



June 2021

Dear Liverymen and Freemen

Hope you are enjoying the start of relaxation of restrictions. We may not be at the end, but we may be at the beginning of the end! We await the next announcement from government about restrictions going forward.

We are hopeful that our first physical event at Bakers Hall will be an informal dinner on Monday 21st June. Details to follow shortly.



Monday 5th July Court and Dinner will hopefully be our first physical Court since February 2020 and we hope to be clothing eight new Liverymen and awarding Freedom of the Company to the 2020 top students from National Bakery School and University College Birmingham. The guest speaker will be Catherine West MP for Hornsey and Wood Green.

On 6th May the Bakers Livery Society hosted a Zoom talk by Sharon Ament, Director of the Museum of London. This was an interesting insight into the move and significant changes afoot for the Museum of London.



The next Livery Society Zoom talk will be on Thursday 10th June at 6pm and will be given by John Steel of Tour de Force London on Spitalfields. John will take us on a guided tour of the fascinating area of Spitalfields. Details and Zoom link to follow shortly.



WCB has continued to support foodbanks at First Love Foundation and Shoreditch Trust and the need still continues. You will be interested to know that we have now sent 8575 loaves and 7800 packs of buns. Thanks to continuing support from Past Master Paul Morrow, Liverymen David Wright, Lewis Freeman and Scott Goodfellow.

The proposed trip to Richemont bakery school in Lucerne has now had to be postponed for a second time and is now rescheduled for April 2022. The course at Bakels Innovation Centre, Bicester is due to go ahead in September 2021.

The annual conference of the Alliance of Bakery Students and Trainees (ABST) which normally takes place at Alton Towers each year and which WCB supports will be a virtual event this year on Saturday 12th June and the President of ABST Liveryman Keith Houlston invites you to support the event by participating in the online raffle;

<https://raffall.com/234025/enter-raffle-to-win-abst-conference-hosted-by-sophie-braker>

The Livery Kitchens Initiative invite all Liverymen to join a Webinar on Wednesday 9th June at 6pm. The link to join is as follows;

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_vdyOHB2ft6Gk1AdIEB37TA

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Past Mistress Baker Valerie Wilkins has been working on the website to bring it up to date and user friendly. She has also been working on how to select the correct new data management system for WCB and I am very grateful to her for her considerable expertise and hard work.

Finally, news of forthcoming physical events (subject to government guidelines).

- Dinner at Bakers Hall on Monday 21st June 2021. Details to follow shortly
- Monday 5th July should see our first live Court Meeting and Dinner for 17 months
- Summer Banquet is now booked for Friday 23rd July at Trinity House. More details to follow but meanwhile save the date



- Saturday 24th July is the Livery Society event Mudlarking on the Thames Foreshore at Customs House. Details to follow
- Sunday 15th August I invite you to come to Saffron Walden for a Champagne Afternoon Tea
- Wednesday 20th October is the revised date for the For All Bakers Golf Event at Walton Heath. If you are interested please contact Past Master Peter Gossage peter.gossage@me.com or Past Master John Renshaw jjrenshaw25@gmail.com

Hope you are enjoying the better weather over this Bank Holiday weekend and as ever, hoping you are safe and well and I am happy to take phone calls from you on 07776480032 and on email christopherdfreeman@hotmail.com

All Best Wishes

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