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The Master's Lecture 2015

The event took place on 18 May hosted by Herbert Smith Freehills and attended by a large audience of members and guests.

This year's lecturer was Dr Jackie van Hof the new DG of the London Court of International Arbitration who spoke of the Current position of the LCIA in the world of international arbitration and her plans for the future. The lecture covered the role of Institutions in relation to internal and external challenges; the position of arbitrators and their selection; the function of Tribunal secretaries, and the role and duties of advocates particularly in relation to the new LCIA Rules.

Dr van Hof is pictured above with Paula Hodges QC our host at HSF, and the Master

Mr and Mrs Jones admitted to the Worshipful Company of Arbitrators

Among the new Freemen admitted to the Company on 28 April 2015 were Professor Doug Jones AO and his wife Professor Janet Walker. Doug Jones is, of course, a former President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and one of the organisers of the Centenary Conference to be held at Guildhall on 1-3 July. While Doug remains based in Sydney NSW and Janet in Toronto, Ontario, they each pursue international practices which frequently bring them together in London, on this occasion at the admissions ceremony and Common Hall on 28 April 2015. Admitted along with the Joneses were Civil Engineer Olatunde Adeniye Aje, Barrister Abdul-Lateef Jinadu, Mediator Cherreem Lindsay, Solicitor Carole Mulcahy and Professor of Law and Barrister Anthony Lavers, all pictured below at the Cutlers' Hall, Warwick Lane.



Master and Wardens with New Admissions in April 2015

Carole Mulcahy, a partner of Berwin Leighton Paisner, kindly hosted the WCA Arbitration Weekend in January, when 10 teams from universities, law firms and barristers' chambers competed in a mock international arbitration. In addition to the new Freemen, Graham Chase, who this year is the Master Surveyor, was admitted to the Freedom and then to the Livery, along with Nicola Cohen, CEO of the Academy of Experts.

Members' News

Liveryman Ken McLean paid a visit with the Master to our adopted RN ship HMS Mersey in April and enjoyed lunch with the Captain.

Later in the month Liveryman Craig Kersey paid a visit to the ship, now in Liverpool as part of her patrol duties.

In August Liveryman Paul Rose and the Master will join our adopted Army Cadet Force unit at their summer training camp

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 14th July 2015 Court followed by Annual Service and Supper, Tallow Chandlers' Hall

Friday 17th—Sunday 19th July

Visit to Buxton Opera and Arts Festival

Tuesday 15th September 2015

CIArb Centenary Celebration in association with WCA and other liveries at Plaisterers' Hall

Tuesday 29th September 2015

Election of Lord Mayor and Lunch at Guildhall

Tuesday 6th October 2015

Charity Concert at Charterhouse which will feature a Mozart piano Concerto and more

Further details of all events, with details of how to book your place can be found in the Members' area on the company website, www.arbitratorscompany.org

The Commemorative Tour to WW1 battlefields and military cemeteries



On 21st – 24th May 2015 a party of Company members, partners and friends undertook a guided commemorative tour to Ypres and other Western Front locations by coach. In a very busy programme fifteen battlefield sites, military cemeteries and memorials were visited in just three days. Amongst the highlights was attendance at the evening Menin Gate ceremony in Ypres where the Master, John Uff QC, accompanied by Past Master James Mackie and Freeman Jenny Rushton laid a poppy wreath incorporating the Company crest. A very moving ceremony.



The party stayed in the nearby small town of Poperinge at an excellent bijou hotel.

The tour gave many varied experiences with an insight into the conditions endured by troops at the time and allowed the opportunity for a number of acts of remembrance at several of the places visited. The last day of the tour took in Vimy Ridge, the site of one of the most successful allied attacks of the whole war when, in April 1917, Canadian and British divisions seized the heavily fortified ridge from German forces after earlier unsuccessful attempts by British and French armies. The tour included a walk though part of the extensive tunnel network which protected the attacking troops from German artillery fire. The monument on top of the ridge is a fitting tribute to the gallantry of the Canadian armies.