Dear Shipwrights,

Please find a few items of interest below:

**Grenfell Tower Appeal**.  The Master of the Bakers Company began an appeal to Livery Companies to raise money for those affected by the Grenfell Tower tragedy, requesting £1,000 from each company.  The Wardens approved an immediate donation of £1,000 on behalf of the company and the Master Baker has written to the Prime Warden to offer his thanks to the Company.

**Re: Livery Fund for the Grenfell Tower disaster.**
As promised in my original letter sent on 16th June, 2017 I am giving you a progress report.  First, though, may I extend to all of you who have replied so positively – and, through you, your respective Clerks - my heartfelt thanks for the kindness and generosity of the virtually total positive responses I have received to date.  I have been genuinely overwhelmed by some of your messages in support of this request which gives proof (if ever it was needed) of how lucky we all are in the Livery movement. Thank you.  To date over 40 Companies have responded and the current amount donated or pledged is anticipated to be in excess of £50,000.

**Ocean Youth Trust Scotland Report for support from The Worshipful Company of Shipwrights in 2016**.  OYT Scotland wrote: As promised, here is the report for the very generous assistance from **The Worshipful Company of Shipwrights** given to our charity in summer 2016.  As I mentioned in my previous email, the increased donation enabled more disadvantaged young people to take part in Challenge Voyages.  So thank you!  We look forward to keeping in touch.  Here is the link:

<http://www.shipwrights.co.uk/members-news/report-from-ocean-youth-trust-scotland-2015>

**Forthcoming Company and Associated Events**:

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| Date | Event | Location | Remarks |
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
| 4 Jul 17 | Historical Walking Tour with the Hon Historian | RV at Bank on the steps of The Royal Exchange at 5pm | Fully Booked!!   |
| 22 Jul 17 | PW’s Social Event – Deck Horse Racing & supper | Liphook, Hampshire | Huge Fun!  Booking is now open – visit the website. |
| 26 Jul 17 | Brigantes Breakfast | St George’s Hall, Liverpool |  |
| 12 Sep 17 | Company visit to Newcastle University | Newcastle University | Open to all Shipwrights – limited spaces.  Details tbc |
| 12 Sep 17 | The Dickinson Dinner, Newcastle | Trinity House, Newcastle | Open to all Shipwrights. |
| 13 Sep 17 | Visit to the Queen’s Silver Medal Competition. | Hawkhirst, Kielder Water | Open to all Shipwrights, E&C & Wardens have priority. |
| 27 Sep 17 | Shipwrights’ Hull DinnerConfirmed! | Hull Trinity House.  | Costs TBC but open to all Shipwrights. |
| 29 Sep 17 | Election of the Lord Mayor | Guildhall | Liverymen only. Tickets are available from the Office. |
| 1 Nov 17 | Annual Banquet | Mansion House | All Shipwrights & Guests.Note – it is a Wednesday! |
| 9 Nov 17 | Company visit to University of Strathclyde & Northern Lunch | University of Strathclyde & Glasgow & Strathclyde Universities URNU | All Shipwrights |
| 22 Nov 17 | PW’s Social Event – Visit to the Franklin Exhibition | National Maritime Museum, Greenwich | Details TBC |

**PW’s Social Event – Deck Horse Racing – Sat 22 Jul 17**.  A reminder about the upcoming Horseracing Social Event which will take place on Saturday 22 July 2017 near Liphook in Hampshire.  There are a few places remaining!!  The Prime Warden’s invitation is below:

Dear Shipwrights,

I hope you will now be aware of the Horse Race evening I am hosting for you on Saturday 22nd July at Wardley Farm, Liphook in Hampshire courtesy of Alistair and Robina Farley in their magnificent converted barn; the post code is GU30 exact details to follow.

I am writing to encourage your support preferably by attending this lively and entertaining evening but should you be unable then through naming and buying a horse and jockey (or more than one!) in the races.

The event is based on my attempt to recreate the old and well-known shipboard horse race evening with a large wooden track and 8 large horses “racing” around to the roll of a dice. Accompanied of course by much shouted encouragement from those betting on the night.  We have five races with 8 horses in each. Three over the sticks and two flat races.

1. The Court Chase Cup,
2. Shipyards Apprentices Jump,
3. Lazy Liveryman's Leap,
4. The Hammerman's Hurdles
5. The Prime Wardens Prance

You can bet in two ways, a tote on the night or by buying a horse (£75) and or jockey (£25). The winning horse will take 50% of the pot and could take way £300 and the jockey can win £100 subject of course to riding it well! The 50% remaining will go to the Shipwrights Charitable Fund as will the surplus on the tote. The fun is not only in the betting but on naming your horse, its owner and even the stable and trainer if you are feeling creative. These will be included in the race card, printed and available on the night (and of course sent out to the owners and jockeys who are unable to attend!)

To join in you can sign up for the evening at a £45 per head including supper, wine and beer, by visiting the Shipwrights event page on the web. To buy a horse and/or jockey please send a letter to my wife (Miriam Smith at 67 Nightingale Road, Rickmansworth WD3 7BU) with the names and details of your horse and jockey etc and a cheque made out to her please. You can also email her at archibald.smith@virgin.net and make an electronic transfer to her at sort code 40-38-20 a/c 61018051 with a reference of HR and your name and please let her know you have done so.

I am sure that all of you will find this a fun evening and I am looking for your support to make it all worthwhile.

**Archie Smith**

**The Dickinson Dinner – Tue 12 Sep 2017**.  The Newcastle Dinner has been renamed the Dickinson Dinner in memory of Liveryman Alan Dickinson who did so much to support it.  The dinner will again be held at Trinity House Newcastle and is open to Liverymen and Freemen with one guest and the principal guest will be Captain Stephen Healy, Master, Trinity House, Newcastle.   **Booking is** **not yet open** but will open on Mon 3 Jul 17.

Date:               Tuesday 12 Sep 2017

Time:               1845 for 1930

Dress:              Black Tie

Cost:                £95 per head.  (Liverymen may use tallage if they think they will not use tallage for two Livery Dinners.)

Venue:             The Newcastle upon Tyne Trinity House, Broad Chare, Newcastle upon Tyne.  NE1 3DQ

The closing date for applications is Tue 29 Aug 2017.

Those attending the dinner may wish to join the Company visit to the Queen’s Silver Medal Competition at Kielder Water on

Wed 13 Sep 2017.  Places are limited, and the E&C Committee take precedence, but there are usually spaces available.

**Company Dinner Hull Trinity House – Wed 27 Sep 2017**.  This year a dinner will be held in Hull Trinity House and the Prime Warden hopes that many of you will join him, particularly those who live and/or work in the surrounding area.  The Guest Speaker will be The Lord Prescott but places are restricted to a total of 54.  Associated British Ports and Finnlines are very generously sponsoring the dinner and ABP may lay on a voyage on the Humber.  Booking is now open on the website and there are 12 places remaining.

Price: THE COST PER HEAD IS YET TO BE CONFIRMED

Reception drinks in the Canoe Room & Chapel Courtyard if warm enough;

Dinner in the Court Room;

Stirrup Cup in the Council Room;

Access to the Museum will be available before and after dinner.

**Who are Worldwide Shipping**.  The Office still urgently needs to know who to approach regarding a payment from *Worldwide Shipping* which has appeared in the accounts.  We believe that this is a Liveryman’s Fines but without any Reference so, unless we can tell which individual has paid, we will be unable to allocate the funds correctly and the payee will continue to receive demands for payment.

**Livery Briefing**.  I attach a link that will take you to the latest version of the Livery Briefing.  <http://www.liverycompanies.info/library/livery-briefing/18-may-2017.pdf>

**London Matters**.  The Link to the latest news from Maritime London is at: <http://www.maritimelondon.com/news/>

**National Maritime Press Releases**.  The link to the latest Press Releases from National Maritime is: <https://www.nmdg.co.uk/about-us/news-press-releases/>

**From Livery Schools Link – Volunteering Platform**.  Livery Schools Link is pulling together a list of Liverymen willing to assist schools by supporting career days and proving motivational talks.  Interested Shipwrights should sign up to the platform by following the directions below:

**New Livery Company Volunteering Platform to help young people in schools has launched!**

Giving back is a big part of being a member of a Livery Company and we are delighted to announce that the Shipwrights are taking part in the first phase of the newly launched Livery School Link Volunteering Platform. This technology driven concept lets teachers and schools put out requests for volunteers to Livery Companies with ease and transparency.

As we all know, our young people in schools struggle to find careers they are interested in; as experienced business people, we can help by going into schools and maybe inspiring them to explore our career paths.

Are you interested in helping with…

* **Motivational Career Talks** that inspire the next generation.  Would you like to give a talk to a class or an entire year group on topics such as how you moved from education into work and share your unique career insights and advice.
* **Supporting Career Days** at a school.  This would mean having café conversations/speed networking in small groups, mock interviews and providing CV tips and advice.

Livery Schools Link are promoting the platform to schools and teachers to encourage requests for volunteers.  Once the requests come in, volunteers will be emailed about any matching opportunities they have registered an interest in.

As Shipwrights, we see this is an excellent initiative and would positively encourage your support.  You can find out more on Livery Schools Link website - [www.liveryschoolslink.org.uk](http://www.liveryschoolslink.org.uk).   You will clearly see where you can sign up and create your own volunteering profile.

It’s all about giving back and we all know that just a few hours a year can make all the difference.

**City Beerfest – Thu 6 Jul 2017**.  The City Beerfest, sponsored by the Brewers’ Company, will take pace in Guildhall Yard on Thu 6 Jul 20127 from midday to 9pm.    <http://www.citybeerfest.org/>

Regards,

**Richard Cole-Mackintosh**

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