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## Would I know the answer?

## Did I know the answer?

By W Bro Dennis W. Roberts, PAGDC Group Leader Information and Guidance Group

I asked: Do we listen, understand and act?

Cold, dark winter nights cause me to stop and think; even about Masonic matters. I often wonder how much we take in and understand from our ritual. Some members learn large chunks of the book and present it well, but how well do we listen and understand the principles included in the symbolism?

On Initiation we are presented with an overload of information. Not only do we have to consider the symbolism of the ceremony; we then need to listen to the Charge after Initiation, (usually from the Junior Warden), and this is followed by the First Degree Tracing Board (mostly). So much to take in and contemplate. And, of course, we are unable to read it until we have the chance to own the blue book ourselves. I would therefore urge all of us to look in that book occasionally, even at a small section, and consider what it is that we are about. Better still, try to learn some parts of a ceremony so that you too One section caught my attention in the last few weeks. In the First Degree Tracing Board is a ladder. What does that represent? According to the book, it reaches from earth to the heavens and is our path to enable us to arrive there; sometimes called Jacob's Ladder.

"It is composed of many staves or rounds, which point out as many moral virtues, but three principal ones, which are, Faith, Hope and Charity. Faith in the Great Architect of the Universe, Hope in Salvation, and to be in Charity with all men. It reaches to the Heavens, and rests on the V. of the S.L, because, by the doctrines contained in that Holy Book, we are taught to believe in the dispensations of Divine Providence

This is but a small part of the symbolism contained in this Lecture. So much to take in and act upon.

At the beginning of a New Year may I suggest that we all try to be more involved in trying to get a clearer understanding? One of the best ways must be to learn some part of the work. The Tracing Board does not have to be left for one member to present; let it be shared with several participants, but do all get involved.... please.

I wish you all a very a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

If you have not visited the 'Solomon' site lately, you should. There are now Videos, Podcasts and Webinars available for more in depth explanations. Useful for future meetings when no candidate is available.



# Out and About



### ins and Outs' of the Light Blues

December 2022 saw two founding members of the Caeruleum Club come out of, or go into, the Chair of King Solomon.

W Bro Andy Bailey the WM of Coningsby Lodge finished his term in the chair and Bro Tommy Santillo was installed into the chair of Arrow Lodge.

Both ceremonies were supported by Caeruleum members. Andy was the first Club member to be installed into the chair and Tommy becomes the latest member.





Left W Bro Andy Bailey and W Bro Billy Russell following the Coningsby Installation meeting. W Bro Bailey went back into the Junior Warden's Chair

**Pictured** 

Pictured Right, the Senior and Junior Wardens from both Herefordshire and Shropshire were present at the Arrow Lodge Installation Ceremony



Also at the Arrow Lodge Installation were the Senior and Junior wardens from both Herefordshire and Shropshire.

## **Pictured** Left W Bro Tommy Santillo

following his Installation into the chair at Arrow Lodge and the supporting Caeruleum members



### Light Blues Curry Club Meet

A number of Brethren and their wives or partners attended the Christmas get together of the Light Blues Curry Club on 23rd December in Hereford. Described via Twitter as "A great turnout for our light blues/goat riders curry club Christmas event, beers, fine curry and superb company all round".

Watch out for more events coming in 2023.



## **Provincial Grand Lodge of Herefordshire**

## Provincial Grand Chapter of Gloucestershire & Herefordshire





Dear Brethren and Companions,

I trust that you have had an enjoyable Christmas and I wish you and you families a happy, healthy and prosperous new year. I also want to take this opportunity to thank WBro and EComp Andrew Moore for his ongoing efforts in editing and publishing this, our provincial newsletter, and also all those who contribute to its contents and success.

As mentioned in my message of 23rd December, we have a busy year to look forward to, as we start in earnest to support and implement the 7 year Strategy for Freemasonry. I will be meeting and working with the Provincial executive in both the Craft and the Royal Arch in the near future, to ensure that we all working in a cooperative and enthusiastic manner towards achieving our common goals.

To succeed, this will need to be a team effort across the Province and I am looking forward to meeting up with as many of you as possible in the near future and discussing the strategy in more detail. Please feel free to pass on any thoughts or initiatives that you may have, which will help us in our endeavours.

With thanks and all good wishes,

Michael T Holland

Provincial Grand Master for Herefordshire

Most Excellent Grand Superintendent, in and over Gloucestershire & Herefordshire

# Membership Matters

These are the ceremonies in the Province for the rest of January. Details of how to book in for dining and copies of the summonses are on the Provincial Members website here.

Lodge	January Date	Location	December Meeting
Vitruvian	2/1/2023	Ross on Wye	First Degree
Coningsby	3/1/2023	Hereford	First Degree
Palladian	5/1/2023	Hereford	Installation
Arrow	9/1/2023	Kington	First Degree
Royal Edward	12/01/2023	Leominster	First Degree
Delphis	14/01/2023	Hereford	Third Degree Tools and Traditional History Demo
Loyal Hay	16/01/2023	Hay on Wye	See Website
Ariconium	17/01/2023	Ross on Wye	Second Degree for Cantilupe Lodge
Eastnor	18/01/2023	Ledbury	Installation
Cantilupe	19/01/2023	Hereford	See Website
St Peter's	25/01/2023	Bromyard	See Website
Dean Waterfield	26/01/2023	Hereford	See Website
Vaga	28/01/2023	Hereford	See Website

# **Charity Updates**





### Warm Space Provisions Support

A discussion was had during the meeting of the HMCA, held on 9th December, regarding the current difficulties a lot of people are experiencing due to the cost-of-living crisis.

The immediate concern that arose from this discussion was the need to support the warm space initiatives being run by voluntary organisations throughout Herefordshire. These are safe spaces available to anyone in Herefordshire, where they can go to warm up, see a friendly face and get support.

A fund of £1000 was set aside, as it was decided that in this instance, donations of non-perishable groceries would be more beneficial and effective than giving out small grants.

Bro Paul Finlay the Charity Steward for Eastnor Lodge and their Worshipful Master Stuart Jones volunteered to take this idea forward, finding the quickest and best way to offer our support.

With the help of Philippa Lydford, Talk Community Development Officer for Herefordshire, they were able to obtain and make contact with Reverend Andy Goode of Putson Baptist Church, Hereford and Reverend Phillip Warrey of St John's Hereford, who also covers Bromyard and Ledbury Methodist churches.

Both are carrying out incredible work within their communities.

Reverend Andy Goode, with the help of much needed volunteers, has distributed 72 food parcels to households with food for 7 days, held 5 'Warm Space' sessions and has seen over 500 people. many are new contacts. Andy is always grateful for volunteers to help him deliver food parcels as he says "he can't see anybody go hungry, and the need is increasing weekly".

Reverend Phillip Warrey has established warm spaces within each of the three churches he oversees and is seeing an increase in the numbers of people seeking a place to stay warm and get a hot drink or a bite to eat.

On Wednesday 21st December members of the HMCA, including the PGM Michael Holland, Comms Officer Paul Sabel, Provincial Charity Steward Tim Bridgland-Taylor, WM Stuart Jones and Bro Paul Finlay of Eastnor Lodge visited both Putson Baptist church and Bromyard Methodist Church to deliver much needed supplies for the warm spaces.

Now we have established close contacts with Reverends Andy and Phillip we hope to be able to support them further. Volunteers will always be welcomed, and more food will be needed during the winter months to come. Reverend Goode arranges deliveries every Friday and Saturday. If you can help with those deliveries, please contact pastor@putsonbaptistchurch.co.uk







**Pictured Right** Herefordshire Brethren unload the food ready for distribution by Reverend Andy Goode at **Putson Baptist** Church

# **Charity Updates**





### Message From The ProvGAlm

We are all facing an economic crisis the likes of which this country has not witnessed for a very long time. It is therefore important that you are made aware of what help is available to you as Freemasons and your families during these tough times. I am of course referring to the Masonic Charitable Foundation or MCF as it is more commonly referred to.

Brethren this is your charity. It is funded by you. It is for you and your families. It serves to assist you in time of need. The MCF can help with grants for daily living costs and other urgent costs, medical treatment, mobility aids, counselling, grants to children and young people's education. These are just a few of the support services available.

It goes without saying that as Freemasons we are all Almoners. It is our duty to look after each other in time of need. It's what we stand for. None of us will want to hear about any of our fellow Freemasons and families or Widow's going without food or being unable to keep sufficiently warm during the winter months. We must therefore be extra vigilant and prevent anybody from slipping through the net.

If you do find yourself in genuine need of help, please do not hesitate to contact your Lodge Almoner who will pass you to the MCF Advice and Support Team. The MCF Advice and Support Team deal with all applications in the strictest of confidence and aim to turn each application around in a very short timescale.

On a final note, the charity is of course yours and it is funded by your generosity as a Freemason. Now we are trying to raise money for the HMCA. If you feel you could donate to this very worthy fund as a Lodge, please do.

Together we can make a difference. Let's make sure nobody in our fraternity slips through the net going without food or warmth. There is help available.

Yours sincerely and fraternally

MP Davies

M P Davies Provincial Grand Almoner





**Pictured Left** Herefordshire Brethren unload the food ready for distribution by Reverend Philip Warrey across three locations.



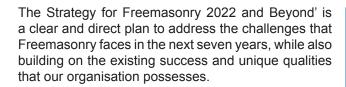
## The Strategy for Freemasonry 2022 and Beyond

Introducing UGLE's new seven-year plan to build firm foundations for the future of Freemasonry

Reprinted from Freemasonry Today - Winter 2022

'Over the next seven years, we will enhance our reputation as a thriving organisation that people aspire to join and broaden our membership among all age groups'

Pro Grand Master Jonathan Spence



The visual representation of these plans – worked on for a number of years by the Strategy Working Group spearheaded by Pro Grand Master Jonathan Spence – is a temple. The temple is symbolically built using the key features of the Strategy, held in place by strong foundations with three columns highlighting the main priorities outlined within.

These priorities underpin the approach and aspirations that the Strategy Working Group has for the future of English Freemasonry, both in the Craft and the Royal Arch. The ground on which we build is our values of Integrity, Friendship, Respect and Charity.

Strong Foundations outlines the need to:

- Implement an investment plan (people, capabilities and technology) to support delivery of the Strategy
- Tap into our talent base, identifying and using members' skills and talents, whatever their rank
- Update the Book of Constitutions, ensuring that it is fit for a modern membership organisation.

Thriving Membership reiterates our commitment to:

- Constantly reinforce the concept of our unique combination of fun/sociability and serious and timeless core values
- · Address the 'membership challenge' at all levels,



encouraging innovation, embracing change and spreading successful ideas

• Further enhance our members' understanding of our history and values.

Coherent Organisation summarises the necessity of:

- Communicating clear, concise and consistent messaging within UGLE and beyond
- Empowering and enthusing our members, supporting them with the tools and knowledge to act as ambassadors and become our future leaders
- Further develop the RCG structure to maximise local impact across traditional Provincial boundaries.

Engaged In Our Communities reflects the need for us to:

- Build on the recent success of our members' response to the pandemic in their local communities and of our partnership with the MCF and other local and national charities
- Identify new areas for engagement in our communities
- Communicate more openly and explicitly the full scale and community impact of members' current engagement through charitable donations and volunteering.

'I firmly believe that if our members are enthused and engaged by Freemasonry, they will be the greatest ambassadors for our organisation, thus encouraging others to aspire to join,' says Jonathan Spence, Pro Grand Master.

Another of the key takeaways from 'The Strategy for Freemasonry 2022 and Beyond' is the need for a change in attitudes throughout the organisation in order for us to move forward. As Freemasons, we can sometimes find new ideas and advancements are met with some scepticism and the old adage of 'No, because'. It is this that we need to urgently address in order to make sure that the ambitious plans presented within this Strategy can be properly embedded. Instead, we need

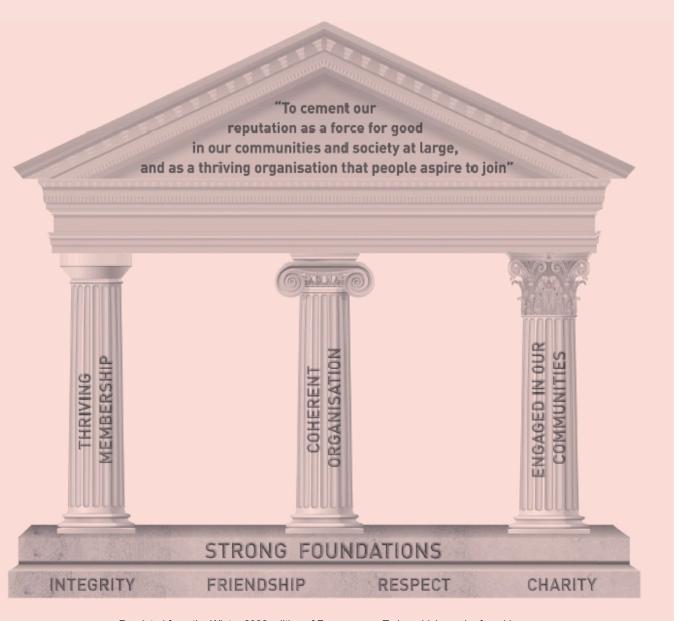
to move towards a 'Yes, if' approach at all levels.

Change is not always easy, but the rewards will be fruitful if we can engage fully with this fundamental shift in the way we do things.

To conclude, this is a significant moment in the history of our organisation and in order for this to succeed, we need all members to be fully supportive. It goes without saying that the United Grand Lodge of England and Supreme Grand Chapter can provide the framework of this rollout, but it is through the work of each of us, as Freemasons, to help spread the word and to help implement 'The Strategy for Freemasonry 2022 and Beyond'. Together, we can make sure that the next seven years are even more enjoyable and special than the past 300.

## A visual representation of our Strategy

The temple is symbolically built using the key features of the Strategy, held in place by strong foundations. The three columns highlight our priorities of thriving membership, coherent organisation and community engagement.



Reprinted from the Winter 2022 edition of Freemasonry Today which can be found here https://www.ugle.org.uk/discover-freemasonry/freemasonry-today-magazine

## Herefordshire Before the Union of 1813

### Piecing together the history of Freemasonry in Herefordshire during the 18th Century

As we celebrate the Tercentenary of the 1723 Constitutions this year it is interesting to note that even a rural county such as Herefordshire has a long history of Freemasonry going back to the early 1700s. In 1729 Herefordshire had a population of around 5,000 around 3,000 of whom lived within the Hereford city walls. Even the cathedral looked different in those days with a spire on the central tower and a second tower at its west end.

As a result of the problems with travelling around the Province, some Lodges only met twice a year and meetings could take up to three days which is why overnight accommodation was required and many Lodges met in inns. Lodges would be called off in the evening and back on the following morning. Infact it was only when the railways arrived

in the mid 1800s that the Province opened up and travel further afield became easier.

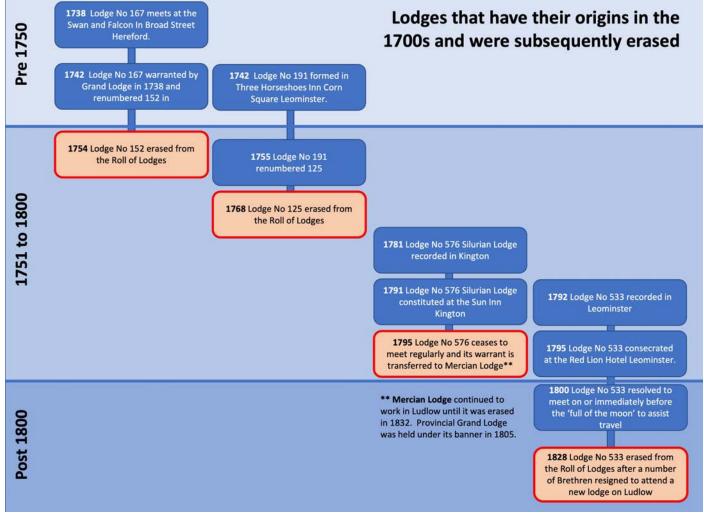
In 1753 Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Shropshire, Monmouthshire and Gloucestershire were grouped together into a single Masonic unit or Province, paying allegiance to the Premier Grand Lodge known as the 'Moderns' prior to the union in 1813.

Herefordshire acquired it's first Provincial Grand Master in 1753, Sir Robert De Cornwall MP. In many Provinces of the time, the appointment of a Provincial Grand Master was purely nominal with many not ever attending their Province.

It was not until Thomas Dunckerley was appointed Provincial Grand Master in 1790 that any real progress was made in the development of the

Province. The first Provincial Grand Lodge was held at the Palladian Room in The Bowling Green Inn, Hereford on August 12 1791. It is recorded that 'Bro Dunckerley opened the Lodge at 10am assisted by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Bro Thomas Callendar in the presence of His Grace The Duke of Norfolk and 150 other Masons. At 11am there was a procession to St Peter's Church where a service of Thanksgiving was held. Afterwards they returned to the Bowling Green Inn to partake of dinner which was served at 2pm at a cost per head of 7s.6p'. The Hereford Journal reported, 'The novelty of a procession of Freemasons in this city ......'

Despite the issues with travel and lack of firm organisation and leadership, there were a number of Lodges recorded during the 18th Century, with two forming prior to 1750.



Lanes Masonic Records 1717-1894 <a href="https://www.dhi.ac.uk/lane/index.php">https://www.dhi.ac.uk/lane/index.php</a> shows a Lodge in Hereford and another in Leominster working prior to 1750. Both were renumbered as was the common practice in those times and subsequently erased. An annual list was produced and so it is possible to trace which year Lodges started to work and when they 'fell off' the list.

Post 1750 two more Lodges, were set up in Kington (Silurian No 576) and Leominster (Royal Edward No 533). Due to the difficulty in travelling in those days, it was resolved in 1800 to meet 'on or immediately before the full of the moon' to assist the members who travelled on foot or by horse. A new Master was elected every six months on nights which preceded the Feast Days of St John the Baptist and St John The Evangelist. In 1805 it was announced that the Ludlow members desired to resign preferring to attend a new Lodge which had opened in Ludlow. This meant that Lodge number 533 (subsequently renumbered 560 in 1814) in Leominster was no longer viable and so it was later erased from the roll in 1828.

Lanes' records show that Silurian Lodge No 576 (later numbered 485) lapsed in around 1801 where the "Lodge separated and divided the funds amongst its members. The Lodge furniture was sold in the year 1804 by the Treasurer to a person in Ludlow for £22 los. 0d".

Our oldest lodge, Palladian, is recorded as working in Lanes' records as far back as 1755 and warranted in 1762 in Hereford. There are records of a Lodge in Ross going back to 1755 but this was later erased in 1773 and then resurfaces in 1792 as Vitruvian Lodge before being warranted in Both Lodges having been renumbered several times over their history and still working in Hereford and Ross (or Ross on Wye as it is now known following the General Post Office renaming it in 1931 to avoid confusion with other similar place names).

One other peculiar practice in the 1700s was for Lodges to be known by their number and later named. For example in Lanes' Records, Palladian first appears in 1755, shows it being

warranted in 1762 but named in 1767.

So Brethren when you are caught in traffic attempting to navigate one of our market towns at rush hour, remember our Masonic predecessors travelling by foot or horse to a two or three day meeting so that all the business could be undertaken. We really do have a long history of Freemasonry in our Province of which we should be

rightfully proud.

Sources 'A History of Craft Freemasonry in Herefordshire 1727 – 2000 by Alwyn D Williams and Lanes Masonic Records <a href="https://www.dhi.ac.uk/lane/index.php">https://www.dhi.ac.uk/lane/index.php</a>

Lodges that have their origins in the 1700s and survive today 1755 Palladian Lodge No 1755 Vitruvian Lodge No 290 first recorded 314 first recorded 1764 Vitruvian Lodge No 1762 Palladian Lodge 314 Warranted Warranted (751 to 1800 1770 Palladian Lodge 1770 Vitruvian Lodge renumbered No 233 renumbered to 254 1773 Vitruvian Lodge erased 1792 Vitruvian Lodge No 637 recorded as meeting in Ross 1813 Vitruvian Lodge Warranted in Ross Post 1800 1863 Number finally 1863 Number finally changes to 120 changes to 338 **Present Day** 

# The Home Guard in Herefordshire

W Bro Colonel Andy Taylor OBE DL is a member of Eastnor Lodge and the Honorary Curator of the Herefordshire Light Infantry Museum

On 14 May 1940 the following broadcast was made on the BBC by Sir Anthony Eden:

"Now is your opportunity. We want large numbers of such men in Great Britain who are British subjects, between the ages of 17 and 65, to come forward now and offer their service in order to make assurance doubly sure. The name of the new force which is now to be raised will be the "Local Defence Volunteers".

Within 24 hours there were over 250,000 volunteers, including many in Herefordshire. Two young friends in Ledbury cycled to the Police Station and volunteered, only to be faced by a confused Desk Sergeant who had no idea what they were talking about! One was my father, Arthur Taylor. His Home Guard (HG) enlistment form (completed at a later date) is shown below:

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Numbers swelled to over one million, and far from the Dad's Army image, the Home Guard was an effective force, many members had seen service in World War I, and by undertaking routine patrolling, key point defence and local security were able to release regular soldiers for training and other more 'war like' duties.

Herefordshire had 6 Battalions and as many as 12,000 men served throughout the war based at:

1 Bn	Leominster	- Lt Col A J Mellor
2 Bn	Bromyard	- Lt Col J Knott CMG, DSO
3 Bn	Hereford City	- Lt Col FP Lodar-Symonds CMG (late RN)
4 Bn	Hereford Rural	- Lt Col RNH Verdin TD
5 Bn	Ledbury	- Lt Col JL Pearson CMG (Late RN)
6 Bn	Harewood End	- Lt Col BF Murray DSO

Most towns and villages had detachments – many seemed to meet in the local pub! There was a mounted patrol in the West of the county and a river patrol covering the Wye. In Ledbury duties included mounting road blocks on approach roads, providing guards at both ends of Ledbury Tunnel and the viaduct, and manning an observation post in Churchill's Meadow (now the Churchill Meadow estate – then a field!). Similar duties were carried out across the county.

There were also 'works' units in Hereford at Baroni Metals (making aircraft components) and the Royal Ordnance Factory (Rotherwas). The Post Office and Great Western Railway (GWR) had their own units which carried out specific local security duties.

Members of the Herefordshire HG wore the following identification 'flash' on their sleeve: The '1' indicating the battalion number.





Above - The 5 Battalion (Ledbury) HQ sign



CITY & CHELTENHAM ALES.

Above - Woolhope Home Guard, photographed outside the Crown Inn



Above - War Weapons Week in Ledbury with the Home Guard 'on parade'.

A specialist HG unit was formed and known as the Auxiliaries. They existed in Herefordshire and their story is fascinating - it is told in full in Mike Wilkes book - The Mercian Maquis (ISBN 1 973827 97 0). They wore the shoulder flash '202' and not the County Flash.

Right - The Herefordshire Auxiliaries



F. Ryan J. Rhys-Thomas J. B. Sainsbury W. R. Robinson N. D. O. Capper G. O. Sainsbury J. E. Potter G. Morgan-Jones V. Beach-Thomas F. Hartwright E. Lewis E. F. Barnes L. J. Hodell G. Griffiths J. Turner H. E. Sainsbury E. C. Tisdale G. P. Thomas F. J. Hancorn G. H. Chambers

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With the disappearance of the threat of invasion, the HG was stood down in December 1944 and eventually disbanded on 31 December 1945.

At stand down, the strength of the Home Guard in Herefordshire was 6,300, Whilst thousands served in the HG little is known about them, their organisation and their service. When they were stood down, the war was still raging on the European Mainland and in the Far East, and as good soldiers the HG 'came to attention, turned to the right, saluted and marched into history'.

A Disbandment Parade was held on Edgar Street football ground followed by a march-past through High Town.







In the years when our Country
was in mortal danger
THEMAS PEDECEL.

who served 30 May 1940 - 31 December 1944.
gave generously of his time and
powers to make himself ready
for her defence by force of arms
and with his life if need be.

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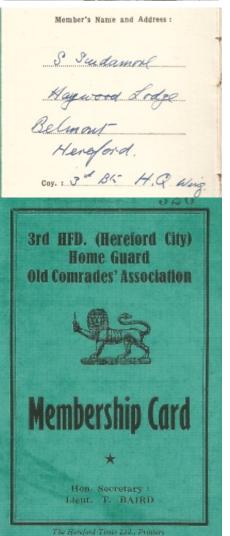
THE HOME GUARD

**Left** - Members of the HG were sent a letter of thanks and were entitled to be awarded the Defence Medal.

**Right** - The camaraderie of the HG continued and some Old Comrade Associations (OCA) were formed including one in Hereford.

There were without doubt Masons serving in the Home Guard, but I have never seen any reference either way, Home Guards mentioning Masonic membership or Masons mentioning membership of the Home Guard.

The Museum would be interested to hear of any Home Guard related stories.



## What's On

### **Events During January 2023**

## **Attract and Engage Progress Report For 2023**

Following on from the presentations at the beginning of 2022 the Membership Team are now poised to come to three Masonic Centres in the Province to share a presentation detailing the benefits and advantages of the Revised Members Pathway and how it can help your Lodge. The events will include an explanation and exploration of the revised Members Pathway leading to an open discussion to address any specific points raised by the attendees.

### **NEXT PRESENTATION**

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January at 11.30am immediately after the breakfast club

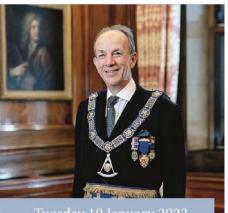
Please email the Provincial Grand Mentor <u>here</u> to confirm your attendance

# What's the Future of Freemasonry?

Following the launch of the seven-year strategic roadmap for the Craft and Royal Arch in December 2022, join us as the new Pro Grand Master, Jonathan Spence, outlines his mission to ensure that UGLE remains a thriving organisation.







Tuesday 10 January 2023 at 19:30 UK Time Following the launch of the sevenyear strategic roadmap for the Craft and Royal Arch in December 2022, join us as the new Pro Grand Master, Jonathan Spence, outlines his mission to ensure that UGLE remains a thriving organisation.

Book your ticket for What's the Future of Freemasonry?, at 19.30 on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January.

#### **BOOK YOUR TICKET**

### Meet the new Masons

Our members have, for three centuries, been drawn from all walks of life, but what attracts young people to Freemasonry today?

Join us as we talk to four newly minted Freemasons with diverse backgrounds and careers, to ask why they became Freemasons and how it enhances their lives.



SOLOMON LIVE



Tuesday 22 November 2022 at 19:30 UK Time Did you miss the last Solomon Live or any previous event? You can catch up via the link below.

**CATCH UP HERE** 

There are coming again so book now for another very entertaining evening

# Kyrle Street Bayarian Bier Keller Night



Saturday 4th March 2023, 7.30pm to midnight Masonic Hall, Kyrle Street, Hereford, HR1 2UE

Be entertained by one of the top UK Oompah bands

Feast of German sausages (or vegetarian option), bread rolls

Apple strudle and custard

A variety of German and other beers at excellent prices

A prize for the best Lederhosen and dirndl <u>Ticket Price £25</u>

Please see Booking form on the Members Website

https://hmwma.herefordshiremasons.org.uk/events/

# Last Month's Word Search Solution T@3





### Did you find these 'Three Kings' words

Did you know about the Three Kings / Wise Men their names in Hebrew and Latin and their gifts?

Three Kings					
Aromaticgum	Balthazar	Bethlehem	Caspar	Christ	Frankincense
Galalath	Gold	Herod	Jesus	Judea	Kings
Magi	Malgalat	Melchior	Messiah	Myrrh	Persia
Sarachin	Three	Wisemen			

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