



# The Worshipful Company of Arbitrators

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## Winter 2010 Newsletter

### THE NEW MASTER

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking you for allowing me to be your Master for 2010-2011, the steward at the helm of our Company for the ensuing year. I thoroughly enjoyed the Installation Dinner and would again thank everyone who worked so hard to make it a success and for the support of the Company at Vintners Hall. It is a strange feeling suddenly becoming Master of this Worshipful Company and having an opportunity to influence its future and direction.

We were very fortunate in the final quarter of Past Master Dancaster's year to admit so many new Freeman and Liverymen to our number. I hope the drive for membership under the Junior Warden Karl Davies will continue and we will assimilate the newcomers into our ranks and welcome each and every one of them. I have asked Jonathan Tecks to take on a role of liaising more closely with university and post-graduate educational establishments offering higher educational courses in Alternative Dispute Resolution and Arbitration so that we can foster future generations of upcoming Arbitrators and do what we can to promote the craft and art of Arbitration.

I hope the programme set out on the website and in circulars from the Clerk is going to prove one that gives the Company a lot of time to get to know each other better and to enjoy visits to alternative Courts within the United Kingdom jurisdiction. I also want the Company to focus on its charitable work and get closer to its key functions in support for the Lord Mayor and the City of London.

I am also very eager to support the Lord Mayor and the City of London in all his endeavours. You will be pleased to know that the company has sent £250.00 to the Lord Mayor's Charity "Bear Necessities" for which we have the undoubted privilege of having an Arbitrator teddy bear hanging on the Mansion House Christmas tree within an Arbitrators knitted jumper for the duration. The bear will very shortly thereafter be joining the Lord Mayor in his Venetian parlour to observe all the events of the Lord Mayor's year. The Arbitrator Bear having accompanied the Lord Mayor – Michael Bear – the Arbitrator bear will then come back to the Company and perhaps be auctioned or used in some other way to raise funds for the Lord Mayor's charities RedR and Coram.

The theme of "The Bear" also ran through the Lord Mayor's Show which was supported by 21 Members and Friends of the Company from the stands opposite St Pauls. Past Master Dancaster and Junior Warden, Karl Davis and myself walked in excellent weather conditions and flew the company flag in the accompaniment of the Lord Mayor to his swearing in at the Royal Courts of Justice. The guests and Members of the Company had an excellent lunch at Plaisterers Hall and afterwards adjourned to the Thames for a fireworks display. If anyone has not yet been to the Lord Mayor's Show and taken part it is actually great fun and this year the floats were led by giant statues of Gog and Magog taking the City history back to its routes and the old statues that used to stand at the bottom of Ludgate Hill.

Before the Lord Mayor's Show, the Company supported St John's Ambulance and the Lord Mayor in the City at the start of Remembrance Week by planting a cross in the Garden of Remembrance at St Paul's Cathedral with other Livery Masters. The ground conditions were reminiscent of The Somme with traffic replacing gunfire but we had rain, mud and a proper respect for the gallant men and women who had served so well.

There was also an opportunity to attend the Silent Ceremony at which the Lord Mayor is admitted which took place on Friday, 12th November 2010 and the briefing of Masters at Mansion House on 23 November 2010.



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The two other Company events in 2010 were the Carol Service at St Mary Le Bow followed by mince pies and wine on Monday 13 December 2010 and the trip to the Pantomime. Apart from the failure of the heating at St Mary Le Bow the service was its usual success with a wide-ranging address by our Chaplain and marvellous music from the newly refurbished organ on which our Arbitrator's Theme was played. The Arbitrator's Theme is a piece of music composed by Helen Jane Long who is an internationally recognized musician whose music mirrors the progress of an Arbitration reference from an initial referral, advice from lawyers to appoint an Arbitrator, the appointment, submissions, disclosure, an Oral Hearing and the Final Award. The Arbitrator's Theme is available as one piece on a CD of Helen's music which is available from the Master as Helen has kindly agreed to donate the proceeds to our Company charitable Trust. Forms to order CDs will be circulated by the Clerk after the New Year

I would like to take this opportunity in my first letter to remind Members of our ongoing financial commitment to supporting the Charitable Trust which is there to promote our art, craft, students and causes in support of the City of London. I have been persuaded by various other companies and Livery Events that I have attended in the short time that I have been Master that it is normal that every Liveryman accept there is a minimum donation of at least £120.00 plus gift aid per annum and I would encourage all those who have not signed a gift aid form to contact Assistant Michael Goodridge and make sure this is set up together with a standing order or direct debit form. These are obtainable from him and his details follow in a separate short article.

The final event in 2010 will be a trip to Brick Lane Music Hall for "Mother Goosed". This is an Adult Pantomime and it should be great fun. Brick Lane Music Hall is run by a troop of actors and it is also a charity that retains all the profits (apart from the actor's drawings to cover board and lodgings) to cover their charitable work in respect of providing entertainment to the elderly. The evening is great fun but I have only managed to secure some 40 tickets so places are very limited, at the time of writing there are just a few left.

I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible in the programme during the year ahead and I particularly hope that you will support the Mansion House Banquet which is indeed a very special occasion for this Company. I would also like every Member of the Company to get more involved in events and ideas and I would welcome emails from any of you if you have any burning issue in the year ahead.

## THE CHARITABLE TRUST

The object of the Worshipful Company of Arbitrators' Charity Fund is to provide financial support to the charitable activities connected with Dispute Resolution and the City of London. The Trustees meet regularly to agree grants and to approve one off grants to suitable beneficiaries. The Trustees are a separate entity and have limited assets to deal with everything that comes before them. Members gift aid donation including tax recovery are the prime source of income and the balance comes from investments and other donations and the occasional fund raising event such as the Summer Concert. The Trustees are striving to increase the capital base to over £750,000 in the longer term. We would very much appreciate you remembering the fund in your Will. May we suggest that legacies either large or small are a way of saying thank you for all the pleasure and fun we have had together in the Arbitrators Company?

Liverymen are expected to donate annual minimum contribution to the fund and this recommended level is reviewed every year by the Trustees and Court in the light of inflation. For the current year it is suggested that the minimum should be £120.00 for Liverymen and Freeman are encouraged to give as generously as they can.

All U.K. Taxpayers using a personal account are requested to make payments by standing order and complete one gift aid declaration which will cover all payments. This enables the fund to properly account for monies received and provide adequate evidence in support of its tax free payment claim. We are also pleased to receive donations via the Charities Aid Foundation and from private Charities.

Further information on the Charitable Fund of the Company and its current financial position is available from Assistant Michael Goodridge, the Chairman of the Charitable Trust.

## HANDEL'S MESSIAH

The Reverend George Bush, our Chaplain, is seeking support and participants for a scratch performance of Handel's Messiah to be held on the evening of 24<sup>th</sup> March 2011. Should anyone be interested in taking up the Reverend George Bush's invitation, please contact him at [grbush@london.anglican.org](mailto:grbush@london.anglican.org).

## LORD MAYOR'S SHOW - SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2010

The Master, Junior Warden and Past Master John Rushton represented the Worshipful Company as a part of the Modern Livery Companies' float in the Lord Mayor's Show parade on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

The Show traditionally follows the day after the Silent Ceremony at Guildhall at which the new Lord Mayor is admitted to office and this year it was held to celebrate the admission of Alderman Michael Bear as the 683<sup>rd</sup> Lord Mayor of the City of London.



## INSTALLATION DINNER – 26<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2010

It was a packed afternoon and evening on 26<sup>th</sup> October for the last Court meeting of 2010 which was followed by Common Hall and the Installation Dinner.

The Court meeting showed the results of the extremely successful year as far as membership recruitment is concerned with the admission of 20 new Freemen. In addition 8 Freemen were clothed in the Livery.

Outgoing Master Chris Dancaster handed over the Master's badge to Kay Linnell at Common Hall who in turn installed Hew Dundas as Senior Warden and Karl Davies as Junior Warden.

At the Installation Dinner the Master welcomed the guests and the response was given by James Badenoch QC, President of the Expert Witness Institute. During the course of the evening the HMS Mersey Sailor of the Year Richard Karavics was presented with his award and guests were entertained by a performance of a piece of music commissioned by the Master, composed and played by Ms Helen Long, which portrayed the various stages of an arbitration.



## INSTALLATION DINNER – ADMISSION OF FREEMEN



David John Aikman – the appointed agent of a Piraeus based ship-management company. An Associate of the Chartered Insurance Institute (Marine), a Chartered Insurance Practitioner, member of the Faculty of Claims, the Baltic Exchange and the Chartered Institute and a supporting member of the LMAA.



Ravi Girdharilal Aswani – a practicing Barrister and supporting member of the LMAA. A member of the Bar Pro Bono Unit, Bentham Club, British Maritime Law Association, CEDR Exchange Network, Commercial Bar Association, London Common Law and Commercial Bar Association and the Young International Arbitration Group of the LCIA.



## INSTALLATION DINNER – ADMISSION OF FREEMEN



Peter Thomas Barnes – A Chartered Arbitrator, Chartered Conservationist, Registered Adjudicator and Accredited Mediator. A Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Building and the Chartered Institute, a member of the Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors and the Architecture and Surveying Institute. A member of the Panel of Adjudicators of the RICS, CIARB and Construction Industry Council. Currently Chairman of the CIARB East Anglia Branch.



Margaret Osborne Bickford-Smith QC – a Recorder (sitting in Civil and Criminal cases), Accredited Mediator and Master of the Bench of the Inner Temple. Vice-Chairman of the Inns Conduct Committee and General Commissioner of Income Tax.



Martyn Henry Stewart Bradish – a Chartered Accountant and Chartered Arbitrator. A Fellow of the Chartered Institute and member of the tax faculty of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.



Gerlando Butera – a Solicitor specialising in construction law who has represented clients under ICE, ICC and UNCITRAL Rules. A TeCSA Accredited Adjudicator and a member of the LCIA, the Dispute Resolution Board Foundation and the Society of Construction Law.



Trevor Kenneth Harrison – a Barrister who specialises as a maritime arbitrator, mediator and legal and commercial consultant with expertise in bunkering. A member of the Baltic Exchange, a supporting member of the LMAA, on the Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration Panel of Arbitrators, a CEDR accredited mediator and a member of the Baltic Exchange's Panel of Experts and the Baltic Exchange – LMAA Mediator Panel.



Kevin Paul Hayes – A Chartered Quantity Surveyor and Chartered Arbitrator. Fellow of the Chartered Institute and of the RICS. A Member of the Panel of Arbitrators of the CIARB, RCIS, LCIA, DIFC-LCIA and DIAC, and member of the Panel of Adjudicators of the AICA, CIARB, RICS, CEDR and CIC. A member of ARBRIX and the Society of Construction Law.



Colin Johnson – a non-practicing Solicitor. His involvement in PDR is primarily as an expert witness. He has an MBA from Warwick and was placed first worldwide in the ACCA Certified Diploma in Accounting and Finance.



Anthony James Kay – a Chartered Building Surveyor and Corporate Building Engineer. A Fellow of the Chartered Institute, the Academy of Experts, RICS and Association of Building Engineers.



Stuart Lindsey Isaacs QC – a Barrister with a strong commercial arbitration practice both in London and Asia Pacific. A member of COMBAR and the Chancery Bar Association. LCIA and ICC Arbitrator and a Fellow of the Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration. A member of the International Panel of the Singapore International Arbitration centre and of the Arbitrators' Panel of the Mauritius International Chamber of Commerce.

## INSTALLATION DINNER – ADMISSION OF FREEMEN



Brian Philip David Kellett – formerly an Underwriter at Lloyds with his own syndicate. A former President of the Chartered Insurance Institute. Following retirement started to act as an arbitrator in insurance and reinsurance disputes.



Dr Christian Konrad – a practicing Rechtsanwalt registered with the Vienna Bar Association and also admitted as a Solicitor in England and Wales and a Euroadvokat in Slovakia. A member of the Chartered Institute, the Austrian Arbitration Association, LCIA and founding chairman of the Young Austrian Arbitration Practitioners.



Christopher David Lennon – A member of a consultancy company offering Project Management and all aspects of Contracts Management. Currently completing his DiplCmArb.



David Millington – an Ombudsman with the Financial Ombudsman Service with particular responsibility for banking and insurance matters. A Fellow of the Institute of Financial Services and formerly Chairman of the Executive Education Advisory Panel.



John Robert Papworth – a Quantity Surveyor, a Fellow of the Chartered Institute and Dispute Board Federation and a Chartered Arbitrator. A member of the Dispute Resolutions Board Foundation, LCIA, Society of Construction Law, Adjudication Society, Association of Independent Construction Adjudicators and Oil and Gas Branch of the Arbitrator Club and Resolex Mediators Group.



Andrew Gerard Moran QC – a practicing Barrister and Master of the Bench of Gray's Inn 2005. A member of the Commercial Bar Association and Northern Circuit Commercial Bar Association. A Deputy High Court Judge, Recorder of the Crown Court.



Nigel Edward Alexander Ribbands – a Chartered Quantity Surveyor, Chartered Arbitrator and Panel Registered Adjudicator. A Fellow of the Chartered Institute, RICS, Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors and Chartered Management Institute and a member of the Expert Witness Institute.



Kevin Michael Shilcock – a Quantity Surveyor and Chartered Surveyor. A Fellow of the Chartered Institute and of the RICS and a member of the Academy of Experts. A graduate of the College of Estate Management.



Dr Nigel John Bowes Young – An expert witness in civil and criminal cases, mostly involving computer systems or computer technology. A Fellow of the Academy of Experts and former Chairman. A member of the Council of the Law Specialist Group of the British Computer Society.



## INSTALLATION DINNER – ADMISSION OF LIVERYMEN



David Alan Roberts – A practicing Contracts and Claims Consultant, a Chartered Builder, Chartered Surveyor, Contracts Manager, Contract Administrator, Cost Engineer, Quantity Surveyor, Arbitrator, Adjudicator and Mediator.



Eammon Malone – A Chartered Building Surveyor. A member of the RICS Disputes Resolution Board. A member of the Chartered Institute.



David Evan Somerset – A Quantity Surveyor, Fellow of the Chartered Institute, the RICS, the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors, the Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators. An accredited CEDR mediator and a member of the Expert Witness Institute and RICS Expert Witness Registration Scheme.



Dr David Bertram Gill – a Consultant Psychiatrist to Hertfordshire NHS Trust. His private practice includes assessment of evidence and report writing which has led to his appearing before Tribunals and the Courts. Listed as Expert Witness with the Law Society and the UK Register.



Anthony Peter Harris – A Chartered Surveyor and experienced practicing arbitrator in the field of rent reviews, service charges and option agreements. A fellow of the CIARB and RICS and a member of the RICS Presidential Panel of Arbitrators and Independent Experts.



His Hon Peter Bowsher, QC– a former Judge of the Technology and Construction Court, now retired and having joined Keating Chambers is practicing as Arbitrator, Adjudicator, Mediator and more rarely making Expert Determinations.



Helena Frances Riches – Practice Manager of MCMS Limited, past Chairman of CIARB South East Branch and CIARB's Young Members Group, and a member of the CIARB's Board of Management from 2008-2010. She is also a member of the Adjudication Society and sits on Council of the Society of Construction Law.



David Alan Roberts – A practicing Contracts and Claims Consultant, a Chartered Builder, Chartered Surveyor, Contracts Manager, Contract Administrator, Cost Engineer, Quantity Surveyor, Arbitrator, Adjudicator and Mediator.



John Leonard Riches – Adjudicator, Arbitrator, Mediator, Chartered Quantity Surveyor and Chartered Builder with more than 30 years experience in the construction industry. Co-author with the immediate Past Master of 'Construction Adjudication'

## **VOLUNTEERS WANTED!**

Several members of the Company have acted as volunteers at schools in East London, teaching children the basics of financial literacy, such as how to save, what a mortgage is, how to apply for a job and how to behave at a job interview. The experience for volunteers and children alike has been rewarding.

The Clara Grant School in Bow East London is keen to continue and extend the financial literacy programme for the benefit of children in year 5 (9-10 year olds) from the beginning of January 2011.

For more details of the programme, please see  
<http://www.numberpartners.org/financial-literacy.aspx>

Are you willing and able to lend a hand? It is just what members of a Modern Livery Company involved with professional services should be doing! If you are, please contact Simon Underwood ([s.underwood@benemack.com](mailto:s.underwood@benemack.com))

## **THE ARBITRATOR BEAR**

The new Lord Mayor Michael Bear is hanging teddy bears on the Xmas Tree outside Mansion House for all the Livery Companies.

The Arbitrator Bear has been recruited and will do guard duty on the tree during the festivities in a properly knitted woolly jumper and anyone passing could seek him out (the teddy bear I mean). After the Tree comes down our Arbitrator Bear will be sharing the Lord Mayor's administration having a special place in his office in Mansion House before coming back to our Company at the end of Michael Bear's year.

Look out for the "Report from Arbitrator Bear" column in future editions as the bear will be reporting on the activities of the Lord Mayor and City for our members

## EVENTS

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2010	Carol Service at St Mary le Bow
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2010	Visit to Brick Lane Music Hall
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2011	Mediation Skills Competition
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> January 2011	Banquet – Mansion House
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2011	Court Meeting & lunch at Guildhall
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2011	Ecclesiastical Court lecture Visit to Consistory Court
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2011	Masters Lectures Grays Inn Dr Roy Palmer
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2011	United Guilds Service at St Pauls
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2011	Court Meeting & Spring Livery Lunch – Armourers' Hall
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2011	Bethdin visit & supper – Golders Green
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2011	Charitable Trust Concert – St Mary le Bow
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2011	Election of Sheriffs – Guildhall
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2011	Court Meeting, Annual Service & Summer Outing
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> – Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2011	Master's Weekend
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2011	Visit to Sharia Court
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2011	Election of Lord Mayor
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2011	Court Meeting, Common Hall & Installation Dinner – Fishmongers' Hall

Further details and/or booking forms for all events can be found at [www.arbitratorscompany.org/events](http://www.arbitratorscompany.org/events)

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