



## Welcome Back

Brethren,

I hope each and every one of you have a very peaceful recess and its great to have you all back within our midst.

This recess has seen some highs and some lows. Highs in the fact that once again we have improved the facilities within the lodge, by replacing toilet seats within the women's toilets, Cleaned, repainted and added new lighting to the bar area. Cleaned and painted the cellar and also redecorated the kitchen with new sink and work tops along

with a lick of paint. I would like to thank the Bro Secretary for driving these improvements and to all the brethren who gave up their time to ensure they were completed.

Another high was the celebration of PM Bro Thomas Duncan's 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday / Retirement. I'm sure everybody enjoyed Tommy's birthday party within the lodge and we wish him well in his retirement.

On a Low note we sadly lost Bro John McLean to the Grand Lodge above. John had been in hospital for some time following his diagnosis with cancer and ultimately his stroke. The lodge was excellently represented at the funeral and I would like to extend my sincere thanks to every brother who supported the McLean family on this occasion. The lodge sends our deepest condolences.

Our Dramatic degree is now only 6 weeks away and we are excited and apprehensive at the same time. October 12<sup>th</sup> has been set for this degree and all proceeds will be donated to the Provincial Fundraising efforts.

Remember....if there is anything you would like to see included in this newsletter, please email the Bro Secretary direct.

Onward and Upwards

Fraternal Wishes

*Peter*

## WSW Degree

Tonight (6<sup>th</sup> Sept) sees our WSW Bro Tom Steel start to prepare himself for the duties of the chair in February. As is customary, Tom starts of with the FC degree on our Live candidate Bro Stuart Feeney EA.

The Brethren of the lodge wish Tom and Bro Feeney all the best in tonight's ceremony

## Lodge Facts



### Did you Know?...

The annual John Grant Memorial dominoes tournament was held in 272 over the recess. Winners were 272 , closely followed by 1601 with 1186 coming in at the rear. A great night was had by all

### Did you Know? ...

Due to inclement weather the Annual Fete at the Sir James McKay house has been re-scheduled for the 8<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm. If you have anything which could be used for a tombola or raffle, please deposit with PM Bro Jim Robertson where it will be thankfully received and faithfully applied.

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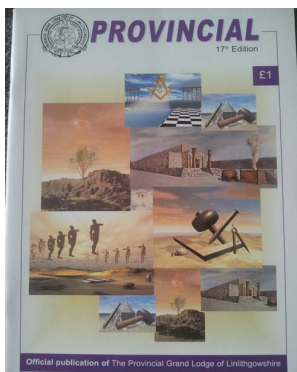
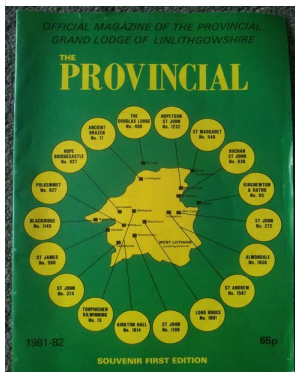
## Additional Prov Fundraising:

As well as the Dramatic Degree, PM Dro Richard Ralston has a complete set of Provincial Magazines (17 A4 issues), commencing from 1981 which he would like to sell to raise funds for Provincial.

There are also a few of the smaller A5 Provincial booklets up for grabs as well. If you are interested in purchasing these as a job lot then please submit your bid to the Brother Secretary. There are also a few duplicate individual copies available incase you have missed a few and need them to complete your collection.

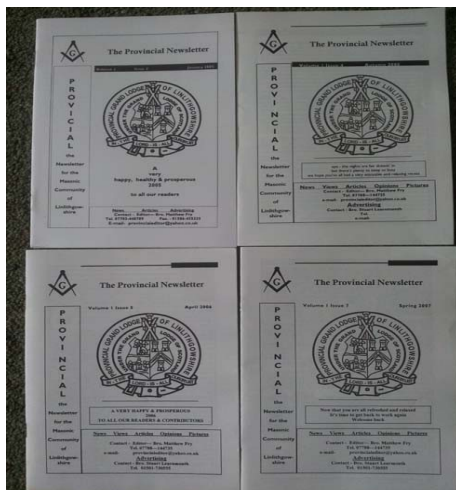
Magazines available include....

A4 Complete set vol 1-17 plus A5 Vol1 issues 2,4,5 & 7  
3 x edition 2, 1 x edition 4, 1x edition 5, 2 x edition 6  
1 x edition 7 1 x edition 9, 1 x edition 10, 1 x edition 16  
2 x edition 17 Duplicates



A5 Duplicate booklets include....

4 x vol 2, 1 x vol4 and 2 x vol7



The highest bidder(s) will be announced on the 12<sup>th</sup> Oct at the Dramatic degree

## Centenary Standing Order:

In order to raise funds for the centenary, the lodge encourage those who can afford it, to set up a £10 monthly standing order. Forms are available from the Bro secretary and will commence on the 1<sup>st</sup> October. The centenary year will be a big year for the lodge and it is hoped as many brethren as possible will support this initiative.

## Advertising:

If you would like to advertise your business within our newsletter, we would take a nominal fee which would be put towards our Centenary fund. Please see the Bro Secretary for more details.

## Future Articles:

Should any brother have any articles of interest, photographs etc., trips down memory lane, then please submit them to the Bro Secretary, PM Bro Alan Borsbey at the following email address...

[bod101uk@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:bod101uk@yahoo.co.uk)

### Please note:

Only photographs sanctioned by the owner will be used.

## Petitions:

There are currently no petitions. Should you wish to propose a gentleman into the lodge, please see the Bro Secretary for an application form

## Mark Your Diaries:

Sept 5<sup>th</sup> – FC Degree by 1186 WSW  
Sept 19<sup>th</sup> – EA Degree by 1614  
Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> – FC degree by 374  
Oct 8<sup>th</sup> – FC degree at 1145 by 1186  
Oct 10<sup>th</sup> – FC degree at 1505 by 1186  
Oct 12<sup>th</sup> – Dramatic MM degree (Provincial Fundraiser) 5pm tyle  
Oct 17<sup>th</sup> – MM Degree by 1186  
Oct 28<sup>th</sup> – EA degree at 1601 by 1186  
Oct 31<sup>st</sup> – 3 way tie visit to 409  
Nov 7<sup>th</sup> – FC Degree by 1505  
Nov 21<sup>st</sup> – EA Degree by 1186 WSW  
Dec 5<sup>th</sup> – AGM (1186 Brethren only)  
Dec 19<sup>th</sup> – FC degree by 272