**Jigsaw sessions Spring 2001 Feedback**

Thank you so much for presenting the Jigsaw Coffee mornings, I know there must have been a great deal of preparation involved and I really appreciate the commitment and time you all gave. I feel inspired and encouraged by the interesting and informative sessions, I also really enjoyed the shared giggles with a group of people I have never met during the dark winter days!  I will most definitely be tuning in again in September so that I am super prepared for our year to begin next July.

I am really looking forward to getting to know the Consorts off Zoom and in reality, instead of the TV presenters and personalities we have all had to develop, who ever would have thought it would become so normal!

Thank you again and take care as you venture back out into the real world and I look forward to meeting soon.

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Just to say thank you all (Von, Hannah, Ruth and you) so much for the Jigsaw Sessions.  They certainly lightened up my Tuesday mornings over the last few months, I learnt so much and they were fun.  My official year as Consort does not start until November so am planning to re-join the Jigsaw mornings in September as a refresher course.

M and I have already passed on the City Consort details to S whose husband if elected will be Upper Warden when E (if elected) is Master in 2022.

I look forward to the day when we can all meet in the flesh.  🥂 🥂

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Thank you all so much for the preparation, valuable insights and most importantly friendship you have given over the last few months with the Jigsaw Series. Please pass this onto Von, Hannah & Ruth.

Looking forward to being able to meet F2F.

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Thank you very much for all the jigsaw sessions.  I certainly have picked up a lot of useful information which I’m sure will be of great help when I become a consort later this year.

Hope to see you all again soon.

Best wishes

Thank you so much for running the Jigsaw sessions.  I have learned so much particularly about the crucial issue of being a Consort and what it actually means.  I didn't mean to sound like I was complaining about not being invited to any "Consort Days".  It's just a fact that the Mistress Entrepreneur is never contacted by Livery Companies.  Now that I have learnt that other Consorts invite their fellow Consorts to fun outings (thanks to a Jigsaw sessions a few weeks ago), I am going to do the inviting myself and not sit around waiting to be invited!  The next Master takes over in November, so between now and then I am going to do my own Consort Day and put Entrepreneurs on the map!

It's no exaggeration to say that without City Consorts I would not have felt like I was a Consort this year at all (with the exception of W’s invitation, which again was facilitated through our contact during the Jigsaw sessions)! On so many levels, the Jigsaw sessions have been wonderful for me. They have given me knowledge, advice, inspiration and fellowship.

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Dear Von, Sonya, Ruth, and everyone else involved with today’s final Jigsaw meeting (well, final one of this series), I just want to say how much I have enjoyed these sessions.   I have so enjoyed learning about the Livery Companies, their events and traditions.  We Consorts owe a great deal to those of you who have put in so much time and effort to help the rest of us become better Consorts. The knowledge you have shared allows us to better enjoy the lovely occasions we will attend.  Please pass these thanks on to Claire, who I know works tirelessly to keep us all connected via emails and website etc, and to all the others who are members of your wonderful admin and events committee.

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A very big THANK YOU to everyone involved in organising the CITY CONSORTS events.  We have just finished a series of coffee morning meetings, known as the Jigsaw Coffee mornings, where past Consorts shared their knowledge and experiences of Livery events.  We were enlightened by historical facts about the Livery Companies; protocol and dress codes for various events and much more; all very valuable information.   I can’t wait for the next series to begin in September.

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I have been attending events and ceremonies for about forty years without knowing enough about them.  The last fifteen months have been invaluable to me, as Mark, my husband, was installed as Master in January, I am now a much more confident Consort than I would have been without City Consorts.  Personally, I think this organisation is a must for anyone who will become a Consort within a couple of years.  It will fill you with confidence.

Having the opportunity to meet other Consorts via Zoom has been very enjoyable.  When we meet in person it will be like greeting old friends.

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Thank you very much for giving up your time in both preparing and presenting such an informative and interesting course for the Consorts. I have gained a valuable insight into the the history and the traditions of the livery movement and also the role a Consort can play in enhancing the experiences of the Master’s term of office.

I particularly enjoyed meeting the other Consorts and even though our social year will be a short one I look forward to being able to put my newly gained knowledge into practice at any event I attend in person.

I have suggested and encouraged that the prospective Consort for 2022 join the group this September. Hopefully she will take advantage of this opportunity.

I look forward to the next Consort event and even more to meeting up again in person.

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Dear Sonya, Von, Claire, Hannah and the Consort Team, thank you so much for a wonderful few weeks in the Jigsaw sessions, it was lovely to see so many Consorts joining in and looking forward to their year in office.

From what I learned in the sessions I put to good use tonight when our Company had a virtual quiz about the City and our team won, so thank you for that.

Well done and keep up your brilliant work.

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Joining the City Consorts has been a great move.  I will be consort to my husband being Master of The Barbers Livery Company, later in the year.

The invitation to meet with other future consorts at the Zoom Jigsaw Coffee Mornings has really helped me to prepare for the busy year ahead. Not only was it a chance to meet other consorts past and present, but to learn about the many aspects of the City of London. We learnt about its history and traditions, as well as useful tips on functions we may attend.  There has also been a full and diverse programme of talks and events to attend online. I feel much better prepared for the year ahead, as well as meeting some very friendly, helpful and supportive members .

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A huge thank you to everyone at City Consorts who organise the programme of events, deal with the smooth running and facilitation of them.

I had been recommended to join by a past Carmen Consort and I am so grateful to her.

Initially I was concerned about joining another virtual group and the ability to be able to get to each meeting........ fears allayed ....... the support the SMT have given has been invaluable.

We have just finished a series of coffee morning meetings, known as the Jigsaw Coffee mornings, where past, present and future Consorts shared their knowledge and experiences of Livery events.

My husband, NL, is due to become Master Carman in October of this year and a previous Consort recommended I join.  I have been attending Livery and City events for over 20 years and became a Liveryman over 8 years ago  .......  I have thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated the warmth, support, encouragement and fun shared whilst learning more about the liveries and City of London historical facts about the Livery Companies; protocol and dress codes for various events and much more; all very valuable information.

I like many others are looking forward to joining in with the next series of Jigsaw Coffee mornings in September.

There have also been many wonderful opportunities to attend many other virtual events such as City Walking tours etc.

I have learned a great deal ...... if only I could remember it all.

I now recognise familiar friendly faces whom I will look forward to meeting during our time as Consorts.

No matter how much or how little you know about the Liveries and City of London I believe that City Consorts is an absolute blessing for anyone who will become a Consort within a couple of years.  It will fill you with knowledge, understanding, confidence and all whilst having fun with a group of extremely diverse and interesting people.

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