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Dear Fellow Members of the Company,

Our Immediate Past Master, Richard Wells, has just treated us to a splendid year and, under his stewardship, the Company has continued to flourish 'root and branch'. I sincerely hope that you will all continue to provide active support to our Company in the forthcoming year, 2017-2018.

Every Master likes to bring their own personal touch to their year and in 2018 we will be playing a great game of cards in February at the Inter-Livery card event in Vintners' Hall, in April I will personally be presenting the Card Craft lecture. In September I hope you will join me and my family in Antwerp, Belgium from where we will be visiting Turnhout, home of the Belgian National Playing Card Museum and the Cartamundi card printing factory (with plenty of time set aside for merry making, sightseeing and shopping).

There will be the traditional Court Dinners in some magnificent Halls which we have not visited in living memory, Brewers' in July 2018 and Mercers' in October 2018. There are some new and some 'old-favourite' events for your enjoyment and to encourage your continuing participation.

Charity is at the forefront of modern Livery and we will be celebrating the 75th anniversary of the founding of our charity at an amazing location, the EY Vista Suite, with stunning views over the City, The Tower and Tower Bridge.

During the year I am really looking forward to welcoming each and every one of you at many of our own Company events and also when we support our great City at the Mayoral and Shrieval elections.

With my best wishes to you all,

Anthony

The Worshipful Company of Makers of Playing Cards



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Dates for Your Diary

2017-2018

Bold indicates key events ** Denotes limited places available

Date	Event	Venue, Arrival Time
Sat 11 Nov 2017	802nd Lord Mayor's Show	City of London starts at 10:45 am
Thurs 30 Nov 2017	Court Meeting and Common Hall at Drapers' Hall	Court Room 3:00 pm and Drawing Room 5:00 p.m.
Thurs 30 Nov 2017	Installation Service at St Margaret Lothbury and Supper at Drapers' Hall	Church 6:15 pm and Livery Hall 7:30 pm
Thurs 7 Dec 2017	Installation Banquet with The Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs	The Mansion House 6:30 pm
Thurs 11 Jan 2018	Court Meeting and Luncheon (Court members only)	Members' Private Dining Room, Guildhall 10:30 am
Tues 13 Feb 2018	4th Inter-Livery card game event (WCMPC)	Vintners' Hall 6:00 pm
Mon 5 Mar 2018	36th Inter-Livery Bridge Competition (WCMPC)	Drapers' Hall 5:30 pm
Mon to Wed 12 to 14 March 2018 (TBC)	"Trial and Error" supporting the Sheriffs' & Recorders' Fund and Pan Intercultural Arts	No.1 Court, The Old Bailey 6:15 pm
Fri 16 Mar 2018	United Guilds Service at St. Paul's Cathedral **	St Paul's Cathedral 11.30 am
Fri 16 Mar 2018	United Guilds Service luncheon **	Painters' Hall 1:00 pm
Wed 11 Apr 2018	The Lord Mayor's Big Curry lunch	Guildhall 12:30, 1:15 and 2:00 pm
Thurs 12 Apr 2018	Court Meeting and Livery Dinner with guests	Carpenters' Hall 3:00 pm and 6:30 pm
Mon 23 Apr 2018	Graeme Living Memorial Bridge Trophy **	Tallow Chandlers' Hall 5.30 pm
Tues 24 Apr 2018 (TBC)	WCMPC Card Craft Lecture by the Master	A City venue 6:00 pm
Tues 15 May 2018	Festival of the Sons & Friends of the Clergy **	St Paul's Cathedral 5:00 pm
Wed 16 May 2018	Inter-Livery Clay Shooting Competition (Environ. Cleaners)	Holland & Holland shooting ground
Thurs 17 May 2018	Inter-Livery Golf "Prince Arthur Cup" (Coachmakers)	Walton Heath Golf Club

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Thurs 24 May 2018	Court and Partners Dinner (including Companions and Stewards)	Pinafore and Princess Ida rooms, Savoy Hotel 7:00 pm
Fri 25 May 2018	Northern Brigantes Breakfast	Royal Armouries, Leeds
Tues 29 May 2018 (TBC)	WCMPC Ladies day outing and Afternoon Tea	Kew Gardens (TBA)
Sun 10 Jun 2018	City event to mark the centenary of Women's suffrage (TBA)	TBA
Tues 12 Jun 2018	MPCC 75th Anniversary event at the EY Vista Suite	Near Tower Bridge 6:30 pm (TBC)
Mon 25 Jun 2018	Election of Sheriffs (Liverymen only)	Guildhall 11:30 am
Mon 25 Jun 2018	Shrieval Elections Luncheon **	Painters' Hall 1:00 pm
Thurs 5 Jul 2018	Court Meeting and Liverymen only Dinner	Brewers' Hall 3:00 pm and 6:30 pm
Sun 2 Sep 2018	City Walk in aid of our charity	"The Medical City" walk starts 10:45 am
Thurs to Sun 13-16 Sep 2018	Master's Weekend in Antwerp and Turnhout, Belgium	Card Museum and Cartamundi Factory
Mon 1 Oct 2018	Election of Lord Mayor (Liverymen only)	Guildhall 11:30 am
Mon 1 Oct 2018	Mayoral Election luncheon **	Painters' Hall 1:00 pm
Thurs 11 Oct 2018	Court Meeting and Livery Dinner with guests	Mercers' Hall 3:00 pm and 6:30 pm
Sat 10 Nov 2018	803rd Lord Mayor's Show (we will be hosting our affiliates)	City of London starts at 10:45 am
Sun 11 Nov 2018	Armistice Day 100th Anniversary	City Livery Event (TBA)
Tues 13 Nov 2018	Fun Card game evening	Hand & Shears PH (TBC)
Fri 30 Nov 2018 (TBC)	Court Meeting and Common Hall	TBA
Thurs 6 Dec 2018 (TBC)	Installation Banquet	The Mansion House 6:30 pm