



THE ORDER OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS



DISTRICT OF KENT

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Order of Royal and Select Masters, District of Kent, held on Saturday 3rd October, 2015 at the Masonic Hall, Franklin Rooms, Franklin Road, Gillingham, Kent.

PRESENT

DISTRICT GRAND OFFICERS

R.III.Comp. Roger O'Brien	District Grand Master
R. III. Comp. Terrence Bowler	As Deputy District Grand Master
V. III.Comp. David Viggers	As District Grand Principal Conductor of the Work
III.Comp. The Rev. Howard Pashley	District Grand Chaplain
III.Comp. Mark Bassant	District Grand Treasurer
Comp. John Cruttenden	District Grand Recorder
III.Comp. Douglas Bonomy	District Grand Director of Ceremonies
III.Comp Ron Jakes	District Grand Lecturer
III.Comp. Royston Hartley	District Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies
III.Comp. John Dalley	District Grand Captain of the Guard
III.Comp. William Sparkes	District Grand Conductor of the Council
III.Comp. Peter Munn	District Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies
III.Comp. David Neale	District Grand Sword Bearer
III.Comp. Andrew Lewis	District Grand Standard Bearer
III.Comp. Malcolm Cheeseman	District Grand Assistant Recorder
III.Comp. Michael Bailey	District Grand Organist
III.Comp. Perri Ahmet	District Grand Steward
III.Comp. Leonard Warne	District Grand Manciple
III.Comp. Brian Meeres	As District Grand Sentinel

Total: 19

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

R.III. Comp. Laurence Bourne	District Grand Master	Wyvern
R.III. Comp. Vincent Driver	District Grand Master	London
R.III. Comp. Nicholas Murzell	District Grand Master	Ox, Berks & Bucks
R.III.Comp. John Harvey	District Grand Master	Northumberland
R.III.Comp. Robert Mitchell	District Grand Master	Lancashire
R.III.Comp. David Rawlins	District Grand Master	Warwickshire
R.III.Comp. Brian Wareham	District Grand Master	Sussex
R.III Comp David Blackburn	District Grand Master	Surrey
R.III.Comp. David Cordell	District Grand Master	W.Yorkshire
R.III.Comp. Arnold Long	Past District Grand Master	Surrey
R. III.Comp. S. John Barlow	P.G.Coun.	W.Yorkshire
R.III.Comp. Reynold Phillimore	P.G.Coun.	Sussex
III.Comp. Keith Pearson	Deputy District Grand Master	South Wales
III.Comp. Michael Spicer	P.G.St.B	Middlesex
II.Comp. John Loat	District Grand Principal Conductor of the Work	W.Yorkshire
V.III.Comp. Alan Trotter	Past Grand Lecturer	Sussex
V. III.Comp. Tony Edwards	G.Lect., P.Dist.PC.W.	Essex

V. Ill.Comp, David Garston	P. Dep. Dist.G.M.	Essex
Ill. Comp Keith Surry	P.G.Cond.C.	Somerset & Wiltshire
Ill. Comp. Ross Kree	P.A.G.D.C.	Northumberland
Ill. Comp.Paul Hollebhone	District Grand Principal Conductor of the Work	Sussex
Ill. Comp Phillip Purvis	District Grand Director of Ceremonies	Ox, Berks & Bucks
Comp. Mike Birks	Dep. District Grand Recorder	Lancashire
Ill. Comp. Derek Griffin	P.A.G.D.C. D.Dist.G.M.	Warwickshire
Ill.Comp. Clive Mansfield	Deputy District Grand Master	Essex
Ill.Comp. Brian Hithersay	District Grand Recorder	Essex
Ill. Comp. Fraser McCord	District Grand Recorder	Lancashire
Ill.Comp. Geoffrey Spencer	District Grand Director of Ceremonies	East Anglia
Ill.Comp. David Hickenbottom	District Grand Recorder	East Anglia
Ill.Comp. Paul Acland –Snow	District Grand Recorder	Ox, Berks & Bucks
Ill.Comp. Bernard Marchant	District Grand Recorder	Sussex
Ill.Comp. Glen Coneley	District Grand Director of Ceremonies	Sussex
Ill.Comp. Kevin Gillespie	P.G.Stwd.	Sussex
Ill.Comp. Robert Greenhead	Dep.District Grand Recorder	Sussex

Total: 34

HEADS OF OTHER ORDERS AND OTHER DIGNITARIES OF THE DISTRICT

R.Ill. Comp John Bonomy	P.D.G.M, Past Provincial Grand Master (Craft), P.G.Supt (R.A).	East Kent
R.Ill. Comp Graham Smith	P.Dist.GM, Dist.G.Insp. Cayman Islands	
Comp. Clive Manuel	D.G.M. Allied Masonic Degrees	
Ill. Comp Michael Bailey	Past Provincial Grand Master (Craft), P.G.Supt (R.A).	East Kent
Ill.Comp. Roger Odd	Deputy Provincial Grand Master (Craft)	East Kent
Ill.Comp. David Green	Deputy Provincial Grand Master (Mark)	Kent
Ill. Comp. Ralph Apperley	A.P.G.M. (Mark), Dep.D.G.P. (AMD)	Kent
Ill.Comp. Peter Brockbank	District Grand Prefect (AMD)	Kent
V.Ill.Comp. Noel Grout	Past Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler (OSM)	Kent
Ill.Comp. John Dalley	P.Pr.G.S.R. (OSM), P.Pr.Grand Summus (SC)	Kent
Ill.Comp. Colin Tunbridge	Sub Prior (KT)	Kent
Ill.Comp. Trevor Sharpe	Deputy Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler (OSM)	Kent
Ill. Comp. Lucjon Finnis	Prov.G. Summus (S.C)	Kent

Total: 10

ATTENDING COMPANIONS OF THE DISTRICT

V.Ill.Comp. Bernard Moore P.G.Lect.	Ill. Comp. Eric Head P.G.Cond.C.
Ill. Comp Colin Corder P.A.G.D.C.	Ill. Comp. Malcolm Burkett P.G.Swd.B
Ill.Comp. Jamie Allan P.G.St.B	Ill. Comp. John Lloyd P.G.St.B
Ill Comp. David Miller P.G.St.B.	Ill. Comp. Philip Clare P.G.St.B
Ill. Comp Brian Holland P.G.Stwd.	Ill. Comp. Eric Plaistowe P.G.Stwd.
Ill. Comp Eric Williams P.G.Stwd.	Ill.Comp. Stephen Davies P.Dist.G.Cond.C.
Ill.Comp. David S. Waters P.Dist.G.Stwd.	Ill Comp. Mark A Woolcott P.Dist.G.Man
Ill.Comp. Michael D. Stevens P.Dist.G.Man	Ill. Comp. John Rudd
Ill Comp Kevin C. Johnson	Ill. Comp Roland Till
Ill. Comp. J. Ian Thomas	Comp. Paddy Langdown
Ill. Comp. Roy Skelton	Comp. Robert Howlett
Comp. John Andrews	Comp. Alan Moore
Comp. Tony Waspe	Comp. Abayomi Villiers-Bright
Comp. M Stillwell	Comp. Tony Taylor

Total: 28

This gives a total of 91 which is in agreement with the signing in sheets.

ITEM 4: After the processions, the District Grand Master, ably assisted by his Officers opened the District Grand Council in due form at 11:00 hrs.

ITEM 5: Following a Eulogy the Companions stood to order in respect of departed merit for the passing of Ill Comps Paul Thomas TOLLER Godwyne Council died 7th January 2015 aged 75, Alan MEYER T.I.M of Octavian Council died 21st February 2015 , Roy Albert PIKE Kit's Coty Council died 18th June 2015 aged 77, John Alfred EDMONDSON PAGDC Godwyne Council died 14th August 2015 aged 89

ITEM 6: The minutes of the previous meeting of District Grand Council on the 3th October 2014 having been made available to all Companions were approved and signed by the District Grand Master.

ITEM 7: The District Grand Master welcomed the Distinguished Guests.

ITEM 8: The District Recorder called the roll of Councils within the District; all being well represented.

ITEM 9: The District Recorders report was read.

ITEM 10: The accounts having been made available to all members, together with the Treasurer's Report (and following the report by the Account Examiners) were duly adopted with a vote of thanks to the Treasurer and the Account Examiners. They were Proposed by Ill.Comp. John Dalley and seconded by Ill.Comp. Ron Jakes.

ITEM 11: A proposal by the District Grand Treasurer to increase the District Fees by £1.00 per member to £4.00pa, seconded by Comp. John Cruttenden was approved.

Item 12: There being no other nominations Ill. Comp. David Norris was elected District Grand Treasurer.

ITEM 13: Ill. Comps. Malcolm Cheeseman and Peter Munn were re-elected as the Account Examiners, having been proposed by R. Ill Comp TAD Bowler and Seconded by Ill Comp RW Hudson

ITEM 14: No other nominations having been received R. Ill. Comp. Terence Bowler and V. Ill. Comp. David Viggers were declared re-elected to serve on the Executive Committee.

ITEM 15: The District Grand Master advised District Grand Council that, due to ill health, Ill. Comp. Peter McIntyre was standing down as Dep. Dist. G.M. The District Grand Master recorded his appreciation of the support he had received from Ill Comp. Peter over the last eight years and his regret that circumstances prevented him from continuing in office.

The District Grand Master then nominated Ill. Comp. Raymond W Hudson as Deputy District Grand Master Designate. Ill. Comp. Hudson was then admitted in due form, obligated and installed as Deputy District Grand Master.

Ill Comp. Raymond W. Hudson was proclaimed and saluted as Deputy District Grand Master.

ITEM 16: The District Grand Master then nominated Ill. Comp. Mark C. Bassant as District Principal Grand Conductor of the Works Designate. Ill. Comp. Bassant was then admitted in due form, obligated and installed as District Grand Principal Conductor of the Work.

Ill Comp. Mark C. Bassant was proclaimed and saluted as District Grand Principal Conductor of the Work.

Item 17: The District Grand Master then invested those Officers he had been pleased to appoint:

Ill.Comp. The Rev. Howard Pashley

District Grand Chaplain

re-appointment

Ill.Comp. David Norris	District Grand Treasurer	<i>elected</i>
Comp. John Cruttenden	District Grand Recorder	<i>re-appointment</i>
Ill.Comp. Douglas Bonomy	District Grand Director of Ceremonies	<i>re-appointment</i>
Ill.Comp. Brian Holland	District Grand Lecturer	
Ill.Comp. Peter Munn	District Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies	
Ill.Comp. David Miller	District Grand Captain of the Guard	
Ill.Comp. Mark Woolcott	District Grand Conductor of the Council	
Ill.Comp. Anthony Lewis	District Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	
Ill.Comp. Peter Chun	District Grand Sword Bearer	
Ill.Comp. Kevin Johnson	District Grand Standard Bearer	
Ill.Comp. Malcolm Cheeseman	District Grand Assistant Recorder	<i>re-appointment</i>
Ill.Comp. Michael Bailey	District Grand Organist	<i>re-appointment</i>
Ill.Comp. P David Rogers	District Grand Steward	
Ill.Comp. William Taylor	District Grand Manciple	
Ill.Comp. Ian Thomas	District Grand Manciple	
Ill. Comp. Roland Till	District Grand Manciple	
Ill.Comp. Maxwell Gibbins	District Grand Sentinel	<i>re-appointment</i>

Promotion to Past Rank:

Ill.Comp. Anthony Pointer	Past District Grand Conductor of the Council
Ill.Comp. David Waters	Past District Grand Conductor of the Council

ITEM 18: The District Grand Master then presented Silver Trowels and Silver Trowel Certificates to the following Companions:

- Ill.Comp. David Neale
- Ill.Comp. Lucjon Finnis
- Ill.Comp. Denis Ovenden
- Ill.Comp. Derek Edwicker
- Ill.Comp. David Norris

ITEM 19: The District Grand Master addressed the assembled Companions who responded with hearty applause. *A copy of the District Grand Master's Address is attached to these minutes.*

ITEM 20: Alms were collected.

ITEM 20: Apologies were given on behalf of

R.Ill.Comp. Christopher Gibson Lewis	District Grand Master	Middlesex
R.Ill. Comp John Jacobson	District Grand Master	Essex
The District Grand Master and Executive of East Midlands		
The District Grand Master and Executive of Cheshire, Shropshire & North Wales		
The District Grand Master and Executive of Durham		
The District Grand Master and Executive of the North Midlands		
The District Grand Master and Executive of Dorset, Hampshire and the Isle of Wight		
The District Grand Master and Executive of Hertfordshire		
The District Grand Master and Executive of Devon & Cornwall		
The District Grand Master and Executive of Cumberland and Westmoreland		
The District Grand Master and Executive of North and East Yorkshire		

Ill. Comp. Paul Butler	Grand Superintendent District No.5 (KTP)	Kent
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Apologies from the District were received from R.Ill.Comp. Kessick Jones Deputy Grand Master, Ill Comps. Ian MacKenzie, Ron Ball, Alex Ross, Trevor Harrison., Brian Barden, Martyn Burch, Alan Eadie, Martin

Budds, Howard Doe, Ian Tough, Peter Chun, Bill Taylor, David Austin, Jason Cameron-Potter, David Edge, David Barden, William Balderston and Trevor Willis and Comp Vic Parrott

ITEM 21: District Grand Council was closed in due form at 13.01hrs.

ITEM 22: The National Anthem was sung.

ITEM 23: The District Grand Master, accompanied by the District Grand Officers and Distinguished Guests retired in procession.

The Companions then retired to an excellent festive board, at which 73 were present.

These are the minutes as I have interpreted them.

SIGNEDDISTRICT GRAND RECORDER

SIGNEDDISTRICT GRAND MASTER