

## **Financial report**

Central funds held in reserve in the East Kent account, amount to

- a. Current account is approximately £1600
- b. Value of accoutrements £1100

East Kent expenditure for 2021

- a. Motor scooter £895
- b. Crossroads bedding and blankets £500
- c. RDA Pony £3500
- d. Col Tom £100

East Kent funds amount to approximately £16000

Membership numbers are at present 637

## **Area Reports**

#### **GUERNSEY PURCHASERS REPORT – December 2021**

We have had another good year, albeit marred by the gathering of Keith Bichard, a long-standing and distinguished Purchaser.

Our May and September Meetings have been unaffected by the restrictions of the Covid pandemic and were all as well-attended as in normal times, but the undoubted highlight of the year was a splendid lunch for Purchasers and their ladies hosted most generously by none other than Harson himself. The garden marquee ensured we all stayed dry – at least externally and a couple of sweepstakes on the racing at Royal Ascot succeeded in raising a tidy sum for our coffers. The Annual Dinner at The United Club was not quite so popular as a fair number were enjoying the short but sweet opportunity to travel off-Island.

Our distributions this year have followed our usual pattern of helping those causes which really benefit the neediest on our Island. Guernsey Welfare have their finger well and truly on the pulse and we have full confidence in their ability to point out where the money makes the most difference. We have also supported the Street Pastors, who are on hand in Town to make sure everyone stays safe on Friday and Saturday nights and also a project to help relieve "Period Poverty" in Guernsey. The Social Services Adult Disability department have also called on our resources.

Looking ahead to 2021 is not going to be an exact science by any means, but we plan to continue as best we can and hope to have our Annual Dinner on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

Jamie Doggart KP

# The Almost Modern Order Of Purchasers Gloucester

## **Annual Report – November 2021**

## **King Purchasers:**

Jeremy Dancey David Foyle Philip Dancey

#### **Members:**

Active Members: 46
Non-Active Members: 3

## **Events during the year:**

Hartpury Rugby Sponsorship – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October We sponsored Hartpury RFC again this year for their match against Bedford RFC which was a great day out with 22 members and 18 guests followed by Wales v All Blacks on TV in the Clubhouse. We raised £380 from our final score 'guesser'.

#### **Donations:**

- £285 to a young single mum who suffers with her mental health and bipolar for a new fridge freezer.
- £200 to a local primary school towards some new Netball team kit

#### **Funds:**

Current funds available for distribution: £1,148

#### **2022 Events:**

- Friday 4 February Chepstow Races
- Friday 8 April Annual Dinner
- TBA Cheltenham Cricket Festival

## **East Kent Purchasers Report December 2021**

East Kent Purchasers Autumn Meeting was held at Royal Cinque Ports Golf Club on Saturday the 6th of November. We had a good turnout of 20 Golfers who enjoyed a very pleasant round in a reasonable crossing wind and light sunshine. The Tardif trophy was won by Andrew Reynolds and Tom Healy with 37 points followed in second place by John Trainer and Colin Brown with 34 points. In the evening, 18 had a very enjoyable (although a little cramped) dinner at the Mermaid in Bishopsbourne. With donations and the raffle, we raised £535.

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Due to the continuing unpleasantness The Purchasers of Jersey met only once in 2021. As luck would have it, several Jersey Purchasers have met from time to time during the past 12 months or so and kept the colours flying despite the sinister spying techniques developed by the Jersey Covistapo whose sworn purpose is to make everyone's suffering that much the greater by dint of stopping anyone conceivably enjoying themselves under any circumstances.

By dint of a cautious lifting of the earlier strictures, the Jersey Purchasers felt sufficiently confident in the general recovery to hold our 2021 November Fate Day Dinner on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. and that was attended by a very jolly group of 12 Purchasers who developed a palpable atmosphere of happiness and generosity that produced handsome funds at collection time.

Unfortunately, now for the second time, neither of our intended Postulants was actually able to join us due to other commitments. The Jersey Purchasers at large are working on a scheme to enlarge our number despite this and we hope to announce a significant increase in the not too distant future. Our total count is 34, but there are several who simply cannot be expected to join us for our dinners. We would normally hope, however, to see at least 20 at the table so if we may allow ourselves to suppose that the plague will eventually leave us alone we can then look forward to higher numbers.

Because of the now well-known restrictions there has been little contact with our normal group of beneficiaries and I am sad to report that one of the undertakings that we have been delighted to support has had to throw in the towel due to enormous rises in its primary operating costs. But we expect to distribute some funds shortly to other beneficiaries.

As things stand at the moment the Jersey Purchasers plan their first 2022 Dinner for Wednesday April 20th., and the date for the November Fate Day Dinner will almost certainly be Wednesday November 2nd. As always, visiting Purchasers would be enormously welcome.

We send kindest Greetings to all Purchasers.

## AMOP Report from the Scottish cohort for 2021.

We have held our two dinners around the fete days which have been well attended by the majority of our cohort (totalling 28). The menu is the same ,cock a leekie soup, proper steak pie, apple pie and cheese and biscuits and the location always the Royal Scots Club in Abercromby Place.

There is regular "buffoonery" particularly in the conduct of the raffle.

We have made significant donations to 2 local charities, The Sisters of Mercy and the Bethany Trust who both work with the Homeless.

Sadly, our much loved KP Brian Adair ,an inspiration to all who had the good fortune to know him, was gathered on  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  November .

John Dixon has been elected as KP and I remain as Chief Crook.

## **CK Oliver**

#### **Functions 2022**

February Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Chepstow Races (Gloucester)

April Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Spring Meeting Lunch & Golf (East Kent)

April Friday 8th Annual Dinner (Gloucester)

April Wednesday 20th Dinner. (Jersey)

June Monday 27th Sussex Martletts at Piltdown GC (East Sussex)

November Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Fate Day Dinner (Jersey)

November Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner (Guernsey)

November Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Autumn Golf and Dinner (East Kent)

TBA – Cheltenham Cricket Festival (Gloucester)

TBA Belmont Cricket August (East Kent)

TBA Rye v East Kent Golf Nov (East Kent)