Welcome
On to Issue Thirteen of the Recorder News, keeping up our two-monthly schedule. With publication of Volume Four of The Transferware Recorder completed, we have some initial feedback to report; also an auction report, an unrecorded maker’s mark, and some new discoveries. We hope you find it of interest and comments would be welcome. Keep in touch.

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New Colours
The Transferware Recorder, Volume Four – Reviews
It is always a tense time waiting for comments and reviews on a new book, but we are pleased to see that Volume Four of The Transferware Recorder has been received favourably. Amongst comments received so far are:
“It’s a masterpiece again!”
“Beautifully illustrated and very well presented”
“Another fine edition ... it would be splendid to have an entire shelf of Recorders”
“Another essential reference book”
“Just like the first three – marvellous!”
“A fascinating topic ... a great looking and entirely pleasurable publication”
“The most intriguing yet”
If by some strange chance you have not already purchased Volume Four, here’s a reminder of the prices for various destinations:
UK: £20.95  Ireland / Europe £24.00 or €37
N.America: $40 (US)  Australia: £28.00
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New Discoveries
Ralph Stevenson’s “Panoramic Scenery” series was covered back in Volume Two of The Transferware Recorder where twenty different central scenes were noted. Fourteen were identified, eight of which were shown alongside their source prints. Here we have an unrecorded view on a tea plate (shown courtesy of Len Kling). It doesn’t look like an English view. Any suggestions? In contrast is the view of “Weir Walk, Stratford” by William Alsager Adderley, mentioned but not illustrated in TR4. An aesthetic period pattern which just does not seem to fit the plate. What do readers think?

New Discovery
It was probably inevitable that new literature-related pieces would emerge as soon as TR4 was published, and here we have a previously unrecorded Shakespeare pattern. It is titled “Falstaff and Anne Page” and is shown here on both a jug (courtesy Heliers Auctions of Blackburn) and a two-handled mug (courtesy John & Erna Shepherd). The mark includes a short quote but no indication of maker. The scene and quote are from The Merry Wives of Windsor, Act 3, Scene 3, but we have not yet managed to find any matching source print. We do hope that these literature patterns will now receive a bit more attention.
The Transferware Recorder

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Mark Time

It is always interesting to come across an unrecorded maker, and we are pleased to be able to show this detailed mark naming a new partnership of Goodwins, Bridgwood & Co. The various Goodwin partnerships seem rather complex, listed in the Dictionary as starting with Goodwin, Bridgwood & Orton in around 1827 and running through to John Goodwin who worked until about 1850. In between we have Goodwin, Bridgwood & Harris; Goodwins & Harris; and Goodwin & Ellis. Marks with initials GH & G, which must represent Goodwin, Harris & Goodwin, are also known. This new partnership of Goodwins, Bridgwood & Co. (note the plural Goodwins) has not been recorded before but would presumably be amongst the earlier partnership combinations – the style of the jug shown here would suggest the early 1830s. We also have records of the pattern on a mug and a footbath, both bearing the same mark. It is likely that other matching toilet wares would have been made.

Auction Watch

It’s good to be able to feature the ever-popular Willow pattern for a change from our usual fare. Here we have a special order plate inscribed for Peter Willey with a nice early date of 1818. The plate was sold last month by Lodge & Thomas of Truro for a total of £213 (the condition report noted simply a hairline crack). What the auctioneers probably did not know is that there is a matching plate for Thomasine Willey in the collection at the Victoria & Albert Museum in London, and that another for Grace Willey was sold on eBay back in 2005. Apparently the Willey family from Cornwall supplied cobalt for blue printing to the Staffordshire potters in the early 19th century. It seems a great shame that such a set of family treasures has been split up. Does anyone know of any comparable special order family wares? We do wonder if there are any other Willeys to be discovered! The auctioneers can be contacted through their website: www.lodgeandthomas.co.uk