

Knights of Malta Installation & 50 Year Certificate



On Thursday 16th January 2020, W.Bro. David Cox was Installed into the Chair of the Knight of Malta Lodge No. 30, T.I. by W.Bro. Paul Spokes and his Officers. The occasion was well attended and include the Prov.G.M, R.W.Bro. Phillip Mann and his Deputy, W.Bro. Don Peacock.

The Working Tools were presented by W.Bro. Martin Bromley, the Address to the new Master was given by W.Bro. Steve Legate, to the Wardens W.Bro. Peter Gibson-Leitch, to the Overseers by W.Bro. Geoff Phipps and to the Brethren W.Bro. Peter Dawson. The Prov.GM presented the Warrant, Book of Constitutions and By-Laws. W.Bro. Don Peacock presented a Grand Lodge Certificate to Bro. Vernon Ward.

The Prov.G.M, R.W.Bro. Phillip Mann presented a 50 Year Certificate to W.Bro. Martin Gain together with a comprehensive history of his Masonic career. At the Festive board, a raffle raised £94 for the Prov.G.M's Discretionary Fund.

St. Peter's Advancee & 50 Year Certificate



The Provincial Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Phillip Mann presenting a Fifty Years Certificate to V.W.Bro. Reginald Dickinson, having given a comprehensive History of his Masonic career.



On Wednesday 5th February 2020, The Master, W.Bro. Stephen Wells, with the assistance of his Officers, Advanced Bro. Ian Kirkpatrick into the St. Peter's Mark Lodge No. 1078. The Secrets were explained by W.Bro. Bruce White, the Working Tools by Bro. Mark Peberdy and the Concluding Address was given by Bro. Gary Hix.

The Lodge was well attended, supporting both the Candidate and V.W.Bro. Reginald Dickinson, who was presented with his 50 Years Certificate. The evening was rounded off with the customary and well enjoyed Fish and Chips dinner.

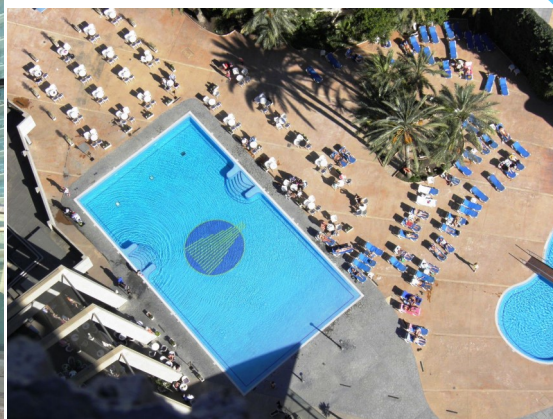
Wyggeston Mark-Advancee



On Tuesday 18th February 2020 the Master, W.Bro. Andrew Green, assisted by his Officers, Advanced Bro. Elvis Muncelleanu into the Wyggeston Mark Lodge No. 1149. The Secrets were explained by W.Bro. David Pearson, the Working Tools presented by W.Bro. Mark Hancock and the Concluding Address was given by W.Bro. Richard Hallam. A raffle at the Festive board raised £120 which was donated to the Prov.G.M's Discretionary Fund. The A.G.M, R.W.Bro. Stephen Davison was in attendance, together with the P.Dep.Prov.G.M, V.W.Bro.Ghanshyam Patel and three other Grand Officers. It was also Elvis's birthday.



Visit to the District of Spain-Benidorm



Above shows the view from the top floor of the hotel, taken by W.Bro. Don Peacock. (He has nerves of steel.)

As a repeat to last year, a large group of our Mark Brethren accompanied by wives and partners, spent a most enjoyable festival weekend in Benidorm, Spain from Friday 31st January to Monday 3rd February, with the Brethren attending the Annual Mark District Grand Lodge of Spain on the Saturday, whilst the ladies were entertained with an excursion organised by our hosts and dining at a top local restaurant. The impressive Hotel Bali was again the venue and a talk on the Friday afternoon on the story of the Victoria Cross by Mark Smith, from the BBC's Antiques Roadshow was followed by an evening cocktail reception. The Annual meeting on the Saturday, was honoured by the presence of the Assistant Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Stephen Davison and a truly sumptuous festive board was enjoyed by all. After all the activity of the preceding two days, Sunday was for relaxing and taking in the sights and delights of Benidorm's beautiful beach, promenade and restaurants-a real joy before the Summer season gets going, and the weather was even better than last year-three days of crystal blue skies and twenty-something temperatures. Representatives from several other Mark provinces were present, but ours was the largest delegation, once again keeping the banner flying high for Leicestershire & Rutland.

Fowke Mark Lodge- Advancee



From left to right, the Provincial Grand Secretary, W.Bro. Peter Gibson-Leitch, the Candidate, Bro. Amarjit Rai and the Worshipful Master, Bro. Neil Davison.

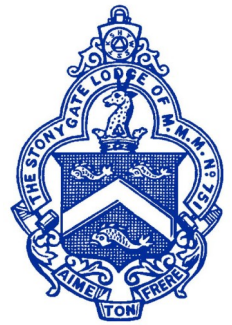
On Thursday, 13th of February 2020, the Worshipful Master, Neil Davison, assisted by his team of Officers, Advanced Bro. Amarjit Rai into the Fowke Mark Lodge No. 19. The Secrets were given by W.Bro. Stephen Finnigan, the Working Tools were explained by Bro. Balvinder Hoonjan and the Concluding Address was given by Bro. Fraser Walker.

The Provincial Grand Secretary, W.Bro. Peter Gibson-Leitch was in attendance in an official capacity and presented W.Bro. David Cooper with his Mark Benevolent Fund Collarrette.

Also present, was the Assistant Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Stephen Davison, the Past Assistant Provincial Grand Master, V.W.Bro. Ghanshyam Patel and four other Grand Officers.

The Festive board followed, continuing the happy atmosphere that was apparent during the ceremony. The meal was excellent and a raffle raised £190 for the Worshipful Master's Discretionary Fund.

Stony Gate Mark Valentine's Evening



On Saturday 15th February, the Stony Gate Mark Lodge celebrated their annual Valentine's evening at the Scraftoft Golf Club. The occasion was attended by the Provincial Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Phillip Mann, his Deputy, W.Bro. Don Peacock and the Assistant Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Stephen Davison, together with their partners, a total of ninety five in all. The event was organised by the Master, W.Bro. Ian Needham and his wife. The Valentine Quiz was prepared by Bro. Phillip Wood, the Master Elect and proved very popular with all those present. Brethren provided many raffle prizes which raised an impressive £570 which was donated to the Prov.G.M.'s Discretionary Fund. The Prov.G.M. informed everyone that the monies would be used to support the charity for Guide Dogs for the Blind. There was a collection for the staff, who had worked tirelessly to ensure a perfect evening. The food was also excellent, with three choices for each course. W.Bro. Don Peacock won the Giant Cuddly Bunny.

East Goscote Mark-Advancee



From left to right, the A.G.M, R.W.Bro. Stephen Davison, the candidate, Bro. Andrew Hardy-Smith, the Master, W.Bro. John Todd, the I.P.M, W.Bro. Richard Jelly and the Prov.G.M, R.W.Bro. Phillip Mann.

On Tuesday 25th February 2020, the Master, W.Bro. John Todd invited W.Bro. Richard Jelly to take the Chair of the East Goscote Mark Lodge No. 970. W.Bro. Richard then proceeded to Advance Bro. Andrew Hardy-Smith, with the assistance of the Lodge Officers. The Secrets were explained by W.Bro. Martin Waddington, the Working Tools by Bro. Phillip Kent and the Concluding Address was delivered by Bro. Richard Barnett.

The Assistant Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Stephen Davison, was in attendance, together with the Provincial Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Phillip Mann and four Grand Officers.

An excellent Festive board followed, continuing the happy and enthusiastic atmosphere. A Raffle raised £185 of which £92.50 was donated to the Prov.G.M.'s Discretionary Fund.

Simon de Montfort-Advancee



From left to right, the Prov.G.Dep.D.C, W.Bro. John Goldsmith, the Prov.G.M, R.W.Bro. Phillip Mann, the Candidate, Bro. Charles Wade, the Acting WM, Bro. Alan Coleman and the Past Deputy Prov.G.M, V.W.Bro. Ghanshyam Patel.

On Thursday 27th February, the I.P.M, W.Bro. Alan Coleman, assisted by his Officers, Advanced Bro. Charles Wade into the Simon de Montfort Mark Lodge No. 194. The Provincial Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Phillip Mann was in attendance, together with the Past Deputy Provincial Grand Master, V.W.Bro. Ghanshyam Patel and three other Grand Officers. The Secrets were explained by W.Bro. John Pinnock, the Working Tools by Bro. Paul Prendergast, who also gave the Concluding Address. A collection and Raffle raised a total of £210 which was donated to the Prov.G.M's Discretionary Fund, who in turn was donating the monies to the Guide Dogs for the Blind Charity.

Ashby de la Zouch Lodge of R.A.M.-Elevatee



On Monday 2nd March 2020, the Ashby Lodge of R.A.M. was visited by the Provincial team and many other visitors, sixty two in all. The Prov.G.M, R.W.Bro. Phillip Mann with the assistance of his team, Elevated Bro. Ian Hammond. The Signs were explained by the Dep.Prov.G.M, W.Bro. Don Peacock, the Working Tools by the Prov.G.Sec. W.Bro. Peter Gibson-Leitch and the Address after Elevation was given by W.Bro. Robert Kinghorn. The explanation of the Nine Steps was given by the Commander, W.Bro. John Reynolds. W.Bro. Don Peacock presented Bro. Stephen Upton with a Grand Lodge Certificate. A donation of £500 was given to the Prov.G.M's Discretionary Fund to go towards the Dogs for the Blind Charity.

Wiclif R.A.M.-Installation



From left to right, the J.W. Bro. Christopher Cessford, the Provincial Grand S.W, W.Bro. John Reynolds, the new Commander, W.Bro. Robert Rankin and the S.W. Bro. Peter Faulkner.



On Wednesday 4th March 2020, the Commander, W.Bro. Brian Peel, Installed Bro. Robert Rankin into the Chair of the Wiclif R.A.M. Lodge No. 1968. The Provincial Grand Senior Warden was in attendance and presented the Bible, Warrant, Book of Constitutions and By-Laws. He also presented a Grand Lodge Certificate to Bro. Mark Hancock, giving a comprehensive explanation of its contents. The Address to the new Commander was given by W.Bro. Gordon Richardson. 33 Brethren were in attendance and the evening was rounded off with an excellent Festive Board.