

Historic Jewel Returns Home.

Recently it came to the attention of the Lodge that a Past Masters jewel had appeared on E Bay. The jewel was being advertised as a silver guilt medal marked Glasgow and dated 1891.

Although Chartered in 1876 our Lodge only began issuing Past Masters jewels in 1885, the oldest one that we have belonged to Bro. James Riley who was RWM in 1888-89 and was returned to the Lodge a number of years ago by his family who lived in London. This jewel was similar in design, but was not engraved, however the date of 1891

would make it the Past Masters jewel presented to Bro. James Muir who was RWM 1890-91. An appeal was made via social media to collectors to refrain from bidding as the Lodge would be bidding in order that this historic jewel be returned to Uddingston. Fortunately, the Lodge secured the jewel and it is now on display in the new display cabinet. The cost £90 !!!



Birmingham Visit.

Stuart Jack has booked the Aston Inn Hotel in Birmingham for our visit to St. Peters Lodge on 1st. October. The cost is £35. The hotel is about 1 mile from the Masonic Halls.

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Masonic Diary

September.

Thurs. 1st. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit Lodge Livingstone No. 599. E.A. Degree by Bro. D. Mulholland, WJW.

Sat. 3rd. Lodge Bothwell Brig No. 1229 Centenary Re-dedication at 1 p.m. Masonic Hall, Uddingston (579)

Sun. 4th. Grand Lodge Memorial Service in Glasgow Cathedral 2 p.m.

Wed. 7th. Lodge St. Bryde 579 Committee Meeting.

Tues. 13th. Lodge Meridian No. 1779. Installation of Office-bearers at 1 p.m.

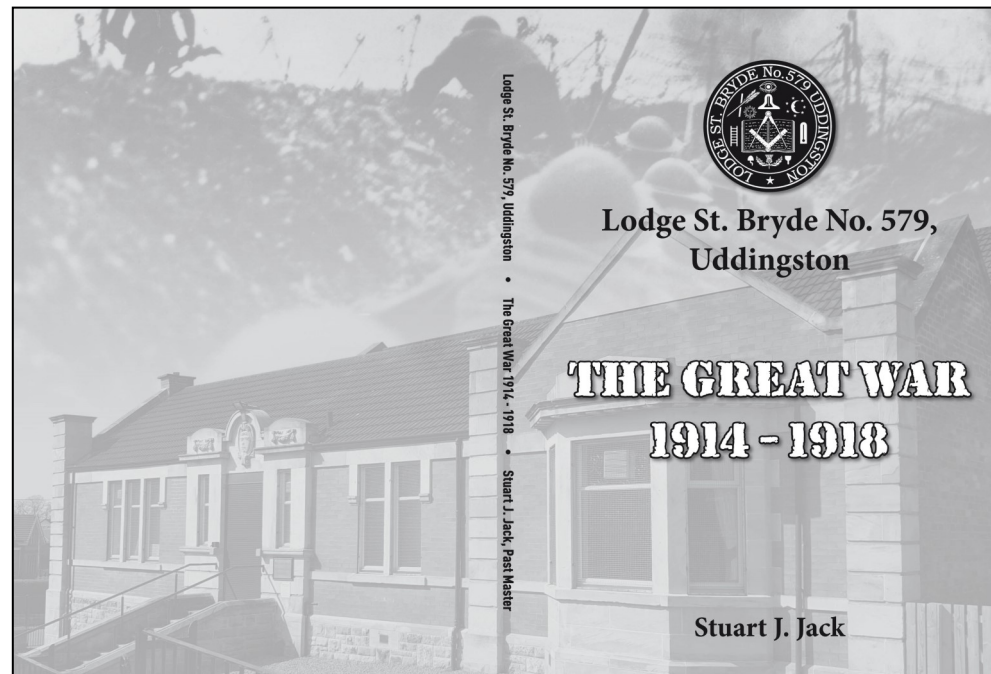
Wed. 14th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. Lecture by Bro. Stuart Jack, P.M. and Book Launch.

Tues. 27th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit Lodge Bothwell Brig No. 1229. F.C. Degree by Bro. A. Hamilton, WSW.

Wed. 28th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. M.M. Degree by Lodge Buchanan No. 1499.



Lodge Meridian No. 1779
The Lodge will meet in
The Masonic Hall, Uddingston
on
2nd. Tuesday, April to August
at 1 p.m.
Installation 2nd. Tuesday in
September at 1 p.m.



The Great War 1914-1918

The 320 page book which has taken Bro. Stuart Jack, P.M. nearly five years to research and write has now been printed. Although, the book records the World War 1 history of the Lodge and the Brethren of our Lodge who fought and died, it is also a history of Uddingston and the local community at the time. The book will be launched at our first Regular Meeting after the recess on the 14th. September. The cost of the hard back book will be £20, if you wish to secure a copy, put your name on the sheet on the Notice Board.

Above : The Book Cover

Lodge Meridian No. 1779.

Lodge Meridian Installation will take place on Tuesday 13th. September at 1 p.m. in our Hall. Bro. William Jack will be Installed as Right Worshipful Master of Lodge Meridian, Installing Masters are Bros. James Vasey and Alex Hamilton, both Past Masters of Lodge St. Bryde. The Members of Lodge St. Bryde extend best wishes to Bro. Bill during his term of Office.





4th. International Scottish Masonic Conference. Edinburgh 20th.-23rd. November 2022. "The Vision for 2030 and beyond" is the theme of this years Conference.

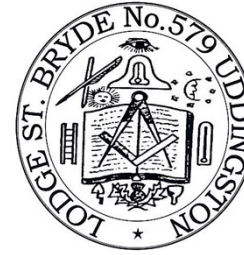
The Conference will take place in Freemasons Hall and will conclude with the Installation and Festival of St. Andrew on Thursday 24th.

November and a Special Supreme Royal Arch Meeting in Freemasons Hall on Friday 25th. November. The cost of attending the Conference (excluding the Festival of St. Andrew) is £200 for Standard Registration (1st. May to 10th. October) and £120 for a Day Pass Registration (The Conference will be limited to 300 attendees.) Any Brother wishing to attend must book via the conference website, <https://www.grandlodgescotland.com/4th-ims-c-2022>

Proxy Members of Grand Lodge. The main function of Proxy Members is to represent our Lodges overseas in Grand Lodge. In recent years better communications have been established between overseas Lodges and our Proxy Members here in Scotland and recently a number of Proxy vacancies have become available. The Annual Proxy Membership Fee is £30 per year and this enables Members to attend and vote in Grand Lodge. If you are interested in becoming a Proxy Member of Grand Lodge contact Jim Jack, Chairman of the Overseas and External Affairs Committee of Grand Lodge, he will be able to give you an Application Form and advise you.

Grand Lodge Installation and Festival of St. Andrew

Because of the Grand Lodge Seminar being held in Freemasons Hall from Monday 21st. to Wednesday 23rd. November and the expected large attendance of Overseas Brethren, the Grand Lodge Installation **will not be held in Freemasons Hall this year** but has been moved to a larger venue. The Annual Communication and Installation of Grand Lodge Office-bearers will now be held at **The Edinburgh International Conference Centre, The Exchange, 150 Morrison Street, Edinburgh EH3 8EE at 12.00 pm on Thursday, 24th. November 2022.** Thereafter, the Festival of St Andrew will be celebrated at 3.30pm also at the same venue. **Tickets are £75 each.**



Visit to Nethan St. John No. 1289.

Bro. Ian Cowan, Right Worshipful Master attended a very special meeting of Lodge Nethan St. John No. 1289 on 27th. May. As part of the Lodge's Centenary celebrations, Lodge Mother Kilwinning No. 0 were invited to demonstrate the Auld Degree. A working of the Mother Lodge's Ritual circ 1695.

Our RWM was warmly welcomed by Bro. James Brown, RWM 1289 and by RW Bro. Jack Drummond, Provincial Grand Master of Lanarkshire Upper Ward.



Bro. Ian Cowan, RWM and Bro. James Brown, RWM 1289



Mother Kilwinning Auld Degree Team



John Robertson, Ian Cowan, James L. Jack

Photo Left. Three 579 Brethren in different guises ! Bro. Ian Cowan, RWM 579. John Robertson, Senior Deacon 1288 and James L. Jack, Member of Mother Kilwinning No. 0 attend the meeting of Lodge Nethan St. John No. 1289.



The first RWM

Recently I have been finishing some research that I started around a year ago to determine the resting place of our first RWM, William J Easton. William is the first ever member of the Lodge to sign the roll book and he did so on the 7th of February 1876. At the time he was employed as a writer, residing in Glasgow, he

was a founder member of the Lodge. Prior to affiliating to Lodge St. Bryde he was a member of St. John Glasgow number 3 bis.

William J Easton was married to Sarah Jane Scott. He died on the 16th of March 1895 at the age of 63 and at the time of his death he resided at 15 Victoria Crescent, Downhill, Glasgow. His funeral took place on the 19th of March 1895 at St Mary's church in Dunblane. This was where the Easton family originated and the family have a plot in the cemetery.

Unfortunately the two family stones are very badly worn, however I contacted the church who have original lair records which records the original inscription on the stone.

The Easton stone reads;

Here rests the body of

James only child of

William J. Easton Glasgow

Accidentally drowned in Loch Inver

11 August 1882 Aged 22

and also here rests the body of

William J. Easton

Died 16th March 1895 Aged 63

Here rests the body of

Sara Charolotte Brettel Died 25th Jan 1871

wife of James Easton, Elmswoode Dunblane

who died 3rd July 1873 Aged 75

Mrs Easton widow of W.J. Easton

died 2 January 1907

Some further info:

William John Easton had an obituary in the Glasgow Evening Post, mostly about his masonic career.

Work Party News.

During June work on our Masonic Hall continued. The

planned landscaping of the East and North sides of the Hall were completed. After weedkilling, a membrane was laid and some five tones of woodchip spread over the area. Essential roof work was also carried out, the gutters on both sides of the main hall were cleaned out, the valley gutter cleaned and the gutters at the front of the hall



The East of the Hall
(ladies toilet wall on the left)

cleaned. This work means that we are in a good position for the winter.

Committee Room

The last part of the internal work on the Hall was carried by Norrie Telfer. The Committee Room was completely redecorated and the recently built cupboards painted. The work completely transforms the Committee room. After five coats of paint the blue ceiling is now white !



Norrie Telfer completing the internal work.



Provincial Grand Lodge Kilt Walkers



Cheque Presentation at CHAS.
 RWPGM Bro. Andrew Millar accompanied by Bro. Colin Campbell, SPGM and Bro. Kenny Wilson attended a meeting at Robyn House, Balloch on 13th.

June to present a magnificent cheque for £86,634.23p to CHAS representatives Libby Gold and Haley Smith. The Hospice team passed on grateful thanks to everyone who participated in the Kiltwalk. Well done everyone !



His son James Easton died in a boating accident in Sutherland in 1882, aged 22 and was brought back to Dunblane for burial.

I visited the church today as I was working close by. The grave and the one next to it are fallen, and in poor condition. I cleared the moss off as best I could to get a decent picture. It is good to finally know where our first RWM is interred as it is an important part of the Lodge history.



The family grave at Dunblane



Dunblane Church where the family are buried.

Stuart Jack, Past Master.



New Member Welcomed.

At the last meeting before the Recess the Brethren were delighted that our good friend and Brother, Gordon Smith, P.M. of Emblem Lodge No. 6727 travelled from Blackpool to Affiliate to Lodge St. Bryde. Bro. Gordon has been awaiting some time for this opportunity, the Covid restrictions and the fact that he has only recently recovered from serious illness made the occasion more special . **Photo.** Bro. Ian Cowan RWM welcomes Bro. Gordon Smith into our Lodge.



Provincial Grand Lodge News.

Fantastic ! That was the response to the recent Kilt Walk in aid of CHAS. When the figures had been added up the 63 members from our Province raised £86,634.23p (including a generous donation from the Hunter Foundation). The Province has also given generously to various other local charities and provided supplies to local food banks.



Provincial Honours.

At the June Communication of Provincial Grand Lodge held in Coatbridge, RW Bro. Andrew Millar, Provincial Grand Master presented Honorary Provincial Grand Rank to three deserving Brethren, Left to Right. Bro. Ian Craig, P.M. 215 Hon. Provincial Grand Architect,

Bro. John Lindsay, P.M. 1228 Hon. Provincial Grand Almoner, Bro. Robert Tait, P.M. 1499 Hon Provincial Grand Bard.

Jubilee Certificates. A large Deputation from Grand Lodge and Provincial Grand Lodge attended the May meeting of Lodge Major Ness No. 948 in High Blantyre to present Jubilee Certificates to three Brethren of the Lodge. RW Bro. Andrew Millar, Provincial Grand Master headed the Provincial Deputation and RW Bro. James Bell Depute Grand Master led a Deputation from Grand Lodge. Bro. Alex Kelly, P.M. 948 and Past Substitute Provincial Grand Master received a 50 year Certificate, Bro. Andrew Edwards a M.M. of 948 received a 50 year Certificate and Bro. George Kelly, P.M. 948, Past Provincial Grand Master and Past Substitute Grand Master received a 60 year Certificate.



RW Bro. Andrew Millar, PGM and RW Bro. James Bell, Depute Grand Master congratulate the 948 Brethren

Future Dates.

The Annual Provincial Grand Lodge Bowling Competition will take place on 10th. September at the Victoria Bowling Club, Coatbridge.

The Annual Provincial Grand Lodge Golf Competition will take place on 21st. August at Drumpellier Golf Club, Coatbridge.

Lodge St. Bryde No. 579

Regular Meeting 14th. September at 7.30 p.m.

At the Regular Meeting Bro. Stuart Jack, P.M. will present a Powerpoint Lecture on Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Members in The Great War 1914-1918.

This Meeting will also mark the official launch of his book,

Lodge St. Bryde No. 579, Uddingston.

The Great War 1914-1918.

NOT TO BE MISSED.