



# Cripplegate Ward Club



## Annual Banquet

Master: Dr David E. Bland OBE  
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Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> October 2010

### Armourers' Hall

81 Coleman Street, London EC2

The Armourers' Company was founded in 1322 and has occupied the same site in the City of London since 1346. The Livery Hall, with bold mottoes high under the roof lantern, has a rich display of 16th and 17th century arms and armour. The three George II brass chandeliers have been in constant use since they were made in the mid-1700s and, together with the Men-at-Arms candelabra will provide a unique candle-lit setting for our banquet. During the reception the Clerk of the Company will give a short talk about the history of the hall.

In 1322, in the reign of King Edward II, the Guild of St George of the Armourers was instituted, by ordinance of the City of London, which laid down regulations for the control of the trade. King Henry VI presented the Armourers with their first Royal Charter in May 1453. The Company's present Charter was granted in 1708 by Queen Anne, giving the Brasiers (workers in brass and copper), who had become involved with the Company as early as the 16th century, equal status with the Armourers.



The guest speaker is

**Michael Bewes,**

Chairman of the Willis Partnership (Executive Search Consultants). A Cambridge MA, he is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development and a past president of the Chartered Insurance Institute. He was the 'Master Insurer' in 2004. He has specialist experience in the application of psychometrics (character type assessment) and multiple-assessment at senior management levels.

*A sparkling reception will be followed by three course dinner with wine and coffee with port or brandy*

*Grilled Scallops, Butter Nut Squash Veloute. Crispy Pancetta  
Selection of Breads*

*Roast Quail, stuffed with Apricot and Wild Mushrooms, Juniper Berry Jus  
Truffle Rosti Potatoes, Braised Red Cabbage, Roasted Turnips*

*Carrot and White Chocolate Fondant  
Light Toffee Sauce*

**Tickets £79**

**Reception:** 6.45pm for 7.30 pm

**Dress:** Black Tie & Badges  
**Carriages** 10.30pm

*Official invitations with full details will be sent when bookings are received*