

Mark Trip to Jersey



On Thursday 5th October 2017, a flight took off from East Midlands airport with a party of Masons and their partners and wives. The destination was the island of Jersey, one of the group of the Channel islands.

The majority of the party stayed at the Pomme d'Or hotel in the capital, St. Helier. The visit included five nights bed and breakfast, with groups organising their own meals at a variety of restaurants in the evenings. As seen in the photographs, some members took advantage of the occasion.

The visit included a Blue coach tour round the island, enabling those on the tour to get a complete picture of why the islanders enjoy living there.

Other trips included the Jersey War Tunnels, the Museum & Art Gallery and the Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust.

On Saturday 7th October 2017, Brethren attended the Annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of the Channel Islands. The AGM, RWBro. Stephen Davison is shown shaking hands with the Provincial Grand Master RWBro. Derek Upton.

Our thanks go to Don Peacock, the organiser and to all those who assisted.



Oliver RAM Installation



On Monday 20th November 2017, the WCdr. Bro. Geoff Hibbert and his Officers, Installed Bro. Robert Greenlees into the Chair of the Oliver Lodge of RAM No. 751.

The Provincial Grand Senior Warden, WBro. Brian Golland, was in attendance and presented the Warrant, Book of Constitutions & Regulations and the By-Laws of the Lodge. WBro. Ghanshyam Patel gave the Address to the new Cdr. WBro. Robert Greenlees, both who are shown here, together with the official visitor and Wardens.

William Kelly Installation



On Monday 11th December 2017, the Acting WCdr. WBro. Christopher Packham and his Officers, Installed Bro Alan Coleman into the Chair. The Provincial JW, WBro. Malcolm Carrington was in attendance and presented a Grand Council Certificate to Bro. Robert Wood. The Address to the new Commander was given by WBro. Michael Langley.

Shown here is the new WCdr. Together with his Wardens, Bros. Anthony Wood and John Peberdy and the official visitor, WBro. Malcolm Carrington.

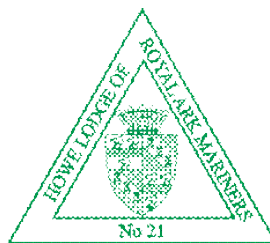
The Christmas Festive board was an excellent occasion, with good food and good company.

Provincial and Howe RAM Visit to Nottingham



On Monday 27th November 2017, the Howe Lodge of RAM No. 21 visited the Nottingham Lodge of RAM No. 344, on their bi-annual visit. On this occasion, the Leics. & Rutland Provincial team also travelled in numbers to support the Master of the Howe Lodge. Consequently, the meeting was very well attended, especially with the support of the Nottinghamshire Provincial team.

The Worshipful Commander, Bro. Terence Straw with the assistance of his Officers, Elevated Bro. Paul Hancock into the Order. On the front row are shown from left to right: WBro. Don Peacock, DPGM, RWBro. Phillip Mann, PGM, WBro. James Young, Master of the Howe Lodge No. 21, the Candidate, Bro. Paul Hancock, WBro. Terence Straw, Master of the Nottingham Lodge No. 344, RWBro. Peter Ball, PGM for Nottinghamshire and WBro. Christopher Adkin, DPGM for Nottinghamshire. The occasion was enjoyed by all those present and the evening was completed with an excellent Festive board. Next year, the Nottinghamshire Lodge will travel to Loughborough to reciprocate the Bi-annual event.



Future Events for your diary

- * Provincial visit to Rutland Lodge of RAM No. 1051 on Wednesday 10th January 2018
- Annual Leics. & Rutland Committee of General Purposes-Saturday 27th January 2018
- Annual Leics. & Rutland Mark Grand Officers Mess-Early Spring 2018-to be confirmed
- Fowke Lodge of MMM No. 19 Sesqui-Centenary (150 years of continuous working)-April 2018. Warrant to be presented at an Emergency meeting on Thursday 3rd May 2018.
- Leics. & Rutland Provincial Mark Grand Lodge= Tuesday 8th May 2018
- Annual RAM Ladies Dining Out Evening-Friday 8th June 2018
- 2018 Mark Benevolent Fund Festival Banquet (150th Anniversary Festival)- Saturday 7th July 2018 at Lincoln.
- Annual Mark Ladies Dining Out Evening-Friday 17th August 2018

RAM Grand Rank Appointments



On Tuesday 12th December 2017, a fully leaden luxury coach left Syston to travel to London to support those receiving RAMGR. There was a stop off at Lutterworth to collect more supporters and also a drink and bacon cob. Shown here are Richard Heap, Bert Attfield and Roger Sherwin, just before entering the Temple at Great Queen Street, London. The coach driver dropped off those on board, firstly at Mark Masons' Hall, for a buffet lunch, before travelling on to the ceremony.

On the return journey, refreshments included drinks, ham cobs, tongue cobs, crisps and pork pie, kindly prepared by Emily Davison and Martin Sercombe.

A good time was had by all and our thanks go out to the organiser, WBro. John Goodacre and all those who helped out during the day.