



Handbook 2021-2022

THE SOCIETY OF APOTHECARIES

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Colour Key

Society Events
Charity Committee
Livery Committee Events
Faculty of the History & Philosophy of Medicine & Pharmacy
Faculty of Conflict & Catastrophe Medicine
Friends of the Archives
Faculty CC & Faculty HP Symposium

All events are held at Apothecaries' Hall unless otherwise stated.

Events held at the Hall will be subject to Government Guidance on COVID-19.



A Letter from the Master

Professor Jane Anderson

Dear Apothecary,

Following the Court decision to extend our terms of office last year, it has been my privilege to serve a second term on the Private Court as Senior Warden alongside the Master, Professor Michael Farthing, and Junior Warden, Dr Jonathan Holliday. It has been an extraordinary year in many ways, which has required us to review what we do, why, and most importantly, how we do it.

Over the past 18 months we have had to do things very differently – the Society and its two Faculties have delivered a very successful programme of online events, for which we have received excellent support and feedback from our members. In consequence, we have gained new expertise in remote working, which has given us additional opportunities to engage members who may not always find it easy to come to the Hall.

As well as moving the full programme of faculty lectures and our distinguished speaker programmes online, we have held virtual admission ceremonies, online wine tastings, a series of facilitated conversations about some of the Society's artefacts, a virtual Carol service and the Galen Celebration, amongst many other things.

Although our remote events were successful, they cannot replicate the enjoyment that we all gain from being together in person. As I write, COVID-19 restrictions are being eased in England, a very successful vaccination programme is in place, and there is a new optimism that we can make plans for more face-to-face events in the coming year. However, we are not out of the woods yet, and we will have to remain agile and flexible in the face of continuing uncertainty.

We know that the pandemic has hit undergraduate medical and pharmacy students particularly hard in terms of their studies and financially. This reinforces the importance of the Master's Fund, which exists to support undergraduates who are in financial difficulty, and I encourage those who can dig a bit deeper to do so when contributing.

The Society has a full and exciting programme for the year ahead that I hope you will take part in and enjoy. To reassure you, the Society will review what is happening with COVID-19 continuously, making sure that we are always in line with government advice, and taking measures to ensure everyone stays as safe as possible.

We will continue to produce the *Newsletter* which I encourage you to look out for and read. We will use this to let you know about any unexpected changes that may occur, as well as to update you on new events that are added during the year. Please let me know if you have feedback about any aspect of the programme and events.

I look forward to meeting you at lectures, dinners, and other Society functions, during what I hope will be a rewarding, happy and healthy year.

With best wishes

Professor Jane Anderson
Master Apothecary



A Letter from the Clerk

Mr Nick Royle

Dear Apothecary,

As I write this, the Prime Minister has announced the end of all COVID-19 restrictions, and we are awaiting with bated breath our 'freedom' on 19th July. At the same time, we all know that there remains a need for COVID-19 vigilance, and that there is still a possibility that we may face yet further restrictions in the year ahead. At the Hall, we will continue to ensure the safety of our visitors and guests so far as we are able, with good ventilation, provision of hand gel, and so on, but we do ask all of you to help us with this by abiding by whatever rules and restrictions the Government (or common sense) dictates. I'm sure that most of you, like me, will be 'double-jabbed' by now, and eagerly awaiting your autumn or winter boosters!

With these thoughts in mind, it is then with some trepidation that we send you this, the Society's Handbook for Master's Year 2021-22. As with the past year, we will maintain an up-to-date version on the Society's website, where we will include any new events, and make adjustments, as required, should things change. To be clear – the website version of this programme is the 'master' version of this document.

There are many wonderful and exciting events in the programme, but may I draw your attention to two of them in particular?

Firstly, on 13th November 2021 we will be celebrating the role that Apothecaries have played in the COVID-19 pandemic, and the elevation of our Ward Alderman Vincent Keaveny to the office of Lord Mayor of the City of London, by participating in the Lord Mayor's Show. Further details of how you can be involved will be circulated.

Secondly, on Wednesday 13th July 2022 we will be holding a Summer Ball in place of the usual Summer Dinner. Again, further details and ticket prices are yet to be circulated, but it should be a fantastic evening, and I expect tickets to sell out quickly.

Talking of ticket prices, and mindful of the past dreary year, as noted back in the spring, the Court have again held the ticket price for most events at £105 per person, and allowed Members paying Quarterage to use their 'free ticket' to attend these events twice before 25th August 2022. This is allied with quarterage being maintained at £185 for a further year (Court £370). Of course, being a member of a Livery isn't just about dinners, and many of our members also support our academic activities. All of us should be supporting the Society's Charity, and sadly too many still do not – please read Simon Bailey's letter carefully, and if you are not already contributing, ask yourself why not.

To close, I very much hope that I will see as many of you as possible in the Hall over the coming months. After all, this is *your* Hall!

With best wishes

Nick Royle
Clerk



A Letter from the Charity Committee Chairman

Dr Simon Bailey

Dear Apothecary,

As a social being at heart I have found the last 18 months tedious. I have missed the friendship and fellowship which we enjoy at Apothecaries' Hall. I have, however, been surprised and delighted that our Zoom Committees have worked so well. Indeed, during this time there have been some new initiatives and the drive to help medical students in need remains uppermost in our minds.

The purpose of the Master's Fund, apart from a very small amount for local city needs, is exclusively to help medical and pharmaceutical students in the last two years of their training who are experiencing severe financial hardship. Some applicants are about to give up their course because of lack of money. One student had a budget of £10 per week for food, clothing and toiletries, so the applicant's lot is pretty horrid. Our aim is to reduce their suffering and enable students to complete their courses. Most students are from families who have no money to give. Often students are doing medicine as a second university subject and have already exhausted the public funds available. During lockdown there has been little casual work available, as our applicants often try to supplement their income with jobs in the hospitality sector. Those seeking help all want to be good doctors – whom we need, as we are still very dependent on doctors from abroad, and fewer are now coming from Europe. We really must support our indigenous students who are already near the end of their training.

Our income for giving comes from four main sources – interest from our invested funds, current charitable giving by members, money left to us after deaths, and the occasional special event. I trust that you will all consider your regular giving, and perhaps a small or large legacy when you next review your will. It is very pleasing that all new members are now giving to the charity. If all our members gave regularly in the same way, we would be able to do far more. The need is always there and I find it extremely disappointing to have to advise some applicants that they have not been successful. We do get encouraging reports when students whom we have supported qualify and start work. I hope, in time, some beneficiaries will become members of the Society.

The Opera evening in 2019 not only raised money, but brought together members who really value the ethos of the charity. I had very much hoped that we would be able to have a special event this year to bring together our friends and donors but sadly COVID-19 had other plans so it was not meant to be. If life improves for us, I hope that in the summer of 2022 we can celebrate the charity and our ambitions for the future with an exceptional event.

Master Michael Farthing wrote to us all in June setting out the detail of the Master's Fund – which is the correct name for the charity. Please look again at his letter. I want to thank all members who are giving and enabling this vital work to go ahead. I am grateful to the committee who are contacting members of the Society who might be interested in donating in future. If any member wants to get in touch to discuss anything around the charity please start with an email to me at yeliabz@yahoo.co.uk

With kind regards

Dr Simon Bailey
Chairman, Charity Committee

Apothecaries' Lottery

Supporting the Society's Charity

*"I am humbled by the generosity of the Society and overcome with gratitude"**

Following the success of the fundraising activities in 2016, the Society's 400th year, the Apothecaries lottery, relaunched in 2017, has proved to be a fabulous way for members to honour one of the Livery's prime goals of charitable giving.

The Apothecaries' Lottery supports the Society's charitable activity, focusing on supporting heavily indebted young medical students who are at risk of crashing out of their courses.

Apothecaries' Lottery tickets are priced at £40 per annum (1st September to 31st August), and you may buy as many tickets as you wish.

There will be a draw for a prize of £500 at each of the following events: the Yeomanry Dinner, the Carol Service, the 2nd Guest Night Dinner, and the Summer Ball.

Winners will remain eligible for all subsequent draws. Please note that the ticket price will remain at £40 regardless of the date on which the ticket is bought; tickets will only be entered into the draws remaining during the year in which they are purchased.

If you are interested in purchasing tickets [click here](#) for an application form.

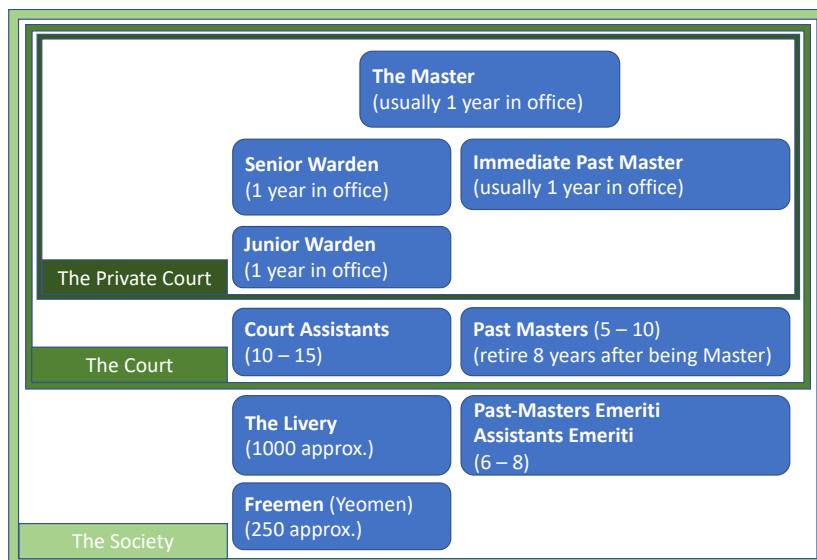


*Quotation from 2017 Medical Student Support Grant recipient

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Society Membership Structure and Member Information

1. SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP STRUCTURE



2. GOVERNANCE

In common with the other City Livery Companies, the Society is governed by a Court of Assistants, which meets quarterly. The Apothecaries' Court consists of up to 24 members, one of whom is elected Master, usually for a year. Two Wardens – Senior and Junior – are selected to assist the Master and together they form the Private Court, which meets monthly.

The day-to-day organisation and administration of the Society's affairs is carried out by the Clerk, assisted by the Deputy Clerk, the Beadle, and the staff of the Clerk's Office. The Academic Registrar and their team of staff are responsible for all Society academic endeavours, including examinations, courses and lecture programmes run by the Society's two Faculties.

3. SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

Society membership is open to all members of the medical profession registered with the GMC or overseas equivalent, to registered pharmacists and, in defined circumstances, to others. In all cases, prospective members must be recommended by two existing members of the Society or by one member of the Court of Assistants. The Society aims for its membership to reflect the diversity of the medical professions from which it draws members.

The terms Yeoman, Freeman, Liveryman and Master are not gender specific. All appropriately qualified individuals are actively and equally welcomed into our membership.

All members join as Freemen (who are usually called 'Yeomen' in our Society). When certain conditions have been met (see below), they may apply for promotion to Liveryman status. Liverymen are subsequently eligible for election to the Court of Assistants, from which the Master and Wardens are elected annually.



Society Members participate in the 'Loving Cup' ceremony at the Yeomanry & Livery Dinner, which takes place annually in October.

a) **Apprentice**

Apprentices are the most 'junior' in the Society structure and are not officially members of it. Apprentices are often students of medicine or pharmacy of any age, who are 'bound' to a member of the Society (their 'Apprentice-Master') in an historic arrangement. Apprentices meet regularly and have an active connection to the Society through their Apprentice-Master.

Apprentices may also be recorded as a bound Apprentice in the records of the City of London if aged between 14 and 21 years, and their Apprentice-Master is a Freeman of the City of London, and if the Society of Apothecaries was the first Livery Company of which the Apprentice-Master was a member.

Apprenticeship is to an individual Master and is not a guarantee of admission to the Society, particularly if the Apprentice is not a student of medicine or pharmacy.

b) **Freeman (or Yeoman)**

'Freeman' is the status of members when they first join the Society. In most Livery Companies, this stage is known as the 'Freedom', but in the Apothecaries' Society Freemen are also known as Yeomen. Freemen/Yeomen may attend the Society's events (at their own expense) as space allows and unless otherwise stated.

Freemen of the Society are eligible to become Freemen of the City of London and are encouraged to do so. Freemen/Yeomen of the Society who have remained as such for more than four years pay 'quarterage', an annual subscription fee, to the Society.

There are also Honorary Freemen in the Society. These are individuals whom the Society wishes to honour.

There are three ways of becoming a Freeman (Yeoman) and thereby joining the Society, each of which attracts a fee:

1. **Freedom by Redemption** – admission by recommendation and application.
2. **Freedom by Patrimony** – for children of Members born after the Member's admission to the Society.
3. **Freedom by Servitude** – for those who have completed an Apprenticeship of not less than four years, who are medically qualified or registered as pharmacists, and who are over the age of 21 years.

c) **Liveryman**

To gain promotion to the Livery, Yeomen need to: (1) become Freemen of the City of London, (2) pay the necessary fines (promotion fees), and (3) show their commitment to the Society. This commitment can be demonstrated by donating to the Society's Charity and participating in its core activities – Charity, the City, Academic and Fellowship – over a period of time, traditionally four years. It is not expected that participation in all the four core areas are necessary, as different people will bring differing strengths and interests to the Society.

At any time after a minimum of four years membership, once the conditions are met, Freemen may apply to the Private Court for promotion to the Livery. They provide a short letter outlining their

contributions to the core activities. Those whom the Private Court assesses as meeting the criteria are recommended for promotion to the Livery.

Liverymen may attend all Society functions as space allows and may vote in the annual Election of the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs at Guildhall. Liverymen who pay 'quarterage' (an annual subscription fee) have the privilege of dining once a year at the Hall at no further expense to them.

d) Court Assistant

The Court consists of up to 24 people ('Assistants'), of whom at least 21 must be registered medical practitioners. To be elected to serve as a Court Assistant, nominees must be Liverymen of the Society. The Standing Orders of the Society stress the need for wide representation by active members of all branches of the profession.



The Court of Assistants 2019-20

Liverymen nominated to join the Court of Assistants will have demonstrated consistent support for the Society in its four core areas of activity (Charity, City, Academic, and Fellowship) and have time to attend Court and Committee meetings. They should be willing to progress either to the Private Court and serve as Master (if elected), or to serve up to two terms of three years each before leaving the Court with the possibility of being re-elected later, and potentially progressing to the Private Court. Members of the Court pay a fine on election to the Court, and an enhanced quarterage.

4. FINES AND QUARTERAGE

All fines and quarterage include VAT at 20%

With effect from 1 September, 2021:

	Aged 35 or more	Aged under 35 and Society Examiners
Joining Fee (payable on application)	£	£
Freedom by Redemption	780	260
Freedom by Patrimony	780	260
Freedom by Servitude (promotion from Apprentice)		
On binding (starting apprenticeship)		60
On Admission to Yeomanry	585	195
Freedom of the City of London (paid to the City)	100	100
Livery fine (payable upon successful application to the Yeomanry)	1,425	475
Court fine (on appointment to the Court of Assistants)	2,070	
Quarterage (Annual Subscription)		
Liverymen, and Yeomen with 5 years seniority	195	195
Court Assistants	390	390

5. COMMITTEES

Members, especially those wishing to progress to the Court, may wish to become more involved with the running of the Society through membership of its various Committees. Expressions of interest are welcomed by the Court via the Clerk's office.

The programme of committee meeting dates is published in the annual Handbook and is updated in the monthly newsletter in the interests of increasing participation. Members are encouraged to contact the Clerk's office or relevant committee members if they have thoughts to share on issues relating to each Committee's mandate.

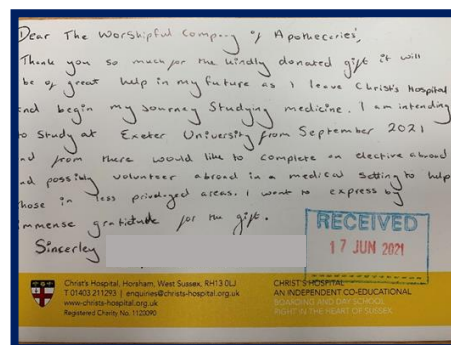
Livery Committee

The Livery Committee organises a lively programme of visits and events throughout the year, most of which take place away from the Hall. Events are advertised through the monthly newsletter and the Society website, and bookings are made directly with the volunteer organizing the event, so please do look out for the relevant contact details. Members interested in joining the Livery Committee or organizing events should contact the Chair of the Livery Committee.

6. SOCIETY ACTIVITIES

Charity Role

The charitable focus of The Society of Apothecaries is the support of students in medicine and pharmacy who are facing financial hardship that threatens their continuing education. Our help in this area has never been more important. Costs of medical and pharmacy training are high, and many do not have financial support from their families (thankfully coming from increasingly diverse backgrounds than previous generations). To make matters worse, COVID-19 has reduced the opportunities for part-time work significantly. Our professions losing some of the brightest and best young talent because of financial constraints would be a tragedy, both for the individuals concerned and for society.



Thank you note from a recipient of the Society's Christ's Hospital award.

Annually, through The Master's Fund, the Society supports at least one medical or pharmacy student in financial hardship at every medical and pharmacy school in the UK. In the past five years, our support has helped 168 students to complete their studies.

We also fund prizes at five London medical schools, an award at Christ's Hospital School and donate to the 201 (Harrow) Army Cadet Force (ACF), and other charitable giving.

You can help tomorrow's doctors and pharmacists by setting up a regular donation to The Master's Fund. You can also buy tickets for The Apothecaries' Lottery which makes a significant contribution to The Master's Fund. If you would like to become more involved in the work of The Master's Fund, for example, by running a fund-raising event, do contact the Clerk's office or the Chair of the Charity Committee.

Dropping out wastes talent, money, and lives and crushes young people's dreams. Thank you for any help you can give.

City Role

The Society is 58th in the order of precedence of Livery Companies, and the Society's history is inextricably bound up with that of the City. Its Liverymen form part of the franchise for the election of

the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs, and the Society supports the activities of the Lord Mayor, Corporation of London, and the Livery Network.

The Society has affiliated links with HMS Somerset, 256 (City of London) Field Hospital, the Middlesex and North-West London ACF, 201 RAMC (Harrow) detachment ACF, 4626 (County of Wiltshire) Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron RAF, and Highgate Division Cadets of St John Ambulance.

The Society frequently hires out its Hall to other Livery Companies, as well as to the City of London Police, City institutions, charities, and to other City and commercial organisations. On occasion, wedding receptions are held in the Hall, including on Saturdays. Members of the Society are entitled to a significant discount on rates for hiring the Hall during the week, and a 10% discount on weekend packages.

Society members can find out more about up-coming activities in The City, in which they are encouraged to participate, from our monthly newsletter 'City' section. These activities range from talks and lectures to inter-Livery competitions and unique City events such as the Lord Mayor's Ball or the world's longest running procession – The Lord Mayor's Show.



The Society participating in the 2017 Lord Mayor's Show in partnership with Save the Rhino, to which we made a £10,000 donation that year.

Academic Role

The Academic Registrar oversees the work of the Society's Academic Department.



Examiners' Cocktail Party, 2019

The Examinations Department runs seven postgraduate diplomas, including Diplomas in Genitourinary Medicine and HIV Medicine (a requirement for specialist training), a Diploma in the Medical Care of Catastrophes (which is also examined in the Netherlands), and Diplomas in the History and Philosophy of Medicine.

The Society also has two Faculties: The Faculty of the History and Philosophy of Medicine and Pharmacy, and The Faculty of Conflict and Catastrophe Medicine. The Faculties run three courses and host a wide-ranging lecture programme, to which members are welcome.

In 2017, the "400 Committee" was established to mark the 400th anniversary of the founding of the Society. Annually, this Committee awards Rhino Elective Awards of £400 each to support medical students taking electives abroad (in a country with a current or former native rhinoceros population). This Committee also awards the Apothecaries' Prize annually to a doctor at pre-consultant level for a published paper in the field of medical therapeutics or public health medicine.

The Society recognizes exceptional achievement in medical research and practice through the presentation of the Galen Medal in Therapeutics, the Farr Medal for outstanding contribution to the care of elderly people and the Surgeon-General/Apothecaries' prize for Excellence in Military Medical support to Crisis.

Members may participate in the Society's academic activities in a wide variety of ways. Perhaps by taking on the hugely valued role of examiner to one of our Diplomas, attending courses or lectures or by speaking at these events. Members may volunteer as a Friend of the Archives, or at an Open House event. Perhaps in their roles as members of other institutions, Apothecaries might arrange an official nomination for one of our awards or promote the Society's academic activities to others.

Fellowship Role

Fellowship is crucial to the Society. The support of fellow members of the Society, particularly when the formal and informal support structures of medical training and careers are not what they once

were, is important. The Society provides an organisation that represents all aspects and all stages of careers, in an environment that is supportive and welcoming.

The Society encourages fellowship in a number of ways, including when members and their guests come to any of the many Society Dinners throughout the year, or to one of the three luncheon events (Livery Lunch, the Lord Mayor's Show and United Guilds' Service). Yeomen and Liverymen can book for these events through the members' area of the Society website and are welcome to bring guests. Those who pay quarterage are entitled to one dinner without further charge each year.

Summary of All Events 2021-2022

May 2022

'The Largest and Best' Symposium	Fri 6	[Faculty HP]
Friuli Venezia Giulia Tour	Mon 9-Sat 14	[Livery Committee]
Leonardslee Gardens & Tea	Mon 16	[Livery Committee]
Leslie Payne Memorial Lecture	Tue 17	[Faculty CC]
Livery Luncheon	Fri 20	[Society]
Galen Dinner	Wed 25	[Society]

June 2022

Chelsea Physic Garden Visit	Wed 8	[Livery Committee]
Friends Summer Party	Mon 13	[Friends]
The Children's Trust Visit	Wed 15	[Livery Committee]
Gideon de Laune Lecture	Tue 21	[Faculty HP]
Second Guest Dinner	Wed 29	[Society]

July 2022

The Blitz Walk	Wed 6	[Livery Committee]
Examiners' Cocktail Party	Wed 6	[Society]
FacHP, London Museum Joint Course	Wed 6-Fri 8	[Faculty HP]
Summer Ball	Wed 13	[Society]
Visit to Turner Gallery	Wed 27	[Livery Committee]

August 2022

Installation Service & Dinner	Thu 25	[Society]
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Faculty HP & Society for the History of Alchemy & Chemistry [The Largest and Best: A joint symposium] 6 May 2022



Date: Friday 6 May 2022
Time: 9.30am-6.00 pm
Who can attend: Members/ Non-Members
Lecture Cost: Full rate - £30 / Students - £15
Dress code: Smart casual
Contact: facultyhp@apothecaries.org

A joint meeting between the Faculty of the History & Philosophy of Medicine & Pharmacy Society for the History of Alchemy & Chemistry

2022 sees the 350th anniversary of the opening of a laboratory at Apothecaries' Hall for manufacturing chemical medicines and one hundred years since its closure. With its creation rooted in the burgeoning popularity of chemical medicines and the ongoing disputes with the College of Physicians, it expanded during the eighteenth century to be a major supplier of medicines to the Navy and East India Company. In the nineteenth century, under the direction of William Brande, Henry Hennell and Robert Warington, all Fellows of the Royal Society, new directions of research and consultancy developed, whilst the Society of Apothecaries struggled to reconcile its new role as a medical licensing corporation with that of a wholesale drug manufacturer.

[Click here](#) to book tickets.

Livery Committee: Friuli Venezia Giulia Tour 9-14 May 2022



Date: Monday 9 to Saturday 14 May 2022
Time: For flight timings see flyer available on the website
Who can attend: Society members and their guests
Cost: £1,395 per person plus single supplement where appropriate
Dress code: Casual
Venue: 5 nights in a 4-star hotel
Contact: tony@millenniumtours.co.uk

The visit to north-eastern Italy that had to be postponed in 2021 because of COVID-19, has been rescheduled. The dates for travelling to this relatively unknown region of beautiful towns and villages, with its fine heritage of art and architecture, are now confirmed and the trip will run from **Monday 9 May to Saturday 14 May, 2022**. Priority will be given to members who had previously booked to go on the trip before we reopen applications in September 2021. More details will follow in due course.

[Please visit the website](#) for up-to-date details on Livery Committee Events (under Venue & Events)



Date: Monday 16 May 2022

Time: 10.45 am–5.00 pm

Who can attend: Society members and their guests

Cost: £65 per person, inclusive of entrance fee, garden tour & afternoon tea.

Dress code: Casual, but with footwear suitable for gravel paths.

Venue: Leonardslee Gardens, Brighton Road, Lower Beeding, Horsham, RH13 6PP

Contact: drmalins@outlook.com

In 2019, Leonardslee Lakes & Gardens opened its doors after a closure of 10 years. This magnificent Grade I listed garden was nearly lost forever and has been the subject of the largest garden restoration in England and possibly Europe.

With over 240 acres of English woodland gardens, set within a steep valley Leonardslee Lakes & Gardens consists of lakes, woodland areas, and the famous Rock Garden. The gardens are famed for outstanding displays of rhododendrons, azaleas, camellias, magnolias, bluebells and the beautiful ornamental rock garden.

Afternoon tea is a very short drive down the road to the Camellia restaurant of South Lodge Country House, with its impressive views across to the South Downs.

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Faculty CC: Leslie Payne Memorial Lecture

17 May 2022



Date: Tuesday 17 May 2022

Time: 6.00 pm (AGM at 5.00 pm)

Who can attend: Open to all (AGM for Faculty members only)

Cost: Free for Faculty CC Members, £10 for non-Faculty CC members

Dress code: Casual

Contact: facultycc@apothecaries.org

Local vs International response: The changing roles of NGOs and other players

Given by Carolyn Miller

The immediate response in emergencies is primarily undertaken by local people and agencies. Foreign individuals and teams of experts can add great value but can sometimes make it more difficult for national and local authorities and health teams, communities and local NGOs to contribute to the full. In other health settings capacity building is not always sustainable or equitable and has become an outdated term. Recent commitments to The Grand Bargain, and the Shift the Power and Black Lives Matter movements have highlighted that donors, INGOs and others have yet to reform in any radical way. Using examples from a range of settings Carolyn will prompt a discussion on how things might change in practice to ensure strong locally led healthcare and community wellbeing.

The Faculty owes its very existence to Leslie Payne, who died in 2018. Dr Payne helped establish the Diploma in the Care of Catastrophes (DMCC), which is taught and examined at the Society of Apothecaries.

Please note that there will be an AGM for the Faculty of Conflict & Catastrophe members prior to the meeting at 5pm.

Society Major Event: Livery Luncheon

20 May 2022



Date: Friday 20 May 2022

Time: 12.30 pm–3.30 pm

Who can attend: Liverymen, Yeomen, and their guests

Cost: £105

Dress code: Lounge suit

Contact: deputyclerk@apothecaries.org

The Society's major functions are our showpiece events, and are open to Liverymen, Yeomen and their guests. Hosted by the Master and Wardens, official guests may include visiting Masters, Presidents of Royal Societies, senior figures in the world of medicine, pharmacy, the sciences, entertainment, the Armed Forces, finance, politics, and beyond.

The Society's annual lunchtime function, the Livery Luncheon, retains the ceremonial and celebratory nature of an evening function, and is particularly suited to those who prefer to travel during the day, and perhaps come from further afield.



Date: Wednesday 25 May 2022

Time: 6.15 pm–10.30 pm

Who can attend: Liverymen, Yeomen, and their guests

Cost: £105

Dress code: White tie & decorations (black tie acceptable).

Contact: deputyclerk@apothecaries.org

The Society is unique in combining the responsibilities of a City of London Livery Company with those of a UK medical academic institution. The Awards Dinner marks our annual celebration of medical science and education.

Three prestigious awards are presented at the Awards Ceremony: the Galen Medal in Therapeutics; the Farr Medal, for significant contribution to the management of the care of elderly people; and the Surgeon-General's Prize for Excellence in Military Medical Support to Crisis. In addition, the Apothecaries' Prize for junior doctors at pre-consultant level (which was introduced in 2017 to mark the 400th anniversary of the granting of the Society's Royal Charter) will be presented.

Those attending should be seated by 6.15 pm, as the presentation will begin at 6.30 pm precisely. This will be followed by a reception and a formal dinner to which Presidents of Royal Colleges and other distinguished guests are invited.



The Galen Medal (front)



The Galen Medal (back)

Livery Committee: Chelsea Physic Garden Visit

8 June 2022



Date: Wednesday 8 June 2022

Time: 10.30 am–2.30 pm

Who can attend: Society members and their guests

Cost: £70 per person, including lunch

Dress code: Casual

Venue: Chelsea Physic Garden, 66 Royal Hospital Rd, London SW3 4HS

Contact: Dr Elizabeth Stearns ejestearns@gmail.com

Apothecaries are invited to a private tour of Chelsea Physic Garden, followed by lunch at the Physic Garden Café. (This is a change from the original plan to dine at Caraffini's). The gardens and glasshouses should be at their best, we will be given a guided tour with special emphasis on medicinal plants, and shown the library (not normally open to the public) by the Director of the Gardens.

**[Please visit the website](#) for up-to-date details on Livery Committee Events
(under Venue & Events)**

Friends of the Archives: Summer Party

13 June 2022



Date: Monday 13 June 2022

Time: 6.00 pm–8.00 pm

Who can attend: Friends of the Archives & their personal guests

Cost: £15

Dress Code: Casual

Contact: friends@apothecaries.org

Friends of the Archives Summer Party

This party provides a very special evening for Friends and their personal guests to enjoy a convivial occasion at what is, without doubt, the oldest – and possibly most beautiful – Livery Hall in the City of London. We hope the weather will be good to us, so that we can enjoy the beautifully restored Courtyard and the magnificent Great Hall at their best. There is always something new to discover at the Hall, and a favourite treasure to share. A light finger buffet and sparkling wine will be provided by Committee volunteers.

Livery Committee: The Children's Trust visit

15 June 2022



Date: Wednesday 15 June 2022

Time: 10.30 am – 2.00 pm

Who can attend: Society members and their guests

Cost: £45 per person, to include a donation to the Trust & lunch.

Dress code: Casual

Venue: The Children's Trust, Tadworth Court, Tadworth, KT20

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Contact: Dilip Joshi, email dilipjoshi@me.com

Every year, 40,000 children in the UK are left with a brain injury as a result of an accident or illness and it can be devastating. The Children's Trust aims to help rebuild as many of their skills as possible, as well as their self-esteem. Children are helped to do this through play, exploration, laughter and having fun; things that are often absent when a child has limited mobility or has had a challenging time.

We have a unique opportunity to learn about the range of services provided and see skilled staff use innovative ways to care for these children including music and hydro-therapy through a guided, private tour of the facilities at the national specialist centre in Tadworth. After the tour our guide and the Chief Executive of the Trust will join us for lunch at the nearby The Duke's Head pub.

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(under Venue & Events)**

Faculty HP: Gideon de Laune Lecture

21 June 2022



Date: Tuesday 21 June 2022

Time: 6.00 pm

Who can attend: Open to all

Lecture Cost: Faculty HP members £5,
non-Faculty members £10, Students free

Lecture & Supper (including wine):
£40 (£15 Students)

Dress code: Smart casual

Contact: facultyhp@apothecaries.org

**Learned medicine and alchemical mysteries in the library of Clare College,
Cambridge (c.1570-1620)**

Given by Dr Timothy Chesters

In this talk, Dr Timothy Chesters will share a newly discovered secret from the Fellows' Library at Clare College, Cambridge, and through it tell the story of one of Clare's most colourful fellows. Piecing together some extraordinarily densely annotated books from the collection, the history of chemical experimentation, Tudor medicine, letters from the college archive, the college silver, a memorial sculpture, and an East London pub, the talk will show how the library at Clare may hold the key to one of the most intriguing mysteries in the history of Tudor alchemy.

[Click here](#) to book tickets.



Date: Wednesday 29 June 2022

Time: 6.45 pm–10.30 pm

Who can attend: Liverymen, Yeomen, and their guests

Cost: £105

Dress code: Black tie

Contact: deputyclerk@apothecaries.org

The Society's major functions are our showpiece events, and are open to Liverymen, Yeomen and their guests. Hosted by the Master and Wardens, official guests may include visiting Masters, Presidents of Royal Societies, senior figures in the world of medicine, pharmacy, the sciences, entertainment, the Armed Forces, finance, politics, and beyond.

These dinners are the ideal opportunity to show friends and family what the Livery is all about – whilst recognising our academic and charitable purpose. With members and guests dressed in their finest, participating in ancient – and enjoyable – ceremonies, partaking of the finest wines and food, and with excellent entertainment, what is a once-in-a-lifetime event for most can be enjoyed frequently by Apothecaries.

Faculty HP: Up Close and Medical: Behind the scenes of London's Medical Museums

6 July – 8 July 2022

Date: Wednesday 6 July – 8 July 2022

Time: 10 am-4.30 pm

Who can attend: Members/ Non-Members

Cost: Three-days – Full rate: £240.00/Student rate: £120.00

Dress code: Smart casual

Contact: facultyhp@apothecaries.org

A joint course between the Faculty of the History & Philosophy of Medicine & London Museums of Health and Medicine

Exploring both the places and people that have put London at the centre of medicine, this course will take you behind the scenes of London's finest medical museums to discover extraordinary stories and objects that have shaped how medicine is practised and experienced from the past until today.

From herbs to heart surgery, public health to paramedics, drug jars to dentistry, exploring London's museums provides remarkable insights into humanity's age-long campaign for good health.

Attending this course you will:

- Gain a better sense of history of medicine with a focus on the health challenges faced by Londoners past and present
- Get behind the scenes access to incredible places of medical history
- Get hands on with extraordinary objects

Click [here](#) to view full programme and to book. Places are limited.



Date: Wednesday 6 July 2022

Time: 10.15 am – 2.30 pm

Who can attend: Society members and their guests.

Cost: £40.00 per person for walk and lunch

Dress code: Casual, with comfortable shoes

Venue: Starting at Bart's Square, near St Paul's and the Barbican tube stations.

Contact: Dilip Joshi, email dilipjoshi@me.com

Starting at The Fountain, Bart's Square, our guide will give us a fascinating insight into wartime London. His encyclopaedic knowledge, stories and photographs will bring history to life! We will see evidence of Zeppelin bombs and V-2 explosions and learn about the largest bomb dropped at that time (known by the Germans as a 'Liebsgabe', or Love Gift). Stops include Tudor Archway, Bartholomew Close and The Butchers' Hall; all sustained damage and we will also visit several sites of Wren churches destroyed in the Blitz. Bank and Cannon Street stations did not escape damage and as we continue towards St. Paul's Cathedral, we will see the National Firefighters' Memorial and learn about the work of the Fire Services during WW2. On our return to The Fountain, we will pass Paternoster Square, once the centre of London's publishing industry and the former Central Telegraph Office, both heavily damaged in the war.

We finish at The Fountain and adjourn for a two-course lunch at The Rising Sun in a private area upstairs.

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Society Major Event: Summer Ball

13 July 2022



Date: Wednesday 13 July 2022
Time: Approx. 6.45 pm–midnight
Who can attend: Liverymen, Yeomen, and their guests
Cost: £130.00 per ticket
Dress code: White tie (black tie acceptable)
Contact: deputyclerk@apothecaries.org

Rarely in its history has the Society held a Ball, but 2022 is an exceptional year. Seldom have our professions of medicine and pharmacy had to deal with a global pandemic but since 2020 they have been central to outstanding national and global responses to Covid. The ball will be an ideal opportunity to come together to celebrate our professions and their work, to reconnect and reenergise.

And this is the year we have our new Champagne Bar, which with the addition of a marquee in the Courtyard gives us a wonderful inside-outside space. The Summer Ball will be a highlight of the Master's year with a Champagne reception, fine dining, a dance band, and much more. An evening not to be missed.

Dinner will be served at round tables in the Great Hall, the Court Room and the Parlour. Please be aware that you and your guests may be seated in any of these areas. Tables will seat 8 people in the Parlour and Court Room or 10-12 in the Great Hall. If you have a preference for seating, please say so in the 'additional information' section of the booking form. We will do our best to accommodate preferences, and will use a first-come, first-served system if necessary.

Tickets are priced at £130 each and include dinner, dancing and drinks up until 11pm. After this time, a cash / card bar will be operating. Members who pay quarterage can use their annual 'free' dinner for this event; a surcharge of £25 will be applied. Carriages at Midnight.

Livery Committee: Visit to Turner Gallery & Walpole Bay Hotel, Margate 27 July 2022



Date: Wednesday 27 July 2022
Time: 10.30 am – 4.00 pm
Who can attend: All Society members and their guests will be welcome.
Cost: £75 per person
Dress code: Casual
Venue: Turner Contemporary Gallery and Walpole Bay Hotel, Margate
Contact: Omar Khan, (omarkhan16@btinternet.com)

We will meet over refreshments at the Turner Gallery before a talk by the Curator to include a history of the Gallery and its association with artists such as Turner, Gormley and Emin, and its past exhibition highlights. After a guided tour of the Gallery we will walk or drive to the Walpole Bay Hotel for a glass of Prosecco and a cream tea before we are guided on a tour of this wonderful Victorian Hotel, Museum and Gallery.

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Society Major Event: Installation Service & Dinner

25 August 2022



Date: Thursday 25 August 2022

Time: 5.30 pm–10.30 pm

Who can attend: Liverymen, Yeomen, and their guests

Cost: £105

Dress code: Lounge suit

Venue: Service at St Andrew-by-the-Wardrobe, followed by dinner at Apothecaries' Hall.

Contact: deputyclerk@apothecaries.org

This event is held on the day that the new Master is elected and begins with a service at St Andrew-by-the-Wardrobe, which will be conducted by the new Master's Chaplain. During the service, the Clerk will read out the names of members known to have died during the past year. The service will be followed by drinks in the Courtyard, weather permitting, and a four-course dinner in the Great Hall.

Faculty CC: Audrey Few Lecture

20 September 2022



Date: Tuesday 20 September 2022

Time: 6.00 pm at Apothecaries Hall

Who can attend: Members of the Faculty and Society and their guests

Cost: TBA

Dress code: Casual

Contact: facultycc@apothecaries.org

A trust in the name of Audrey Few for the World Health Organisation enabled the Faculty to establish an annual lecture programme.

Speaker TBC

Members can book via the database.

Livery Committee: Dalmatian Coast tour 23 – 30 September 2022

Date: Friday 23rd – Friday 30th September 2022

Time: For flight timings see flyer available on the website

Who can attend: Society members and their guests.

Cost: £2,095 per person plus single supplement where appropriate.

Dress code: Casual.

Venue: 7 nights in four and five-star hotels.

Contact: tony@millenniumtours.co.uk to express your interest in this visit.

To replace the newly postponed visit to Armenia the LC International Travelling Club will explore the complex artistic and cultural heritage of Croatia, Montenegro and Bosnia, from Greek to Roman, Byzantine to Romanesque and Gothic to Renaissance.



On this tour we spend three nights in Split, seeing Salona the ancient capital of the Roman province of Dalmatia, the imposing remains of Diocletian's fourth century AD palace and the delightful island city of Trogir, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. En route to a four night stay in another UNESCO World Heritage site, Dubrovnik, we visit Mostar, in Bosnia Herzegovina, whose stone bridge was rebuilt after its destruction in the Bosnian war. Dubrovnik has a rich culture and history dating back to the seventh century and from there we visit neighbouring Montenegro, driving around the scenic Bay of Kotor and visiting the church of Our Lady of the Rocks on its own tiny island in the bay.

[PLEASE VISIT THE WSA LIVRY COMMITTEE EVENTS WEBPAGE FOR UP-TO-DATE DETAILS](#)

Livery Committee: Visit to the Centre of Aviation Medicine 5 October 2022



Date: 5 October 2022

Time: 10.30 am – 2.00 pm

Who can attend: All Society members and their guests will be welcome.

Cost: £35.00 per person.

Dress code: Gentlemen, jacket and tie, and for ladies, smart casual.

Venue: RAF Henlow, Bedfordshire, SG16 6DN

Contact: Wg Cdr Martin Waldron at mwaldron@avmedsolutions.com

The Centre of Aviation Medicine has been based at RAF Henlow since 1998. It is situated between Hitchin and Luton with train connections to London, and is accessible by road from both the A1 and the M1.

After tea or coffee our tour of the Centre will include visits to the hypobaric chambers, night vision goggle training suite, disorientation trainers and the air crash investigation unit. This will be followed by lunch in the Officers' Mess.

Livery Committee: Wexford Festival Opera 21 – 25 October 2022



Date: Friday 21 – Tuesday 25 October 2022

Who can attend: Society members and their guests.

Cost: To be determined.

Dress code: Black tie at the opera, casual otherwise.

Venue: O'Reilly Theatre, National Opera House, Wexford, Ireland.

Contact: Dr Eithne MacMahon at eithnemaahon@gmail.com, to express your interest in this visit.

We will arrive on the opening day, Friday 21st, attending the main stage opera productions on the following three nights, (LALLA ROUKH, David, ARMIDA, Dvorak, LA TEMPESTA, Halevy). Dinner is included each night with two pre-theatre dinners in the opera house restaurant.

Daytime events are not timetabled leaving participants free to choose to attend additional performances including daily lunchtime recitals and the afternoon pocket operas. Night owls may wish to attend the Late Night Cabaret des Artistes.

Accommodation will be at the 4-star Talbot Hotel located by Wexford Harbour in the town centre.

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Livery Committee: Freemasons' Hall visit 19 November 2022



Date: Saturday 19 November 2022

Time: 11.00 am – 3.00 pm

Who can attend: All Society members and their guests will be welcome.

Cost: £75.00 per person.

Dress code: Gentlemen, jacket and tie, and for ladies, smart casual.

Venue: Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5AZ

Contact: Liz Bevan (lizbevan99@gmail.com)

Freemasons' Hall in Great Queen Street was built on the site of previous Halls dating back to 1775. Completed in 1933 as a memorial to the thousands of Freemasons who died in the First World War, Freemasons' Hall is recognised as one of the finest Art Deco buildings in England.

The visit will start with a guided tour of Freemasons' Hall taking in the museum and library, the Grand Temple and the Vestibules. Together, the collections at the museum, library and archives have been awarded 'Designated Outstanding' status by the Arts Council. The tour will conclude with pre-lunch drinks in one of the Vestibules followed by lunch, 3 courses with wine, in the Grand Officers' Robing Room.

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Subsequent Events (2022-2023)

Please note that dates may change

September 2022

Private Court & Dinner	Wed 14	
Audrey Few Lecture	Tue 20	[Faculty CC]
Open House	Sun 18	[Society]
Friends of the Archives AGM and Lecture	Mon 26	[Friends of the Archives]
400 Committee	Wed 28	[Society]
Election of Lord Mayor	Thu 29	

October 2022

Private Court	Tue 4	
Sydney Selwyn Lecture	Tue 11	[Faculty HP]
Court and Dinner	Wed 19	
Yeomanry & Livery Dinner	Mon 31	[Society]

November 2022

Lord Mayor's Show	Sat 12	
Private Court & Dinner	Tue 15	
Monckton Copeman	Wed 16	[Faculty HP]
400 Committee	Thu 17	[Society]

December 2022

Charter Private Court		
Livery Committee Meeting & Carol Service	Mon 5	[Livery Committee]
Court, Charity AGM & Dinner	Wed 14	

January 2023

John Locke Lecture	Thu 12	[Faculty HP]
Private Court	Mon 16	

February 2023

Osler Lecture	Mon 13	[Faculty HP]
Private Court & Dinner	Tue 14	
First Livery Dinner	Tue 21	[Society]
Keats Memorial Lecture	TBC	[Faculty HP]

March 2023

Finance Committee & Private Court	Tue 7	
Gideon de Laune	Mon 13	[Faculty HP]
Court & Dinner	Thu 16	
United Guilds Service	Fri 24	[Society]
Second Livery Dinner	Wed 29	[Society]

April 2023

Private Court & Dinner	Mon 17	
First Guest Dinner	Thu 27	[Society]
Sydenham Lecture	Thu 20	[Faculty HP]

May 2023

Diploma Presentation	Tue 9	[Exams Dept]
Leslie Payne Memorial Lecture	Tues 16	[Faculty CC]
Livery Luncheon	Fri 19	[Society]
Galen Dinner	Wed 24	[Society]

June 2023

Private Court	Wed 7	
Court & Dinner	Fri 16	
Sheriffs' Elections	Fri 23	
Second Guest Dinner	Tue 27	[Society]

Hans Sloane

TBC

[Faculty HP]

July 2023

Examiners' Cocktail Party

Wed 5

[Society]

Private Court & Dinner

Mon 10

Summer Dinner

Thu 13

[Society]

August 2023

Installation Service & Dinner

Tue 29

[Society]

Society History

The Society is a Livery Company of the City of London, with a Royal Charter dating from 1617, and has been a medical licensing body since the Apothecaries' Act of 1815.

The organisation of apothecaries in London can be traced back to the Guild of Pepperers, an association formed in the City in 1180. By 1316, the Pepperers had been joined by the Spicers and their business chiefly concerned the importing and sale of spices and peppers from Asia, Africa, the Middle East and the Mediterranean. The trade in spicery and the development of pharmacy became interdependent and led to the emergence of the spicer-apothecary.

The Pepperers, who subsequently evolved into wholesale merchant traders dealing *en gros*, were incorporated in 1428 as the Worshipful Company of Grocers. The apothecary members of this Company had shops in Bucklersbury where they stored and sold spices, confectionery, perfumes, spiced wines, herbs, and drugs that they compounded and dispensed to the public. The great mediaeval houses and royal households employed their own apothecaries who worked under the supervision of physicians.

By the mid-16th century, the apothecary had become what, today, we would call a community pharmacist, dealing only with the preparation and sale of substances for medicinal purposes. The London apothecaries, with their specialist skills, agitated for several years to break away from the Grocers' Company, and eventually succeeded in 1617.

King James I and VI granted the apothecaries their Charter of Incorporation on 6 December 1617, later justifying his decision by remarking: "Grocers are but merchants, the business of an Apothecary is a misterie [craft] wherefore I think it is fitting that they be a corporation of themselves."

At this time, the Royal College of Physicians held unrivalled authority over medical practice in England. Apothecaries frequently impinged on the jurisdiction of physicians by dispensing medicines without a prescription. The College of Physicians countered this outrage by asserting their right to inspect apothecaries' shops and by imposing stringent quality controls on raw drugs and medicinal preparations.

The Society and the College were at bitter variance with each other over these issues for many years until a test case reached the House of Lords in 1704. William Rose, an apothecary, had been prosecuted by the physicians for visiting a sick man in his home, prescribing medicines for him and then dispensing the drugs. Bowing to recognised common practice, the Lords ruled in favour of the apothecary, as physicians were relatively few and most people could not afford their fees. Thereafter, apothecaries were entitled to both prescribe and dispense medicines – although they could only accept payment for the drugs – and so became forerunners of today's General Practitioners.

Examinations

Medical reform and the regulation of the medical profession, especially for education and training, became a major issue at the close of the 18th century. Members of the Society were at the forefront of developments that gathered momentum between 1810 and 1814, and resulted in the first Medical Act – the Apothecaries' Act – which received Royal Assent on 12 July 1815. This gave the Society the right to examine medical students and to grant licences to successful candidates to practise Medicine in England and Wales. Until the General Medical Council was set up by the Medical Act of 1858, the Society effectively regulated the profession.



The first examination for the Licence of the Society of Apothecaries (LSA) was held in August 1815. John Keats, the poet, qualified LSA in July 1816, and Elizabeth Garrett (later Garrett Anderson) gained her LSA in September 1865, and so became the first openly female recipient of a medical qualification in Britain. Ronald Ross, who in 1902 became the second Nobel Prize winner in Medicine, obtained his Licence in January 1881.

The title of the Society qualification was altered by statute in 1907 to become The Licence in Medicine and Surgery of the Society of Apothecaries (LMSSA). Examination for the Licence is currently in abeyance. The Act of 1815 also gave statutory powers to the Society to also examine and grant a certificate called Assistant to an Apothecary, today's Pharmacy Technician. This qualification finally ceased to be offered in January 1998.

The Society's role in medical education is also reflected in the range of specialist postgraduate diplomas that it pioneered. In 1928 it was the first body to introduce a qualification in Midwifery: the Mastery of Midwifery. This led later to the formation of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists. The Diploma in Industrial Health of 1946 later resulted in the founding of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine. One of the most recent diplomas, the Medical Care of Catastrophes, was encouraged by the Royal Army Medical Corps, and the Diplomas in Genitourinary Medicine and HIV Medicine are compulsory for those wishing to progress in those specialties. At present, the Society examines seven different postgraduate diplomas.

Apothecaries' Hall

When the Apothecaries separated from the Grocers in 1617, the newly founded Society met in private houses, inns, and the Halls of other livery companies to conduct its business. In 1632 the former guesthouse of the Dominican Priory, in the district known as Blackfriars, was purchased. The Society immediately began a programme of improvements, furnishing and decorating the building in keeping with the status of a livery company. This Hall was destroyed by the Great Fire of London in 1666, but a replacement was built on the same site between 1668 and 1672, incorporating significant sections of the Priory. The resulting Hall has remained essentially unchanged since that time, with only minor alterations. Miraculously, and through the heroic dedication of the firewatchers during the Second World War, it has survived virtually intact for more than three centuries. It is the oldest extant Livery Hall in the City and is a Grade 1 Listed Building and a Scheduled Ancient Monument.

The courtyard was rebuilt in 1786 to provide warehouse accommodation for the storage of the drugs and medicines manufactured on the premises. The first laboratory was established underneath the Great Hall in 1672 and, before long, the Society's large-scale production of drugs had become a thriving commercial enterprise which survived into the 20th century. The client base included the Royal Navy, the Army, the East India Company, and Crown Colonies.



Drugs, medical and surgical equipment, and related sundries were also sold in a shop at the Hall, and a retail pharmacy was opened in 1823 with its front door on what is now Black Friars Lane. The pharmaceutical businesses were finally sold in 1922. The old factory buildings were demolished in 1929 and replaced with new offices, although the former Counting House, now known as Magnesia House, has been preserved. A new project that started in 2021 has restored the main entrance to its original location and re-created an 'Apothecaries' Shop' on-site for the first time in almost 100 years.

Society Treasures

Over the years, many treasures have been given to the Society, many of which are displayed at the Hall. One of the most notable is a contemporary painting of the Spanish Armada, which hangs in the

entrance hall. There is also a fine collection of silver, the oldest piece being the Beadle's staff which dates from around 1645, and an impressive array of apothecaries' drug jars and pill tiles.



The walls of the Parlour, Court Room, Great Hall, and Landing are hung with portraits of former members, chiefly Past Masters. It is now the custom for Masters to present the Society with a miniature of themselves on completion of their term of office. The Library houses a small, specialist collection of books, chiefly about medicine, botany, pharmacy, and the City of London, and some are very rare and valuable. These are complemented by a wealth of historical material held in the Archives that covers all aspects of the Society's activities. The oldest records date back to 1617.

The Society Archive is a repository of note and an international research resource that attracts doctoral, postgraduate and undergraduate research students.

Chelsea Physic Garden

Founded by the Society in 1673, the Chelsea Physic Garden is one of the oldest botanic gardens in Europe. The Apothecaries grew plants at the Garden to teach botany to their apprentices and employed Botanical Demonstrators for that purpose. During the 19th century, competitive prizes for students of Botany, Materia Medica and Pharmaceutical Chemistry were awarded. Plants were also processed in the laboratories at the Hall.

The Society kept its ceremonial barge in one of three barge houses situated in the corner of the Garden, letting the remaining two to other livery companies. Bequeathed by Sir Hans Sloane to the Society, the three-and-a-half-acre site now contains a garden that demonstrates the history of medicinal plants and features a 'Garden of World Medicine'.

Although the Apothecaries relinquished control of the Garden in 1899, a representative of the Society sits on the Board of Trustees responsible for its management today. Maintaining the tradition set up by the Apothecaries, Chelsea Physic Garden continues to be a centre for education and research.

Motto and Coat of Arms

The Society was granted Arms by William Camden (Clarenceux King of Arms) on 12 December 1617. These are visible all over the Hall, at the Garden, and on many treasures and documents of the Society.

Described in the blazon of the Society's Grant of Arms of 1617 as "the inventor of physic" (i.e. medicine), Apollo is depicted in the coat of arms with his head radiant, overcoming pestilence which is represented pictorially by a wyvern (a 'serpent' in the blazon). His usual attributes are a bow and arrow.



Apollo was the father of Asclepius and therefore grandfather of Hygeia (goddess of health, cleanliness, and sanitation), Panacea (goddess of universal health), Iaso (goddess of recuperation from illness), Aceso (goddess of the healing process) and Aglaea (the goddess of beauty, splendour, glory, magnificence and adornment).

The Society motto – which, unusually, is specified in the blazon of the Grant of Arms and is therefore immutable – is *Opiferque Per Orbem Dicor*, a Latin part-quotation from Ovid referring to the Greek deity Apollo, meaning: "and throughout the world [I am] called [the bringer of] help". The full quotation comes from the first book of *Metamorphoses* in the story of Daphne and Apollo: Cupid, whose power had been belittled by him, hits Apollo with a gold-tipped arrow that arouses love. But Cupid also hits Daphne with a lead-tipped arrow that banishes love from within her. Daphne consequently flees from her would-be suitor, and Apollo's expression of despair puts the Society motto in context and makes it particularly relevant to apothecaries:

Inventum medicina meum est, opiferque per orbem dicor, et herbarum subiecta potentia nobis. Hei mihi, quod nullis amor est medicabilis herbis; nec prosunt domino, quae prosunt omnibus, artes!

(Medicine is my invention, throughout the world I am called the bringer of help, and the power of herbs is under my control [but] alas for me, love cannot be cured by herbs, so the skills which help everyone else do not benefit their master.)

The Society's supporters are golden unicorns, and its crest is a rhinoceros. The unicorns may have been a compliment to James I and VI. The sale of "unicorn horn" and of rhinoceros horn for medicinal purposes was not widespread at the time of the granting of Arms, and there is therefore some uncertainty about why the Rhinoceros was chosen as the Apothecaries' crest. The illustration of the crest in the Grant is based on Dürer's 1515 depiction of a rhinoceros; an animal that he had never seen but which he drew from a description. The dorsal horn may have been intended to be on the dorsum of its nose, rather than on the animal's back.

How to Book Events using your Apothecaries personalised log-in

If it is your first time:

You will need to set up your password & have your bank details ready

1. Go to the Society website <https://www.apothecaries.org/> and click *Log-in then click Members Area*. You will see the new Login screen with the Society crest.
2. Click the Forgot Your Password button.
3. Next, enter your email address and click "Send Password Reset Link".
4. You will receive an email inviting you to reset your password. If you do not receive it, please check your junk/spam folder.
5. Please click the link in the email and choose a new password.
6. You will then return to the Login screen.
7. Enter your email address and the new password. Agree to the GDPR statement which allows the Society to use your personal data for the purpose of contacting you with regard to events, news and your membership subscription.

Members Area Dashboard – creating a profile & updating your details

8. You will then see the Members' Area Dashboard, from here you can see upcoming events, news articles, resources (Society documents) and galleries. You can also search for other Members' using the Member Search box.
9. The new Members' Area looks very different from the previous one! You are invited to click the Profile tab at top right, and from here you can view the details we hold for you and also set which of your personal details you would like to be available to other Members as a kind of online Yearbook from the Contact tab. Simply click the Web Visible toggle for each item, and when it turns green, that piece of information is visible to other Members searching for your profile.
10. You can also use the Profile tab to advise us of changes of postal address, email address, telephone number and others details. You can also upload a new profile photo if you wish.

NB: Any changes you request, will first need to be approved by ourselves before they will show in your profile.

Setting up bank payments using Gocardless

11. As we will be collecting some subscriptions and payments for events, via GoCardless, it would be very helpful at this point if you could set up a GoCardless account. Click the Payments tab, click Setup GoCardless, this will take you to the GoCardless sign-up screen. Enter your bank sort code and account number into the boxes and complete the sign-up. If you choose not to do this now, you will be reminded when you first book for an event.

Remember to Logout (top right) when you have finished editing your profile.

Now you are ready to book (skip to step 2)

If you have logged in before:

Booking an event

Step 1: Log-in

1. Click on log-in

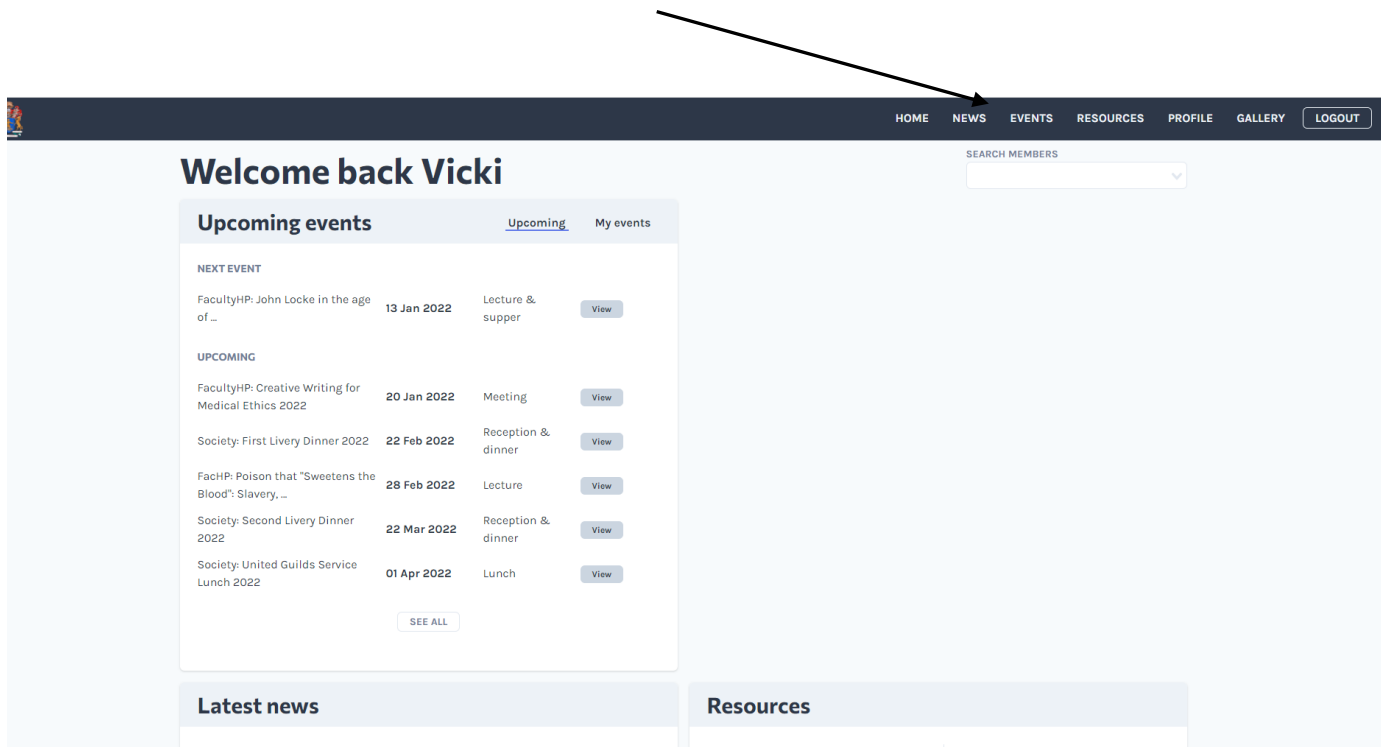
2. Click on members area



Enter your username (email address) & your password. If you can't remember your password, follow the instructions above.

When you are successfully logged in, you will find your member's welcome page.

You can also book your event by clicking on events in the top menu bar.



Step 2: Select an event

Use the next & previous buttons to scroll through the months.

Dates on which events are taking place have a symbol (4 dots) which you can click on & are also listed underneath the calendar.

The screenshot shows the 'Events' page. At the top, there's a search bar and navigation buttons for 'Previous' and 'Next'. Below is a calendar for February 2022. A date '22 Feb 2022' is highlighted with a calendar icon (four dots). To the right of the calendar, there's a card for the event: '22nd Feb 2022', 'Society: First Livery Dinner 2022', '22 Feb 2022', 'Reception & dinner', and a 'View' button. Below the calendar is a section titled 'Upcoming events' with a table of events.

Event Name	Date	Event Type	Action
FacultyHP: John Locke in the age of ...	13 Jan 2022	Lecture & supper	View
FacultyHP: Creative Writing for Medical Ethics 2022	20 Jan 2022	Meeting	View
Society: First Livery Dinner 2022	22 Feb 2022	Reception & dinner	View
FacHP: Poison that "Sweetens the Blood". Slavery, ...	28 Feb 2022	Lecture	View
Society: Second Livery Dinner 2022	22 Mar 2022	Reception & dinner	View
Society: United Guilds Service Lunch 2022	01 Apr 2022	Lunch	View

To view details of an event or to book, click on "View".

NB: Once you have booked an event, the description changes to "View My Booking". From here you can see what you have entered and make some edits to your booking.

Step 3: Start the booking process

Society: First Livery Dinner 2022

The screenshot shows the 'Event details' page for 'Society: First Livery Dinner 2022'. It has tabs for 'General information', 'Booking', and 'Attendees'. The 'General information' tab is active, showing event details like 'FROM 18:45 TO 22:30', 'DRESS CODE White tie', 'EVENT TYPE Reception & dinner', and 'LOCATION Apothecaries' Hall, Black Friars Lane, London'. There is a map showing the location. Below the map is a 'DESCRIPTION' section. The 'Attendees' tab shows a list of attendees under different categories: 'Apothecaries - Dinner (2)', 'Apothecaries - Apothecaries free guardant dinner (14)', 'Company - Dinner (10)', and 'Current Staff - Dinner (1)'. Each name is preceded by a small profile icon.

When you click view, you will see the General Information tab. To book; click **Booking**.

Members who have given permission for their data to be viewed, will show in the attendees. Guests of members, show by first name only. Official Society guests are not listed by name, (but you can see how many are attending).

Step 4: Select your Booking Option

Please select the booking option that you need. Members are reminded that Annual Free Dinners are for Members who pay quarterage & may be used **once a year**.

A list of members who have already used their annual dinner is maintained at the Hall, so please do contact us if you are unsure whether you have used yours this year or not.

Guests are charged at the rate listed.

< Back to all events

Society: First Livery Dinner 2022

Event details General information Booking

OPTION	MEMBER PRICE	GUEST PRICE	MAX ATTENDEES	MAX GUESTS	
Apothecaries - Dinner	£105.00	£105.00	-	10	<input type="button" value="Book"/>
Apothecaries - Apothecaries free guardant dinner	£0.00	£105.00	-	10	<input type="button" value="Book"/>

FURTHER INFORMATION

Please make sure that your [contact details](#) are kept up-to-date as we will use these to send confirmation of booking and reminders.

If for any reason you need to cancel a booking, please contact us as soon as possible. A refund is only available if we have been notified **five working days** before the event.

Make sure you click on the correct 'Book' button.

NB. This does not yet place your booking.

Step 5: The Booking Form (Society Dinners)

Event details General information Booking

OPTION	MEMBER PRICE	GUEST PRICE	MAX ATTENDEES	MAX GUESTS	
Apothecaries - Dinner	£105.00	£105.00	-	10	<input type="button" value="Book"/>
Apothecaries - Apothecaries free guardant dinner	£0.00	£105.00	-	10	<input type="button" value="Book"/>

Book onto this event

You are booking under the Apothecaries - Apothecaries free guardant dinner plan.

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Please list any medical issues (muscle, dental, allergies), the intake of coffee/tea etc.

ADDITIONAL INFO

MEMBER COST: £105.00
GUESTS COST: £0.00 (£105.00 x 0)

TOTAL COST (EXCL. VAT): £105.00
VAT RATE: 20%
TOTAL COST (INC. VAT): £126.00

PAYMENT METHOD:

TOTAL TO PAY: £126.00

FURTHER INFORMATION

Enter **your own** dietary needs at the top. After the first time you have entered these, they will show up automatically on the next event so you can edit them as necessary.

Use the additional info box to communicate with us anything that won't fit into any of the other boxes! e.g. seating requests.

The method you will pay by is 'GoCardless'. The first time you use the system (even if you are only booking a free place for yourself), you will be asked to enter your bank details. These then act like a direct debit and are securely stored. When you are logged in to the members' area, you can then pay via gocardless without needing to re-enter your bank details.

If you have guests, proceed to step 6. If you have no guests and you wish to make your booking, click "Book". Check the amount to be charged carefully, before you press this button.

This is the GO button! If you do not click this button, your booking will not be taken.

Step 6: Adding Guest Details (Society Dinners)

1. To book Guests; you will need to do this one at a time.

The first time you bring a guest to an event you will need to add their details so click "Add Guest"

7. You can switch between guests to amend their details at the top, by clicking on their name.

2. Completing this form

For Society dining bookings, please ensure you enter: **Title, first name, surname, known as, gender and dietary needs (if applicable)** for every guest.

If you enter an email address, your guest will receive any communications about this event. If not, you would need to pass on any relevant information to them.

3. When preparing their speech to welcome the guests, Private Court members find it useful to have a very short biography of guests. If you would like to share any info about your guest, bullet points are sufficient and can be added in additional information.

4. If you would like us to send a Pour Memoire card directly to your guest, please provide their full postal address. Otherwise, we will send their Pour Memoire to you to pass on to them.

ADD GUEST Vicki Nick

TITLE *	FIRST NAME(S) *	LAST NAME(S) *	KNOWN AS
Miss	Vicki	Longhurst	
EMAIL *	EMAIL TYPE	PHONE	PHONE TYPE
deputyclerk@apothecaries		02072361189	
POSTNOMS	GENDER		
	Female		
COMPANY NAME			
Worshipful Society of Apothecaries			
ADDRESS 1	ADDRESS 2	ADDRESS 3	TOWN
Apothecaries Hall, Black f			London
COUNTY	POSTCODE	COUNTRY	
	EC4A 6EJ	United Kingdom	
DIETARY NEEDS			
ADDITIONAL INFO			
Enter Guest Bio here			

Save Remove guest

MEMBER COST:	£0.00
GUESTS COST:	£210.00 (£105.00 x 2)
TOTAL COST (EXC. VAT):	£210.00
VAT RATE:	20%
TOTAL COST (INC. VAT):	£252.00

5. This button allows you to save the Guest details. Click this to add the Guest to the booking.

6. When you have completed this form for your first guest, if you need to add another Guest, come back to the top of the form & click "Add Guest".

8. If you make a mistake, you can click 'remove guest'. The guest whose name is underlined at the top is the one that will be deleted.

Step 7: Placing Your Booking

Apothecaries Hall, Black f London

COUNTRY POSTCODE COUNTRY
EC4V 6EJ United Kingdom

DIETARY NEEDS

ADDITIONAL INFO
Enter Guest Bio here

Save Remove guest

MEMBER COST: £0.00
GUESTS COST: £210.00 (£105.00 x 2)

TOTAL COST (EXC. VAT): £210.00
VAT RATE: 20%
TOTAL COST (INC. VAT): £252.00

PAYMENT METHOD: GoCardless

TOTAL TO PAY: £252.00

BOOK

FURTHER INFORMATION:
Please make sure that your **contact details** are kept up-to-date as we will use these to send confirmation of booking and reminders.
If for any reason you need to cancel a booking, please contact us as soon as possible. A refund is only available if we have been notified **five working days** before the event.

When you have finished adding all of your Guests, check the total cost and if you're happy with the amount to pay, click "Book." **Your booking will not be placed if you do not press this button.**

Further Information:

If for any reason you need to cancel a booking, please contact us as soon as possible. We are able to cancel Gocardless payments before the money is taken from your account, if you get in touch within a couple of days of booking. After this, refunds can be issued, but it costs the Society an admin fee to Gocardless.

You are entitled to a full refund if you cancel **for any reason** up to 5 working days before an event. After this time, no refunds are available.

Booking closes 7 days before the event, so please make bookings in plenty of time.

A Present idea from the Livery Committee



Following the popularity of the water (or whiskey) glasses first offered to the Society in 2016, the Livery Committee has decided to offer the opportunity to buy wine glasses as well.

The wine glasses (225 ml) are in the Michelangelo design, and are engraved with the armorial bearings of the Society; available for £15 each (plus P&P).

The water (or whiskey) glasses are identical to those previously offered, and are available for £10.50 each (plus P&P).

Each glass is individually packed in a presentation box.

Please contact Alan Collett, the Honorary Treasurer of the Livery Committee.
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Society Programme 2021-2022

May 2022

Diploma Presentation	Wed 11
Private Court	Wed 11
Fac CC Lecture	Tue 17
Livery Luncheon	Fri 20
Galen Dinner	Wed 25

June

Private Court	Mon 6
Court & Lord Mayor Dinner	Fri 17
Fac HP Lecture	Tue 21
Sheriffs' Elections	Fri 24
Second Guest Dinner	Mon 29

July

Finance Committee,	Mon 4
Private Court & Dinner	Mon 4
Medal Committee	Mon 4
Academic Board & Committee	Wed 6
Examiners' Cocktail Party	Wed 6
Estates Committee	Thu 7
Charity Committee	Wed 13
Summer Ball	Wed 13

August

Private Court	Wed 3
Election Court &	Thu 25
Installation Dinner	Thu 25

