

### 2022 Christmas Draw.

A large number of Members and partners attended the Lounge on 17th. December for the Annual Christmas Draw. This years £200 M&S voucher was won by a friend of Alan Plenderleith. The event was again organised by Duncan Mulholland, WSW who did a fantastic job and raised the sum of £550 for Lodge Funds. Photo right Alex Hamilton RWM and his wife Jean make the Christmas Draw.



**Burst Pipes !** Just before the Regular Meeting on the 14th. December during the coldest spell this winter two pipes burst in the loft above the gents toilet, causing flooding in the gents toilet and the corridor. The damage was repaired on Friday by our Heating Company BPS. We were extremely lucky that the burst occurred while we were on the premises and not during the holiday period.



### Hall Lets and Social Functions 2023

- Fri. 13th. Jan. Provincial Grand Lodge Annual General Meeting
- Sat. 14th. Jan. Lodge Bothwell Brig 1229 Installation
- Sat. 21st. Jan. 30th. Birthday Party. Amanda Gibson
- Sat. 28th. Jan. Lodge Burns Immortal 1730 Installation.
- Sat. 4th. Feb. UMBC Burns Supper.
- Sat. 11th. Feb. Lodge Bothwell Brig No. 1229 Burns Supper.
- Fri. 17th. Feb. Tannochside RSC Sportsmans Dinner.
- Sat. 18th. Feb. Calderbraes 2016 Boys Club Prize giving.
- Sat. 25th. Feb. Lodge Bothwell Brig 1229 Old Folks Treat

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**January Masonic Diary**

Tues. 10th. Lecture by Stuart Jack at Lodge St. Andrew No. 524, East Kilbride.  
Wed. 11th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. E.A. Degree by James Vasey, WJW  
Fri. 13th. Provincial Grand Lodge Annual General Meeting at 7.30 p.m. In Masonic Hall, Uddingston.  
Sat. 14th. Lodge Bothwell Brig No. 1229 Installation in Masonic Hall, Uddingston, 4.15 p.m.  
Wed. 25th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. Regular Meeting at 7.30p.m. F.C. Degree by Bro. Duncan Mulholland, WSW.  
Thurs. 26th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit Lodge Robert Burns No. 440. F.C. Degree by D. Mulholland, WSW.  
Sat. 28th. Lodge Burns Immortal No. 1730 Installation in Masonic Hall Uddingston, 3 p.m.  
**February 2023**  
Thurs. 2nd. Grand Lodge of Scotland Communication, Freemasons Hall, Edinburgh 2 p.m.  
Fri. 3rd. Emblem Lodge No. 6727, Blackpool Installation at 3 p.m.

Johannesburg, for many years and is currently their Proxy Master. Gordon is a Past Master of Lodge Blantyre Kilwinning No. 557 and is currently Substitute Provincial Grand Master of Lanarkshire Middle Ward. We in Lodge St. Bryde wish Gordon well in his new post and will be well supported by the Proxy Members of Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. Photo Left. Bro. Gordon Mather the new Proxy District Grand Master of Central South Africa. Photo below. R.W. Bros. Jim Kerr, District Grand Master and Andrew D. Millar, Provincial Grand Master with Proxy Masters of Central South Africa at our recent Installation.



**Provincial Grand Lodge Supports CHAS**



## Grand Lodge News.



**DISTRICT GRAND LODGE  
OF CENTRAL SOUTH AFRICA**  
FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF SCOTLAND

### New Proxy District Grand Master.

In November 2022 Bro. James L. Jack retired as Proxy District Grand Master of the District of Central South Africa, after serving the District with distinction for thirteen years. During this time communications between our Lodges in the District of Central South Africa and the Proxy Masters here in Scotland have improved tremendously. This resulted in the historical twinning of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Lanarkshire Middle Ward with the District of Central South Africa on 30th. June 2018. The first such twinning in the history of Grand Lodge. There have also been many close friendships established during this time and Brethren from Central South Africa regularly visit Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 when they are in Scotland. On 26th. November 2014 R.W. Bro. Robert G. Law, District Grand Master of Central South Africa was awarded Honorary Membership of Lodge St. Bryde No. 579, he became only the eleventh Honorary Member of our Lodge since the Second World War. Bob, is a great friend of Lodge St. Bryde and visited our Lodge on many occasions, he had been and still is one of the main links between our Province and the District, a link that has meant that Lodge St. Bryde has six Proxy Masters among our Members.

**New Appointment.** On reluctantly accepting Bro. Jack`s retiring letter, R.W. Bro. James Kerr, District Grand Master on his return home to South Africa met with his Executive Committee and decided to recommend to Grand Lodge that Bro. Gordon Mather be appointed as the new Proxy District Grand Master of Central South Africa. This appointment was approved by Grand Committee 8th. December 2022. Bro. Gordon will be a great asset to the District as he has been associated with Lodge Ophirton No. 886 in Boksburg,



### **Masonic Hall Centenary. January 1923.**

One hundred years ago this month, with our Lodge having decided (by a casting vote) to secure the property in what is now Gardenside Street, it embarked on a major fund raising campaign. The Balance Sheet of October 1922, despite the economy of the country being in deep recession, shows the Lodge to be in good standing financially. The Building Fund had a balance of £2,900 14/11d, an estimate of that figure in 2022 terms is around £200,000 ! The Lodge organised a Social Evening on 12th. January and the results of that Fund Raiser would be known in March. The RWM Bro. Andrew Ford thanked everyone for their assistance in making the event such a success. Another Fund Raiser was "The Watch Scheme" , every member of the Lodge was sold a ticket for the scheme which was essentially a raffle for a gold pocket watch. The results would also be revealed in March. The record of our Lodge Minutes from 100 years ago will feature in *The Right Angle* going forward to the Centenary of the Hall, giving an indication of the planning and the decisions that were made 100 years ago.

### **LECTURE**

Bro. Stuart Jack, P.M. has been asked to give a Lecture on his researches into Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Members who fought in World War 1 at the Regular Meeting of Lodge St. Andrew No. 524, East Kilbride on Tuesday 10th. January 2023. Any Brother wishing to support Stuart will be made most welcome.



### **Grand Lodge Concert.**

After a 3 year enforced break due Covid, The Grand Lodge Concert in aid of Prostate Scotland was held in Freemasons Hall on Sunday the 11th. December 2022. The Phoenix Choir were delighted to be back in Freemasons Hall and entertained the packed audience to a two hour long variety

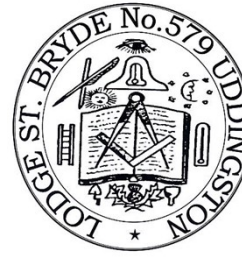
of music.

### **Provincial Carol Concert**

The Provincial Carol Concert was held on the same date in Holytown Parish Church. A packed church brought at the PGM's request a small gift for a child. The response was an overwhelming success and from the photo notice the huge pile of gifts under the tree.



**Bro. Alex Hamilton  
Right Worshipful Master  
would like to wish all our Members  
A HAPPY NEW YEAR.**



### **Blackpool Installation.**

Emblem Lodge No. 6727, Blackpool will take place on Friday 3rd. February 2023 at 3 p.m. in The Masonic Halls, Blackpool. If you are interested in attending the Installation Meeting, give your name to the Lodge Secretary or Stuart Jack so that

Hotel Accommodation and Transport can be arranged.

**Presentation.** The Regular Meeting on 14th. December was indeed a special occasion. R.W. Bro. Andrew D. Millar, Provincial Grand Master accompanied by Bros. Norman Carnegie, Depute Provincial Grand Master, Colin Campbell and Laird McDonald Substitute Provincial Grand Masters attended the meeting to assist Bro. Alex Hamilton, RWM present a Diamond Jubilee Certificate to our Almoner Bro. John McLean. Bro. John was Initiated into Lodge Ulster No. 1486, Glasgow on 22nd. February 1962 and Affiliated to Lodge St. Bryde on 26th. March 2008. He held the office as Senior Steward for two years before becoming Almoner in 2010. I think everyone will be of the same mind, that it would be difficult to find a better Almoner in any Lodge ! He has been an excellent addition to our Lodge and we wish him well in the future.

