



# News from Freemasonry@86

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Welcome to your news and information update from the ten progressive Orders and higher degrees of Freemasonry administered from Mark Masons' Hall, 86 St James's.

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## Dates for your diary

**Saturday 2 November** - Centenary of **Royal & Select Masters** Phipps Dorman Council No.32 - Warwickshire District Meeting - Tally Ho Conference Centre, Edgbaston

**Monday 4 November** - Consecration of **Scarlet Cord** Valley of Rocks Consistory No.133 - Barnstaple, Devon

**Thursday 14 November 12:30pm** - **OSM** - Grand Conclave & Annual Investiture - Freemasons' Hall, London - booking details [bit.ly/OSMGrandConclave](http://bit.ly/OSMGrandConclave)

**Saturday 16 November** - **Scarlet Cord** - Consecration of three consistories - Calcutta, Eastern India and Bengal - Kolkata

**Monday 18 November** - **Scarlet Cord** Installation of new Provincial Grand Summus for East Anglia - Bury St Edmunds

**Tuesday 19 November 12:30pm** - **Knights of Malta** Great Priory & Annual Investiture - Freemasons' Hall, London - booking details [bit.ly/MaltaGreatPriory](http://bit.ly/MaltaGreatPriory)

**Tuesday 10 December 4:45pm** - **RAM** Annual Assembly & Investiture - Freemasons' Hall, London - booking details [bit.ly/RAMAnnual](http://bit.ly/RAMAnnual)

**Dining has now closed for the OSM Grand Conclave, but you can still attend the meeting on 14 November which starts at 12.30pm - click on this link for details**

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### **STOP PRESS - Panic over Mr Mainwaring**

If your dilemma was figuring out how you were going to watch the Rugby World Cup Final and attend the consecration of Spirit of Rugby Lodge of Mark Master Masons, fear not. The bar at Mark Masons' Hall will be open from 8.30am and will be screening the match. Even better, bacon rolls, hash browns, tea and coffee will be available from 10am. The consecration will now take place once the celebrations are complete.



## East Lancashire Order of the Secret Monitor donates £2,000 to Springhill Hospice.

The hospice is a 16 bed in-patient unit on the outskirts of Rochdale. Opened by Princess Anne, it recently celebrated 30 years of offering specialist end of life care for over 100 patients a year.

Only partly funded by the NHS, two thirds of its financial needs have to be raised by supporters, costing around £7,000 per day to keep going.

Chief Executive Julie Haliwell was absolutely delighted when Frank Smith, the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler of the OSM in East Lancashire gave a donation of £2,000 to the Hospice.

Julie explained that the hospice has recently run the 'Comfort for All' appeal and the money donated by the members would be used for the purchase of a new specialist bed, mattress and chair. This equipment is designed with the maximum comfort for the patient in mind.

The care offered by Springhill extends to outside the hospice building, with holistic care and support offered to patients in the wider community around Rochdale, as well as counselling support for the whole family during the very sad and distressful bereavement period.



## New Provincial Prior Installed in West Yorkshire

Castle Grove Masonic Hall in Headingley, Leeds was fully packed on Saturday 26 October to support the Installation of R.E.Kt. Hearl Lenton (formerly Sub-Prior in charge) as the new Provincial Prior for the Province of West Yorkshire.

The twenty-four Preceptories of the Province proudly paraded their respective banners (several representing Preceptories over two hundred years old) before the Grand Master, who then went on to Install R.E.Kt. Lenton. The new Provincial Prior in turn Installed V.E.Kt. Tony Wilkinson as his Provincial Sub-Prior. It was a wonderful meeting followed by excellent festivities in a warm atmosphere.



Pictured left to right are Great Seneschal V.H. & R.E.Kt. Andrew Rainbow; Grand Master M.E. & S.Kt. Paul Clement, G.C.T.; Provincial Prior R.E.Kt. Hearl Lenton; Provincial Sub-Prior V.E.Kt. George Tony Wilkinson; Great Prelate The Rev'd Malcolm Lane, JP, K.C.T.

*There's more that unites us than divides us - J.F. Kennedy*



..... and so on the eve of the greatest game in World Rugby how topical was it to receive an email from Bro. Shannon Osborn, currently Secretary of the Newton Mark Lodge No. 280 located in Freemasons' Hall, Dominion Road, Auckland, New Zealand.

He is a devoted Mark Master Mason, who clearly loves his Freemasonry and is massively committed to securing the future of his Lodge - to the point that when he was advanced three years ago, his first role was that of Secretary, closely followed by Treasurer as well, even though he has yet to go through the chair of Adoniram. His is a small in number but large in hospitality and friendship Lodge, reaching out to the Scottish, Irish and New Zealand Constitutions, who all attend the Lodge's Installation meetings.

Whoever wins tomorrow, rugby union will be the true winner - a sport that is alive and kicking around the globe, which can rightly be said of Freemasonry in general, and in this instance, Mark Masonry in particular.





### **Calling all Ferroequinologists**

The latest special interest Mark Lodge has just been consecrated at Mark Masons' Hall - Locomotion Lodge No. 2013.

Consecrating Officer was R.W. Bro. Tom Quinn Prov.G.M. (London) pictured with R.W.Bro.Sir David Wootton P.S.G.W. - one of the Lodge Founders - and W.Bro. Graham 'Archie' Elms, Primus Master.

And yes, the photo below is indeed 'Beechings' Axe'.



Consecration of Warlingham Consistory No.134 - Scarlet Cord  
Hailing from the lovely, scenic town of Warlingham in leafy (at this time of year) Surrey,  
home of Sir Joseph Swan - the inventor of the incandescent lamp - the Order of the  
Scarlet Cord was brightened once again on Wednesday 30 October by the  
Consecration of a new Consistory.



Grand Summus, M.Dist.Comp. Ian Currans, arrived with a full team to enjoy a splendid Consecration Meeting in Redhill, still in Surrey, but less leafy. The Meeting was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by the Founders, Consecrating Team and guests alike.

Contrary to popular belief, Warlingham Consistory No.134 is not the 'warm-up' act for the Consecration of Valley of Rocks Consistory No.133 in the newly formed Province of Devon & Cornwall next Monday.



## Felicitari si bun venit

..... which translates as 'congratulations and welcome' to the Mark Master Masons of Romania on becoming the newest Inspectorate within the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons and its Districts & Lodges Overseas, last Saturday 26 October.

This glorious event was held in the Amethyst (sic) Temple in the Ramada North Hotel in Bucharest, with the Pro Grand Master, M.W.Bro. Ray Smith as the Installing Officer. The newly installed primus Grand Inspector was W.Bro. Cristian Mihutoiu. The supporting team included:

- R.W.Bro. Derek Thomas P.Prov.G.M. (Mon.) as Grand Senior Warden
- R.W.Bro. Radu Balanescu P.G.J.W. (Craft DistGM) as Grand Junior Warden
- R.W.Bro. Tom Quinn Prov.G.M. (London) as Grand Chaplain
- R.W.Bro. Ryan Williams P.G.J.W. Grand Secretary
- R.W.Bro. Frank Spencer P.Prov.G.M. (Worcs) Grand Director of Ceremonies
- R.W.Bro. David Powell Prov.G.M. (Mon) Grand Sword Bearer
- W.Bro. T.Brendan Williams P.G.S.D. as Dep. Director of Ceremonies
- W.Bro. Christopher Malpus as Grand Organist
- R.W.Bro. Michael Whelan Prov.G.M. (Dorset) as Grand Standard Bearer
- W.Bro. Richard Paisley P.A.G.I.G. as Grand Inner Guard
- W.Bro. Wynford Jones P.A.G.D.C. as Grand Tyler





### #Friday Feeling

It's good to feel liked and followed - Mark Masons' Hall and our Grand Secretary are no exception. One of the very powerful ways of building awareness and consideration towards our ten Orders is to establish a presence on social media - Facebook and Twitter are a good start - and to have that conversation with your members and potential candidates.

We would also like to share our appreciation of the great work you are all doing - **can you please email us on** [communications@mmh.org.uk](mailto:communications@mmh.org.uk) with your Facebook and Twitter details. This will ensure that we like, share, follow and retweet in return - all emails will be acknowledged.

Thank you.

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### Progressive Masonry on the Move

Check out the Mark Masons' Hall Team App, which is ready and waiting to be filled with useful information - it's what smart phones were made for. Content posted so far includes:

- all News from Freemasonry@86 bulletins
- key events and booking details (where available)
- Social Media Guidelines and Best Practice
- TeamApp User Guide

What would you like to see included? Let us know on [communications@mmh.org.uk](mailto:communications@mmh.org.uk)

[Check out the TeamApp User Guide on this link >>>](#)



## Coming soon ..... Knights of the Caribbean

In next week's edition the full story and pictures from the three Consecrations and Installation in the Red Cross of Constantine, and the Conferral in the Royal & Select Masters, which took place in the Bahamas, Jamaica and Barbados this week.

