



Freemasonry@86 News - 27 November 2020



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How will the revised tier system affect Masonic Meetings?



Following the Government's announcement of the revised tier system which will come into force next week, the Grand Secretary is in discussion with legal advisors about the implications for meetings within our Orders. An announcement will be made next week once the position has been clarified.

Hope for Tomorrow - caring for today



W.Bro. Steve Roberts, P.G.J.D., Prov.G.Sec. of Lincolnshire writes:

The 150th MBF Festival, held in 2018 in Lincolnshire, may seem a lifetime away but its legacy continues.

This picture shows the Hope for Tomorrow mobile Chemotherapy bus which has recently been sited at Boston Pilgrim Hospital in Lincolnshire and which has established itself as an essential part of the Chemotherapy service throughout our County & Province.

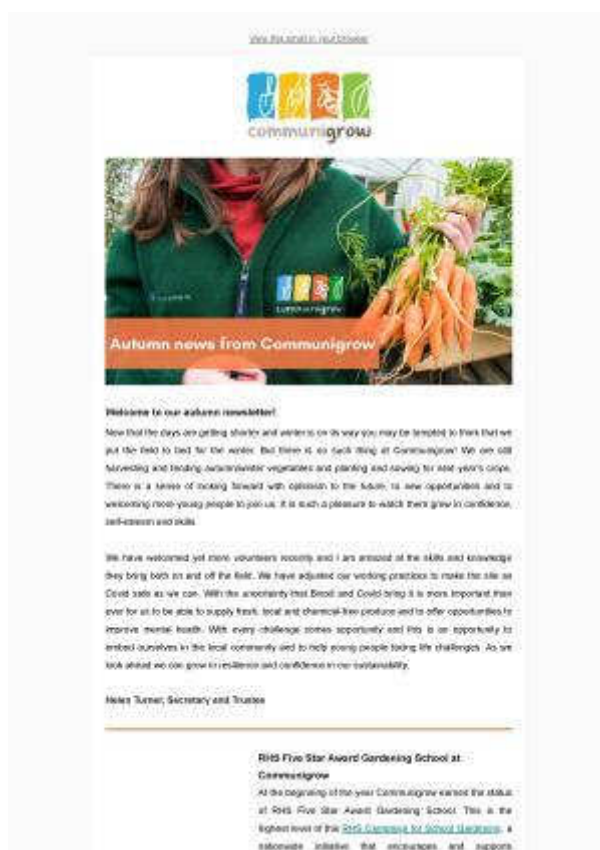
The bus was presented to the Hope for Tomorrow Charity in 2018 as part of the Festival celebrations and was one of a number which were provided by the MBF utilising funds donated from Mark Brethren across the country.

The legacy is further strengthened by the young lady in the picture who is the granddaughter of one of our recently departed Mark Brother, W.Bro. David Faulkner, and she has recently been assigned to be part of the team who looks after the patients who use the service; not forgetting also that the bus is named 'Elaine' after the late wife of W.Bro. Phil Anyan.

The picture was kindly sent by David's widow, Kathleen, and having spoken to David about this just before his sad death last month, I know how proud he was that his granddaughter was involved in the project which the MBF and Mark Masons from all over the Country supported so well in partnership with the recipient Charity.

Brethren I think it can be safely said that we have all Marked Well and can justifiably be so pleased with our contribution to this valuable and much needed service which is so appreciated by all those patients who use it.

The MBF helping a charity grow



Earlier this year, the MBF gave a grant of £5,662 to the charity Communigrow and their Newsletter, available to download by [Clicking Here](http://download.mmh.org.uk/Your_update_from_Communistgrow_-_Autumn_2020.pdf)² contains more information about their work.

²[http://download.mmh.org.uk/Your_update_from Communigrow - Autumn 2020.pdf](http://download.mmh.org.uk/Your_update_from_Communistgrow_-_Autumn_2020.pdf)

The Mark Province of Kent have also been supporting their work and got this mention on Twitter.

And you can read the Province's Provincial Grand Charity Steward's Newsletter Here ³

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1331216158264090625>

A return to Masonic Meetings in Wales



R.W.Bro. Paul Raymond Clement, P.Dist.G.Pref. (Severn) was this week Installed as Master of Gower Council No. 76 in the Allied Masonic Degrees at a meeting which also saw Bro. Wayne Dyer admitted as a Brother of St. Lawrence the Martyr.

While work continues in the Caribbean



A great Installation meeting was held by Albion Mark Lodge No. 212 in Barbados, within the **Mark District of South and East Caribbean**. The Master W.Bro. Marlon Munroe had the support of twenty-one Brethren, including the Assistant District Grand Master W.Bro. Wilbur Lavine,

³https://mcusercontent.com/9b2fe219abebbb31618c750ea/files/019f97d4-f33b-4677-bf8b-1704502e81ce/Second_Provincial_Charity_Steward_s_Newsletter_November_2020.pdf

P.G.J.D., and W.Bro. Wendell Walker the Worshipful Master of Prince Michael of Kent Mark Lodge No. 1913, which also meets in Barbados.



Meanwhile, this week there were seventeen Companions at the meeting of Barbados Consistory No.79 in the **Scarlet Cord District of Southern Caribbean** for the Installation of President Dist.Comp. Dr. Jeffrey Dellimore (centre). In attendance were the Assistant District Grand Summus, Dist.Comp. Nigel R. Jones, *OBE, JP, QC* and the Past Deputy District Grand Summus, V.Dist.Comp. U.A. Mykal Husbands.



And in the **Mark District of Jamaica and Cayman Islands**, W.Bro. Greg V. Anderson was finally installed as Worshipful Master of Cayman Lodge of M.M.M. No. 1618, on Fri, 6 November. The Installation meeting, originally scheduled for 3 April 2020, could not be held due to the suspension of Masonic activities.

An excellent Festive Board was enjoyed by all following the meeting.

Important update on the KT 20 for 2020 Appeal



Please note that the MCF, who are handling donations to this appeal, have moved their payment collection site from the Everyday Hero platform to that of Just Giving. This doesn't impact how you make your donation but unfortunately it isn't possible for us to set the amount of your donation automatically to £20. The default set by the website is £30 and you will need to adjust it down.

You can support the Eye Hospital by making a £20 donation. Just Click Here⁴ or use the Text Donate facility below.

100% of donations will be given to the St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital Group to support their vital work. To recognise your generosity and support, The Great Priory of Knights Templar is sending a limited-edition Swift tie/lapel pin to every donor.

The Swift pins are now being posted out but please bear with us as we are only in the office one day per week to carry out this task so some deliveries will take longer than others. Thank you for your patience.



The Knights Templar
20 for 2020 Appeal



Text KT2042020 to 70500 to donate £20

All monies donated to this text number go towards the **The Knights Templar 20 for 2020 Appeal**

For a text donation, you will be charged for one standard text message plus your donation of £20. Always get the bill payer's permission. The Relief Chest will receive 100% of your donation. If you do not want to be contacted by text in the future, add the words NO INFO when texting your donation. All donations are administered by the Relief Chest Scheme (Grand Charity Registered Charity No. 281942). Text donation helpline: 020 3146 3352. Mission: Charitable Foundation Charity No. 1164703, Company No. 09751836

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And there is still time to shop at the Gift of Sight Fair



⁴<https://fundraising.mcf.org.uk/Appeal-KT2042020>

Shop From 100+ Brands! 10% of proceeds donated to St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital

Click Here⁵ to visit the Fair

Across Social Media

On Twitter - Brother. The Masonic Podcast gear up for season 3

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1330612946075070466>

The Mark Province of West Yorkshire have a collection of artwork for sale to raise funds for the 2023 MBF Festival

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1330469629890859008>

And Supera Moras Conclave No. 49 seek to grow their membership as an O.S.M. Internet Conclave by engaging with all Freemasons

<http://twitter.com/statuses/1330213168199643140>

On Facebook - It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas

As the Mark Province of Somerset prepares for their Festive Open House Zoom meeting.

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On YouTube - Freemasons Without Borders take a look at the disappearance of Noachite Masonry



<https://youtu.be/BaaJ1JtEaE>

⁵<https://brilliantlittlebrands.com/pages/giftofsight>

And are looking forward to Tuesday's talk on one of the lesser-known Orders of Freemasonry, Knight Masons.



Not seeing your news? Join us on Social Media

Social Media is becoming an increasingly important platform for how we get to hear about what is going on further afield in all of our Orders. If your Province/District/Division has a Facebook Page/Group or Twitter Feed, or if you represent a Masonic Club or Society linked to our Orders, please send us an invite to join or follow you.

We can be found at:

Facebook - Mark Secretariat⁶ - This is the contact account for the Mark Masons' Hall Facebook Page⁷

Twitter - @MarkMasonsHall⁸

Or you can email us at communications@mmh.org.uk⁹

⁶<https://www.facebook.com/mmh.secretariat.3>

⁷<https://www.facebook.com/MarkMasonsHall/>

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The Shop@86 is temporarily closed



Due to the new Government Lockdown restrictions for England the Shop@86 will be temporarily closed from Thursday, 5 November but will re-open as soon as circumstances improve.

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MBF Festival 2021



East Lancashire Province, hosts of the **153rd Mark Benevolent Fund Annual Festival in 2021**, have produced a unique **Souvenir Festival Calendar** for the year **2021** and copies are now available.

These large, wall hanging calendars feature twelve contrasting prints of iconic sights in East Lancashire, commencing with the beauty of Pendle Hill in January and ending with Manchester's colourful Christmas Market in December. The 12 original watercolours were painted by Annette Young over the past four years specially for this calendar without cost to the Province. Calendars are priced at £10 each and all proceeds will go to the MBF.

So, let us brighten your kitchen or office wall and at the same time provide much needed support for our Mark Benevolent Fund. Why not purchase several more copies to send to friends and family at Christmas?

Thank you very much for your support.



The calendar measures: 318mm x 228mm folded – 318mm x 456mm open

To order:

By email: eastlancscalendars@gmail.com¹¹ By telephone: 07766731307

Payment by **cheque to East Lancs Mark 2021 Festival** – post to:

¹¹<mailto:eastlancscalendars@gmail.com>

East Lancs Calendars. 47 St Leonards Way, Woore, Crewe. CW3 9SS

Or contact them for electronic payment details

And don't forget, Stewardship, Badge and Festival orders can be places as well.

Click Here¹² for the Stewardship and Festival Badge Form

Click Here¹³ for the complete Festival pack

And you can visit the Province of East Lancashire's website Here¹⁴

Helping to Combat Covid



At the start of Lockdown the Grand Secretary, R.W.Bro. Ryan A. Williams, P.G.J.W., shared the COVID Symptom Study¹⁵ app.

As local lockdowns and UK cases increase, with over 4 million users, this app is a useful source of information regarding the situation in your area, as well as being a portal through which people of all ages and backgrounds are joining together to fight COVID, support the NHS, help scientific research and help get us out of lockdown safely.

¹²https://www.markmasonshall.org/images/news_articles/2020/2021_MBF_Stewardship_Badge_Form.pdf

¹³https://www.markmasonshall.org/images/news_articles/2020/2021_MBF_Festival_Complete_Forms_Pack.pdf

¹⁴<http://www.wordpress.eastlancsmark.org/?p=11465>

¹⁵<https://covid.joinzoe.com/>

Business as usual for the Staff@86



Staff from the 4th Floor at Mark Masons' Hall may now be decamping to mainly work from home but all departments and teams are available via email and telephone to help and support as usual.



