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## Tip of the day:

It is recommended that if you are printing this newsletter off, print at 2 pages per sheet as the content has been modified to suit this format.



## EDITORIAL

This edition marks the anniversary of the 50th version of the Source (not including the 65 weekly editions during lockdown), which have been produced over the last 18 years. You can see the very first edition in an article this time, and see how times have changed!

This month really saw the opening up of Freemasonry once again, with the splendour of Provincial Grand Lodge - held in the glorious surroundings of Birmingham University. What a place to witness the grandeur of the ceremonies, hear the wonderful organ and mark our return! If you didn't go this time, put the date of the 14th May 2022 in your diary for next years, and reflect on an article published this time to see what newer Brethren make of it.

Full details and all photos of PGL can be seen on our brand new home of our website at [www.WorcestershireFreemasons.com](http://www.WorcestershireFreemasons.com) - take a hop over and check it out to see all the new features - including the ability to book for our Provincial Carol Service in December. Congratulations to our Webmaster Chris Phillips for a refreshing new look and watch as more information and features get added. Don't forget to sign up to the new notification service to get updates as things happen!

I hope you enjoy this issue as much as the previous 49 versions - so grab a brew, have a read - but then let's get back to the new normality!

**WBro A. J. Philpott**



## Brand New Website

*25<sup>th</sup> October saw the launch of our brand new home at*

[www.worcestershirefreemasons.com](http://www.worcestershirefreemasons.com)

It's an exciting move the Webmaster and team have been working hard to make it look smart, streamlined and professional. We hope it's eye catching and informative so any person looking at it knows just how they can enquire to become a Freemason.

You can sign up for the email notifications on the new home page or at the top of the news section. That way you won't miss out on all the latest news, updates and events that are going on.

Please feel free to have a look around, new sections are going to be added in the coming weeks, including a members section where all the secretarial forms will be kept up to date and soon the ticketing system will go live.

This year you will be booking your place for the Annual Carol Service and next year you will be able to book and pay for Provincial Grand Lodge.

Please feel free to get in touch with the Webmaster should you have any comments, feedback or questions at [webmaster@worcestershirepgl.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@worcestershirepgl.org.uk)



## First impressions of Provincial Grand Lodge

Being relatively new to Freemasonry with not as many years under my belt as many of you, when the summons for the PGL landed in my inbox, as I had not been to one before and then of course, Covid-19 stopping us all being able to, I thought this would be the perfect time to attend. The morning of the PGL arrived and I was full of trepidation as in what the day would hold in store for me. From the moment I arrived at the Great Hall at Birmingham University, I needn't have worried. On entering the Great Hall to find my seat, it certainly does have the 'wow factor' to see all these masons in their impressive regalia you would think would make you feel uneasy, however this was to the contrary as everybody made me feel at ease.

As proceedings started and the PGM entered at the rear of the procession, what a magnificent sight! I must say from my point of view, to see the PGM in the chair conducting the lodge meeting with his wardens was outstanding. Again watching the procession out of the hall was an excellent spectacle. I had elected to stay for the festive board and I am really glad I did. To be sat at a table with such eminent masons was a wonderful experience as they made me feel extremely welcome with lots of tips and insight into Freemasonry to boot.

So in conclusion it was an excellent day and for any of you masons that have not been before, take it from me it is a real 'must' experience event in the Freemasonry calendar.

**John Fennell**

To read the full text of the PGM's address visit the new website or click [HERE](#)



# Freemasons sign up to the Armed Forces Covenant



The Freemasons have signed the Armed Forces Covenant during a ceremony at Freemasons' Hall in Covent Garden on 20 October led by His Royal Highness, The Duke of Kent.

The partnership aims to support members of the Armed Forces community and ensure they have the same access to government as well as commercial services and products as any other citizen.

By signing the Armed Forces Covenant, the United Grand Lodge of England (UGLE) will be able to demonstrate its support to members of the Armed Forces in a number of areas, including education, family wellbeing, getting a home, starting a new career, access to healthcare, financial assistance and discounted services.

UGLE has a strong Armed Forces background through its military Lodges. This partnership therefore represents an important step in further supporting both active and retired military personnel. Important Armed Forces personnel such as Admiral Sir Peter Parker, Francis Rawden-Hastings, 1st Marquess of Hastings, Captain Robert Falcon Scott, General Viscount Kitchener of Khartoum, Lieutenant Elias Henry Jones, Marshal of the Royal Air Force Cyril Louis Norton Newall, Commodore Wilfred Henderson and Thomas William Gould VC were all well-known Freemasons.

UGLE's Grand Master, His Royal Highness, The Duke of Kent, has a longstanding relationship with the military. In 1955, The Duke of Kent graduated from the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst as a Second Lieutenant. That was only the beginning of a military career that lasted more than 20 years.

He was promoted to Captain in 1961 and after having served in Hong Kong, His Royal Highness, The Duke of Kent was promoted again to Major in 1967. Three years later, he commanded a squadron of his regiment serving in the British Sovereign Base Area in Cyprus. In 1970, His Royal Highness, The Duke of Kent, also served in Northern Ireland, before being promoted to Lieutenant Colonel on 30 June 1973.

The Duke retired from active service on 15 April 1976. He was subsequently promoted to Major General on 11 June 1983 and to Field Marshal on 11 June 1993.

His Royal Highness, The Duke of Kent, said: "It is my great pleasure to sign the Armed Forces Covenant on behalf of the United Grand Lodge of England. This document represents part of our ongoing commitment to support active and retired military personnel. We are proud of our long-standing relationship with the Armed Forces and we will continue to promote their welfare, support, and respect amongst all our members."

By signing the Armed Forces Covenant, UGLE demonstrates its intention to support the Armed Forces community which, in turn, allows UGLE to be recognised by the UK government's Defence Employer Recognition Scheme (ERS). An ERS award shows that the recipient is delivering tangible support for the Armed Forces community.

Major General Simon Graham, Director Reserves Army, signing of behalf of the Military of Defence, said: "The Armed Forces Covenant is a commitment to support those who have served and their families. The support of employers and making a public pledge of support to the Armed Forces community that they are valued by society is vital. This year we celebrate the Armed Forces Covenant's 10th anniversary, and for centuries the United Grand Lodge of England has a solid connection to the Armed Forces, and it makes perfect sense for us to have the Freemasons signing up to Armed Forces Covenant this year. I'd like to thank the United Grand Lodge of England for supporting the Armed Forces community."



Dr David Staples, UGLE's Chief Executive, said: "It is a great honour to be able to sign the Armed Forces Covenant. From its earliest foundations, Freemasonry has always had a strong relationship with the Armed Forces. Today, we want to thank those brave men and women who dedicate their lives to protecting our country and the people who live here. They deserve all our thanks, our respect and this is one of many steps we aim to take in helping both active and retired members of the Armed Forces and their families."

On the same day that the UGLE signed the covenant at Freemasons' Hall, heads of Freemasonry in the Isle of Man, Cheshire, East Lancashire, West Lancashire and North Wales also made their commitment to the Armed Forces Covenant. This is in addition to Staffordshire and Yorkshire North and East Riding regions. In total 24 Provinces have either signed or will sign the Covenant. The Masonic Charitable Foundation and the RMBI will also sign the covenant in December 2021 at their AGM.

Original article & pictures by UGLE



# A Tale of Two Editors

## *From paper to digital in 50 editions*

**The fiftieth edition of the Source** offers a real opportunity to hit the pause button and have a quick look back over the eighteen years history of the publication. Many believe that the Source is simply the finest digital publication for Freemasonry in the UK. Its brand is highly respected and seen as the best “single view” with regards to Freemasonry in the Province of Worcestershire.

So where and when did it all begin... who was behind it and who edits it now?

Those brethren who were active masons in the late 1990's and early 2000's will well remember the very real thirst for masonic updates, a provincial commentary, and solid information on the craft. The province was in those days, as was still common practice in most businesses of that period, a paper driven entity. So, it became clear that there was an essential need to have a recognised and consolidated communication tool in the form of a printed newsletter to address the audience in the province.

The PGM at the time was RW Bro Barry Cooper, who looked to three trusted brothers to assist in developing the approach towards information and provincial strategy for communication. They were VW Bro Colin Brown, RW Bro Robert Vaughan, and WBro Roger Hall-Jones. Very soon this team was supplemented by two other well-known people in WBro Keith Blizzard and RW Bro Robert Vaughan's wife Stephenie. Indeed, it was Keith who went on to become the very first editor to what we now know of as the Source.

A quick aside. The original publication in August 2003 was called the 'Worcester News' but it rapidly adopted the alternative moniker of the 'Worcester Source'. The name coming from Stephenie, as 'Worcester Sauce' was a popular condiment in the province in those days, to add to the soup at the festive board. Hence the legend was born!

Keith Blizzard took on the role of inaugural editor in 2003 and led the first three years of the printed edition. They were according to Keith exciting times. Lots of doing things for the first time, serious thought in creating a narrative for the publication, and learning to understand what worked and what simply didn't.

The founding principles set out by Keith and the team were that the Source should be “..easy to read, informative and entertaining”. While every brother should “..look forward to the next edition”. They still ring as strong and as true today as they did in 2003.

It must be remembered brethren that almost overnight they started to produce an authorised Provincial masonic publication with a print run and circulation of approaching 4,000 readers. All who received the copy in the post! A truly magnificent achievement.

For those readers interested in a trip down memory lane then click on the link below to view the first edition [https://issuu.com/waynebarker/docs/worcestershiresource\\_no1](https://issuu.com/waynebarker/docs/worcestershiresource_no1)



Over the years many worthy brethren have followed Keith in the role of editor. Indeed, the current version is now under the patronage of its third PGM, Robert Vaughan. But these days it's all digital, with all communications handled by an enthusiastic Provincial Comms Team led by WBro Brody Swain as Provincial Communication Officer under the portfolio of APGM WBro Mike Dykes.

The current editor is WBro Andy Philpott who edits a genuinely rich format publication that has a circulation of over 2,500 readers. It's modern format, designed by the Deputy Editor Bro Adam Lewis, directly reflects those provincial activities, has a strong commentary from our rulers and most importantly offers insights to the wonderful work undertaken by all the brethren in Worcestershire.

Indeed, Andy ensures that it has a balanced narrative, reflects the founding principles, while at the same time is informative with up to the minute coverage from where possible just about every active lodge. Andy believes that with the revamped publication “..we now start to look forward with a change in emphasis, on not so much immediate news, (our other social media platforms and website will take care of those) but on regular features, articles and up and coming events.”

Under Andy's editorial the Source has also expanded to include regular coverage of such important elements such as The Cubit Club, The Widows Sons, Around the Lodges, News from Grand Lodge, Festival 2022, Worcester Masonic Library, Events and Charity Work.

Most importantly as the face of the Source, Andy's editorial in the October edition really struck a chord with so many brethren when he commented “..the green shoots of recovery have begun in earnest – so sit back and relax, take part where you can, and most of all enjoy!”. It's this active commentary that ensures we all stay on message, take comfort from the insights the Source shares and to remember what led us to become masons in the first place. A great way to encourage us all to take those crucial footsteps back to the square.

Finally, and perhaps most importantly of all, as the times have changed then the Source too has changed to reflect the new readership landscape and masonry in general. Thus, ensuring that it remains fresh in its commentary, relevant with its narrative and most importantly informative to read. Roll on the next fifty editions as we look forward to the centenary version.

**Happy reading brethren!**

**WBro Mark Keepax**

# Charity Stewards Conference

**WBro Bill Tucker and I attended the bi-annual conference held this year in Bristol.** The Conference being chaired as before by WBro Howard Wilson.

This was the third Conference I attended on your behalf and was the most informative, the merger of the original four Masonic Charities is showing very positive results in terms of reducing unnecessary administration, cooperation between all sections, a focussed approach to technology and a more united way of getting our message of "Freemasonry in the Community" across to the public.

The Conference was attended by almost every Province in England and Wales with approximately 100 delegates present. A great opportunity to see all the background work which has been going on to offer more support to Charity Stewards, Festivals, TLC, and promotional material which can be personalised for our Province initially at no cost to us.

In particular by using on-line documentation the time taken to process support for a Lodge's chosen Charity through the Relief Chest has been reduced from weeks to days. The new Charity Steward's handbook will, like many support documents, be available on-line making it easier to reference any section when help is required.

We were able to meet at all levels the team at MCF head office, and to understand better to ways that our Province can get support when required. In a few days I will be able to send to all Charity Stewards the links to enable them to go on-line to get the very latest information which will be continually updated when necessary.

**WBro David Dey**



*Pictured L:R Little Ted, WBro Bill Tucker*

# Around the Lodges

## Lechmere Volunteer Lodge No. 1874 Lichfield half-marathon

**Worshipful Brother Nick White** (past master Lechmere Volunteer Lodge no 1874) completed the Lichfield half marathon on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October. Nick was running to raise funds for the Worcestershire festival 2022 appeal and the The Masonic Charitable foundation.

Nick has so far raised over £1500 for this deserving cause but has vowed never to do a half marathon again!



# Royal Standard Lodge No. 498

## Proclamation and 50<sup>th</sup> Year Certificate

It was my pleasure to be invited by WM Brody Swain to the first meeting of Royal Standard lodge 498 since the end of lockdown. But this was not only their first meeting since lockdown, it was their first meeting in their new home at The James S Webb Freemasonry Centre in Stourbridge.

It doesn't stop there. It was also a night attended by the PGM and his team as they were there to present a 50 year certificate to WBro David Dunn PPrJGW.

My first impression on arrival was the excellent presentation of the centre, but my attention was quickly drawn away from this with my need to try to find a vacant seat in the temple, as it was packed.

You certainly wouldn't have thought it was a first meeting back sitting watching the ceremony as it was faultless, which was even more impressive as it was also the proclamation of WBro Brody Swain PCO in to the chair and having the pressure of having the provincial team watching.

The PGM's presentation of the 50 years certificate to WBro Dunn was both enlightening and emotional.

It was my pleasure to sit opposite WBro Dunn at the festive board which allowed me to get an excellent insight in to him and the changes he has seen over his 50 years in Freemasonry. This included many stories of his time as treasurer.

I would like to thank WBro Swain for his invitation and the PGM and his team for an excellent ceremony and presentation and of course my congratulations to WBro David Dunn.

**Bro John Fennell**



# Double Celebration

Abbot Lichfield's lodge meeting on Thursday 14th October was an extra special one for two reasons. Firstly, it saw Bro William Duffy receiving his Grand Lodge Certificate. This was no ordinary Grand Lodge Certificate, it was in fact Grand Lodge District of South Africa Western Division Certificate which is something you do not see every day in Evesham. Bro Duffy (as you may guess) is South African and indeed did his first degree in South Africa.

Secondly, we also had the privilege of the provincial team led by Asst PGM Michael Dykes to present a 50th year certificate to WBro Gerald Ricketts PAGDC. The provincial team did an excellent job which was made even more poignant as the Asst PGM and WBro Ricketts have known each other for many years. It was a truly excellent evening which will be remembered for many years.

**Bro John Fennell**



# Abbot Lichfield Lodge No. 3308





## Zip Wire Challenge Update

It was following a zoom meeting earlier this year, during which the subject of the retention and recruitment of members was mentioned, that several of us within Unity Lodge decided to do something that would be both exciting and adventurous for the participants, would raise the profile of Unity Lodge and could ultimately raise some money for charity.

Prostate cancer in Worcester and Festival 2022 were our chosen charities and a target of £1000 was set. Any money raised was to be split equally between them.

WBro Paul Sampson, Bro Mike Best, Bro Patrick Lee and the writer agreed to take part in a ride on a mile long zip wire, at speeds of over 100mph, at a disused quarry in Snowdonia. Unfortunately, in the meantime Bro Lee contracted covid and remains at home in bed recuperating. We pray for his speedy recovery.

On Thursday of last week, 3 members of this lodge set out from Worcester with a clean pair of trousers (just in case) and a bag of nerves and headed for Bethesda, nr. Bangor, the venue for the challenge. After completing the challenge each member of the team was asked if he had enjoyed the ride and would he do it again. Without hesitation the answer to both questions was a resounding "yes".

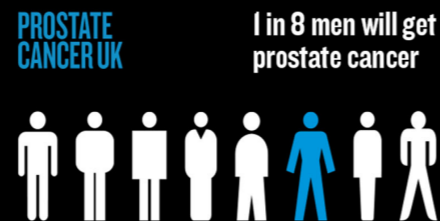
Bro Mike Best (our treasurer) has told me that we have raised or been promised a total of £4000 to date. It could be more once gift aid is added or if someone here tonight wishes to donate.

In conclusion, may we take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported us financially or encouraged us in our endeavours. This challenge has allowed us to showcase all that is great about Freemasonry and has demonstrated how we can champion our values of integrity, friendship, respect and charity.

**Thank you.**

**WBro John Rawson**

*For some time, several members of Unity Lodge have nursed a desire to do something that was both exciting and adventurous*



## Entered Apprentice - Malcolm Banks

### *First steps in the lambskin apron*



his mother lodge, that has helped nurture his masonic understanding.

The pandemic has brought about a sea change of working practices and a step change in how the world now communicates. Habits that would normally take society on average five years to adopt were achieved in mere hours and days. We all now Zoom... Teams is for Business and for the more avant-garde Google Meet (formally Hangouts) are the video communications mediums of choice. But what has this meant for masonry? More importantly what did it mean for Malcolm?

Those familiar with the workings of the Cubit Club, saw it and Zoom combine to become the ideal medium for a 'digital mason'. Crucially, during these challenging times, it offers an uninterrupted involvement in masonry. It also brings the benefits of on-line friendships, along with a regular dialogue with like-minded brothers.

Within days of Malcolm Banks being initiated into Freemasonry, by joining the ranks as a Worcestershire Mason in Elmley Castle Lodge No. 6246, the COVID19 lockdown restrictions came into being. Since that time, he has then spent the last eighteen months fundamentally as a "digital mason", keenly awaiting the formal re-opening of the order.

But that has not stopped him fulfilling the essential requirement of every brother, that of making a daily advancement in masonry. A commendable achievement, particularly given the challenging global circumstances. Here is Malcolm's story and an insight as to why the future for the Province is so bright.

Malcolm is a brother whose desires to serve his community lead to an exemplary and enjoyable period with both Roundtable and more latterly 41 Club. During this time, he had several offers to become a mason, unfortunately circumstance did not permit this. When it did, the pandemic struck with such a force, that for Malcolm, masonry changed over-night.

Since the outbreak of the pandemic, like all Lodges, Elmley Castle has been proactively supporting all its members, widows and the wider family that make up the brethren. Malcolm has also benefitted from an active and ever growing digital masonic community within Worcestershire. It is this community, along with

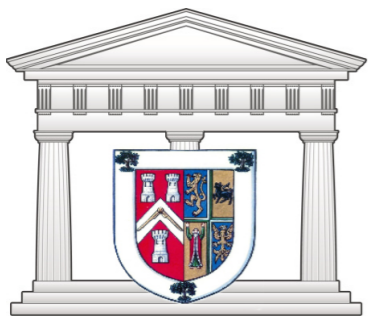
It is this "me time" that is recognised by all health practitioners as being hugely important to mental well-being. Indeed, the Club's Zoom popularity saw the average attendance rise to around sixty to eighty brethren on each call. According to Malcolm it's a hearty and highly enjoyable environment. It's also a supportive and informal medium within which to understand the key principles of masonry. Particularly, those of fun, friendship, and service to others.

So, while Malcolm doesn't put the lambskin apron on, he dons a 'digital persona' not too dissimilar. Which given Malcolm's passion for singing, ensures that he still has a voice and is heard even if it is across broadband. Whilst most importantly, immersing himself in what it means to be a Worcester mason.

**WBro Mark Keepax**

*"ED's note: since this article was written, as of 20th October 2021, Malcolm has passed with great excitement his 2nd degree. And quotes "This Brotherhood just seems to get better, just can't wait for my further progress within Freemasonry"*





# Worcestershire Masonic Library and Museum

## We finished our last article at the commencement of the construction of the Library and Museum

**By this time the Museum had completed its successful appeal**, raising £200,000 and had already taken a firm decision that no more than half was to be spent on improvements to premises. This also included the conversion and fitting-out of the Provincial Archive Store at Bromsgrove, which had taken about £20K. The rest was to be a foundation fund to provide a private income; so, costs had to be carefully watched. Altogether the budget for the extension was £65k.

It was evident that a great deal of DIY would be necessary if we were to achieve our objectives and stay within budget. A casual visitor to the Museum during the summer of 2006 might have found the Deputy Curator WBro Tony King sawing up lengths of skirting-board. The Deputy Chairman, WBro John Tapson at the time, at the back end of an electric drill, the Chairman WBro Colin Young wielding a paint roller on the walls, the Assistant Curator, the late WBro Roy Padden laying carpet tiles, and the Curator, the late WBro John Hart shifting exhibits round as the work dictated.

The builders employed were wonderful. Whilst they were cutting through and carrying out the conversion work, they secured and covered everything in the 'old' Museum so efficiently the need to move many of the precious exhibits was unnecessary, and those that were, only as far as the rehearsal room next door. The nightmare scenario would have been having to transport scores of antique ceramic and glass pieces to some place of safety. The work though slow, was however completed with no damage to any artefact.

The Museums, Libraries & Archives Council provided a grant of £5,000 to engage a consultant to advise on how best to exploit the extra space. Four applicants were short listed. The standard was very high - one pair from London had a brilliant track record and were known to have been associated with some household names in the Museum/display world, the SS Great Britain among them - but were visibly disappointed when the budget was so small.

The record of the designer who was appointed, had himself won at least one major prize, and had worked on the Sutton Hoo project, produced what was an excellent plan for the use of the available space. The work was completed in February 2007 with 60% more display space, as well as a Library, an Office and a work area which had never previously been available.

### Plans were put in place for the official opening.

On May 13<sup>th</sup> the official opening took place - the guest of honour was that well-known citizen of Worcester Mr Henry Sandon. Television Roadshow personality, a regular visitor and good friend of the Library and Museum, who captivated everyone present with his speech and the way he entered into the spirit of the occasion, touring the exhibits and sharing his expertise with the other guests.

His visit led to some very respectable press coverage, including a long feature article in **Worcestershire Life**.

The museum had been closed for most of 2006, but since then, has been fully operational. In 2004. The Curator of the Museum was John Hart whom some of you may remember as the winter of the BBC television programme, Mastermind, and had been so for six years. There were two major projects underway. Firstly, there was the cataloguing and identification of all the items in the Library & Museum and secondly there was a wish to gain national recognition as an accredited museum. The first one being an essential part of the second.

**WBro Bill Mason**

## Next article ... Cataloguing and Accreditation



Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November sees the resumption of several Remembrance Sunday Services and parades throughout the Province, in which freemasons will be marching through the streets in full regalia. If you do attend, please send in some pictures so we can feature in next month's Source.

Pictured Members from many orders in Worcestershire marching at Redditch (2019) in full attire led by the PGM, Rulers and Provincial Officers, accompanied by Rulers and brethren from Warwickshire





# Perambulation CUBIT CLUB STYLE

The Cubit Club held its first Class of Instruction (COI) of 2021 on the 23rd September at Northfield Masonic Hall. The COI is the brain child of WBro Simon Rogers and it is his intention to hold them monthly across the province (so it will be coming to a hall near you).

Due to a busy afternoon ahead, it was my intention to pop in to say hello and take a quick photo for the Source. However, I must have forgotten to send Simon that email, as he asked me where I was on the Square and as quick as that I was in the meeting and WOW how glad I was. Simon instructed everyone to their places. For me, it was JW. Now I have attended many LOIs in my Lodge, but none like this.

WBro Simon's easy going approach and the willingness to break down each move and explain the meaning and the reason why, I personally found invaluable. There was absolutely no pressure, if a mistake was made we talked it through and put it right. I didn't realise there was so much to learn about perambulation, but I do now, thank you Simon.

Now I totally recommend you drop by one of our COIs and experience the WBro Simon Rogers' experience for yourself. You will not be disappointed and of course, you may just learn a thing or two among young and new masons on your level.

**Bro John Fennell — Cubit Club Committee Member**

The next regular class of instruction meeting took place in Malvern during October. A great time was had by all that attended!



Cubit Club COI at Malvern

## Generous Legacy *From a well respected Mason*

WBro Royden Matthew Smith PPrSGW sadly passed to the Grand Lodge above earlier this year. Roy, who's mother lodge was Old Dudleian Lodge No. 6734 was active in a number of orders. He was a well respected member of Godson Lodge of MMM No 330; Abraham Green Lodge of RAM No 330 and also an Honorary member of Millennium Lodge of RAM No: 1822.

Roy made a series of generous bequests. Roy left the sum of £70,000 EACH to Halesowen Masonic Hall and to the new James S Webb Freemasonry Centre in Stourbridge, where a number of lodges he attended meet.

Roy bequeathed £70,000 directly to the Mark Benevolent Fund, the national charity of Mark Masons. Roy made a further masonic directed bequest of £70,000 to the St John of Jerusalem eye hospital the national charity for the United Orders (KT).

To add further to these generous Masonic bequests, Roy also made donations of £140,000 each to The Mary Stevens Hospice in Stourbridge and also to the Ophthalmic unit at the Russell's Hall hospital, where Roy had been a regular out-patient for several years receiving treatment for macular degeneration.

I am sure you will all join with me in remembering again our late Brother Royden and his huge generosity, the distinguishing characteristic of a Freemasons Heart.

**DATES FOR  
YOUR  
DIARY**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December  
Christmas Carol Service,  
Pershore Abbey**



# Charity News

Now we are all getting back into our Freemasonry and our charity work is starting in earnest, it is time to start spreading the word of our work across the province.

As part of my role on the Comms Team; I am responsible for charity news for the Worcestershire Source. I would like to promote all charity work done by your lodge and by its brethren, however big or small.

We will be able to promote upcoming events and give feedback afterwards.

I will be running a monthly page and can even spotlight your lodge.

So why not be the first to get the good work of your lodge into the Source.

Please feel free to email me or call. I look forward to hearing from you.

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## Worcestershire Masonic LOTTERY

Last month's winners

**J. P. Bloomer—Old Halesonian, No. 7104**

**Mrs E. A. Parkes—Forge Mill, No. 9658**

**J. A. Sinton—Vernon, No. 560**

**J Guise—Royds, No. 1204**

All profit from the lottery goes to the West Midlands Air Ambulance, Acorns Childrens Hospice, and to the 2022 Charity supporting many different worthy causes across Worcestershire. Download an application form [here](#).



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