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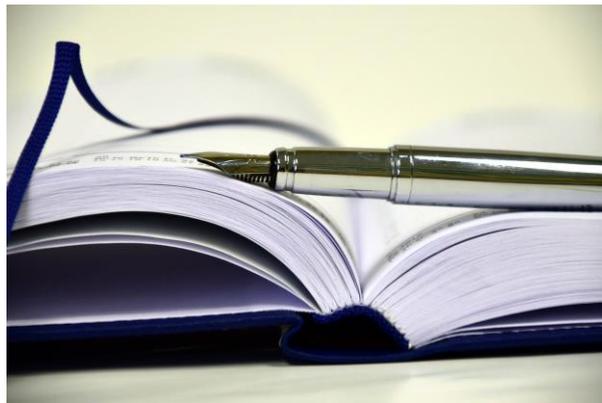
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## Companion Orders Diary



**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.

**Tuesday, 13 June - Mark Grand Lodge June Investiture meeting, Freemasons' Hall - [Click Here](#) for more info**

**Saturday, 24 June - Mark** Installation of W.Bro. John David Sowerby, P.A.G.D.C., as Provincial Grand Master for Northampton, Huntingdon & Bedford

**Saturday, 1 July - MBF** Festival 2023 West Yorkshire - Harrogate

**Saturday 1 July - R.C.C.** Installation of V.III.Kt. Joseph Ebenezer Sudhakar, P.G.H.Alm., as Intendant-General for Cumbria

**Tuesday, 4 July - R.C.C.** Grand Imperial Conclave, Freemasons' Hall - [Click Here](#) for more info

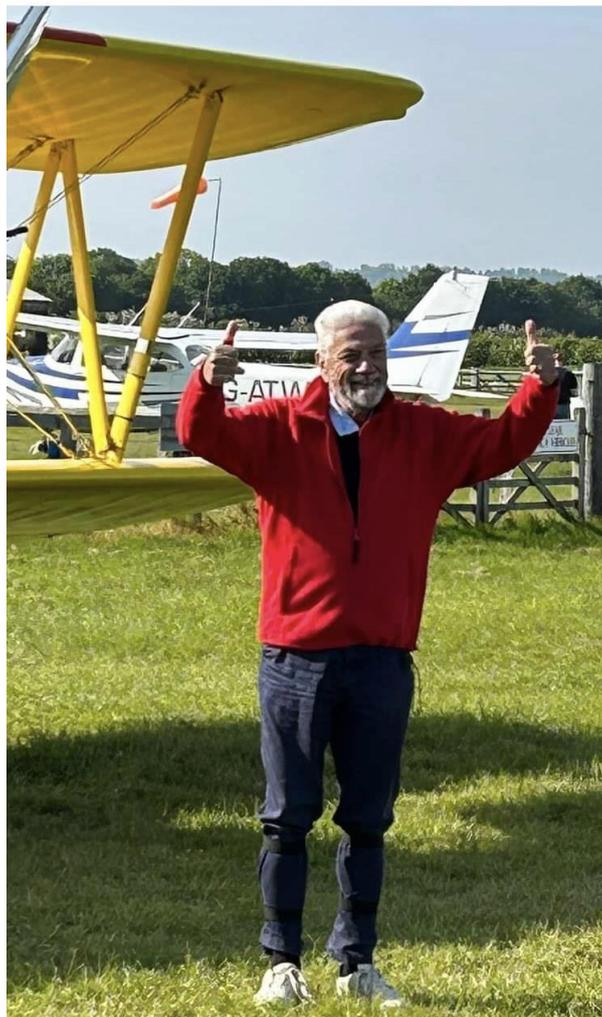
**Saturday, 8 July - R.S.M.** Installation of Ill.Comp. Gary Michael Peard, P.G.Swd.B., as District Grand Master for Devon & Cornwall

**Thursday, 13 July - S.C.** Consecration of Vale of Pickering Consistory No. 144, Province of North and East Yorkshire

**Tuesday, 5 September - S.C.** Consecration of King Arthur Consistory No. 143, Province of Somerset and Dorset

**Tuesday, 3 October - R.S.M.** Celebratory meeting of the Sesquicentenary of Grand Council, Freemasons' Hall

## Winging it the Essex way



It was a sunny glorious start to the day on Sunday, 28 May for our Provincial Grand Master's Wing Walk in aid of Essex MBF Festival 2023.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the wing walk took place at Headcorn Aerodrome in Kent.

The Prov.G.M was accompanied by members of his family, having ensured all passports were in order, ready for the trip over the river into Kent.

The Prov.G.M was followed by a large contingent of Essex Mark Men who came along to support him in this fantastic event.

Terry passed his weigh-in and then proceeded to take part in the safety briefing.

He then posed for several photos with his well-wishers.

Terry can be seen below wearing his flying gear, donated by a member of the Province, unfortunately he wasn't allowed to wear it during his wing walk.

After an interview with the media team, it was time to fly.

Terry looked very comfortable once he had mounted the plane, and he took off to much applause from onlookers.

Before he knew it, it was back on terra firma, where he was greeted by everyone.

After many congratulations, he was reunited with his family and, having thanked everyone for supporting him, now intended to have a large meal and several beers.

The total raised by our Provincial Grand Master, so far is in excess of £14,000.

Terry is raffling off his flying gear in aid of our festival. [Click Here](#) to find out more.

And [Click Here](#) for a video of the wing walk.

*With thanks to W.Bro. Dave Todd, P.Prov.G.Stwd.*



## A Double Double for Commemoration Lodge



In May, Commemoration Lodge No 1091 performed two double ceremonies: a double Elevation in the R.A.M. and a double Advancement in the Mark. Once again, a small team of Mark Masons from Surrey ventured into London to assist our Past Provincial Grand Master and our Past Deputy Provincial Grand Master with their ceremonies at Mumbai Square, an Indian Restaurant in E.1.

The afternoon started with a Royal Ark Mariner meeting. The Lodge was opened by the Worshipful Commander, W.Bro. Phil Young, who welcomed everyone, especially the guests who had come along to assist the Lodge.

The main item on the agenda was to Elevate Bro. Peter Tarr, a member of Commemoration Lodge of Mark Master Masons, and Bro. Denis Jackson, a member of Croham Hurst Lodge of Mark Master

Masons. The ceremony was conducted in a fine manner by the Worshipful Commander and his Officers. W.Bro. Bill Barr, Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Surrey, was the Guardian, and I was the Junior Warden.

R.W.Bro. Ian Clark was invited to present a Grand Lodge Certificate to Bro. Rick Beets who had been Elevated at the previous meeting.



The Lodge was then closed, and the customary photograph taken.



The Temple was re-arranged for the Mark meeting to follow. The Lodge was opened by the Worshipful Master, V.W.Bro. Mik Barnes. A ballot was taken for Bro. Denis Jackson, a member of Croham Hurst Lodge of Mark Master Masons to join the Lodge. This proved in his favour and Bro. Denis was welcomed into London.

The main item on the agenda was to Advance Bro. Andrew Bond and Bro. Christopher Rhodes. This was done in a most excellent manner by the Worshipful Master, assisted by his Officers. The Chaplain was W.Bro. Bill Barr, the Senior Deacon was W.Bro. Terry Carpenter, and I was the Master Overseer. The Surrey team brought with them their special way of working.



Brothers Andrew and Christopher were congratulated by the Worshipful Master, welcomed into the Order, and the Province of London. They also received a personal invitation to attend the Provincial meeting at Great Queen Street on Thursday, 13 July.

It was good to see so many members of the Masonic Craft Beer Society who had come along to support Bro. Andrew Bond, including two from America. After the festive board Bro. Andrew had to catch the sleeper back to Torquay in Devon.



The Lodge was closed, and we all gathered together for the group photograph.



We then made our way to the bar for a few Cobra beers.



Before going up to the dining room for a curry meal together.

It is very encouraging to see how well Commemoration Lodge is doing.

*With thanks to V.W.Bro. Chris Eley, P.G.J.O.*

## **A year of achievement celebrated at the Provincial Priory of Monmouth and South Wales**



At the Meeting of the Provincial Priory of Monmouth and South Wales held at the Bridgend Masonic Hall on 24 May, in the presence of the Provincial Prior, R.E.Kt. Dr Paul Calderwood, the Past Sub-Prior V.E.Kt. David Court, and the Great Prelate (and Provincial Prelate) R.E.Kt. Malcolm Lane, K.C.T., there was a definite air of celebration abounding in the packed Temple which was filled with visiting Provincial Priors, their Sub-Priors and their supporting Provincial Officers, Great Officers of the Province, Provincial Officers, Eminent Preceptors and Members of the Province.

Having welcomed the many Guests and Visitors, the Provincial Prior congratulated the Members of the Province who had been recognised with appointments and promotions, in particular R.E.Kt. Malcolm Lane, who had been re-appointed as Great Prelate; R.E.Kt. Ryan Williams who was re-appointed as Great Vice-Chancellor and made a Knight Grand Cross of the United Orders, and the four Knights who had received first appointments, E.Kt. Thomas Richard Eirian Jones, E.Kt. Anthony Baker, E.Kt. Tim Clark and E.Kt. Michael Hopkins. He made special mention of E.Kt Carl Davies, the Provincial Marshal, who had retired as Deputy Great Marshal, having brought great distinction upon himself and been a source of great pride to the Province.



*1 - E.Kt Carl Davies and R.E.Kt. Malcolm Lane, K.C.T.*

The Provincial Prior then thanked the Provincial Officers who had worked so hard during the year; the Sub-Prior, E.Kt. Richard Phillips, who had suffered such cruel ill-health at the start of the year; his predecessor, V.E.Kt. David Court, for “standing in” so well; E.Kt. Derek Hemfrey (Registrar); E.Kt. Nigel Williams (Vice-Chancellor); E.Kt. Anthony Stevens (Almoner); and E.Kt. Tony Strachan (Webmaster); and also to E.Kt. Chris Mugford, Prov.Swd.B., for the publicity in raising the profile of the Order.

A number of significant occasions were mentioned; the three well attended Malta Meetings in which no less than 35 new Members were admitted, the packed Christmas Carol Service and luncheon in Carmarthen and the Provincial Church Service conducted by the Great Prelate at Margam Abbey which was filled to capacity.

Having achieved so much during the period of the pandemic, the Provincial Prior exhorted the Members of the Province to keep up their efforts and aspire to even higher standards than those which have already been achieved.

At the Festive Board, which was held in the Dining Room of the Bridgend Hall, the Visitors and Members were treated to the excellent repast for which it has now become noted.

*With thanks to E.Kt. Chris Mugford, Prov.Comms, Prov.Swd.B.*



## Annual Meeting of the R.C.C. Division of Sussex



*2 - The Intendant-General with the visiting Intendants-General*

The Annual Meeting of the Red Cross of Constantine was held at the Charmandean Centre, Worthing, West Sussex at 11 a.m. on Saturday, 13 May 2023.

After a service or re-dedication, the Intendant-General, Right Illustrious Knight Paul Norman Rose, welcomed all the guests from other Divisions (17 in all), plus three Past members of the R.C.C. Executive and five Heads of Orders in Sussex.



*3 - The I.-G. with other Heads of Orders in Sussex*

Those Officers of Divisional Conclave attending were appointed, re-appointed, promoted and Invested by the Intendant-General and congratulated by the Deputy Intendant-General, Illustrious Knight Simon Victor Langton.



*4 - Divisional Officers for 2023 – 2024*



*5 - The Deputy I.-G. presenting the I-G with flowers for his wife*

The general business was conducted, and the Intendant-General gave his annual address. If you are interested, this can be found on the Sussex R.C.C. website ([www.rcc-sussex.org.uk](http://www.rcc-sussex.org.uk)).



*6 - The I.-G. and Deputy I.-G. with the Sepulchre Guard*

The meeting ran very smoothly, and lunch was excellent. The Intendant-General wishes to thank all those involved in making it such a successful day and offers his congratulations to all the Divisional Officers who were appointed, re-appointed and promoted at the meeting.



## Make mine a Largs one!



A free Saturday gave the Clan Currans the opportunity to drive down to Largs on the North Ayrshire coast, to visit Ailsa Craig O.S.M. Conclave No. 462. This happily coincided with an official visit by Right Worthy Brother David McMorris, the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler for West Scotland, and a large Provincial team.

And what a treat it was! An excellent Installation ceremony conducted by the Officers of the Conclave was much enjoyed by the many members and visitors present. This was followed by a splendid curry and pie lunch, very generously provided by the Conclave free of charge. The early start to proceedings meant there was still time afterwards to head down to the seafront, get an ice cream from the legendary Nardinis and watch the car ferries connecting Largs with Great Cumbrae Island.

We'll certainly be back- and not just for the ice cream!

*With thanks to the Grand Summus S.C., R.Wy.Bro. Ian Currans, G.Chan.*



## Provincial Grand Conclave of West Wales of the Order of the Secret Monitor meets in Carmarthen



The eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Provincial Grand Conclave of West Wales of the Order of the Secret Monitor was held at the Masonic Hall, Spilman Street, Carmarthen on Saturday, 20 May 2023, at the command of the Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler, Right Worthy Brother Denzil K. Bartlett.

The Meeting was held in the presence of Right Worthy Brother Keith Berwick Ferguson, the Deputy Grand Supreme Ruler; Worthy Brother Nigel C. Haines, P.G.Swd.B, the Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler; plus a significant number of Provincial Grand Supreme Rulers, Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Rulers, Grand Officers, Provincial Officers and Heads of Other Masonic Orders, together with Brethren of the Conclaves in the Province.

A tribute In Memoriam was given for Graham Charles Gordon Thomas, a stalwart of the Province over many years having held the ranks of Provincial Grand Guarder in 2013 and Provincial Grand Visitor in 2016 and 2017.

The Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler, Right Worthy Brother Denzil K. Bartlett, re-appointed Worthy Brother Nigel C. Haines, P.G.Swd.B, as the Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler, thanking him for his dedication and support, before appointing the rest of the Provincial Officers and his Arch of Steel. He then addressed the Provincial Grand Conclave during which he made special mention of the presence of the Deputy Supreme Grand Ruler and the Provincial Grand Supreme Rulers and thanked them for their attendance. In addition, he congratulated Worthy Brother David Joyce, Provincial Grand Organist, on being Installed as Deputy Master Mason of the Worshipful Society of Operative Masons.

The very convivial Festive Board was held in the delightful environs of the Royal Ivy Bush Hotel, where the attendees enjoyed the usual excellent repast for which the Hotel is noted.

*With thanks to Bro. Chris Mugford*





## A further advancement in Masonic Knowledge



As Warlingham O.S.M. Conclave had no work to do at their May meeting they asked Wy.Bro. Chris Eley to give a talk on a Masonic subject of his choice. He chose to give talk on The History and Meaning of the Masonic Apron. Wy.Bro. Chris, as a Past Supreme Ruler, was also asked to act as Supreme Ruler for the meeting as the Supreme Ruler was away on family business.

After the Conclave was opened and the regular business completed, it was time for the talk. Chris' talk outlined the development of the Apron from the fig leaves worn by Adam and Eve in Genesis

Chapter 3, through those worn in ancient Egypt, China, Central America, and Palestine, and its adoption by Operative Masons to protect their clothes from being soiled.

In medieval times, all Masons, whether Free Masons or Guild Masons, used aprons when at work, and the former also wore white leather gloves to protect their hands from the lime.

This type of apron used by the speculative masons had changed very little by the middle of the 18th century from those used by the operative counterparts. These aprons were long, coming down to below the knees, with a flap or bib to protect the chest, rather like those worn in a Mark Advancement Ceremony.

It was the speculative masons who at some point in the 1750's began to decorate their aprons with designs, usually painted by the owner's own hand. The Union of the Grand Lodge of England between the Ancient and Modern branches of English Freemasonry in 1813 brought into many effect many changes in dress and ritual which still prevail to this day. Wy.Bro. Chris explained the hidden meanings and symbolism of our present apron, showing that it is not just a piece of regalia we wear simply to distinguish the different grades of Freemasons, or even for cosmetic effect and pomp, but it is a vital part of our ritual, a very honourable garment, one that we should all treasure.

To support his talk Wy.Bro. Chris brought along many aprons from various Orders in England and Overseas which the Brethren wore for a group photograph after the Council was closed.

Afterwards we all drove down to the Everest Spice restaurant in Redhill for a most enjoyable curry meal together.

*With thanks to Wy.Bro. Chris Eley, Prov.G.St.B.*



## Surrey Showstopper



## Join us on Social Media

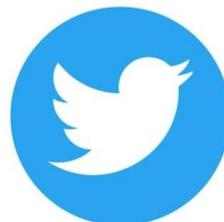
Social Media is becoming an increasingly important platform for how we get to hear about what is going on further afield in all of our Orders, and how we share the most up-to-date information with members. If your Province/District/Division has a Facebook Page/Group or Twitter Feed, or if you represent a Masonic Club or Society linked to our Orders, please send us an invite to join or follow you.

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Or you can email us at [communications@mmh.org.uk](mailto:communications@mmh.org.uk)



## Calendar of Annual Meetings

### Grand Meetings Calendar 2023 - All Orders

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

Order	Meeting	Date	To be held at	Refreshment Time	Meeting Starts	Meeting Ends	Roll Call	Adjourns
MARK	Grand Lodge	Tuesday, 7 March 2023	FMH, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 8AZ	12:00 AM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM
RSM	Grand Council - Virtual Specialty	Tuesday, 18 April 2023	Mark Masons' Hall, London, SW1A 1PL	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	1:00 PM	1:30 PM	3:00 PM
SC	Grand Senatus	Thursday, 4 May 2023	Mark Masons' Hall, London, SW1A 1PL	10:30 AM	12:30 PM	2:00 PM	2:30 PM	4:00 PM
KT	Great Priory	Wednesday, 17 May 2023	FMH, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 8AZ	10:30 AM	12:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM
MARK	Grand Lodge - Investiture Activities	Tuesday, 13 June 2023	FMH, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 8AZ	10:30 AM	1:00 PM	3:15 PM	4:15 PM	5:45 PM
RCC	Grand Imperial Conclave	Tuesday, 4 July 2023	FMH, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 8AZ	10:30 AM	12:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM
MARK	Grand Lodge - Investiture Activities	Tuesday, 12 September 2023	FMH, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 8AZ	12:00 PM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM
KBHC	Grand Priory	Thursday, 14 September 2023	Mark Masons' Hall, London, SW1A 1PL	1:00 PM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM
RSM	Grand Council - 150 Celebration	Tuesday, 3 October 2023	FMH, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 8AZ	10:30 AM	12:30 PM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	5:00 PM
AMD	Grand Council	Tuesday, 24 October 2023	FMH, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 8AZ	11:30 AM	1:00 PM	2:15 PM	3:00 PM	4:30 PM
OSM	Grand Conclave	Thursday, 9 November 2023	FMH, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 8AZ	10:30 AM	12:30 PM	2:00 PM	2:45 PM	4:15 PM
KT - visit	Great Priory of Malta	Tuesday, 21 November 2023	FMH, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 8AZ	10:30 AM	12:30 PM	2:30 PM	3:30 PM	5:00 PM
RAM	Annual Assembly	Monday, 11 December 2023	FMH, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 8AZ	10:30 AM	12:30 PM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	5:00 PM

Please be seated 15 minutes before published start time

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## Additional support for earthquake rescue efforts



Further to last week's announcement that the MBF had made an emergency grant of £50,000 to help with the Türkiye/Syria earthquakes rescue efforts, we have been inundated with requests to make it possible for Brethren, Lodges and Provinces to make donations to directly support the work of our trusted partners at the ShelterBox charity.

It has been agreed that we will accept donations in to our MCF Relief Chest.

The donations will be channelled through our trusted partners at the ShelterBox charity reg no. 1096479 and will also count towards MBF honorifics.

Donations for Türkiye (formerly Turkey) and Northern Syria should be sent using the following details:

MARK EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND

MMM 185622

For Individual donations - Please add your **Surname** and the reference **Türkiye**

For Lodge donations – use the **Order** with **Lodge number** and the reference **Türkiye**

For Provincial donations – use the **Order** with **Province** and the reference **Türkiye**

To make a donation you can

- **use the QR Code below**
- [Click Here](#) to go to the donation page
- [Click Here](#) to download a Credit/Debit Card donation Form
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Please share with your Brethren and if you have any queries or concerns please contact the Charities Department at Mark Masons' Hall.

We thank you all for your generosity.

You can find out more by [Clicking Here](#) to read the latest ShelterBox update and there is additional info in the images below.

You can visit ShelterBox on their various media outlets:

<https://shelterbox.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/ShelterBox>

[ShelterBox](#)



## £50,000 donated to ShelterBox

On Monday, 6 February 2023 a series of powerful earthquakes devastated southern Türkiye (formerly Turkey) and northern Syria. The Trustees of the Mark Benevolent Fund were quick to act and by the close of business on Tuesday 7, had approved an emergency grant of £50,000 to help with the rescue efforts in association with our trusted partners at the ShelterBox charity. The charity is sending an emergency response team to carry out crucial assessments and establish how best their help can be deployed. Their international assessment team will arrive in Türkiye in a few days and will be liaising with contacts on the ground to establish how best to proceed.

The humanitarian need in Türkiye and Syria is immense and growing – it is the most devastating earthquake to hit the region in 100 years and could become the worst. The death toll is likely to rise significantly, and thousands of buildings have been destroyed in both countries leaving people homeless, with nowhere to sleep, in the middle of a bitter winter.

ShelterBox provides different combinations of emergency shelter aid and essential household items during its responses depending on what is needed. This could be sending tents and shelter kits, stoves, thermal blankets and clothing to keep people warm through the freezing winter nights. It could be cash to help people buy what they need to survive. Or it could solar lights that help people when there is no electricity. Getting aid into countries and on to where it's needed after a disaster of this scale presents huge challenges especially with damage to infrastructure and supply routes. That's why ShelterBox strategically pre-positions aid around the world, including in Syria.

This donation of £50,000 from the Mark Benevolent Fund will allow ShelterBox to act quickly, adapting how they work to best support people affected by the earthquakes and allowing them to tailor aid packages to what is needed. There are currently no plans to set up a central fund from Mark Masons' Hall.

This is what the grant will be used for by the ShelterBox charity (information taken from the ShelterBox website):

### SHELTERBOX TENT - £350

When disaster strikes, families need shelter to feel safe again. When they can't start rebuilding their homes immediately, durable tents can make them feel safe and protected.

Depending on the weather and the place, the shelter needs of families differ. That's why we're committed to providing families with the best possible solutions that suit their needs.

From padded tents that can safely accommodate a stove, to medium-sized tents that fit in small spaces and ones that can last years if needed, families can feel at home again.



### SHELTER KITS - £60

We provide shelter kits which include a selection of hardwearing tools and materials that are customised to suit the needs of each community.

The tools and materials we send provide the essentials families need to start rebuilding homes straight away, ranging from tough tarpaulin and timber to corrugated sheeting and even room dividers.

The versatile tools we provide help with everything from clearing rubble to building shelters and even tending crops. Our tools can also be used to build furniture, cut firewood and make repairs.



#### BLANKETS - £7

Blankets, groundsheets and mattresses not only provide vital warmth, but comfort too when families are recovering from disaster. These simple items can be used in a variety of ways, from bedding to room dividers, and help turn a shelter into a home.



#### SOLAR LIGHTS - £11

Our solar lights can last up to 24 hours on just one charge on the lowest setting. They are lightweight and waterproof, making them easy to carry in any situation. Because they are so safe, cheap and easy to use, families use solar lights in different ways – for work, education, family activities, or simply moving around at night. They are more than just light – they can provide comfort and allow families to regain their livelihoods.



Find out more about the work of ShelterBox



<https://shelterbox.org/>



<https://www.facebook.com/ShelterBox>



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## Mark Emergency Relief Fund

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](#)

## Swift pins still available

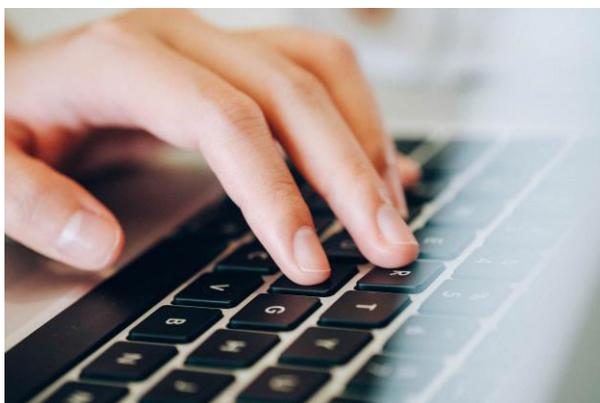


For those who may not have been able to get their hands on one of the K.T. £20 for 2020 Appeal Swift Pins, there are still some available.

Provinces can order in bulk, or individuals can purchase single pins, by contacting Linda Read, M.M.H. Charities Finance Manager at [L.Read@mmh.org.uk](mailto:L.Read@mmh.org.uk) and Finance Assistant, Millie Pilson, [M.Pilson@mmh.org.uk](mailto:M.Pilson@mmh.org.uk)

Pins are £20 each and funds raised will go to the St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital.

## Social Media Guidelines



With our relatively new Pro Grand Masters in both the Craft and the Mark, we are continuing our close working relationship with our Brethren at Freemasons' Hall.

While we enjoy and encourage our members' enthusiasm for our Orders, it's important that we are mindful where and how we share our passion for Freemasonry.

Please ensure that any posts on social media about the Companion Orders are either restricted to groups, pages and websites that are open to all Orders or, if destined for Craft specific areas, are posted via a moderator to ensure they are a welcome additions to the news feed.

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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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[2027 Warwickshire](#)

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[2029 Durham](#)

[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.

The 2029 Festival Stewardship Jewel for Durham is now in stock and available for delivery.

















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.

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