

Provincial Grand Chapter of Hampshire and Isle of Wight
Minutes of the Annual Convocation held at the Novotel, Southampton
on Saturday, 9th June 2018.
 240th Annual Convocation

Present:

R.A. Provinces

Berkshire	E Comp Ian Hopgood MEGSupt ,
Berkshire	E Comp Jeremy Whitmore PGStB, DepGSupt
Berkshire	E Comp Roger Jones PGStB, ProvGSE
Berkshire	E Comp Richard Williams PAGDC, ProvGTreasurer
Bristol	E Comp Richard Lewis 2ndPGP
Bristol	E Comp Sam Glenn 3rdPrGP
Buckinghamshire	E Comp John Stribling PGStB, 2ndPGP
Buckinghamshire	E Comp Richard Reano PGStB, 3rdPrGP
Cornwall	E Comp Tony Evans PGSwdB, DepGSupt
Cornwall	E Comp Roger Clements 2ndPGP
Cornwall	E Comp Michael Barnard PGStB, ProvGSE
Devon	E Comp Simon Rowe MEGSupt
Devon	E Comp John Sevieri PGStB, 2ndPGP
Devon	E Comp Kevin Hurley PGStB, 3rdPrGP
Devon	E Comp Anthony Parker PGStB, ProvGSE
Dorset	E Comp Graham Glazier MEGSupt
Dorset	E Comp Christopher Lill PGSwdB, DepGSupt
Dorset	E Comp Brian Tritton PGStB, 2ndPGP
Dorset	E Comp Michael Worne PGStB, 3rdPrGP
Dorset	E Comp David Sandall PAGDC, ProvGSE
Dorset	E Comp Roger Angel PGStB, ProvGDC
East Kent	E Comp David Kershaw PGSwdB, DepGSupt
East Kent	E Comp Clive Manuel PGStB, 2ndPrGP
East Kent	E Comp John Baker PGStB, 3rdPrGp
Essex	E Comp Cliff Thoms PGSwdB, DepGSupt
Essex	E Comp Clive Rees PGStB, 2ndPrGP
Essex	E Comp Phillip Campbell PGStB, 3rdPrGp
Essex	E Comp Glyn Jarrett PAGSoj, Past2ndPrGP
Glo's and Hereford	E Comp Raymond Bennett PGSwdB, DepGSupt
Glo's and Hereford	E Comp David Ford PGStB, 2ndPrGP
Glo's and Hereford	E Comp Ken Tilley PGStB, 3rdPrGp
Glo's and Hereford	E Comp Bob Stacey PGStB, ProvGSE
G'rns'y and Alderney	E Comp Roddy Ray PGSwdB, DepGSupt
G'rns'y and Alderney	E Comp Don Clark 2ndPrGP
Hertfordshire	E Comp James Sharpley MEGSupt
Hertfordshire	E Comp David Hampton PGSwdB, DepGSupt
Metropolitan	E Comp Robert Chevin PGSoj, 3rdMetGPrin
Middlesex	E Comp Martyn Farrell PGSwdB, DepGSupt

Middlesex	E Comp Michael Karn PAGDC, 3rdPrGP
Middlesex	E Comp David Pearson PAGDC, ProvgSE
Oxfordshire	E Comp Leslie Steward PGSwdb, DepGSupt
Oxfordshire	E Comp Bernd Wegerhoff 3rdPrGP
Somerset	E Comp Alan Holton PGSwdb, DepGSupt
Somerset	E Comp David Parslow 3rdPGP
South Wales	E Comp Gerald Rowbottom MEGSupt
South Wales	E Comp Hugh Thomas PGStB, 3rdPGP
South Wales	E Comp Michael Coombes PGStB, Asst to PGPs
South Wales	E Comp Phillip Aubrey PGStB, ProvgSE
South Wales	E Comp Brian Scott PGStB, ProvgTreas
South Wales	E Comp John Steward PAGDC, ProvgReg
Suffolk	E Comp David Boswell MEGSupt
Surrey	E Comp Mike Robinson AsstPGSE
Surrey	E Comp Mark Winchester PAGSoj, ProvgSE
Sussex	E Comp Christopher Moore MEGSupt
Sussex	E Comp Richard Wigmore PGSwdb, DepGSupt
Sussex	E Comp Peter Lang PGStB, 3rd PrGP
West Kent	E Comp Michael Stillwell PGStB, 2nd PrGP
West Kent	E Comp Alan Cope PGStB, 3rd PrGP
Wiltshire	E Comp John Reid MEGSupt
Wiltshire	E Comp Simon Ellingham PGStB, 2nd PrGP
Wiltshire	E Comp Andrew Tiffin PGStB, 3rd PrGP
Wiltshire	E Comp Richard Palmer PGStB, ProvgDC

Hants & IoW CRAFT

E Comp Michael Wilks PGSwdb	PGM
E Comp Graham Williams PAGDC	DepPGM
E Comp Jonathan Whitaker PGStB	APGM
E Comp William Withers PAGDC	APGM
E Comp Roy Quin PPrDepGReg	APGM
E Comp David Foot PGStB	APGM
E Comp Leon Whitfield PPrGSwdb	APGM
E Comp Barrie Hewitt ProvgStwd	APGM
E Comp Frank Milner	ProvgSec
E Comp Ian Preece PPrDepGSwdb	ProvgDC

Heads of Orders

Hants & IoW	E Comp Roger Bricknell PGSwdb, PPrDepGSupt	Rt. Ill. Int Gen, Red Cross of Constantine
Hants & IoW	E Comp George Deacon PAGDC	PGM, Mark Master Masons
Dorset, Hants & IoW	E Comp Jeremy Shaw PAGSoj	DistG Master, Royal and Select Masters
Hants & IoW, Solent	E Comp Alan Gregory PGStB	Inspector General Ancient & Accepted Rite
Hants & IoW	E Comp Richard Batchelor PPrGSwdb (Dorset)	Provg Supreme Ruler Order of the Secret Monitor
Hants & IoW	E Comp Ian Campbell SLGCR	Provg Summus Order of the Scarlet Cord

Hants & IoW	E Comp Alan Hamilton PAGDC	PGM Royal Order of Scotland
S'thern Counties	E Comp Richard Dunleavy PAGDC	Dist G Prefect Order of the Allied Masonic Degrees
Southern England	E Comp Adrian Jones PPrGSN(Somerset)	Chief Adept Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia
Hants & IoW	E Comp Charles Aspinell PGStB	Provincial Prior, Knight Templar Priests

Hants & IoW Past Executive

E Comp Roger Jago PGSupt
E Comp Brian Bellinger PGSN, P3rdPGP
E Comp David Rowsell PAGSoj, P3rdPGP
E Comp Geoffrey Tuck PGStB, P3rdPGP
E Comp John Walker PAGSoj, P2ndPGP
E Comp James Colville PGStB, P3rdPGP
E Comp Jonathan Stainton-Ellis PGStB, P3rdPGP
E Comp Aidan Nally PGStB, P3rdPGP

The Grand Chapter Officers and the Provincial Grand Chapter Officers and Companions of Hampshire and Isle of Wight whose names are all recorded on the attendance sheets. A total of 364 attending.

Processions into Provincial Grand Chapter

Official Guests from the Craft Province of Hampshire and Isle of Wight and Heads of other Orders in the Province entered in procession

Official Guests from neighbouring Provinces below the rank of Most Excellent Grand Superintendent entered in procession.

Grand Superintendents from Neighbouring Provinces entered in procession.

The Deputy Grand Superintendent, E.Comp Colin R Upton, PGSwdB accompanied by Past Deputy Grand Superintendents, Past Second Provincial Grand Principals and Past Third Provincial Grand Principals of the Province entered in procession.

The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent in and over the Province of Hampshire and Isle of Wight, Excellent Companion Philip Alan Berman, entered in procession, accompanied by E.Comp Stephen M Allum PGStB, Second Provincial Grand Principal, E.Comp, David W Workman Third Provincial Grand Principal, and the Officers of Provincial Grand Chapter.

Item 1. To open Provincial Grand Chapter.

Provincial Grand Chapter was opened by the three Principals at 12:00 noon
The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent welcomed all the honoured guests of the Province.

Item 2. In Memoriam.

The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent made remembrance of those Companions who had passed to the Supreme Grand Chapter above since the last Provincial Convocation, making particular reference to E.Comp.Peter Jones, PDepGSwdB, P3rdPrGPrin. He then called upon the Third Provincial Grand Principal, E.Comp David W Workman, to offer a prayer, while the Companions stood in respect to departed merit.

The names of all Grand and Provincial Grand Officers whose passing had been notified to the Provincial Grand Scribe E are detailed on the Paper of Business and are appended to these minutes.

Item 3. The Roll of Provincial Grand Officers.

The Provincial Grand Scribe Ezra, E.Comp A. Tykocki, PGStB, reported that the Roll of Provincial Grand Officers had been checked and that all were present.

Item 4. The Roll of Provincial Chapters.

The Provincial Grand Scribe Ezra reported that all Chapters in the Province were well represented.

Item 5. To approve the minutes of the Annual Convocation held on 10th June 2017.

The Provincial Grand Scribe Ezra reported that the minutes of the Annual Convocation held on Saturday 10th June 2017 had been circulated to all Chapter Scribes and had been posted on the Provincial Grand Chapter Web-site for the information of the Companions. He then submitted those minutes for approval.

EComp E.Comp A Weldycz, PGStB proposed, and E.Comp N.W. Edwards PAGDC seconded that the minutes be approved and adopted as a true record. The proposition was carried.

Item 6. To submit the Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December 2017.

The Provincial Grand Treasurer, E.Comp M.J. Fagelman submitted for approval his report for the year ending December 31st 2017. He referred the Companions to his written report on the order paper, and expressed his thanks to the Provincial Office staff for their assistance during the year.

E.Comp J C Southwick, PAGDC, proposed, and E.Comp W.A. Jones PAGDC seconded the proposition that the Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31st 2017, together with the Treasurer's Report, be adopted and entered into the minutes. The proposition was carried.

The Accounts, Balance Sheet and Treasurer's report are appended to these minutes.

Item 7. To elect the Provincial Grand Treasurer.

The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent stated that as only one nomination had been received, that of E Comp Michael J Fagelman. He therefore declared E.Comp Michael J Fagelman duly elected as Provincial Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Item 8. To elect the Accounts Examiner.

The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent confirmed that only one nomination had been received, and he therefore declared Comp. Christopher Welton duly elected as Accounts Examiner for the ensuing year.

Item 9. To receive the Report of the Provincial Grand Scribe Ezra.

The Provincial Grand Scribe Ezra stated that his report to Provincial Grand Chapter had been distributed in advance to the Provincial Executive and to all Chapters for the attention of the Companions and that a copy appeared within the Paper of Business for this Convocation. The report was then submitted for approval by the Companions. E.Comp Malcolm Stephens, PAGDC proposed, and E.Comp. Philip Gooch, PAGDC, seconded the proposition that the Provincial Grand Scribe Ezra's report be adopted. The proposition was carried.

Item 10. To Re-appoint the Deputy Grand Superintendent.

The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent confirmed the re-appointment of E.Comp Colin Richard Upton, PGSwdB, as Deputy Grand Superintendent.

Item 11. To Re-Appoint the Second Provincial Grand Principal.

The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent confirmed the re-appointment of E.Comp Stephen Michael Allum, PGStB, as Second Provincial Grand Principal

Item 12. To Appoint and Invest the Third Provincial Grand Principal.

The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent then enquired whether E Comp David John Gosney, PGStB, was without and when this was confirmed, he asked the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, EComp Christopher Davis, PAGDC, to form a Deputation.

The Deputation was formed by:

EComp Mark Orsmond	ProvDepGDC	
EComp David Ryan	ProvDepGDC	
EComp. Owen Toms	Needles Chapter	No. 2838
EComp Jordan Fretter	Domus Deo Chapter	No. 5151
EComp Paul Knight	Charles Dickens Chapter	No. 8597
EComp Ian Collenette	Brook House Chapter	No. 8606
EComp Gerry Underwood	Royal Gloucester Chapter	No. 130

EComp D,J, Gosney processed into Provincial Grand Chapter with his escort.

He was presented to the M E Grand Superintendent by EComp Christopher Davis, ProvGDC. EComp David Gosney was obligated by the M E Grand Superintendent, who then clothed him in the robe of Third Provincial Grand Principal and invested him with his chain of office. The ME Grand Superintendent entrusted him with his sceptre and instructed him to take his seat. The Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, EComp Christopher Davis, PAGDC, declared EComp David John Gosney, PGStB, as Third Provincial Grand Principal.

Item 13. Appointment and Investiture of Provincial Grand Officers for 2018/2019

The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent requested the Provincial Grand Scribe Ezra to announce the names of those Active Provincial Grand Officers whom he was to re-appoint.

The following stood to order and were re-appointed, together with the thanks of the Most Excellent Grand Superintendent for their continued service:

ProvGSE	Anthony Tykocki	Southbourne Chapter	No. 6281
Re-elected ProvGTreas			
	Michael Fagelman	Old Portmuthian Chapter	No. 8285
ProvGDC	Christopher T. B. Davis	Chine Chapter	No. 1884
ProvDepGSE	Barry Wild	Brook House Chapter	No. 8606
ProvDepGDC	David L. Ryan	Chapter of Peace	No. 359
ProvDepGDC	Michael J. Ingram	Aldershot Camp Chapter	No. 1331
ProvGAlm	Peter Adams	Boscombe Chapter	No. 2158
ProvGOrg	Robert I Douglas	Chapter of Friendship	No.257
ProvGJan	David Taylor	St. Mary Chapter	No.7304

The Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies then called the Deputy Grand Directors of Ceremonies, Assistant Grand Directors of Ceremonies, and Provincial Grand Stewards to order, to assist with the investiture. The Provincial Deputy Grand Scribe Ezra proceeded to read the names of the other Provincial Grand Officers to be appointed and promoted. They were duly invested by the Most Excellent Grand Superintendent as follows:

Provincial Honours June 2018

Active Ranks

Surname	Forenames	Rank	Chapter	No
GOSNEY	David John	3rdProvGPrin	Domus Dei Chapter	5151
BATES	Stuart William	ProvGSN	Hants & IoW ProvGStwdsCh	9263
VINCENT	Ian Peter	ProvGReg	St Hubert Chapter	1373
LILLEY	Duncan Edward	ProvGSwdB	Connaught Chapter	1971
NASH	Robin Louis	ProvDepGReg	Twynham Chapter	5889
WILD	Barry	ProvDepGSE	Brook House Chapter	8606
GEDDES	Michael	ProvDepGDC	Chapter of Peace	359
McGEOCH	Charles Alexander	ProvDepGSwdB	William Kigston Chapter	407
WOOD	David Robert	ProvGChStwd	Yarborough Chapter	551
SCOVELL	Keith Robert	ProvGSoj	Asher Barfield	35
DAY	Kevin Andrew	Prov1stAsstGSoj	Ancasta Chapter	1461
SIBLEY	David John	Prov2ndAsstGSoj	Domus Dei Chapter	5151
WISELY	Graham	ProvAsstGSE	Brook House Chapter	8606
McCAW	Patrick	ProvGStB	Mercury Chapter	4581
HAYES	David John	ProvGStB	Richard Taunton Chapter	7050
NUNN	William Edwin	ProvGStB	Lee Britten Chapter	5782
HEATLEY	David Henry	ProvGStB	Woolmer Forest Chapter	3872
TOOMEY	Keith Leonard	ProvGStB	Drayton Chapter	8832
FELLOWS	Michael Graham	ProvGStB	Chapter of Harmony	309
DOUGLAS	Robert Ian	ProvGOrg	Chapter of Friendship	257
St JOHN-JACOBS	Paul	ProvAGDC	East Medina Chapter	175
TAYLOR	Paul Stephen	ProgAGDC	St Mary Chapter	7304
LEWIS	Michael	ProvAGDC	Chapter of Concord	394
TURNER	Alan Lloyd	ProvGStwd	Unity Chapter	132
ETHERIDGE	Christopher John	ProvGStwd	Chapter of Peace	359
ADAMS	Stephen Norman	ProvGStwd	Chapter of Concord	394
COLMER	David Richard	ProvGStwd	Chapter of Concord	394

PARKER	Alan John	ProvGStwd	Yarborough Chapter	551
HIBBERD	Michael James	ProvGStwd	Ancasta Chapter	1461
HUTCHINS	Kevin Terence	ProvGStwd	Connaught Chapter	1971
SALTER	Michael Patrick	ProvGStwd	Needles Chapter	2838
POWELL	James	ProvGStwd	Victory Chapter	3509
ADAMSON	James Matthew	ProvGStwd	Domus Dei Chapter	5151
LATTER	Anthony William	ProvGStwd	Vectensian Chapter	7852
JOHNSON	David Ralph	ProvGStwd	Old Portmuthian Chapter	8285
TIFFIN	Neil Douglas	ProvGStwd	Drayton Chapter	8832

Promotions

Surname	Forenames	Rank	Chapter	No
HENLEY	Kenneth John	PPrGSN	Unity Chapter	132
RICKEARD	Stanley Scott	PPrGSN	Chapter of Peace	359
LYDDALL	Peter Stanley George	PPrGSN	Panmure Chapter	723
HILL	Michael George	PPrGSN	Bramston Beach Chapter	2955
OUGHTON	Ronald Edward	PPrGSN	St Vincent Chapter	5295
WHITE	Brian Thomas	PPrGSN	King's Court Chapter	8441
WHITFIELD	Michael Brian	PPrGSN	King's Court Chapter	8441
WHITE, MBE	Kenneth James	PPrGReg	Chapter of Economy	76
BOWEN	David Martin	PPrGReg	Royal Gloucester Chapter	130
PULLINGER	John Edward	PPrGReg	Chapter of Friendship	257
MACINTYRE	Brian Donald	PPrGReg	Chapter of Peace	359
NIDDRIE	Robert Charles	PPrGReg	Chapter of Concord	394
NESS	Alistair Bruce	PPrGReg	Oakley Chapter	694
GODDARD	Dennis Alexander Lorrie	PPrGReg	Panmure Chapter	723
BANHAM	Peter John	PPrGReg	Panmure Chapter	723
COOPER	Brian Francis	PPrGReg	Aldershot Camp Chapter	1331
PARRACK	Maurice Stanley Joseph	PPrGReg	St Lawrence Chapter	2016
TAYLOR	Reginald Edward	PPrGReg	St Lawrence Chapter	2016
STRACHAN	Ian	PPrGReg	Beach Chapter	2475
WILSON	John Gilbert	PPrGReg	Domus Dei Chapter	5151
OTTON	Alan	PPrGReg	Prytaneion Chapter	9340
COLLIER	Malcolm	PPrGReg	Prytaneion Chapter	9340
DIXON	Anthony	PPrGDC	Asher Barfield Chapter	35
BARGROVE	Anthony Lawrence	PPrGDC	New Forest Chapter	319
WRIGHT	Paul	PPrGDC	Ancasta Chapter	1461
JONES	Michael Russell Bailey	PPrGDC	Wayfarers Chapter	5740
APPLEYARD	Graham Stuart	PPrGDC	Wayfarers Chapter	5740
CARTER	Malcolm William	PPrGSwdB	Royal Gloucester Chapter	130
HOLT	Raymond John	PPrGSwdB	Chapter of Peace	359
WILD	Walter John	PPrGSwdB	Chapter of Concord	394
DOCHERTY	Henry	PPrGSwdB	Chapter of Concord	394
FRAMPTON	Wayne Dean	PPrGSwdB	Portsmouth Chapter	487
LOVELL	Ian Lionel Wilfred	PPrGSwdB	Albert Edward Chapter	1780
LINFORD	Robert George	PPrGSwdB	St George's Chapter	1958
MURRAY	John Keith	PPrGSwdB	Hampshire Chapter of Emulation	1990
NEWELL	Ian Leslie	PPrGSwdB	Woolmer Forest Chapter	3872
BULL	James William Douglas	PPrGSwdB	Octa Chapter	4397
LEE	David John	PPrGSwdB	Mercury Chapter	4581
DUFF	Andrew	PPrGSwdB	Mercury Chapter	4581
NEALE	Frederick Frank Thomas	PPrGSwdB	Twynham Chapter	5889
PENN	Graham Elliott	PPrGSwdB	Richard Taunton Chapter	7050

MURRAY	Alan	PPrGSwdB	Wilfrid Attenborough Chapter	7672
COLLINS	John	PPrGSwdB	Norman Gate Chapter	8116
HAMBLING	Robert	PPrGSwdB	King's Court Chapter	8441
KRZYSICA	Alan John	PPrGSwdB	King's Court Chapter	8441
LOCKEY	Michael	PPrGSwdB	Prytaneion Chapter	9340
McCOMB	William	PPrDepGSwdB	Albany Chapter	151
LUCAS-YOUNG	Ross Martin	PPrDepGSwdB	Landport Chapter	1776
INGS	Richard Noel	PPrDepGSwdB	Wolvesey Chapter	6818
BROOKS	Stephen Anthony	PPrDepGSwdB	Chilworth Chapter	7810
KING	Robert Edward	PPrGSoj	Hengist Chapter	195

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Appointments

Surname	Forenames	Rank	Chapter	No
WOOD	Douglas Leslie	PPrGSwdB	Gosport Chapter	903
STAFF	Nigel Brian	PPrDepGReg	Royal Gloucester Chapter	130
RUSSELL	Christopher Robin	PPrDepGReg	Portsmouth Chapter	487
ALDRIDGE	Peter Miles	PPrDepGReg	Duke of Connaught Chapter	1834
KNIGHT	Matthew Ian	PPrDepGReg	Test Valley Chapter	6181
INGRAM	John Leslie	PPrDepGReg	Semper Fidelis Chapter	6664
HAWTON	Terence Brian	PPrDepGReg	Chapter of Maturity	9390
BAYLISS	Christopher John	PPrDepGDC	Chapter of Friendship	257
WRIGHT	Eric George	PPrDepGDC	Petersfield Chapter	928
SIMS	David	PPrDepGDC	St Lawrence Chapter	2016
JACKSON	Martin	PPrDepGDC	Barton Court Chapter	5468
SCOTT-KILNER	Philip	PPrDepGSwdB	Unity Chapter	132
DEATH	Michael David	PPrDepGSwdB	Albany Chapter	151
BRINSDEN	Christopher Howard	PPrDepGSwdB	Panmure Chapter	723
CARTER	Richard William	PPrDepGSwdB	Aldershot Camp Chapter	1331
HORSEY	Norman Leslie	PPrDepGSwdB	St Georges Chapter	1958
ELKINS	Robert Victor	PPrDepGSwdB	Hampshire Chapter of Emulation	1990
BELLAMY	Frederick George	PPrDepGSwdB	Needles Chapter	2383
BLANKS	Stephen Nigel	PPrDepGSwdB	Daintree Chapter	2938
BYNG	Kelvin Gerald	PPrDepGSwdB	Victory Chapter	3509
RUSSELL	Mark Hilton	PPrDepGSwdB	Wolvesey Chapter	6818
RAWSTHORNE	Terence Hedley	PPrDepGSwdB	Norman Gate Chapter	8116
BROOKS	John Leslie	PPrGSoj	Chapter of Economy	76
GREENLAND	John Anthony	PPrGSoj	Royal Sussex Chapter	342
HIBBERD	Ian	PPrGSoj	Albert Edward Chapter	1780
FARNCOMBE	David Martin	PPrGSoj	St Clair Chapter	2074
KEWLEY	Graham John	PPrGSoj	Boscombe Chapter	2158
REYNOLDS	Geoffrey William	PPrGSoj	Osborne Chapter	2169
LAWERY	David John	PPrGSoj	Octa Chapter	4396
DILLON	Robert Reginald	PPrGSoj	Brockenhurst Chapter	7040
BOTTOM	Simon Frederick	PPrGSoj	Wilfrid Attenborough Chapter	7672
GOSNEY	Alvyn Henry John	PPrGSoj	Brook House Chapter	8606
RADCLIFFE	Frank	PPrGSoj	Wessex Chapter of Fidelity	8681
WATSON	James David	PPrGSoj	Prytaneion Chapter	9340
HILTON, MBE	David	PPrAGSoj	Vectensian Chapter	7852
TUFFT	Richard James	PPrAGSoj	Pudbrook Chapter	8366
TOMPKINS	Charles Alfred	PPrAGSoj	St Johns Chapter	9895
WOOLDRIDGE	Stuart John	PPrGStB	Alverstoke Chapter	1705

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Companions

Appointments

Surname	Forenames	Rank	Chapter	No
MATTHEWS	David William	PPrGAlm	Norman Gate Chapter	8116
STICKLAND	John Charles	PPrAGSE	Chapter of Economy	76
SUTHERLAND	Alan James	PPrAGSE	Drayton Chapter	8832
MORGAN	William Percival	PPrAGSE	Drayton Chapter	8832
AGNEW	Donald	PPrGOrg	Chapter of Friendship	257
DOUGHERTY	Brian Daniel	PPrAGDC	Panmure Chapter	723
CREAL	David	PPrAGDC	Richard Taunton Chapter	7050

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Surname	Forenames	Rank	Chapter	No
WILKINSON	Eric William	PPrGSN	Chine Chapter	1884
CURTIS	Roger Charles	PPrGSoj	Hampshire Chapter of Emulation	1990

Item 14. The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent's Address to the Companions

Companions, it is my great pleasure to welcome you all here today on the occasion of our Annual Provincial Convocation. For a number of reasons the format has been changed from last year and we will be dining after the Convocation has ended. I hope that you all find this to be acceptable, and that you will enjoy the late lunch which follows.

I have already greeted our honoured guests from both our neighbouring Provinces and within the Province of Hampshire and Isle of Wight. It has been our privilege and pleasure to visit many of our neighbouring Provinces over the last twelve months, where we are always received with the warmest of welcomes and generous hospitality. We are therefore delighted to reciprocate today and hope that you have enjoyed our company as much as we have enjoyed yours.

This year a number of Grand Superintendents from our neighbouring Provinces have stood down from office or will be standing down before the end of the year. Without exception, they are all good friends of this Province whom I personally have had the pleasure of knowing for many years. There will always be a warm welcome for them within this Province whenever they choose to come and visit us.

Once again I congratulate all of those Companions that I have had the privilege and pleasure of either appointing or promoting in Provincial Grand Chapter today. As is always the case Companions, your appointments and promotions not only recognise the service that you have already given to Royal Arch Masonry in general, and to this Province in particular, but also the support and dedication that I am sure you will continue to give throughout the coming years. I know that I can rely on you all.

Those of you who were present at Supreme Grand Chapter in London on 26th April will have seen five Companions from this Province being invested as Grand Officers by the Most Excellent Pro. First Grand Principal Peter Lowndes and two Companions being promoted in Supreme Grand Chapter. They are all appointments richly deserved, and I offer my heartiest congratulations to each of the recipients.

Today, a number of Companions are standing down from office. E. Comp. David Gosney is standing down as Group Representative for the Chapters meeting in the Portsmouth area and it has been my pleasure to install him today as Third Provincial Grand Principal. Also E. Comp. Phil Gooch is standing down as Group Representative for the Chapters meeting in the Cosham Area and has given valuable service to the Province. I thank them both for their hard work and commitment to the Royal Arch in this Province.

E. Comp Bob Collins is standing down from office having completed three very successful years as Provincial Grand Charity Steward. Bob has carried out his duties diligently and with great enthusiasm, and has been instrumental in raising substantial sums of money for the Charities that the Province has been supporting. I wish him a long and well deserved rest and thank him for his support and dedication.

E. Comp. Tony Green also stands down today from the office of Assistant Provincial Grand Scribe Ezra. He has given unstinting support to the Provincial Grand Scribe Ezra and his deputy for a number of years, and can always be relied upon to discharge his duties efficiently and expeditiously. His service to the Province has been invaluable, and I thank him most sincerely.

Last but certainly by no means least E. Comp. David Workman has today completed a very successful year as Third Provincial Grand Principal. He has been extremely well received both throughout the Province and beyond and I know that his wit and sense of humour have endeared him to the Companions He has been a constant source of support to myself, my deputy, and the Provincial Executive, and I will continue to rely on his wise counsel over the coming years. I wish him every success, good health, and happiness for the future.

Under the watchful eye of E. Comp. David Wood a number of "Dine a Master Mason" evenings have taken place this year at different venues within the Province. Once again they have proved to be a very valuable recruiting tool. Each evening has been well attended and as a result a goodly number of Master Masons have been exalted into the Royal Arch. I am most grateful to the team from the Provincial Grand Stewards Chapter who have delivered their "Why the Royal Arch" presentation on each occasion.

It is my intention to continue holding such evenings in the coming year, and I rely very much on you Companions to support them. We are of course all Craft Masons and we only have to look around our Craft Lodges to see just how many of the Brethren do not wear the Royal Arch jewel. We are one of the biggest Royal Arch Provinces in the country, but yet only around thirty three percent of our Craft brethren have been exalted into the Royal Arch and completed their journey through Pure Antient Masonry. We can do better Companions, and I am confident that with your support, help and determination we will do better. Let us not lose sight of the fact that every Master Mason is a potential Royal Arch Companion.

I want to thank the Royal Arch Representatives in our Craft Lodges for all their hard work and commitment. Every Lodge should of course have a Royal Arch Representative and it will always be the case that some will be more effective than others. Grand Lodge has emphatically stated that the role of a Royal Arch Representative is of the highest importance, and is very keen to ensure that the right person is appointed. The Royal Arch Province will always be pleased to assist in the selection process and offer guidance to ensure that the right brother is appointed whenever a Royal Arch Representative stands down. Every Royal Arch Representative should by now have received their lapel pin, but if you have yet to receive yours then I know that my Deputy, E. Comp. Colin Upton, will be pleased to provide one. Wear them with pride Companions and make sure that the brethren of your lodge who are not already Royal Arch Companions are made aware of your appointment, and of your ability to assist them in taking their final step in Pure Antient Masonry.

A first meeting of Royal Arch Representatives on the Isle of Wight took place a few months ago in Ryde, as a pilot scheme. It was well supported by the Royal Arch Representatives on the Island, and proved to be both a very useful and informative evening. The exchange of information and views expressed was extremely interesting and enlightening, and I intend to hold further meetings in the coming year.

As you know Companions my chosen charity for this year was the Earl Mountbatten Hospice on the Isle of Wight. The annual charity walk, appropriately entitled The Cowes Canter took place on 6th May at Cowes on the Isle of Wight. The weather was conducive, and my wife and I joined a goodly number of Companions who were accompanied by their partners and friends. Light refreshments were provided and sponsorship money in excess of £1900.00. was raised which helped to boost the Hospice Appeal significantly. I am most grateful to all those Companions who were involved in the arrangements for the walk which made the event so successful and enjoyable.

The subsequent Charity Evening hosted by Asher Barfield Chapter No.35 was very well attended as usual. It was extremely well supported by the Provincial Team, the majority of whom took part in the ceremony. I was overwhelmed by the generosity of the Companions of the Island Chapters who on the evening presented me with cheques and pledges totalling some £14000.00. I'm sure that you will agree Companions that this is nothing short of magnificent and quite remarkable.

Prior to the Charity Evening and through your unstinting generosity Companions the Hospice had already received a sum in excess of £24,000.000, The moneys so generously donated by the Companions of the Island have been added and I intend to top the final figure up to £40,000.00. We also hope to have the opportunity of visiting the Hospice soon to see for ourselves at first hand just how the money has been spent in providing care and equipment and the vital services that the patients of the Hospice require.

My chosen charity for the coming year is Prostate Cancer UK. Prostate Cancer is on the increase, and will touch most, if not all of us, either directly or indirectly, at some period in our lifetime. Many of us here today are suffering or have suffered from Prostate cancer or know of someone who is or has suffered from it. Although incredible advances in technology have been made in recent years, further research and development is essential to continue the fight against the disease. Such research and development is costly, and the Charity is heavily reliant on funds raised and donated from within the private sector. I am therefore sure Companions that this appeal will receive your full support and that you will give generously to it throughout the coming year as you have always done in the past. I am happy that the lapel pin with which many of you are already familiar should be worn at Royal Arch Convocations in the Province throughout the appeal period.

As is always the case Companions, a lot of hard work has been carried out both in front of house and behind the scenes in preparation and readiness for today's Annual Convocation. The Provincial Grand Scribe Ezra, E. Comp. Tony Tykocki, ably assisted by his deputy E. Comp Barry Wild and his Assistant E. Comp. Tony Green, have been heavily involved for several months in preparing the essential paperwork for the Convocation and in particular for the investiture. I am most grateful to each of them.

The support and dedication of the Companions of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Provincial Grand Steward's Chapter is again in evidence today. Year on year, and today under the watchful eye of their Director of Ceremonies E. Comp. Barry Young, they willingly give up their time to assist in the preparation of the hall for this Convocation, to meet and greet our distinguished guests from both our neighbouring Provinces and our own Province, to monitor the car parking, to conduct and accompany those Companions who have received Provincial honours, and generally assist in the clearing and tidying up after the Convocation has ended. A hearty thank you to each and every one of you.

Many thanks also to my Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, E. Comp. Chris Davis, and his very able team of deputies and assistants. They never fail to go that extra mile to ensure that the Annual Convocation runs smoothly and efficiently. Today has certainly been no exception. Their commitment and dedication to the Royal Arch in this Province is second to none, and it is reassuring to know that I can always rely upon them to rise to the occasion.

Thanks also to E. Comp. Colin Brown who once again has accepted responsibility for all the dining arrangements, and has discharged his duties both efficiently and in an exemplary manner.

I also thank the catering and banqueting staff of the Novotel Hotel for their guidance, cooperation and assistance. After the Annual Convocation last year a number of teething problems and issues became apparent and they have now been satisfactorily resolved. The feedback from last year, and in particular from our honoured guests from our neighbouring Provinces, was most favourable and hopefully the Royal Arch in this Province has found a new home at which to hold the Annual Convocations over the coming years.

Finally, my sincere thanks to my Provincial Grand Janitor E. Comp. David Taylor, and his brother E. Comp. Paul Taylor. For a number of years this small and dedicated team has accepted responsibility for the transportation of the furniture, carpet and other essential equipment required for the Annual Convocation, to and from the location. They arrive just after the crack of dawn and don't depart until most of us are well on our journey home. Their dedication and devotion to the Royal Arch is evident, and I am most grateful and appreciative of everything that they do.

I thank you all for your attention and for attending in such goodly numbers, and I hope that you will now enjoy a very happy, pleasant and restful summer recess. I look forward with eager anticipation to the start of the new Royal Arch season within this great Province and in particular to the pleasure of your company. Have a safe and uneventful journey home and may the True and Living God Most High speed you on your way.

Item 15. To conduct any further General Business

(a) The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent announced that he had re-appointed the following as Group Area Representatives:

Aldershot	EComp Nigel Edwards	PAGDC
Bournemouth	EComp Andrew Weldycz	PGStB
Gosport	EComp Malcolm Stevens	PAGDC
Isle of Wight	EComp Wayne Jones	PAGDC
Southampton	EComp Alex Honeyman	PAGDC
Winchester	EComp Jeffery Southwick	PAGDC

The Grand Superintendent then appointed the following as Group Representatives

Cosham	EComp John Meaden	PPrGSN
Portsmouth	EComp Mark Orsmond	PPrDepGDC

(b) The Provincial Grand Scribe Ezra reported that apologies had been received from the Most Excellent Grand Superintendents of other Provinces, together with a number of Official Guests, members of the Province of Hampshire and Isle of Wight, whose names had been recorded, All had expressed their best wishes to the Most Excellent Grand Superintendent and to the Province for an enjoyable and successful day.

(c) The Provincial Grand Scribe Ezra stated that the Annual Convocation next year will be held on **Saturday 8th June 2019 at The Novotel, Southampton.**

Item 16. To collect Alms

Alms were collected, while the closing Hymn "The God of Abraham Praise" was sung.

Item 17. To close Provincial Grand Chapter

The three Principals closed Provincial Grand Chapter in due form, and the first verse of the National Anthem was sung.

The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent then retired in procession, accompanied by the Second and Third Provincial Grand Principals, the Deputy Grand Superintendent, other Officers of Provincial Grand Chapter and the Official Guests.

Signed:

Most Excellent Grand Superintendent

Date:

A. Tykocki, PGStB
Provincial Grand Scribe E