

PERSONALIA

The first item of business at the Court Meeting on 6th July was to invest those members of the Court who were elected at Common Hall in April but who were unable to be present at that meeting. These were



Assistant Air Vice Marshal Graham Skinner CBE, RAF, FIMechE, FCILT, FRAeS



Assistant John Baxter FREng, FRSE, FIMechE, FIET, FImarEST



Assistant Alderman Michael Bear BSc, MBA, FICE

At the end of the Court Meeting five new Liverymen were invested

Professor Maria Petrou FREng, DSc, PhD, BSc, CEng, FIET



Following her first degree in Mathematics and a PhD at Cambridge, Maria lectured in Athens before undertaking post-doctoral work in Oxford, Reading and at the Rutherford-Appleton laboratory. Rising from lecturer to a professorship at Surrey University, Maria went on to become Professor of Signal Processing at Imperial College London and Director of the Informatics and Telematics Institute in Thessaloniki, Greece. Her principal interests include image processing and computer vision. In addition to her PhD, Maria holds a Doctorate of Science and is a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering.

**Mrs Suzanne Gramina Flynn BSc(Eng),
CEng, ACGI, FIET, MCQI, CQP, FIES,
FRSA**



After a few years as an RAF engineering officer, a brief period working in the Low Countries followed by a career break, Suzanne spent a couple of years with Marconi Defence Systems in the late 80's then worked firstly with Scomag Ltd followed by Real Time Engineering Ltd up to 1995. From then on she has been part owner and director of Cygnet

Solutions specializing in software quality and testing, control and instrumentation and safety-related systems. Suzanne is a Fellow of the Institution of Engineering and Technology and also of the Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders in Scotland.

**Eur Ing David Arthur Cooke BSc(Eng),
CEng, FIChemE, FIMarEST**



David has spent some 36 years in the provision of upstream oil and gas development facilities, primarily offshore with functions ranging from conceptual studies to construction management. He has worked for operators and contractors and is now an independent consultant.

Geographically, his main areas of work have been in the South, the South-East and both the Far East Asia and West Africa. His principal interests are upstream oil and gas production including subsea technology, fixed installations, pipelines and floating production systems. David holds Fellowships of the Institution of Chemical Engineers and the Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology.

**Eur Ing Dr Alan Ernest Kinnaird
Holbrook MA, PhD, CEng, FIMechE**



With a first degree in Engineering Science from Oxford and a PhD from Cranfield, Alan spent the early 80's with Instron Ltd on the development of servo-hydraulic and temperature control equipment moving on to spend the last 22 years with Edwards Ltd on the development of vacuum pumps and technical information systems. He is now the

Technical Section Leader on new product introduction. His principal interests lie in engineering management, in particular technology development and the conceptual design phase, concept selection, dimensional management and tolerance analysis. Alan is a Fellow of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers.

**Eur Ing Dr Alastair Faulkner MSc,
EngD, CEng, FBCS, MIET, CITP**



With 25 years experience, the last 10 as a Principal Consultant, Alastair has filled senior roles supporting the delivery of large UK infrastructure projects including the East London Line and Crossrail. His principal interests include the use of data within complex systems including process and data supply chains. He is a Doctor

of Engineering and Fellow of the British Computer Society.

Members' News

We congratulate Assistant Jean Venables and Liveryman Doug Oakervee on being made CBEs in The Queen's Birthday honours list. We also congratulated Liverman Denis Filer's wife Pamela on being made an MBE

Two liverymen celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversaries in August and many congratulations to Assistant Emeritus Tony and Naemi Best and to John and Rita Hanford



Pam Filer, at the Awards Dinner, wearing the MBE insignia for the first time



Tony and Naemi in Cardiff in 2004

We are pleased to record the Liveryman Gordon Masterton was made Chairman of the Construction Industry Council on 10th June. The CIC is the most important representative forum for the professional bodies, research organisations and specialist business associations in the construction industry.

We are very sorry to report the death of Liveryman Rear Admiral Tony Monk in July at the age of 86 and our sympathy is extended to Elizabeth and her family.

Liveryman Alan Grant has written to report that he and Alec Osborn have just been to visit Ken Slater, a Liveryman since 1992, who is now a resident at Cedar Falls Care Home, Little London Road, Spalding, Lincs., PE11 2UA. Ken is well, and pretty cheerful, but misses his many friends in the London area. Ken has his own private phone line, 01775 713545, and would welcome a call, or a visit from any engineers and friends who may be in the area.

Assistant Emeritus Ken Fergusson has told me that his daughter Helen was exploring their land near Hoveringham with a metal detector and found some parts of two Lancaster Bombers. After a year of research she discovered that the planes had crashed within a fortnight of each other on their final approach to RAF Syerton. Helen has contacted relatives of the crews and a permanent memorial has been established. Helen has also written a book called 'The Courage of the Small Hours' about the events with all profits going to the RAF Benevolent Fund and the Bomber Command Memorial Appeal. If you would like to support this copies may be ordered from Helen Nall at Hoveringham Hall, Hoveringham, Notts, NG14 7JR for £12.50 including p&p



John and Rita also in Cardiff in 2004, both pictures from my archive and taken by Henri Pageot

I have been asked to draw Liverymen's attention to the facilities offered by the Butchers and Ironmongers Companies. Both Companies offer luncheon in their Halls at reasonable prices; the Ironmongers on Mondays and the Butchers on Wednesdays. I do not believe it is necessary to book.

Editor