



A message from the new Master

Dr Kevin Bond



Dr. Kevin Bond

Becoming the Master of the Water Conservators is a significant high point in my life so far. It is of course the very pinnacle in terms of the Company.

The good work of previous Masters which have done so much to establish our Livery status must be built upon and in my year as Master

I look forward to ensuring further progress is made.

I hope we will continue to broaden our outlook and so extend our membership and influence across the wider environmental industry.

It is important that we keep moving forwards and that we become the

organisation of choice for decision-makers in our sector. On the 'business' side, the Company should continue to grow, to be open to fresh thinking, new ideas and be transparent in all our activity.

At the same time, as a Worshipful Company we must also ensure that we continue to provide a

comfortable and friendly atmosphere containing a supportive network of likeminded individuals who understand the pressures of working at a senior level.

Looking ahead personally, I am particularly looking forward to working with my new wardens :- Marion Carter, the Thames Warden David Jones, the Fleet Warden and Peter Cook, the Walbrook Warden.



Dr Marion Carter

I shall be welcoming new members from a cross section of the environmental industry. The Annual Dinner is always a very enjoyable occasion and it is a rare chance for our partners to share in the many friendships that exist.



Mr David Jones

I know I will also enjoy spending time with our many Livery Associations – especially our affiliation with the Royal Naval survey vessel, HMS Scott, where I shall carry on the role of ambassador.

To conclude, I know I will enjoy my service as Master and my overall message to all members is to do likewise – to participate and be rewarded by the many valuable friendships to be made within the Water Conservators.



About the new the new Master

Kevin Bond until recently was director of the Police Standards Unit, a division of the Home Office tasked with step changing police performance as part of the Reform Agenda for policing. He had held this post since January 2002.

A politics graduate of Liverpool University, Kevin also holds a MSc in criminal justice management from Michigan State University, USA and a PhD in business studies from Aston Business School.

Having spent 18 years in the police service with West Mercia, Warwickshire and the West Midlands forces; in 1990 Kevin joined the National Rivers Authority and was appointed as Chief Executive in 1995.

From 1995-2000, he was Chief Executive of Kelda plc (formerly known as Yorkshire Water), before becoming President/Managing Director of the European division of Earth Technologies Inc, which designs, builds and operates a wide range of infrastructure projects including water treatment works, roads and airports.



About the new Walbrook Warden

After 5 years as a director with Anglian Water/AWG, Peter Cook recently returned to the life of an independent management consultant, creating Peter Cook Consultancy Limited.



Mr Peter Cook

He has been in the international water industry since 1965 and has worked for consulting engineers, process contractors and water service companies as well as previously being a successful independent consultant between 1989 and 1998.

He has lived in Italy, Saudi Arabia and New Zealand. He is fluent in Italian and has a good working knowledge of French.

Peter Cook gained his BSc (Hons) in civil engineering at the University of Leeds and his MSc at the University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

He is a member of the National Council of the Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management, a member of the Management Committee and Council of the European Water Association and a member of the International Advisory Panel of the Engineering Council (UK).

Peter and his wife Sue have two adult children - a daughter, married to a Frenchman, with two young children living and working in France and a son living in London. He aspires to be a good golfer.



Deputy Master's Report 2002/2003

Having now passed the Mastership of your Company for 2003/04 into Kevin Bond's safe hands, ably supported by his Wardens; this short note reports back on achievements made and initiated during my year.

Our twin themes for the year were:-

- increasing City and other relevant influencers' awareness of what we do and its vital importance to everyone's economic as well as personal "health and well being"
- improved business processes for our company, notably our overall governance and its clarity

Considering each:

Raising awareness

This role is, and must remain, at the heart of our activities, at least for the next decade as the local and global consequences of climate change and other environmental consequences of modern living bite yet deeper. This focus continues the historic Livery role of ensuring the wider awareness of the benefits any particular "Guild or Livery" brings to its community. Those benefits are reinforced by charitable giving and activities such as relevant sponsorship. Last, but certainly not least, the ensuring of a sound platform of common understanding amongst ourselves is

essential. Supported by memorable, interesting 'FACTS', encapsulating the value of what we do helps the effectiveness of our awareness raising. A final copy of the AWARENESS RAISING FACTS document modified in the light of other's inputs is being mailed to every member of the Company.

Our range of Company events, designed as they are for mutual pleasure and benefit, facilitate such awareness raising; indeed they embody our wider company role of "pleasure with a purpose". Using interesting, pithy information about our activities we get the great satisfaction of seeing the surprised and positive reactions of often prominent people when they realise how impoverished everyone's lives would be without what we collectively provide.

This year has also seen us take part in international awareness raising via our presentation at the "Water 2002 and Beyond" Conference for 300 delegates at the Royal Geographical Society. The Conference outputs formed part of the UK Government's inputs to the Kyoto Summit earlier this year.

Governance and clarity

Whilst some Livery Companies are, of course, very small in financial metrics such as turnover, they are much more significant in terms of their impact and reach of members. This underlines the need, as Gavyn Arthur, this year's Lord Mayor, reinforced in his address to Masters of all the Livery Companies, that modern governance of Livery Companies was crucial. He correctly saw this as fundamental to the Livery remaining vibrant and relevant, rather than their becoming merely interesting historical anachronisms,

such as is now generally the case in the remainder of near Europe. A clear programme of business process improvement has been determined, committed to, and is being progressed to improve governance. More clearly defining our processes, associated procedural requirements and accountabilities is at the heart of these improvements.

Diary Highlights

Turning to highlights from my diary for the year, details appended, I'd like to context these particular listed activities with a few more general comments.

The Dinner or Luncheon invitations from other Masters, which form the majority of formal events attended, offer great opportunities to raise awareness of our Company and activities. For instance, the responses to raising awareness of London's future flooding threats, as the impacts of climate seriously reduce the Barrier's defensive capabilities by 2030, has ranged from disbelief through to even humour and near anger that no one had warned them it was predicted. The second of our City lectures, on the topic of flood risk in 2004, within Kevin's environmental theme, should thus 'hit the spot' as the consequential future risk and insurance issues are communicated.

City processes such as elections, support for T S Scott at Maidstone and our continuing successful river racing events, together with Court and Committee Meetings, account for most of the remaining activities.

The 'Water Forget Me Not', our Thames Cutter, was also recently successful on the Tyne in beating the Cutter from the Company of Watermen, as part of the University Regatta, see picture. A very full and

and entertaining weekend at Ironbridge, as guests of the Museum Trust (70 Masters attending), and an earlier visit to the Black Country Living Museum (over 20 Masters attending), each provided further opportunities for pleasure as well as the opportunity to raise awareness especially the water and environmental issues emanating from those cradles of the Industrial Revolution.

I am hugely grateful to a large number of colleagues who supported me and our activities throughout the year, a period which also reinforced for me the opportunity we have as a modern Company to really make an impression on the wider Livery – the challenges to our services from 20th and 21st Century living, along with their being truly ‘Vital for Life’ give us a wonderful opportunity to reinforce our worth.

Gerald P Noone, MBE
Deputy Master



Past Master's Events
2002/20023

July 2002

- * Installation Court Lunch
- * Conservancy Day – Mansion House – Presentation of Jug of Thames Water to Lord Mayor
- * Golden Jubilee Garden Party – Buckingham Palace

August 2002

- * Stockholm Conference – Paper representing Company

September 2002

- * Great River Race
- * Michaelmas Court Lunch
- * Tax Advisors Thanks Giving Service and Dinner
- * Guild of Pilots and Navigators Dinner
- * Election of Lord Mayor

October 2002

- * Trafalgar Night Dinner
- * Scientific Instrument Makers' Dinner
- * Master's Dinner
- * Royal Geographical Society Conference – “Water 2002 and Beyond” (Speaking for Company)

November 2002

- * Annual Dinner
- * Lord Mayor's Address
- * Hackney Carriage Drivers' Dinner
- * Royal Geographical Society' Dinner

December 2002

- * Carols at St Michaels and Supper – Joint with Fuellers'
- * Christmas Court Lunch

January 2003

- * Ceremonial Court & Myddleton Lunch
- * Company of Engineers' Dinner

February 2003

- * Constructors' Dinner
- * 2nd Liveable City Awards – Mansion House

March 2003

- * Modern Companies' Dinner
- * United Guild Service and Lunch

April 2003

- * Master Mariners' Election Court Lunch
- * CIWEM Annual Dinner
- * Feltmakers' Spring Livery Dinner
- * World Traders' Tacitus Lecture
- * Election Court/Lunch
- * Watermen's St George's Day Lunch
- * Engineers' Installation and Awards Livery Dinner –

May 2003

- * Sabre London Reception – Mansion House

- * Brewers' Dinner
- * Boat Race on the Tyne
- * 349th Festival of the Sons of the Clergy – St Pauls
- * City Livery Companies visit to Black Country Museum and dinner

June 2003

- * Election of the Sheriffs
- * Water Foresight Conference – Manchester (Speaking for Company)
- * RAE Summer Soiree – Loughborough University

July 2003

- * Installation Court Lunch



The Society for the Environment

Environmentalists seek full professional status

With a fair wind and your support, there is a good chance that we will all witness a huge step forward in the evolution of professional standards for the protection and enhancement of our environment. The new Society for the Environment (SocEnv) will be the catalyst.

This summer, the Privy Council will be considering a Petition from the Society for the Environment for a Royal Charter. If granted this will represent real recognition of the vital work of environmental practitioners and of a maturing profession – recognition which is long overdue. The granting of a Royal Charter will enable the Society to award the new qualification of Chartered Environmentalist with the designatory letters, CEnv.

The Society was launched by

Baroness Young at the Environment Agency's Annual Conference in October 2002 after more than two years of hard work that brought together ten founding environmental institutions and learned societies. Eight of these bodies became the first official members of the Society when it was legally incorporated in the spring of 2003. Each of these bodies (known as Constituent Bodies) will retain its unique identity and remain a centre of excellence within its field.

So, why has this initiative been taken? To achieve a sustainable future we all know that we have to re-think our lifestyles and behave differently; be it at home, work or play. Sustainability is about the integration of environmental, social, and economic components of our lives and finding ways in which we can advance civilization without destroying natural diversity and depleting scarce natural resources. It is about low impact but not low output.

But some of us have additional responsibilities - because we work in the natural environment, we exploit natural resources and serve the wider community. The way that environmental practitioners behave is not only important in its own right - it also serves as an example to all regardless of social, cultural or professional status. Individual responsibility has a major role to play; ultimately, even great corporate decisions are formulated and driven by individuals.

In recent history, the role of individuals at work has been enhanced by professional institutions. Such institutions provide opportunities to learn through formal programmes and enable the sharing of experiences. In doing so, they have become recognised as centres of excellence

in their fields of endeavour. Institutions can therefore play a leading role in adding the dimension of learning about sustainability to the professional development of their members, regardless of such members' professional interests or disciplines. They can also provide fora in which issues of sustainability can be discussed and debated with a wider audience.

The founding institutions and learned societies of the Society for the Environment are primarily focussed on the well being of the environment and have each considered how they might play an even more positive role in sustainable environmental management and development - a key component of our progress towards sustainability. They have concluded that the best way to make a positive contribution is by working in synergy. This demonstrates a very important virtue of sustainable development - co-operation. Such co-operation has resulted in the establishment of the Society for the Environment.

The reasoning behind this initiative, though, is more than just a natural agglomeration of professional bodies sharing common aims and co-operating to share a single qualification. It is about professionals working in harmony towards common goals that are self-evident, for the common good and valued by the wider community. The aim is to establish a respected and well organised profession of environmentalists, be they academics, consultants, regulators, utility managers, engineers, scientists, lawyers, planners, accountants, communicators or any combinations of employment and profession. To do so is essential to the future of our environment and well-being. The Society will be unique as it encourages members of its Constituent Bodies not only to be

environmentalists but also to be active in other professions, helping to embed the goal of sustainable environmental management in all professional activities and practices.

To become a Chartered Environmentalist an individual must maintain full membership of a Constituent Body and demonstrate (through qualifications and experience) competence, knowledge and engagement in sustainable environmental management and development. Such demonstration will include a rigorous Professional Review and will be assessed against a clear syllabus of learning.

The Society will provide an independent forum for debate for all - reflecting its inclusive nature. Where there is no consensus, it will publish a range of views. The Society will actively promote innovation and inspiration in tackling the huge environmental problems that exist.

So understanding the special responsibility of the initiative and harnessing the energy of the inspiration has provided the driver to bring together and carry forward the work of the founding institutions and learned societies. The Society has begun its technical work already, although the main focus since its launch has been the preparation of the Petition to the Privy Council for a Royal Charter. The Society is also focussed on preparing to begin awarding the first Chartered Environmentalist designations at the end of 2003 with eligible individuals being able to take advantage of a 'Grandparenting' process during 2004.

The message is getting out and many other professional bodies are

keen to join the Society in due course. They understand that the dynamics of preparing the Petition to the Privy Council would not be best served by the entry of a substantial cadre of new Constituent Bodies at this critical time. Such bodies will be invited to join formally, subject to satisfying the entry criteria, as soon as the Society has completed this current preparatory phase. The Society has also developed the concept of Associate Body status for those organisations that wish to be part of the wider vision, but for whom the formal qualification of Chartered Environmentalist is inappropriate.

The business planning process has been challenging. The Society could not predict interest or income until it had clearly defined its products and services. Such services will ensure that every member of every Constituent Body feels engaged with the Society, even if he or she does not aspire to become a Chartered Environmentalist.

Although the Society now has a clear idea of what the opportunities and costs will be, it is still developing a model for its fees and charges. For the time being indicative figures for planning purposes are: a Joining Fee for a Constituent Body of £2,000 with an Annual Fee of £100; a Chartered Environmentalist registration fee of £50 initially (for joining and the first year's fee) and £25 per year thereafter. The conduct of the Professional Review process will be delegated to the Constituent Bodies, subject to a rigorous quality assurance audit. Constituent Bodies may also levy an administration fee for managing this process, although any such fee should be kept to a reasonable minimum.

So, back to the first words - you can

play your part in this defining moment for the environmental profession by giving your support during this critical period of consultation.

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- Current Constituent Bodies:
- Chartered Institution of Wastes Management (CIWM)
 - Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management (CIWEM)
 - Institution of Agricultural Engineers (IAgrE)
 - Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management (IEEM)
 - Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA)
 - Institution of Environmental Sciences (IES)
 - Institute of Fisheries Management (IFM)
 - Institution of Water Officers (IWO)

Dr Peter Matthews
Liveryman



Treatment Trip

Some pupils from year nine of Bower Park School in Romford, Essex, enjoyed the hospitality of Thames Water, when they visited Coppermills Water Treatment Works in July.



Bower Park School Visit

The sun shone and they had a great day out. They were shown around by three enthusiastic and knowledgeable guides from Thames.

The pupils are involved in the Water Conservator's "Pupil's Prizes" scheme. It is hoped that the visit will raise their awareness of water conservation issues, when they come to complete their projects.



Inspecting a treatment tank

This particular visit was arranged through the Conservators by Court Assistant Ian Staniforth and was part of the Company's development of school liaison. If a Company member wishes to find out more about our Pupil's Prizes scheme or is happy to liaise and make arrangements for such visits, please contact the Clerk, or Court Assistant Jeff Rasbash.



Another presentation

Founder Master Mike McDowell presented the Company Pupil prizes to pupils of Coaley Primary School in Gloucestershire. The winners were Megag Sirett, 10, Michael Randall, 11 and Christopher Whincup, 11. They were given their certificates at the school.



Founder Master McDowell with the prize-winners



EVENTS 2003

Great River Race
River Thames
6th September 2003

Michaelmas Court/Lunch
Tallow Chandler' Hall
24th September 2003

Election of Lord Mayor
Guildhall
29th September 2003

Annual Dinner
Skinners' Hall
6th November 2003

Lord Mayor's Show
City of London
8th November 2003

Carol Service
All Hallows Church
3rd December 2003

Myddleton Lunch
Mansion House
29th January 2004

Election Court Lunch
TBA
15th April 2004

Flood Risk Management Lecture
Institute of Electrical Engineers
3rd June 2004

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OBITUARY

Eric George Cressey

10th May 1928 – 27th July 2003.

Eric Cressey was a consummate professional and was certainly one of the "good guys".

Eric was one of the founding members of the Company, and he gave many years of his life to active participation in CIWEM. Ten years ago, in February 1993, his services were formally recognised by CIWEM. He was made an Honorary Fellow. He was a man who gave so much, in his quiet way.

His involvement with CIWEM started 35 years ago in 1968. By then, he was already an established, practicing, Chartered Civil Engineer. It was, then that he became a Corporate Member of what was The Institution of Public Health Engineers.

His enthusiastic local involvement with the Institution, had lead him to being elected as the Chairman, of what was its Eastern District Centre. It was Eric's very, "enthusiastic dedication and encouragement," that drew people into active involvement with IPHE.

Some twelve years later, the IPHE amalgamated with two other institutions, to become the foundation of the professional body we know today.

The members of that new local branch needed to have confidence in someone, as a bidding force for good. They chose Eric. He was elected as the first Branch Chairman of the new organisation.

After his year of office, he relinquished his Chair, and he

became the Branch's meticulously conscientious treasurer.

His tireless efforts brought in tens of thousands of pounds to the new Institution. It was a role he was to have until its AGM in May this year. During all this time, not only did he have his own engineering practice in Frinton to run, but he also readily and regularly played his part nationally, as an Interviewer for the Institution's Professional Review for potential new Chartered Engineers.

Eric was proud to be a Public Health Engineer, and in particular a sewerage specialist. In the mid nineteen seventies, he initiated the construction of a novel form of drainage in the extensive grounds of St John's Hospital Chelmsford.

He also published a prize winning paper on the scheme. The scheme involved the use of a relatively new pioneering sewerage system using a vacuum pipe network. Such systems are not uncommon nowadays, where the land is flat.

In his later years Eric bravely dealt with a diagnosis of leukaemia, but he still worked tirelessly on for CIWEM.

Eric was a kind, thoughtful and self-effacing professional, who was a shining example to any young aspiring engineer.

I shall miss our regular telephone chats and our annual audit teas. His wife Doris, and his daughters Jackie and Belinda, and all of Eric's family and friends, have witnessed the passing of one of the really good guys.

Jeff Rasbash
Court Assistant



NEW MEMBERS

Mr John Banyard

Director

Severn Trent Water Plc

Mr Keith Edwards

Director

Atkins Water

Mr Daniel Keating

Air Quality Manager

AES Ltd

Ms Susan Paterson

Technical Director

Carl Bro Group

Mr Richard Skehens

Managing Director

Grundon Waste Management Ltd

Dr David Westwood

Technical Manager

Environment Agency

120 Club

Winners of the Autumn draw:-

1. RM Sterritt

2. P Helliwell

3. P Cook

Winners of the Spring draw:-

1. R Roberts

2. CD Walters

3. CWM McDowell

City snippets

The many and varied traditions of the City have been handed down through the generations by word of mouth. For instance, did you know...

- *A liveryman of the City is allowed to herd a flock of sheep across London Bridge
- *When convicted at the Old Bailey, a liveryman is entitled to be taken out of the backdoor and not the front door
- *When hung, a liveryman is entitled to be hung with a silken rope and not the rough hemp rope used for ordinary criminals

These traditions should be jealously guarded!

Livery courses

The City of London offer a number of free livery courses. These are worthwhile attending for access to information and the chance to meet fellow liverymen and enjoy good food and wine.

Election invitations

All liverymen receive an instruction to attend the election of the sheriffs and the Lord Mayor as the Liverymen of the City must elect the candidates to the offices. The events are prestigious occasions and, in the case of contested elections for sheriffs, they are extremely lively and well worth going to.



My Aborted Trip on HMS Scott

The Commander of HMS Scott kindly extended an invitation for a limited number of Company members to join the ship for a trip on board ship. The trip that I chose, as did the Master, was for a day's

duration from Plymouth to Glasgow. After some delays I duly arrived at Plymouth at 3 pm on Wednesday 4th June as we were due to sail early on the Thursday. On reporting at the dock gates and being met by Lieutenant Charmaine Leaver I was initially informed that sailing had been delayed for 24 hours but this was quickly changed to 48 hours. Problems had occurred with the ship's refrigeration units in the Indian Ocean and they had been difficult to repair.

I was invited to remain on board ship until it sailed on Saturday. I had the use of the 1st Navigation Officers cabin which was most comfortable and I was shown the inner workings of many aspects of the Royal Navy during my stay. Lieutenant Leaver gave me a conducted tour of the RN School which is now based at Gosport and I was shown over a frigate which had recently returned from a tour of duty in the Gulf.

The original plan was for us to be transferred from the ship to a boat and taken in to Greenock which was within taxi distance of Glasgow. With the revised schedule there would be no boat available in that area on Sunday and I would have been put ashore on Stornaway and left to my own devices. I declined this offer and decided to leave the ship on the Friday. I therefore still have not sailed on HMS Scott but the experience was one that I would not have missed and I am extremely grateful to the Commander and crew of Scott particularly Lieutenant Leaver for making my short stay so interesting.

Incidentally the Master was diverted by a telephone call to his car and did not arrive at Scott.

R L Harris
Past Master



Company *events*

Election Court Lunch

At the Election Court held on 17th April 2003 Kevin Bond was elected as Master for the year ensuing, as was Marion Carter as Thames Warden, David Jones as Fleet Warden and Peter Cook as Walbrook Warden.

At the conclusion of the Election Court Meeting 76 Liverymen and their guests dined on HQS Wellington and the speakers were Kevin Bond (Master Elect), Philip Fletcher (Director General, OFWAT) and Gerald Noone (Master).

In his speech Philip Fletcher likened Kevin Bond's position at the Home Office to his own in that as Kevin was in charge of the Police Standards Unit he should be titled OFCOP!

Water, water everywhere at the Thames Tyne Challenge

A steady fall of rain throughout the day couldn't dampen the spirits of the onlookers who enjoyed the Thames Tyne Challenge rowing race on the river Tyne at Newcastle on Saturday 17 May.

The 800m race between the Company of Watermen and Lightermen and the Tyne Rowing Club was rowed in traditional watermen's cutter boats, with the Water Conservators' craft, the

Water Forget Me Not, on loan for the event.

The liverymen crossed the finish line well ahead of the competition and later got the better of crews from Whitby Fishermen's Friendship and the University of Northumbria in two further races.



John Allan, Sue Owen & the Master Gerald Noone

Cheering on the crews from the river bank and representing the Water Conservators were the Master Gerald Noone and Sue Owen who joined John Allan, Master of the Watermen and Lightermen, and Clerk, Colin Middlemiss. Earlier, the group toasted the crews in suitably water-themed surroundings - a restaurant in a renovated grade two listed Victorian water pumping station. This obviously worked a treat!

Tudor Pull 2003

Past Master Colin Bland deputised for the Master for this very colourful event.

The day started with the Past Master presenting the Stela to the Deputy Warden of Hampton Court Palace and stating: "Sir, On behalf of my Company, as we have undertaken to do, I hereby

return this STELA, made from the timber of an ancient water conduit, that you may once again send it by river to The City of London and in so doing, demonstrate the historic use of this water highway"



Past Master Bland giving the Stela to the Deputy Warden

The Deputy Warden then proclaimed: "Master, I thank you and your Company for once again absolving your obligation of returning the STELA to this Palace of Hampton Court so diligently".



The Stela

The Deputy Warden asked the Royal Bargemaster to deliver the Stela to the Tower of London. The master of the Watermen and Lightermen, John Allan, Past Master Bland and his daughter were then rowed in the Shallop from Hampton Court Palace to Richmond. The Shallop was accompanied by a small flotilla of cutters.



The Shallop in convoy

At Richmond, the Shallop crew changed and the Water Forget-me-not and more cutters joined the procession to the City. The Past Master was now the passenger in the Company cutter.



Waiting to start at Richmond

The river was relatively smooth until passing the Festival Hall, when an easterly breeze produced some choppy water with wave tops coming over the bow.



Presenting the Stela at the Tower to the Deputy Governor

At Tower Pier, a procession formed behind a Beefeater to be led through

the gate of the Tower to Tower Green passing a large crowd of onlookers.

On Tower Green the Queen's Bargemaster presented the Stela to the Deputy Governor of the Tower of London.

Golf Day

On 18th June, Members and their guests gathered once again at the Ellesborough Golf Club (near Wendover) for the Company's Annual Golf Day. The weather was kind for most of the day, although light rain started just before the last of the afternoon games could finish.

It was good to see another increase in the number of lady Members and guests taking part but we missed Nikki Bland (Past Master Bland's daughter) who was unable to defend her Clarendon Cup title due to illness. Another pleasing feature was the number of Members guests who continue to return each year and who are now becoming familiar faces.

This year it was the turn of the Company Members to show our guests how it should be done and it was a healthy sign of the level of competition that a new name was added to the list of Dewplan Trophy winners. Our new Walbrook Warden, Peter Cook, had an excellent round in the afternoon and came in with 39 points to take the Trophy.

There was a 3-way tie for the Bill Smith Trophy (the total of the morning 9 and afternoon 18 holes) with Peter Cook, Roger North and Peter Chave all on 55 points. However, on count back, the Trophy went to Roger North.



Christine North "running off" with the Clarendon Cup! from Vice Admiral Sir Ted Horlick



Bill King - best male guest



Peter Cook - winner of the Dewplan Trophy



Roger North - winner of the Bill Smith Trophy

Among the guests, Bill King (one of Brian Goodwin's guests) had a good round of 35 points and won the male guest prize while Christine North (Roger's wife) had an excellent round of 39 points to win the Clarendon Cup for the best lady.

Unfortunately, the Master was unable to present the prizes due to commitments at Severn Trent Water so the presentation was made by one of Chris Shirley's guests, Vice Admiral Sir Ted Horlick, ex Engineer in Chief to the Royal Navy. Our thanks are due to him and to all those who took part in such an enjoyable day.

For your diaries, please note that next year's Golf Day is on Wednesday 16th June 2004.

Morning Team Competition

Winners	44 pts
Roger North	
Peter Chave	
Judy Paul	

Male Guests

Winner	Bill King	35 pts
Second	Stuart Henderson	33pts
Third	Graham Walker	32 pts

Clarendon Cup

Winner	Christine North	39 pts
Second	Jean Jones	35 pts
Third	Shirley Lewis	30 pts

Nearest the Pin

Winner	Graham Walker
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Dewplan Trophy

Winner	Peter Cook	39 pts
Second	Roger North	37 pts
Third	Peter Chave	5 pts

Bill Smith Trophy

Winner	Roger North	55 pts
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Cricket Day

Fifteen members of the Company together with their guests attended the Annual Cricket Day at the Oval on Thursday 3rd July for a match between Kent and Surrey.

Although Cricket was on the agenda in the morning by the time lunch arrived many seemed to have forgotten about the Cricket and instead were more interested in watching the Tim Henman match at Wimbledon!

The Installation Lunch

The Installation Lunch was held at the Hall of the Barber Surgeons on 2nd July 2003 following the Court meeting at which Kevin Bond was installed as the Master.

The lunch was attended by 92 members of the Company and guests.

Sir Martin Doughty the Chairman of English Nature was the principal

guest who proposed the toast to the Company. Sir Martin gave a most interesting address on the increasing need to look at sustaining the environment in its broadest term. Whilst there have been major improvements in the aquatic environment he suggests that there is a need for more work in the other environmental media.

Sir Martin drew particular attention to what he sees as the successful changes to the common agricultural policy which will feed through to the benefit of the environment in the coming years.



The Tudor Pull procession approaching Westminster Bridge with the shallop Jubilant followed a flotilla of cutters