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Well that's us now officially in recess, although we haven't managed to hold any meetings for over a year. Thankfully the pandemic statistics are improving, with infections and hospitalisations dropping daily, and the number of people being vaccinated growing rapidly. Who knows we could be back to something like a normal life before too long.

The hopes of a huge number of Brethren are pinned upon a positive decision being made at the forthcoming joint 'Head of Orders' meeting to be held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June, and it is heartening to see that Grand Lodge have issued a series of protocols for use at future meetings in anticipation of the go ahead being given. There is no doubt that our return will be very different from anything we have been used to in the past, but we are all hopeful of a return of some kind, possibly in September.

However, the hard-working Brethren of the Lodge have not been idle during lockdown, with a whole host of renovations and refurbishments being carried out during our enforced absence. Whilst observing strict rules over working practices, a small group have been beavering away in the Temple, and we feel sure that many of the Lodge Brethren will be pleasantly amazed at the transformation when they return. The grateful thanks of all the Lodge go to those who have given up their time, and used their considerable skills to carry out a whole host of necessary tasks.

With the relaxation of the lockdown, and the downgrading of the restrictions, our Sausage Club is now back in operation, albeit under strict social distancing. Hopefully the proposed further lessening planned for later in May should allow the Social Club to be able to consider re-opening. This would allow at least a restricted number of the Brethren to be able to enjoy some relaxing social time together, in the convivial atmosphere of our refurbished premises.

**Stay Safe Brethren**



# Lodge Union & Crown

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*Dear Sir & Brother,*

*The Right Worshipful Master, Bro Ronald Angus MacIsaac intimates that, until further notice, there will be no Regular Meetings held within the Masonic Temple, Cochrane Street, Barrhead.*

*When formal clearance is received from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, Hopefully in June, it is hoped there will be a resumption of meetings, albeit in a somewhat restricted manner.*

*Yours faithfully & fraternally*

*Brother David McArthur P.M. Lodge Secretary*



## **100 Club**

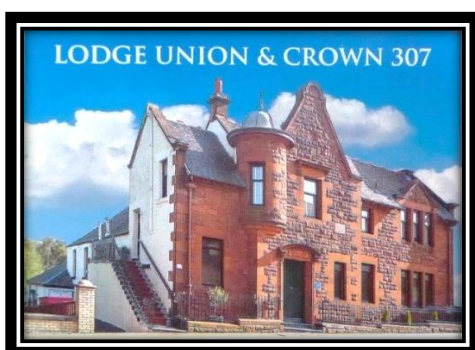
As promised during Lockdown, Bro George McGrandles, our worthy Treasurer, has continued to make the 100 Club draw, even though there are no Regular Meetings being held. Below is a list of the recent winners :

Meeting Date	£20.00 Winner	£10.00 Winner
April 6 <sup>th</sup> 2021	Bro Craig Allison	Mrs Isobel Lawson
April 20 <sup>th</sup> 2021	Mrs Amanda McGrandles	Bro Stephen Scott

## **Lodge Postcards**

Colour postcards of the Temple are still available for sale at £1-00 each. Bro Jim Miller PM is handling the sale (☎ 0141 881 4006) [jimmiller307@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jimmiller307@hotmail.co.uk)

All proceeds will go to The Lodge Charity Fund, with an annual donation being made to a local charity each year at our Anniversary Dinner in February.



# BITS & PIECES

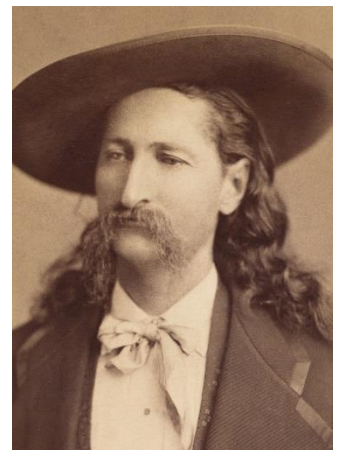
- Best wishes to Bro Donald Cook PM who recently took early retirement, after many years within the financial sector. This gives him all the more time to enjoy his exotic holidays with his lovely wife Pauline, when COVID allows.
- Bro Bob Smillie has retired up to Callander in the Trossachs, after many years in Paisley. A native of that region, he tells us he fully intends to travel down for his Lodge Meetings when we return to normal.
- We gather that Bro George McGrandles PM, who is now resident in Pitlochry, has decided to carry out some consultancy work at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary. Before you panic that he suddenly decided to become a surgeon !!, he will be involved in fire safety, following his 30 years experience at a senior level with the Fire & Rescue Service.
- Bro Jimmy Laing has had a superb 'Man Cave' built behind his house to accommodate his new electric scooter, and all his masonic paraphernalia. Most days he can be found there puffing on his cigar.
- Good to hear that Bro Jim Miller PM is home and recovering after a short spell in hospital
- Congratulations to bro Grant Maybury and his lovely wife Rebecca on the birth of their beautiful daughter Robyn. We wish them all well for the future.
- Bro Ronnie Alexander PM of Lodge Prince of Wales, no.426, and a frequent visitor to Union & Crown, recently turned 75. We offer our heartiest congratulations.
- We noticed that the Grand Lodge of Scotland recently donated a further £34,500 to Prostrate Scotland. This now takes the total donated by the Freemasons of Scotland to this worthy cause to well over £500,000.
- Congratulations to Bro Lee Renfrew who recently celebrated his 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday.
- Well done to Bro Graham Manson PM who recently completed a 'Virtual Kiltwalk' and raised a very worthy £810 for MS Scotland.
- You can still participate in the '200 for 200' scheme being offered by the Lodge's Bicentenary Committee? A single payment of £200 (which can be paid up over the next 3 years if necessary) will secure a range of 200th Anniversary benefits including Tickets, Jewels, Books etc. Almost 40 Brethren have already enrolled, and anyone interested should be Bro Robert Scott WJW as soon as possible.



## WAS WILD BILL HICKOK A FREEMASON ?

There is no actual evidence that 'Wild Bill Hickok' was ever a Freemason. However, there is a simple chair encased in plexiglass in the Masonic Museum in Columbia, Missouri. It is painted black, has a tan wicker seat, a basic wooden frame and three slats running across its back.

It was presented by the Brethren of Savannah Lodge 71, and it is said to be one of the chairs Wild Bill Hickok sat in during one of the frequent times he attended Lodge meetings there.

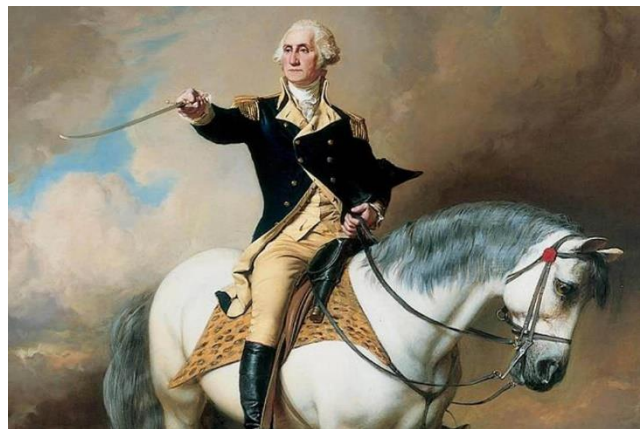


# Famous Freemasons

*(This month we turn to arguably the world's most prominent Freemason, who became a hero of the American Revolution and first President of the United States of America)*

## Bro General George Washington (1732 – 1799)

George Washington was born on February 22, 1732, at his family's plantation on Pope's Creek in Westmoreland County, in the British colony of Virginia, to Augustine Washington and his second wife, Mary Ball Washington. George, the eldest of Augustine and Mary Washington's six children, spent much of his childhood at Ferry Farm, a plantation near Fredericksburg, Virginia. After Washington's father died when he was 11, he helped his mother manage the plantation. Few details about Washington's early education are known, although children of prosperous families like his typically were taught at home by private tutors or attended private schools. It's believed he finished his formal schooling at around age 15. As a teenager, Washington, who had shown an aptitude for mathematics, became a successful surveyor. His surveying expeditions into the Virginia wilderness earned him enough money to begin acquiring land of his own.



In 1751, Washington made his only trip outside of America, when he travelled to Barbados with his older half-brother Lawrence Washington, who was suffering from tuberculosis and hoped the warm climate would help him recuperate. In 1752, Lawrence died, and George inherited his estate, Mount Vernon, on the Potomac River near Alexandria, Virginia.



He was initiated in the Lodge of Fredericksburgh on 4th November 1752 at the age of 20. The initiation fee was £2-3s and he was passed and raised in March and August of 1753. His Mother Lodge was an 'irregular lodge' under no jurisdiction whatsoever, and Washington, who had fought during the Seven Years War with many Scots was greatly influenced by many Scots Brethren alongside whom he had served. In 1763 the Lodge applied to the Grand Lodge of Scotland for a Charter, and this was granted on 21st July 1758. Several artifacts from his Lodge are on display within the Grand Lodge Museum in Edinburgh.

Throughout his very public life, Washington remained active within the Fraternity. In 1788 he was elected to serve as the first Master of the Lodge in Alexandria, Virginia. As President, he laid the cornerstone of the U.S. Capitol building in a Masonic ceremony while attired in his embroidered Masonic apron. The apron, incidentally, had been a gift from General Lafayette, another hero of the American Revolution and also a Freemason.

In December 1752, Washington, who had no previous military experience, was made a commander of the Virginia militia, and saw action in the French and Indian War. In January 1759, he married Martha Dandridge Custis, a wealthy widow with two children. Washington became a devoted stepfather to her children. Washington served as a delegate to the First Continental Congress in 1774 in Philadelphia. By the time the Second Continental Congress convened a year later, the American Revolution had begun in earnest, and Washington was named commander in chief of the Continental Army.

Washington proved to be a better general than military strategist. His strength lay not in his genius on the battlefield but in his ability to keep the struggling colonial army together. His troops were poorly trained and lacked food, ammunition and other supplies. However, Washington was able to give them the direction and motivation. Over the course of the grueling eight-year war, the colonial forces won few battles but consistently held their own against the British. In October 1781, with the aid of the French, the Continental forces were able to capture British troops under General Charles Cornwallis in the Battle of Yorktown. This action effectively ended the Revolutionary War and Washington was declared a national hero.

In 1783, with the signing of the Treaty of Paris between Great Britain and the U.S., Washington, believing he had done his duty, gave up his command of the army and returned to Mount Vernon, intent on resuming his life as a gentleman farmer and family man. However, in 1787, he was asked to attend the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia and head the committee to draft the new constitution. His impressive leadership there convinced the delegates that he was by far the most qualified man to become the nation's first president. The first presidential election was held on January 7, 1789, and Washington won handily. The 57-year-old Washington was inaugurated on April 30, 1789, in New York City.

The United States was a small nation when Washington took office, consisting of 11 states and approximately 4 million people. Washington worked hard to set an example of fairness, prudence and integrity. In foreign matters, he supported cordial relations with other countries but also favoured a position of neutrality in foreign conflicts.

George Washington's presidency was marked by a series of firsts. He signed the first United States copyright law, protecting the copyrights of authors. Under Washington's leadership, the states ratified the Bill of Rights, and five new states entered the union: North Carolina (1789), Rhode Island (1790), Vermont (1791), Kentucky (1792) and Tennessee (1796).

In 1796, after two terms as president and declining to serve a third term, Washington finally retired. In Washington's farewell address, he urged the new nation to maintain the highest standards domestically and to keep involvement with foreign powers to a minimum. The address is still read each February in the U.S. Senate to commemorate Washington's birthday.

Washington returned to Mount Vernon and devoted his attentions to making the plantation as productive as it had been before he became president. More than four decades of public service had aged him, but he was still a commanding figure. In December 1799, he caught a cold after inspecting his properties in the rain. The cold developed into a throat infection and Washington died on the night of December 14, 1799 at the age of 67. He was entombed at Mount Vernon, with the Brethren of Alexandria Lodge performing Masonic rites at his funeral.

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia, is an impressive landmark. Construction began in 1922, and it was dedicated in 1932. Fashioned after the ancient Lighthouse of Alexandria in Egypt, the 333-foot tall memorial sits atop Shooter's Hill, and today it is still an active Lodge and museum.

Washington left one of the most enduring legacies of any American in history. Known as the "Father of His Country," his face appears on the U.S. dollar bill and quarter, and dozens of U.S. schools, towns and counties, as well as the state of Washington and the nation's capital city, are named for him.



*(We continue our series of articles which trace the history of local Lodges. This month we look at a Lodge who, to some, have a somewhat unusual name)*

## Lodge Sir George Cathcart, No.617



Sir George Cathcart, after whom the Lodge is named, was brother to the second Earl Cathcart. An English general, he served with the Russians in the campaign of 1813-1814, and under Wellington at Quatre Bras and Waterloo. In 1852 he was appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief at the Cape of Good Hope, where he succeeded in restoring peace in South Africa. Appointed Adjutant-General in 1853, he served under Lord Raglan in the Crimea, where he fell gloriously at the Battle of Inkerman in November 1854. He was buried in the old fort above Sebastopol, and a memorial stone was erected by his widow in the Abbey Churchyard, Paisley.

Various meetings were held, and on 18th January, 1878, having obtained the support of the Office-bearers of Busby St. John's and Albert Edward, Polmadie, a form of Petition to the Grand Lodge of Scotland for a Charter was adopted. It was unanimously agreed to name the new Lodge The Sir George Cathcart " after General Sir George Cathcart. The Office-bearers elected were: Bros. James Martin RWM, James Smith DM, A. McLean SM, D. Nochar, WSW and J. Murphy, WJW. Bro Geo. Lawson was elected Secretary, R. Caskie Treasurer; R, Robb SD, Wm. Shanks JD, J. McIndoe IG and T. Mailley Tyler. On 23rd January, it was resolved to accept from Mr. Couper the use of the hall—a wooden erection, which stood on the opposite side of the road from the present hall.

The charter, was granted on 4th February, 1878 and the inaugural meeting of the Lodge, with 11 affiliates on the Roll, was held on 22nd February, 1878. Bro. T. White, R.W.M., Albert Edward Lodge, attended with a deputation of three brethren. Five candidates were initiated - William Peddie, William Harley, James Harley, William Gow and William Weir. On 3rd October, 1878, the ceremony of consecration was performed by Bro. Colonel Sir A. C. Campbell, P.G.M., in presence of numerous deputations from Sister Lodges.

When the trustees of the late Mr. Couper built the Couper Institute, the Lodge removed to that building, and has continued there , with a couple short exceptions (during wartime, or refurbishment) until the present day. A souvenir of the original building has been retained by the Lodge in the form of a model crane and ashlar made from the cornerstone of the old building, made by Bro John Bisset.

The first honorary Chaplain of the Lodge, Bro. Rev. Dr. Smith, minister of the local Parish Church, reached his jubilee as a member of the craft on 13th June, 1881, and the same year was appointed as Moderator of the General Assembly, the highest honour the Church of Scotland can bestow on any of its members.

One notable ceremony on record was the laying of the foundation stone of Langside Parish Church in October 1885. Bro. Col. Sir Archibald Campbell of Blythswood, MWMM, officiated, all the offices being filled by representatives of Sir George Cathcart Lodge. Some 400 brethren took part in the procession.

The 60th Anniversary of the Lodge was celebrated on 3rd February, 1938, by a dinner in the Couper Institute, presided over by Bro. James Balmer RWM. Also were present were Bro. Thomas Hart, RWPGM of RE, Provincial Office-bearers, representatives of Grand Lodge and the PGL of Glasgow.



The Lodge held a Divine Service in Cathcart Parish Church, the service being conducted by Bro. the Rev. J.A.C. MacKellar, M.A., D.D., a member of the Lodge and Senior Chaplain for a number of years, but later it was merged into a Joint Divine Service with Lodges Nos. 153, 512, 592.

New chains of office, designed and fashioned by Bro. Alastair J. Murdoch, SM, for the RWM and Wardens, along with a new set of regalia for the Office-bearers were consecrated at the Installation Meeting in December 1949 by Bro. Rev. D. Langlands Seath, PG Junior Chaplain, and Bro. Samuel W. Love, PGMRE. With Bro. Matthew Livingston as RWM, the 75th Anniversary of the Lodge was celebrated on 4th February, 1953, by a dinner in the Marlborough House, Shawlands,



The Lodge has always taken an active interest in the work of Grand Lodge and Provincial Grand Lodge and many distinguished Brethren from 617 have served PGLRE and Grand Lodge with distinction as either Provincial Grand Master, Depute PGM, Substitute PGM, Prov. Grand Secretary, Prov. Grand Treasurer, Prov. Grand SW and Prov. JW, a record of which the Lodge is justly proud.

## **The Second Century**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February 1978 a ceremony of rededication was held within the Couper Institute to mark our centenary. The ceremony was carried out by a deputation from the Grand Lodge of Scotland headed by The Most Worshipful Grand Master Mason Bro. Captain Robert Wolrige Gordon of Esslemont. This service was very well attended and saw the return of many Brethren. A commemorative jewel and Lodge tie, both designed by P.M. Brother Sam McNicol were produced to mark the occasion.

On the 19<sup>th</sup> of April 1978 R.W.M. Brother Robert Thomson had the unpleasant duty of informing the Brethren that the Masters Chain of office had been stolen from his car, fortunately by the 17<sup>th</sup> of May it had been recovered intact and in good order.

May 1978 P.M. Brother Bruce Watson presented Brother William Young Smith with a Jubilee Diploma to mark his 50 years service to the craft. Bro. Smith at 92 years of age, still attended the Lodge on a regular basis. December 1980 saw the initiation of five members of the same family, namely the Brothers Norman, Gordon, Kenneth, Albert and David Wright.

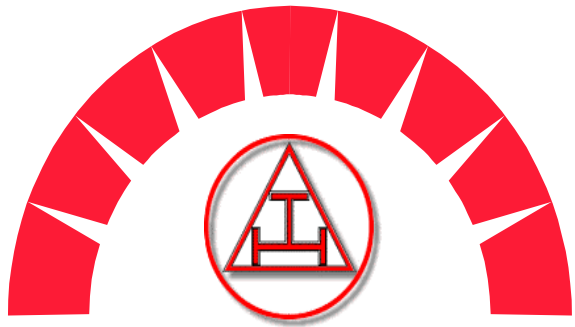
In the early eighties a Lodge fishing club was established. P.M. Brother Bert Dick presented a trophy in memory of his late wife "The Anne Dick Trophy" which the brethren still compete for on a regular basis.

November 1984 saw Brother Thomas Shearer on retiring as Senior Chaplain after 34 years in that office was presented with a silver tray suitably engraved to mark his excellent service.

In 1987 Brother Arthur Bruce Watson was installed as RWPGM of RE. In 1992 the brethren of the Lodge presented Brother Bruce with a Past PGM's Jewel in recognition of this outstanding achievement and service to the craft. Brother Bruce, who was known throughout the province for his eloquence as a degree worker and orator among his many other fine qualities as a man and mason, died in 1998.

Installation Meeting 1997 P.M. Brother Sam McNicol installed his son Graham as R.W.M. The following year he really made Lodge history by installing his other son Ian as R.W.M., which created a family dynasty of one son as R.W.M. the other I.P.M. and father Sam as Depute Master.

The closure of the Couper Institute in 1996 caused the Lodge to move it's meetings to the Meikle Hall, Clarkston and then Langside between April and December 1996. Thankfully the Couper Institute soon reopened, the Lodge returned to its familiar home on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 1997.



## Rockmount R.A.C. No.367

Superintendent MEC Gordon Renfrew and you are all welcome to join this on the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at 07:00pm (Link attached).

On a similar vein I have also referenced a link from the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland and a Lecture lasting approximately 55 minutes, well worth a look..

### From Our Most Excellent First Principal

Hi Companions,

I hope that you are all safe and well and looking forward to getting back to some form of normality in the coming weeks and months. As always, our thoughts and prayers go out to those who have found themselves in difficult circumstances during this pandemic.

For most of us so much has changed in a short period of time, the world around us, our family life, the way we continue to work and communicate, and the use of technology, some of us didn't even know existed. I'm sure there are some who would have experienced the frustration not being able to join zoom meetings and video conferences etc.

But hopefully with the easing of restrictions, there will be an appropriate time to look carefully at all aspects of our chapter. Let us focus our energy on a return to our meetings and the challenges associated with it. Nothing is more important than ensuring the future of the chapter.

I make no apologies for once again thanking, the trustees who continue to work on behalf of the Companions / Chapter, and I am extremely grateful for the support I have personally received from Jim and Hugh.

Can I again ask if any Companion has any information regarding the Chapter or members could they please inform our Scribe Hugh, and if relevant he will include it in our bulletins.

**Harry Lloyd MEZ**



### Obituary

Sadly Companions, I have to advise you of the passing beyond the veil of yet another Brother and Companion, **MEC Andrew McIntosh Corrigan PZ.**

MEC Drew was a PM of Paisley St Mirrins No. 129 and was exalted into Rockmount Royal Arch Chapter No. 367 on the 13th March 1990 serving as First Principal in 1999/2000. MEC Drew passed away on the 9th March 2021 and his funeral service was at Perth Crematorium on 31st March 2021.

Past First Principal, MEC Drew will be missed by all who knew him and our sympathies go to his family and friends.



## The Provincial Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Renfrewshire

**ZOOM MEETING : THURSDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021 at 07:00pm**

The Grand Superintendent is holding a Zoom meeting and any and all companions, within the Province are invited to participate providing they are in good standing.

Use the following link to the Join Zoom Meeting: -

<https://zoom.us/j/93542248229?pwd=K3RCRkszZG1XYzNhL1FrZ0VnS3hlUT09>

Meeting ID: **935 4224 8229**

Passcode: **cHup7v**

## Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland

The Supreme web pages contain a you tube link to the Vernal Equinox lecture 2021 and I attach the following link, it lasts approx. 55 minutes and I found it most interesting and recommend it to you. <https://youtu.be/rPoVe25atUQ>



## Brother HRH The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

Prince Philip started his life in Freemasonry in 1952, at the age of 31, when he was initiated into Navy Lodge, No 2612. He was proposed into Freemasonry by Instructor Rear Admiral Sir Arthur Hall, KBE, CB, PGD, a previous Worshipful Deputy Master of Navy Lodge and Honorary member of United Service Lodge. His seconder was Admiral of the Fleet, Baron Fraser of North Cape.

He was Initiated on 5th December 1952 at an Emergency Meeting held in Freemasons' Hall, when no private guests were allowed. There were 52 Lodge members present and just 12 official guests, including the MW Grand Master, The Earl of Scarborough.

Prince Philip was Passed on 6th March and Raised on 4th May 1953 with the MW Grand Master (again) and Bro Sir Charles Malcolm Barclay-Harvey, MW Grand Master of Scotland in attendance. On this occasion 21 officers of Navy Lodge were joined by 69 members, 42 official guests and 85 other guests.

The United Grand Lodge of England issued his Grand Lodge Certificate the same month and he remained a member to this day.

The Duke of Edinburgh was known to drop into meetings at his Freemasons Lodge almost unannounced. Navy Lodge has a storied past and an amazing roster of luminaries appear upon its membership roll – including four monarchs as past members – King Edward VII, King Edward VIII, King George VI and King George II of the Hellenes.

Though he had not played an active role in the Lodge, he remained an interested member and was recognised in 2002 as a 50 year Mason.

Prince Philip passed to the Grand Lodge above on 9th April 2021



# Virtual Instruction Class

Over the last 9 months or so we have endeavoured to run an online instruction class every two weeks throughout the session. Initially we waited to see what would happen with regard to the suspension of meetings but it soon became obvious that Grand Lodge had quite rightly decided to take a very cautious approach and meetings wouldn't be happening any time soon.

With the help of Bro. Secretary a Zoom meeting was set up to test the water, so to speak. This proved to be a success and the Monday Evening Instruction Class was up and running in the homes of our office bearers. There were a few initial teething problems but the brethren involved quickly embraced the idea and we set about the task of putting the incoming office bearers through their paces, bearing in mind a Zoom Meeting is on camera so discretion and security is of paramount importance. Again Grand Lodge have advised us of what we can and cannot do online as far as ritual is concerned so we are quite limited to what we can actually rehearse. That said, the brethren involved have taken to this format with enthusiasm as well as just the right amount of humour but have also learned their parts properly which makes the whole experience very enjoyable.

I have been fortunate in as much as I have been at work throughout Lockdown so I do have contact with a lot of people but in order to keep in touch with friends the internet has been a real bonus. Keeping in touch with the Office Bearers has been a very similar experience with our time spent together not only being used to rehearse our various roles but also to have a catch up and a chat and to keep each other positive and upbeat. We look forward to being able to return to the lodge itself to have proper, full rehearsals but for now we are keeping in touch, enjoying each other's company and running through as much of the ritual as we can in order to maintain our high standards.

In a world where so many aspects of life are carried out with the press of a computer key, a click of a mouse or a tap on a smartphone screen, modern technology has at least helped in some way to encourage us to meet and enjoy working together to keep our lodge and ourselves going. Any brother wishing to take part in degree work is more than welcome and you can contact us via the Whatsapp page or on 0141 580 0871 or via e mail on [graham.manson@ntlworld](mailto:graham.manson@ntlworld). We would be delighted to hear from you.

**Graham Manson PM**



# FLASHBACK

## Some Snippets from "The Mallet" of 32 Years Ago

No. 123

April 1989

At the Regular Meeting Held on Tuesday 4th April, the following two Candidates :

**JAMES FORREST**

**FRANK McLAUGHLIN**

had a fine F.C. Degree conferred upon them by the Office-bearers and Brethren of our friends from Johnstone, Lodge Houstoun St Johnstone, No.242

Lodge opened 7.30 pm

Lodge closed 9.40 pm

Attendance 157

At the Regular Meeting on Tuesday 18th April, the same Candidates were raised to the high and sublime degree of M.M. by the Lodge Instruction Class. Those present witnessed an excellent rendering of the 3rd Degree. Our readers may notice that the attendance figure was well down on the usual turnout and this can be explained, partially, by the counter attractions of Rangers Scottish Cup Semi-final replay and the fine weather which enticed many of our Brethren on to the Bowling Greens of the town.

Lodge opened 7.30 pm

Lodge closed 9.45 pm

Attendance 101

## 100 CLUB

The lucky winners for April Are as follows :

**4th April**

£10 : Bro Wm Gauld PM

£5 : Bro Brian Morton PM

**18th April**

£10 : Bro Tom Mulholland

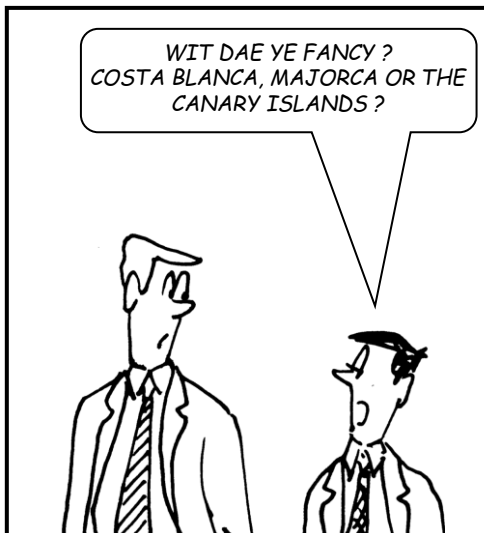
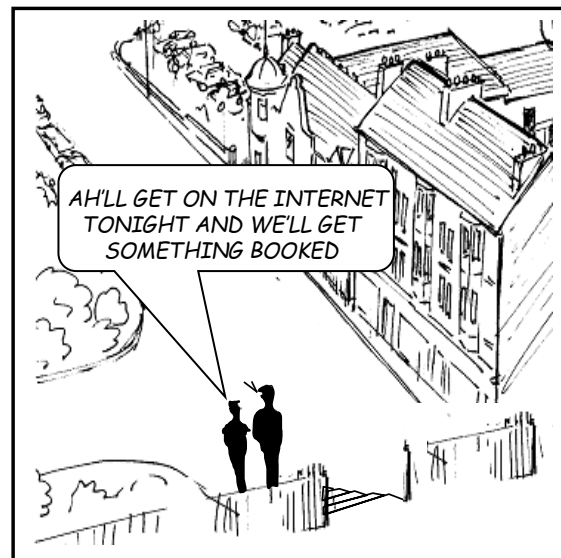
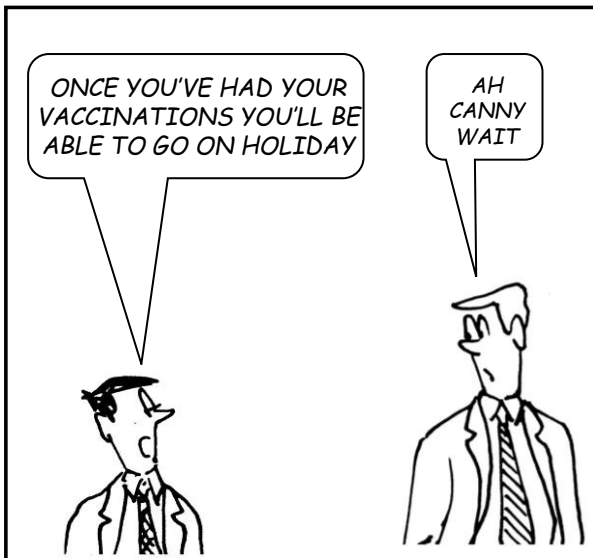
£5 : Mrs Sally Nixon

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## BITS & PIECES

- Congratulations to Bro John Livingstone and Bro Derek Williams following their recent win on the Football pools
- Congratulations to Bro David Noble PM on celebrating the 25th anniversary of his initiation into the Lodge. *(He claims he was only 8 years old at the time !)*
- We hear that Bro John Montgomery is hoping to join Fereneze Golf Club, he`s got to be good at something surely !
- We hear that a Royal Arch Chapter is being set up in the town of Stewarton.

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