

CITY CONSORTS E-BULLETIN

Dear Members,

Membership renewals: Our membership year ended on 30th June; all members who joined before 1st May 2023, are now asked to re-apply for membership for the ensuing year. The cost has been kept at £15.00. We welcome all Consorts; Past, Current or Future, so please do not feel you have to step back if you have completed your year. All renewals are electronic and can be made via the membership pages on the website where you can read more about membership, our activities, forthcoming and past events: Membership (cityconsorts.org). Alternatively, the direct link to the form is here: City Consorts Membership Form / Renewal

The membership renewal form also includes an RSVP, so if you do not plan to renew, please use the same form to let us know. This way we can remove you from our mailing list, Website, Members' Directory and Facebook site as soon as you let us know. If you haven't renewed by 1st September, we will take you off the mailing list then.

Thank you to those who have already renewed.

Summer Events:

Summer Event at Theobalds Farmhouse Garden 18th **July 11-3.30pm:** Our Summer Event is a bit different this year, we will visit the special and award-winning Theobalds Farmhouse Garden in Enfield, owned by Liveryman Alison Green. The visit will include refreshments on arrival, a tour by Alison, a light lunch with bubbles, further opportunities to see the garden and tea and cake before departure. The Garden has parking or is a short walk from Crews Hill Railway station on the Moorgate Line. Guests are most welcome. £50 per person. Click here to book.

Smithfield Walking Tour & Afternoon Tea at Butchers' Hall 24th July 24th July 1-4.30pm: Weather permitting Fizz will be served on the roof at Butchers'The route will be largely accessible, but will inevitably include one or two steps (such as access to St Bartholomew the Great) and some uneven surfaces. The cost:£62 per person. Click here to book.

All events can all be viewed and booked here: <u>Events Diary and Bookings (cityconsorts.org)</u> You need your website password to access the booking forms. If you do not have access to the Members' only pages of the website, please email the Hon. Secretary or see below how to register for the website.

Several of your own events are available to view on the website, including a re-run of the oversubscribed event hosted by the Master Needlemaker's Consort Kim Riley and a Distillers spirit tasting event.

Save the Date:

7th September 5pm – City Walk (Treasure Hunt/Quiz) and Informal Supper

12th September – Visit to Greenwich for guided tour of the Painted Hall at 11am followed by lunch at Admiral's House

9th October 11am – AGM followed by Lunch at Butchers' Hall

25th October 7.30pm – late – Ceremony of the Keys (guests welcome)

14th November – Forman Salmon tour and Lunch with Lance Foreman

1st December – Christmas Lunch at Cutlers' Hall

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Other News:

Access to the Members Only Section of Website: Booking forms for events are within our Members' only section of the website. New members need to select 'register' not 'login' the first time to set a password of your choosing. Once this is checked against the membership records and approved by admin you should be able to access the website and booking forms. If you have any problems accessing the website, please contact me.

<u>New Members</u>: Please encourage new consorts to join by looking at the website, the application form is on the membership page.

<u>Members Pin Brooch</u>: Our new pin brooch suitable for men and women equally, is now available to purchase for £84.00. Details and order form here: https://www.cityconsorts.org/membership-brooches--pins--name-badges.html

<u>Members' Directory</u>: Have you checked the Members' Directory, have you recently moved or changed any of your contact details? If you would like to be added, amend, update or remove any details this is easy by completing a new form. Updates to the directory are usually made every 2 weeks so there may be a time lag. To view the directory and access the details form click here: <u>Members' Directory</u> (cityconsorts.org)

<u>Facebook:</u> We have a closed Facebook site for members to post their pictures, news and ask questions of a friendly group. If you are not signed up and would like to, please search for City Consorts Society. If you can't find it, just ask and we will send you details.

<u>City Consorts Ambassadors</u>: We have a team of volunteers to support members. This might include advice on running a Consort event, dress codes or just some tips on juggling events. Maggie Macdonald and Christine Elliott, both experienced consorts are our 'ambassadors' and can be contacted on <u>C2membersonly@gmail.com</u> and can assist or signpost as needed.

Kind Regards

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