

Cambridgeshire Freemason

The Second Rising



From the Editor

Brethren,

We are trialling a new layout for the Second Rising and we would appreciate any feedback that would make your reading more enjoyable and to keep this newsletter fresh.

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Cambridgeshire Masonic Golf Association



The Cambridgeshire Masonic Golf Association held its Annual Golf Days at Belton Woods Hotel and Golf Course in early August. Fifteen finely-tuned Golfers attended the event, with not only our own ProvGM Bill Dastur but also Norfolk's ProvGM Steven Allen, a very welcome and honorary member of Cambridgeshire.

In two days of incredibly tense and tough conditions the high standard of golf won though with the winners on day one being the team of Dastur, Allen and Brennan in the team event with Andy Goodman being the individual winner. The more important prizes of 'Nearest the Pin' and 'Longest Drive' went to John Evans and Andrew Long respectively. After an evening of good company and excellent food plus wine, which was very generously provided by our ProvGM, the intrepid golfers set forth on a second day's golf in what was predicted to be horrendous weather.

Competition on the second day, if humanly possible, was even more fierce than the previous day, with the team of McDonald, Robertson and Brown taking the team honours with the storming Mick Harding taking the individual prize. The 'Nearest the Pin' wasn't awarded as by a freak of nature the Green that we were aiming at kept moving(!) and the 'Longest Drive' was again won by Andrew Long.

It then came to the award of the overall winner. Thanks to storming Harding's unbelievable golf on the second day he levelled the score of our own ProvGM and in fact on count-back had just pipped him at the post. In therefore in what the writer believes was a unparalleled show of bonhomie Bill presented Mick with the Away Day Trophy.

The whole event went extremely well with the courses and the hotel being excellent. We are hoping to repeat next year and are looking at venues, so a few more golfers would make the event even more exciting.

Pull!

Cambridgeshire Masonic Shooting Society



The Cambridgeshire Masonic Shooting Society joined a very good turn-out of Freemasons from Essex, Suffolk, Northants & Hunts, Lincolnshire and Kent to enjoy a 50-Bird English Sporting layout at Eriswell Lodge Shooting Ground this month.

The format was at times challenging, but as always good fun. This time though, there was a slight twist!

To add interest our hosts from Suffolk had decided to introduce a couple of 'new' disciplines in the form of 25 Skeet and 25 Compak Sporting. Few of us had shot Skeet before, but even less Compak, so it was a much discussed variation.

Following the competition we were treated to a talk by representatives of Suffolk Accident Rescue Service who imparted some interesting if not sobering knowledge, some quick life saving tips and a resuscitation demonstration, further reinforcing the message that everyone should have at least a basic idea of First Aid as it does save lives. £645 was raised for local Charities.

If you are interested in Shooting in any form, would like to try it or already shoot, please get in touch, join CMSS - it's free and you get to hear about events in our Province and Nationwide.

Newmarket Lodges Donation.

Supporting Leukaemia UK

Newmarket Freemasons joined forces to donate £1641 to Leukaemia UK.

The funds were raised by a fantastic evening of entertainment arranged by W.Bro Paul Burton and W.Bro D. Ball.

The donation was made in memory of W.Bro Keith MacLaren who sadly passed away in May following a three-year battle with leukaemia.

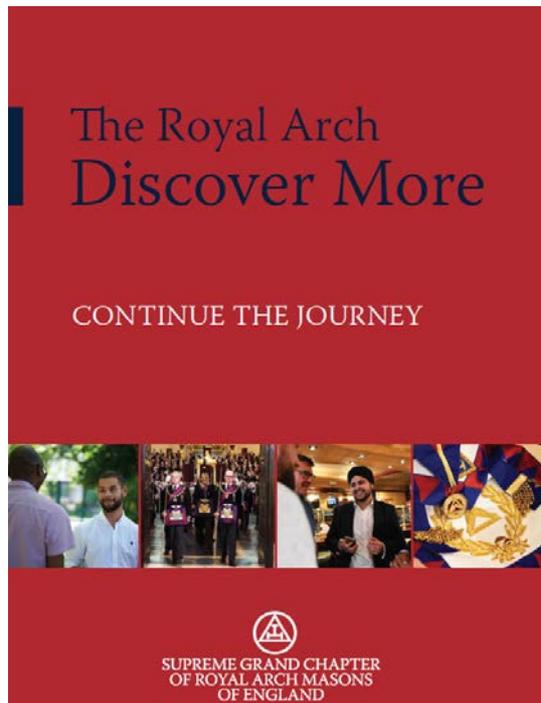
Keith was a Founder member of Logistica Lodge and a member of Etheldreda Lodge since his Initiation in April 1985.

He was also a Trustee of the Newmarket Masonic Hall Association and was a champion fund raiser. The donation was received by Mrs Eileen MacLaren on behalf of the charity.



For those enquiring minds, the Bronze statue is of our late Queen Elizabeth II, with a mare and foal and was unveiled by her in 2016 to mark her 90th birthday, to celebrate her love of horses and her special relationship with Newmarket.

An invitation from the Cambridgeshire Clarets



All Companions, especially those recently-Exalted, are invited to a very special meeting of Kynaston Chapter to be held on September 25th at Bateman St in Cambridge.

Part of the appeal of Chapter must be the rich variety of our rituals, which means that the same ceremony is worked with interesting variations between Chapters. In fact you may have heard it said that Cambridgeshire has 14 Chapters and 16 different rituals!

The Cambridgeshire Clarets is a unique initiative within our Province to help newer members more fully appreciate the Royal Arch within the context of their Masonic journey and give them a deeper insight into their role and responsibilities as a Companion of the Order. Part of the role of the Clarets is to encourage visits of newer members between Chapters in a similar way to the "buddies" scheme operated by the Cambridge Light Blues. The September meeting of Kynaston is the first such visit.

In addition to what will certainly be an enjoyable social evening this will be an opportunity to reflect on the underlying meaning of the exaltation ceremony and for you to "Discover More", reflecting more deeply about Freemasonry and what it means to each of us personally.

Senior members of the Province will be on hand to answer any questions about the Royal Arch and provide suggestions about how we can all build on our Chapter experience both in Craft masonry and day-to-day life.

Prostate Testing

Pictured are four Brave Boys from Wisbech who attended the Prostate Testing Clinic at Provincial Grand Lodge In Cambridge recently

The statistics are that 1 in 8 men will at some point have Prostate Cancer and early diagnosis is key to a successful outcome.



From L to R

Brothers Simon Johnson, Shaun Button, Andy McDonald and Jason Bishop.

A Triple - St Andrew Lodge No 4087

Mayor of Wisbech

At a special Emergency Meeting of the St Andrew Lodge No. 4087, the Worshipful Master Tim Downes passed his three sons Logan, Jamie & Troy Downes to the Degree of Fellow-Craft.

The Worshipful Master had previously during his year as Master initiated them into Freemasonry. The meeting was well attended with visitors equalling the members of the Lodge.

Also at the meeting was W.Bro Garry Ewart a visiting Grand Officer from the Whittlesea Lodge, Victoria, Australia.

A Lodge that St Andrew Lodge has been in contact with for over 100 years.



Brother Peter Human was elected as Mayor of Wisbech on the 15 of May 2023.

He is also a proud member of The Gild of Holy Trinity Lodge No. 6125.

During his election speech he said he will be representing Wisbech both far and near as the ambassador for the town.

His chosen charities are The Alan Hudson Day Centre, the TS Falcon Wisbech Sea Cadets, Army Cadets ,Wisbech Air Cadets 272 Squadron and the Venture Corps.

Cambridgeshire's Comms Team is recruiting!

We are looking for Brethren who have the skills and the time to help us share news and events from Cambridgeshire Lodges and Chapters with our membership, local press, other provinces, the United Grand Lodge of England and Supreme Grand Chapter.

If you have experience in content editing for web or print, social media or email marketing via MailChimp (or similar) please contact Mike Hinton comms@pglcamb.org.uk for a chat about joining our busy team.

Tickets Please!

All Aboard for the Joint Lodges Garden Party

On Saturday 29th July nearly 100 masons, their families and friends (and especially children of all ages) enjoyed a wonderful BBQ & Garden Party at the home of W.Bro Edmund Brookes, with its passenger carrying railway.

£2,000 was raised for Festival 23 as everyone enjoyed high quality BBQ fare (supplied by a well known butcher in North Cambridge) supplemented by generous portions of salad (some straight out of members gardens), with home baked cakes and not forgetting ice creams and drinks from the bar.

Edmund is grateful for the not insignificant help of his many friends in ensuring the event ran with almost military (but informal) precision. He drove his well known steam train throughout the afternoon giving countless rides to children and adults alike, who were all intrigued as to how a small coal fired locomotive could safely haul all the passengers it did. Youngsters enjoyed games as the rain held off.

From the level of happy conversation throughout the afternoon it is very evident that this almost annual event engenders a happy spirit amongst members and friends,"

Edmund Brookes



Editor Note, I am not sure who is having the most fun.

Maggie's Cambridge -
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Androgen Workshop
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Are you taking androgen (hormone) therapy for Prostate cancer?

You may have noticed lots of changes following treatment for prostate cancer using hormone therapy.

This workshop will cover information on: Hot flushes, night sweats, mood change, fatigue, weight change, intimacy/sexual health, bone health and heart health.

The workshop will run once a month via Zoom.

Location: Maggie's, Cambridge. 21 Milton House, Puddicombe Way (on the Addenbrooke's Campus) Cambridge CB2 0AD.

If you would like sign up or to have more information please contact Maggie's Cambridge. 01223 249220 www.maggiescentres.org



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