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Installation a Great Success



The Installation of the new Provincial Grand Master for Leics. & Rutland, took place on Wednesday 17th June at London Road Leicester. The Provincial Grand Lodge was opened in form by RWBro. Michael E. Herbert, Past Deputy Grand Master.

The Installing Officer, The Pro Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Richard Victor Wallis, explained the purpose of the meeting and then proceeded to Invest and Install WBro. Stephen Davison as Provincial Grand Master. Once installed, the new PGM invested VWBro. Ghanshyam M. Patel as his Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

Banner Dedication at Fowke Mark



The new Provincial Mark Banner for Leics. & Rutland was officially dedicated on Thursday 9th April 2015 after the Advancement ceremony at the Fowke Mark regular meeting. The Provincial Grand Master, RWBro. Anthony Morris and the Deputy PGM, WBro. Stephen Davison, together with the officers of the year, were present in an official capacity. At one point, the Banner in accordance with tradition was paraded around the Lodge giving everyone the opportunity to see the excellent workmanship that went into its manufacture. The intricate needlework of the Wyvern is, in particular, worth getting a close up view.

Official Provincial Visit to Knight of Malta

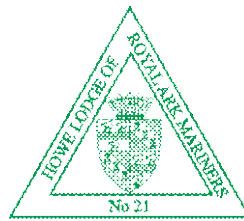


Bro. James T. Driver the new Elevatee, with the Worshipful Commander, Bro. Nigel Penney and the Director of Ceremonies, WBro. Peter Gibson-Leitch.

On Friday 27th March 2015, the Provincial team visited the Knight of Malta Lodge of RAM No. 30. By kind permission of the Worshipful Commander, the Provincial Grand Master, Right Worshipful Bro. Anthony Morris took the Chair and with his team, Elevated Bro. James T. Driver into the Antient and Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariners. The occasion was well attended and rounded off with an excellent festive board.



Howe RAM 150th Meeting



A special cake was made for the enjoyment of all present to mark the occasion of the 150th meeting of the Lodge.

The 150th meeting and Installation meeting of the Howe Lodge of RAM No. 21 was held at Loughborough on 9th March 2015. The Deputy PGM, WBro. Stephen Davison was in attendance as the official visitor to oversee WBro. David Lathrope Install his successor, WBro. Michael J. Harris. The Address to the new Commander was given by WBro. Mel Cowley and the Keystone Jewel presented by WBro. Malcolm Carrington. The Working tools were presented to the Candidate, Bro. Ivan Scott by the Deputy PGM, the Secrets by WBro. Graham Jackson and the Exposition by WBro. Barrie Percival. Twenty Past Commanders were present at the Inner Workings

The Installing Team, prior to the ceremony - 17th June 2015

The PGM Designate, WBro. Stephen Davison, with the Installing Officer, The Pro Grand Master, MWBro. Richard Victor Wallis and the Deputy PGM Designate, VWBro. Ghanshyam M. Patel. They are flanked by the Grand Director of Ceremonies, RWBro. Kessick J. Jones and the Acting Deputy GDC, WBro. C. David Davis. Also shown is the Acting GSW & PGM for Northants & Hunts, RWBro. George E. Bonham and the GJW, RWBro. Andrew Sweeney.





Stony Gate Installation well attended.



On Friday 13th March 2015, WBro. John Stock was Installed into the Chair by WBro. Malcolm Colyer. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master, WBro. Stephen Davison, was in attendance, escorted by the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, WBro. Bruce White.

The event was well attended by both members and visitors.

The Festive board was equally enjoyable, both with excellent food and company.

Bro. John Stock will undoubtedly have a good year as Worshipful Master and will be ably supported by his officers.

Keystones presented to retiring PGM and Pro GM.



At the Provincial Grand Lodge, on Tuesday 12th May, the Provincial Grand Master, RWBro. Anthony Morris, was presented with a specially hand fashioned Keystone for use in his future home, which is to be built in his the grounds of his present home for himself and his wife Janet. The Keystone was carried into the Lodge room with much pomp and circumstance, by his son, WBro. Rick Morris, the Provincial Grand Inspector of Works. It was a touching moment that rounded off an excellent meeting, attended by visitors from far and wide.



At the Festive Board, following the Installation of our new PGM, RWBro. Stephen Davison, a gift of a granite Keystone Paperweight was presented to the Installing Officer, The Pro Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Richard Victor Wallis. It was fashioned from granite hewn from the quarry in Mountsorrel, which is the deepest such quarry in Europe. The red granite is the same material used in 'The Old Barn' in Mountsorrel, the residence of our new PGM. On the front was engraved the emblem of the Province of Leics. & Rutland and on the reverse, the Mark of The Pro Grand Master. He and his team were also presented with a Stilton Cheese and a 'Sercombe' Pork Pie.

East Goscote Mark Installation



On Tuesday 28th April 2015, WBro. Gary Grant installed Bro. Ivan W. Scott into the Chair of the East Goscote Mark Lodge No. 970. The meeting was well attended and the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, WBro. Stephen Davison was present and also the Past Deputy Provincial Grand Master, VWBro. Ghanshyam M. Patel, who presented the Keystone Jewel. WBro. Gordon Richardson gave the address to the new Master, WBro. Clifford Rowley to the Wardens, WBro. Martin Waddington to the Overseers and WBro. Ray Folland to the Brethren.

The proceedings were rounded off with an excellent festive board, where the happy and jovial conversation was much in evidence.

The Deputy PGM wished WBro. Ivan Scott every success for the year.



Enthroned Commanders No. 1786



On the 17th April 2015, the members of the Progress Lodge of Enthroned Commanders met at Syston with their partners. After the meeting, the Ladies were invited into the Lodge room to receive a talk given by WBro. Brian Golland about RE-MAP, a charity producing individually designed and engineered devices for disabled people with a wide range of disabilities. A raffle at the festive board raised £300, which was matched by the PGM's Discretionary Fund and donated to the Remap charity. Three new joining members are shown here in the top left hand corner, WBros. David Lathrope, Michael Cocks and Alan Issitt.



Simon de Montfort RAM Indian Buffet



On the 30th March 2015, the Simon de Montfort Lodge of RAM No. 194 held an open evening buffet at 'The Cuisine of India' restaurant in Wigston. The event was well attended by Brethren and their partners from a variety of Mark and RAM Lodges. Judging from the number of visits to the food table for seconds and even thirds, the numerous curries were thoroughly enjoyed by all. A raffle raised £200, the restaurant donated £312, the bar donation was £50 and there was £48 in other donations, a total of £610 for the PGM's Discretionary Fund.

