

Lodge St. Bryde visit Lodge Livingstone Stonefield No. 599

Thursday 7th. September saw the Lodge return to Regular Meetings after the recess with a visit to our Sister Lodge, Livingstone Stonefield No. 599. An excellent Entered Apprentice Degree was carried out by Bro. James Vasey, WJW and an experienced team from 579. At the conclusion of the meeting Bro. James O'Donnell, RWM of Lodge 599 conferred Honorary Membership of the Lodge on Bro. Duncan Mulholland our WSW. This was a richly deserved Honour as Duncan has supported 599 for many years and it was fitting that he be presented when his Mother Lodge were visiting.



Photo TOP
Duncan Mulholland is congratulated by both RWM's
Photo LEFT
The excellent 579 Deputation welcomed by Bro. James O'Donnell RWM 599

Hall Lets and Social Functions 2023-2024

- Sat. 2nd. Dec. Lodge St. Bryde 579 Installation.
- Fri. 12th. Jan. 2024 P.G.L. AGM
- Sat. 13th. Jan. Lodge Bothwell Brig 1229 Installation
- Sat. 27th. Jan. Lodge Burns Immortal No. 1730 Installation
- Fri. 2nd. Feb. Lodge Bothwell Brig 1229 Burns Supper.
- Fri. 16th. Feb. Tannochside RSC Sportsmans Dinner.

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October Masonic Diary

Fri. 6th. Provincial Grand Lodge of Lanarkshire Middle Ward. Communication at Lodge Robert Burns No. 440 at 7.30 p.m.

Wed. 11th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Annual General Meeting and Election of Office-bearers. At 7.30 p.m.

Wed. 25th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. E.A. Degree by Lodge Eastmuir No. 1126.

Thurs. 26th. Grand Lodge of Scotland Communication in Freemasons Hall, Edinburgh. 2 p.m.

Fri. 27th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit Lodge St. Enoch No. 1288. E.A. Degree by Bro. D. Mulholland, WJW.

November.

Thurs. 2nd. Lecture by James L. Jack at Lodge Livingstone No. 599 at 7.30 p.m.

Wed. 8th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. Memorial Meeting (no Degree)

Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Installation.

The Annual Installation of Office-bearers will take place on
Saturday 2nd. December at 4 p.m.

Tickets for the Dinner **£15.**

Please put your name on the Notice Board List.

2022- 2023 Balance Sheets

Annual Accounts will be available for uplift from the Secretary at the first meeting after the recess.

Right Angle Archive Project. Recently, Right Angles from April 1997 (No.1) to May 2007 were discovered in a box in the Secretaries attic. A long term project has begun to scan these issues on to the Homepage. Years 1995 and 1996 are now available. A lot of work has gone into producing these two years, but the historical content is worth the effort.

Have a look under the Right Angle section.



MASONIC HALL CENTENARY

Over the last few months we have been looking back 100 years into the Lodge minutes to try to gauge the undertaking that our Brethren took to build our Masonic Hall in 1924.

After a short recess of one month the Lodge started back in September 1923 . The minutes

confirm that the Lodge has redeemed from the Bank of England £450 in War Loans. In September the Brethren also agreed that tickets for the Grand Lodge Installation and Festival of St. Andrew on 30th. November (a Friday !) for the RWM, WSW and WJW at a cost of 8/6d each. (approx. £78 in todays value) The Regular Meetings in October reveal some interesting points, the Fund Raising events for the Hall Fund results were reported to the Members, the Concert lost £17, but the raffle for the gold pocket watch was £90 to the good. The Brethren agreed that further Fund Raising efforts were required and agreed that a Dance be held in January and a Bazaar was to be organised to raise the £1,000 that it was thought was needed to complete the building debt free. Note, £1,000 in 1923 is equivalent to about £78,000 today !! Perhaps the most interesting minute regards the laying of a corner stone. The point was raised at the second meeting in October to carry out a ceremonial laying of a foundation stone for the New Hall. After some discussion, points were put for and against the proposal, eventually, it was decided not to have a ceremonial to lay a foundation stone.

Christmas Draw

**Saturday 16th. December at 8pm.
in the Lounge.**

Tickets from Duncan Mulholland



Work Party.

A measure of how the extensive work carried out on our Hall over the past few years can be gauged by the minimal work party this summer. All the gutters were cleaned and debris cleared from the downpipe entries. This needs to be an annual task as leaves and moss blocking

the outlets can cause water to build up and overflow into the building. Weedkilling was again carried out and we are eventually getting on top of the persistent horse tail weed. The benefits of the low maintenance areas can be seen with minimal weed growth. Ceiling damage caused by the burst water pipe in the loft in January was repaired and the gents toilet ceiling and the corridor ceiling was painted. The bar was completely emptied and cleaned by Jim McLennan and Ian Dick and was varnished by Norrie Telfer. This work puts us in a good position for the Hall Centenary next year. Thanks to everyone who assisted with the work.

TEST FEES.

The minimum Test Fee is now £40.
These Fees are now due to be paid to the Lodge Treasurer.

Visit to Leinster Lodge No. 141, Dublin.

Lodge St. Bryde have received an invitation to attend the above Lodge on Friday 24th. May 2024 as part of their 190th. Year of continuous working. Further details will be forthcoming, but if you are interested in attending contact J.L. Jack

Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit to Lodge St. Thomas No. 40.

Lodge St. Bryde have received an Invitation to visit Lodge St. Thomas No. 40 on Saturday 2nd. March 2024 to confer a F.C. Degree. A sheet will be posted on the notice board and Brethren wishing to attend should put their names on the sheet so that arrangements can commence. At this early stage the cost of transport and accommodation will be difficult to gauge, but Norrie Telfer has opened a book for Brethren who wish to save for the event.

Recommendations for Office-bearers 2023-2024.

The following Lodge St. Bryde Brethren have been recommended for Office for the New Session. The Election of Office-bearers will take place at the Annual General Meeting on 11th. October 2023.

RWM James L. Jack, **WSW** Duncan Mulholland, **WJW** James Vasey, **Sec.** Andrew McAlpine, **Treas.** David Shaw, **Almoner** John McLean, **D of C** Robert Abercrombie, **S.D.** Russell Parsons, **J.D.** Thomas Lynch, **IG** Scott Grant, **Chap** Ian Cowan, **B.B.** Iain Charlton, **Arch.** Norman Telfer, **Jellr.** Graeme Wardrope, **Marsh** William Jack, **D of M** Charles Nelson, **Org.** Andrew Nisbet, **Sen St.** Gary Burns, **Jun St.** Andrew Lang, **Tyler** Robert Gibb, **Inst Mast.** Alex Hamilton.



Grand Lodge of Scotland Installation of Office-bearers and The Festival of St. Andrew.

The Installation will take place in Freemasons Hall on Thursday 30th. November at 12.30 p.m. and thereafter the Dinner will be held in the Corn Exchange at 3.30 p.m. Busses will be provided to take Brethren from

Freemasons Hall to the Corn Exchange. The cost of a ticket for the event is £80.

Lodge St. Bryde Brethren wishing to attend should forward their name to the **Lodge Secretary** immediately. As there is likely to be a New Grand Master Mason Installed there may be a large attendance, so it is important that our order for tickets is in early. Our Bro. James L. Jack, will be Installed as Senior Grand Deacon.

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Attendance Matters



Provincial Grand Lodge News.

Following on from the very successful Black Tie Dance last June. Provincial Grand Secretary has released an forward planning schedule for the next few months.

- **PGL Quiz – Friday 3rd Nov:** The entry forms will be released following the forthcoming recess St. Thomas have kindly offered to host the event and our new “Quiz Master” Bro. Jim Vasey is already preparing the questions for the night. More

information will follow.

Can I ask those Lodges who intend to support the Quiz next week **return the team entry forms as early as possible over the next week** – doing so allows the Quiz organisers in partnership with 114 (our host for the evening) to better prepare for the event by way of numbers competing and catering etc.

Lodge St. Bryde Members wishing to attend any of the attached events that require tickets should do so via the contacts listed on these notices.



Provincial Grand Lodge Speakers Night.

An excellent social night was held on Friday 8th. September within the Lounge of Lodge Airdrie St. John No. 166. The event was a sell out and raised around £400 for CHAS. Bro. Stuart Jack presented his Lecture on Lodge St. Bryde members in the First World War. The Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Andrew Millar was delighted at the response of the

Brethren in the Province to this great event.

- **Festive Box Scheme:** as an extension to our FoodBank project which has been greatly received by those less fortunate within our Communities, as PGM updated the project at PGL Regular Communications. It is our intention to continue to build on the success of this initiative from last year which was greatly supported by all Lodges – which is appreciated.

As last year, we propose to repeat the scheme by keeping to donations of “Festive foodstuffs” (non-perishable / cans etc).

Similar to last year, it is intended that boxes will become available nearer the time - and to assist in distribution to Lodge Secretaries your PGL Commission District team lead will be in touch with Lodge Secretaries direct to advise of recommended content list and arrangements for drop-off / uplift of boxes etc nearer the time.

- **Carol Service: Sunday 10th December 2023:** This year the event will be held within District1 and Lodge St. Thomas № 306 have kindly agreed to sponsor the event. It is intended the Service will be held in St. Machans Parish Church – Larkhall. Planning will be underway following the recess where it is intended with the assistance of Sub. PGM. Bro. Bobby Ferguson discussions will commence with the Minister to start planning the event. More information will follow but as ever the support of the Lodges and families will be appreciated and as before, following the great success of last year - it is our intention to continue with “bring a gift” for a child”– to give to those less fortunate.

Burns Supper – Friday 23rd Feb 2024: An early notice of the intention of PGL to hold a Burns Supper early in the New Year. Sub. PGM. Bro. Gordon Mather is facilitating this event. The venue being Cambuslang RA ~ № 114 the artistes on the night are: Immortal Memory-Bro John Wallace; Toast to Lassies- Bro Alan Beck (current President of the Burns Federation); Recitals-Bro Angus Middleton (Past President Burns Federation) & Communal singing led by Hugh Lee. Again early arrangements are underway with more information to follow.