

JUBILEE TREE PLANTING, AMERICAN GARDEN, PONTYPOOL, 25TH FEBRUARY 2022

A group of Liverymen and Guests assembled at the American gardens in Pontypool to plant an oak tree for Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We were delighted to be joined by the Lord Lieutenant of Gwent Brigadier Robert Aitken CBE, High Sheriff of Gwent Phillip Alderman Esq and Mr Jack Hanbury -Tenison DL, Manager of the Pontypool Park Estate.



Senior Court Assistant Agnes Xavier- Philips who had organised the event, invited Jack Hanbury Tenison to officially welcome everyone and to provide some background about the site. The American Gardens were created in order to provide work at a time of depression. Work is now underway to return the gardens to its former glory and benefit the town and community.



The Master then described the thinking behind the tree planting and read out the Loyal Address that the Worshipful Livery Company of Wales on the Occasion of her Platinum Jubilee.



The Lord Lieutenant was then invited to plant the tree an American Oak

The group then reassembled at the Hardwick to enjoy a lunch created for us by the renowned chef Stephen Terry. It was a glorious day and everyone was able to enjoy pre lunch drinks in the courtyard before lunch.

The tree was then blessed by Canon Roy Doxsey the Company's Chaplain Emeritus.

