itself is also playing a major role on climate change and Assistant Deputy Keith Bottomley reports in this issue on the Square Mile's Environment committee which he now

chairs and we give you details of the City's Sheep Drive and Livery Fair now planned for next year.

Our Company history becomes more fascinating all the time and today the Master provides his own insight into our connection with Archery and we thank him for his kind letter to the Editor. Assistant Steve Huxham describes the new addition to our collection which was originally presented by the Commander of HMS K4. You can find out so much more about our history with the webinar next Tuesday 21st July which will be presented by the authors of our new history book, Past Master Richard Kottler, Assistant Steve Huxham and Liveryman Stephen Cribb. Full details are in the newsletter so register now for this excellent presentation of Out of the Mud!

Freeman Harlan Lunn tells us the very moving story of his wife, Paula's extraordinary courage and positivity and the importance of their membership of the Pattenmakers' family.

We are very grateful to Freeman Zoe Chowney who hosted a terrific quiz last week and she writes today about the event and the winners – please note the superb backdrop she created for the event. Our other events are also listed including a wine tasting on 29th July for which you need to register by Sunday 19th July and our church service on Thursdays will continue on Zoom led by our Honorary Chaplain, Andrew Keep.

We hear from two of our members in the footwear industry – Freeman Stuart Paver tells us about life under lockdown and his investment plans whilst Liveryman Stuart Marsh provides Photo of the Week and an update on his various businesses whilst enjoying the countryside.

Our avian columnist, Freeman Richard Parlour introduces us to the nuthatch and Past Master Tim Watts has a very unusual photograph from his garden.

And finally, do try Assistant Keith Bottomley's family recipe of his Gran's fat free tea bread.

Another great read today, thanks to our members.

City of London Corporation

Update on Climate Action Strategy - Assistant Deputy Keith Bottomley CC



The City of London Corporation will launch a Climate Action Strategy in the autumn which will outline what we will do to ensure the Square Mile, and the sites run by

the City Corporation itself, become net-zero emission and climate resilient.

I was appointed by the City's Policy and Resources Committee last week to lead the work as Chairman of the Square Mile's Environment Committee.

As part of the consultation and public engagement an online survey has been launched inviting residents and businesses to share their views on climate change.

The survey asks people about their views on what the City Corporation should do to counter the threat of future weather conditions, and what action residents, workers and businesses would like to see taken to make their buildings more environmentally friendly.

This is a unique opportunity to act decisively in responding to climate change, a key strategic issue of our time.

Boldly addressing climate change in the Square Mile can only be done by an organisation such as the City Corporation which has the core purpose of protecting the long-term commercial interests of the City. The strategy is on course to be one of the defining cross Corporation policy approaches. The City Corporation's Climate Action Strategy is due to be published in October 2020, and will be created based on a series of evidenced base studies which will be completed by summer 2020.

It will ensure that London and the UK are resilient to risks presented by climate change and seize the opportunities presented by the transition to a low carbon economy.

Underpinning the approach is a series of studies that we commissioned to examine our own actions as a responsible business, investor, landlord and steward of a resilient financial centre. This work has set the bar in terms of rigour, scope and quality of data and has given us a read out of our current emissions and resilience to extreme weather caused by climate change. Options for how to respond to both are now taking shape.

In 2007 the City of London Corporation became the first Local Authority in the UK to produce a dedicated Climate Change Adaptation Strategy. We have already taken several actions to reduce our carbon footprint, including offsetting carbon emissions from business travel flights, protecting and conserving 11,000 acres of green space in London and south east England, and running on 100% renewable electricity since October 2018.

The City is also leading on an Emissions Reduction Bill to give London's local authorities tough new powers to tackle air pollution caused by boilers, construction machinery and diesel generators. 50% of air pollution in London comes from non-transport related sources.

Link to the survey: [Climate Action Strategy](#)

Sheep Drive & Livery Fair planned for September 27th 2020 – Postponed to 2021

Peter Hullah, Upper Warden Worshipful Company of Woolmen



We hope all our friends and supporters are keeping safe and well during these challenging times. As you would expect, the organising committee of the Sheep Drive and Livery Fair have been closely monitoring developments and consulting widely about arrangements for our events this year. Our aim has always been to deliver an event that is a safe, fun day out, celebrating the ancient tradition of a Freeman's right to drive their sheep to market over London bridge, tariff-free, and through this unique event, raise funds for the Woolmen's Charitable Trust and Lord Mayor's Appeal. It is with considerable regret that we have decided to postpone the planned Sheep Drive and Livery Fair on Sunday 27th September, which this year was due to take place on Southwark Bridge, allowing for essential works taking place on London Bridge. We have looked at different models for running the Sheep Drive, abiding by government approved social distancing and safety guidelines for gatherings in public spaces and outdoor activities. Sadly, our view is that these would require us to limit numbers significantly and also alter the format of the day to such an extent that it would impact participants' enjoyment and the additional costs involved reduce the overall charitable contribution we can make from the event.

We are mindful that Government guidelines continue to evolve, however, in order to allow for essential planning time, including that of all of our fantastic volunteers and supporters, we feel that the decision on this September's event needs to be taken now. Hopefully this also mitigates against the potential risk of a short notice cancellation if stricter measures were to be reintroduced. New Date for you Diary: 26th September 2021! We know that many of you will be equally as disappointed as we are. However, we hope you will be delighted to hear that this means that we are now turning our minds fully to planning for a fantastic Sheep Drive & Livery Fair on 26th September 2021 when we can all look forward to an amazing day.

We thank you for your continuing support and we very much look forward to remaining in contact with you as we plan for 2021. Meanwhile, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at:

sheepdriveteamenquiries@woolmen.com

Watch this space ... In the meantime, we will keep you updated through the website regarding arrangements for booking in 2021. <https://sheepdrive.london/> and check out our social media where we will be following the stories of the team - that's both two legged and four - as we launch our plans, with some updates and nuggets of news along the way!

The Lord Mayor's Appeal 2019/2020 - A Fair City - City Giving Day

Link for details: [The Lords Mayors Appeal - A Fair City - City Giving Day](#)

Covid 19

Well what a year 2020 has been so far! Freeman Stuart Paver



We have experienced a number of unwelcome firsts, including temporarily shutting all of our shops, for the first time ever, and furloughing over 1000 people. That said, it has also validated a lot of the ways we have worked since my mother started the company 50 years ago. Not spending money we don't have and avoiding debt, whilst reinvesting retained profits to ensure we have a strong balance sheet, this often seemed overly cautious in the past. But the old adage that you never know what's around the corner could not have been truer. Now we have truly experienced what was around the corner and we see more of our highly leveraged competitors disappearing.

We are happy to have built our business around these early principles of limited debt and a strong balance sheet, and know we will be amongst the last ones standing.

Retailers have never been able to stand still but the speed of change at the moment is manic and

nobody is sure where it will end up. However, what we do know is we will need to be efficient to handle our new reality, whatever it may be. To this end we are now two thirds of the way through a £10+m investment program to double the size of our warehouse and install automation to reduce processing times. We have also ensured that the automation is optimal whether we end up with the majority of our business online or offline in the future.



During the crisis we have also been able to focus on a lot of strategic issues and spent more time on shaping the future than we would normally have been able to. We believe as people return to normal we will be in a very strong position to capitalise on opportunities. Our people have been brilliant through this crisis and we have spent a lot of time and effort communicating with them to ensure they were coping with the disruption.

Our Facebook live shows have been seen by up to 60% of our entire staff, with many commenting how much better they felt after watching. Our main goal has been to make our colleagues aware that we are all in this together, that while the future is uncertain they can rely on us to be fair and decent, and finally that there are many things to keep them occupied, be it the Open University, personal workout plans, puzzling, and a whole lot more! In return they have just voted us the best retailer to work for in a Retail Week / Glassdoor poll. Whilst we are hugely proud of this achievement, we know there are many other very deserving family businesses out there, and also that there is a whole lot more we can -and will- continue to do to ensure our people are at the heart of everything we do.

Coming out of this pandemic I think our charitable Foundation will be supporting a lot of

mental health charities as we have seen a lot of customers and employees suffering huge amounts of anxiety brought on by the isolation involved with the Lockdown. I am now looking forward to 2021 because I think it will be the start of the long climb back to a functioning economy and the room created by the weaker companies failing will provide some great opportunities.

Our Charitable Fund

City of London School

Freeman Susan O'Hare has received an update from the School and on Kobi O'Sullivan, the pupil who is assisted by the Pattenmakers. The full report can be found here: [Kobi O'Sullivan School Report](#)

The Company's commitment to City of London School has meant each year bursaries can be offered to boys who might not otherwise be able to attend City. Community members like you enable City of London School to be the inclusive, welcoming and supportive institution it has been and continues to be, even in these surreal times. In light of recent events and the ever-changing landscape, we do hope to see you as soon as permissible. We are looking to when we can host all the liveries for an event, hopefully early in the new academic year. The School has officially postponed Prize Day to take place towards the beginning of 2021, on 11 February. We will be sure to provide up to the minute information as arrangements are further settled. We are so grateful and thank you for your support as we carry on the long-standing traditions of training and academic excellence here in the heart of London.

Our History

Pattens and Archery – a medieval incident – Master Dr David Best

Whilst Archers may have worn pattens, there is no obvious link between the two crafts- or is there? One of the delightful aspects of being Master is that in one's journey rings around the City and in meeting the Masters of other Liveries, there are frequent occasions on which events overlap or

have coincidentally collided with our own Livery. I was a guest of the Master Turner quite early in my year, and this encounter gave rise to some interesting information.

As many of you will know, in the later medieval period it was a legal requirement for all boys to practice archery. The Legal web site "Lowering the Bar" humorously reports:

"It is clear that there were laws requiring archery practice dating back to at least the 13th century. The motive was to make sure England had enough men trained to use the longbow, which for centuries was a crucial weapon for the English. (The most famous example is Agincourt, a battle that Henry V won in 1415 and which we are still going on about.) The training requirement was usually combined with prohibitions on other kinds of games and sports so that people would focus on archery instead of, for example, "tennis, football, [quoits], dice" and other "games inappropriate." 12 Rich. II, c.6 (1388); see also 11 Hen. IV, c.4 (1409) (adding handball to the blacklist). The point was not so much to condemn games as to make sure they did not get in the way of longbow training. In other words, they saw nothing morally wrong with tennis, it's just that it is hard to kill a French knight with a tennis ball, no matter how good your serve is.

In 1511, the requirement was expanded by "An Act concerning Shooting in Long Bows," even though by then the importance of the bow was declining. 3 Hen. VIII, c.3 (1511). This law provided that "All Sorts of Men under the Age of Forty Years shall have Bows and Arrows" and practice using them. The playing of games continued, however, and in 1541 the law was expanded yet again by "An Act for the Maintenance of Artillery, and debarring unlawful Games," the preamble to which declares that said games were believed to be the "Cause of the Decay of Archery" skills in England. 33 Hen. VIII, c.9 (1541). (There was another very important cause by then, namely guns – or, more specifically, bullets – but games always seem to get blamed for social problems.) The archery requirement was extended to all men under 60, and the list of banned games was expanded. As before, though, these restrictions did not apply to the aristocracy. They tended to become knights, not archers, plus

they had the God-given right to play games if they liked. According to them, that is, not God."

What has this to do with Pattens? In 1464 the Turners Company was well established not least because of their important role in making the vast numbers of shafts required to make arrows; Turners and Fletchers (who applied the feathers needed to maintain the straight flight of the arrow and sold the finished article) were both doing well. They were the equivalent of arms manufacturers today, and no doubt making similar profits.

But in the process they upset us - the Pattenmakers. It is recorded that the Pattenmakers complained in 1464 that by an Act of Parliament passed in 1417 they (the Pattenmakers) were precluded from using a timber called Asp (Probably the Aspen or Poplar) to make pattens or clogs "so that the Fletchers might sell their arrows at a more easy price"; that "all manner of people of the crafts and occupations of Turners, Carpenters, Woodmongers and Charcoalmakers were wasting yearly great quantities of asp which would not serve the Fletchers to make arrows but was of sufficient quality to make pattens or clogs". The Pattenmakers therefore prayed to the King that Parliament would "allow them to make pattens and clogs of such Asp as is not fit for arrows". The King's reply was affirmative and put into the usual terms "soit fait comme il est desiré" or in plain English, "let it be as you desire" .Apart from its narrative interest, this story illustrates that our guild was well enough organised at this early date to bring a petition to the King, even without Royal Charter, and shows the close and not always easy relationship between the different elements of the economy of the City.

I am sure that many more of these fascinating insights into our history are to be found in the forthcoming book - Out of the Mud. In the meantime, however, I am grateful to the Master Turner for illuminating that episode for me.



Editor's footnote. Church of St Mary le Bow. During the later Norman period the church, known as "St Mary de Arcubus", was rebuilt and was famed for the arches - bows of stone i.e. shaped like Archer's Bows. According to tradition a true must be born within earshot of the sound of Bow Bells (which refers to this church's bells rather than those of St Mary and Holy Trinity, Bow Road, in Bow, an outlying village until the 19th century).^[3]



New Acquisition for Company's Historic Collection

Assistant Steve Huxham

Members will hopefully be aware that we keep a continual watch for items that come on to the market that might enhance the Company's Collection of historic items and Treasures (subject to budget considerations!) These might be antique pattens, or their elevated "cousins" from around the world, or other objects related to our own history and Company connections. In that context, I am delighted to be able to pass on the news that I recently managed to purchase for the Company a most intriguing little item, linked to the history, and the tragic loss of, HM Submarine K4 in early 1918.



This is a silver and wood box, probably for cigarettes, presented by the Commander of HMS K4, David De Beauvoir Stocks, and his officers. We do not know who the recipient was, but it is thought likely to have been another submarine crew or possibly a surface warship (Renter Warden Elect Pat Tyrrell may well wish me to refer to the

latter as skimmers or targets!) that HMS K4 had been operating with at the time.



The engraving on the lid, as shown in the photograph, reads as follows:

FROM
COMMANDER D de B STOCKS, D.S.O., R.N.
AND OFFICERS OF
H.M. SUBMARINE K4
3RD SEPTEMBER 1917
"STICK IT"

I take the last words "Stick It" in the manner of those times to read "Stick with It" or "tolerate it" – probably apt for that point of the World War One.

I appreciate that some Pattenmakers may well not yet know the story of HMS K4. If you do not, and apart from a few words of explanation here, I would thoroughly recommend that on your next visit to our Guild Church of St Margaret Pattens, you take a moment to visit the "K4" Memorial in the North Aisle, where the names of the crew, plus other military personnel lost in World War One are recorded. In summary, the incident was one of the worst British naval friendly fire disasters that occurred late in the War. Covered up at the time to avoid handing a propaganda victory to the enemy, it was even described as a "Battle" – the "Battle of May Island", and the full truth only emerged later. Our Company is associated with this event and the Memorial being in the Church through the connection to the Commander of HMS K4, the distinguished and decorated submariner, David De Beauvoir Stocks DSO RN. David was the nephew of the long serving rector of St Margaret Pattens and Chaplain to the Pattenmakers, St Barbe Sydenham Sladen. David's widow, Cheridah Stocks, herself a noted early female

aviator, had the Memorial installed and it was dedicated on 6th September 1918, paying tribute to David and his crew, along with twelve Army personnel, some of whom we have been able to identify as having links to the Company and/or being members of the extended Sladen family.

The full story of the sequence of events in the late afternoon onwards of 31st January 1918, can readily be found online, as can the many other accidents involving the notorious “K” class of submarines, nicknamed the “Kalamity” class. In summary though, what should have been a routine patrol for a Naval force of over 40 vessels, sailing from Rosyth naval base, descended into a series of errors, accidents, collisions between friendly vessels, and ultimately, disaster. In barely 90 minutes, two submarines were sunk, three were badly damaged, and several surface ships were also damaged. An estimated 105 men were lost, including 55 or 56 from HMS K4, 47 from HMS K17 and 2 from HMS K14. In the specific case of HMS K4, having turned and stopped to avoid a previous collision, her sister boat HMS K6 did not, and ploughed into HMS K4 at 20.36 hours, almost cutting the other submarine in half. HMS K4 sank immediately, with no chance of escape for any of the crew, who were all Lost at Sea.

A Centenary Memorial Service for the crew of HMS K4 was held on 31st January 2018 at St Margaret Pattens where we paid tribute to all those who “crossed the bar” that fateful evening. We were privileged to have not only currently serving and retired Royal Navy personnel in attendance at that Service, but also several descendants of crew members. As stated previously, at the time of the accident very little was disclosed to the families of what had really happened. A good example is a surviving letter, kept by the family and sent by the Admiralty to Constance Adams, the widow of SPO Percy Adams, copies of which were circulated at the Service. The emphasis there, sadly perhaps necessary in times of war, was for secrecy above sentiment.

The Company already holds a posthumously awarded WW1 Victory Medal for crew member Stoker 1st Class Herbert Martin in our Collection, and I am very pleased that we can now add this quite unexpected discovery of the presentation box

to it. Reflecting on the date engraved on it, it is rather poignant to think that in just under five months from this gift being presented, they were all Lost.

Renter Warden Elect Liveryman Commodore Pat Tyrell OBE RN (Retd) comments : I suspect this might have been presented to the CO and Officers of the wardroom of either another submarine after an exercise or to a surface combatant who had bested them. It's the sort of thing they used to do - now it would be a round of port!

Members' News

The Late Past Master Paul Ziff



Past Master Paul Ziff with Pele

Last Friday an obituary appeared in The Times: [The Times - Paul Ziff obituary](#)

Entirely coincidentally and well spotted by the Clerk was an item on Antiques Roadshow last Sunday which had been broadcast earlier, about a set of chairs purchased from Leeds United's Elland Road Ground which in addition to having the legendary manager Don Revie's name on one also had one with that of Paul Ziff.



The full story can be found by searching Antiques Roadshow – Leeds United.

New Freeman Harlan Lunn and Paula Lunn



2014 was an unusual time for our relatively peaceful life as Paula's Dad passed on due to cancer, in the subsequent months her sister had to have a number

of melanomas removed. We breathed a sigh of relief as 2015 rolled in, but a few days prior to Paula's birthday in the February she started to have some shoulder pain, to the point where she was in agony.

We had arranged to go to Rome for her birthday. I kept saying we should cancel as it was clear that the slightest touch of her shoulder left her reeling in agony. Paula has an indomitable character and insisted we still go, however, in hindsight it was the wrong decision as no sooner had we touched down than we were racing to A&E.

Further tests and an MRI showed there was some abnormalities in Paula's bone marrow and after a couple of lumbar punctures we were informed she has Myeloma. We looked at one another not understanding what that meant as we had never heard of this type of illness. Then came the bomb shell..... "Mrs Lunn, with this type of cancer, life expectancy is three to five years".

We were both crushed as this was not how we had imagined our life. It immediately tapped into my "life fear" as my mother died when I was five, which still plagues my father some fifty years later. Bizarrely, we thanked the Oncologist as he was handing out several prescriptions. We left the hospital with a myriad of different drugs and a few litres of liquid morphine to help "take the edge of the pain, if used with diazepam and co-codemol". The morphine was to be taken every 90 minutes or so until such time as the pain reduces

enough to increase the timeline. As we approached the car, we looked like we had been to a drug dealers convention and the gloom clouds were descending at an incredible pace.

The next 20 weeks was consumed by a type of melancholy that eats into our very soul, a mourning for a life we thought we were going to have, which had been derailed in an instant. Then out of nowhere Paula's indomitability kicked in, "If I've only got a few years to live.....I'm going to live! I'm going to surround myself with those people who mean something to us and cut ties with those who we stay in contact with out of a sense of duty. I am going to live and enjoy the time I have." At that moment we decided to "live" in the moment and enjoy each day, take time to reflect on the good and the bad and let tomorrow take care of itself.

Eventually, through bloody mindedness and positivity, Paula got to a position where an autologous stem cell transplant was a possibility - the Oncologists felt this was her best shot of seeing a count of five years.

Paula went into Kings on 15th December 2015, had a massive dose of chemotherapy, quickly followed by the stem cell transplant. This treatment was so savage, it smashed Paula's immune system, she was moved to an isolation unit that had a window, with a view that was a brick wall some five feet away. The treatment left her so weak that fifteen steps felt like a marathon. The fantastic Doctors and Transplant Team reiterated to Paula she was not allowed to leave hospital until her immune system had started to recover - she badgered them every day to let her come home. I think, in the end they acquiesced, just to get some peace.

Once again life went on hold, but whilst at home recovering, we eventually managed to get out for some short walks. One day we ventured to Hartfield and stumbled across The House at Pooh corner, on venturing inside we found a plaque immediately in front of us;



This plaque has been hanging in our kitchen ever since and is often a timely reminder to stay focused on the moment.

Another boost for Paula was our dear friends Freeman Bryan and Fiona McLaggan having arranged their wedding for the August Bank Holiday 2016. Croatia was beckoning and we were privileged to be asked to be witnesses. This was a challenge that spurred Paula to be well enough to attend, and what a fabulous time and a great honour for us to be involved.

We had planned a celebration with our closest friends in March as five years passed, but Covid struck and Paula had to “shield”. Lockdown was put into perspective for us as we were reminded about Terry Waite, being chained to a wall for 23 hours and 50 minutes a day for roughly four years before being released.

We are blessed as we have some beautiful friends, a couple of whom have come on the Pattenmakers journey with us. We feel lucky to be part of the Pattenmakers and have been made to feel part of the “family” from the moment we attended our first meeting.

A special thanks must go to Dr David Best and Martin Pickard who interviewed us and thought we may be worthy candidates for this great Livery Company.

There is so much more to this story and we are nowhere near reaching its conclusion. I have a tiger in my corner who is my wife, my best friend, my confident and fills my life with joy.

All our friends know that Paula will do her utmost to defend or protect them whenever they

need her, her zest for life is infectious.....and she can talk for England.

Our thanks go out to all our dear friends who have and continue to support us, and to the Pattenmakers for allowing us to make some more memories and to meet new friends.

Events

Pattenmakers Inaugural Online Quiz – 9th July RESULTS!!!

Freeman Zoe Chowney



We had around 20 participants that were grouped into 4 teams. The quiz was held on the Zoom platform and made use of breakout rooms for teams to discuss their answers privately between rounds.

The format consisted of the following five rounds...picture round (identifying celebrities from photos of just their eyes); advising the first names of 10 well-known fashion designers given their surnames and year of birth; music round (name the artist & title of 10 song clips, with the clue that each one was related to an animal); connections round where the final question was what word connects each of the previous answers; and finally the ‘wipe out’ round where a team will be awarded 5 bonus points if they answer all 10 questions correctly, but will score zero for the round if they get a question wrong (blank answers are allowed).

We had a closely fought battle with the exception of the runaway winners, the aptly named “Masterminds” with an impressive score of 43...congratulations to Martin Pickard, Lucy Jeynes, David Emanuel, David Sharp & Sarah Hodge. Only 2.5 points separated the remaining 3

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teams, two of which were very unlucky to have 'wiped out'!

Below is the table of the full results:

Rank	Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Total
1	👑 Masterminds	11	10	9	4	9	43
2	👑 Team 2	4	9	9.5	3	8	33.5
3	👑 Wildcards	11	10	8	4	0	33
3	The Desperados	11	10	9	1	0	31

The Master Elect comments: We are very grateful to Zoe for organising this quiz so professionally – including her backdrop!

£230 was raised for our charitable fund and great fun was had by us all

Future Events – Livery

St Margaret Pattens

Honorary Chaplain Andrew Kemp

I hope this last week has gone by usefully and steadily. I finally got to see one of you in person, which was lovely. The first time in 17 weeks. I guess life may be changing a bit for some of us. But in some ways, I find it quite difficult now working out what it's best to do.

In the next week or two, I plan to share this service from the church itself. It will be great to be there again, as I know one or two of you have now. But for this week, we are all at home again.

Services will be available from next Thursday and every week on Thursdays at 1pm, until September 3rd 2020.

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Weekly: Weekly:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZIud-GurDMjHdycLt8bKfdC-QUwja4DVKVQ/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGurTsiHNaduR6PRpwAA4igWe7zplxEgqdEnzPxWyJ4ZAfVCdN3Jbh-RPzm>

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86308628978?pwd=SElqdEMyMXA4UkY1b3VDVHA5d09VQT09>

Meeting ID: 863 0862 8978

Password: 022152

History book Webinar – 21st July at 6pm

Join us on Zoom for a stroll through the Pattenmakers' lively history, letting you in on some of the fascinating stories about past Pattenmakers that have been unearthed during the two years it has taken to research and write the book.

PM Richard Kottler will discuss why the decision was taken to completely re-write, and how the two authors have used modern research techniques to unearth fascinating information about the Company previously lost in the mists of time.

The team is PM Richard Kottler as Managing Editor, Assistant Steve Huxham and Liveryman Dr Stephen Cribb - authors, and there will be ample time for any questions.

To register in advance, please click here: [History Book registration](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Wednesday 29th July – Virtual Wine Tasting

To join the tasting on 29th July, please contact graham.perry@datore.co with the Subject Line:

“Pattenmakers’ Wine Tasting” by 19th July
Please note places are limited to the first 40 participants (few spaces left)

There is no cost to joining the tasting, just the cost of the wine which includes three bottles to taste on the evening, and three for you to drink after the event. **Please respond by Sunday July 19th**

Monday 10th August – Online Inter-Livery Bridge Competition - From the Worshipful Company of Makers of Playing Cards

We are pleased to announce details of the first ever online Inter-Livery Bridge Competition (ILB) to be held on Monday 10 August 2020 at 2.15pm (with an expected finish time of 4.30pm).

This 18-board Duplicate Pairs competition is open to any member of any Livery Company and, to make the event more inclusive during the pandemic, we are relaxing the normal ILB rule that your Partner must also be a Livery Company member. Accordingly, you are most welcome to join us and play with any partner of your choosing. The only restriction is that only one member of each pair may have an NGS* King or Ace designation. For details, please click below:
[Online Inter-Livery Bridge Competition](#)

Hello from Guildhall School

The School's academic year has come to an end, but we are delighted that we will be continuing to share broadcasts of Guildhall performances with you throughout the summer.
This month we shine the spotlight on our Chamber Music department, with three outstanding

performances from last year's Chamber Music Festival. There's also the opportunity to watch Guildhall jazz musicians in action with one of the world's most celebrated jazz double bassists, Rufus Reid.

We look forward to sharing more broadcasts from the Guildhall community with you in the coming weeks. Do keep an eye on our new section of the website [We Are Guildhall](#) for all the latest content.

Photo of the Week

Liveryman Stuart Marsh



Sidmouth Devon

Welcome to a different Devon The GOOD THE BAD AND THE UGLY, a spaghetti west country without the pasta.

14th March 2020 Margaret and I arrived back from a great holiday in Sri Lanka and Maldives unaware of coronavirus

23rd March Boris ordered lockdown

6th April annual family holiday to West Cork cancelled

7th April Gardener leaves for family reasons after 15 years

8th April new gardener starts with little experience ME - fantastic weather enjoying the great outdoors Gardening is FUN

9th April Purchased 2 electric bikes



Margaret and I, after advice from a Urologist friend, decided not to shield as the only danger was to us, not others although well over 70 and me with underlying health issues

EXERCISE cycling, swimming, tennis, gardening. Fantastic weather, Wonderful Devon countryside and a sensible diet. No fast food equals weight loss

Enjoying life to the FULL

Then a rude awakening from my 2 sons, Philip a Pattenmaker and Richard updating me on the devastating effect the lockdown was having on parts of our family business. RAINBOW CLUB our bridal and special occasion shoe business had stopped dead and we furloughed 80% of our staff - a Boris life saver. Thankfully CHATHAM our men's and women's lifestyle shoe brand has performed amazingly on line, more than doubling our expected level of sales.

Our Devon Countryside and Coastline has been devoid of visitors and town centres have a ghostly feel. Now tourism, the lifeblood of our economy, is slowly coming back but still at uneconomical levels so there will be many businesses that will sadly not survive. COVID 19 has changed the world and it will never be the same again We all must embrace the new world wherever that may be going forward and not try to hang on to the past

Devon is OPEN and all are welcome

Past Master Tim Watts



This photo in my garden shows two Marbled Whites doing, well doing what Marbled Whites do. The female is the paler one on the left. Am I an expert on butterflies: no, but a neighbour is and has confirmed my suspicions. The impressive thing, you might think, is that they were still connected together 2 hours later!

Bird Watch

Freeman Richard Parlour



Bird of the week this week is the nuthatch. What an odd name for a bird! The name derives from its habit of wedging nuts and seeds into cracks in tree bark, then breaking them open to "hatch" the nut. Alternative names are the "mud dabbler" or "mud stopper" owing to the way it plasters mud around the entrance to its nest. This is a plump bird, about the size of a great tit, that resembles a small woodpecker in a certain sort of way. As well as appearing on bird feeders it does attack branches of dead trees in the same manner as a woodpecker. The nuthatch is a smart blue-

grey above and whitish below, with chestnut on its sides and under its tail. It has a highly noticeable black stripe on its head, a long black pointed bill and short legs. It breeds throughout England and Wales and has recently begun to breed in southern Scotland. It is a resident, with birds seldom travelling far from the woods where they hatch. Nuthatches are best looked for in mature woods and established gardens and parkland throughout England and Wales, on the sides of tree trunks and the underside of branches. They have a piercing three or four note call which announces their arrival, so like the "O" in Morse Code. They often hang around in groups with all four of the main species of tit which are often found in gardens, though they are the strongest in such groups and will take precedence over the others. Having said that they will allow the others to feed on the same feeder. They are very agile, often feeding upside down. Their flight is much more direct, stronger and faster than tits. They are on the green list, but are outnumbered by great tits by more than 10 to 1, so seeing them is a rarer and satisfying occurrence.

Tip of the week is on birding techniques

The most common reaction is just to grab a pair of binoculars and go out and see what you can find. I call this active birding. You may need to be quick on the draw to see birds before they disappear into the undergrowth, maybe even pre-setting your binoculars to the distance you expect to see the bird at, working out in advance which way you need to turn the focus wheel to come closer or look further away. On top of this you may need a camera at the ready, particularly if you see anything unusual as it is always easier to prove it if you have a photo, even if the bird in the photo is only just recognisable, a "record shot". You may get better results if you move slowly when emerging into a new vista or rounding a corner. Raise binoculars slowly to avoid scaring birds off. Another technique is to be passive in your approach. By this I mean work out what habitat the bird you would like to see likes, and go there, be quiet, and see what happens. This can be a clearing, or near some water. This is a bit more relaxing. You could go into a purpose built hide on a reserve, or just sit by your lounge window, or use a portable hide. The latter may enable you to get very close indeed. Birds are not particularly numerate, so if they see two people go into a hide,

and one emerge, they will often think the hide is empty! A third way is to tempt your target species in by using bird food, or a bird bath, as mentioned last week. This can also be done audibly, though using a pre recorded bird song as a lure is frowned upon by the birding community. In Cyprus it has been used to disastrous effect for some species, luring small birds to branches on which glue has been placed, Ambelopoulia being the name given to a local "delicacy" consisting of warblers and other songbirds illegally trapped in their thousands in Cyprus every year. The tiny birds are eaten whole, legs, beak and all. Will this affect the City gull's egg luncheon? Perhaps. The black headed gull is now on the UK's amber list.

Recipe of the Week

Assistant Deputy Keith Bottomley CC

Here's an old recipe of my Gran's which my Mum has sent. My Gran was called Helen Ashton.
Fat Free Tea Bread

1lb (450g) of dried fruit (raisins, sultanas, dates or mixed packet)
10oz (275g) cold tea (breakfast or fruit)
10oz (150g) light or dark brown sugar
1 egg
Lined 2lb loaf tin
Oven gas mark 3 or 325f or 160c

Mix all ingredients together thoroughly. Turn into tin and bake for 2 hour or till skewer comes out clean. Leave to cool. Serve sliced and buttered.

Letters to the Editor

Freeman Stephanie Sweetmore

I think that it's great that the students that I taught bespoke footwear to at De Montfort University earlier this year were also in this newsletter.

Liveryman Peter German

An amazing issue, packed with interesting material and even an article by Professor Rider!
Thank you!

Liveryman Peter Dixon

It was good to read the newsletter article about the University of London Air Squadron. It was through ULAS that I first connected with the Pattenmakers. I commanded the Squadron from November 1993 to May 1996 and very much enjoyed hosting successive Masters and the Clerk for our Annual Dinner and some gentle flying experience at RAF Benson. To be fair, I got much more than I gave. The Company's hospitality and friendship to Ingrid and me was outstanding. As a result, I 'joined up' as a Freeman and the rest is history.

Thank you for the fascinating ULAS update.

Don't forget to visit the last page for the Clerk's quiz of the week!

The Clerk's Quiz of the Week

The Answer to last week's question was:

Jimi Hendrix

There was a flurry of correct answers this week but the first name out of the hat was . . .

Liveryman Dr Richard Stock

I know that the quiz was to have been City based questions but this one was for me a trip down memory lane. I was at the Jimi Hendrix Road Show at the Brighton Pavilion: The Jimi Hendrix Experience played Hey Joe, Purple Haze, All Along the Watchtower, Voodoo Chile (slight return), The Wind Cries Mary et al. I fully understand that most members won't have a clue what I am on about **but if you do the please let me know.** (I feel a webinar coming on!) Also on the bill were The Move (Fire Brigade). The Nice (later Emerson Lake and Palmer) Fanfare for the Common Man and Pink Floyd who had just released their first single "Arnold Layne"

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H3DGpINHX5Q>

NOTE -to Young Pattenmakers – You have no idea what you missed!

The ticket was seven shillings and six pence (37 and a half p).

As I rode home on my Lambretta TV175 resplendent with spotlights, wing mirrors and fox tail on a six foot tank aerial, a motorcycle cop (git) stopped me and I was fined fifteen shillings (75p) for not having a rear L plate. Ironically I passed my motorcycle test a couple of weeks later but at that time there was a serious issue with Mods and Rockers (those members who still have no idea what I am on about, Google and watch the film Quadrophenia).

Enough . . .

This Week's Question . . . What was the name of Reggie and Ronnie Kray's older brother?

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