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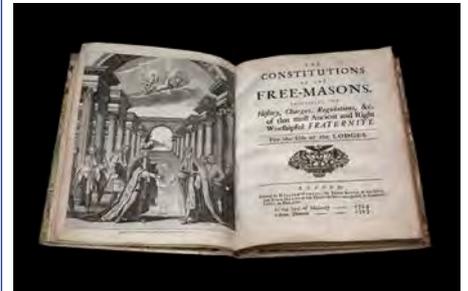
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## Did I know the answer?

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

### I asked: Great Lights?

I love candles. Their warm glimmering light gives me a feeling of comfort, reassurance and safety. On a cold and dark winter's night their glow gives me a feeling of peace. Modern technology and the introduction of "health and safety" have taken away some of the magic of candles.

In our Lodges we use candles for the Master and Wardens; but why just them and what for? They are symbolic of course, but even so they do not represent the Three Great Lights in Masonry. The candle symbolises light and darkness, life and death. the beginning and the end.

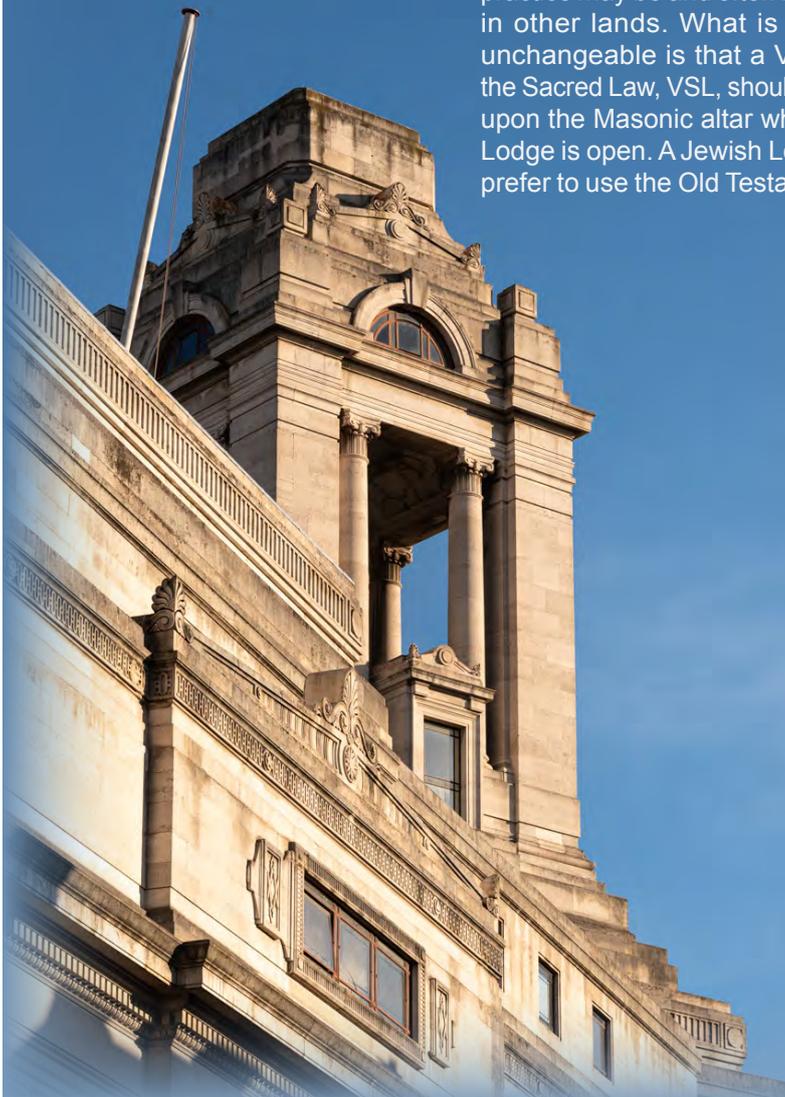
The Three Great Lights in Masonry are another matter of course. The first is the Holy Bible in this country, being predominantly Christian. The practice may be and often is different in other lands. What is vital and unchangeable is that a Volume of the Sacred Law, VSL, should be open upon the Masonic altar whenever a Lodge is open. A Jewish Lodge may prefer to use the Old Testament; the

Turkish or Persian would use the Koran, and the Mahammedan and Brahmins the Vedas. In fact if a Lodge has members of many races and creeds, several books may be open. Whichever book is open, all profess a belief in the Great Architect of the Universe and upon it will lie the other great lights; the Square and Compasses. Without all three no Masonic Lodge can exist, much less open for work. Together with the Warrant from the Grand Lodge they are indispensable.

Just as the VSL represents all faiths and is all inclusive, so are the symbols which lie on it. The Square is not for any one Lodge, any one nation or any one religion because in all it speaks the same tongue. The compasses circumscribe the desires of Masons wherever dispersed; the Square held between the points of the Compasses is universal. In these three we find the simple teachings of universality of brotherhood, the love of god for his people and the hope of immortality. For the Initiate, a fuller explanation of the use of a VSL being for All religions is contained in the first of the Old Charges adopted in 1723.

Strange, isn't it, that a simple, warm and comforting glow can lead me to consider its part in our Masonic understanding?

**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



## Members Pathway Presentation

There was good attendance at the January Members' Pathway presentation in Hereford. This followed a previous presentation in Ross on Wye in December.

The session focusses on the Plan, Attract and Engage sections of the pathway as a means to meet the Membership Challenge.

There will be another session in March, probably at Leominster. Details to be announced shortly.



**Pictured Right,**  
Members of the Provincial team escorted the RW PGM at Vaga Lodge in January.

**Pictured Left**  
Waiting for the presentation to commence.



**Pictured Left**  
Technology sorted, ready to go.....

## What a start to 2023!



Members of the Provincial team escorted the RW PGM at Vaga Lodge in January. After the meeting the PGM tweeted.

"That makes it 8 Initiates I have had the pleasure to welcome into [@PGLHerefords](https://twitter.com/PGLHerefords) this month with an excellent ceremony and festive board at Vaga Lodge 3146 last night. Numerous visitors and good support from the Provincial Team. Thanks for the kind welcome and keep up the good work."

## Seven Year Strategy



Members of the Strategy Team met to discuss the seven year plan and way forward for our Province. Updates to follow.



# Herefordshire Provincial Golf Society

The New Golf Year is fast approaching and already we have already arranged a number of matches against surrounding Provinces, but before we can start we have a very important event, the Golf A.G.M.

All members are invited to attend even those who have resisted the urge in the past to dust off their clubs and join us or if you are looking to start playing.

The meeting is at 7pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March at the Masonic Hall, Kyrle Street, Hereford, please come along and support your very good social section.

So if you are interested and intend to come please let W Bro Dave Gwynne know by email [here](#).

## Members Pathway Update

The Next Members' Pathway Presentation  
will be at Leominster on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 10am

Please email the Provincial Grand Mentor to book your place  
[provgmentor@herefordshiremasons.org.uk](mailto:provgmentor@herefordshiremasons.org.uk)

## Membership Matters

These are the ceremonies in the Province for the rest of the month. Details of how to book in for dining and copies of the summonses are on the Provincial Members website [here](#).

Lodge	Date	Location	Meeting Business
Palladian	2/2/2023	Hereford	First Degree
Vitruvian	6/2/2023	Ross on Wye	Installation
Coningsby	7/2/2023	Hereford	First Degree
Royal Edward	9/2/2023	Leominster	First Degree
Delphis	11/02/2023	Hereford	First Degree Demonstration
Arrow	13/2/2023	Kington	"The Brotherhood, Freemasonry & the American Civil War"
Eastnor	15/02/2023	Ledbury	First Degree
Cantilupe	16/02/2023	Hereford	First Degree
Loyal Hay	20/02/2023	Hay on Wye	Third Degree
Dean Leigh	21/02/2023	Hereford	Regular Meeting
St Peter's	22/02/2023	Bromyard	See Website
Dean Waterfield	23/02/2023	Hereford	First Degree
Vaga	25/02/2023	Hereford	See Website

## Ukrainian families split apart by conflict will be reunited thanks to support of the MCF



**Pictured Left**  
A Red Cross worker accompanies a child at the Red Cross Health Centre in Uzhhorod, eastern Ukraine

The Masonic Charitable Foundation have lent their support to families affected by the conflict in Ukraine by helping to raise a £100,000 donation to the British Red Cross, along with other Freemasons across England and Wales. The grant will support the Red Cross in its work with people seeking safety in the UK who have lost contact with loved ones.

After being torn apart, finding each other can be incredibly hard and many may not know whether their children, partner or parents are alive, let alone where they are. Even when family members are found, the legal process to reunite can be long and complicated, and physically reuniting them is often unaffordable. Thanks to the British Red Cross they can be safely brought together in the UK.

The British Red Cross international family tracing team helps to find missing relatives, with experienced caseworkers, supported by interpreters, finding out how people were separated and where they could be. Those looking for loved ones can also upload a photo of themselves on the Trace the Face website in the hope that their missing family recognise them. If found, they will be able to speak to each other by phone.

The Red Cross can also help families with visa applications and arrange face-to-face reunions with relatives in the UK. Dedicated caseworkers support refugees both practically and emotionally during this long process, helping them deal with the trauma of separation, and supporting them to access accommodation and financial support to maintain their wellbeing. Red Cross teams can also help pay for flights to the UK, for those that cannot afford it.

The Red Cross has been reuniting families since before World War II. Last year they brought together almost 8,000 people separated by conflict. They have a presence in 192 countries, with a vast network can help people in crisis to find missing loved ones in nearly every country in the world.

This latest £100,000 grant from the Freemasons comes after a series of previous grants totalling more than £1 million, helping Ukrainian refugees both in the UK and in Ukraine, as well as in Poland, Moldova and other neighbouring countries.

Freemasons contributed to the grant through the Masonic Charitable Foundation, which is funded by Freemasons, their families and friends, from across England and Wales.

Alex Fraser, UK Director of Refugee Support and Restoring Family Links for the British Red Cross, said:

“We’re very grateful to the Freemasons for this generous grant which we’ll use to reunite families torn apart by conflict. For people seeking safety in a crisis, losing contact with family members adds a new layer of trauma, and while the conflict in Ukraine has highlighted that fact, it’s a situation facing countless refugees and people on the move around the globe.

“Bringing families back together is a hard and complex process, but for someone looking for their child, spouse or sibling, it means everything. The Freemasons’ generosity will help us to support these people, whoever they are and whatever they’ve been through.”

## In Memory of Simon Smith



Many of us were very saddened by the passing of W Bro Simon Smith.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023, Annabel Lake will be running the London Marathon in memory of Simon Smith.

She says the following on her Just Giving Page:

“Motor neurone disease is a fatal, rapidly progressive disease that attacks the motor neurones, or nerves, in the brain and spinal cord. This means messages gradually stop reaching muscles, which leads to weakness and wasting. MND can affect how you walk, talk, eat, drink and breathe. Although there is currently no cure for MND, symptoms can be managed to help you achieve the best possible quality of life.”

“Simon and his family have faced MND head-on with resilience, compassion – and even at times found solace in his dark sense of humour when times got tough. Louisa and her family have bravely stood by his side for the last 11 months caring day-in and day-out. Together, we will fight, not just to finish the race, but also the battle that is MND and hopefully one day find a cure.”

“I would really appreciate any donation no matter how big or small – even sharing this page would be greatly appreciated to help the MND Association, who continue to provide invaluable support to families in need. Your generosity will make a difference. “

“Thank you – and see you all at the finish line!”

The link to the Just Giving page is below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/annabel-lake3>

## Widows Luncheon

The Provincial Luncheon for Widows will be held at the Masonic Hall, Kyrle Street, Hereford on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2023 at 12.30 pm for 1.00pm.

Ideally all widows should be invited to attend, irrespective of whether your Lodge holds its own function, as it is an opportunity for the widows across the Province to re-kindle friendships.

The cost will be £20.00 per head, inclusive of a wine and sherry reception. The cost for each widow attending is £10.00, which the Lodge may wish to pay on behalf of the widow, with the Province subsidising the balance of £10.00.

Please send a list of those Brethren/partners and widows who are attending with payment (cheques payable to ‘Provincial Grand Lodge of Herefordshire’) via your Lodge Almoner to the Provincial Grand Almoner:

Closing date for bookings is Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023. The menu will be:

<b>Starter</b>	Vegetable Soup or Melon
<b>Main Course</b>	Roast Chicken (carved) or Salmon (Vegetarian option available)
<b>Sweet</b>	Lemon Meringue or Cheese & Biscuits (all alternatives must be pre-ordered)

### Tea and Coffee

When submitting your Lodge return please indicate any other dietary requirements. Also anything that specially marks the day for any of our guests, such as a birthday.

This luncheon is an important event in our calendar and it is always a happy day and greatly enjoyed by everyone attending.

Dress smart casual - jackets and tie.

Yours sincerely & fraternally

*M P Davies*

M P Davies - Provincial Grand Almoner  
[provgalm@herefordshiremasons.org.uk](mailto:provgalm@herefordshiremasons.org.uk)

# The First Aeroplane in Herefordshire?

Was this the first aeroplane to be seen in Hereford? Article by Andrew Moore

It is hard to believe in the current climate of international travel and the internet that it was only 120 years ago that the Wright Brothers made their historical flight in Flyer 1. This was the first ever, heavier than air powered and controlled flight. Flyer 1 was a biplane with a front elevator and rear rudder and marked the beginning of the pioneer era of aviation.

Aeroplane design evolved rapidly and by 1908 the Daily Mail offered a prize of £500 for the first flight across the English Channel.

With no serious attempt being made the offer was renewed for 1909 and the prize money doubled to £1,000. Many commented that this was simply a publicity stunt by the newspaper with the Paris newspaper *Le Matin* commenting that there was no chance of the prize being won.

There were however three contenders. The successful crossing was made by Louis Bleriot in July 1909 in a time of thirty six minutes and thirty seconds. He was hailed a hero and made several appearances at various aviation events.

Bleriot developed his own design of aircraft for the crossing. On successful completion he also picked up orders for over 100 of his Type XI aircraft, each selling for 10,000 francs. This type of aircraft has a special link with Herefordshire as we shall see.

Aviation was still in its infancy and so in 1912 the Daily Mail sponsored six aviators to conduct a series of exhibition flights around the UK. It was known as the "Wake Up England" tour.

Both the French aviator Henri Salmét and the British aviator Claude Graham-White embarked on an extensive tour of the UK. Henri Salmét used his Bleriot XI-2 aircraft during the tour. It was a two seater aircraft enabling him to take a (very brave!) fee-paying passenger.



**ABOVE:** A black and white photograph of Henri Salmét Daily Mail airman in the cockpit of his Bleriot monoplane with the Mayor of Hereford, Edmund Wallis, a policeman and two others. M. Salmét flew in to Hereford Saturday 20th July 1912 and departed Monday 22nd July 1912.

The design was based on the single seater version used by Bleriot for his successful Channel crossing some three years previously.

The 1912 tour by Henri Salmét included stops at Ross on Wye and Hereford. Ross on Wye would seem a strange place to stop for a nationwide tour but in 1912 it was a major staging post for transport between London and South Wales, a route which later became the A40. This would have made navigation easier between Cardiff and Ross on Wye by following the ground based route from the air.

Originally Salmét had intended to fly from Cardiff directly to Ross on Wye but he diverted to Raglan and left his machine there overnight, resuming his trip the following day.

He landed on the Golf Links in Ross on Wye, at the foot of Penyard Hill, to the rapturous applause of a huge crowd. The crowd rushed to inspect the machine and Salmét gave a short speech. Due to adverse weather the plane was covered and guarded

overnight by the local police and boy scouts.

The following day the weather cleared and M Salmét showed "perfect mastery of his machine flying over the heads of the crowd, turning and volplaning (diving) with the greatest ease, much to the excitement and enjoyment of the spectators".

Later that day he took off for Hereford and reached there in a quarter of an hour. He flew over the grandstand and round the course several times before landing.

He was met by the Mayor and prominent members of the city and county, together with swarming spectators with scenes of great enthusiasm, waving hats and handkerchiefs.

An hour later he provided another flying display. The following day he continued his tour by flying on to Worcester breaking his journey at Broadheath due to storms.



**ABOVE:** A black and white photograph of Salmets monoplane being readied for take off. Four men are holding back the plane with difficulty.

I will leave you with this quote from a newspaper of the day.

*"To the casual observer the machine looks quite simple and judging by the comparative ease with which M Salmets managed it and worked and guided it in almost any direction, irrespective of the wind, there is every possibility of the flying machine becoming vastly more popular and in greater demand in the near future."*

If anyone has more information on the display or the Airfield at Hereford then please send it in to [Craftsmen@herefordshiremasons.org](mailto:Craftsmen@herefordshiremasons.org). We would love to hear from you and publish it in a future newsletter.

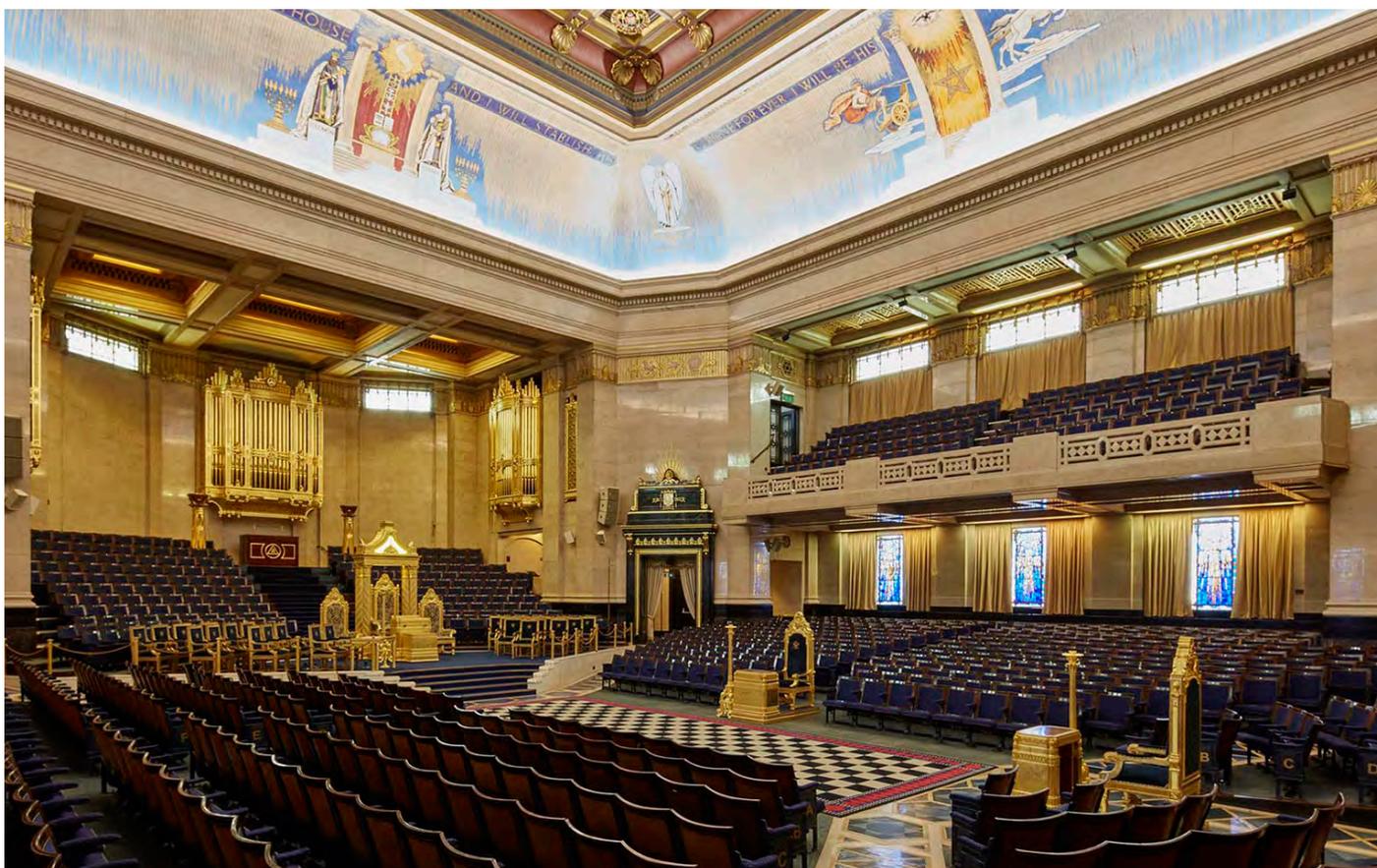
Photos from the Herefordshire History [Website](#).

**BELOW:** A black and white photograph of a monoplane in front of a packed grandstand at Hereford racecourse. This was taken on the occasion when the pioneer aviator flew in his Bleriot monoplane to Hereford on a Daily Mail demonstration flight. "Although Salmets made a flight at Ross in the morning and went on to Hereford, he was unable to fly on to Worcester in the evening" (Source Flight Magazine July 27th 1912). This was the first aeroplane to be seen in Hereford according to Mr Percy Pritchard (Source: MotorSport 1981).



# Inventing the Future

An Especial Meeting to celebrate the tercentenary of the 1723 Constitutions



A number of Herefordshire Masons joined more than 1,600 attending the Especial Meeting of Grand Lodge on 31<sup>st</sup> January, including Grand Masters and representatives from American and European Grand Lodges, and the Grand Masters of the Order of Women Freemasons and HFAF – Freemasonry for Women.

The programme – titled The 1723 Constitutions: Inventing the Future – included talks from Dr Ric Berman and Akram Elias, the Prestonian Lecturer for 2023 and former GM of the Grand Lodge of Washington DC, together with a film produced by Matthew Mitchell and narrated by David Jacobi.

It was, in the words of the Pro Grand Master, Jonathan Spence, a truly extraordinary and wonderful event.

The Constitutions gave Freemasonry a proclamation of values which became an important ingredient in transmitting the principles of enlightenment, confidently propagating notions of religious tolerance, meritocracy, self-improvement by education and even democratic elections.

Over time, these ideas were widely embraced as they spread across Europe and in America, shaping models of governance.



**PGM for Herefordshire, MEGS...** · 37m

Brethren, thank you for your support. It was a wonderful turnout from our Province and delighted that we all able to dine together afterwards. Hope your journeys home the “The Shire” were trouble free and looking forward to being in your company again soon.

**Herefordshire Freemasons** · 2h

What an absolutely fantastic day for Herefordshire masons visiting @UGLE\_GrandLodge to witness the especial meeting for the tercentenary of the #1723 constitutions. Absolutely delighted to have been in attendance! @DGLBMason @GrahamCKing1 @UGLE\_GrandLodge @hfdslightblues



# Inventing the Future

## The 1723 Constitutions Frontispiece.

Beautifully engraved by John Pine, the frontispiece to the 1723 Constitutions offers an image of John Montagu, 2nd Duke of Montagu, Grand Master in 1721, presenting the Constitutional Scroll and a set of compasses to Philip, Duke of Wharton, his successor. Each is attended by his respective Grand Officers. Dressed in clerical vestments, Dr Jean Theophilus Desaguliers is placed on the far right.

In the central background framed by two rows of columns is an image of the parting of the Red Sea. Referencing the flight of the Israelites from Egypt and their journey across the Sinai Desert to the Promised Land, the image symbolises redemption and 'obtaining possession'. The pillars display the five orders of architecture: Doric, Ionic, Corinthian, Tuscan, and Composite. They might also allude to the five monarchs who supported Wren's reconstruction of St Paul's Cathedral (1675-1708): Charles II, James II, William & Mary, and Queen Anne.

In the immediate foreground, between the two Grand Masters, is a representation of Euclid's 47th proposition: a right-angled triangle with the square on the side opposite the right angle equal to the sum of the squares on the other two sides. The symbol is associated with architecture and worn by a Past Master of a Masonic Lodge. Underneath is the Greek word Eureka, a reference to Archimedes' exclamation 'I have found it'. The word is related to 'heuristic' and describes experience and observation-based techniques for learning and problem-solving.

Apollo, the son of Zeus, a god in both Greek and Roman mythology, is drawn in the sky at the reins of a chariot: an allegorical representation of the sun approaching its meridian. Apollo was the god of healing, music and poetry, the leader of the Muses and the patron deity of Delphi. The intention is to impress upon the viewer a sense of philosophical, scientific and spiritual well-being, and to imply divine approval.

For those of you that saw the video first hand at the Especial Meeting or have watched it on [YouTube](#) you will recognise many of the characters and symbols described in the video.



More information on Masonic frontispieces is available in Martin Cherry's paper: ['The Frontispieces of the Book of Constitutions, 1723-1819'](#).

Martin, the Librarian at the Museum of Freemasonry in London, offers a personal take, as does Chris Powell in his paper on a 1723 engraving of the List of Lodges by Pine, released within a few weeks of the publication of the 1723 Constitutions.

The paper, ['Pine's List of Lodges'](#), is from 'Notes & Queries', AQC 131.

# Inventing the Future

How to get involved

1723 Constitutions:  
Inventing the Future

2023 marks the Tercentenary of the publication in London of the '1723 Constitutions'.  
Dr. Ric Berman discusses the importance of this document from the Enlightenment to the present day.

UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND

SOLOMON LIVE

Tuesday 21 February 2023  
at 19:30 UK Time

Watch the full video shown at the 1723 Especial Meeting here.

<https://youtu.be/OndJslvBaxE>

You can find more information on the dedicated website here.

<https://www.1723constitutions.com>

Coming up next. Click on the link below to sign up for the next online session via Solomon Live.

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

## Following on from our article "Herefordshire Before the Union of 1813" W Bro John Eisel sent in the following update.

Dear Sir

May I be allowed a little space to correct a minor misinterpretation in the details of early Lodges in Herefordshire, printed in the current edition of *The Craftsmen* (No. 76)?

It is stated there that there was a Palladian Lodge No. 290 in Hereford in 1755, which is certainly incorrect. The 1755 printed list of Lodges, which gives the position in June 1755, shows that the highest number at that time was 269. Subsequent to that a renumbering of Lodges took place, closing up the numbering by removing defunct Lodges from the list, and when the next printed list was published, taking the position up to 26 February 1756, the numbering only went up to 212. It would take some primary research to discover whether this renumbering took place in 1755, as subsequently used in Lane's *Masonic Records 1717-1894*, or very early in 1756.

There is an on-line searchable version of Lane's *Masonic Records*: it is also possible to view a scanned copy of the original book on line, and I have used a copy of the second edition (1895) in compiling this

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note. In this the details of the Lodges are given, listed under the numbering in use at that time, in the case of Palladian being 120. For each Lodge there is a listing of the numbers under the various renumberings that took place, beginning with a column headed 1755, then 1770, 1780 etc. This does not mean that Palladian Lodge was numbered 290 in 1755, only that it was numbered 290 under the 1755 numbering system. In fact 290 is consistent with the known date of the warrant (12 October 1762).

Lane also states that the Lodge was not called Palladian until 1767, and there is no reason to doubt this: unfortunately I can't confirm it as the earliest minute books, covering 1762 to 1778, are missing, and have been for the best part of 200 years!).

Sincerely and fraternally

John Eisel

**Thank you John.**

**We always welcome feedback or ideas.  
If you have any suggestions for  
future articles or features  
then please let us know via email to**

[craftsmen@herefordshiremasons.org.uk](mailto:craftsmen@herefordshiremasons.org.uk)

# What's On

## Events During February 2023 and Beyond.



**CRAFTCAST: THE FREEMASONS PODCAST**

### Episode 06

**The one about young Freemasons**  
30 Jan, 2023

Have you listened to the Freemasons Podcasts from UGLE? A new episode of Craftcast: The Freemasons Podcast is **NOW LIVE!**

In this touching episode our hosts share their experiences as younger Freemasons. Together, they recall moments of unexpected levels of support and satisfaction they felt as members and touch on the impact that deep bonds of friendship can have on a young person.

Listen in as they explain Freemasonry's unique dignity and brotherhood and its ability to transcend the usual divisions in society. Find the sixth episode, The one about young Freemasons, [here](#).

[LISTEN HERE](#)



### 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.

**SOLOMON LIVE**  
Recorded 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023

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Date	Lodge/Chapter/	Event/Venue
<b>2023</b>		
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> February	Ariconium	Ladies' Dinner, Walwyn Arms, Much Marcle
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> March	UGLE	Quarterly Communication, FMH London
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Dean Waterfield/ St Peter's	Ladies' Festival, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Royal Edward	Ladies' Evening, LMC
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Province	Widows' Lunch, Masonic Hall, Kyrle Street, Hereford
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Dean Leigh Masters	Lunch, Masonic Hall, Kyrle Street, Hereford
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Loyal Hay	Ladies' Celebration, Swan Hotel, Hay on Wye
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Royal Edward	St George's Day Lunch, LMC
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> April	UGLE	Annual Investiture, FMH London
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Province	Provincial Grand Lodge
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Province	Annual service, Hereford Cathedral
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> June	UGLE	Quarterly Communication, FMH London
<b>Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	<b>RA Province G&amp;H</b>	<b>Provincial Grand Chapter, Gloucester</b>
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> September	UGLE	Quarterly Communication, FMH London
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> December	UGLE	Quarterly Communication, FMH London

FMH – Freemasons' Hall, London  
LMC – Leominster Masonic Centre

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

## Kyrle Street Bavarian 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 strudel and custard

A variety of German and other beers at excellent prices

A prize for the best Lederhosen and dirndl  
[Ticket Price £25](#)

Please see Booking form on the Members Website  
<https://hmwma.herefordshiremasons.org.uk/events/>

**Dean Waterfield & St Peter's Ladies Festival**

Come celebrate with  
W Bro Stuart and Jenny Powell  
W Bro Dave Griffiths and Emily Vaughan

At the Green Dragon Hotel Hereford

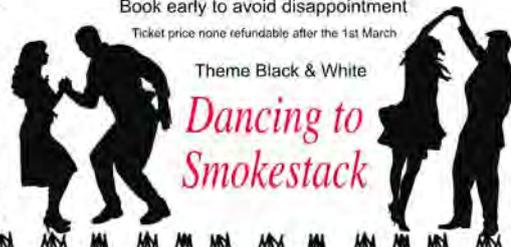
**Saturday 18th March 2023**  
7 for 7.30pm  
*Carriages at Midnight*




**Tickets £55**  
Includes three course meal and Coffee

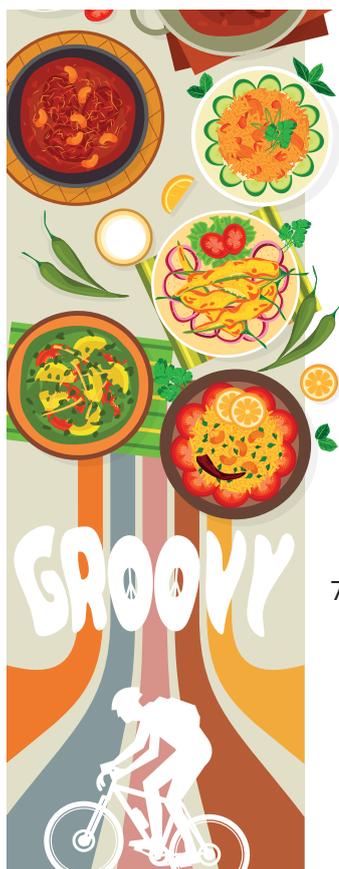
Book by 1st March  
Book early to avoid disappointment  
Ticket price none refundable after the 1st March

Theme Black & White  
**Dancing to Smokestack**



Further details for any event and for booking details go to the Provincial Members' Website

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



## Curry up!

Book your place for a night to remember!

Raising funds for HMCA, Tony Shaw, Andy Cartwright and Craig Shaw are taking part in The Little & Large Cycle Challenge 2023 from Lands End to John O Groats.

Help them on their way by joining us for an evening of curry, dancing and games.

**Saturday 8th April**  
Masonic Hall, Hereford  
7.30pm start

Open to everyone and anyone!

Menu includes Chicken Tikka, Beef Madras, Vegetarian Curry, Rice, Chips and Sundries.

Get your groove on:  
70s & 80s themed disco.

Tickets are only £12.50/person.

See Website for booking details link above

THE HERFORD MASONIC HALL  
BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

**THE SATURDAY BREAKFAST CLUB WILL MEET THIS MONTH**  
**25th February**

MENU CHOICES	THIS MONTH'S BREAKFAST CLUB, WILL BE HELD
FRIED EGG	SAT. 21ST JANUARY
BACON	DOORS OPEN 9AM
BEANS	BREAKFAST WILL BE
TOMATO	SERVED AT 9:30.
HASH BROWN	WE ARE UNABLE TO TAKE DEBIT/CREDIT CARDS
MUSHROOMS	
BLACK PUDDING	
TOAST	
TEA OR COFFEE	
ALL FOR 8.50P	
FRUIT JUICES CAN BE PURCHASED FROM THE BAR	

See website for booking details link above



# WHERE AM I?

*For this month, can you identify this well known Herefordshire landmark?*

**Q**

This castle was built in the 1180s by the Norman Lord Walter de Lacy inside a rectangular enclosure which may date back to the Roman occupation of Britain.

Fortified during the 12<sup>th</sup> century, the rectangular enclosure was bisected by another earthen wall, forming the two outer baileys of the castle which sat side-by-side to the south of the motte. In addition, a twin-towered gatehouse, protected with a portcullis, was added to the new outer curtain which enclosed the rectangular area. The gatehouse still exists, though extensively ruined.

**Where am I? - Answer next month.**

## Last Month's Word Search Solution

Did you find these Motorway Services from last month?

### Motorway Services

W D R O F X O G A L S T I R L I N G J U O O M H  
 L E F Q J S M J T F T L B S Z Z P N V Z O R A I  
 F M H L E U V P P H K S Z K T A V S A R I R L P  
 Q A F D K U F Q O D U E T D G R B W L L T Y H A  
 B V M B E R I W C K Y R E D D E E L W H Q W E A  
 O C I S O K O N B O Z U R L O T G N I Z F G F X  
 T T W J B G C W X M C O X O E B E L S Z T Y J F  
 H I O C S W W G P L F P U I C V L M D H U X A R  
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 E C S A K Z G E A Q O G H R L C G R K A M M K D  
 L H E X E L S W K J O A Z K V A N P S W C K S D  
 L E T A Z T Q G O P R W E B S B T H F D D M T K  
 M S Q R O I Y M U N O L H B W I J Q N E F F S U  
 K T B N X J E E R C T E B A Y N N G F M D H H F  
 U E C U G W G R S Z R A D S B G B W K T T Z H N  
 K R E H U X U O M B A O O Z I T D S S D Z W O U  
 O C N R X U Z X R M Z F Z N W O J W R E A T F J  
 D K I A T R D Q B D F W Z R B N A N G I L I X F  
 P T D W O Z D F Y A A Y O Q Y N H B T I Y C K N  
 W E Z G R U J R P I W N F K S X U Y M E H H W V  
 B S A H C A B D N A S D O E T U M A H B E D J X  
 U M W K G X W I C X X H A D T M H X W H W L O W  
 O Y L I P N I P L O S Y T B R B X Q A G J J F M  
 L B Z Q P M P C X A D W B X E M I A R L Q B B G

- Stirling
- Harthill
- Watfordgap
- Sandbach
- Hamilton
- Warwic
- Oxford
- Gordano
- Thurrock
- Medway
- Fleet
- Tebay
- Mag
- Chester
- Swansea
- Keele
- Bothwell
- Strensham
- Heston
- Abington

Can you find these Valentines Day themed items

## Valentine's Day

H D S E S S I K N G X S T E E W S Z A E A Z H F  
U U U X Y K J P C P O B C K E U U W L I S Q W P  
C W A N S K N B H X P U M M T H B C W H T Q A R  
L Q S V N H M R O O N E Z O D P U O Y J C Q G W  
S V C O U P G T C F S R R V Y V J J A W D I E P  
S W L Y G W X T O P Q I N Y F W S X S A N H I H  
H M Q E G W R Y L P X W A Q L R K U B G C M F C  
U G H H L A N G A O O T A Y O G V H C O O M S C  
G W X Q E V E P T Z E X V T W J S J Q D M B I K  
S I P H B O I U E W N X P U E S K S P F G T Y B  
C J J X N P E L J S G P T T R R Z Z Q Z N M Y O  
D U N I H O K G V J E E L O S E Z O I A J A K L  
X B D C A R D L O C L L S S M T O I M M U T Q F  
V P S D B S I J X I P E F D I S J O M F G E A N  
F S P T L P T D F P S N H F F Y R R X G G C M J  
U W T S M E W D V O E O K H U O M W T P P F O F  
D Q Z W I R K C R U W B M P V R A Z Z E W Y R B  
T I F E V E I D H E Q P P E A W T X Z C M I Q O  
W T N Q D R E O M U S X C C J W B W M D E H O F  
P E E N E R C U F E B I L K L K A O E N E J F B  
F A F Z E J M R H M W H J B M D F C D L K W D H  
T U N Y Z R G X W S Q N I A J D N J F O H W Y H  
I R T M T L M J J A B G Q M N A W E K V O F X C  
Q J E O I S Q E V T D D J P D H Q R O E Q N U X

oysters    truffles    dozen    redroses    dinner    Romantic    Dance  
snuggle    smooch    roses    love    kisses    hugs    heart    friend  
flowers    cuddle    Chocolate    Card    Sweets