

**Fletcher Diary dates June 2018 - April 2019**

Those marked with and F are also open to Freeman; Liverymen may attend all events.

Tuesday/Wednesday	12th & 13th June	F	Golf Norfolk
Saturday	16th June		Joiners' & Ceilers' Field Shoot <a href="mailto:acjcmcm@btopenworld.com">acjcmcm@btopenworld.com</a>
Monday	25th June		Shrieval Elections and lunch
Saturday/Sunday	16th & 17th June	F	Stoke Mandeville British Wheelchair Archery Association Championship Michael Holden, Almoner <a href="mailto:michaelholden@hotmail.com">michaelholden@hotmail.com</a>
Saturday/Sunday	23rd & 24th June	F	Fletchers National archery Championship Michael Holden, Almoner <a href="mailto:michaelholden@hotmail.com">michaelholden@hotmail.com</a>
Tuesday	26th June		Joint Shoot at the Tower
Monday	9th July		Lunch following Court
Thursday	19th July	F	Fletchers Golf Day, West Surrey
Thursday	23rd August	F	Blind Veterans Shoot Ovingdean, Brighton <a href="mailto:murrayxhallam@gmail.com">murrayxhallam@gmail.com</a>
Saturday	1st September	F	Fletchers day for Elite archers
Tuesday	11th September		Charterhouse Visit
Wednesday	19th September	F	Noak Hill
Tuesday	25th September		Ladies Lunch (Ladies Only)
Sunday	30th September		Sheep Drive over London Bridge <i>Open to all who hold the Freedom of the city of London.</i>
Monday	1st October		Election of Lord Mayor and Lunch
Wednesday-Saturday	10th-13th October		Master's Holiday- Croatia
Tuesday	23rd October	F	Court Luncheon & Thanksgiving Service
TBC	October	F	Ashstead, Surry, Autumn Field Shoot at the company Of 60-for those with their own equipment  PM Andrew McMillan <a href="mailto:acjcmcm@btopenworld.com">acjcmcm@btopenworld.com</a>
Saturday	10th November		Lord Mayors Show
Wednesday	5th December		Carol Service
Monday	10th December		Christmas Luncheon
<b>2019</b>			
Tuesday	15th January		Court Dinner
TBC	February/March		Ladies Banquet
Tuesday	12th March		Visit to Heathrow Animal Centre
Friday	5th April		United Guilds Service
Monday	15th April		Installation Court Dinner

In addition the trust has taken on support for Metro Blind Sports who run a monthly shooting session for archers with a disability. Members are welcome to go along to spectate and support. This year's dates are: 10 June / 8 July / 12 August / 9 September / 14 October / 11 November / 9 December. All are Sundays



**It's April and we have a New Master**



**Each year at the April Court Meeting, our Livery installs a new Master and so at our Court Meeting on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April, Clare James handed over the Master's Chain and Badge of Office to Dr Roger Watson and, with the approval of the Court, declared him to be the Master for the ensuing year.**

The handover in the Worshipful Company of Fletchers takes place privately in the Court Meeting and the incoming Master declares he or she will carry out the duties to the best of their ability and signs the Master's Statement in the ledger. The Master then installs the Upper Warden and the Renter Warden. In this case Duncan Garland and Stuart Robbins respectively. At the same meeting Past Master Bob Hall resigned from the Court having served the maximum of 6 years as a Past Master and was promptly re-elected as an Honorary Assistant. This meant our Court was down to 13 full members, and Philip Shears, having been previously elected, took the Oath of Obedience and became a Court Assistant bringing the Court back to its full strength of 14 members.



## Death Presides at the Installation Dinner



By tradition at the Installation Dinner, the Upper Warden has the duty of welcoming our guests and Duncan Garland carried out this duty admirably welcoming the members of the Master's family and the all the guests before proposing their health. It is then the turn of the Principle Guest to return the compliment and to say a little bit about the Master.

In this case the Master's guest was Dr Ian Hussein, the Director Mediterranean Area of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, who announced he was

going to break the taboo and talk about Death. He then proceeded to give a witty speech outlining the time he had worked for the Master and describing the several occasions when he had been stopped by the police late at night. On one of these occasions he was trying to open the cemetery gates and when asked what he was doing, he replied "I am going home". He was then asked where he lived and replied "1 The Cemetery". You can imagine the police response.

The Installation Dinner itself was extremely well attended with some 104 Liverymen and their guests sitting down to a meal which started with a Sussex Goats Cheese Mousse before a main course of Grilled Norfolk Guinea fowl, finishing with a Lemon Tart. During the meal we were entertained by *Innocent Hare*, a folk trio who played traditional songs based around the work of the poet John Clare.



During the meal, the Master took the opportunity to welcome the 5 new Liverymen and also Philip Shears who had just been elected as the newest Court Assistant. In his speech the Master looked forward to the year ahead and promised a mixture of formal and informal events. He praised the start on this process made by the outgoing Master, Clare James, and presented her with her Past Master's Badge to the delight of the assembly. The meal finished with the circulation of a Loving Cup and the usual toasts.

**John Dumbrell**

## Archery Links

### Hazel Chaisty

Michael Holden writes;

"Hazel Chaisty was the first winner of the Fletcher's Championship Cup for all elite archers, a competition held in Lilleshall last year. Hazel travelled to a Fletchers' lunch in our Hall to receive the cup presented by the Master when I asked her to write an article for La Fleche. This is Hazel's story"



Dear Michael,

Just a few lines that you may want to use for your magazine.

When I was knocked from my motorcycle on the M60 in 2004, I lost a few things. The least of which was my left leg. Anyone would think that spending 3 months in hospital and the next year learning to walk on a prosthetic leg would be the big part of the story. It wasn't. The most life changing thing was that I lost a sense of self and a sense of purpose in my life.

I could no longer run the 10k races I loved so much. No more mountain biking. No dog walking with my husband and our new puppy. The job I enjoyed so much was all but closed to me and the people I'd considered close friends could no longer hold eye contact with me. Desperate to enjoy a sport once more, I turned to Archery. It took me a while to take it seriously, but when the bug bit, it bit hard.

I tried out for the Great British Paralympic training squad and was accepted within weeks as a member of the team. I couldn't believe it! I'd found something to get excited about again. My equipment was very basic, club level and with no spares. My arrows were old and a little bent out of shape but that's all I could afford at the time.

This is where **YOU** came into my story. The Worshipful Company of Fletchers helped me to buy a new bow that was Olympic standard and 2 sets of arrows to match. You will never be able to understand what this means to people in my position.

To be taken seriously as an athlete and be given such a firm helping hand is more than just equipment. It's the glow that someone thinks you are worth helping. It's the feeling that people believe in you. It's having that sense of purpose back. Thank you Fletchers, You're all wonderful

Very fond regards

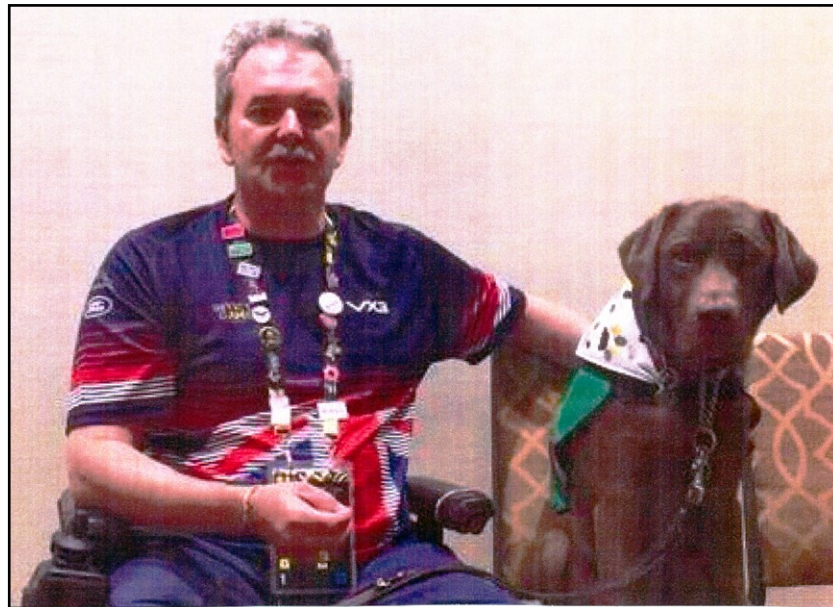
Hazel Chaisty



## Ken & Fred the Dog.

Ken Hargreaves was badly injured in Iraq but thanks to his assistance dog, Fred, is now able to look after himself and take part in archery. He contributed a short piece to La Fleche last year and his article below brings us up to date with his archery successes.

Michael Holden



Good morning,

I just wanted to share some good news with you, following your great support over this year's Invictus Games in Toronto and your help and support with a set of Arrows,

I found on my return I had been invited to this year's British Army Inter Service Archery Association Indoor Championships 2017, which I would have been unable to attend without your most kind assistance.

A Great Day was had by all, it was hosted at RAF Wyton Cambridgeshire, who did a marvellous job.

After a tight fight with some fantastic Archers shooting at 3 spot 40cm face targets, (difficult for recurve archers as this is normally only shot by compound archers, and I had never before shot this round in practice.) it was my honour to have won the Army Archery Association out right Champion in Recurve (Olympic) Archery.

What a Great day and fantastic to be reunited and shooting with my own kit following Canada, where I had to shoot with basic kit as a novice, that we were given the day before and only allowed to shoot for a couple of hours, before having to hand them back in then collect on the day.

So this Championship Winners Medal has even a warmer place. (This Championships was attend by those winners at this and past Invictus Games along with a number of other senior Archers from all Services.)

Once again many thanks to the Worshipful Company of Fletchers and its Members for their most kind support.

Ken & Fred the Dog.  
Capt. (Retd.) Ken Hargreaves & Fred the Registered Assistance.

## Shoppin' & Shootin'

On 21 March, six intrepid (or trepidating?) archers spent a most enjoyable and instructive day at The Archery Company, in Sandy, Bedfordshire. This is Tim Eltringham's local haunt, and he had arranged a day of instruction and shooting (and shopping for those essential improvement aids).

Tony, Martin and Karen of The Archery Company made us all feel most welcome. The morning was spent in instruction and practice, with much time devoted to sorting out the "wibbly-wobbly" of one of our number. That's a new technical archery term, coined by that Fletcher who shall remain anonymous.

Tim arranged a lovely pub lunch in his village of Pottton, but with a competition to come in the afternoon, appetites were restrained.

Tony then introduced us to his field archery course, with an impressive array of large foam animals, for our fun competition. But being Fletchers, of course, we took this seriously, and didn't barrack each other too much for our misses.

The photograph shows an impressive array of arrows embedded in an unfortunate foam deer, with five of the party celebrating the end of the shoot. Unfortunately Lesley Agutter had to leave early. The author is proudly wearing an Archery Company hat, as the prize for winning the competition.

All agreed that the day had been a great success, and worth repeating in future years. Now that The Archery Company knows of and has met some Fletcher Archers, they would welcome any Fletcher who wishes to use their services, and offer special prices for us.  
[www.thearcherycompany.com](http://www.thearcherycompany.com)



Gordon Sharp



## MASTER 2018-2019

### ROGER WATSON: My Aspirations for the coming Year



I am really looking forward to serving you as Master of our ancient Livery Company during the coming year. I hope it will give me the opportunity to get to know many of you much better.

My working life has been spent in environmental health control and I have been fortunate to have worked in situations ranging from the Palace of Westminster to abattoirs. Being Director of Environment for the Port and City for 15 years gave me an extensive knowledge of both the City and its institutions. Sadly I retired on ill health grounds after an unfortunate encounter with a sick

parrot. I retain a keen interest in the control of zoonotic disease and have lectured extensively on this topic at Medical Schools both in the UK and abroad. My leisure pursuits include being a keen sailing instructor and playing folk fiddle. I have a strong connection with the Methodist Church and am delighted that the Masters Chaplain for the next year is a Methodist Minister

My theme for the year is **Old and New**.

We shall celebrate several anniversaries during the coming year including the centenary of the 1918 Great War Armistice. This will be reflected upon by a Director of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission who is to be the principal speaker at the Installation Dinner. (Don't be put off however, his speech will be entertaining!)

Our Military Affiliate, The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, celebrate 50 years since their formation and we hope to have opportunities to join with them in their celebrations.

Our visits during the year will reflect my theme recognising both the City's rich history and its current work and relevance. Watch out for flyers and do come if you can.

We will also recognise the work achieved as a result of your generosity to the Fletcher's charity and there will be several opportunities to see at first hand the impact your gifts are making in a variety of ways.

The Master's holiday this year visits Split in Croatia and both June and I will be really pleased if you will be able to join us.

**Roger Watson**

## Archery Links



**JO FRITH MBE & JESSICA DIAMOND**



**PHOEBE PINE**



**A VISUALLY IMPAIRED ARCHER**

Jo Frith MBE, Silver Medal Individual winner at the Rio Paralympics was our Lady Paramount for the day. As well as taking part, Jo was presented with a token of our appreciation by our own Jessica Diamond, Coach and competitor and Jess managed to record a personal best on the day.

There was again a team from the Enham Trust and we would like to record their and our thanks for the support provided by Tenzon Targets.

Phoebe Pine, fresh from recording a new World and European record at the recent World Cup event in Nimes, again shot well and recorded a British Record.

We again had a good level of support from VI Archers and some excellent shooting (last year we had a World Record!)

On a more parochial note, good performances came from Ed Humphrey, shooting his first recurve competition, since returning to the sport, recording a very respectable 560. John Dalton, shooting Barebow, broke the 500 barrier and his own county record. Toby Reece (age 12) won silver and scored 480 in his first competition.

A big thank you to all competitors, officials, supporters and club volunteers for again making this a very special event! We now begin our preparations for a further 2 Club Record Status Indoor events over the next few weeks. There are still places left on our Double Bray 1 Tournament, however our Record Status Stafford filled up within hours of being launched on our website!



## DEER PARK ARCHERS



As you may know, Chris Brown, Andrew McMillan and Michael Holden attended an “Inclusion Shoot” in February with the Deer Park Archers.

Deer Park are, I believe, one of the best archery clubs in the UK. They started with a handful of members and are now about 200 strong of whom just under 50% are disabled; the aim is to have over 50% disabled membership in the near future. The Inclusion Shoot is an example where disabled archers take precedence over able bodied. If the event is oversubscribed, as it was this weekend,

the able-bodied have to drop out.

It is a club which very much encourages grass roots triallists and there were a number of young competitors taking part together with a good turnout of VI (Visually Impaired) archers. It is very rewarding for us and the Trust to see the enthusiasm and skills of good and more grassroots competitors.

The club issued a Press Release after the event and the following is an extract from it. The Fletchers’ Trust has helped several of the archers shown.

### Report on our WA18 Record Status 5th Annual Inclusion Shoot



“We are pleased to report that for the first time, the event, which was launched in conjunction with the Archery GB Development Disability Group, was full and we even had a waiting list!

The Worshipful Company of Fletchers again supported the event and we thank them. Four of their members spent a considerable amount of time at the shoot and showed a great interest in both what was happening and our ambitions to continue to support Archery GB’s drive for inclusion and grow our contribution.

Hopefully the photos capture a taste of what was a very enjoyable and rewarding day, with an incredible range of abilities traveling from across the UK.

## Jazz Evening 16<sup>th</sup> January 2018



The Simply Saxes Quartet

The Master invited all Liverymen, their escorts and guests to join her for a Jazz Evening following a meeting of the Court, at our Hall on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January. The evening started with a champagne reception at 6:45pm. The event was informal so there was no need to dress up. There was no table plan and people sat where they wished. The jazz music started at 7pm.

The music for the evening was provided by Simply Saxes, a unique quartet of saxophonists who have been playing together for nearly 10 years, and included our very own Liveryman, Georgina Benton. After a selection of jazz classics arranged by such greats as Gershwin, Scott Joplin, Cy Coleman, Cole Porter, Duke Ellington and others, there was a break during which a fork buffet main course was served. This was arranged by Past Master Tony Taylor, who also sourced the wines and cheeses for the evening. The buffet was excellent and the choice of wines matched the food. Tony described the cheeses available in detail and recommended them to the diners. They did indeed live up to his descriptions. The meal finished with tea or coffee and the quartet then returned to play their second set. Meanwhile the splendid assortment of cheeses remained available for guests to nibble.



The Master



Tony Taylor describes the Cheese Board

The more adventurous ventured to dance and the evening was enhanced by the presence of several visiting Masters; among them our near neighbours, The Information Technologists and The Founders, with the Master Actuary, Master Gardener and Master Musician coming from further afield.

The evening came to a close around 9.30pm and was seen by many as a great success and several expressed a wish for more evenings like this.

**John Dumbrell**



## The Ladies Banquet

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February and it is our Ladies' Banquet. We were fortunate this year in securing the attendance of the entire Civic party, many smaller companies such as ours, only get to entertain the Lord Mayor every three years or so. It was especially fitting, with Liveryman Emma Redcliffe being the wife of Neil, the non-Aldermanic Sheriff.



Sheriff Fiona Roger June Lady Lord Master Nigel Fletchers Emma Sheriff  
Hulles Adler Watson Watson Mayoress Mayor Fletcher James Clerk Redcliffe Redcliffe

The beautiful Stapleton silver, together with some gorgeous pieces of Grocer's own silver and candelabras, menu cards and place name cards, cadets, microphones, the Master's Goblet, and an item of our silver, (the art deco Archer cup, for the interest of the Master Grocer) were all in place and the doors of the Hall opened at 6pm and members began to arrive.

They were greeted by Stewards: Sue Martin, Alison Wilkie, Leigh Bowman-Perks and Rob Cossey, all trying to ensure that everyone had a seating plan, as well as an impressive Carpet Guard kindly provided by our affiliated RAF cadet unit, 1921 (Lewisham) Squadron ATC. Before taking up their positions, the cadets took a look at Grocers' dining Hall, their jaws literally dropped, and they were left speechless, before muttering *wow, and amazing*.

Time for the Master, Nigel, Roger and June to form the Reception line to greet everyone, the Clerk ushering, the by then large group of members aside, to the understandable consternation of those happily renewing friendships and chatting. The Mayoralty arrive, and dinner is called. A few quick photos and time to process into dinner. The Lord Mayor kindly stopping en route to speak with each Cadet.

One of Clare's sons, Sam, then delivered a wonderful, amusing, rhyming and perfectly pitched, Grace. I think we all felt proud of him.



1921 (Lewisham) Squadron ATC



## Educational links

### City of London Academy Islington Annual Awards Evening, 7 December 2017



A few years ago the City of London Academy Islington (COLAI) decided to create a house system. We were delighted to be one of the companies they chose (the others are Drapers, Glovers and Weavers, and the Saddlers company also has very strong links with the school).

Past Master Andrew Macmillan and I were welcomed most warmly when we visited in 2015 and links have continued to thrive: you will remember the inspiring

talk about the amazing achievements of the school that the principal Clare Verga gave at one of our dinners last year.

Our links have been cemented further by The Fletcher's providing two house prizes for students in the Fletchers house, thanks to support from The Fletchers Trust. I was thrilled to be able to present these new prizes at the annual awards evening in December last. COLAI did us proud too in adding in a splendid shield for prize winners alongside our money prize. The winners were chosen on the advice of the head of the Fletchers House, Adam Smith, based on their contribution to the house. The Fletchers prizes were awarded to Jimmy Bone (now in Year 8 – he also received an attainment award for his work in year 7), and to Adijat Balogun (now in year 11 preparing for her GCSEs, who also received an attainment award for her work in year 10).

As you can imagine, I was delighted to hear that Eliza May Rodgers, who won the Outstanding Sixth Former award at COLAI was now studying for a degree in History at the University of Southampton! She was a member of Glovers House but when I met her in Southampton recently she told me how much she valued the house system. 'It is a really successful way of organising the school since it gives a sense of pride and belonging to the students involved. It creates a community which builds leadership characteristics which will help a COLAI student throughout their whole life'.

So we should be even more proud that COLAI chose the Fletchers as one of their houses, and that we have been able to support them.

Anne Curry  
Educational Liaison





## Review of my Year as Master

**My year as Master has flashed by in a whirlwind of activity. Whilst it has not been without its challenges, I feel very honoured to have had this opportunity to represent the Fletchers Company. I have made many new friends and I have had a lot of fun.**

The year started with my Installation Dinner in April with guest speaker Michael Cooper, a long-time friend and fellow Past Chairman of the Society of Young Freemen.

Other “set piece” events in the year included the July Court Dinner with guest speaker Ena Harrop, Headmistress of the City of London School for Girls, the

October Thanksgiving Service and Lunch attended by all our military affiliates, and in a break from tradition, the January Court was followed by an informal jazz evening and buffet supper for which I must thank Past Master Tony Taylor and Liveryman Georgina Benton.

We had a number of other informal events including a fascinating tour of Highgate Cemetery, a visit to the unique 18<sup>th</sup> century time capsule, Dennis Severs House, in Folgate Street and a visit to the Jewish Museum in Camden. These were arranged by the Events Committee and I would particularly like to thank my mother, Liveryman Gillian Cue, and Liveryman Sue Martin for their help with the informal events programme. Other events included our ‘en famille’ Christmas lunch and the Fletchers Carol Service at St Magnus the Martyr.

There were also a number of archery focused events, our annual Fletchers’ Day and annual shoot for the disabled at the Royal Tox, two fun archery days at Noak Hill ably organised by Past Master Lesley Agutter and our friendly but competitive shoot against the Bowyers in the Tower of London.

For me there are two stand-out highlights of the year. The first has to be the Master’s Weekend in Guernsey and whilst the weather at times could have been kinder we still managed to have a wonderful time learning about its history, partaking of the fine cuisine and admiring the breath-taking scenery. The second has to be our splendid Ladies Banquet at Grocers’ Hall where we hosted the full Mayoral Party and many other distinguished guests.

In addition to all this, I have been honoured to represent the Fletchers on various other occasions. To name but a few, the archery competitions at Stoke Mandeville and Lilleshall, a number of receptions, dinners and awards presentations at our various military affiliates, our golf day and I have also been generously wined and dined as the guest of many different Livery Companies.

Over this year as Master Fletcher I have come to appreciate that none of this would be possible without a huge amount of support and hard work behind the scenes from a lot of people. Thank you to all of you who have supported me during my year and especially to my family and to our Clerk, Kate Pink.

**Claire James**

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A welcome speech from the Master Grocer, thanking the Fletchers’ Company for their assistance in medieval times for securing the first Grocers’ Hall and a toast to the 590<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first dinner ever held in Grocers’ Hall on 5<sup>th</sup> February 1428.

Between the starter and main, we were entertained by a recital from two pupils from the City of London School for Girls, of which the Master is Chairman of the Board of Governors. They played superbly and had there been time, we’d all have enjoyed an encore.

Soon it was time for the Loving Cup and Toasts, and then a *saintly* speech from our Upper Warden, Roger Watson to welcome the guests. Roger cleverly likened those he mentioned to their various Saints and promoted the Fletchers’ welcoming of women, by clothing them, as early as the 14<sup>th</sup> century, in this, the centenary year of women’s suffrage.

The Lord Mayor responded with a very complimentary speech, in particular congratulating our Trust on its work, especially the instigation of the National Championships; before it was time for the Master to bring the speeches to a conclusion.

Clare emphasised just how much *The City* had shaped her life and thanked everyone who had helped her to become Master and supported her during her year as Master; Company members, the Corporation, Grocers’ scholarship scheme and not least, her family. She presented a cheque from the Trust to the Lord Mayor alongside a prize arrow, crafted by our own Honorary Liveryman, Lindsay Head.

All too soon it was time to catch trains home or for those unconstrained by transport timetables, to join the Master for a stirrup cup and some parting words. A splendid evening in sumptuous surroundings, with engaging entertainment and the best of company.

**Kate Pink**





## The Fletcher's Trust 2017 –2018

The Trust has had a busy year, with the launch of the Fletchers' Disability Championships, (previously reported) where some 35 archers competed across 4 different disability classifications as well as 2 Para classifications over 2 days before 5 members of the Company enjoyed teaming up with a Paralympian for a friendly contest. This year's Championships are again being held at Lilleshall on Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June. If you wish to be part of the shooting team, you'll need your own equipment ( contact Andrew McMillan [acjcmcm@btopenworld.com](mailto:acjcmcm@btopenworld.com) ), but everyone is most welcome to attend, and further details about the whole week-end are available from Michael Holden. ( [michaelholden@hotmail.com](mailto:michaelholden@hotmail.com) ).



Broadly speaking the Trust distributes funds to 3 main areas:

### 1) purchasing equipment for archers with disability

- 11 archers benefitted in the accounting year March 2017 – February 2018),

### 2) supporting archery for the disabled through other organisations, for example, in addition to the Fletchers' Championships mentioned above over the past year the Trust made contributions to:

- the Deer Park Annual Inclusion Shoot in Cheltenham in February;
- sponsored 3 coaching days for visually impaired or blind archers organised by British Blind Sport;

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Amanda Keaveny

### Amanda Keaveny – April 2018

Amanda was born in Galway, Ireland. She is a qualified senior nurse and has worked as an intensive care specialist, and within a high dependency cardiac care unit, amongst other nursing roles. Though not currently working as a nurse, she gives 2-3 days each week to Glass Door, a West London homelessness charity based in the Chelsea Methodist Church, in the Kings Road, where she cooks and serves lunch to a large number of those in need. Apart from cooking, her other interests are theatre, opera and horse riding, as well as walking the Labrador. Amanda is married to Vincent Keaveny, the Alderman for our Ward, who will later this year be standing for Election as the Aldermanic Sheriff 2018 – 2019.

## New freemen

### Barbara O'Boyle

Barbara used to work designing and delivering training in the Hotel industry, she now enjoys playing golf, tennis, going on walking holidays, running and going to the Theatre. She also fundraises for various charities that are close to her home in Richmond.



Barbara O'Boyle

## AGINCOURT MUGS

Special Price to clear remaining Stock



We still have a few of these attractive mugs left. They commemorate the 600<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the battle and were produced in a strictly limited edition of 600, the Mug has the Coat of Arms of the Fletchers Company on one side and those of Agincourt with the Agincourt 600 badge on the other. There are also three arrows on the inside of the Mug and a brief history of the Fletchers' Company on the base. Proceeds from the sale will go to the Fletchers' Charitable Trust, which principally supports Archery for the Disabled, from grass roots up to support

for Paralympic archery.

Each mug which is 3½ inches (90mm) high and comes with a numbered certificate signed by the Master Fletcher.

**The price of a single mug is £20 but to clear the few remaining, we are offering a set of 4 for £40. Both prices include post and packing.**

The mugs can be collected from the Hall if ordered from the Clerk, and paid for electronically: Fletchers Trust, Act. No.11115146 Sort code: 40-05-21  
or  
by post from Andrew Trapnell, 17 Prince Consort Drive, Ascot, SL5 8AW. [andrew@trapnell.co.uk](mailto:andrew@trapnell.co.uk).  
Cheques should be made out to the Fletchers Trust.



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Joslin Lewis

#### **Joslin Lewis - April 2018**

Joslin is a Bachelor of Social Science, and since 2000 has been working as a tour guide. His knowledge both within the City and out of town is unrivalled. He specialises in tours of Wembley and Lords, as well as the Tate, National and British Museum, Theatre land, Legal London and Royal London. He was introduced to the Company by Liveryman Mike Tadman, who employs Joslin as a guide at St Paul's. Joslin is married to Francoise.

#### **Trish Lovell - April 2018**

Trish is a biomedical scientist and currently works in the specialist medical area of electron microscopy. She came to know the Fletchers through her passion for Archery. Beginning at a club in 1972, she went on to win some 15 world or European medals, either as an individual or part of a team, shooting in the bare bow field archery category. She is now a coach with Archery GB, of which she is also, President.

Her other interests include bird watching and quilting. Trish is married to Derrick and they have three sons and two granddaughters.



Trish Lovell



Alistair Mitchelhill

#### **Alistair Mitchelhill – April 2018**

Alistair is a recently retired bio-medical scientist. He worked in NHS and also served for many years in the Royal Army Medical Corps, which included active service in Northern Ireland and Bosnia, amongst other postings. His interests include antiques (he had an antique shop for 10 years), fruit growing (he had an organic fruit farm in Herefordshire for 12 years), shooting (he is Hon. Sec. Old Lawrentians Rifle Club regularly shooting at the NRA ranges in Bisley), classic cars whilst maintaining involvement with the RAMC association and The Friends of Millbank. He and his wife, Ursula, built their current home in 2000.

#### **Mary Scott – April 2018**

Mary is the daughter of Past Master Peter Scott and step daughter of Liveryman Toni Griffiths. She is a lawyer acting in a wide range of commercial matters, information technology, intellectual property, outsourcing and public procurement. Mary's other interests include theatre, music and hiking in the Lake District.



Mary Scott

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#### **2) (cont)**

- provided the BWAA with specially designed perching stools;
- sponsored the VI National Indoor Championships as well as supporting Blind veterans and Metro Blind Sports Archery;
- hosting the *Fletchers Day for Archers with Disability at the Royal Toxophilite Society*, as well as making the first payment to Archery GB for Tokyo 2020.

#### **3) supporting our Military and Educational affiliates, by:**

- providing prizes for the affiliated schools, (City of London Academies at Southwark and Islington and the Freeman's School in Ashted);
- awarding a small cash sum together with a perpetual prize arrow to members of all three of our military affiliations in recognition of individual excellence;
- supporting some City institutions, such as the Sheriffs' and Recorder's Fund, the Sons of the Clergy, the City of London Police Widows and Orphans Fund, as well as the Lord Mayor's Appeal;
- supporting an apprentice at Mudchute Park and Farm, a new venture for the Trust.

Mudchute deserves a special mention. It comprises 32 acres of land on the Isle of Dogs saved as a green space in 1977 by the efforts of local people. It provides children's services of a high quality involving 130 young people as volunteers and for work experience. There is also an educational project which last year reached over 12,000 pupils from 32 schools. The farm contains both common and rare farm animals in a green space rare in the inner city available to those who might otherwise not have ready access to the country. 700 volunteers have been involved in keeping the open areas spruce.

The Mudchute charity does earn fees from its educational and children's services and receives some, though diminishing, local authority support; however, it does need private and corporate donations to continue. Members of the committee have visited the Farm on more than one occasion and have been impressed by the energy and competence of those involved. Two years ago, the Trust identified a project it wished to support. Mudchute takes on 3 apprentices, each for two years on the minimum wage; they select those who would not otherwise have a chance of obtaining a worthwhile job and by the discipline of training, gives them the experience and confidence to seek employment elsewhere. In this they have been successful. The approximate cost per apprentice is £8000 per annum and The Fletchers' Trust has given £2000 in each of the last two years and the most recent Charity Committee meeting, it was agreed to increase this to £4000 for each of the next two years. Members of the Committee will be visiting the Farm again in the summer to be brought up to date.



## New Members to the Worshipful Company of Fletchers.

### New Liverymen

#### Marianne Anton - July 2017

Marianne is a corporate lawyer who specialises in energy. She has worked on secondment at both Ofgem and the National Grid and now works as department head for former Lord Mayor, Dame Fiona Woolf. She joined the Company in July 2017, and it is hoped will become a Steward this year. Marianne is married to David, who used to command our RAF affiliated cadet unit in Lewisham. She is a keen archer.



Marianne Anton



Ismet Krasniqi

#### Ismet Krasniqi - July 2017

Ismet was one of the first successful asylum seekers from the war in his home country Kosovo. He now runs a successful business in Kent as well as determinedly working to attract investors to projects in both Kosovo and Albania. He is also a Director and 5% shareholder in the London based Vardar Geoscience, Kosovo LLC which anticipates obtaining licences to research and mine some of Kosovo's considerable mineral deposits. He is married to Zoje and they have three children.

#### Roma Bhowmick - October 2017

Roma is a management consultant advising many City blue chip companies on business development and strategy. She is also a senior lecturer in Business Strategy at the University of Hertfordshire Business School, where she is additionally studying for a Doctorate. She has been a member of the Bridge Ward Club since 2006 and has only just stepped down as its Chairman. Roma is a Steward and her partner is Anthony Epstein.



Roma Bhowmick



Philip Harris

#### Philip Harris - October 2017

Philip is a Managing Director of Credit Suisse in the Private Banking & Wealth Management division, based in London. He is the CEO of Credit Suisse (UK) Limited, the bank's UK Private Banking legal entity, also Head of the UK Market Area. He is responsible for the growth of the UK Private Banking franchise. Before joining the financial services industry in 1989, Philip spent eight years serving with the Fusiliers, our affiliated Regiment. He is a father of three and enjoys travel and racing in endurance motorsport.

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Rob Slatem

#### Robert Slatem - October 2017

Robert joins a very select group within the Company, since he is a fletcher, making his own arrows and bows. He competes successfully with a longbow at national level. When not indulging in matters archery, he works as a senior IT project manager and has recently joined our Communications Committee as webmaster. His other interests include reading, photography, playing the guitar, football, and fitness. He is married to Galina, a barrister.

#### David Swanson - October 2017

David is a Harvard graduate and lawyer, currently finalising the administration of Lehmann Brothers. Consequently, though resident in the UK he spends time in the US as well. David is a long-term friend of the MacLellan family and was introduced to the Company by Ian. His interests lie in travel, especially India and Asia, Mogul Architecture and design, and Chinese furniture. Closer to home, David enjoys DIY, carpentry and gardening. David is married to Hallie.



David Swanson



Alex Gerver

#### Alex Gerver - January 2018

Alex is a company and commercial lawyer specialising in private company mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance and commercial contracts. Outside of the office, Alex's interests are in opera, ballet, theatre and cinema, as well as skiing and not least archery. He took the prize for the highest scoring visitor when attending the Joint Shoot at the Tower last year as a guest. Alex is married to Atlanta who is also a Freeman of the City of London.

#### Matthew Prout - January 2018

Matthew is a chartered surveyor, currently working for CBRE, where he leads disposal and acquisition instructions for developments assets across central London. He also provides strategic advice to clients on development potential and viability of individual property assets. Matthew is the son of Liveryman Geoff Prout and when outside the office enjoys golf. Before becoming a surveyor, Matthew worked in the travel industry arranging global international sports events.



Matthew Prout