











## A message from Alderman Alan Yarrow The Rt. Hon. The Lord Mayor of the City of London



"As Lord Mayor of London, it was my honour to participate recently in the Commemoration for the end of combat operations in Afghanistan. In a year of military anniversaries, this was an important opportunity to mark the sacrifice of so many over the years – and reflect anew on the immense contribution of the UK Armed Forces community to global security. We in the City of London know the value of that contribution, and cherish our longstanding links with the Armed Forces; from Livery Company support for individual Units and Cadets, to business support for Reservists.

We are particularly proud to support the next generation of this critical sector, and I am delighted to offer my congratulations to the Cadet movement for all they are doing; about which, you can find out more in this edition. I encourage all Livery Companies to invest in Cadets – through awards, mentoring, work placements, or even inviting them to form a Guard of Honour at Livery events. Cadet Units impart excellent life-skills, and inspire the highest standards of behaviour. I wish the Cadets every success for the future."

**Alderman Alan Yarrow** 

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## Squadron hits targets with help from the Fletchers

On Friday 12 December 2014, 1921 (Lewisham) Squadron (ATC) celebrated a night of recruit and cadet achievement, with help from the Worshipful Company of Fletchers, who are affiliated to the cadet squadron.

The focus of the evening was the Passing Out Parade of Recruit Intake 03/14, the Squadron's largest and most successful intake by far. Twenty five new Air cadets completed an impressive parade, before taking their cadet promise, and being formally presented with their Record of Service books to join the Squadron. In front of parents, friends and family, their achievements and successes were celebrated – an impressive turn around in their skills and standards since they joined the training in September.

The Squadron also celebrated various cadet classifications and awards earned in the last three months. These awards were presented by Worshipful Company of Fletchers Master Andrew McMillan and included several new Master and Instructor cadet

classifications, ten Youth First Aid Awards, and a BTEC in Uniformed Public Services at Distinction\* level to Sergeant Dominic Paul.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the inaugural silver "Fletchers Arrow", modelled on a classic longbow arrow from the Agincourt era. Handcrafted from artisan components by a Master Fletcher, the arrow represents the core values of the Air Cadet Organisation and the Worshipful Company of Fletchers: straight and true, precisely and carefully created, and with the best support and resources possible. The inaugural Arrow was presented by the Master to Cadet Flight Sergeant Travis Tomlin, recognising his leadership of the Squadron's NCO team, and his wider engagement with Region and Corps sport to inspire the Squadron's cadets. Flt Sgt Tomlin was then promoted to Cadet Warrant Officer, in an official recognition of his role and responsibilities, to the wide acclaim of the Squadron's cadets and family.

The Squadron now looks forward to an ambitious programme in 2015, confident that they can continue to hit their targets with the support of the Worshipful Company of Fletchers.

Flt Sgt Travis Tomlin is presented with the inaugural "Fletchers' Arrow" - a handmade silver replica of the Agincourt longbow arrow by Worshipful Company of Fletchers Master Andrew McMillan. The award recognises his inspirational leadership of the NCO team over the past year, and the bond between the Worshipful Company and the Squadron.

# 241 Squadron annual presentation evening:

On 4 December 2014, 241 (Wanstead & Woodford) Squadron (ATC) held their annual presentation evening at the Squadron Headquarters where they were pleased to welcome the Master of the Worshipful Company of Joiners and Ceilers, Derek Woods, (their affiliated livery company), Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Redbridge Thomas Chan and other members from the company, were also present.

The evening consisted of presentations on some of the Squadron activity during 2014, which included a witty presentation from Cadet Sergeant Jameel Campbell on the Nijmegan march. It was fitting that Sergeant Campbell had a key part in the evening's events as earlier in the year he had been awarded the Briner Shield (an award for the air cadet who best embodied the spirit of the Squadron).

This was created for the Squadron by the Worshipful Company. The Deputy Lord Lieutenant also had a key part to play by presenting Squadron awards such as: Best Cadet, Best Recruit and Best Flight. He concluded his duties with a rousing speech to the cadets and parents in attendance.

The evening was a great success enjoyed by all. Following this positive event Squadron Leader Godden (Officer Commanding 241) and Pilot Officer Myles Webb (Squadron Adjutant & Livery Company Liaison) have since met with the current Master, Upper Warden and Renter Warden to create a plan to engage in a sustained and beneficial relationship which is hoped will strengthen over time.



# Shipwrights and Fuellers support young navigators



Thanks to continued sponsorship and support from the Worshipful Companies of Shipwrights and Fuellers, Sea cadets from across London were able to undertake Royal Yachting Association courses at TS Rebel in Essex throughout the winter, with the Day Skipper theory course being the most intensive for the cadets.

The young sailors, who learnt their navigation skills will go on to practical training and assessment aboard either of the school's power vessels, THAMES SHIPWRIGHT and THAMES FUELLER, which are supported and funded by the Shipwrights and Fuellers respectively.

Leading Cadet Alex Smith, from City of London unit, said "It was a hard course but I can't wait to get on the water to put the theory skills into practice." Pictured are cadets hard at work on the theory course.

TS Rebel conducts RYA training courses which include, offshore, keelboat, powerboat, navigation, VHF radio and sea survival. It is an RYA Recognised Training Centre, an Independent Operating Authority for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, and an Affiliated Training Centre with the Marine Society and Sea Cadets. The staff are hugely grateful to their sponsoring Liveries, without whom many of the courses offered would be impossible to provide.

# Management Consultants enjoy the parade

Last year's Lord Mayor's Parade saw the Master, Clerk and Wardens of the Worshipful Company of Management Consultants once again join London Sea Cadets on the capital's streets to celebrate the succession of a new Lord Mayor in the annual parade. Nearly 150 Sea Cadets joined their sponsoring Livery on the parade – the happiest of them riding on the company float, provided thanks to generous support from the Management Consultants, who have supported the Sea Cadets for over 10 years.

Deputy Area Officer for the Sea Cadets, Lieutenant Commander Cliff Lewis, said "It was a pleasure to once



again have the Management Consultants join us on the parade. As one of our biggest supporters it was wonderful to see their members enjoying the parade every bit as enthusiastically as the cadets. Without their help, our cadets wouldn't be able to enjoy the magnificent float lorry; we're truly grateful."

## Two for the price of one

Beckenham and Penge Sea Cadets are fortunate enough to enjoy the support of two Livery Companies - the Worshipful Company of Builders' Merchants and the Worshipful Company of Information Technologists. Both lend generous sponsorship to the unit, and the cadets at TS SIKH are only too willing to reciprocate.

Over the last few months they have provided uniformed support to various events and ceremonies, including last July when cadets were invited to provide a carpet guard for the Information Technologists at the Mansion House. The cadets were the lucky recipients of a donation of £500 to the unit that month!

The Worshipful Company of Builders' Merchants hold an annual Awards Luncheon and a deserving sea cadet is nominated by the unit to attend the luncheon. Leading Cadet Caitlin Subit had the privilege of attending last year at Cutlers' Hall and managed to have her photograph taken with Dame Fiona Woolf (the then Lord Mayor of London) and the Master, Mr John Poore BEM.

The new Master, Gill Moore, visited the unit in Bromley to present the unit with a SCC Burgee – the highest efficiency award that a sea cadet unit can achieve. The Master and guests showed a firm interest in what the cadets had been up to and what they were looking forward to this year. They involved themselves with the lessons on the night and loved seeing photographs of the cadets taking part in various activities.



Dame Fiona Woolf, Cadet Caitlin Subit and Mr. John Poore.

## Livery Companies visit Army cadets at Annual Camp in Kent



Middlesex & North West London Army Cadet Force is exceptionally lucky to be affiliated to so many Livery Companies from across the City of London and they are equally lucky that so many of them take the opportunity to visit the cadets throughout the year, but in particular at Annual Camp. So it was that this year those liveries who were able to packed their wellies and joined them at Lydd in Kent.

The day started with a torrential downpour but by the end of the visit they found themselves bathed in sunshine. Visitors were able to see the cadets engaged in waterborne activities and climbing but unfortunately time prevented any active participation.



Cordwainers Master, Lance G B Shaw, with Cadet Corporal Pachacama from 212 Hornsey Det and Major Peter Murray.

Pewterers: Capt(Retd) Paddy Watson (Clerk) and the Master of the Pewterers Mr Michael Johnson. They presented their annual award to Cadet CSM Bassellous from 208 Willesden Det.

Apart from seeing what the cadets were up to a major reason for visiting camp is to make the annual presentations to the cadets from the affiliated Cadet Companies. The first stop during the day was for the Worshipful Company of Cordwainers who were thanked by Major Peter Murray for the contribution made towards the purchase of a minibus used to transport cadets around the country.

Next it was out into a particularly muddy training area to meet the cadets from 20 Company, who are affiliated to the Worshipful Company of Pewterers. The Master and Clerk made the annual presentation to the most deserving cadet by reason of dedication and service. This year the award was to Cadet Company Sergeant Major John Baselouss of 208 Willesden Detachment – he was attending his last camp having reached the maximum age.

Finally it was the turn of the Worshipful Company of Playing Card Makers to make their award to Cadet Lance Corporal George Eyles from 197 Feltham Detachment who received the Endeavour Award from Canon Nicholson.

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Rear Admiral Paul Hoddinott Foreign Warden of the Company of Fan Makers chats to Cadet RSM Thomas Adejety.

They were also joined on the visit by Rear Admiral Paul Hoddinott (Retd) from the Worshipful Company of Fan Makers, who make their award at an annual dinner.

We are grateful for all the support we receive throughout the year from all our affiliations and for those who for reason of space only were unable to make it in this article.



Canon Nicholson Worshipful Company of Playing Card Makers presenting the Endeavour Award Cadet Lance Corporal Eyles of 197 Feltham Det.

# "True hearts and warm hands" for Shoreditch Air Cadets



On a warm summers evening in August, the Worshipful Company of Glovers of London visited their affiliated Air Cadet Squadron in Shoreditch, to present them with a special commemorative history board. The history board depicts the history of the Worshipful Company of Glovers of London - one of the City's ancient Livery Companies, and was presented to the Squadron so that the Cadets can get a true appreciation of the Livery Company to which they are affiliated. The board symbolises the friendship between the Livery Company and the Air Cadet Squadron, which started almost 10 years ago.

Guests from the Livery Company included Alderman Alison Gowman; the First Under Warden, Mr Michael Orr; Past Master, Lt Col Roderick Morriss as well as military liaison officer, Mr Richard Morris. During the evening the cadets demonstrated some of the training they were currently undertaking in preparation for two upcoming competitions, which included marching drill and initiative exercises. The drill team had been working hard, as was testament to their second place scoring at the London Wing drill competition.

The Commanding Officer Flight Lieutenant Anthony Barker RAFVR(T) commented on the evenings proceedings, saying:

"We are honoured that we are able to show this display to members of our Squadron as well as visitors so they can have the opportunity of seeing the work which the Glovers help us to undertake with the young people of Shoreditch. The Worshipful Company of Glovers continue to be extremely generous in so many ways by their involvement and that is something which the Cadets and Staff are extremely grateful for."

## Colfe's School CCF on Helicopter duties

On the morning of Wednesday 11th February members of the Worshipful Company of Leathersellers travelled to RAF Benson in Oxfordshire to meet members of 230 Squadron and to have an air experience flight in a Puma 2 helicopter - 230 Squadron being affiliated to the Leathersellers Company.

After coffee with the Squadron they received their flight brief and then made their way to the aircraft. They took off in the late morning on their 90 minute flight over London and the Home Counties.

Colfe's School CCF had received word that the Leathersellers were on their way. Colfe's School CCF Crash Rescue Service are always on standby for any aircraft arrival.

The CCF Crash Rescue Service is headed up by Station Officer, Major Cherry and supported by twelve cadets from the Army and RAF sections. They are backed up by two truck airfield crash rescue (TACR) fire trucks fully equipped for any situation.

The Helicopter Landing Site (HLS) was fully secured for the Leathersellers arrival. They could see the red fire trucks with their blue lights flashing from the air, and were amazed at what they saw. They landed on Colfe's School's



Helicopter Landing Site (HLS) at 12.30 on a southern approach.

After they had landed safely and disembarked the aircraft members of the Leathersellers Company came over and talked to the cadets, thanking them and saying how professionally they had performed their duties.

The visitors were then escorted to Colfe's School for a welcome reception and lunch with the Headmaster. A job well done by the cadets everyone waved farewell to the 230 squadron aircrew as the puma lifted off of the ground on its return leg to its home station at RAF Benson.

Malter Carter

### WW1 SOLDIER'S TALE



WW1: A Soldier's Tale launched last year and since then, the story of a WW1 soldier and his family has been unfolding to an ever-growing audience on Facebook, Twitter and a Blog. Much has happened to our cast of characters over the last few

months and the future looks to be just as dramatic. Here's a recap of the story so far:

In 1915, Walter Carter is 19 years old. A member of the Territorial Force, he was mobilised when Britain declared war on 4th August 1914 and has since been in training here in Britain. He longs to be deployed, despite the death of his brother Charlie, a Regular soldier, who was killed at Ypres in October 1914 along with nearly 8,000 others.

Already working near to the front line is Walter's elder sister Rose. A trained nurse in civilian life, she left home

with the Civil Hospital Reserve shortly after the start of the war, without telling her family.

Now working aboard an ambulance train, carrying wounded soldiers to and from Boulogne, she sees at first hand the dreadful effects of combat.

Walter, though he doesn't know it yet, will be arriving in the war zone in only a matter of days. Leaving the rest of his family and beloved girlfriend Lily behind, he and his mates from the I/23rd (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment will leave on a



steamship bound for Le Havre, destined to take their place in the trenches for the Battle of Festubert and many of the major battles to come...

To follow the story of Walter, his friends and family, visit:

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### **Supportive Livery Companies**

	Edmonton Unit SCC
Air Pilots & Air Navigators	HQ London Wing ATC
Apothecaries	201 Cadet Detachment (Middlesex & North West Sector ACF)
Arbitrators	13 Company (South West Sector ACF)
Armourers & Braziers	Islington Unit SCC 31 & 35 Cadet Detachments (City of London & North East Sector ACF)
Bakers	City of London School CCF
Barbers	Tooting Unit SCC
Basketmakers	2 Company (City of London & North East Sector ACF)
Blacksmiths	GL RFCA (Sponsor Elworthy Trophy)
Bowyers	Brentwood Unit SCC
Builders Merchants	Beckenham & Penge Unit SCC
Carpenters	West Ham Unit SCC
Chartered Accountants	Harrow & Wembley Unit SCC
Chartered Architects	Orpington Unit SCC
Chartered Secretaries & Administrators	West Ham Unit SCC
Chartered Surveyors	
Clockmakers	aloyuon omesee
Coachmakers	
Constructors	14 Company (South West Sector ACF)
Cordwainers	22 Cadet Detachment (City of London & North East Sector ACF) 212 Cadet Detachment (HQ Middlesex & North West Sector ACF) 74 & 103 Cadet Detachments (South East Sector ACF) 135 Cadet Detachment (South West Sector ACF)
Cutlers	291 Squadron (London Wing ATC)
Drapers	Greenwich Unit SCC HQ South East Sector ACF
Environmental Cleaners	Bromley Unit SCC 75 Cadet Detachment (South East Sector ACF) 50F Squadron (London Wing ATC)
Fan Makers	London Area SCC 23 Company (Middlesex & North West Sector ACF)
Farmers	HQ Middlesex Wing ATC
Fishmongers	City of London Unit SCC 31 Squadron (London Wing ATC)
Fletchers	13 Company (South West Sector ACF (RRF)) 1921 Squadron (London Wing ATC) Chislehurst & Sidcup Unit SCC
Founders	Richmond Unit SCC Thurrock Unit SCC HQ South East Sector ACF
Fuellers	TS Rebel SCC training school
Glass Sellers	24, 25, 37 & 46 Cadet Detachments (City of London & North East Sector ACF)
Glaziers & Painters of Glass	HQ South East Sector ACF
Glovers	444 Squadron (London Wing ATC)
Gold & Silver Wyre Drawers	Edgware Unit SCC
Goldsmiths	Finchley Unit SCC
Guildable Manor of Southwark	1475 (Dulwich) Sqn ATC
Gunmakers	2 Company (City of London & North East Sector ACF)
Haberdashers	Haberdashers' Askes Federation CCF Haberdashers' Askes Elstree Boys School CCF 1475 Squadron (HQ London Wing ATC)

Information Technologists	HQ South East Sector ACF 46F Squadron (London Wing ATC)
International Bankers	City of London Unit SCC 16F Squadron (Middlesex Wing ATC)
Ironmongers	London Area SCC HQ City of London & North East Sector ACF
Joiners & Ceilers	241 Squadron (London Wing ATC)
Leathersellers	Wandsworth Unit SCC Colfe's School CCF
Lightmongers	Haringey Unit SCC 56 Squadron (London Wing ATC)
Loriners	216 Cadet Detachment (Middlesex & North West Sector ACF)
Makers of Playing Cards	19 Company (Middlesex & North West Sector ACF) 82 Squadron (London Wing ATC)
Management Consultants	London Area SCC
Marketors	St Dunstan's College CCF
Master Mariners	Enfield Unit (TSTROUBRIDGE)
Mercers	344 Squadron (London Wing ATC) London Area SCC
Merchant Taylors	Merchant Taylor's School CCF
Paviours	Sutton Unit SCC
Pewterers	20 Company (Middlesex & North West Sector ACF)
Plaisterers	282 Squadron (London Wing ATC)
Plumbers	Richmond Unit SCC
Saddlers	London Area SCC HQ Middlesex & North West Sector ACF HQ London Wing ATC
Salters	Northern District SCC HQ South West Sector ACF
Scientific Instrument Makers	Southwark Unit SCC
Scriveners	329 (Finsbury) Squadron (London Wing ATC)
Security Professionals	98 Cadet Detachment (South East Sector ACF) London Area SCC
Shipwrights	London Area SCC
Solicitors	71 Cadet Detachment (South East London ACF)
Spectacle Makers	
Stationers & Newspapers Tallow Chandlers	Marine Cadets SCC Southwark Unit SCC
Tau Aduisaus	94 Cadet Detachment (South East Sector ACF)
Tax Advisers Turners	HQ City of London & North East Sector ACF 91 Cadet Detachment (South East Sector ACF)
Tylers & Bricklayers	196, 202 & 215 Cadet Detachments (Middlesex & NW Sector ACF RE cap-badged) 92, 108 Detachments (South East Sector ACF) 21 Detachment (City of London & North East Sector ACF as part of a Competition only)
Upholders	Chelmsford Unit SCC HQ South West Sector ACF
Vintners	Wandsworth Unit SCC
Water Conservators	London Area SCC
Wax Chandlers	2, 3 & 4 Companies (City of London & North East Sector ACF)
Wheelwrights	96, 97 & 109 Cadet Detachments (South East Sector ACF)
World Traders	Chiswick Unit SCC 1475 Squadron (London Wing ATC)

\* Not exhaustive list





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