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The Arms illustrated left are those of Richard Warwick Hurford, Bishop of Bathurst, New South Wales, Australia, impaled by the Arms of the See of Bathurst. His personal Arms were granted 6 December 2004 by Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. The agent was Windsor Herald.

The Arms are blazoned *Azure a Dragon rampant Or the Wings of six membranes each charged on the underside with a Mullet that adjacent to the body of five points and each of the others of seven points all Gules holding in each forefoot a Bell Argent.*

The Crest of Hurford (not illustrated) is Upon a Helm with a Wreath Or and Azure A Kookaburra close Azure beaked and legged Or supporting beneath the dexter wing a Pastoral Staff in bend sinister Sable the head and foot Or holding in the beak a Sprig of Wattle Or slipped and leaved Azure.

Welcome to the fifth edition of the College of Arms Newsletter. This has been created to keep interested members of the public up-to-date with the activities of the College of Arms and its officers, including matters of genealogical and heraldic significance such as recent grants of arms and recently recorded pedigrees.

It is produced every three months and sent automatically and free to those who subscribe by entering their name and e-mail address in our [mailing list](#). Other benefits for those who submit their names in this way include advance notice of College of Arms events, relevant publications, and media appearances. If you wish to remove your name from this list, to send the newsletter on to a friend, or send a genealogical or heraldic enquiry to the College, please make use of the links listed at the top of this page.

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## In the News

**The Order of the Garter.** The Right Honourable John Major, CH, former Prime Minister, and The Right Honourable Lord Bingham of Cornhill, High Steward of Oxford University and Senior Law Lord, former Lord Chief Justice and Master of the Rolls, have been appointed Knights Companion, and Lady Soames, DBE has been appointed a Lady Companion of the Most Noble Order of the Garter. The new members will be installed on 13 June 2005, prior to the annual Service of the Order at St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, when the Officers of Arms will be in attendance.

## The High Court of Chivalry

Dr Richard Cust and Dr Andy Hopper of the [Centre for Reformation and Early Modern Studies](#) at the University of Birmingham are conducting a detailed study of the unpublished records of the Court of Chivalry held by the College of Arms for the period 1633-1641 when the Court was particularly active. This forms a long-running project which has been funded by the Arts and Humanities Research Board. They recently delivered papers on their findings to date at a conference at York University entitled *Cultures of Violence: Interpersonal Violence in Historical Perspective*.

The illustration right is from an aquatint by J Bluck after Thomas Rowlandson and Augustus Charles Pugin, from Ackermann's *Microcosm of London*, 1808; it shows the Court of Chivalry in session at the College of Arms, as it was rather fancifully imagined by later ages.



Dr Cust and Dr Hopper also led a seminar hosted by the Institute of Historical Research on 9 May 2005, where they discussed the history of the Court and the implications of these hitherto neglected records for the social and legal history of the period. Their paper examined the history of duelling as a social phenomenon of the late sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, with the associated conceptions of honour and etiquette; it also looked at the ways in which actions in the Court of Chivalry might be employed as parts of the response to these social mores. The detailed records of cases from this period will be published on the Internet in association with the College of Arms, making them available to historians and members of the public alike. A [Harleian Society](#) volume relating to these records is also in the course of preparation.

## Recent Grants of Arms

A very small selection of those recently receiving grants or exemplifications from the English kings of arms:

**BUNDOCK** Edward Leigh of West Raynham, co. Norfolk; and **BUNDOCK** Nicholas Paul of Reepham, co. Norfolk. Arms and Crest. Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. 1 December 2004. Grants 170/226.

**BUSCOMBE** Peta Jane (Buscombe), Baroness, and her husband Philip John Buscombe of Goring, co. Oxford. Arms and Supporters for her; Arms, Crest and Badge for her husband. Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. 25 February 2005. College reference: Grants 170/209.

**CHABOT** Raymond Joseph Emile of Danielson, Connecticut and of St Petersburg, Florida, USA, third in descent from Joseph Chabot, born in Canada. Honorary Arms, Crest and Badge. Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 29/6/2004. College reference: Grants 170/199.

**COLLAS** John Paul, Archdeacon of Adelaide and Vicar General of the Diocese of Adelaide, South Australia. Arms, Crest and Badge. Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 4 February 2005. College reference: Grants 170/ 190.

**GRAVES** Reynoldo Vann of New York, USA, ninth in descent from Chloe Hickman, who was described in 1802 as a 'free negro' aged 50 of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Honorary Arms, Crest and Badge. Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 29 March 2005. College reference: Grants 170/244.

**HORSFALL** Pierre Francois, CBE, of Grouville, Island of Jersey. Arms, Crest and Badge. Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. 12/1/2005. College reference: Grants 170/173.

**HURFORD** Richard Warwick of New South Wales, Australia, Bishop of Bathurst. Arms and Crest. Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 6/12/2004. College reference: Grants 170/238.

**JOHNSON** Gordon Arthur of Fulwood, co. Lancaster, DL, Constable of Lancaster Castle. Arms and Crest. Garter and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 31/1/2005. College reference: Grants 170/179.

**PENTEL (STATIONERY) LTD.** Arms, Crest and Badge, Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 5/4/2004. College reference: Grants 170/188.

**REID** Philip Alan, Keeper of the Privy Purse, Treasurer to Her Majesty The Queen, Receiver General of the Duchy of Lancaster. Arms and Crest. Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. 10 November 2004. College reference: Grants 170/207.

**STOWE** Sir Kenneth Ronald of Herefordshire, GCB, CVO. Arms, Crest, Supporters and Badge. Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. 7 March 2005. College reference: Grants 170/228.

**WRIGHT** Nicholas Thomas, PhD, DD, Bishop of Durham. Arms and Crest. Garter and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 31/1/2005. College reference: Grants 170/186.

## Events and Appearances

**The State Opening of Parliament.** Following the dissolution of Parliament and the General Election, Her Majesty The Queen opened Parliament at Westminster on 17 May 2005. The Officers of Arms in ordinary and extraordinary were in attendance.

**Lectures in the USA.** Henry Paston-Bedingfeld, York Herald, recently delivered a lecture entitled 'Grants of Armorial Bearings to American Institutions and Individuals', to the English Speaking Union of Charleston, South

Carolina, USA, and also to the College of Arms Foundation and the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society. Whilst in Charleston, Henry Paston-Bedingfeld, as a member of the Council of the Royal Society of St George, inaugurated the Carolinian Branch of the Royal Society of St George on 20 April 2005.

**The Armorial of Haiti.** At the invitation of the British Ambassador to the Dominican Republic and Haiti, Clive Cheesman, Rouge Dragon Pursuivant, recently paid a visit to Haiti. He delivered a lecture on the [Armorial of Haiti](#) and the project to publish this manuscript at Port-au-Prince, Haiti, on 14 March 2005. The invited audience included members of the staff of the Musée du Panthéon National (Haiti's national museum) and other cultural and political bodies, as well as members of the Press and public.

**2<sup>nd</sup> International Colloquium of the Institut International d'Etudes Généalogiques et d'Histoire des Familles.** Clive Cheesman, Rouge Dragon Pursuivant, attended this conference in San Marino on 31 March to 5 April 2005 on the themes '*Le généalogie parmi les sciences*' and '*Les genealogies falsifiées*'. He delivered a paper entitled 'La falsificazione genealogica in ambito inglese', and also addressed the conference on the subject of genealogical research in San Marino.

**Corporation of the City of London.** William Hunt, Windsor Herald, has been re-elected to serve on the Court of Common Council of the City of London for the next four years.

**Open House London.** The College of Arms will be open to the public on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2005 between 10 am and 4 pm, as part of the Open House London weekend. The last admittance will be at 3. 30 pm; further details will be available from the [Open House](#) website.

## Recently Recorded Pedigrees

**MARJORIBANKS** of co. Berwick. A seven generation pedigree showing the descent from Sir John Marjoribanks, created a baronet in 1815, and including connections with the Egerton, Bannister Strouts and Ghys families. Cross-referenced to Norfolk 26/63; Baronets Pedigrees 3/280a; Scotland 1/111; Baronets pedigrees 6/297. College reference: Norfolk 51/26-7.

**PICKERSGILL** of St Neots, co. Huntingdon. A five generation pedigree headed by Harry Pickersgill (later Harry Pickersgill Cunliffe) and descending via his daughter and coheir Enid Saffron, wife of Evelyn Hugh James Duberly. Cross-referenced to 18D14/188, Surrey 7/216; A to R 1/115. College reference: Surrey 31/201.

**PRINDL** of Lostwithiel, co. Cornwall. Five generations showing the descent of the Prindl family from Andrew Mitchell of Detroit, Michigan, USA (born 1863, died 1941). College reference: Norfolk 51/23.

**SALES** of Banbury, co. Oxford. A pedigree which shows the children and grandchildren of William John Sales of Banbury (Born 1919, died 1998). College reference: Surrey 31/205.

**SHEPHERD** of Beetham, co. Westmorland. Four generations showing descent from Charles Dunbar Shepherd. College reference: Knights Pedigrees 3/137.

## Other entries in the Records

**Royal Licence to Schroders PLC.** Following a petition, a Royal Licence was granted on 25 October 2004 to Schroders PLC transferring to them the Arms granted in 1959 to Schroders Limited. College reference: 185/178. The exemplification of the Arms, Crest and Supporters took place following this Royal Licence. Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 20/1/2005. College reference: Grants 170/183.

**Military Badges.** The Badges of the Army and Navy Club, the Defence Fire and Rescue Services, the Royal Air Force Club, and the Air Sea Rescue and Marine Craft Section Club, have all been placed on record. College references: Miscellaneous Enrolments 2/61-64.