



City Consorts

## CITY CONSORTS E-BULLETIN

Dear Member,

It was good to see so many consorts on Monday either at Common Hall or attending lunches afterwards. Common Hall is held twice a year; in June (on the closest working day Midsummer Day) to elect the Sheriffs, Ale Conners, Bridgemasters and Treasurer and again in September (on the closest working day Michaelmas Day) to elect the Lord Mayor. Only those Liverymen on the Livery register may vote, this is updated yearly, so new Liverymen must wait a year or more before they are eligible to attend. If you are not a member of a Livery Company and would like any advice, do speak to one of us.

**We have a couple of events before the summer break, and others in September coming online.**

**18<sup>th</sup> July - Tea & Coffee in the City Guided Walk.** Tea and coffee were part of the fabric of the City of London in the 18th and 19th Centuries. One was big business and the other fuelled both the business and the businessmen. The current Lord Mayor has recognised the importance of these institutions to the City with the introduction of Coffee Colloquies which aim to promote connections that help address the leading issues of the day. City Consorts thought we would explore where it all began and invite you to join City Guide Jill Finch on a walk around the Square Mile to look at just how important and high profile the City's caffeine fix was - with some history and stories on the way. The tour will start at 11.00am at St Botolph without Aldgate (almost next door to Aldgate tube station) and will take approximately 2 hours finishing at about 1.00pm near Bank Station/Royal Exchange. Following the tour we will have an informal lunch (venue to be confirmed) for those who wish to join us. Last few places available.

**22<sup>nd</sup> July – Treasure Hunt / City Walk followed by Informal Supper.** Guests, friends & family welcome, to this joint event with WCIT Livery.

**3<sup>rd</sup> September – Old Bailey Tour & Optional Supper at Haz afterwards:** Shrieval Consort Gary Langley is hosting a tour of Old Bailey, his home for the past year. Come for a unique behind the scenes tour of this iconic building and working Court.

**Jigsaw Program:** The next 6-week program 'Jigsaw – preparation for being a consort' starts on 25<sup>th</sup> September. Sessions are on Zoom and start at 9.30am lasting for about an hour. Please book on the website in the usual way and you can view the whole program [here](#). Join us for the whole program, or just catch up on a session you have previously missed or want a refresher. If you know anyone who may like to attend and they are not yet a member, encourage them to join so they still have time to sign up.

### **Save the Date:**

8<sup>th</sup> October - AGM and Anniversary lunch at Wax Chandlers' Hall.

**These and other events can be viewed and booked [here](#):** You need your website password to access the booking forms.

**Membership Renewals:** Our membership year runs from 1st July to 30th June, anyone who joined before 1st May 2024 will shortly receive a link to renew your membership. The renewal fee remains unchanged at £15.00.

**Name Badges:** If you do not have a name badge, please let me know. We hand them out at events, by arrangement, they can either be collected from me at Saddlers' Hall or dropped off at another Livery Halls or events.

**Members' Directory:** To view the directory click [here](#): Have you checked you are included and if your details correct. If you would like to be added, amend, update or remove any details this is easy by completing a new form. The information pulls directly from your form and this includes any spelling mistakes.

**Members Pin Brooch:** Our pin brooch is suitable for men and women equally, it is available to purchase for £84. Details and order form [here](#):

**Facebook:** We have a closed Facebook site for members to post their pictures, news and ask questions of a friendly group. The site is primarily for City and Livery postings, anything relevant to the Livery is welcomed, its people, halls, charity, military affiliations etc. Please post pictures from your events. If you are not signed up and would like to, please search for City Consorts Society. If you can't find it, just ask and we will send you details.

We hope to see you soon.

Kind Regards

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