



## A message from the Master

*Mrs Sue Owen*

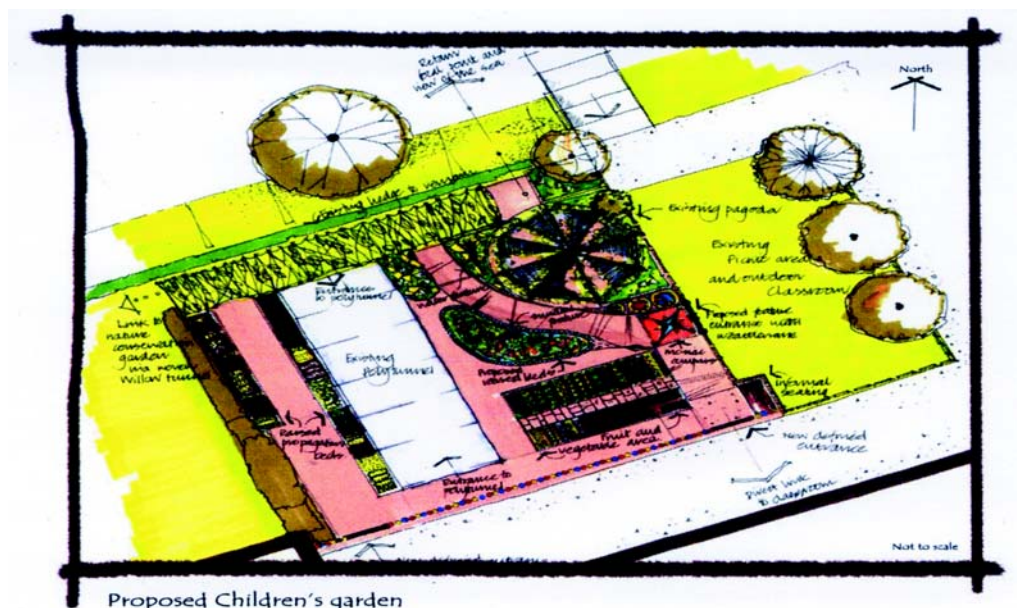
Throughout the history of the City of London, the Livery Companies have played a role that is central to the social and commercial life of London. From their foundations in the Middle Ages as trading fraternities, the Companies retain their place at the very heart of City life today, through their work to support charities and the new and changing nature of the City of London itself.

As Guilds grew wealthier in the Middle Ages, rich liverymen left specific sums for the provision of shelter and food for their own members who were in need. Some of the charitable trusts formed in this way still exist and centuries of careful stewardship have resulted in the Livery being able to supplement the state's provision in many cases of real hardship.

One of the best known names in the history of the City of London was responsible for one of these long-lived trusts. Richard Whittington, a Mercer who died in 1423, left property worth at the time some £6,000 (the equivalent of many millions today) for almshouses. The trust still exists and has a substantial income which provides comfort and dignity for elderly people and others in need.

Charitable giving sits firmly at the heart of all City of London livery companies due to the generosity of liverymen and freemen. The Water Conservators Company is young in age and its funds are small in comparison to the Mercers' Company, but is no exception to this ethos. Many Water Conservators entered into covenants or made Gift Aid donations to our charity when they first joined the Company. Their generous gifts allowed the charities to establish and develop the capital investments, which are expended each year on the Company's existing charitable projects. However, many of the covenants are soon due to expire and we need to focus on how to raise more funds.

More than half of the income that supports Company projects comes from investments, yet if all Liverymen were to contribute £10 per month to the Water Conservation Trust, its income would increase by more than £25,000 per year. It is hoped that Members will be kind enough support our charity once more.



Proposed Children's garden

The design for garden at Ysgol y Gogarth which is supported by The Water Conservators

## Charitable Giving

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Charitable giving is fundamental to the role of a Livery Company. This article summarises progress with our dedicated charity, the Water Conservation Trust, and looks for guidance and support from Members for its continued expansion.

### **The Water Conservation Trust: Our Charity**

As part of becoming a Livery Company we set up the Water Conservation Trust as the Company's charity. The Trust has an endowment (albeit modest by standards of older Livery Companies) thanks to the generosity of early Members of the Company. The Trust is a way for all Members of the Company to focus their charitable giving in the water and environmental area. We are actively building our charitable role. The Lord Mayor paid particular attention to this in his speech at the Myddelton Lunch, covered elsewhere in this issue.

### **Current Activities**

Whilst the Charity's Trust Deed is widely drawn, to date we have focussed on education (broadly defined), relief of hardship, and on the water and environmental sector. We have concentrated on areas where there is a Champion within the Company and where we can offer something extra over and above just the money. We need to know whether these are the areas members wish to focus on and Richard Cherry has organised a survey to this end which you will receive shortly if you have not already done so.

Recently the Charity has supported environmental education at Ysgol y Gogarth, a special needs school in

Wales which is the subject of a separate article by Ivor Richards. We have also set up a three year Water Conservators' Bursary for the Calvert Trust. Calvert provides outdoor experience for less able people at three centres in the UK (including South West Water's Wistlandpound Reservoir and Northumbria Water's Kielder Reservoir). Calvert's clients range from children with disabilities from birth to ex-servicemen who have lost a limb serving their country. Our Bursary will allow ten less able children a year to benefit from an outdoor environmental holiday. Calvert's patron is the Countess of Arran who is known to a number of us and her husband Lord Arran will be speaking at this July's Installation Lunch.

We already have a successful Pupils' Prizes scheme underway promoting water and environmental projects at schools. We also sponsor a travelling fellowship, the Tony Drake Award, and this is to be awarded again this year. In addition to the above we have disbursed monies for a number of personal hardship cases.

In an important new initiative on the education front we have recently agreed broad terms of reference for Water Conservators Bursaries and Dissertation Prizes for students on accredited higher education courses in water or environmental sciences. The idea is that the faculty of the relevant university, once accredited, put forward applicants. If Members would like to nominate a university/course for accreditation I can provide them with details.

### **Funding**

Because of the generosity of our founder Members we have built up a significant endowment (over £350,000 at present). Whilst small,

by the standards of older Livery Companies, it does generate a useful annual interest and dividend income. The rest of our income comes from giving by Members plus tax relief under the Gift Aid scheme; however Members giving provides us less than we earn on interest and dividends! The Court and the Charities and Grants Committee both feel this is disappointing and have suggested a possible target should be an average minimum donation of £100pa per active member recognising that for some this may be a lot and for others not so much.

Again we need to know from membership in total what people feel would be an appropriate target. If you would like to contribute to the charity regularly and allow the Trust to claim tax relief, Standing Order forms plus Gift Aid forms are printed on the back cover of this edition of the Conservator or are available from Peter Hall, Treasurer of the Charity. If you would like simply to make a one-off donation please send a cheque, payable to 'The Water Conservation Trust', to Peter Hall.

### **Governance**

Decisions on charitable giving within the agreed guidelines are taken by the Charities and Grants Committee which comprises the Master, Wardens and people from the membership more generally. It is chaired by the Thames Warden. The Committee meets four times per annum. We are looking for more members, particularly people who are prepared to Champion specific projects. If you are interested, please contact me. The Water Conservation Trust is administered by Trustees who ensure that all payments are within the scope of the Trust Deed. Jeff Rasbash is Chairman of the Trustees and Peter Hall is the Treasurer.

## Summary

There are three ways in which Members can help drive forward our Charity. Please:

1. Respond to the survey and say which areas we should focus on and what our targeted giving should be.

2. Champion a charity. For example:

- sponsor a Pupils' Prize (contact Jim Urquhart); or

- get your old university or college to become accredited for a Water Conservators Bursary or Dissertation Prize (contact me if interested); or

- encourage a suitable charity to apply (via the Clerk) for funding.

3. Review your giving to the Trust (Standing Order and Gift Aid form is printed on the back cover of this edition of the Conservator or are available from Peter Hall at [peterbhall@hotmail.com](mailto:peterbhall@hotmail.com)); or simply send him a cheque made payable to Water Conservation Trust).

In summary, the Water Conservation Trust is the charity of all our Livery. It is up to us all to shape its future as we see fit.

**Colin Drummond**  
**Thames Warden**



*Challenging disability through interaction with the environment.*

Through the Water Conservation Trust (WCT) the Water Conservators are supporting two projects in which enjoyment of and interaction with the environment are adding to the quality of life of people with disabilities.

Water Conservators are supporting demonstrations of good practice in which environmental education is a key area for the development of life-long skills.

**Calvert Trust Exmoor**, as reported in the last issue of Conservator, specialises in providing adventure holidays for people with disabilities and their carers in the beautiful countryside of the Exmoor National Park. It operates from South West Water's Wistlandpound reservoir. There are similar centres at Kielder and Keswick. Clients range from children with disabilities from birth to ex servicemen injured on active duty. Calvert provides short stay residential breaks and has asked the Company to support the costs of providing week-long stays for 10 people. Mindful of the WCT's particular interest in education, the reaction from the Trustees was to recognise the opportunity of introducing residents to the richness and diversity of the ecology of the area in which they were staying. This was a new 'door' for Calvert. They quickly realised that it is one that will lead to new 'adventures' of a kind that could

even open up opportunities for serious training and job opportunities in a field where technical ability is in short supply.

The WCT will provide £4,700 per year for 3 years beginning in 2006. In addition we are leveraging our cash donation with additional ideas and contacts. As a result Calvert is enthusiastically developing links with local environmental bodies and colleges. As a contribution to the establishment of the environmental activities a weather station has been provided by South West Water and Viridor Waste. We are also trying to help Calvert find large diameter plastic pipes to create a further adventure area!

**Ysgol y Gogarth** is a state funded school with charity status and teaches pupils with special physical, mental and social needs. The school is based in Llandudno, close to Snowdonia National Park and overlooks Llandudno Bay. The school has been aware of the importance of 'the outdoors' and coincidentally has had links with the Calvert Trust. Ysgol y Gogarth has 180 pupils with ages ranging through primary and secondary years. The



**Liveryman Ivor Richards presenting the cheque**

pupils are ‘well down’ the environmental path in that they have built a total recycling unit in which everything that can be composted in the school is composted. The compost is used in their own gardens. Important vocational skills are passed on. A Master Plan has been prepared that includes new ‘production areas’ and the development of a sensory garden with smell, colour, touch and taste will be important for those with the most profound difficulties. The staff encourage the more able pupils to do much of the construction and cultivation so progress can be slow but immensely rewarding. The WCT is providing a contribution of £3,000 towards the cost of the work involved in the realisation of the Master Plan.

**Ivor Richards  
Liveryman**



*The Lord Mayor's Show*

Originally established in 1215 for the Lord Mayor to be presented to the Sovereign for approval, the Lord Mayor's journey from the City to the Royal Courts of Justice has evolved into a full parade and show, involving all manner of officials and Londoners in celebration of the past, present and future of London.

The procession this year included over 6,000 people in total, including hundreds of vehicles, floats, marching bands and carriages, combining in a processional train nearly three miles long.

The Lord Mayor's Show has been interwoven with the history of London for some 800 years in an ongoing tradition continuing to the present day. Over this period the Lord Mayor's Show has marched through the black death, the blitz and more and was even the first event

to be broadcast live on television.

The newly elected Mayor must still make his way to the Royal Courts of Justice to pledge allegiance to the Crown, just as Dick Whittington did in 1397 (and again in 1406 and 1419). As the Lord Mayor's coach goes by, it's worth remembering that someone stood in exactly that spot 450 years ago and marvelled at the sight of a camel on its way to meet Queen Elizabeth I.

The Lord Mayor's Show 2006 drew near half a million people to the streets of London, with over three million watching the occasion live on the BBC. The start of the procession was marked by an aircraft flypast and a two minute silence in commemoration of Armistice Day.

The Lord Mayor's Show ended with a spectacular fireworks display fired from a barge on the Thames between Waterloo Bridge and Blackfriars Bridge. The fireworks display marked the end of the show and the beginning of a new mayoral year and was one of the most impressive displays of 2006.



**Rt Hon, Lord Mayor,  
Alderman John Stuttard**

The Water Conservators joined with the Modern Livery Companies and walked alongside a combine harvester and an open top bus. The Master decided to ride on the top of the bus for the first half of the show and was captured waving to the crowds by the BBC cameras for a commendable 30 seconds! The Thames Warden, Colin Drummond and Court Assistant Steve Scott manfully took turns in carrying the



**The Master & Thames  
Warden enjoying a pint**

Company banner while walking alongside the combine harvester. Following the tradition of recent years, the Modern Livery Companies lunched on board HQS Wellington at the invitation of the Deputy Master, Master Mariner. Thus fortified, the walk back to Mansion House was at record pace. The weather was kind and the crowds as enthusiastic as ever. This is one of the most enjoyable, if energetic, events in the City's calendar.

**Sue Owen  
Master**



*Advance planning  
essential*

Anniversaries always provide an excuse for a party of some sort which, in itself, is a good reason for missing no opportunity for commemorating past events. And in general, the longer the period, the bigger the party. Golden Wedding celebrations tend to be more elaborate (and expensive) than Silver Weddings, and Millennia more notable than Centenaries. In my tiny Parish in north Oxfordshire we have had three notable celebrations in recent years - the Millennium of the Christian calendar; the Queen's Golden Jubilee; and Trafalgar 200. Happily,

we have yet another excuse for a (very prolonged) party this year as the County celebrates its own Millennium.

The Dutch are so dedicated to such celebrations that they even have a party on their 12 ½ th wedding anniversary: an innovation which must surely tax the memory of many husbands! But any substantial number of years can be celebrated and one of the most notable such parties that I have attended was the 250th anniversary of the Spalding Gentlemen’s Society in 1960 (one of the oldest learned Societies in the Kingdom of which - perhaps surprisingly! - I had been a member).

On 14th June 1276 one Henry Grene earned himself a small, but unfortunate, place in history by carelessly allowing himself to be drowned in the River Thames at St Paul’s steps. Readers of “Sweet and Wholesome Water” may recall the calamity which was recorded at the time as follows:

“...the said Henry, having come to St Paul’s wharf with a tankard, and intending to take up water with the tankard, entered a certain boat there, and after filling the tankard, attempted to place it upon the wharf; upon which, it so happened that, from the weight of water in the tankard, as he was standing upon the board of the boat aforesaid, the boat moved away from the wharf, and he fell between it and the quay into the water; and so by mischance was drowned...”

The Coroner’s report on this tragedy provided the first known record of a Water-bearer in the City of London using the “tankard” which remained in use for about five hundred years.

The 750th anniversary of that mishap - on 14th June 2026 - will

provide the Company with an excellent reason for a commemorative event. Amongst the modern Livery Companies we are unusual in being able to show that our speciality was a vital element in City life way back in Medieval times. To be able to stage a 750th anniversary event will, I hope, appeal to the Court in the years ahead: if undertaken, it will warrant very careful advance planning.

Such an anniversary will give the Company a rare opportunity not only for a party but also - I hope - for securing wide publicity. Nothing would be likely to attract the attention of the media so well as to stage a re-enactment of the event in the river by St Pauls at high tide on 14th June 2026. For maximum impact the role of Henry Grene should ideally be taken by the Master of the day. Since it would be better if there did not subsequently have to be another inquest, the individual playing the part should - unlike Henry Grene - be a strong swimmer. This is something which the Court may wish to bear in mind from about 2020 onwards as they consider the appointments of Walbrook Warden.

**Ted Flaxman**  
Past Master



*School Water Conservation Projects Pupil Prizes*



**Ellison Junior School**



*Water-Bearer's Tankard*

Wentworth’s of Sheffield have produced a copy of our Water Bearer’s Tankard, standing at 5 ¾” (146mm) high, and with a base of 2 5/8” (67mm) in diameter. The bands represent the hoops, the body of the vessel is brushed pewter, and the spout and handle polished pewter. The Tankards are embossed with the company’s Crest and are on sale at a price of £50 (which includes VAT, postage and packing) and includes a donation to our Water Conservation Trust. Liverymen of the Company are invited to purchase them by applying to the Clerk.



**Bursar Primary School**



**Matthew Humberstone School**

## Company Accounts 2005/6

### Balance Sheet as at 30th June 2006

	£	2006 Actual	£	2005 Actual	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>					
Tangible Assets			15,705.00		18,781.00
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Stocks	32,618.00			33,216.00	
Cash at Bank and in hand	7,246.00			14,133.00	
Debtors	475.00			375.00	
		40,339.00		47,724.00	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	(1,000.00)			(1,000.00)	
Bank overdrawn	(1,000.00)			(1,000.00)	
		39,339.00		46,724.00	
<b>Current Assets less Liabilities</b>		39,339.00		46,724.00	
<b>Net Assets</b>		<u>55,044.00</u>		<u>65,505.00</u>	
Surplus b/f from previous year		65,505.00		75,550.00	
Current Surplus/(Shortfall)		(10,461.00)		(10,045.00)	
Surplus to c/f		<u>55,044.00</u>		<u>65,505.00</u>	

### Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 30th June 2006

	2006 Actual	2006 Budget	2005
	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>	52,110.00	52,420.00	53,663.00
<b>Administrative Expenses</b>	(63,316.00)	(53,295.00)	(64,833.00)
<b>Operating Surplus/(Shortfall)</b>	<u>(11,206.00)</u>	<u>(875.00)</u>	<u>(11,170.00)</u>
<b>Other Income and Expenses</b>			
Bank Deposit Interest Earned	745.00	750.00	1,125.00
	<u>(10,461.00)</u>	<u>(125.00)</u>	<u>(10,045.00)</u>
Taxation	0.00		0.00
<b>Net Surplus/(Shortfall) for the year</b>	<u>(10,461.00)</u>	<u>(125.00)</u>	<u>(10,045.00)</u>

# Company *events*

## EVENTS 2007

**Election Court Lunch**  
Pewterers' Hall  
19<sup>th</sup> April 2007

**Prince Arthur Cup (Golf)**  
Walton Heath  
17<sup>th</sup> May 2007

**Tudor Pull**  
River Thames  
27<sup>th</sup> May 2007

**Company Weekend**  
York  
15<sup>th</sup> June 2007

**Company Golf Day**  
Ellesborough  
20<sup>th</sup> June 2007

**Election of Sheriffs**  
Guildhall  
25<sup>th</sup> June 2007

**Installation Court Lunch**  
Barber Surgeons' Hall  
4<sup>th</sup> July 2007

**Social Event**  
Globe Theatre  
6<sup>th</sup> September 2007

**Master's Weekend**  
Science Museum, Swindon  
14<sup>th</sup> September 2007

**Michaelmas Court Lunch**  
Armourers' Hall  
26<sup>th</sup> September 2007

**Election of Lord Mayor**  
Guildhall  
1<sup>st</sup> October 2007

**Social Event**  
House of Commons  
10<sup>th</sup> October 2007

**Ladies Social Event**  
Royal Academy  
19<sup>th</sup> October 2007

**Master's Dinner**  
Lord's Cricket Ground  
22<sup>nd</sup> October 2007

**Annual Banquet**  
Painters' Hall  
1<sup>st</sup> November 2007

## *Globe Theatre Visit*

This increasingly popular (oversubscribed) event attracted a posse of 30 Water Conservators and guests to occupy three unisex Gentlemen's rooms, and see "Anthony and Cleopatra" – a tragic story of passion, infidelity, cynicism and multiple betrayal – politically topical, in fact.

The Master, true to her reputation as a global toper, provided a most welcome and indeed much needed glass of Champagne on a sunny terrace to sooth our tangled emotions. All the men fancied Cleopatra, and the fact that she fancied a grey-bearded, bald but virile Anthony gave them something to aspire to.

The production did not handle well the tragic attempt by Anthony to persuade a faithful servant to kill him – resulting in rather nervous laughter – and Caesar was unconvincing. Overall, though, the power of the drama and the atmosphere of the theatre made for a memorable experience.

**Bill Halson**  
**Liveryman**

## *Founder Members' Lunch*

On Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> October 2006, the 4<sup>th</sup> Founder Members' Lunch was held once again at the magnificent Butchers Hall. Twenty-four founder members and spouses attended and thoroughly enjoyed a superb meal of roast beef, with the three joints - rare, medium and well done - suiting all tastes, all

washed down with appropriate beverages.

An enjoyable time was had by all, and the Master, who came as the personal guest of the Founder Master, was delighted to meet so many founder members and also to have had an enjoyable conversation With the Master of the Butchers' Company.

The Founder Master thanked the Master Butcher and his Company for allowing them to use their Wednesday lunch day once again. This Wednesday lunch is open to all liverymen, except in August.

**Mike McDowell**  
**Founder Master**



## *Ladies' Tour of the Mansion House*

A group of 24 ladies was shown around the Mansion House by John Davies, the Lord Mayor's Hall Keeper on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2006. Mr Davies proved a knowledgeable and entertaining guide with a fund of Welsh jokes.

He explained that the office of Lord Mayor dates from 1189, the present Mayor being the 678<sup>th</sup> in office. There was however no official residence until 1752, when the Mansion House was completed at a total cost of just over £79,000. It has been considerably altered over the years, notably by the removal of an internal courtyard, but remains a magnificent example of a Georgian town palace. The most recent refurbishment was completed in 1993.

Our tour included a visit to the vault where City treasures are kept, including several magnificent gold cups and bowls donated by previous Lord Mayors. The sixteenth century Lord Mayor's collar and a pearl studded sword given by Elizabeth 1 were of special interest.

We visited the Salon, formerly the courtyard, a splendid room graced by a row of magnificent crystal chandeliers, and the Egyptian Hall where the Chancellor's annual Mansion House Speech is given. This is in fact classical in design.

Mr Davies pointed out the remarkable collection of Dutch and Flemish paintings to be seen in many of the rooms and on the staircases. This was donated by Lord Samuels in 1987 and is worth over £100 million.

We were honoured to be greeted during the tour by the current Lord Mayor, Mr David Brewer, who described his apartments on the second floor. He is assisted in his work by three 'squires' who also have offices in the building.

The tour ended with a quick visit to the men's loos where the fireplace is decorated with the names of the Hall Porters.

After thanking Mr Davis for an excellent tour we moved on to the Guildhall where everyone enjoyed the opportunity for a chat over a first-rate lunch.

This first ladies' event was a great success and thanks are due to the Master for the idea and for arranging the tour and lunch. We all look forward to further events in the future.

**Georgina Drummond**



**Ladies and some husbands after the lunch**

*Carol Service*

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 The joint Carol Service in conjunction with the Fuellers' Company took place at the beginning of December in our church of St Michael's Cornhill. Dr Peter Mullen, our Hon Chaplain, conducted the service and commented on how nice it was to see the church so full. The congregation were in fine and enthusiastic voice and many continued their evening by walking down to the Little Ship Club where 90 Liverymen and their guests sat down to supper. This event is proving to be very popular with both Companies, our Clerk in particular is very grateful to the Clerk of the

Fuellers' Company for his organisational skills, not least because it gives Ralph a night free from work!!

Judging by the laughter and noise level at supper, all enjoyed a most convivial evening. The Master and Bailiff provided impromptu entertainment exhibiting their selling skills in persuading several members to part with cash on the night in order to purchase Pewter Water Bearers' tankards.

We may need to consider a larger venue for supper in 2007 if the number of those attending continues to rise.

**Sue Owen  
 Master**



*Annual Banquet*

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 The Annual Banquet was a glittering occasion and was held in the prestigious Drapers' Hall on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2006. There were over 150 members and guests. The food and wine complemented the surroundings. The Master welcomed the guests in particular



**St Micheal's Church**



her principal guest the Lord Julian Hunt, Professor of Climate Modelling at University College, London. He proposed the toast to the Company.

The Guildhall School of Music and Drama provided music during the meal and also some light entertainment as an interlude.

In a light-hearted moment during the Master's speech, she called upon the Founder Master, Mike McDowell, to honour his promise which had been made some years earlier.

Mike McDowell responded by saying that in the winter edition of *The Conservator* 2003, he had promised a bottle of Champagne to the first liveryman to produce a child, which child would then have an automatic right to become a Freeman of the Company in due course.

At the Charter ceremony, he said that this was one challenge the Company still had to meet, but little did he know that the matter was already in hand. He congratulated Martin and Myriam Lunn on the production of a bouncing baby boy and, to quote a biblical phrase to other liverymen and their spouses who still had the ability, he said "to go forth and do likewise".

He then presented Martin Lunn with a certificate from the Court to mark the occasion, and to the proud mum he presented a bottle of Mumm's Champagne, congratulating both of them on their achievement.

**Sue Owen  
Master**



**The Founder Master Mike McDowell presenting the bottle of champagne to Mr and Mrs Lunn**



**The Master Mrs Sue Owen with Mr Andrew Bennett at the reception before the Banquet**



## Members and guests enjoying the Banquet at Drapers' Hall

### *Myddelton Lunch*

The Water Conservators' Myddelton lunch took place on 30<sup>th</sup> January at Fishmongers' Hall to celebrate the seventh anniversary of the Grant of Livery to our Company.

This lunch is named in honour of Sir Hugh Myddelton, one of the key figures in the history of London's water supply. He was a goldsmith and an entrepreneur, who brought fresh water into north London in the early 17th Century. Before this time, residents and commercial establishments located near the Thames used the river for a culinary supply. Using river water had its own unique set of problems. In one year, it was reported that "the tide from the sea prevailed to such a degree that the water of the Thames was salt; so much so, that many citizens complained of "the ale

tasting like salt." Obviously, something had to be done!

Sir Hugh supervised construction of a canal to carry water to London from the Hertfordshire springs of Chadwell and Amwell, a distance of nearly 60 kilometers. This engineering feat, begun in 1609 and finished in 1613, was so bold, and thorough in design, that the "New River" source, as it came to be called, is still used today, forming a valuable part of London's water supply.

This year was a particularly fine event and we were honoured by the presence of the Rt Hon The Lord Mayor, the Lady Mayoress, Mr Sheriff Richard Regan and the Prime Warden of the Fishmongers' Company among many other distinguished guests.

The day started with the Divine Service and rededication of the

Company's Cross at St Michael's Cornhill. This Service was very well attended and included a fine sermon from our former chaplain Rev Adrian Hopwood who talked about the higher calling of our Livery in terms of charity, education and standards.

The Master, Wardens, Past Masters and Court Assistants processed through the City to Fishmongers' Hall - an impressive sight if perhaps a little straggling!

Fishmongers' Hall overlooking the Thames is a particularly fine venue. The Hall is the sole survivor of quality from an important programme of town planning for the approaches to London Bridge, one of the rare examples of an English Greek Revival town building, free-standing and largely unaltered, its early structural use of iron and hollow bricks, influenced by the mills of the Industrial Revolution.

The Lord Mayor, in response to our Master's toast to our guests, made a speech touching on his own vision of charitable giving and listing some of our own recent initiatives on this front. It was a great privilege to have him come to speak to us and an indication of how as a relatively young Company we are fully welcomed into the larger Livery movement as a whole.

The Master presented a cheque to the Lord Mayor for his chosen charity, "Voluntary Service Overseas". In total 149 members and guests attended the lunch, the largest number seen at any Company lunch. The quality of the conversation was fully matched by the excellence of the food and liquid refreshment.

The Stirrup cup brought another record, Court Assistants Nigel Cartwright and Peter Hall collected the princely sum of £658 for our Charity, the Water Conservation Trust

All in all a fitting commemorative of Sir Hugh Myddelton and rededication of our own efforts for the future.

**Mrs Sue Owen**  
**Master**



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**The Master greeting the Lord Mayor**



**Members and guests at the Myddelton Lunch in Fishmongers' Hall**

THE WATER CONSERVATION TRUST

GIFT AID DECLARATION

If you are a UK taxpayer you can increase your donation by 28% by completing the following Gift Aid form
One declaration can cover all future donations

(Please print)

I (full name including title).....

Of (full address including postcode).....

wish all donations I make including those under the direct debit mandate below in favour of the Worshipful
Company of Water Conservators "Water Conservation Trust" to be treated as Gift Aid donations. I want the
Charity - The Worshipful Company of Water Conservators "Water Conservation Trust" - Registered number
1007648 to reclaim tax on my donation and I confirm that I pay income tax or capital gains tax equal to the tax that
will be reclaimed.

Signed..... Dated.....

Please remember to notify the Trust if your tax situation changes

BANK STANDING ORDER MANDATE

Please make payments detailed below, debiting my bank account below, until the last payment has been made, or
until earlier notice.

SORT CODE \_\_\_\_\_ ACCOUNT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

Please pay to: Lloyds TSB, Southampton Row Branch, Victoria House, Southampton Road, London WC1B 5HR.
SORT CODE: 30 97 81 Account No. 0015681702

On the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 200\_ the sum of £ \_\_\_\_\_ and the same sum on each day ANNUALLY/
QUARTERLY/ MONTHLY (please delete as applicable)

For the following \_\_\_\_\_ years, making \_\_\_\_\_ payments in total.

To: (please PRINT clearly the name of Your bank and full branch address)

Donor's name & Initials (please PRINT clearly)
Mr/ Mrs/ Ms/ Other (please delete as applicable)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of donor \_\_\_\_\_

Please send completed form to:
Peter Hall
Hon Treasurer
Water Conservation Trust
6 Bluebell Drive
Burghfield Common
READING, RG7 3EF
Email: peterbhall@hotmail.com

Date \_\_\_\_\_