



# THE CARMEN'S AWARDS

## The full listing of Awards presented

### THE CARMEN'S PRINCESS ROYAL GOLD MEDAL

*...is an exceptional, non-annual award, for distinguished service to the Company by a Carman, over time or by an extraordinary single endeavour*

Founded by the Worshipful Company of Carmen in 2001, with the consent of HRH The Princess Royal, this award comprises a gilt medal and framed citation.

*(Year\* refers to year awarded and presented.)*

Year*	Recipient and Citation
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#### 2008 Clive Birch MBE

Exemplary service as Freeman, Liveryman, Assistant, Past Master and Senior Past Master, over 48 years, Assistant Master to the Princess Royal, Deputy Master to Sir Christopher Leaver; on all principal committees, chairing many; commitment to transport education and excellence, proposing awards; initiating lectures and debates, Carman Research Fellowship and Readership; appointed Carman representative on the Royal College of Art Court; as Honorary Editor, providing journal, eulogies, citations, leaflets, prospectus, website content, instigating and publishing the cart marking programme, authoring Carr and Carman; introducing charity to the January lunch, inaugurating the annual Foundation Day service, the first Carman's Ball, military links to include all three armed services, Court Stewards, Silver Trustee and Archivist; franchising Freemen, launching a Supplementary Charter, revising standing orders, oaths, declarations, pledges and ceremonies.

#### 2004 John Peters Wells

For distinguished service to the Company as a Freeman, Liveryman, Assistant, Master, Past Master and Past Master Emeritus, for fifty nine years, a continuously supportive Carman, and an articulate and active Assistant. An early member of the Viva Shield Committee which became the Awards Committee, and as its fourth Chairman, serving for seven years. An innovative Master, who inherited an administrative muddle, a financial crisis and untried staff and worked successfully to save and transform the Company. As Master he supported the Carmen's first post war Lord Mayor, with considerable skill and diplomacy. He conceived and instigated the Special Event and Carol Service. He introduced Her Royal Highness and successfully approached her to take office and to become, in her turn, the first Carman Royal Master. As the Past Master who instigated the Past Masters' Committee and laid down six principles of modern Court procedure on which current practice is based. A Trustee of the original London Cartage Fund of which his family was a founder, of the Company's Benevolent Fund, and of the combined Funds and as a Trustee of the Carmen Benevolent Trust, and Donation Governor on the Carmen's behalf of Christ's Hospital

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2002	<b>Frank Ernest Coxhead</b> <p>For his exceptional service to the Worshipful Company of Carmen. In support of his late father and Past Master Ernest Coxhead who recruited some 100 new Liverymen at a time of ebbing fortunes. As a young Master in the difficult post-war era. As the Honorary Almoner for over forty years, following his father. As co-founder of the Special Committee, which formulated the Company's Standing Orders. As the guardian of the Company's dignity, traditions and customs for more than half a century. As Senior Past Master and Chairman of the Past Masters' Committee for 26 years. As a past Trustee of the Benevolent Fund, and life president of the Benevolent Trust. As the longest serving and continuously active Honorary Liveryman (67 years), Assistant (56 years) and Past Master (52 years) And the initiator of and adviser on innumerable developments and changes since the immediate post-war years.</p> 

