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Dear Liveryman & Freeman,

ALL OUR SKILLS

We are some weeks into the New Year but as we haven't yet held an event I take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy New Year. For those of us who have been knee deep in tax returns, as the Mistress Tax Adviser certainly was, I hope that you have survived and we will now get to meet again on the other side!

This year, as I wrote about briefly before, has started very sadly with the untimely and sad passing of Jean Jesty. Her funeral is to be held on Friday 8th February 2019 at the All Saints Pavement Church, Coppergate, York at 3pm.

The start of the year is a time to look forward positively to all the good things that lie ahead and in compiling our events for 2019, the social committee were guided by the skills survey that members kindly completed. What a talented bunch we are! Clearly not everyone is a marksman and indeed our company would struggle to field a swimming team but what came out loud and clear was how many skills (often previously unknown) we have as a company but also how many we share in common.

In our livery context we have much to be grateful for and skills to share together:

1) OUR SIZE

Whilst we are young company we are mighty and this allows us (and even requires us) to book the larger and consequently grander livery halls. Clothworkers is one such hall and the Budget Banquet is one such event – The company has invited the Masters & Clerks of some 20 Livery Companies to join us on the night of 7th March, for what promises to be a fine dinner.

FLYER – SEE ATTACHED

2) OUR LOVE OF FOOD & WINE

Sam Sandbach of Ledbury Wine has kindly agreed to provide a wine tasting at IT Hall – everyone's taste in wine is different but whether you like a light and fruity Pinot Noir or a deep & plummy Malbec there will be plenty to get you talking about on Thursday 21st March.

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3) OUR CONNECTIONS & AFFILIATIONS

We are very fortunate that on Friday 12th April, through a contact at Buckingham Palace we have been able to arrange a private tour of The Royal Mews – where we will get to see the state coaches and limousines of the Royal Household. We will then dine at The Caledonian Club in Halkin Street.

A flyer will be emailed and posted to the website shortly.

Deep underneath the Ministry of Defence is the Wine Cellar of Henry VIII's Palace of Whitehall. It is not open to the public and access is through the MOD Security cordon but through the kind offices of Colonel Mike Sykes we have been invited to present the WCOTA Award to the best Army Chartered Management Accountant. We will then dine at the National Liberal Club, Whitehall.

Space is strictly limited to 30.

A flyer will be emailed and posted to the website shortly.

4) OUR LOVE OF WALKING

James Dixon is arranging a series of London based walks for the company and details of these are provided by email and are available on our website.

5) THE MASTER'S WEEKEND

For the Master's weekend we will try and cater for as much of our skillset as possible – set in North East Hampshire there will be plenty of Food & wine (largely locally sourced), country house opera, a farm walk and church service but for our swimmers I am afraid the togs will have to stay at home! Please save the date of 20th & 21st July 2019.

With all best wishes for 2019.

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