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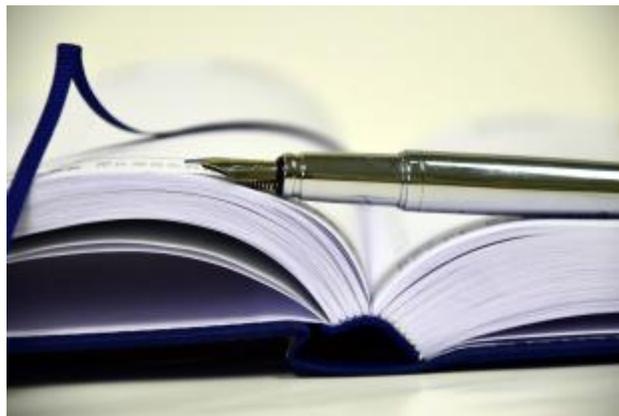
Welcome to your news and information update for the 'Progressive Orders of Freemasonry' administered from Mark Masons' Hall, 86 St James's Street.

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## Progressive Orders Diary



**Below are some upcoming dates of events for our Grand teams in their respective Orders.**

You can find the calendar of the regular annual meetings of our Orders further down this newsletter.

**Saturday, 30 July - O.S.M.** Supera Moras Conclave No. 49 Centenary, Province of East Lancashire

**Saturday, 6 August - Mark** Sesquicentenary of the Mark Province of Cumberland and Westmorland

**Saturday 20 August - A.M.D.** Installation of W.Bro. Steven Graeme Barratt, P.G.J.D., as District Grand Prefect for East Midlands

## Change of start time for Mark Grand Lodge in September



The next Communication of Grand Lodge will take place on Tuesday, 13 September 2022, when Brethren being promoted in Grand Rank will be invested.

This year, the meeting will have an additional, special dimension as we will also celebrate the fortieth anniversary of the investiture of M.W.Bro. HRH Prince Michael of Kent, *GCVO* as Grand Master.

The Rulers and Members of the General Board are keen to see a bumper attendance in support of the Grand Master so online registration for the meeting will open on Monday, 25 July 2022.

Due to the expanded agenda for the meeting, it has been necessary to bring the start time forward to 1pm. Dinner is expected to commence at 4pm, concluding at around 5.30pm.

I hope to see as many of you as possible in attendance for what promises to be a unique occasion.

With fraternal regards and best wishes.

R.W.Bro. Ryan A Williams, P.G.J.W.

Grand Secretary

## 150 years of Keystone Lodge



On Thursday, W. Bro. Nigel Roberts (W.M.) and the Brethren of Keystone Lodge of M.M.M. No. 109 in the Province of Monmouthshire celebrated their 150 year 'Sesquicentenary' meeting.

They were honored by the presence of The Assistant Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Francis Charles Spencer who presented a commemorative jewel to members of the Keystone Lodge. The Lodge Secretary W.Bro Nicholas Barrett, P.A.G.St.B., presented a brief history of the Keystone Lodge No. 109.

pictured below are: L-R. W. Bro Johnathan Roberts, G.D.C.; the W.M. W.Bro. Nigel Roberts, P.Prov.G.Swd.B.; The Assistant Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Francis Charles Spencer; W.Bro. Benjamin Dykes, P.G.J.O., Dep.Prov.G.M.; and W.Bro. R.G Davies, P.A.G.D.C. (Prov.G.M. and Grand Superintendent in the Craft and Royal Arch). Unfortunately R.W.Bro. David Powell the Mark Prov.G.M. was unable to attend.

It was a special occasion in the history of this wonderful Mark Lodge.

*With thanks to W.Bro. Kevin Kelly, P.Prov.G.S.W.*



## A generous donation from Durham



The Provincial Priory of Durham held its Annual Malta Meeting on Thursday, 14 July to a full room at Gateshead Masonic Hall. In attendance was special guest Eminent Knight Jamie Ingham Clark, *CStJ*, Dep.Gt.Swd.B., Trustee of The St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital Group.

After a full Malta ceremony installing a new candidate, the Provincial Prior for Durham, R.E.Kt. Richard Scott addressed those present and gave an update on the 2025 fundraising appeal started in 2021, for the St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital, which had so far raised £19,000. This also coincides with the 50th anniversary of the separation of the Northumberland and Durham provinces.

At the end of the address the Provincial Prior presented a cheque for £20,000 to the special guest for the evening E.Knight Jamie Ingham-Clark. This together with the figure already raised in 2021, marks a total so far raised of £39,000 towards the target of £50,000.

It is hoped that the target will be exceeded by some margin.

E.Kt. Jamie Ingham Clark, thanked the Provincial Prior for the magnificent cheque and proceeded to give a very informative talk detailing the work of the St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital. Knights Templar have been funding the hospital for over 100 years and in that time it has never been rescinded. Finally, he reported that the £20,000 would be enough to pay for 20 Retinal Repairs at a cost of £1,000 each or 28 Cataract operations at a cost of £700. In contrast to this in 2021, the hospital performed 6500 of these types of operations.

The festive board followed the meeting, and the food was enjoyed by all those present.

At the end of the evening the Provincial Prior presented E.Kt. Jamie Ingham Clark with a fundraising appeal pin.







## Provincial Priory of London Church Service





On Sunday, 3 July the Provincial Priory of London held a special Church Service to belatedly celebrate the Nativity of St John the Baptist (24th June). This was organised by Rev. Niall Johnston, Dep.Gt.Alm., Provincial Prelate for London.

As a thank you for all the funds raised to date for the St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital, the Priory Church of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital St John of Jerusalem at St John's Gate was made available for this service. It involved wonderful prayers, readings, hymns, the Precepts and a recommitment to the work of our Orders. Rev. Niall organised and led the service.

The Provincial Priory also afforded the Knights of the Vision Beautiful the opportunity to present a giant cheque to the St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital. This was for a total of £23,700, of which £11,700 had gone to fund a surgical stall and £12,000 for a portable auto-refractometer. It was gratefully received by Sir Andrew Cash, *OBE, KStJ*, the Chairman of the Trustees (pictured below); and David Verity, Hospitaller of the Most Venerable Order. This followed an excellent introduction from the Provincial Prior for London, R.E.Kt. David Thompson, after which both representatives of the Eye Hospital gave a formal thank you and an update on the excellent work going on in the Holy Land.

The St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital is the only provider of eye care for many in the Holy Land providing care via its hospitals, clinics and outreach to many who would otherwise become blind or partially sighted. Their primary slogan is: "Saving Sight, Changing Lives", which is precisely what they do and the Knights Templar have supported them in this endeavour for more than a century (with some of our members being involved in both the Eye Hospital and the Most Venerable Order since their modern foundation). A high percentage of their patients are children and the elderly, hence it is a cause very close to the heart of many a Knight.





## Update on the Pilgrim's progress



In the meantime, E.Kt. Rod Barker of Sussex Preceptory No. 125 completed more than 550km in his own pilgrimage for the Eye Hospital. He hiked from the Shrine of St James at Santiago di Compostela in Spain and reached the Marian Shrine at Fatima, Portugal, well ahead of his 27 day schedule so he carried on walking! He has been covering an average of more than 40,000 steps per day in hot weather, notwithstanding being in his mid-sixties.

Having exceeded his initial target of around £500, including gift aid, representing a pound per km, Rod wanted to generate more to represent his new distance and is just short of £700 including gift aid at time of writing. His charity page remains open so anyone wishing to increase the fund for the Eye

Hospital would be most welcome to visit: [www.JustGiving.com/Rod-Pilgrim](http://www.JustGiving.com/Rod-Pilgrim) It often only costs a few pounds to save a child's sight and turn their life around, so every donation makes a difference.

### **The 2022 Relay Pilgrimage of the Knights of the Vision Beautiful**

On Wednesday, 21 September 2022 this year's *Team* challenge for the St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital will start at St Augustine's Cross on the East Kent coast. This is the spot at which the first Archbishop of Canterbury is said to have presented himself to the King, having landed in Kent. The Knights will pass a baton from participant to participant, and running, cycling and likely rowing, will complete **more than three hundred miles**, largely following the Thames to Gloucestershire, before heading south to Wells Cathedral.

Wednesday 21st will cover Kent to the far side of London;

Thursday 22nd Surrey to Wiltshire (there is an additional opportunity to do a bit of rowing or paddling from Henley if that is of interest...);

Friday 23rd the final journeys to Gloucestershire and then down to Wells Cathedral in Somerset;

Saturday 24th is, of course, the Great Priory Family Cathedral Service in Wells Cathedral.

If you would like to join in, they will still welcome Knights, or aspiring Knights and their families to join them either as part of the challenge or to assist with logistics. Please do contact the Captain, E.Kt. Angus Rhodes, via: [Knights.of.the.Vision@gmail.com](mailto:Knights.of.the.Vision@gmail.com)

For more information you may also see...

On twitter: @KnightsVision

Instagram: @KnightsOfTheVision

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/Knights-of-the-Vision-Beautiful>

Or to support their appeal for the Eye Hospital please visit: [www.JustGiving.com/Team/Vision-Beautiful](http://www.JustGiving.com/Team/Vision-Beautiful)

## Brave Worthy Knight takes Flight!



Michael (Gunny) O'Meara, a brave and fearless Worthy Knight of St Brannock Conclave No. 342 in the Division of Devonshire & Cornwall took a leap of faith to raise over £1,500 for the Grand Sovereign's Care for Children Fund.

Meeting at the Dunkeswell Airfield in Honiton, Devon, Michael was supported by friends and family. Joining Michael from the Division was Deputy Intendant-General, Ill.Kt. Nic White; W.Kt. Paul Howard-Baker, P.Div.Stwd.; V.Ill.Kt. Alan Cockman, Div.Rec.; and Ill.Kt. Peter Durrant, *MBE*, Div.Alm. A special trip was made by Mark Masons' Hall Charities Manager, Darren Coleman-Heald to cheer him on.

Clear blue skies and bright sunshine gave the perfect backdrop to Michael's sky dive and he was greeted to spectacular views as he took to the air from 15,000ft.

Gliding gently back to the airfield, upon landing Michael was heard to cry out, 'Awesome!'.

A formal presentation of the funds to the Grand Sovereign will be made in the autumn. If you still wish to donate to Michael's fund-raising page which will be open for a few more days. Please [Click Here](#) to make your donation.







## A new Provincial Grand Summus for the Scarlet Cord Province of Middlesex



There was sunshine and smiles all around at Cole Court, Twickenham on Saturday, 16 July as the Most Distinguished Grand Summus, Ian Stanley Currans and his team undertook the Installation of the new Provincial Grand Summus for the Scarlet Cord Province of Middlesex, R. Dist. Comp. Jonathan Wallis.

Jon is a familiar face in Middlesex and London Freemasonry, and further afield as well. In introducing him to the Companions, the Grand Summus gave a brief biography of Jon, highlighting his origins in Peterborough, career in the Met police, followed by a spell as Deputy Grand Tyler at M.M.H., and as a Postman, managing to avoid the temptation to cram too many post related puns in his comments.

Following his Installation, R. Dist. Comp. John the appointed and invested the Deputy Provincial Grand Summus, V. Dist. Comp. Brian Anthony Calcutt, V, P. G. Reg.; and the Assistant Provincial Grand Summus, Dist. Comp. Robert William Chilvers, IV, P. G. Swd. B.

Following the meeting many Companions took advantage of the large patio and garden at the venue to soak up some sun, while others kept to the shade of the indoor areas, before sitting down to a welcome light lunch.

Thanks to all who took part in the meeting and made it a memorable and enjoyable day for all who attended.

*With thanks to Comp. Julian Trought for the photographs*

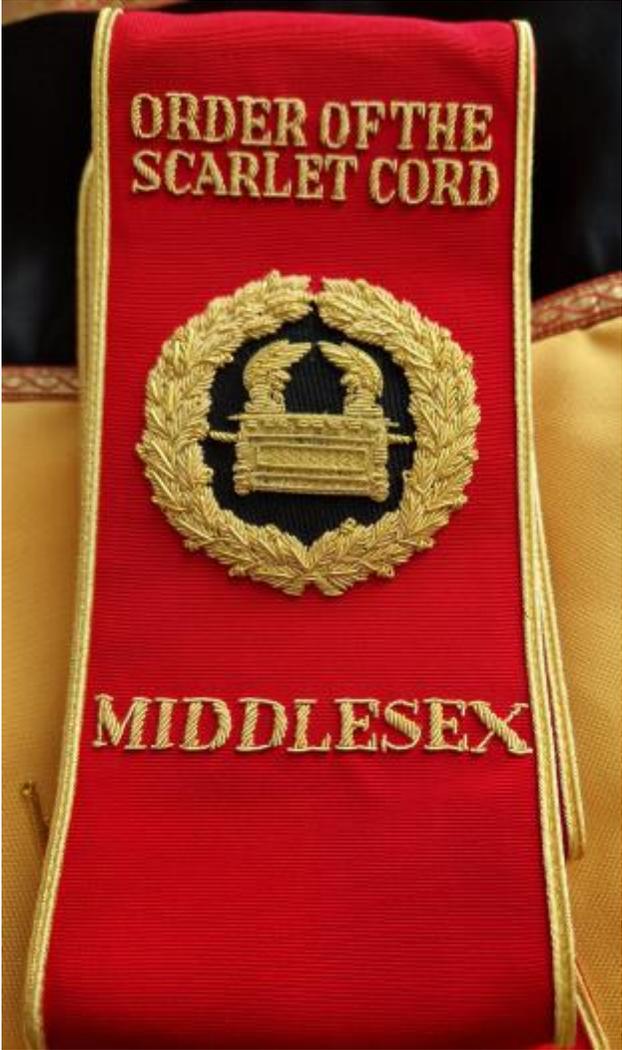
























## **An amazing Scarlet Cord day at Mark Masons' Hall**

On Thursday, 14 July at Mark Masons' Hall, 32 Brethren from France, Paraguay, and Greece took three grades in the Ancient and Masonic Order of the Scarlet Cord. There were 21 candidates from France, 6 from Paraguay, and 5 from Greece. The Ceremonies were held at an Emergency Meeting of The Brian Wareham Scarlet Cord Consistory T.I.

The First Grade Ceremony was conducted by a team from Surrey, the Second Grade Ceremony by a team from London, and the Third Grade Ceremony by a team from Grand Senatus.

The Surrey team, headed by the Provincial Grand Summus, R.Dist.Comp. Arnold Long, arrived early for rehearsals in the Temple. They are seen here with our Grand Summus, M.Dist.Comp. Ian S Currans, who is a Surrey Companion.



The President, R.Dist.Comp. Mik Barnes, Past Provincial Grand Summus, opened the Consistory.



The Primus of Lectores was Dist.Comp. Simon McCarthy and the Primus of Ostiarii was Dist.Comp. Mark Currans....



....the son of our Grand Summus. It was a real family affair as Mark's uncle, R.Dist.Comp. Trevor Currans, was the Director of Ceremonies for the First Grade and Primus of Lectores for the Third Grade.



Prior to the Ceremonies, the Grand Summus outlined the plan for the day and thanked everyone for their support in ensuring that all the Candidates will have a very special day.



The Brethren were admitted and took their seats in the North and South. The representative Candidate, Bro. Michel Boubles, and the other 31 Candidates were Obligated, Entrusted, and Invested as Companions of the Scarlet Cord by Distinguished Companion Mark Currans, Primus of Ostiarii, and the Surrey Team in an excellent manner. Bro. Michel is the Grand Supreme Ruler for the Order of the Secret Monitor in France.

The Grand Summus then congratulated Companion Michel and the other Companions saying how Surrey had set the bar for what follows with a word-perfect ceremony, with not a single prompt.



After a short break it was the turn of the London team. The President was R. Dist. Comp. Jules Greenwall, the Provincial Grand Summus, the Primus of Lectores was Dist. Comp. Seirios Kokkalis, and the Primus of Ostiarii was Dist. Comp. Dr. Surjit S Bhalla, the Assistant Provincial Grand Summus.



The representative Candidate, Comp. Andreas Spyropoulos, and the other 31 Candidates were Obligated, Entrusted, and Invested as Lectors of the Scarlet Cord by Distinguished Companion Seirios Kokkalis, the Primus of Ostiarii, and the London Team in another excellent manner. Comp. Andreas is the Grand Master of the Great Priory of Greece.



The Grand Summus then congratulated Companion Andreas and the other Companions on taking their Second Grade.



Before we retired for refreshments and lunch, the Grand Summus, the Assistant Grand Summus and members of the London team posed for a photograph with the Candidates.



After refreshments we moved into the dining room for most convivial buffet lunch.



After lunch it was the turn of the team from Grand Senatus.



The President was M. Dist. Comp. Ian Currans, the Grand Summus; the Primus of Lectores was R. Dist. Comp. Christopher Barker; the Primus of Ostiarii was R. Dist. Comp. Trevor Currans; and the Director of Ceremonies was R. Dist. Comp. Phillip Purves. I had the honour of acting as Recorder in all three ceremonies.



The representative Candidate, Comp. Jose Fernandez Zacur, and the other 31 Candidates were Obligated, Entrusted, and Invested as Fellows of the Scarlet Cord by Most Distinguished Companion Ian S Currans, the President, and the Grand Senatus Team in yet another excellent manner. Comp. Jose Fernandez is the Grand Master of the Gran Logia Simbolica Del Paraguay.

The Consistory was closed and the Grand Summus, the Assistant Grand Summus and the Grand team retired in procession to end a truly amazing day.

*With thanks to Dist.Comp. Chris Eley, Prov.G.Rec., Surrey*



## 'Mark Mason' No. 1 bows out of service



The first 'Mark Mason' Blood Bike is due to retire after almost 7 years of sterling service to Northumbria Blood Bikes. Unfortunately the bike now needs over £2,000 of work to its braking system making it uneconomical to continue in service.

The bike has completed in excess of 86,000 miles and been on many thousands of missions travelling the length and breadth of Durham and Northumberland carrying essential medical supplies and equipment. The charity has over 100 volunteer riders, all of whom will have ridden the bike at some point during its career.

The MBF granted £18,000 in 2016 for the bike which as you know led on to the wider Blood Bikes Project and the MBF Charity Walk of 2017. Grants to the Blood Bike charities from the MBF currently stand at £497,146.

Retiring bikes with Northumbria Blood Bikes are not sold externally but are offered to their own members for personal use. All BB liveries are removed from the bike. Sealed bids from members wishing to take on the bike as a personal project are invited and funds are reinvested back into the charity.

The charity remains ever grateful of the support the MBF has given and continues to champion our cause.

Happy Retirement 'Mark Mason' No.1.

*With thanks to W.Bro. Darren W. Coleman - Heald, P.A.G.D.C., Charities Manager*

## Back on the water



The Provincial Grand Master for West Yorkshire, R.W.Bro. Jim Steggles, joined the Safe Anchor Trust in Mirfield for its formal handover this week - 2 years later than expected! The Mark Benevolent Fund's donation of £48,235 refurbished the canal boat 'Safe Anchor Lady'. The boat carries over 10,000 passengers each year with 7,000 of these being offered to disabled and disadvantaged children and young adults in the local area – all free. Many Mark Masons of the Province are volunteers for the charity. R.W.Bro. Jim Steggles said, 'It is a great pleasure to be able to join the charity today – even if in 33 degree heat! But it is good to see the 'Safe Anchor Lady' back in the water doing what she does best.' Patrons of the charity include HRH Princess Anne and Sir Patrick Stewart who was born in Mirfield.

Find out more here <https://safeanchor.org.uk/> [@safeanchor](https://www.facebook.com/safeanchor)





## Something brewing in Essex



Do you enjoy real ale and Mark Masonry?

Then why not consider becoming a founding member of this exciting new project in the Province of Essex which is open to all.

[Click Here](#) to register your interest

## Not seeing your news? Join us on Social Media

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## Calendar of Annual Meetings

### Grand Meetings Calendar 2022 - All Orders

Please note all timings are approximate. Refer to the Summons for confirmation.

Order	Meeting	Date	To be held at	Refreshment Start	Refreshment End	Refreshment Start	Refreshment End	Refreshment Start	Refreshment End
MARK	Grand Lodge	Tuesday, 8 March 2022	PM's Great Square Street, London, WC2R 3AQ	12:30 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	
RSM	Grand Council	Tuesday, 13 April 2022	PM's Great Square Street, London, WC2R 3AQ	12:30 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	
SC	Grand Seotat	Monday, 3 May 2022	Mark Masonry Hall, London, SW1A 0H	12:30 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	
KT	Grand Priory	Wednesday, 26 May 2022	PM's Great Square Street, London, WC2R 3AQ	12:30 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	
MARK	Grand Lodge	Tuesday, 7 June 2022	PM's Great Square Street, London, WC2R 3AQ	12:30 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	
RCC	Grand Chapter Conclave	Tuesday, 5 July 2022	PM's Great Square Street, London, WC2R 3AQ	12:30 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	
MARK	Grand Lodge	Tuesday, 13 September 2022	PM's Great Square Street, London, WC2R 3AQ	12:30 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	
RBHC	Grand Priory	Thursday, 8 September 2022	Mark Masonry Hall, London, SW1A 0H	12:30 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	
AMD	Grand Council	Tuesday, 20 October 2022	PM's Great Square Street, London, WC2R 3AQ	12:30 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	
OSM	Grand Chapter	Thursday, 24 November 2022	PM's Great Square Street, London, WC2R 3AQ	12:30 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	
KT	Grand Priory	Tuesday, 13 November 2022	PM's Great Square Street, London, WC2R 3AQ	12:30 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	
MARK	Annual Assembly	Monday, 12 December 2022	PM's Great Square Street, London, WC2R 3AQ	12:30 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	

Please be seated 15 minutes before published start time

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At the meeting of Mark Grand Lodge at Freemasons' Hall on Tuesday, the Pro Grand Master, M.W.Bro. Raymond John Smith, announced that the Mark Benevolent Fund would be donating £25,000 to the Mark Inspectorate of Romania who have been working proactively in many ways to provide support and relief to their neighbours in Ukraine.

This tremendous endeavour has touched Freemasons across the Constitution and many of our Brethren are keen to add their own support by making a donation.

We have set up a Relief Chest with the M.C.F. under the name of the **Mark Emergency Relief Fund** and you can now make donations in a variety of ways.

**We know that there is enormous support for this already. To make the administration of donations as smooth as possible, enabling funds to be transferred efficiently to where they are needed most, we ask that you note the following advice regarding donations:**

**For individual donations of less than £100** - please make arrangements with your Mark Lodge for these to be collected centrally and then for the Lodge to make one consolidated donation into the Fund. These consolidated donations will count toward the Lodge's M.B.F. honorifics, rather than each individuals.

**Donations of £100 or more may be made by individuals directly into the fund** and will count towards the Brother's M.B.F. Honorifics

In all correspondence please ensure you are donating to:

**Mark Emergency Relief Fund**

Relief Chest No.: **MMM185622**

The quickest and easiest way to donate is by scanning the QR code below or following this [Link](https://gtap.uk/mmm185622).



For a Credit Card Donation Form [Click Here](#) - remembering to use your **Craft Lodge name and number**, not your Mark Lodge.

For a Single Donation Form [Click Here](#) - remembering to use your **Craft Lodge name and number**, not your Mark Lodge.

If you would like more information about the ways in which you can donate using the digital options above, you can read the Digital Donations Guide by [Clicking Here](#)

And if you, or your Lodge, already hold a Relief Chest from which you would like to donate funds, there is a further, specific guide available by [Clicking Here](#) and a simple transfer guide available by [Clicking Here](#)

V.W.Bro. Cristian Mihutoiu, Grand Inspector for Romania has sent us details of the humanitarian activities he and his Brethren are developing for the Ukrainian refugees.

### **1) ACCOMMODATION**

For both refugees coming from the North by car and on foot, and those coming from the South by ferry, there are requirements for short term accommodation places for at least 3-4 days, after which some of them are travelling to other European countries while others are being hosted by Romanian families. For this purpose we are cooperating with the Government to supply the following facilities:

- special tents for more than 20 people
- electrical heating devices
- beds and blankets
- personal hygiene products

On the other hand, there are many small hotel owners which offer their facilities for the refugees asking in return for the payment for the utilities (gas, water, electricity).

### **2) MEDICAL SUPPLIES**

- emergency kits
- small surgery kits
- antibiotics and other different medicines
- disinfecting solvents
- cleaning sets
- medical face masks

### **3) FOOD AND WATER SUPPLIES**

- sandwiches

- warm food freshly prepared
- still water
- disposable plates and cups

#### **4) TRANSPORTATION FROM THE BORDER TO DIFFERENT CITIES AND AIRPORT**

Many Ukrainian refugees are leaving Romania after 3-4 days spent at the border, through the major airports, especially Bucharest. So they need free transportation.

#### **5) SPECIAL PSYCHOLOGICAL CARE FOR CHILDREN AND MOTHERS**

Small children and mothers are very shocked and need specialised psychological assistance to recover.

#### **6) CLOTHES SUPPLIES**

Collecting and storing clothes for adults and children and distributing to the refugees as well as specialised articles for children.

Additionally we face the problem with those refugees who are asking to stay in Romania and need integration, long term accommodation and integration in our society. Many of them speak only Ukrainian or Russian.

Please also note that in the first wave of refugees arriving in the past 10 days, most of them have some financial resources. But the second wave, starting next week, will be those with very poor resources and who will require better care and support.

As of Wednesday, more than 250,000 refugees crossed the Romanian border and we are expecting up to 1 million in the next 30 days or less.

We are developing different support programs including in cooperation with other important organisations such as our National Craft Grand Lodge and international charity organisations such as LIONS Romania.

This is a brief presentation of our activities in support of the Ukrainian refugees who are facing a dramatic situation at the Romanian borders.

We are living in difficult times which require us, more than ever, and out of compassion and unity, to help those in difficult situations. Brotherhood and friendship must prevail.

Fraternal regards,

Cristian.

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## MBF Festival Stewardship Jewels

The new-look MBF Stewardship Jewels have now been designed for the following Festivals:

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[2024 Cheshire](#)

[2025 Oxfordshire](#)

[2026 Hampshire & IOW](#)

[2027 Warwickshire](#)

[2028 Somerset](#)

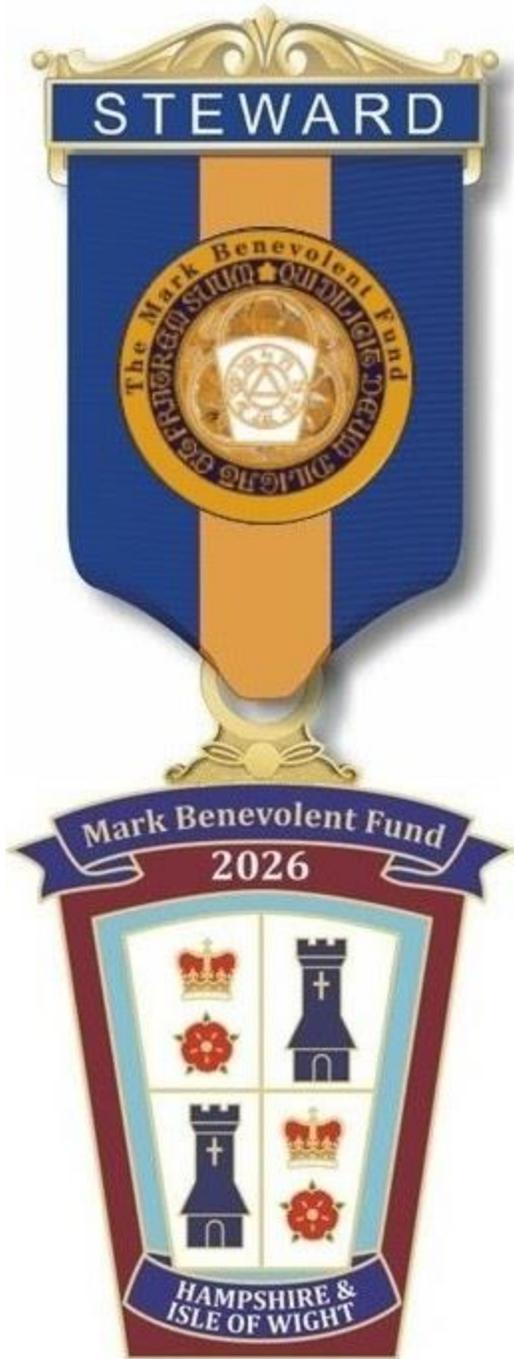
[2030 Essex](#)

We have added the bank account name to all the forms so please use the latest form and details as found in the links above.















We reported recently that the new style MBF Festival Stewardship is aimed principally, but not exclusively, at members of each host Festival Province.

In return for a qualifying donation of £100, each Steward will be entitled to:

- A distinctive Stewards' breast jewel, year bar and pocket jewel holder.
- Inclusion of their name in the Festival Stewards' Roll of Honour in the Festival booklet

- And for individuals making their first donation under the scheme, qualification as a Life Governor of the Mark Benevolent Fund – the first step on the ladder of honorifics.

Monies raised by the take-up of Festival Stewardships will, of course, be included in each respective Festival total.

## 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 Study](#) 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.

## Admin Departments @86



All departments and teams at Mark Masons' Hall are available via email and telephone to help and support members and visitors.

Most communication for Masonic Administration should go via the Provincial Secretary, or equivalent, and they will know who to contact here at M.M.H. if they are unable to answer the query themselves.

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