

# GRAY'S INN QUARTERLY UPDATE - WHAT'S ON

These quarterly updates are e-mailed to everyone on the Inn's database who has indicated they wish to receive them. This is the second update of 2021. I would be most grateful if you would keep your contact details up-to-date by visiting the <u>Gray's Inn Online System</u> (GIOS) to confirm your details and update your contact preferences. This is particularly important due to the General Data Protection Regulation which came into effect on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

# Update on COVID-19

The overnight accommodation is now available for booking via the Inn's <u>website</u>. All the entrances to the Inn have been re-opened and have reverted to their usual hours of opening and closing. The Walks are open to the public between 12:00noon and 2:30pm on weekdays. The Library has re-opened to members and in addition online resources are available. Chapel Services have resumed with congregations and social distancing and they will be live streamed until the end of the Trinity Term.

The Treasury Reception is currently open between the hours of 8:30am – 4:30pm. The Bridge Bar reopen fully from 17<sup>th</sup> May providing both an indoor service and a take-away one. It is open from 8:00am – 4:00pm **on weekdays, on Thursday's it will open until 1**0:00pm. From 21<sup>st</sup> June the Bridge Bar will be open every weekday evening until 11:00pm. Hall will re-open for lunch from 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

Staff are currently working both from home and also from the Inn, but it planned that there will be a return to normal service after 21<sup>st</sup> June in accordance with any government advice. The **Government's** decision on 14<sup>th</sup> June as to any future restrictions after 21<sup>st</sup> June will dictate the Inn's future events programme. A new Events Manager, Victoria Bailiss, will commence work on 14<sup>th</sup> June. Trinity Call and the Treasurer's Reception will take place in the Walks on 20<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> July respectively. It is anticipated that where possible, educational events will be held in person with a full programme commencing in September 2021.

COVID-19 developments are continually monitored by the Inn and the Inn's response to these will be updated via the Gray's website and our social media. The safety of our Members, staff and visitors remains the Inn's top priority and we remind all members to follow <u>Public Health England's guidance</u>.

# Bridge Bar

It is timely to remind Members of the Inn and all those living and working at or near the Inn that the Bridge Bar is available for you all to use. It serves probably the best value breakfast in London from 8:00am, lunch including a variety of sandwiches and cooked meals and is open in the evening on 17<sup>th</sup> June with a themed meal. From 21<sup>st</sup> June it will be open all weekday evenings to 11:00pm.

You will see that it has been carpeted and redecorated as has much of 10 South Square and we hope you will be impressed by the new facilities available and the changes to the Bingham Room including

air conditioning, a new partition to provide greater flexibility of use, new lighting and decoration. The toilets have been moved from the ground floor to the first floor alongside the Bingham Room and Bridge Bar.

The Bridge Bar is a great facility and all are encouraged to make use of it.

### Venue Hire

The Venue Team from CH&Co are currently working with a skeleton staff. They are taking enquiries and bookings for events in the Inn's meeting rooms and the Walks for Members of the Inn and for commercial organisations. In addition, they are also dealing with enquiries for commercial filming.

From 1<sup>st</sup> September until 3<sup>rd</sup> October, there will be a "stretch tent" in the Walks on the site normally occupied by a Marquee in June and July. This will be available for hire on weekday evenings and weekends. Hall will be closed from 30<sup>th</sup> July for the Summer and will re-open on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

The Venue booking team are always happy to discuss events you are planning, so please contact them if you would like to enquire about Gray's Inn as a venue for a future event.

Members and tenants of the Inn are eligible for a discount on venue hire. Tel: 0207 458 7960 or <u>email</u> the Venue Team or <u>visit the CH&Co Gray's Inn website</u> for more information.

# Yoga with the Gray's Inn Barristers' Committee

This is a new initiative which is **open to Gray's Inn members**. Yoga will take place online on 16<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> June. The class is mixed ability for beginners and people who have previous experience. Booking is via **the Gray's Inn Online System (GIOS).** For further information please e-mail the <u>Chief of Staff</u>.

# Gray's Inn Mixed Football

Gray's Inn football has resumed and they are on the lookout for more players of all ages, abilities, and genders. They play 8-a-side each week on Mondays and occasional 11-a-side matches, including an upcoming match in Glasgow against a Glasgow Barristers' team). Please email any of the below people for more information:

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mpefeeney@gmail.com	nicholasleah95@gmail.com	richardmahal66@gmail.com
tabithaeverett@outlook.com	lammingjames@yahoo.co.uk	

Tabitha Everett is also hoping to set up a women's team to run alongside the current mixed team, and would like to hear from any women, whether students or more senior Members, who would be interested in playing, please <u>email Tabitha Everett</u>. It is envisaged that the team will eventually be extended to include women from other Inns, so please pass on Tabitha's email address to anyone interested from the other Inns.

Continued Support for Students and Barristers

Alongside the other Inns, Gray's made a significant initial donation to the Barristers' Benevolent Association COVID-19 Appeal and an additional £50K has been promised by each Inn if required. May we also request that all those who are in a position to contribute to the Appeal do so because for some, the need continues. Read the full appeal and complete a donation and gift aid form. In addition to this,

a Hardship Working Group, chaired by the Vice Treasurer has been set up. This will consider all requests for support from Gray's members who fall outside the BBA's remit. <u>Read more information on the Hardship Working Group.</u>

### Library

The Library re-opened on 12<sup>th</sup> April and opening hours are currently 10:00 - 16:00. Saturday opening has also resumed in rotation with the other Inn Libraries. Opening hours and the Saturday opening rota can be found on our <u>website</u>, as well as the Inn's <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> pages.

The Document Supply Service presently remains free of charge as does photocopying and scanning in the Library. The service is available 9:00 - 17:00, Monday - Friday. Make a request <u>here</u>.

The Library now has access to the e-book versions of Blackstone's Criminal Practice and Blackstone's Guide to the Sentencing Code 2020 within the Library via the Law Reader App. Archbold is also available within the Library as an e-book.

A Legal Research Guide prepared by the Inns of Court Libraries to support teaching on the ICCA Bar course is now available to all student members. The Guide is intended to serve as a comprehensive reference book and covers legislation, cases, commentary, forms and precedents and the law of other legal systems. <u>View or download the Guide.</u>

The Library holds a substantial collection of the works of Francis Bacon with many items in the first edition. In addition to Bacon's own works there are a number of historical and critical studies addressing Bacon's cipher and the Baconian theory of Shakespearian authorship. This collection is now fully catalogued and a <u>list of titles can be viewed</u>. Read more about the Collection on our <u>website</u>.

Some remote access log-ins for Bloomsbury Professional Online are still available. The service provides full-text access to materials in 20 practice areas including company and commercial, employment, environment, family, local government, property and personal injury. <u>View a full list of the Bloomsbury books available (PDF)</u>. Remote access for **Gray's** Inn members is available if you <u>email the Librarian</u>.

### Archives

The new basement at 9 Gray's Inn Square is being gradually furnished and equipped. The bulk of the archives and current Members' records have been moved from the Treasury building. The Archivist's office will move over from the Treasury building during the summer.

The Assistant Archivist, Chanel Nelson, has been focused on digital archiving using software called Preservica. Chanel will be leaving at the end of June and no decision has yet been taken concerning a replacement for her.

# Chapel

We have continued to hold Sunday services both in-person and on-line, including last month's Mulligan Sermon, preached by the Bishop of Ely and now on the Chapel website. Our five-strong socially distanced choir is maintaining our excellent choral reputation, but we still await the lifting of the Government restriction on congregational singing. Details of how to access services on-line are sent to those on the mailing list. If you would like to be added to this, please <u>email Celia Newman</u>

The next Morning Service is at 11:15am on 20<sup>th</sup> June, and we finish this term with Festive Morning Service on 18<sup>th</sup> July which will be followed by a picnic lunch. For those wishing to attend this lunch, please book

online. We welcome Members, Students and the general public to all our services and there is no need to book to attend services.

June always sees our Summer Concert programme. This year the first one is at 6:30pm on 22<sup>nd</sup> June and will be the *Words & Music* evening postponed from last year. This will celebrating the 425<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the martyrdom of Henry Walpole, the only member of Gray's to have been made a Saint, music will be both traditional and contemporary. This will be followed at 6:30pm 29<sup>th</sup> June with a concert by the Bar Musical Society, and then at 6:30pm on 6<sup>th</sup> July there will be a flute recital by Paul Skinner. It is not possible to provide Supper this year after these concerts but a curry will be available in the Bridge Bar and those intending to stay for this meal are requested to book online.

Holy Communion will be celebrated at 6.00pm on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July. On Call Day, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July, there will be Choral Evensong at 5.30pm. The Chapel is now open again for private prayer and quiet reflection every weekday during term whilst the Inn is open.

We start up again after the summer with Morning Service at 11:15am on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October during the **Students' Introductory Weekend**. Holy Communion will be at 6:00pm on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October and Call Day Evensong on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 5:30pm.

Please visit the website for further information on forthcoming Services, and the text of sermons that have been preached. The Preacher is always pleased to hear from Benchers, Members and Students. He can be <u>contacted by email.</u> You can also follow the Chapel on Twitter: @GraysInnChapel

### Estates

#### Pedestrian & Vehicular Access

All vehicular and pedestrian gates giving access and egress are now open in accordance with the usual timings. Due to overspill from the bar in Fulwood Place the pedestrian gate onto Fulwood Place in Field Court will be closed at 6:00pm as has become the custom.

The Security team can be found located in the new Porters' Lodge at 1 Lady Hale Gate. The Lodge is staffed 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Tel: 020 7458 7840.

#### Electric Vehicle Charging Posts

There are a limited number of electric vehicle charging posts at locations throughout the Inn. Take up of this facility has increased but there are a small number of permits still available. They are available only to annual permit holders and enquiries should be made by <u>email to Estates.</u>

#### Storage Units

Basement storage units are available to let for personal or commercial use at rents starting from £100 per month. A minimum term of three months applies. Please email Tim Bell or telephone: 0207 458 7902 for further information.

#### Overnight Accommodation

The overnight accommodation has now reopened and is operating as normal with booking through the **Inn's website**. A small number of flats are available for short lets from a minimum stay of 7 days up to a maximum of 3 months. Details can be obtained by emailing Tim Bell on 0207 458 7902.

### The Walks

Access to the Walks is available at lunchtime every weekday other than when private events are booked, works are ongoing or when strong winds necessitate closure for safety reasons.

### Residential Lettings

Two residential apartments (one with one bedroom and one with three bedrooms) will become available to rent shortly. To register for further information or to be kept informed of other flats that become available in the future please email Tim Bell or telephone: 0207 458 7902.

### Commercial Lettings

There will shortly be one self-contained office suite offering between approximately 750 and 1,250 square feet of good quality ground floor office space. For information, please email Tim Bell or telephone: 0207 458 7902. A larger office area may be available from late Autumn 2021 and please register to receive further details.

# Key Events

Key events in chronological order, from June 2021 to October 2021, are listed below. Please note that Members wishing to attend events either in person or via Zoom should <u>book via the Gray's Inn Online</u> <u>System (GIOS)</u>. A password was sent to each member whose online account had been activated. For booking assistance, please <u>email Roberta Lai</u> in the Education department. Educational event dates and times may change due to ongoing updates to our online learning. The Education Department will contact attendees if there are changes and please refer to the website for the most current details.

Please can you provide at least four **full working days' notice** (or by midday on Tuesday for a weekend event) for your attendance or cancellation of attendance at a **Gray's Inn function**.

	CHAPEL		
20 <sup>th</sup> June	11:15 – <u>Morning Service</u>		
5 <sup>th</sup> July	18:00 – <u>Holy Communion</u>		
18 <sup>th</sup> July	11:15 - Festive Morning Service which will be followed by a Picnic lunch		
20 <sup>th</sup> July	17:30 – Call <u>Evensong</u>		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	11.15 – <u>Morning Service</u>		
5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	18.00 – <u>Holy Communion</u>		
14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	17.30 – Call <u>Evensong</u>		
26 <sup>th</sup> Oct	17.30 - <u>Evensong</u>		
31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	11.15 – <u>Sung Eucharist</u>		
MUSIC/CONCERT/THEATRE/DINNER			
16 <sup>th</sup> June	07.30 – <u>Yoga with Gray's Inn Barristers' Committee</u>		
	18:30 – <u>Summer Concert</u> – this is the Words & Music postponed from 2020 (there will		
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	be no formal supper after this event).		
24 <sup>th</sup> June	18.30 – <u>Yoga with Gray's Inn Barristers' Committee</u>		
29 <sup>th</sup> June	18:30 - <u>Summer Concert (there will be no formal supper after this event)</u>		
30 <sup>th</sup> June	18.30 – <u>The Treasurer's Hunt in the Bridge Bar</u>		
6 <sup>th</sup> July	18:30 - <u>Summer Concert</u> (there will be no formal supper after this event)		
18 <sup>th</sup> July	15.30- <u>Gray's Inn Sports Day</u>		
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	17:30 - <u>Treasurer's Reception</u>		
	17.45 - History Society Lecture - The History of Jazz in Britain by Professor Catherine		
22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	Tackley PhD , Professor of Music at the University of Liverpool		
22 Sept	19.00 – <u>Guest Night</u>		

The Inn visit to the United States has been moved to 14-16 September 2022.

8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	19.00 – <u>Grand Company Dinner</u>
8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	19.00 – <u>Circuit Dinner</u> (Northern Circuit)
10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	15.00 - <u>Globe Theatre Reading</u>
12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	19.00 - <u>Amity Dinner with Inner</u>
15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	19.00 - <u>New Silks Dinner</u>
19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	17.30 – <u>Inns of Court Seldon Society History Lecture</u> delivered by Professor Sir John Baker QC (Hon).
26 <sup>th</sup> Oct	19.00 - Judges Dinner
27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	19.00 - Employed Bar Dinner
	HALL / DOMUS
8 <sup>th</sup> June	Trinity Law Sittings Began
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Trinity Call
30 <sup>th</sup> July	Trinity Law Sittings End
13 <sup>th</sup> September	Hall lunch commences
1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Michaelmas Law Sittings Begin
14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Deferred Trinity Call
	EDUCATION / CPD / LECTURE
14 <sup>th</sup> June	18.00 – <u>Prep4Practice</u> – Advocacy and the Courts (1QS)
	18:00 – <u>Barnard's Inn Reading</u> – Master Haddon- <b>Cave will speak on</b> 'The Descent of
17 <sup>th</sup> June	English Law into Complexity'. Delivered online
17 <sup>th</sup> June	18.00- <u>Student Advocacy &amp; Ethics Course</u> (1QS)
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	18:00 – <u>Advocacy and the Vulnerable</u> -witness handling training for barristers.
	18:00 – <u>Prep4Practice</u> on Prohibited Steps Order and Specific Issue Order (Family
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Advocacy Exercise). (1QS).
	18.00 – <u>Talk given by Lady Rose on 'Judicial decision-making: case studies from</u>
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	biblical times and now."
	18.30 – <u>The Caribbean and the Common Law Online Webinar</u> presented by The Hon. Dame Janice M. Pereira, DBE, LL.D, The Hon. Chief Justice Anthony Smellie and Andrew
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Mitchell QC.
28 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Griffin Law (all day)
30 <sup>th</sup> June	18.00 – <u>Gender Equality at the Bar (1QS)</u>
5 <sup>th</sup> July	18.00 – Student Ethics (1QS)
5 <sup>th</sup> July	18:00 – <u>Pupil Supervisor Briefing Session</u> (CPD)
12 <sup>th</sup> July	18.00 – <u>Student Equality &amp; Diversity</u> (1QS)
13 <sup>th</sup> July	18.00 - <u>Prep4Practice</u> – Bail Applications (1QS)
19 <sup>th</sup> July	18.00 – Inter Inn Moot Competition Final
24 <sup>th</sup> July	17.00 – AGIS Summer Party (TBC)
29 <sup>th</sup> July	18.00 - Introduction to Arbitration - Open Evening
17 <sup>th</sup> Aug	18.00 – Introduction to International Arbitration
7 <sup>th</sup> Sept	18.00 - <u>Pupil Supervisor Briefing</u> (CPD)
11 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	08.00 – <u>Advocacy Teacher Training</u> (up to 3QS)
11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00 – <u>Advocacy and the Vulnerable</u> (CPD)
13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	18.00 – <u>GDL Welcome Evening</u> (1QS)

18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	13.00 – <u>University Advocacy Day</u>
21 <sup>st</sup> Sept	18.00 – <u>Introductory Evening</u> (1QS)
22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	17.45 – <u>History Society Lecture</u>
24 <sup>th</sup> -26 <sup>th</sup> Sept	18.00 – <u>New Practitioners Weekend</u> (CPD)
27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	18.00 – <u>Wall Memorial Lecture</u> (1QS)
29 <sup>th</sup> Sept	18.00 – <u>Mixed Messes</u> (1QS)
1 <sup>st</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	16.00 – <u>Introductory Weekend</u> (1QS)
8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	19.00 – <u>Circuit Dinner for Northern Circuit</u>
11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	17.00 – <u>Practice Moots</u> (1QS)
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	13.00 – <u>University Advocacy Day</u>
19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	17.30 – <u>Inns of Court Seldon Society History Lecture</u> delivered by Master Professor Sir John Baker QC (Hon).
21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	18.00 – <u>Prep4Practice</u> (1QS)
27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	18.00 - <u>Prep4Prep</u> (1QS)
29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	18.00 – <u>Pupil Advocacy Course</u>

The next update will be distributed in September and will cover the period from September 2021 – December 2021.

Tony Harking Under Treasurer