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# Remembrance Sunday 2022 Before the service.





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# Gildhall News

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# **Editor's Comments**

Happy New Year to everyone and I hope this year will be better for us all. We are starting to look towards events that can be held during the year and any suggestions would be welcome. We have had some changeable weather which hasn't helped get us out of our houses, but we can start to look towards the spring and summer months ahead. We are looking to have our

Banquet at the beginning of June again and sorting out a venue for it so please do join in with us on what will be a most enjoyable evening.

Malcolm Ballard

#### Deputy Master of The Leicester Gild of Freemen

# Report by Jeff Lewitt Master of the gild

I hope everyone has had a good Christmas, and the New Year has started well for you all. The Gild Court met on the 16<sup>th</sup> Jan to discuss past and



future events, to try to find a way forward in 2023. It is becoming difficult to know what Gild members would like us to arrange. Since the Covid Pandemic, and indeed the fact that It's still about in one form or another, doesn't help. The swearing in ceremonies have seen an increase in Freemen, but unfortunately, we still have a shortage of Gild Court

Officers. If you think you can contribute and would like to join the Court, please contact the Master, or indeed any Court member. It won't take up much of your time, but your input would be most welcome.

To catch up. On the 25<sup>th</sup> November we had a talk and demo on Balloon modelling by Thelma Levet. Now it wasn't Thelma's fault , but it was one

of the funniest evenings I've been to, Have you ever had one of those times, that when you look at others you can't help but start laughing again, We all tried to make the balloons look like Thelma's, but we ended up with shapes that had appendages that were in the wrong places etc. It got so bad that none of us could look at each other without starting again. At least it was tears of joy.

On the 15<sup>th</sup> of December we were at the Little Theatre for the Panto Aladdin. I sometimes feel sorry for the villain (Ebenezer) as the children pick it up immediately, and this time they were more voluble than usual. The goodies ended up on top, so all was well, and everyone had a great time.

On the 19<sup>th</sup> December, we held the Freemen's Carol service at St. Andrews, Aylestone. As usual everybody enjoyed singing the well known popular carols. There's something about carols that cheer you up. As usual we had a good attendance, 68 people, and everyone said how they enjoyed themselves. Many of them came round to the Holt for mince pies, sausage rolls and mulled wine, Many thanks to Maurice, Hazel and all the others who helped. This was the Last time Bruce ( the organist ) will be playing for us, as he is moving to Canada to be nearer his family. Also thanks to The Rector, Rowena, for allowing us to use the church. Actually I think she enjoys it as well.

Finally, thanks to the members of the Gild Court for their input and work in 2022. And as I've said if you wish to contribute you will be most welcome.

Jeff Lewitt Master

# Report by Chair of the Board Barry Daniell

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On behalf of the Board, I hope you are all keeping safe and well. I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year.

We start the year with lots of building work at Freemen's Holt. By the time you receive this copy of the Gildhall News the extension to No.24 should be finished and ready for the new residents to move in. The extensions to No's 4, 9 & 10 are well underway and good progress is being made.

As explained in the letter sent to all Freemen in December, the closing date for applications for three bungalows being extended was 31<sup>st</sup> January. However, you are always welcome to call the office or visit the estate if you would like information about living at Freemen's Holt.

The *monthly* maintenance contributions are:

Standard Bungalow - £158.44 Extended Bungalow - £221.78 If you would like more information about living at Freemen's Holt, please get in touch with the office:

0116 283 4017 office@leicesterfreemen.com

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 19:30. The AGM will be held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 19:30.



All Freemen are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you would like to attend, please inform the office so we can let you know how to access the estate.

Take care and stay safe,

Barry Daniell

#### **Chamberlains Report**

#### February GHN Chamberlain's Report

The Gild Court agreed that in order to sort out the subscription arrears situation caused by the pandemic We would only chase arrears from any member who had not paid for 2022 and ignore arrears that had accrued prior to this date.

Also, it was agreed that the Gild's financial year should change and now be  $1^{st}$  January –  $31^{st}$  December replacing  $1^{st}$  April –  $31^{st}$  March. This simplifies the accounts bringing them into a single year rather than them being split as nine months of one year plus three months of the following year.

The records have been checked and a letter sent to all members and associates who had not paid their subscriptions for 2022.

The letter was generally well received with just a couple of small niggles that were quickly resolved and payments started to arrive. The last payment was received on the 5<sup>th</sup> Jan because the member had changed her address and had moved from Leicestershire to Cumbria.

We were left with 19 members who had not responded to my letter and are still in arrears.

Due to the current disputes affecting British Mail a reminder will be sent to these 19 members in case they did not receive the first letter

To initiate the change to the new financial year required the accounts to be audited as at the 31<sup>st</sup> December. The required audit was carried out and the result is included elsewhere in this issue.

The next annual audit is not now required until 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024.

The audit shows the Gild's finances to be in a reasonable state and also reflect the recent arrears exercise.

During the past nine months we have staged, compared with recent years, a fairly full social program.

**Open Morning** 

Fish and Chip Supper

Banquet

Visit to Loughborough Bell Foundry

Talk Crime and Punishment (Cancelled 4 days before event Speaker hospitalised)

Talk Peppermint Billy

**Balloon Modelling** 

Visit to Pantomime

Carol Service

All of this was organised by our very small band of Court members, less than half a dozen people.

Some events were quite profitable, others made varying degrees of profit or loss. To stage all of the above only depreciated the Gild funds by £49. We do so desperately need more Court members and fresh ideas because our priority now is to fill the social program for the rest of the year!

Looking to the future, only one event has been arranged so far, Skittles night Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February and tickets are now being sold, cost £11 per person.

May I briefly remind you what you get for your £11?

A first class meal, with members of the Coventry Gild in attendance the opportunity to prove that unlike our local football team we can win matches, and what better way is there to spend a Winter evening than in a warm carpeted room with excellent food and company.

Maurice Hill

# The Gild of Freemen of the City of Leices-

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The income and expenditure account for the period 1st April - 31st December 2022

		I	This Period		1/4/21 - 31/3/22
Income		£	£	£	£
Entrance Fees			4		2
Subsriptions					
Mem- bers		(155) 1395		(119) 1071	
-	Mem-				
bers	bers	(28)168	1563	(32)192	1263
Donations			10		3
Sales of Gild insigr	nia				
Gowns, T	lies, Badges etc.		0		40
Less			0		0
cost			0		0
Bank interest			5		2
		Total	<u>1582</u>		<u>1310</u>
Expenditure					
Functions and eve	ents				
Expens- es		2551		895	
Income		2502	-49	1036	-141
Printing postage a	nd stationary		440		417
Donation/subscrip	otions				
FEW sub			60		0
	yor's appeal do-		200		200

Stock devalua- tion			0
Miscell. Expenses inc. Insignia pur chases	-	0	16
	Total	<u>651</u>	<u>492</u>
Excess (deficit) of income over exp	penditure	931	823
Add balance from previous year		9392	8649
	Total	<u>10323</u>	<u>9472</u>
Represented by			
Cash at bank		10071	9061
Cheques awaiting paying into bank		15	75
Petty cash		64	117
Stock of Gild insignia		0	0
Plus - Debtors, cash paid in ad-			
vance		173	208
Trivia		0	11
	Total	<u>10323</u>	<u>9472</u>
Less - Creditors, cash received in a	advance	0	80
	Total	<u>10323</u>	<u>9392</u>

The above is a true and fair statement of the financial accounts of the Gild of Freemen of the

City of Leicester taken from the books and records of income and expenditure maintained by

the Gild Cham- Maurice Hill 1st January berlain. 2023

**Note:-** Because of the Gild's low turnover (less than £10,000p.a.) an Auditor is not legally a requirement but should there be any doubts regarding the validity of the above information then an independent examiner could be appointed.

# **Booking Form**

# Skittles Night The Wheatsheaf Inn Thurcaston, Leicestershire, LE7 7JN Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 starts 7.30pm

Please reserve for me..... places at £11 per person

My name is.....

My address is.....

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Post code
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Telephone.....Email address.....

I enclose my cheque for £..... Made payable to "Gild of Leicester Freemen"

Please send to: Maurice Hill 33, Mossdale Road, Kingsway Leicester LE3 2UT All applications are dealt with on a first come first-served basis

# GILD OF FREEMEN OF THE CITY OF LEICESTER Application for Full Membership

Full Name (BLOCK LETTERS)
Address
Post Code
Tel No.: email address
I am a duly sworn Freeman of the City of Leicester and apply to be enrolled as a Member of the Gild of Freemen, for which I enclose the sum of £10.00 (Enrolment fee of £1.00 plus the first annual subscription of £9.00).
SignatureDate
Application for Associate Membership
Full Name (BLOCK LETTERS) Address
Post Code
Tel Noe-mail address
I certify that I am the (please delete where applicable)SPOUSE / WIDOW / WID- OWER / SON / DAUGHTER / GRANDCHILD,aged 18 years or over of
Mr / Mrs / Ms(Freeman of Leicester)
<i>Or</i> I am a full member of the Guild of Freemen of(City or Town)
I apply to be enrolled as an Associate Member of the Gild, for which I enclose the sum of £7.00 (Enrolment Fee of £1.00 plus the first Annual Subscription of £6.00)
SignatureDate
Please make cheques payable to ' <b>Gild of Leicester Freemen</b> ' and send with this application to:
Maurice Hill, 33 Mossdale Road, Kingsway, Leicester LE3 2UT

#### RENEWAL OF GILD MEMBERSHIP (Payment by Standing Order)

(Kindly complete where marked by all dotted lines)

To: Maurice Hill, 33 Mossdale Road, Leicester LE3 2UT

Date.....20.....

l, .....

agree to pay my Annual Subscription to the Gild of Leicester Freemen on 1st April each year by means of the signed Standing Order that I have sent to my bank.

I understand that the annual subscriptions at present are £9.00 for a full member and £6.00 for an associate member, and that I can stop or amend this Standing Order simply by giving instructions to my bank.

Signature.....

Address.....

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..... Post code .....

Tel. No.....

email .....

Please complete the Standing Order form below,

#### STANDING ORDER-PLEASE SEND TO YOUR BANK MANAGER

To: The Manager	Bank Plc
Address:	
	Postcode
Please Pay to:-	Lloyds Bank Plc, Old Market Square Branch, Nottingham NG1 6FD (Bank Sort Code 30-96-18)
For the account of the No.01409164)	e <b>Gild of Leicester Freemen</b> (Account
The sum of £	,
Commencing 1st April	23and yearly thereafter until further notice.
	(my surname and initial/s)
Name of Account to b	e debited
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Signature	Date20
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#### RENEWAL OF GILD MEMBERSHIP (*Payment by Cheque*) FOR THE YEAR 1ST APRIL 2023 – 31ST MARCH 2024

I would like to pay the annual subscription for my membership/ associate
membership of the Gild for the year commencing 1st April 2023
Membershipat £9.00 = £
Associate Membershipat £6.00 = £
My name is (BLOCK CAPITALS) My address is (BLOCK CAPITALS)
Post codeTelephone
e-mail address
I enclose a cheque/postal order for £
made payable to "Gild of Leicester Freemen"
Please post to: Maurice Hill, 33 Mossdale road, Kingsway, Leicester LE3 2UT

Any queries, please phone Maurice on 0116 289 5394

# The Gild of Freemen of the City of Leicester GILD PRODUCTS ORDER FORM

1.	Tie - navy	at £10.00 e		= £
_	- green	at £10.00 e		= £
2.	Gild Scarf	at £15.00 e		= £
3.	Cuff Links	At £16.00 p	-	
4.	Lapel Badge	at £2.50 e	ach	= £
5.	Gild Pens	at £3.00 e	ach	= £
6.	Gown, made to me			
	(includes delivery)	price on re	quest	= £
7.	Register of the Free	emen of Leicester 19	86 –1996 f	2.50 each
				= £
8.	Register of the Free	emen of Leicester 19	31—1985 :	£3.50 each
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# A Freeman Remembered - Stockdale Harrison and Sons

Stockdale Harrison born in 1846 in East Street, Leicester was the second son of William Harrison (1813-1873), a timber merchant, and his wife Mary Everard (1820-1869). He was christened on 2 December 1846 at St George's Church Leicester. The 1871 Census shows the family living at 13 London Road, Leicester.

In 1863 Stockdale was articled to James Bird of Leicester and went on to become a well-known architect. He moved to London in 1868 to become an assistant to George Somers Leigh Clarke. On 1<sup>st</sup> October 1869, Stockdale, shown as an architect and surveyor in the Register of Freemen, was made a Freeman of Leicester. Stockdale set up in private practice initially in Hotel Street and then at 7 St Martins which was the family residence. In 1872 he married Marianne Bailey (1848-1923) at St Paul's Church, Kirby Road, Leicester. They had eight children, four boys and four girls; sadly, one of the boys and a girl died when they were very young.

By the 1880's Stockdale had developed his own style of the Domestic or Vernacular Revival style. He initially designed in the Gothic Revival style which he continued to use for churches. In 1882 Stockdale became an associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) and then in 1890 was made a Fellow. He was then elected President of the Leicestershire and Rutland Society of Architects. He designed houses such as the lodge at Spinney Hill Park (1888) and Hastings House, Stoughton Drive South (1902), and shops and offices as well as Abbey Pumping Station. His Last work was St Guthlac's Church, South Knighton Road, Leicester in 1912. Stockdale died on 10<sup>th</sup> November 1914 and both he and his wife are buried at Welford Road Cemetery.

Below are just a few of Stockdale's designs:

Conway Buildings, Grey Friars 1878

Infirmary Ward, Workhouse, Fox Hill, Leicester 1886

Holy Cross Schools, New Walk, 1886-1887

Westcotes Free Library 1889

Abbey Pumping Station 1889-1891

Vestry Street Baths 1891

Grosvenor Rooms, 16 Halford Street 1892

Freemen's Cottage, Wigston Road, Leicester 1893

Stockdale House, Stoneygate Road, 1897

St Stephen's Church, North Evington 1897-98

Saracen's Head, Hotel Street/Market Place 1904

Vaughan College (replaced in 1967)

Britannia Mills, Derby (1912-13)

James Stockdale Harrison (1874-1952) the oldest child, was articled to his father from 1892 and became an assistant on passing his qualifying exams in 1898. He was to remain as assistant in his father's practice. James took his Freedom on 15<sup>th</sup> July 1895.

Shirley Stockdale Harrison (1876-1961), the second oldest child, joined his father's practice in 1904. From that year the practice was known as Stockdale Harrison and Sons and many of the arts and craft style work, undertaken by the practice were designed by Shirley. He designed De Montfort Hall which opened to the public on 21<sup>st</sup> July 1913 and together with Howard H. Thomson submitted the winning bid to design the Usher Hall in Edinburgh which was chosen out of 130 entries. The Usher Hall is still in use today and is one of the main venues for the Edinburgh International Festival. The late Sir Sean Connery's Freedom of Edinburgh ceremony was held there in 1991. Shirley took his Freedom on 27<sup>th</sup> October 1898. He married Ella Bennion in 1907 at St Lukes Church, Thurnby. The 1911 Census shows they were residing at High Barn, Birstall and by the 1939 Register they had moved to 33 Elms Road. Shirley and Ella moved to Canada as Ancestry.com shows, they died there in 1961 and 1963 respectively.

Stockdale's third son, Everard, was born in Leicester on 24<sup>th</sup> March 1880 and baptised at St Margaret's on 5<sup>th</sup> June that year. He attended Wyggestion Boy's School between 1890-1897 and then studied medicine at Trinity College Cambridge. The 1901 Wrights Directory show Everard, as M.B. B.C. Camd. Surgeon with Moore and Harrison and living at 21 De Montfort Street, Leicester. On 25<sup>th</sup> June that year he took his Freedom. He is known to have worked at St Bartholomew's Hospital London, was Senior House Surgeon at Scarborough Hospital, Physician at the Hospital for Women in Soho, London and was Deputy Medical Officer at HMP Leicester. The 1911 Census shows Everard living at 7 St Martins and working as a Surgeon Physician.

Everard married Sara Grace Muriel, nee Rogers in Lewisham in 1913. Sara was a staff nurse in the Royal Army Medical Corps. She had worked at the Seamen's Hospital in Greenwich between 1901 -1904 and in 1905-6 at the Hospital for Women in Soho Square, London. According to the Register of Nurses in 1925, Sara registered as a nurse on 18 January 1924 and her address is shown as Aspens, Woodhouse Eaves.

When the First World War broke out, Everard served as Captain in the Royal Army Medical Corps and in January 1915 worked at Knighton House which was a Voluntary Aid Detachment that had been set up to care for wounded soldiers. Everard was sent to the front in July 1915 and was attached to the 1<sup>st</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> Gloucestershire Regiment. He was killed

in action on 17th April 1916 when a mine exploded at premises being used as an advance dressing station. He is buried at Villiers -Facon Communal Cemetery. The inscription on his grave (D.52) reads "UNTIL THE DAY BREAKS AND THE SHADOWS FLEE AWAY". He is also remembered on a memorial in Welford Road Cemetery and at Leicester Cathedral.

Lynn Roffee

#### Freemen of England & Wales Association (FEW)

Leicester Gild members who hold individual FEW membership will have received their winter issue of the FEW Journal in December. Non members can receive a specimen on-line copy by request to my FEW e-mail address of <u>4smw@mypostoffice.co.uk</u>

News includes 42 new York Freemen admitted since the accession of King Charles III.

Local news in the FEW South Midlands Area includes:

**Coventry Freemen's Guild:** long serving Clerk & Past Master John Wilkinson stepped down at the AGM; and was replaced by PM Tony Archer. The three year restoration of St Mary's Guildhall has been completed, and the Guild Christmas Dinner was held in the new layout Great Hall, with entertainment by the 30 strong Silver Lining Ladies Chorus, including the evocative 'Coventry Carol' from medieval times. As the City Council has decided that the Freemen's Guildroom used by the Guild Court since 1956 would be better off as an additional tea room, some reorganisation is in progress.

**Northampton Freemen's Guild:** robed Officers supported the Mayor at his Civic Service; and at the Proclamation of the new King's accession at the Town Hall. Like recent years, there will not be a Charity Weekend event in 2023.

Alcester Court Leet: are no longer FEW members; having ceased paying subscriptions.

**Henley-in-Arden Court Leet:** had a well supported AGM in their medieval Guildhall; with four new Jurors accepted. A comprehensive Court Leet Officers handbook was issued, explaining eligibility requirements, duties and commitments of Jurors and Officers, and responsibilities of the Guildhall Trust in maintaining the Guildhall.

**Warwick Court Leet:** Officers supported their Mayor in his role of as Lord of the Leet at Remembrance and Civic Services; and concluded their 2022 activities with a carol service.

If Leicester Gild Members who hold an individual FEW membership would like to attend, please e-mail Lee on leehensley@btinternet.com and he will send the invite and relevant papers. The 2023 Court meeting is planned for the 18th March at Bedern Hall in York. Details will be advised nearer that date.

# **Religion in Leicester**

On the 21st March last year every household in the country had to complete a detailed questionnaire about who we were, who we lived with, and answer more personal questions identifying our religious beliefs, our ethnic origins and other personal information that the government deemed useful for the purpose of forming their future policies. They did draw the line at asking us which end of the boiled egg we sliced off to extract the soft yolk. One piece of information that did become apparent from the statistical information arising from the census was that for the first time in a good many centuries Christians amounted to only 46.2% of the national population, falling below the half way mark for the first time since Christianity became established, and 37.2% professed to having no religion at all. A situation that would have been unthinkable in times past. Religion was an integral part of our lives, so much so that religious observance was compulsory by law in Leicester in the 16th century with punishment for not complying.

During the reign of Queen Mary (1553 – 1558) there was a return to Catholicism nationally although in Leicester there was no sign of opposition or enthusiasm to the policy of the Queen. One Leicester protestant, Thomas More, paid the ultimate penalty in 1556 for openly defying the current trend of Queen Mary's draconian religious laws and was burnt at the stake. There were other minor disturbances at St Martin's when parishioners raised verbal objections to the contents of the sermon but generally the town seems to have passively accepted the doctrines imposed by the State. The brief return to Catholicism finally came to an end in 1558 when Elizabeth acceded to the throne.

Leicester became a stronghold of Protestantism during the reign of Elizabeth aided by the execution of Thomas More during the latter years of Queen Mary's reign. A town preacher was appointed in 1561 by the Mayor and his Aldermen with the financial support of the Earl of Huntingdon who would give lectures on Wednesday and Friday at St Marof 4d. In 1575 the number from each household was raised to two and the fine to 1/- which went to poor relief. Any shopkeeper of victualler who opened for business on a Sunday or Holy days during service time was fined 3s. 4d.

Religion played a major part in the life of the people of Leicester and children were subjected to strict religious teaching. A bylaw was passed in 1580 ordering that every child over eight should be taught the Lord's Prayer, the Articles of Belief, and to answer certain points of the Catechism; idiots alone were exempt. Parents were fined for neglect; members of the 24 at 1/- each, members of the 48 at 6d each, and commoners at 3d each. Or an alternative of 3 days imprisonment.

There are numerous recordings of punishment in the borough records in the 16th century; of offenders, both male and female, receiving whipping and carting. Offenders would be forced to wear a frontlet on which would be written the nature of their offence and then be carted around the town and through the open market. Further punishment would be to attend the service at St Martin's clothed in a white sheet and stand bare headed and bare footed and holding a white wand and ask for God's forgiveness and the people's prayers.

In 1669 Samuel Brown applied for freedom of the borough and was refused because he was a Quaker.

Sadly, records during the Commonwealth and Protectorate Period are scarce but religious intolerance was prevalent. The army was the guardian of religious observance and took its responsibilities seriously. In 1649 two men were arrested in Leicester for possessing heretical books which were considered to be of dangerous consequence and could lead to atheism and prophanity.

Observance of the Sabbath was strict and parents were fined for allowing their children to play on the Lord's Day and one man was placed in the stocks for ringing the church bells. Christmas celebrations were outlawed and the wearing of colourful clothes could result in severe punishment.

Since the middle of the 1600's public office was restricted to Anglicans and although the law was relaxed temporarily in 1672 and 1687 a permanent change did not take place until 1689 under the Toleration Act. After which non-conformists could hold office providing that they practiced what was referred to as Occasional Conformity. The corporation were determined to exclude any non-conformists from their number, which didn't pose any real problem for them as they were self-electing. Various non-conformist religions were taking a hold in Leicester; Presbyterians, Congregationalists, Baptists and Quakers and all required meeting places. One such building (the Great Meeting House) shared by the Presbyterians and the Independents was built in 1708 and still stands in Bond Street today.

John Tolton

# Have you changed your address?

In the event that it is necessary to inform the Gild or the Board of any change in circumstances, the information should be sent to both:

Mrs Hazel Lake Clerk to the Gild of Freemen of the City of Leicester The Malthouse 6 The Maltings, Ashley Leicestershire LE16 8HW

Telephone 01858 565826 Email: hazel.lake-leicesterfreemen@outlook.com

and

Leicester Freemen's Deputies 32 Freemen's Holt Old Church Street Aylestone Leicester LE2 8NH

Telephone: 0116 283 4017 E-mail: office@leicesterfreemen.com

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Telephone: 0116 286 1507 E-mail: romalc@btinternet.com

Facebook: search for "Leicester Gild"

# Dignitaries Leaving St Andrews Church after the carol service



19th December 2022

## St Andrew's Church Christmas Tree.



Christmas 2022