The Guild Trophies

THE JOHNSTON MEMORIAL TROPHY

Subscribed for by pilots and navigators of the Guild in memory of S/Ldr. E. L. Johnston, O.B.E., A.F.C. Takes the form of a silver plaque of the world in Mercator's Projection, with the airship R. 101 superimposed in bas-relief, mounted on an ebony stand. The names of recipients are engraved on silver medallions attached to the mount. Awarded to the best feat of Air Navigation for the year or period. Recipients to date:-

1931/32 F. C. Chichester, O.B.E. 1932/33 S/Ldr. J. L. Hinckler, A.F.C. 1933/34 J. A. Mollison.

1935/36 E. W. Percival. 1936/37 Jean Batten. 1937/38 A. S. Wilcockson.

1938/39 D. C. T. Bennett. 1947/48 W. H. Crowther, R. B. Tapp, L. R. Ambrose. 1948/49 P. G. Taylor, M.C. 1950/51 P. G. Taylor, G.C., M.C. Captains and Crews of R.A.F. Aircraft "Aries."

THE CUMBERBATCH TROPHY

Presented by Miss Alice Cumberbatch. Takes the form of a large hexagon-sided challenge cup with a lid of the same design surmounted by a winged lion. The whole mounted upon a hexagonal oaken plinth having silver bars affixed thereto upon which the names of the recipients are engraved. Awarded for the best record of reliability for the year or period. Recipients to date:-

1936/37 Imperial Airways: S/Ldr. H. G. Brackley, D.S.O., D.S.C. (Air Superintendent), H. J. Horsey, A. S. Wilcockson, O. P. Jones, A. B. H. Youell (Captains).

1937/38 Olley Air Service: G. P. Olley, M.M., T. W. Morton, C. W. H. Bebb, F. R. Midgley, R. D. Morrison, J. Dendy, G. E. B. Stoney, J. E. D. Scott (Captains). 1938/39 Wrightways Ltd.: J. W. Duggan, C. G. Stead, F. Brent, P. C. Fair (Captains).

1947/48 British Overseas Airways Corporation: A/Cdre. H. G. Brackley, C.B.E., D.S.O., D.S.C. (Air Superintendent).

1948/49 Aer Lingus.

1952 E. S. Calvert, Esq., B.Sc., A.R.Sc.I.

THE BRACKLEY MEMORIAL TROPHY

Presented by Mrs. F. Brackley in memory of her husband, A/Cdre. H. G. Brackley, C.B.E., D.S.O., D.S.C. Takes the form of a Common Tern in silver with outspread wings poised on the curl of a large concave scalloped seashell in silver. The shell is supported by three silver seahorses on an ebony plinth. The names of the recipients are engraved on a silverfaced plaque which is a companion to the trophy proper.

Awarded for the best achievement in the operation of flying boats for the year or period. Recipients to date:

1948/49 J. Lankester Parker, O.B.E. 1949/50 H. W. C. Alger. //

1950/51 B. T. Aikman, D.F.C.



THE GUILD OF AIR PILOTS AND AIR NAVIGATORS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE





Mode of the Ceremony of Installation

The Grand Master, Master, Wardens and Assistants of the Court

Bestowal of the Guild Trophies

Presentation of Members to the Grand Master

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS:

Reception of Members and Guests by the Retiring Master Address by the Chief Usher Entrance of the Grand Master, The Master, Wardens and Assistants of the Court

INSTALLATION CEREMONY

Bestowal of the Guild Trophies Presentation of Members and Relatives to the Grand Master Conversazione, Refreshments, Music

THE GROCERS' HALL, E.C.2.

22nd OCTOBER, 1953

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Mode of the

CEREMONY OF INSTALLATION

of

The Grand Master, The Master Elect, The Wardens and Assistants of the Court

(The Clerk to lead the Grand Master, the Master, Master Elect, Chaplain, Honorary Wardens and Wardens to their places where they remain standing.)

The Clerk shall call the names of the Grand Master, the Master, Master Elect, Wardens, Honorary Wardens and Assistants.

Then shall the Chaplain rise and say (All standing):-

Let us pray for the blessing of God on all our undertakings.

They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as

eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; they shall walk, and not faint.

O eternal Lord God, who inhabitest eternity, be pleased to receive into Thy almighty protection the pilots of aircraft and all who navigate the skies. If they take the wings of the morning and remain in the uttermost parts of the earth, even there also shall Thy hand lead them, and Thy right hand shall hold them. Let the heavens declare to them Thy glory; grant them grace to do their duty with prudence and with fearlessness, confident that neither height nor depth can separate them from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

All sit.

Then shall the Clerk rise and say:-

Members of this Guild, since time immemorial men have found it to their mutual benefit to unite in Orders and Guilds for the more honourable conduct of their profession and for the protection of their common interests. Thus the Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators of the British Empire has been founded to maintain the dignity, status and well-being of its members, and to advance the interests of Aviation. It seeks to raise the standard of technical knowledge of its members and to promote honourable practice in a new profession. Unlike elder bodies, this Guild represents a vocation which is yet in process of establishing its traditions and precedents. We are not, however, without example, for Aviation has found many gallant sons willing to give themselves for the benefit of future generations, and it was from the hazards accepted by them that the lessons were learnt upon which the foundations of security in the air have been laid. Our endeavour is, and must always be, to emulate their unselfish devotion to the cause of progress.

But courage, daring and endurance alone are not enough. To these personal qualities must be added the corporate qualities of co-operation in scientific research, loyalty to the highest interests of our profession, and honour among all its members. It is by adherence to these principles that the Guild strives to maintain the reputation of its members and of their calling. Furthermore, it is essential that those who are called to hold office in this Guild should be prepared to proclaim these principles and to carry out their duties with wisdom and devotion.

All rise.

Then shall the retiring Master address the Grand Master:—

We tender our humble thanks to Your Royal Highness for graciously accepting the highest office in this Guild, in the certain knowledge that our future conduct shall thereby be inspired and our adherence to these principles maintained and strengthened.

Then shall the Grand Master say:-

I accept the office of Grand Master of this Guild, cherishing its interests and maintaining its allegiance to our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth.

Then shall the Chaplain say:-

Almighty God, regard with Thy favour and blessing, this our Service and replenish with Thy heavenly grace, Thy servant The Duke of Edinburgh, our Grand Master, that in tranquil assurance, he may discharge the office now undertaken to Thy honour and glory, the safety of this Realm and the well-being of this Guild. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hon. Chaplain invests the Grand Master with his Badge of Office.

Grand Master sits.

Then shall the retiring Master address the Grand Master:—

Sir, on behalf of the members of this Guild I would assure Your Royal Highness of our obedience, our loyalty, and our esteem.

All seated except the Master Elect and the Clerk.

Then shall the Clerk present the Master Elect to the Grand Master in these words:—

Your Royal Highness, I present DAVID BRICE who has been duly elected Master of this Guild.

Then shall the Grand Master address the Master in these words:-

DAVID BRICE, as Master of this Guild it will be your duty to assist me in every way in the maintenance of the objects for which it has been founded. Will you therefore repeat the Promise which is required of those called to this office.

Then shall the Master say:-

I, DAVID BRICE, promise that I will be exemplary in the discharge of my duties as Master of this Guild. I will preserve and maintain its objects and I will give heed to the wishes of our members, and faithfully interpret the decisions of the Court, presiding at their meetings with impartiality, and will not countenance any act of disloyalty to our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth. I will also do all in my power to assist Your Royal Highness as Grand Master.

Master kneels.

Grand Master rises and invests the Master with his Badge of Office.

Wardens rise. Grand Master seated.

Then shall the Master address the Wardens:—

Messrs. Roxburgh, Aries, Green, Cumming and Harrington, you have been elected as Wardens of this Guild so that from the store of your experience you may assist the Grand Master to cherish its principles and to further its objects.

Assistants rise.

Then shall the Master address the Assistants:-

Messrs. Beamont, Gardner, Lamplugh, Lucas, Pike, Taylor, Frost, Jones and Willis, with the Wardens you have been elected Assistants of the Court to manage the affairs, business and property of the Guild, and to do all such acts on its behalf as may be exercised subject to our Rules or as may be prescribed in General Meeting.

Then shall the Clerk rise and address the Master, Wardens and Assistants:-

In order that it may be known amongst all members that the conduct of our affairs is in the hands of worthy men you are required to make a solemn promise of loyalty to our Rules and principles. Will you therefore repeat the Promise with me.

To be repeated in unison:-

I solemnly and sincerely promise, in the presence of Almighty God, and in this Guild now assembled, to honour our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth and to conform to the Rules of this Guild, at all times doing my utmost to maintain and preserve its dignity, status and prestige in the eyes of all men.

I pledge myself to promote the interest of aviation and the welfare of those who occupy their business in the skies, emulating the highest examples of our Profession, giving counsel to those entering upon it and succouring those in need. I further promise not to disclose those matters upon which secrecy has been enjoined by the Master.

Then shall the Grand Master say (All standing):—

Members of this Guild, let justice and prudence be the guide of all your actions and let your obedience be proved by a strict observance of our Constitution, by your regular attendance at our meetings, and by your acceptance of the wishes of a majority of our members.

Then shall the Chaplain say:-

O Lord, whose mercy reacheth unto the heavens and Thy faithfulness unto the clouds, graciously behold with Thy favour, we beseech Thee, our Queen and those who are set in authority under her. Bless all members of this Guild throughout the Commonwealth. Guide with Thy wisdom all who seek to unfold the mysteries of the skies; strengthen all who would uphold the integrity and honour of the pilot's calling. Direct, we pray Thee, all our service to the peace and concord of the world, and the advancement of the kingdom of Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Lord God, when Thou givest to Thy servants to endeavour any great matter, grant us also to know that it is not the beginning but the continuing of the same unto the end, until it be thoroughly finished, which yieldeth the true glory, through Him who for the finishing of Thy work laid down His life, our

Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Amen. Wardens and Assistants sit.

Master to Grand Master:-

Sir, have I your permission to declare this session of the Court closed?

Grand Master signifies his wishes.

Master:-

I declare this session closed.