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David Tarrant, President IHT, and Maureen Knott with the Chaplain and Master at the re-Dedication of the Memorial sculpture to Nigel Knott at Amberley

It has been an eventful and enjoyable first few months for Tui and me. I am amazed how many Livery related dinners, lunches, receptions, concerts, lectures, church services and other events are held in the City.

Within the Company there have been many more events to attend. We have been grateful for your support at both my Master's Jolly in Budapest and at our Summer evening at the Garrick Club and Prince Edward Theatre. I was also pleased that we were able to reintroduce a Technical visit this year to the Heron Tower and to hold a successful fun day jointly with IHT at Amberley Museum, to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of UK Motorways.

The links with our Military Affiliates have been strengthened with Pavors spending time aboard HMS Argyll in April and additional opportunities to join the ship in Scottish waters in August. Pavors have also attended functions as guests of RAF 29R Squadron and 3rd Battalion Princess of Wales Royal Regiment, with further events and activities planned for later this year.

Following comments made at Common Hall and elsewhere progress has been made towards agreeing a specification and exploring opportunities for a possible permanent home for the Pavors. Somewhere, where we can meet informally, have an office and display our artefacts, but still retain our very strong links with Cutlers' Hall and continue to use the major Livery Halls for our formal dinners. Details of a property in the Old Charterhouse were circulated to Liverymen and following positive feedback the Court has given the go ahead to further explore and negotiate for this opportunity.

Despite the economic climate we expect to be able to maintain the level of Charitable and Educational giving this year. Events have been well attended and we continue to receive applications from well qualified and enthusiastic new members. The future looks bright.

Andrew Panter

ePaviors—have you registered on our website yet?



HMS Argyll Voyage

Paviors Voyage on HMS Argyll

Master Andrew Panter and Paviors with the Officers in the Ward-room on board HMS Argyll



On Saturday 11th April The Master and five Paviors arrived in Gibraltar to join our Affiliated Ship HMS Argyll at the request of her commanding officer Commander Peter Olive.

In the past various day trips and tours of the ship had been enjoyed by many of The Pavior's members but this was to be a unique opportunity for a few of us to see at first hand how an operational Royal Navy ship functions at sea.

The 3rd Royal Navy ship to bear the name, HMS Argyll is also the 3rd of the Royal Navy's Type 23 duke class frigates and was commissioned on 30 May 1991. She was built by Yarrow Shipbuilders in Glasgow to a revolutionary design with a superstructure shaped to minimize radar reflections and to make the ship as small as a fishing boat on the enemy's radar, and with engines so quiet as to be inaudible, HMS Argyll represents the latest in naval technology.

During our six-day voyage through the straits of Gibraltar, across the Bay of Biscay, and into the English Channel back to Devonport we were given unrestricted access to the ship as each of the officers proudly guided us through their particular discipline and department.

Each day on board brought a new experience, on our first full day at sea we were given a demonstration of how deadly a British Warship could be if attacked by a small vessel at close range, the ships crew firing the General Purpose Machine Gun (GPMG) at an imaginary target and making the sea boil with the Mini-Gun (Gatling Gun) firing 3000 rounds of ammunition a minute. Later in the week we were further impressed with another gunnery demonstration from the 20mm Cannon and the largest gun aboard, the 4.5 inch turret gun, both of which proved to be extremely loud as well as devastatingly accurate.

We then had an opportunity to demonstrate our own gunnery skills with small arms. A two foot long orange plastic buoy was towed behind the ship on 200 yards of rope and we were let loose with an SA80 Naval Assault Rifle with 900 rounds of ammunition, and the GPMG with 3000 rounds. Having discharged all of the ammunition the buoy was recovered and we found to our embarrassment that we had only hit it half a dozen times. In our defence the buoy was small and bobbing up and down in the wake of a ship travelling at 20 knots.

Other demonstrations were planned for each day we were aboard; we were shown what happens when a man is reported overboard, or in this case when 'Ruth' is thrown overboard. Ruth was an almost life like dummy in a Survival suit who was recovered by a Navy Diver, the ship having come about and retraced her steps. The powerful Sea Boat and its crew also recovered a Life Buoy that was also cast adrift in the same exercise.

I think for most of us the highlight of the trip was being taken up in the Ships Lynx helicopter by Flight Commander Becky Frater. Circling the ship we were able to take some fantastic photographs and then Becky completed our flight with a rollercoaster ride demonstrating the Lynx's incredible agility along with her considerable flying skills.



HMS Argyll en route—taken from the Lynx Helicopter



HMS Argyll Voyage



The Master takes aim with an SA80

Although our days were filled with lectures, demonstrations and tours of the various parts of the ship, in the evenings we were equally well looked after with dinner in the Senior Rates Mess or the Wardroom and on one evening the privilege of dining with the Captain who was an excellent and gracious host.

Our evenings of entertainment culminated in a 'Miss Argyll' competition where each of the ships four Mess's and the Wardroom entered a 'Lady' as their representative. Each contestant, in true Beauty Pageant tradition, had to make a presentation to the judges saying why they should be voted Miss Argyll, and then they displayed their singing talents by selecting a song from the Karaoke machine.

At this point in the proceedings, and assisted by a small amount of alcohol, the Pavior's entered the fray and took to the stage to render a version of Delilah that Tom Jones would have difficulty recognizing, however it was well received by the audience.

The Captain who in the spirit of the occasion took up the microphone and joined the 'Ladies' in a final Song presented the winning Miss Argyll with her Sash and instructed the poor recipient that he was to wear it whilst on duty the following day.

Earlier that day the ships crew had been assembled in the Helicopter Hanger to hear the Captain praise them for the successful mission they had just completed. Having made a presentation to one of the Chief Petty officers, who is to retire on the ships return to the UK, Commander Olive introduced The Master, Andrew Panter, who stepped forward and presented the Pavior's Award for the 'Best Seaman of 2009'.

The award consists of an engraved goblet and a cheque for the rating that has, in the CO's opinion, performed to an exceptional level of competence and professionalism during the year.

Every day at 10:00am the ship had a tea break, known as 'Stand Easy', this gave us an opportunity to meet and speak to the junior ratings as we were taken to a different Mess each day.

There are three Junior Rates Mess's on HMS Argyll, one with 39 members another with 29 and the smallest with 18. And they are all home to these sailors for the duration of their tour of duty and it is to make these places more home like that our Affiliation contribution to the Junior Rates Welfare Fund is directed.

Having spoken to the majority of the ratings aboard it was obvious that even though they are crammed into extremely small living quarters, they were all content that they had chosen the correct career, even those who had decided to leave the Navy in the near future were doing so not from any disillusionment or discontent but because, like in any profession, they thought it time to move on.

I think that I can speak for all of the Pavios who embarked on this trip, in saying that we were extremely well entertained and looked after wherever we were in the ship and the one outstanding thing we will all take



The Officers salute Devonport on their return

away from our short encounter with the Royal Navy is the consummate professionalism of all of the members of the crew from the Junior Ratings all the way up to the Captain.

Ian Pamplin

HMS Argyll Voyage Statistics:

Officers	20 (3 female)		
S/Rs	36	J/R's	99
Civilians	3 (2 chinese laundry men, 1 NAAFI manager)		
Total	158 (not including the 6 Pavios or the Parents and Children at Sea)		

The departments:

- XO - Rory West - head of the Executive Dept (very small) but also the head of the Heads of Departments (HODs).
- Warfare - Tim Davey - The Navigator, & Officers of the Watch work for Tim
- Marine Engineering - Harry Harrington
- Weapon Engineering - Dave Jones
- Logistics - Steve Forge
- Flight - Becky Frater (the flight have left now)

Passage from Gibraltar to Devonport was 1,253 nm (1,442 miles or 2,321 kms)

Fuel used: 35,000 litres

Aircraft fuel: 2,000 litres

16 rounds of 4.5" fired (large gun on the front)

900 rounds of 5.56mm fired (the mini gun and the rifles off the back end)

3,000 rounds 7.62mm fired (General Purpose Machine Gun (GPMG))

Eggs - 45 dozen Sausages - 57 Kg

Milk - 272 litres Potatoes - 710 Kg Baked beans - 48 Kg



Events—Spring Livery Dinner & Master’s Charity

Spring Livery Dinner

The Spring Livery Dinner was held in Vintners’ Hall on Upper Thames Street, with 131 Paviers and their Guests in attendance. This was a welcome return to an old, well appointed favourite. The Dinner was preceded by a meeting of the Court during which 3 new Liverymen were inducted (see Page 11 for their details).

Reverend Canon Bernard Metcalfe, our Chaplain, opened proceedings with one of his inimitable Graces, which was gratefully appreciated by all present.

The Toast to the Guests, which included three Masters of the Cordwainers, Chartered Surveyors, Makers of Playing Cards and their Clerks, was very ably undertaken by Assistant Ian Edwards. The response was by

Field Marshall, The Lord Bramall, who regaled us with a most amusing description of his travels through life. He is President of the Travellers Club currently. He also proposed the Toast to Our Master.

The Master, in his response, referred to the recent voyage that he and 5 other Paviers had made on the return from Gibraltar of HMS Argyll and how much they all had enjoyed the hospitality of one of Her Majesty’s working Frigates. During the evening Lt Commander Rory West, on behalf of the ship’s Captain, presented the Master with a memento of the voyage—one of the shell cases from firing the forward 4½” Turret Gun.

We were then treated to a great feast of singing by Eva Ganizate from the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. She and her piano accompanist were roundly congratulated by the assembled company.

An excellent evening of fine food, refreshments and entertainment was brought to a close by Anthony Yates, The Junior Liveryman, who proposed the Roots and Branch Toast to The Paviers.



Master receives memento from Lt Cmdr West



Eva Ganizate

Billy McCoubrey

Master’s Charity—Lord’s Taverners Minibus Presentation

Immediate Past Master Christopher Laing chose The Lord's Taverners as his preferred charity during his year of office. His target, to raise sufficient funds to purchase through the Lord's Taverners a mini-bus for a good cause.

I am pleased to report that on Thursday 23rd April last the Master Andrew Panter supported by Linda Bellingham (now starring in the Calendar Girls at the Noel Coward Theatre) presented a mini-bus to the head teacher of the Spa School, Bermondsey, SE London, Mr Simon Eccles (see bottom image).



Six pupils from the school, which provides for young people with autism, joined Mr Eccles and other members of staff at St Pauls for the presentation before adjourning to Cutlers' Hall for refreshments.

The mini-bus, sporting the Lord’s Taverners and the Paviers livery (as evidenced by Sue Illman in the upper image), replaces an aging vehicle, giving the school reliable transport for numerous outings already planned. Both staff and pupils were delighted with their new acquisition and thanked all parties for their contribution.

John White, Clerk





Master's Summer Event & Swimathon

Master's Summer Event



Paviors & Guests in the Garrick Club for a Reception and pre-Theatre Dinner

It was an early start for the Master's Summer Event at the Garrick Club, where seventy-six Paviors and their Guests enjoyed a reception and discourse on the history of the Garrick Club and its unique collection of Theatrical Art.

The Garrick Club was founded in 1831 under the patronage of the Duke of Sussex, the then King's brother, and included in its membership the crème de la crème of theatrical actors, sponsors and patrons, including David Garrick and Henry Irving.

The art collection arose largely from the private collections of Charles Matthews an actor of the early 19th Century. This collection of paintings and drawings was bought by Robert Durrant in 1835 and given to the Club. Some of the paintings are now unique descriptors of the costumes used in the theatre for the era and valued at up to £2 million in some cases..

What a splendid setting for the commencement of the evening. The Master revealed that we were all there at the invitation of his brother Howard Panter, who is a well known Member of the Club and Patron of the Arts., and his wife Rosemary who had made the detailed arrangements for the theatre.

After a truly delicious meal, the lamb was particularly so, we walked to the Prince Edward Theatre just 5 minutes away. Took our seats near the stage and settled down to experience a great musical interpretation of the life and times of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons. The show opened with a rather incongruous rock and roll number but quickly reverted to the sounds that were more familiarly those of the Jersey Boys.. The stage production was excellent, always different views and not staid in any degree. The actors were incredibly realistic, exactly as I remembered the Boys, and all our emotions were fully engaged. This show is excellent and is recommended for anyone who has not had the pleasure of enjoying it. A truly magnificent evening all round. Thanks to our Master for enabling so many of us to be there.

Billy McCoubrey

Swimathon 2009



The full Paviors' team and Master

As usual, Paviors made a splash at the Inter-Livery Charity Swimathon in the pool at the RAC Club in Epsom.

The average height and build of participants tends to be... average. Enter the last-minute substitute (James Laing had had to withdraw to the bar with an injury) to the Paviors' team: the 6'6" professional swimmer Mark Foster. Mark's breakthrough as a swimmer was when he won a bronze medal for 50 metres freestyle in the Commonwealth Games in Auckland in 1990. In the next few years he broke the World Short Course free-style record four times, the World Short Course butterfly record twice, and set the World Long Course butterfly record in 1996. At the opening ceremony of the 2008 Olympic Games, Mark Foster carried the flag for Great Britain at the Parade of Nations.

The lanes in the pool during the Swimathon are always crowded. Mark Foster's ingenious solution was to 'undertake' members of other teams by swimming under them! In a joint effort, the Paviors team made good time and were first in the bar before dinner in the main club-house. We were cheered on by the Master, Andrew Panter, and joined for dinner by Past Master David Laing.

To the credit of Sue Illman and the 2008 team, our Master, Andrew Panter, was able to receive the silver salver on behalf of the Paviors' Company for the largest amount of funds raised. Thanks go to this year's participants and sponsors - including everyone who made a donation at Common Hall. Funds raised in 2009 will go to the Lord Mayor's Appeal.



The Master receives the silver salver for most funds raised in the 2008 Swimathon

Alex Malmaeus



Master's Jolly 2009—Budapest

On Thursday 11th May a group of 40 Pavions and their Ladies met at Terminal Five at Heathrow to catch the plane to Budapest where we looked forward to enjoying the interesting itinerary that the Master and Mistress Pavior had prepared for us.

Having arrived at Budapest we set off by coach for the Corinthian Grand Hotel which was to be our base. We were met with a glass of champagne as we checked in and then having sorted ourselves out we set off for the Karpathia Restaurant. There we dined, entertained by a string quartet that could play music from every Continent. In particular they serenaded Past Master Peter Gell and his Lady, Jean, who were celebrating their 49th Wedding Anniversary. A particularly good way to end our first day.

On the Friday morning we set off for a coach tour around Pest which is the low lying part of the city on the East side of the Danube. This culminated in a cruise on a private launch on the river fortified by a glass of champagne. The views of both Buda and Pest were magnificent. Disembarking on the Buda side we went up the funicular railway to the Citadel area of Buda. There Monica our guide was determined that we should immediately have a tour around the Citadel but the Pavions had other ideas and voted with their feet for lunch first.

We had lunch at the Rivolda Restaurant a particularly fashionable restaurant which used to be a convent and more recently has been a haunt for actors from the nearby theatre. The wine list proved very interesting reading as can be seen from the following quotation:-

“The wine is a lush gift of a disappearing wine growing culture. The grapes which were grown close to the earth were given the sun’s sevenfold blessing and they show their gratitude for it”

After a free afternoon, when most of the Jolly visited the Fishermen’s Bastion, the party set off for the Budafok cellars for a wine tasting. The cellars were formed from 120kms of tunnels created by mining the stone for the building of Budapest. We toured the cellars and tasted a number of wines including a magnificent Tokai wine. We also saw the largest barrel in the world which weighed 18 tonnes empty with a maximum diameter of 5.6 metres.



The Jolly Group sampling wine at the Budafok Cellars, in front of the largest Wine Barrel in the world



The Chain Bridge from the Funicular Railway Terminus



Having a wonderful time at the Lazar Equestrian Park



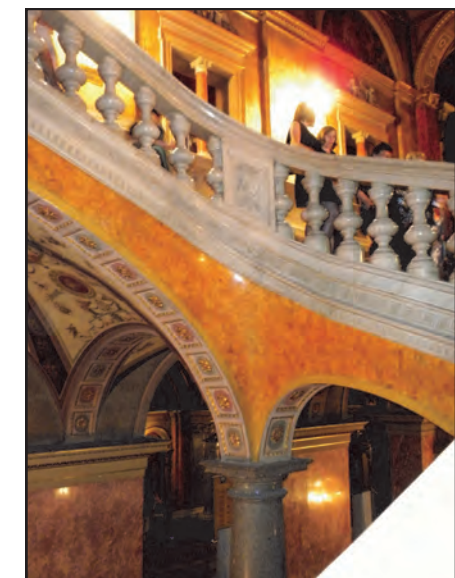
Cracking the whip



The Karpathia Restaurant Serenade



The Strudel Maker extraordinaire



Staircase at the Opera House

Then a short coach trip and so to dinner at the Gyorgy Villa. There again we were entertained by a quartet and also some folk dancers as well as a number of senior Pavions who demonstrated their folk dancing skills (or lack of them).

Saturday saw us heading for the Lazar Equestrian Park. The Lazar Brothers have won numerous carriage event prizes in Europe and indeed were planning to compete at Windsor this summer. The display was a stunning show of equestrian skills. During the show, Assistant Sue Illman, showed her prowess in cracking the whip! As we watched the display we were entertained by the Vac Youth Wind Band. The show ended with a ride on a horse drawn cart through some beautiful countryside with wonderful Acacia trees, some of which were absolutely covered in mistletoe.

After lunch we went back to Budapest and visited the Parliament Building, modelled on our own Houses of Parliament, and saw the Crown Jewels, the changing of the Guard and the Upper House Hall.

Next to the highlight of our trip - a visit to the State Opera House to see Tosca. Words cannot describe how beautiful the building is and the performance was stunning. It was very interesting to see the number of young people in the audience. A truly memorable evening.

Sunday morning saw us visiting the Hungarian Strudel House where Past Master Oliver Whitehead showed us his expertise in making Strudel Pastry.

Our final visit was to the pretty village of Szentendre where to be honest lunch seemed more important than sightseeing. After lunch there were a lot of worried looking Pavions as their Ladies went off seeking the bargains!

So the weekend came to an end. A group of very happy Pavions landed back safely at Heathrow, said their goodbyes and went their separate ways, having enjoyed a wonderful and interesting weekend.

John Price



Visits—Stonor Park and Heron Tower

Luncheon Club Outing to Stonor Park

On 11th June the Paviors Luncheon Club held their annual “Day in the Country” and this year it was a visit to Stonor Park in Oxfordshire. It is the home of Lord and Lady Camoys and was opened exclusively for our visit. Thirty-seven members, spouses and friends attended including the Master and four Past Masters. We all arrived in fine weather at 10.30am for coffee in the Old Hall followed by conducted tours of the house and the gardens and, of course, lunch.

The house, set in a hidden fold of the Chilterns, dates from about 1280 when it consisted of a hall, solar, buttery and chapel. By about 1350 a new hall, parlour and chaplains rooms had been added. In the 18th century Sir Fran-

cis Stonor created the brick façade that we see today in front of the medieval timber framed structures which still remain embedded in the interior of the house. The result is a fascinating home that proudly tells the history of the Stonor family who have lived in it for 850 years. Our excellent guides were able to bring the fascinating history of the house, the contents and the Stonor family to life with their detailed knowledge and their anecdotes.

For the first 400 years the family prospered from the sheep and wool trade and a propensity for achieving high office and making good marriages. Things changed with the Reformation. The Stonors were recusants. They held firmly to the old religion, refusing to take the Oath of Supremacy and as a result suffered much hardship, danger and deprivation until the Catholic Emancipation Act of 1829. We visited the secret room in the roof where the martyred Edmund Campion spent time in hiding. Stonor is one of only three places in England where Mass has been celebrated without a break. After 1829 the family prospered again until the 1890’s agricultural depression which forced the sale of most of the large estate. The present Lord Camoys and his wife set about the restoration of the house and grounds after saving the house from sale in 1975.

We enjoyed an extremely pleasant lunch served in the Old Hall and followed this with a tour of the gardens led by the newly appointed Kew-trained head gardener. One of his aims is to strengthen the “borrowed landscape” relationship of the garden with the superb surrounding Chiltern countryside. One way this has been achieved is to create informality by allowing the grass in some lawn areas to grow tall with swathes of mown pathways. Red Kites circling overhead added another dimension to the magnificent setting.

A final cup of tea and some lengthy farewells brought a very successful day to its conclusion at about 4.30pm.



Luncheon Club Members at Stonor Park

Technical Visit to Heron Tower

Phillip Anderson

A technical visit was held, on 4th June, which comprised thirteen Paviors, including The Master, meeting at Broad Street House to get a presentation of the new Heron Tower currently under construction at Broadgate, London.

Steve Evans, Development Director Heron Corporation, outlined the design concept and the current construction position. Heron Tower is a £500 million, 46 story high building. The overall height will be 246 m (807ft) including the antenna/spire, with a roof height of 202.5 m (664 ft). It is due for completion in 2011.

The current construction had reached floor 22 with the third of 3 basement floors nearing completion. This means that the building erection is just over halfway. Skanska are the main Contractors for this very impressive building.

We then went to the Tower site offices and kitted out in full protective clothing before being shown over the building by Skanska members. We ascended to the 12th floor (by work lift fortunately) and inspected the works on foot right down to the bottom basement. Each of the floors were having the electrical and mechanical services installed and the external cladding was being applied (ahead of schedule). The cladding on the NW corner is covered with photo-electric cells which will be used to generate 50 Kwatts of power for use in the building itself.

The basements were constructed from the top down by excavating earth from within the circular piled walls. The bottom floor was being prepared for the final pours of concrete as we watched.

Afterwards the party adjourned to the nearby City University Club where an excellent luncheon was enjoyed by all. A first class experience all round.

Billy McCoubrey



Inspecting the works on the third basement down



Paviors Family Fun Day at Amberley



Dedication of Sculpture by IHT & Paviors



The drum and the completed spiral curve

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the opening of the first UK Motorways and the Paviors Annual Fun Day at Amberley Working Museum reflected this by arranging motorway related celebrations in conjunction with the Institution of Highways and Transportation.

The Paviors and IHT had previously joined in sponsoring replacement Audio-Visual equipment for the Paviors Road-makers Pavilion and the fruits of this were shown for the first time in the Pavilion. It looked very good indeed. More software will be added in due course.

A programme of events had been drawn up by Liveryman Len Parker and with his team of willing volunteers a great day ensued for the many children and visitors present. These included a modern paver kindly loaned by Lafarge, and a roller in steam, provided by the Museum, traversing the site showing the 50 years advances in technology.

Events for the children included a rolling straight edge (the Yellow Submarine) demonstration, digital projection presentations on the history of motorways, and setting out a spiral by firstly using a grid and then by the quicker method utilising a 45 gallon drum and some rope. The children, both young and older thoroughly enjoyed these experiences. Indeed it was hard to prise some of the volunteers away. A moving re-dedication ceremony was held when the Paviors' Chap-

lain, Reverend Canon Bernard Metcalfe, held a Service of Dedication for the Sculpture Memorial to Nigel Knott in its new location at Amberley. Maureen Knott, wife of Nigel, and her family circle were present throughout the Service, and it was great renewing old acquaintances. I must say that the location chosen by the Museum is most suitable, being secluded and yet visible for visitors.

All in all an excellent day's fun and education. Many thanks to Len Parker and his volunteers for their hard work and great programme. Even the weather was clement!

Billy McCoubrey

Wine Circle and Glasses

Most Paviors who attend livery dinners drink the wine – with the exception, of course, of our Honourable Clerk – but how many of us, while pouring the gentle nectar down our throats, give much attention to the glass we are drinking from? That said, this Pavior recalls an embarrassing moment at one dinner when the Loving Cup was so designed, it tended to direct the wine over my shirt rather than into my mouth.

Back to glasses. The Wine Circle met to assess the claim of a glass manufacturer that the shape of the glass affected the taste of the wine. The representative from the Riedel Company, renowned for the quality of its Austrian made wine glasses, presented four wines, sauvignon blanc, chardonnay, pinot noir and syrah.

We were invited to sample each wine from glasses specially designed for each particular grape variety against a standard type of glass. General scepticism soon changed to genuine astonishment as each specific glass enhanced the bouquet and, yes, even the taste of the wine.

Martin Turner of Riedel explained how the various grape varieties played on the different sensory taste buds in



Paviors Wine Circle at Dinner in the Library, The Travellers Club

the mouth. Ranging from the clean purity of the sauvignon blanc and the pinot noir to the more chunky oak aged chardonnay and syrah, the specific design of every glass brought each characteristic to the fore. This was achieved by a very thorough scientific design process encompassing bowl shapes, the extent the glass turned in at the rim, the overall size of the bowl and even the length of stem. Totally convinced and refreshed, the Paviors and their guests then moved upstairs to the classically elegant Library at the Travellers Club where, with a three course meal, we were able to sample two more wines using the special Riedel glasses.

The point had definitely been made.

John Cruise



Paviors' Charitable Giving

Charitable Giving for 2008/2007

BENEFICIARY	DONATED 2008	DONATED 2007
<u>AWARDS FROM CHARITY TRUST FUNDS</u>		
<i>INDUSTRY RELATED RECIPIENTS</i>		
Construction Industry Youth Trust	10,000	1,000
RedR (Institution of Civil Engineers)	1,000	1,000
Lighthouse Benevolent Fund	1,000	1,000
Amberley Museum	1,000	1,000
Ironbridge Museum	500	500
Sub-total	13,500	4,500
<i>MILITARY AFFILIATES</i>		
3 rd Battalion Princess of Wales Royal Regiment	1,000	1,500
HMS Argyll	1,000	1,000
Sub-total	2,000	2,500
<i>CITY RELATED RECIPIENTS</i>		
Guildhall Library	300	300
St Paul's (United Guilds Service)	250	200
St Martin within Ludgate	700	700
Starlight Children's Foundation	2,050	500
Sub-total	3,300	1,700
<i>EDUCATION AWARDS</i>		
City & Guilds of London	1,000	1,000
Imperial College Laing Award	1,000	1,000
Pavior's Lecture	1,156	897
Birmingham Bursaries and Travel Grant	5,000	5,000
Nottingham Bursary	5,000	5,000
Guildhall School of Music Bursary	1,500	1,500
Sheriff's & Recorder's Fund	1,000	1,000
Downs Syndrome Educational Trust	500	-
Sub-total	16,156	15,397
<i>MEDALS AND AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE</i>		
Institute Asphalt Technology prizes	1,106	900
Pavior's Award 2008	275	1,138
Pavior's Medal 2008	143	89
Physics prizes	200	200
Sub-total	1,724	2,327
TOTAL	36,680	26,424
Administration	2200	1,700
TOTAL FROM CHARITY FUNDS	38,880	28,124
<u>OTHER AWARDS FROM THE LIVERY</u>		
Master's Charity	1,250	1,250
Lord Mayor's Appeal	7,000	2,750
Golfers' Chosen Charities	50,000	40,000
Sub-total	58,250	44,000
TOTAL LIVERY GIVING	97,130	72,124

The beneficiaries of the Company's Charitable Giving for the last 2 years have been itemised.

The Company's policy was changed at the beginning of 2008 so that 100% of members' contributions plus the income generated from investments would be made available for distribution by the Charity Committee. That policy is due for review at the end of 2010. In addition there are amounts raised from other events such as the Swimathon, the Luncheon Club Christmas Raffle and, from 2009, the 200 Club proceeds. In aggregate the total amounts to around £40,000.

In 2006, Liveryman Keith Lambert initiated a major fund-raising event through the Golf Society which now raises an additional £50,000 or so. The proceeds of this are distributed to Charities in consultation with the Master of the day.

2009 will probably see a similar list of recipients. There will be the addition of our new Military Affiliate - RAF 29R Squadron. Under Educational Awards we intend to move towards prizes, replacing some bursaries, so that more students will benefit. In addition we intend to work more with associated bodies such as the Institution of Highways and Transportation.

George Chapman



The Company's Treasures: The Lord Courtauld-Thompson Loving Cup.

The silver-gilt loving cup was presented to the Company by Lord Courtauld-Thompson in 1938 and is one of the few pieces of silver that was not given by a Master.

Lord Courtauld-Thompson only became a liveryman in 1938, but he was Chairman of the Limmer & Trinidad Lake Asphalt Company Ltd, who did so much to support the Paviors Company, effectively providing five Masters and many liverymen during the 20th Century.

The loving cup and lid carry London hallmarks, dating them to 1775. Sadly, the maker's stamp is difficult to read and further research is needed to identify the craftsman. The cup is engraved with the Company crest and also what are believed to be the arms of the Courtauld-Thompson family. Originally, it may have had a "crystal base", but this has disappeared. It was designed in the classic "Grecian" style of the late 18th Century and ranks as one of the Company's most attractive pieces.

Ian Dussek



New Members & Obituary

6 New Members

LIVERYMEN
Admitted 23rd April, 2nd July 2009



Gordon Morrison
Chairman
Chaldean

Anthony Yates
Solicitor
Trowers & Hamilton



Anthony Carson
Managing Director
Tec Consulting (Holdings) Ltd



Matthew Cripps
Business Development
Manager
Lorne Stewart PLC

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Sponsor—**Daniel Rowe**

Sponsor—**Ralph Wilson**

Sponsor—**Pat Churchard**



William Merry
Business Development
Director
Balfour Beatty
Sponsor—**John Dance**



Sean Yeo
Construction Insurance
Broker
Aston Scott Ltd
Sponsor—**Keith Lambert**

Hon Freeman Carl Fergusson



At the meeting of the Court in Cutlers' Hall, on 2nd July 2009, Carl Fergusson was admitted as an Honorary Freeman.

He was awarded the 2008 Paviers

Medal for Excellence for his specialist knowledge in the field of asphalt technology, and delivery of some of the most logistically challenging and innovative asphalt projects in the UK.

Obituary—Sir Kirby Laing

Deceased Sunday 12th April 2009. William Kirby Laing was born on 21st July 1916, the elder son of John and Beatrice Laing, and was educated initially at St Lawrence College, Ramsgate, and then went up to Emmanuel College, Cambridge. He and his brother Maurice were brought up to appreciate the family's business and its religious beliefs. They joined their father's business and together comprised a formidable partnership.

When war came Kirby was persuaded to stay with the company on essential war work and immediately became a director of John Laing. He succeeded however in convincing his father to release him to serve in the Royal Engineers for the last 2 years of the war.

By the end of the war the company, John Laing, had grown enormously as a result of the wartime construction of airfields and other military establishments, and they joined in the servicing of the post-war housing boom. John Laing, recognising that the boom would not last forever, decided to diversify both at home and overseas. Work in this era included the first nuclear power station at Berkeley and the rebuilding of Coventry Cathedral—better known in the firm as "The Power and the Glory". In the late 1950s the firm built the first inter-urban section of the M1, completing it on time and to budget, averaging a mile every 8 days, no mean feat for the first series of contracts of this type!

Kirby Laing concentrated on the building side of the business; Maurice ran the construction company. Kirby lived for a short time in both South Africa and Canada overseeing major expansion of the company abroad. He retired from the Chairmanship of John Laing in 1976 and took up chairmanship of Laing Properties. The companies split in 1978 in anticipation of a Labour victory at the polls with their manifesto's stated intention to nationalise large industries. He joined the Worshipful Company of Paviers in 1957 and was a very active Pavior becoming Master in 1987.

Sir Kirby was a highly respected, admired figure and an outstanding leader of the industry being President and Chairman of the NFBTE and NJC as well as the Institution of Civil Engineers and authored several technical papers.

He was a keen fly fisherman and loved growing orchids. He married Joan Bratt in 1939, who died in 1981, and secondly Dr Isobel Lewis in 1986. He was knighted in 1968. His second wife and three sons from his first marriage, Sir Martin, David and Christopher, all now Past Masters of the Paviers, survive him.

A memorial service will be held on Tuesday 1st September 2009 at St Margarets, Westminster.

John Lelliott





Golfer's Jottings and Forthcoming Events

Golfer's Jottings

To all golfers, may I recommend Letham Grange Golf Club, particularly the Championship course (the Augusta of the north) located approximately 5 miles to the west of Arbroath, Scotland. Adjacent to the Championship course is a second course the Glens which is slightly shorter but still extremely challenging particularly the last 4 holes.

Looking over the courses is a magnificent manor house offering acceptable overnight accommodation and dining.

Further information can be obtained from me or Court Assistant Ian Lumsden who has an interest in the Club.



The Augusta of the North

John White

Forthcoming Events 2009	
Tues 1 Sept	Paviers Golf Society Captain's Day, Ashridge G C
Thurs 3 Sept	Luncheon Club Dinner, Traveller's Club
Sun 6 Sept	Livery Halls Charity Walk, London
Thurs 24 Sept	Annual Banquet, Mansion House
Tues 29 Sept	Election of Lord Mayor
Thurs 1 Oct	Paviers Golf Society Autumn Meeting, St Georges Hill
Tues 6 Oct	Luncheon Club Luncheon, TBA
Fri 30 Oct	Paviers Golf Society Winter Meeting, Tandridge G C
Wed 4 Nov	Luncheon Club Luncheon (Members only), Guildhall
Wed 11 Nov	Paviers Wine Circle, Alsace Wine Tasting, David Ling, TBA
Sat 14 Nov	Lord Mayor's Show
Thurs 26 Nov	Autumn Livery Dinner, Fishmongers' Hall
Mon 14 Dec	Luncheon Club Christmas Dinner, Cutlers' Hall
Tues 19 Jan 2010	Common Hall and Dinner, TBA

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