



## CHAIN GANG ACHIEVE COLUMBA 1400 TARGET

This year's Chain Gang, led by Deacon Convener Stewart Wright, has achieved its target of raising £30,000 for the charity Columba 1400 which, working in partnership with the Greater Easterhouse Development Company, seeks to provide support facilities for young people from the east end of the city. The brainchild of the Rev'd Norman Drummond, Columba 1400 organises leadership skills courses on the Isle of Skye which draw out the potential of young people who then return to their communities with new-found confidence. Patron of Columba 1400 is HRH The Princess Royal.

Much of the Chain Gang's funds for Columba 1400 have come from the successful Glasgow

Ball which is featured on Page 3 of this issue.

"Thanks to the wonderful support which we received from so many people for the Glasgow Ball and from other events I am delighted that the targeted £30,000 can be handed over to Columba 1400 in September," said the Deacon Convener. "Indeed there will be additional funds which we can devote to other youth projects in the east end." The Deacon Convener's support for such projects stems from his construction business interests which have been located in the east end of the city for the past 30 years.

### LECTURE

The Rev'd Norman Drummond has agreed to deliv-

er the annual Trades House Lecture which will be held at Glasgow University on Tuesday 16th September. He will take as his theme "From no shoes to black gym shoes to trainers - the search for our common humanity". Norman Drummond as founder and chairman of Columba 1400 and chairman of Lloyds TSB Foundation for Scotland welcomes the joined-up thinking which committed and convincing partnerships can provide. From his wide-ranging experience as a minister, head-teacher, BBC National Governor, mediator, executive coach and founder chairman within the not for profit sector Norman argues convincingly that significant and abiding change needs to be led from the heart as well as the head.

## GET A HAT - GET AHEAD

Ann Marie Daw (34) from Rosemount Street, Roystonhill, has won the prestigious gold medal at CraftEx 2003 promoted by the Trades House. The gold medal is sponsored by Melville Exhibitions who provide and erect the latest in display stands for CraftEx. CraftEx 2003 is a celebration of the skills of students at the ten colleges of Further Education in Glasgow. In all 700 entries were received in 19 categories and as well as winning the Advanced Millinery category Ann Marie's floral hat was judged to be the best entry overall by Deacon Convener Stewart Wright.

Ann Marie, who formerly worked in the food processing industry, has just completed a three year course in fashion design at North Glasgow College. She now hopes to set up her own business.

Ann Marie, with her winning entry, is pictured here receiving the gold medal for CraftEx 2003 from the Deacon Convener. Also pictured is a nine-foot high welded phoenix which won the overall design award at CraftEx for a team of students from North Glasgow College.

More pictures and details of CraftEx 2003 appear on page 2.



## GORDON D.C.



The Clerk to the Trades House, Gordon Wyllie, has been elected Deacon Convener of the Trades of Edinburgh. "Many people know about the Edinburgh trades holiday just before the Glasgow Fair," said Gordon, "but are surprised to learn that there is a Convener. It's small and inactive compared to Glasgow. The Merchant Company is much better known because of its schools, and this year Princess Anne, Royal Patron of the Grand Antiquity Society of Glasgow, is its Master. The most important task ahead will be to prevent the Crafts from dying because Edinburgh no longer issues Burgess Tickets." Gordon hopes that his experience as Clerk will bring additional insight to the Convener, and vice versa. If you would like to know more about the Edinburgh Trades, Gordon would welcome enquiries.

Picture: Gordon in front of the Edinburgh Trades Hall?

## GARDEN OF LIFE

Deacon Convener Stewart Wright and Mrs Jeanette Wright had a pleasant task to perform when they visited Callander on 5th July to present a bouquet of flowers on behalf of the Gardeners to Mrs Nessie Gordon who was celebrating her 103rd birthday.

A Gardener's "friend", Mrs Gordon, who formerly lived in Pollokshields, has been a keen gardener all her life and still enjoys nothing more than a walk in the garden to appreciate the beauty of the flowers.

Deacon Convener Wright and Mrs Wright are pictured here with Mrs Gordon and her great-grandsons Richard and Edward.



## MEETINGS UP IN THE ROOF

The revamped top floor of the Trades Hall, much of which has been disused for over 100 years, is now complete under the final phase of the on-going renovation of the historic building. Of particular interest to the Crafts are the new North and South Galleries which provide much needed additional meeting space. Both rooms can accommodate meetings for up to 40 persons and are fully equipped with telephone and computer outlets. Audio visual equipment is provided and along with toilet and kitchen facilities there is disabled access.

Also on this floor is the Craftsman's Gallery, which, in a highly imaginative, visual and interactive way, traces the history of not only the House and our 14 Incorporations but the City of Glasgow itself.

Full public access to the Hall, utilising the latest in audio and visual aids, will be introduced over the next six months. However, Craftsmen will be able to appreciate these exciting new developments either informally on 19th September when the Craft annual meetings are held or during Doors Open Day on Sunday 21st September from 1pm to 4pm.



Sections of the Craftsman's Gallery

## ANTIQUITY CUP

To mark Glasgow's year as city of Architecture and Design Sir Roco Forte gifted to the House 14 individually designed silver goblets to be used by the Deacons and Visitor at formal functions. However, there was no provision made for the Preses of the Grand Antiquity Society. This has been remedied by the present Preses, Marjorie Matheson, who is pictured presenting Deacon Convener Stewart Wright with a suitably inscribed silver cup which belonged to her late husband James, Deacon Convener in 1981, for use by future Preses.



## HOUSE ON LINE

The House's new web site will be fully operational in September with details of the House's history, background and activities as well as information on all 14 Incorporations. Not only will this be an invaluable source for the public at large but it will enable members to "plug in" to news of events and all House activities through regular updates. So from this autumn dial in [www.tradeshouse.org.uk](http://www.tradeshouse.org.uk) on your keyboard.

## "LITTLE BLACK DRESS" SUCCESS

The Association of Trades House Ladies once again made a considerable contribution to charity as a result of a second successful fashion show, this time presented by Francesca Rossi in the Albany Suite of the Holiday Inn. The amount of £3,750 was equally divided between the Deacon Convener's charity appeal, presented at the Glasgow Ball by the President, and to the Children's Hospice Association of Scotland (CHAS) presented to a representative at a meeting in the Trades Hall.

The star attraction of the fashion show was Princess Diana's "little black dress" kindly loaned by Mr Graeme Mackenzie of Bridge of Weir who purchased the dress at an auction in New York for the purpose of displaying it at charity fundraising events.

Another evening to remember was enjoyed by the Association ladies with a visit to Glengoyne

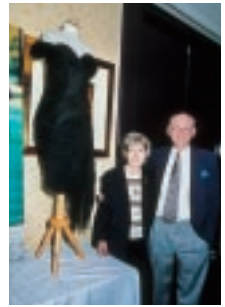
Distillery where they were introduced to the production of whisky and had the opportunity, for those not driving, to sample the delights of the produce. The evening was rounded off with a splendid dinner at the Beech Tree Inn.

The Association of Trades House Ladies is delighted to note that many of the Crafts are now enrolling lady members. The Association is pleased to invite those ladies to join our Association where they will have the opportunity to meet lady members of the other Crafts at our social events.

The 2003 annual dinner will be held in the Western Club on 17th September and attendance is available to all members and friends. If interested please contact Eleanor Sandford (Treasurer) Roslyn Cottage, Guildtown, Perth Tel: 01821 640300, or Anne MacConnacher (President) Rivendell, Bridge of Weir Road, Kilmacollm PA13 4NN Tel: 01505 872480.



Anne MacConnacher hands over the "Chain Gang" cheque to the Deacon Convener



Mr Mackenzie with Association President, Anne MacConnacher and the "little black dress"



The Ladies Association Committee



A display by Arran Aromatics



The dried flower display

## CRAFTEX GOES FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH

CraftEx is the annual competition and exhibition promoted by the Trades House at which students at all ten Glasgow Colleges of Further Education have the opportunity to display the best of their craft work produced over the past year.

Each year the quality of the work produced in 20 varied categories improves, making the task of the judge in selecting category winners more and more difficult. This year the task fell to Mr Ian Credland, Business Development Manager, Further Education Schools Competition Council, with Deacon Convener Stewart Wright having the even more difficult task of deciding on the overall gold medal and Deacon Convener's design prize winners.

Both the judges and the 2000 members of the public who toured the Exhibition which followed the Competition agreed that CraftEx 2003 was a true celebration of the skills in Glasgow's Colleges. However, the Competition and Exhibition would

not be possible without the support of sponsors. This year the House is indebted to Melville Exhibition Services for providing and erecting the exhibition stands and to the financial support of Scottish Enterprise - Glasgow, Thomas Tunnock Ltd., J Chandler & Co (Buckfast) Ltd., The Merchants House of Glasgow, The Weavers Society of Anderston, Scottish Goldsmiths Trust, Bridge of Weir Leather Ltd., Glasgow City Council, Scottish Co-op, Tilney Investment Management, William Duncan & Co. and, of course, our own 14 Incorporated Trades.

To ensure the continuation of CraftEx, which provides a valuable showcase for students and has helped many to take the first step into starting their own business, more sponsorship support is required. If you can help full details and a brochure are available from Annette Wright at the House Office (0141 228 8076).



The Deacon Convener inspects entries in the Cake Decoration category sponsored by Thomas Tunnock Ltd



Ian Credland judging the Furniture category



A view of a section of the CraftEx 2003 Exhibition showing some of the display stands provided by Melville Exhibition Services.



The Deacon Convener with the winning entry in the Decorative Glass category sponsored by J Chandler & Co (Buckfast) Ltd.



Ian Credland judging the Ceramics category



Ian Credland judging the Fashion category

### COURT GATHERING

The House was represented at the annual general meeting in Perth of the Court of Deans of Scotland by Deacon Convener Stewart Wright and ex-Deacon Alasdair Macrae. They are pictured here with Mrs Jeanette Wright and Mrs Elizabeth Macrae attending a reception hosted by Provost Bob Scott of Perth. Also present were Glasgow's Lord Dean of Guild, Andrew Primrose and his immediate predecessor Alastair Denholm.



### ANNETTE STREET IS TOP SCHOOL



The Trades House 2003 Schools Citizenship Award has gone to Annette Street Primary School in Govanhill, Glasgow. This award recognises the school in the city which over the past year has made the greatest contribution towards its local community. This involves arranging events in the community for the widest range of groups assisting in the work of the school.

The Award was presented to the pupils at the school by Deacon Convener Stewart Wright who is pictured here celebrating with some of the Annette Street Primary School pupils. Involvement by schools with their local community at this level can lead to better understanding between all elements in the community and less vandalism, crime and racial tensions in future years. Pupils at all levels in the primary curriculum are involved. Commendations went to Kelvin School, Anderston Primary School, Hill's Trust Primary School and All Saints Secondary School.

### LOURDES DOUBLE FIRST

Students from Lourdes Secondary School have won the Grand Prix Awards at both Higher Grade and Standard Grade in the annual Trades House of Glasgow Secondary School Craft Competition.

The Higher Grade Award went to Jennifer Feeley for her entry in the Plastics Category and at Standard Grade Edward McGroarty won with his entry in the Woodwork Category. In all a total of 56 awards were made to students at 19 Glasgow Secondary Schools.

Jennifer and Edward are pictured here, with other category winners, being congratulated by the Right Hon. Lord Provost of Glasgow, Councillor Liz Cameron and Deacon Convener Stewart Wright.



# VIEW FROM THE PLATFORM – A FORCE FOR GOOD

The year is passing with ever increasing speed, it is hard to believe that in less than two months I will be demitting office. What a remarkable experience it has been and continues to be. The short time that I deputised as Lord Provost during the election period was a highlight never to be forgotten, an honour not only for me but for the House in general.

It has been my good fortune to be blessed with a very supportive Chain Gang and I pay tribute to them for their work in the achievement of our endeavours. I am delighted that my Collector, Tom Gilchrist, to the relief of his wife Anne, has recovered from his recent illness and has now returned to full health. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking them for their invaluable assistance over the year.

The Glasgow Ball was once again an outstanding success and a most enjoyable evening was had by all. We exceeded our target by a handsome margin and I thank most sincerely all those who made it possible by their hard work and generosity. There will be a formal presentation ceremony in order to pass over our cheque for £30,000 to Columba 1400 in the next few weeks. The balance will be distributed to other deserving youth projects active in the east end of our city.

I am also pleased to report that this year's CraftEx exhibition was an outstanding success and that the launch of our revamped website is on target and the completion of the Trades House garden in Bellahouston Park is due later this year.

In conclusion, it continues to be my firm conviction that this House of ours continues to be a force for good in our city to the great benefit of our fellow citizens.

**W. Stewart Wright, Deacon Convener**

The Collector's year has been most interesting learning about the work of The House and the service it delivers. The committees of hard working members undertake a great variety of tasks including assessing applications for grants from a range of individuals and groups to developing our website. Gordon Wylie, our Clerk, and his staff in the Trades House office provide tremendous administrative support and guidance co-ordinating this complex organisation. It has been a privilege to work with the Platform team, the Trades House and the Crafts providing traditional support to Grantees together with a range of activities for the wider good of Glasgow.

The highlight of my year was the craft competition for the schools and further education colleges culminating in the CraftEx Exhibition in the refurbished Trades Hall. Visiting the schools and working with the colleges, I was aware of how important the Trades House organisation of this event is in helping to maintain the high standards so important for the students' future careers.

During the year Anne and I have enjoyed meeting lots of interesting people and made many new friends, particularly this year's Chain Gang who

played such an important part in the success of the Glasgow Ball. My special thanks are due to the members of the Platform for their support during my recent illness. Deacon Convener Stewart Wright has worked unstintingly with the help of his wife Jeanette and they deserve our congratulations for their enthusiastic representation of the House and of the City of Glasgow.

**Tom Gilchrist, Collector**

The success of a year in the life of Trades House depends mainly on the commitment and enthusiasm of the Platform and the Deacons and Visitor of the incoming Chain Gang. As a result of our recent meetings, I am confident that the Chain Gang in waiting will be fully supportive and active in the affairs of the House.

Subject to the approval of the House, on 8th October, I shall be elected Deacon Convener and will endeavour to maintain and uphold the traditions and customs of the House. Over the years I have noted the respect shown towards the Deacon Convener and past Conveners and I very much hope to earn that respect.

The year ahead precedes our 400th anniversary and I see the year as one of preparation for the future with the aim of a Hall fully restored, our fourteen Crafts having Master Courts and the line of succession in place for the foreseeable future.

**Ian Elliott, Late Collector.**

## TEA FOR 200

The annual Trades House tea party in the Trades Hall was attended by around 200 beneficiaries and guests. As is traditional on this occasion the Collector-elect for the following House year was introduced to the audience. He is Graham Goodridge-Cox, a past Deacon of the Coopers.



Ex-Deacon Graham Goodridge-Cox and Mrs Kay Goodridge-Cox at the Collector's table.



Deacon Convener Stewart Wright and Mrs Jeanette Wright with guests



Late Collector Ian Elliott and Mrs Ann Elliott with guests

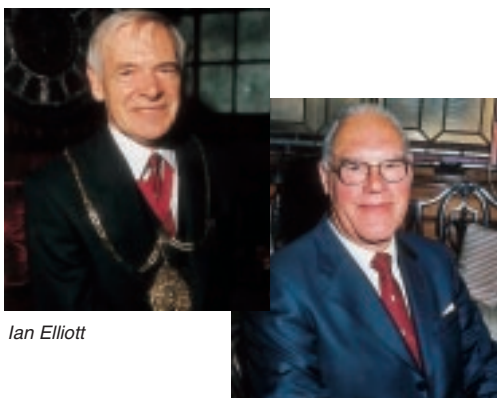
## CONTINUITY WITH CONSISTENCY FOR 2004

The House can be assured that when Ian Elliott assumes the role of Deacon Convener in October they will have a leader who is no stranger to continuity with consistency.

Although born in Dumfries, Ian was educated at Bellahouston Academy in Glasgow before becoming, in 1957, an indentured apprentice with James Macauley and Son. Appointed a partner in 1968 he became senior partner in 1977 and is now a consultant with the firm. A Fellow of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors, Ian was Deacon of the Coopers in 1994-95.

A keen golfer (10 handicap) he is a past Captain of Buchanan Castle Golf Club and lists amongst his hobbies along with gardening and baby sitting, "collecting golf courses". Ian, with his wife Ann, lives in Milngavie. They have two children and two grandchildren.

Assisting Ian, as Collector, during his year of office will be Graham Goodridge-Cox, another ex-Deacon of the Coopers. Graham lives in Hamilton and was an inspector with the Health and Safety Executive in Glasgow. Married to Kay they have a daughter. The other members of the 2003-04 Platform will be the current Deacon Convener W Stewart Wright and Collector Tom Gilchrist.



Ian Elliott

Graham Goodridge-Cox

## GLASGOW BALL

The second Glasgow Ball, held at the Hilton Hotel, in June was not only an enjoyable and entertaining evening for all who attended but achieved its purpose, and more, in raising £30,000 for Columba 1400.

Deacon Convener Stewart Wright and his wife Jeanette were hosts for the evening and are pictured here with guests including Johnnie Beattie, a good friend to the House. Other guests also entered into the "spirit" of the night.



# CRAFT NEWS

## BUSY AS BEES *The Gardeners have been busy with a number of Craft presentations*

Deacon Geoffrey Dixon is pictured presenting the Robertson Silver Spade to Graham Allison, Director of the Argyll Hotel in Sauchiehall Street winner of this year's "Let Glasgow Flourish" Awards for the best floral displays by business premises in the city. This is the second time the Argyll Hotel has won the award. In all 28 awards were made.



The Incorporation's annual scholarship in the University of Strathclyde Department of Bioscience in support of a third year student vacation research project in horticultural studies has gone to Chiu Wan (Helen) Cheng from Glasgow. She is pictured here with her supervisor Dr Michael Matthey with the bound copy of her project report which investigated the germination of resting spores of soil borne microbes.



The Incorporation provides a trophy and quail for the "Best Established Rose" at the annual Glasgow Rose Cultivar trials at Tollcross. The award went to Kordes Company of Germany for "Berkshire" and was presented by Deacon Dixon to Herr Kordes at the grand finale dinner of the World Rose Convention held in the Hilton Hotel.



## MASONS BENCHMARK

As part of the funds available from the Lady McDonald Trust the Masons are helping schools in the city who are involved in promoting stone masonry for which there is an increasing demand for skilled craftsmen. This has helped Holyrood Secondary School to create a stone bench which was designed by 4th year student Natalie Campbell. Natalie is pictured here with Masons' Deacon Mitchell Hutcheson, technical teacher Gordon Cooper and Charles Robertson of Glasgow College of Building and Printing who facilitated the project.



## GARDENERS GO GARDENING

On a fine Saturday in June an intrepid party of Gardeners departed the city to inspect the standards of gardens maintained outside the city. First stop was Ross Priory on the southern banks of Loch Lomond which is owned by the University of Strathclyde and used for staff recreation and as a centre for conferences and meetings. The garden is a repository for numerous rare rhododendron collected in Indo-China by George Forrest. The Gardeners also enjoyed many other choice plants like the Chilean Fire Bush and some wonderful magnolias. The party then moved on to Geilston House close by the Lower Clyde which is one of



Deacon Professor Geoffrey Dixon, Gardeners and guests at Ross Priory

the lesser appreciated jewels of the National Trust. There they saw herbaceous borders bursting with energy and meandered along a riverside replete with bog irises and wild herbs to find fresh vegetables and fruit in the walled garden. The day concluded with afternoon tea in the Edwardian parlours room of Geilston House.

## ROYAL HAMMERMAN

H.R.H. The Princess Royal has accepted an invitation to become an honorary member of the Incorporation of Hammermen. She will attend the Craft's annual dinner in November. The Craft has also recruited several other lady members including a practising mechanical engineer who is the daughter of an engineer member - the first father and daughter combination in the Craft. Other ladies recruited include a professor of mechanical engineering, a practising designer/metallurgist and three engineering students who have won Incorporation prizes - including Natalie Cheong, the 2001 Prince Philip prize winner.

## PAINTINGS BY

*Scott Grier*

Scott Grier, an ex-Deacon of the Skinners, will be holding an exhibition of his paintings in the Trades Hall Reception Room on Saturday 29th November from 9am to 6pm and on Sunday 30th November from 12 noon to 5pm.

Works will include paintings from his recent trips to Tiree, Ardnamurchan and Orkney together with many other west coast scenes. An excellent opportunity for Craftsmen to make Christmas purchases. Parking for the Hall is avail-

able in the nearby Glasshouse car park and on street on Sunday. Illustrated here is Scott's "Leaving Sanna, Ardnamurchan".



## FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS

The Crafts were well represented at the charity Newspaper Press Fund Lunch in the Hilton Hotel where the guest speaker was BBC Foreign Correspondent, Kate Adie. Pictured (l to r) are ex-Deacon Alasdair Macrae (Masons), ex-Deacon Sandy Martin (Gardeners), Kate Adie, ex-Deacon Bill Scott (Weavers), Lord Provost Liz Cameron and Bob Colquhoun (Fleshers)



## SPORTS NEWS

### CURLING - BACK AT BRAEHEAD?

An application has been made for ice at the Braehead Ice Rink so that, as in previous years, a knock-out competition can be held on early evening ice. The application, on Monday evenings, is sufficient to accommodate all the Incorporations (two teams from the Gardeners) and the Ladies Association. As yet it is not known what ice has been allocated, but when this is known a draw will be made and all curling conveners notified for competition likely to be between October and February. Any changes in notifiable parties/conveners should be made to the House Curling Convener.

Now is the time to seek out your star performers, or for the stars to let their conveners know of their availability. Some Incorporations still struggle to find a team on the night, so don't be shy. Put your name forward particularly if you are a newish member and your Craft may not know of your curling abilities. Your Clerk will assist with the contact person or let the House Curling Convener know.

Last year the Gardeners won for the third consecutive year. Anyone with weed killer should contact Michael Burton, House Curling Convener, on 0141 621 4233 during the day or leave a voice mail message after 5pm.

### ANGLING

The annual House angling competition will be held on the Lake of Menteith on Saturday 13th September. Details from your Craft angling convener or from Murray Blair 0141 638 0155.

### GOLF - TIGHT COMPETITION

In a month of wet days the competitors for the Trades House Golf Shield were fortunate to enjoy sunny if cool conditions for the Competition played over Milngavie G.C. on 15th May. The course was in excellent condition which was reflected in the low scoring by the two player teams representing ten Crafts. Play was under Stableford rules with full handicap allowance and the better ball at each hole counting.

So keen was the competition that when the results were announced only two strokes separated the first five teams. Winners were the Bonnetmakers & Dyers pairing of Robin Young and David Orcharton with 42 points. Runners up were the Bakers represented by father and son Charles and Neil MacEwan with 41 points and a better inward half from the Fleshers team of David Newton and Michael Graham on the same score. Other leading teams were Hammermen (D. Maclellan and J.M. Craig) 40 points and Coopers (S. Campbell and G. Espie) 40 points.

### BOWLING - WEAVERS WIN

The Trades House Bowling Trophy was won by the Weavers with the Tailors runners-up at Giffnock Bowling Club on Sunday 8th June. The same venue is likely to host the 2004 event on Sunday 13th June with play commencing at 2pm.

## ENGINEERING AWARDS

The Hammermen's Prince Philip Prizes have this year gone to Joshua Reid of Glasgow University with the runner-up Christine Harley of Glasgow Caledonian University. Winner in the College section is William Heaney of North Glasgow College with the runner-up Gordon Greenhorn of Langside College. Hammermen's Awards have also been made to students at the city's three universities and to students at the Glasgow College of Nautical Studies and Langside College. Sir William Arrol Bursaries have gone to Robert MacDonald, Kelly Houliker, Anna Baron, Amanda Li, and Scott Maguire. A further £2000 has gone to support students in need at Glasgow Caledonian University.

## KEEP IN TOUCH

SKINNERS: New address - Clerk, Neil M Headrick, Tara House, 46 Bath St., Glasgow G2 1HL. Tel: 0141 332 3341, Fax: 0141 331 2516.

BARBERS: New address - Clerk, Kevin J M Goldie, 26 Atholl Gardens, Glasgow G12 9BB. Tel: 0141 339 5725.

Material for the Craftsman should be sent to the House Office, 310 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5QR. Tel: 0141 228 8000, Fax: 0141 248 5566 or to Bob Colquhoun, 47a Ardbeg Road, Rothesay, Isle of Bute PA20 0NL, Tel/Fax: 01750 503267.