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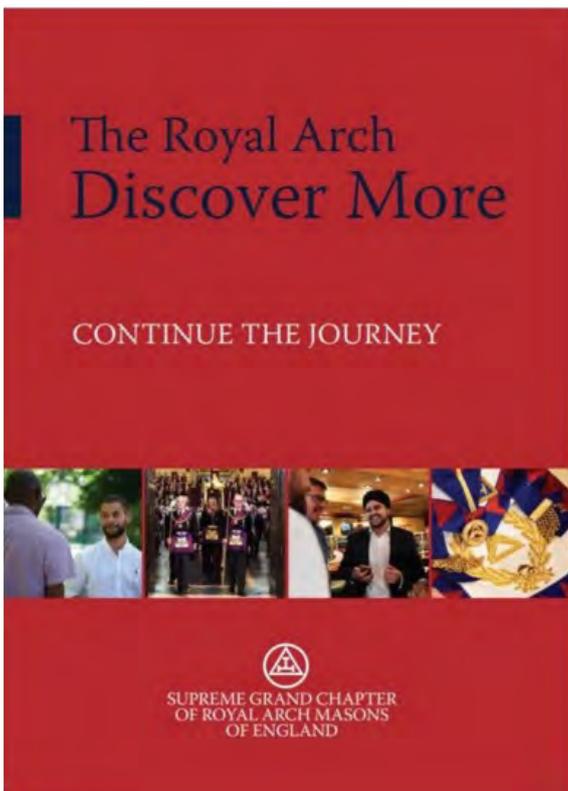
Supreme Grand Chapter are in the process of updating their pages on the UGLE Website.

There is now a new booklet entitled "The Royal Arch Discover More" which can be read online and downloaded.

It will be available in printed format soon.

Further details on the UGLE website here.

<https://www.ugle.org.uk/about-us/royal-arch>



## Faces of Freemasonry

UGLE are planning a series of social media posts entitled "Faces of Freemasonry" intending to correct the public perception of Freemasonry and its membership.

### What they need from us:

They would like us to send in photographs of members, which will be added to a standard template and published monthly on the UGLE social media channels.

This will highlight the member, as well as their Province/District. The ideal photos will be high resolution and feature the Brother in question at work or pursuing a leisurely/recreational activity or hobby (no pictures in regalia, please).

You will also need to answer two questions, the answers to which will be published in the post.

### The questions are:

- 1) Why did you join Freemasonry?
- 2) Why have you stayed?

The photos have no restrictions on the age and rank of the Brethren.

We will also be running similar campaigns as a Province via our social media channels over the coming months.

If you are interested in participating will you please email your answers to us with a suitable high quality photograph to.

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

By sending the photos you are providing permission for these to be used in social media campaigns by UGLE and the Province.

# Would I know the answer?

## Did I know the answer?

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

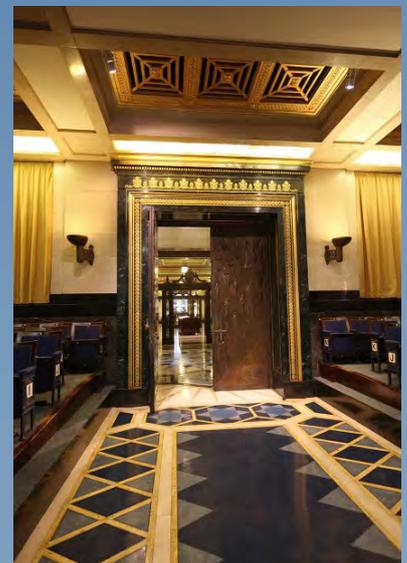
### I asked: The Grand Temple?

I thought that I would complete the explanations of Freemasons Hall by explaining the Grand Temple. This is at the centre of the site but the design and use of internal courtyards is such that it has external walls on three sides. The Temple is 120 ft. long by 90 ft. wide by 62 ft. high, and holds approximately 1700 people including balcony seating. On ceremonial occasions access to the Temple is via the bronze doors, the design of which incorporates historical and symbolic themes. The walls of the Temple are lined with various types of marble.

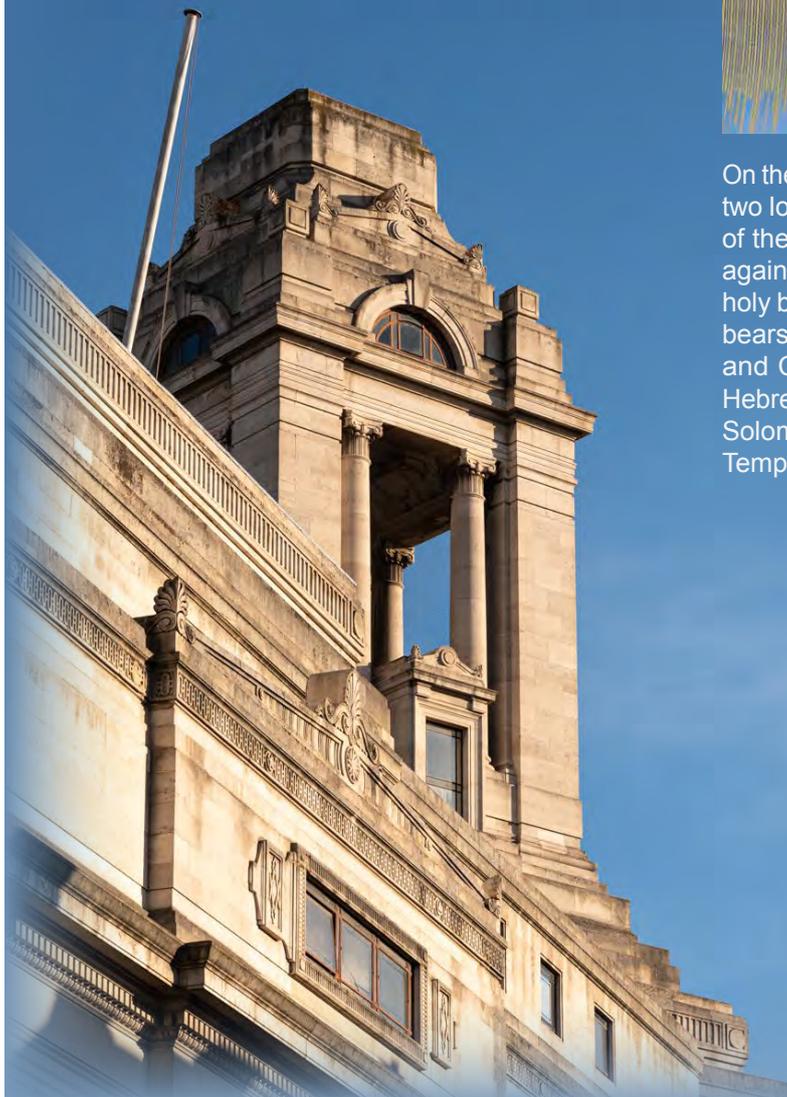
The central panel of the ceiling is a representation of the celestial sky. Surrounding it is a deeply coffered and richly decorated border with the arms of the United Grand Lodge of England at each corner. The decoration of the cornice, which is 15 ft. deep, is entirely in mosaic and took 22 months to complete. The allegorical groups in the design each incorporate columns of a classical order of architecture.



On the eastern side (opposite the bronze doors) in between two Ionic pillars (representing Wisdom) is a representation of the Ark of the Covenant and Jacob's Ladder. Resting against the ladder is the Volume of the Sacred Law (any holy book displayed at a lodge meeting). Jacob's Ladder bears the symbols for Faith (a cross), Hope (an anchor) and Charity (a burning heart) ascending towards the Hebrew character YOD (Jehovah). To the left stands King Solomon, to the right King Hiram, the builders of the first Temple at Jerusalem.



*The bronze doors*





On the western side (above the bronze doors) two Doric pillars (representing strength of knowledge) are flanked by Euclid and Pythagoras on either side of the 47th. Proposition (the symbol worn by a Past Master of a Lodge). The pillars support the Moon around which is an ancient symbol of wisdom, a serpent.



On the southern side are two Corinthian pillars (representing beauty) with Helios, the Sun God, driving his chariot across the heavens to mark the Sun at its meridian, the pillars support the All-Seeing Eye below which is a five pointed star.



On the northern side, between the two pillars of the Composite order are the arms of the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn (Grand Master when this Hall was built). On one side is St. George and on the other the Dragon. The celestial globe on one pillar and the terrestrial globe on the other represent the universal nature of Freemasonry. At the base of the pillars are two blocks of stone (ashlars). One is rough representing Man entering Freemasonry and the other is smooth representing how Man is improved through Freemasonry.



In the corners of the cornice stand four angelic figures portraying the four cardinal virtues, Prudence, Temperance, Fortitude and Justice. The inscription commences in the north east corner and is taken from Chronicles 1 xvii 12-14. The frieze on the four splay walls carries the twelve signs of the Zodiac. These have no Masonic significance but are a link with the first Freemason's Hall on this site which featured them in its decoration.

The organ console is situated in the centre at the end of the dais. The organ is a three manual Willis instrument with over 2000 speaking pipes.



Further images of the above may be seen on Facebook for those who are able to follow Gordon Williams, who recently attended the Quarterly Communication and Investiture. Thank you Gordon.

If you have not visited the 'Solomon' site lately, you should. There are now Videos, Podcasts and Webinars available for more in depth explanations. Facebook and Twitter also offer links for more information.

**\*\*There is also a new link to Royal Arch Chapter which is worth a look.\*\*** Useful for future meetings when no candidate is available.



# Bringing The Strategy To Life In Herefordshire

In the January Issue of *The Craftsmen* we reprinted the *Freemasonry Today* article introducing the Seven Year Plan. Since then there have been a number of meetings at Provincial level to agree how we will implement this plan for Herefordshire – “The Herefordshire Way.”



Here is a quick refresher of what the seven year plan is and to share the output of the Herefordshire planning so far.

‘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 overarching strategy from UGLE has been visualised via the Temple which 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.



In Herefordshire we have distilled this down into three distinct action points.

1. To address the membership challenge by reducing losses and delivering a 1% annual growth by year three and 2% growth by year seven
2. To have a coherent and consistent organisational approach across the Province
3. To have a clear community engagement program across the Province, that meets local and countywide needs

We will be running a series of events, similar to the Members' Pathway Presentations and also updating collateral for download from the Members Website.

The Provincial Grand Master has also asked to attend the Lodge Committee Meetings to discuss ways that the Province can help in meeting each Lodge's respective challenges.

As with all improvement initiatives, we will over time learn more about what works well and what may be less effective. Lodges are encouraged to share those good practices that are proving successful with our Communications Team so we can share best practice.



### **Building a Thriving Membership**

- Focused programs of outreach initiatives across the county
- Sharing best practice interview techniques
- Improved guidelines on mentoring, focused on new members
- Introduction of regular open forums for discussion on ways forward
- Investigate day-time Lodge opportunities
- Sharing best practice



### **Coherent Organisation**

- Consistent and coherent messaging for lodges to use in public engagement
- Encouragement of community and local press engagements
- Relevant Lodge profiles
- Aligned progression plans by Lodge
- Regular reviews with Lodges

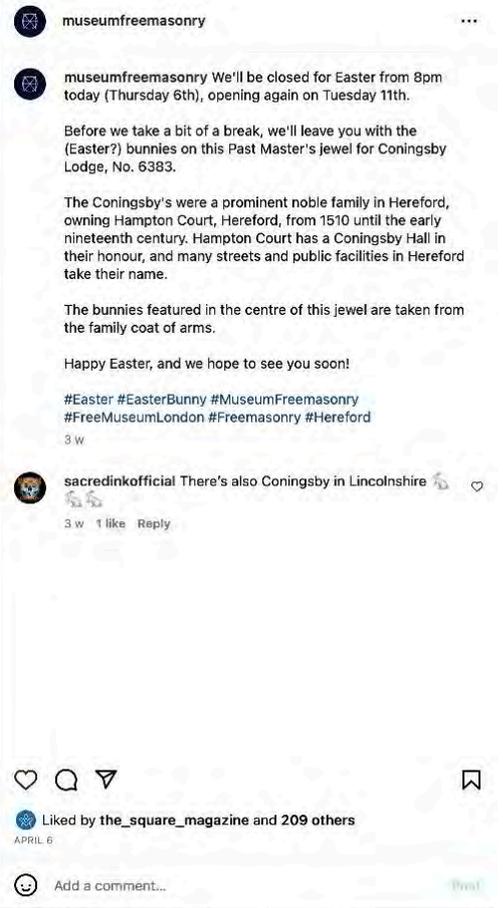


### **Engagement In Our Communities**

- Continuation of local community support by Lodges
- Annually agreed Provincial Focused Charity, with event
- Enhance community volunteering
- Continue community engagement through participation in Cathedral and Remembrance services across the Province
- Support community-based activities increasing awareness and relevance e.g. Armed Forces

***“To cement our reputation as a force for good in our communities and society at large, and a thriving organisation that people aspire to join”***

# Social Media Post Prompts Manhunt!



Over the Easter Weekend the Museum of Freemasonry posted a picture on social media of a Coningsby Lodge Past Master's Jewel held in their collection with the following comments.

*"Before we take a bit of a break, we'll leave you with the (Easter?) bunnies on this Past Master's jewel for Coningsby Lodge, No. 6383.*

*The Coningsby's were a prominent noble family in Hereford, owning Hampton Court, Hereford, from 1510 until the early nineteenth century. Hampton Court has a Coningsby Hall in their honour, and many streets and public facilities in Hereford take their name.*

*The bunnies featured in the centre of this jewel are taken from the family coat of arms.*

*Happy Easter, and we hope to see you soon!"*



This prompted contact with the Lodge Secretary W Bro David Hudson our Provincial Junior Grand Warden who was able to look back through the Lodge history and find a picture of the original owner of the jewel.

### The man hunt commenced!

Worshipful Brother William Frederick Dear was initiated into WICLIF Lodge No 3078 at Lutterworth, Leicestershire in 1914. A schoolmaster, he resigned due to ill health and moved to Hereford where he established a leather and grindery business; botany was his main hobby.

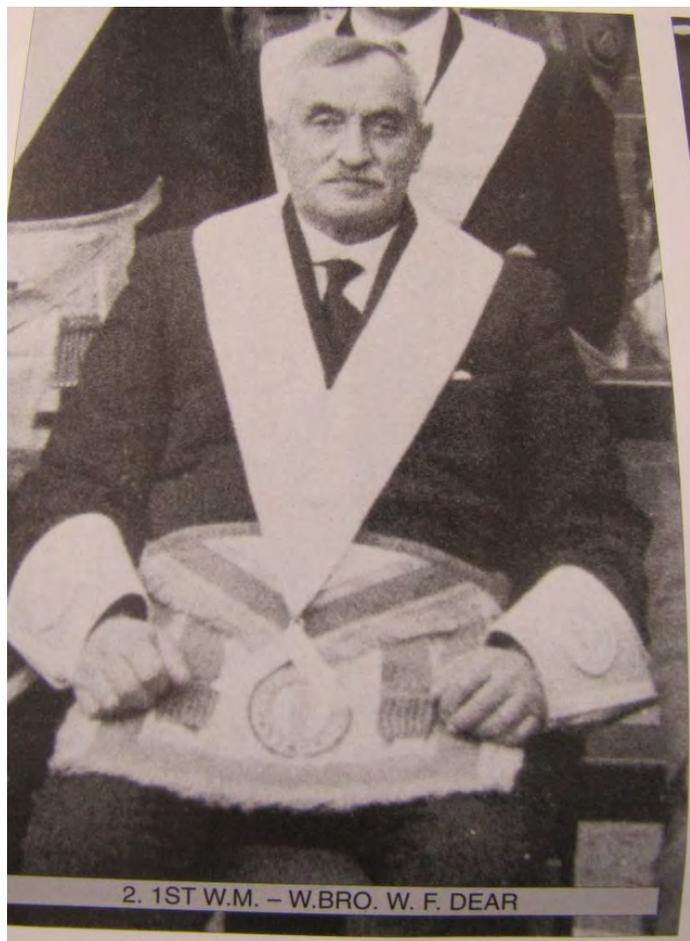
He became a joining member of Palladian Lodge in 1924. He was one of the 34 founders of Coningsby Lodge, being installed as its first WM on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 1946 at the Consecration of the Lodge, held at College hall, Cathedral Cloisters, by Dean Waterfield PGM.

148 brethren were present from 26 Lodges. Alms collection for the Masonic Hospital were £12.4s. The festive board was held at the Green Dragon – a four course dinner for 10s.6p! Founders fee was £5.10s, subs 15 guineas, initiation 5 guineas.

W Bro Dear passed to the Grand Lodge above in 1949.

This is taken from the history of the first 50 years of the Lodge. It includes a photo of the first officers, including W Bro Dear.

**Thank you to W Bro David for your investigative powers!**



You can search the Museum of Freemasonry artefacts online here.  
<https://110308uk.eos-intl.eu/L10308UK/MoFCAT/Index.aspx>



1. OFFICERS OF THE LODGE – 1ST YEAR

# A Very Grand Day Out

*Members of the Province are honoured with Grand Rank Appointments*



**W Bro Tony on the left and W Bro Malcolm on the right**

Last week saw the Grand Lodge Investitures of two Herefordshire Provincial Masons, our Provincial Grand Treasurer W Bro Tony Body and Provincial Grand Almoner W Bro Malcolm Davies.

Tony was invested as Past Grand Assistant Director of Ceremonies and Malcolm was invested as an active Assistant Grand Pursuivant. The first active officer appointed from Herefordshire for twenty five years since W Bro David Joyce was appointed Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies in 1998 and prior to David it was W Bro Barry Chamberlain appointed AGDC in 1980.

Malcolm was lucky to be installed by HRH The Duke of Kent who was presiding over Grand Lodge.

It was a long day. The minibus was boarded at 7am for the journey to London. The Brethren were supported by the PGM and Deputy PGM and other Brethren from Herefordshire and dined at the RAC Club prior to the investiture. On the way back the party stopped off at the Highwayman Inn for refreshments.

Also present on the day was W Bro Ray Bennett, a member of Eastnor Lodge, who was also honoured as Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies.

**The foyer of the RAC Club where the Brethren dined before the Investitures.**





W Bro Malcolm Davies is the Provincial Almoner. He was initiated into Vaga Lodge in November 1998 and Exalted into Royal Arch in 2007. As Provincial Almoner Malcolm oversees and encourages Brethren in all matters relating to member welfare within the Province. This includes providing support, guidance and advice to all Lodge Almoners and Visiting Volunteers in the Province, as well as overseeing various requests for assistance.

He also liaises with the MCF Advice and Support Team (AST).

When Malcolm arrived at Freemasons Hall he was directed to the Grand Officers Robing room where his chain of office and regalia was laid out for him.

***The Grand Officer Robing Room at Freemasons Hall.***



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W Bro Tony Body is the Provincial Treasurer. He was Initiated in 1985 into Cantilupe Lodge and exalted into Cantilupe Royal Arch Chapter in 2013. Tony took over as Provincial Treasurer in March 2017 after the sudden death of his predecessor W Bro. Bob Davies. Previous to that Tony was the Herefordshire 2020 Festival Treasurer and Relief Chest Representative.

As Provincial Treasurer he is responsible for the Provinces Finances and keeping the "Executive Committee" up to date with the Financial position of the Province.

- To record all "Income and Expenditure" as and when they occur.
- Account for Income from events such as Provincial Grand Lodge Annual Meeting, Provincial Cathedral Service Luncheon, Widows Luncheon and Expenditure relating to these events.
- To account for Hereford Lodges Income relating to the annual dues, Advertising Income from other Provinces relating to their pages in our Annual Year Book.

There are other minor forms of income to be accounted for, as well as other expenditure costs. Tony Says, "Yes, it is time consuming, but keeping on top of everything by actioning promptly makes it a pleasure to be Provincial Grand Treasurer".



## *The ‘Sussex Fudge’*

You may have heard of the ‘Sussex Fudge’ and could be forgiven for thinking this is some form of south coast tourist delicacy, but far from it.

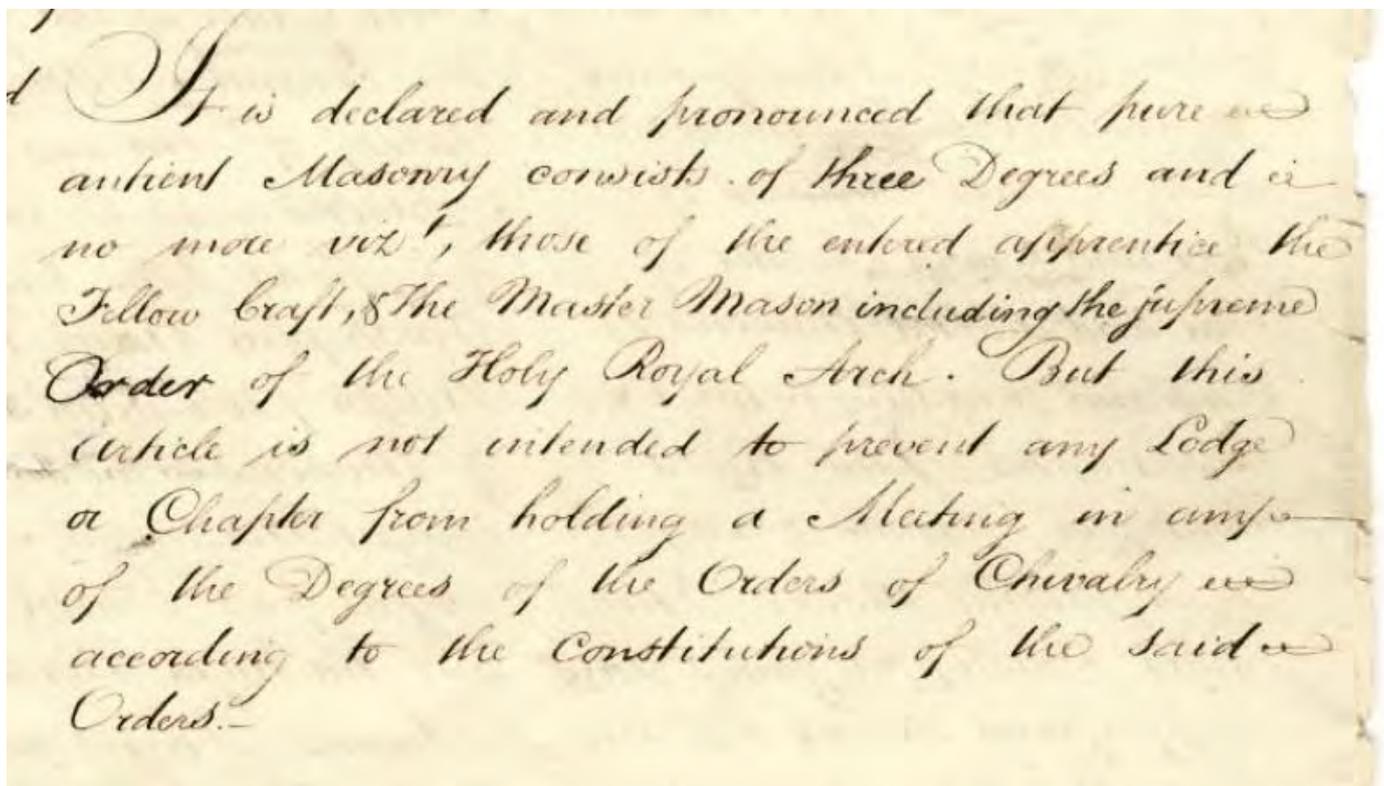
It was in fact a fundamental, yet compromised piece in the negotiations which enabled the Union of the two Grand Lodges, the Antients and the Moderns, into the United Grand Lodge of England in 1813. ‘Sussex’ because the committee was led by the Duke of Sussex and ‘fudge,’ as we shall see, because it was a compromise to describe the relationship of the Royal Arch that we live with to this day.

The process of developing the articles of union and reconciling the ritual between the two Grand Lodges was worked out by the two respective Grand Masters. The Duke of Kent for the Antients and the Duke of Sussex for the Moderns.

The union was formally brought into being by the twenty-one articles of ‘The Articles of Union’ – specifying the agreements made regarding the various points of contention. The union largely confirmed the Antients’

forms and ceremonies, and therefore considerably revised the Moderns’ rituals. One of the most important changes was the reference in Article Two to the Royal Arch Degree as included in the third, the Master Masons’ degree – a practice that had always been peculiar to the Antients’ Lodges. Following the union in 1813, a Lodge of Reconciliation (1813–1816) was established to complete the rationalization of the ritual into a form acceptable to both parties forming the newly constituted United Grand Lodge.

A great Lodge of Reconciliation was held in Freemason’s Hall, London, on St John’s Day, 27<sup>th</sup> December 1813. It was a memorable and inspiring scene as the two Grand Lodges, so long estranged, filed into the hall – delegates of 641 Modern and 359 Ancient or Atholl Lodges – mixed so as to be indistinguishable from each other. Both Grand Masters had seats of honour in the East.



Prior to the union, the Ancients regarded the Royal Arch as the culmination and essence of their Craft - to the extent that the Royal Arch degree in effect constituted the fourth degree in their system. But the official attitude of the Moderns to the Royal Arch degree was that it was an irregular and unrecognisable innovation in the body of Freemasonry. The committee appointed by the Duke of Sussex to resolve this problem had to define 'pure Antient Masonry' so that the Royal Arch was not excluded, for if it had been, the Ancients would not have agreed to the union.

The final draft and the wording still used today (see pages 14-15 of the Book of Constitutions on the UGLE Website. <https://www.ugle.org.uk/about-us/book-constitutions> )

*'It is declared and pronounced that pure Antient Masonry consists of three degrees, and no more, viz. those of the Entered Apprentice, the Fellow Craft, and the Master Mason, including the Supreme Order of the Holy Royal Arch.'*

Scholars suggest that this was originally captured in a previous draft as:

*'It is declared and pronounced that pure Antient Masonry consists of four degrees, and no more, viz. those of the Entered Apprentice, the Fellow Craft, the Master Mason and also, the Supreme Degree of the Holy Royal Arch.'*

But that it was altered by the Duke of Sussex presumably after hard bargaining in such a way that it provides a calculated ambiguity which has stood to this day.

There have been many articles written on the subject and much debate. For example in Bernard Jones's *Freemason's Book of the Royal Arch* (1957) he writes:

'Such an anomalous condition could come only as a result of compromise arrived at after hard bargaining - a compromise possible only in the English way of thought - but it must be admitted that the compromise, illogical as it is, has worked. Outside the English jurisdiction the Royal Arch is a separate degree.

Under no other jurisdiction is the Royal Arch as closely connected with a Craft Grand Lodge as it is under the English Constitution, where as part of this indissoluble link, in Herefordshire and many other Craft Provinces, the Provincial Grand Master is also the Most Excellent Grand Superintendent in and over the Royal Arch Province.

Yet this ambiguous and anomalous definition has sufficed from 1818 (when Supreme Grand Chapter was eventually formed) until today. The Sussex Fudge lives on.....

Article based on a Blog Article on the UGLE Website here. <https://www.ugle.org.uk/discover-freemasonry/blog/jim-daniel-royal-arch-origins>





## The Little & Large Cycle Challenge 2023

**The Little and Large Cycle Challenge is a sponsored cycle ride from Land's End to John O'Groats between 28<sup>th</sup> April and 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023 in aid of the Herefordshire Masonic Charity Association (HMCA).**



The riders are Tony Shaw, Andy Cartwright and Craig Shaw.

The support team are Aki Atkinson, Dave Shaw and Tony Lewis, with medical support from Andy Thurgood.

As you can imagine, it's not just as simple as jumping on a bike and off you go. Training has already started and by the time we depart, we should have 5 months' worth under our belts and many miles.

The funds are being raised for the HMCA.

We would welcome any contributions which can be made through our dedicated Just Giving page. Use your phone camera to scan the QR code or visit our page <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/littleandlargecyclechallenge2023>

Donating is simple, fast and totally secure. Your details are safe with Just Giving - they'll never sell them on or send unwanted emails. Once you donate, they'll send your money directly to the charity. So it's the most efficient way to donate - saving time and cutting costs for the charity.

Thank You!



**Land's End to John O'Groats 28<sup>th</sup> April and 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

Tony Shaw sent an update just before the final training run.

I thought I would take the opportunity to update you on how things are going in terms of training and fund raising ahead of the ride next week.

Training has been going really well. I have been pushing 140 mile training weeks for the last 2 to 3 weeks. We have scaled Gospel Pass twice, Malvern Hills and 83 miles to Bulth and back to Hereford in a loop, getting back on the bike the following day for more punishment. This weekend will see all three riders on Sunday heading to Ledbury, British Camp, West Malvern before heading into Gloucestershire and back to Hereford. This will be our last big distance before resting the legs and preparing the bikes for what's ahead.

We are all really looking forward to the challenge.

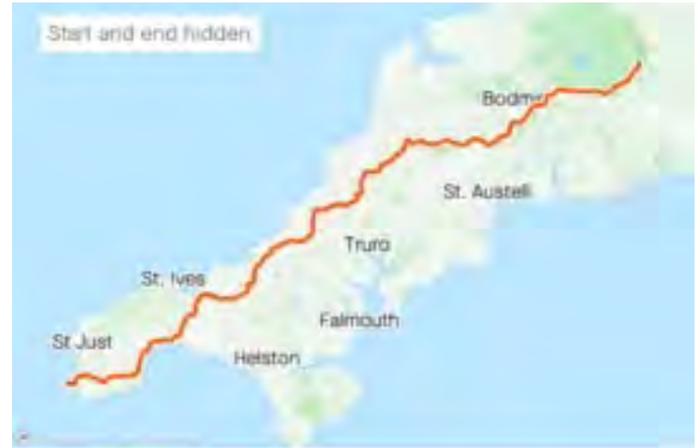
The 80s curry and disco had around 90 people who all said how much they enjoyed it. We raised just over £1000 on the night which was fantastic. This has been paid into the JustGiving account and our £3000 target exceeded. The JustGiving total currently stands at £3193 with further pledges still to come. People have been incredibly generous and the whole team are very humbled by this. We start the ride on Friday 28th April. I plan to share a link for live tracking. I will also update via social media as well as the JustGiving page with photos, videos and progress updates.

In summary, we have planned well. We have trained hard. We have exceeded our target for the HMCA and now we have to cycle hard and finish what we've started.



The PGM joined the team on their final training ride and met up en-route.

## Leg 1. Land's End to Minions. In memory of Piggy Haines.

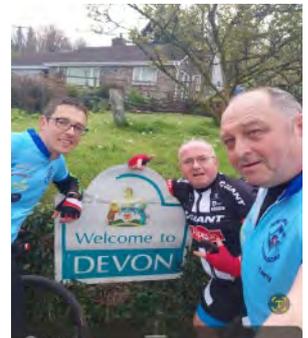


## Leg 2. Minions to Taunton

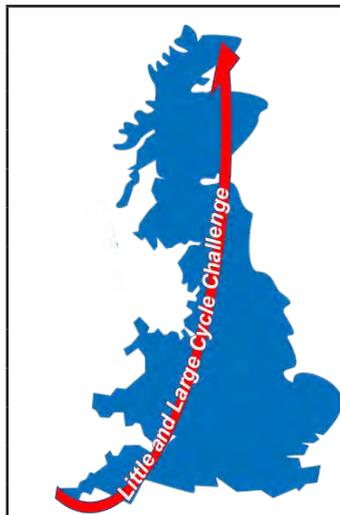


You can follow progress via the Provincial Website here

[https://herefordshiremasons.org.uk/little-large-cycle-challenge/?fbclid=IwAR2zcbYjyimuBgPGiykN-mYy-DU6EuZ8qZs9U9kYP3O8\\_8pub-pv0s1-uybeQ](https://herefordshiremasons.org.uk/little-large-cycle-challenge/?fbclid=IwAR2zcbYjyimuBgPGiykN-mYy-DU6EuZ8qZs9U9kYP3O8_8pub-pv0s1-uybeQ)



The Team arrive in Devon.



### Stop Off Points Along the Route

Leg	Date	Route	Miles
Leg 1	Frid 28th April	Land's End to Minions	87.39
Leg 2:	Sat 29th April	Minions to Taunton Somerset	87
Leg 3	Sun 30th April	Taunton to Tewkesbury Glos	120
Leg 4	Mon 1st May	Tewkesbury to Winsford Cheshire	113
Leg 5	Tue 2nd May	Winsford to Caton Lancs	103

### Then on to Scotland

Leg 6	Wed 3rd May	Caton to Moffat Dumfries & Galloway	103
Leg 7	Thur 4th May	Moffat to Callandar	103
Leg 8	Frid 5th May	Callandar to Fort Augustus	127
Leg 9	Sat 6th May	Fort Augustus to Altnahara	117
Leg 10	Sun 7th May	Altnahara to John O' Groats	75

# Kirkwall Scroll

## Geoff Wilding Presentation in aid of the HMCA

In an effort to raise much needed funds for the HMCA, W Bro Geoff Wilding, of Royal Edward Lodge, has put together a presentation about a 250-year-old Masonic artefact known as the Kirkwall Scroll, which is kept by the Kirkwall Kilwinning Lodge No 38<sup>2</sup> in their Lodge room on the Island of Orkney.

The presentation is based on the research notes, and with permission of W Bro David Partner. It lasts about 45 minutes and is an ideal fill for a meeting where there is no other Masonic business.

The presentation is not tied to any particular Degree or Order, so would be suitable for Chapter, Mark etc. although some adjustment of Lodge furniture might be necessary to accommodate the display screens.

As a fundraiser, it is suggested that a raffle might be taken on the night of the presentation and the proceeds specifically donated to the HMCA.

Please contact W Bro Geoff via email [here](#) for further information and availability.



## Herefordshire Provincial Golf Society

The current provisional list of matches agreed for 2023 are:

Match Date	Venue
10 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	At the Herefordshire Golf Club against Gwent
6 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Match V Gloucestershire Forest Hills Coleford
25 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	4BBB Derbyshire @ Morley Hayes Golf Club, Derby
TBC	Charity Match: South Wales Coed Y Mwstwr Golf Club Bridgend
10 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	Bromsgrove Golf Centre Triangular Match against Shropshire and Worcestershire (hosting)
27 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	Provincial Championship provisionally booked Burghill Valley G.C. To be agreed at A.G.M.

We would welcome both new and existing members to the 2023 season. We would ask that all Brethren and members interested in playing and supporting the section to email their availability to David Gwynne the Club Secretary [here](#).



# Social Events Around The Province



**£15 PER TICKET**

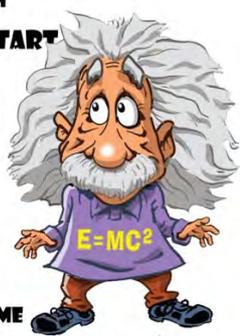
**KYRLE STREET 13<sup>TH</sup> OF MAY**

**DOORS OPEN 630PM.**

**FOOD -7PM**

**730PM -QUIZ START**

**MENU - 'TRADITIONAL PUB GRUB'**  
**FISH AND CHIPS WITH MUSHY PEAS**  
**SCAMPI AND CHIPS**  
**STEAK PIE WITH MASH AND GRAVY**  
**CHICKEN ESCALOPE AND CHIPS**  
**VEG OPTION ON REQUEST**



**FAMILY AND FRIEND'S WELCOME**

THE HEREFORD MASONIC HALL  
BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

**THE NEXT BREAKFAST CLUB WILL BE  
MAY 6TH AT 9:30**

<p><u>MENU CHOICES</u></p> <p>FRIED EGG          BACON          BEANS          TOMATO          HASH BROWN          MUSHROOMS          BLACK PUDDING          TOAST          TEA OR COFFEE          ALL FOR 8.50P          FRUIT JUICES CAN BE PURCHASED FROM THE BAR</p>	<p><b>THE NEXT CORONATION BREAKFAST CLUB, WILL BE HELD SAT. 6TH MAY DOORS OPEN 9AM BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED AT 9:30. WE ARE UNABLE TO TAKE DEBIT/CREDIT CARDS</b></p>
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**THIS IS OPEN TO ALL FREEMASONS,  
FRIENDS, FAMILY, NEWLY JOINED  
BRETHREN,**

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

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

## PROVINCIAL EVENTS LIST – May 2023

Date	Lodge / Chapter	Event/Venue
<b>2023</b>		
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Palladian	Charity Quiz, Masonic Hall, Kyrle Street, Hereford
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
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> August	Palladian	Family BBQ afternoon, Hampton Bishop Village Hall
<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
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> October	Eastnor	Ladies' Night, Feathers Hotel, Ledbury
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> December	UGLE	Quarterly Communication, FMH London

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

# Community Engagement

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

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

Dear Brethren,

I am Ian Pritchard from Eastnor Lodge No 751. There are two things close to my heart, pushing myself physically and raising money for charity. I will be attempting 100 burpees a day for 100 days and would love you to sponsor me via my Just Giving page for this worthy cause.

Please use this [link](#) or the QR code below.

A hospital visit can be a frightening experience for a young child, especially in an emergency situation. Teddies for Loving Care (TLC) is a way of providing much-needed comfort to children in Accident and Emergency departments, helping to reduce the shock and distress of their experience.

The Teddies for Loving Care initiative provides unique cuddly bears to Accident and Emergency departments for medical staff to give at their discretion to young children. The bears are used to calm children down, reward them for being brave or to demonstrate procedures. Often the bears distract children so nurses and doctors can get their jobs done quickly and efficiently.

The TLC teddy has become an invaluable tool for medical professionals and a real comfort for children. Every child who receives a teddy gets to take it home. The more people that know about this cause, the better and greater their impact, so please also spread the word by sharing my page with your friends and family.

Thank you in advance for your generosity, it means a lot!

Ian Pritchard Eastnor Lodge 751



100 Burpees Challenge for TLC

## Chris Neave Memorial Challenge Paddle - Cycle - Climb 17 - 23 Sep 2023



### The Challenge

On the 22nd of September 2022 my younger brother passed away after a long battle with poor health. He spoke often about conducting adventures in Scotland if he was of good health.

To that end Carl D and I will attempt the first Caledonian Adventure Triathlon:

**Paddle** from Fort William, on the West Coast of Scotland, to Fort Augustus at the start of Loch Ness. This will take 2 days and cover 52km.

**Cycle** from Fort Augustus around Loch Ness via Inverness on the East Coast. This will take 2+ days and will cover 120km both on and off road.

**Climb** Ben Nevis which will take 1 day and climb over 1300m for a distance of 17km.

All of this will be conducted fully self supported with wild camping.

### The Charity Funds

We are aiming to raise £1000 with the following split.

25% to **The Dogs Trust**

25% to **Soldiers Sailors & Airforce Families Association (SSAFA)**

50% to **Herefordshire Masonic Charity Association (HMCA)**

Just Giving page:

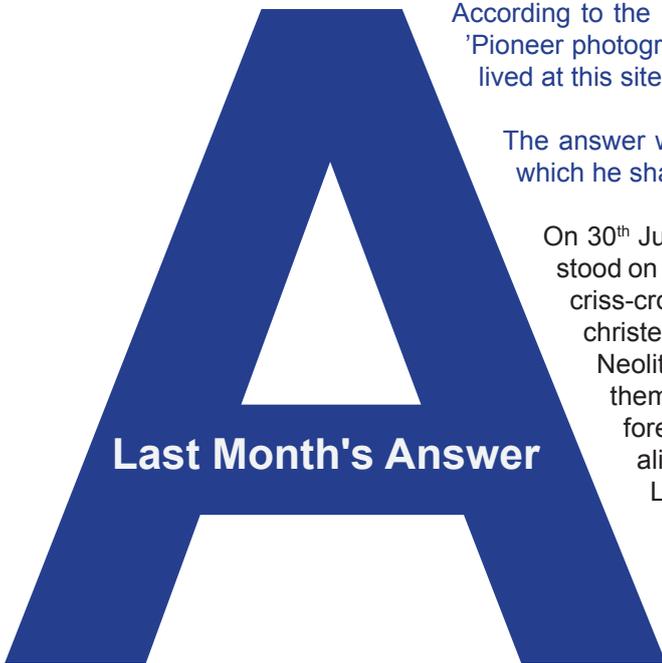
<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/chris-neave-memorial-challenge>





# WHERE AM I?

*Last month we asked, can you identify this well known Herefordshire landmark?*



According to the Blue Plaque outside this landmark it was once the home of a 'Pioneer photographer, archaeologist and inventor and Ley Lines Theorist' who lived at this site between 1925 and 1935.

The answer was 5 Harley Court, Hereford, the residence of Alfred Watkins which he shared with his wife Marion until his death in April 1935, aged 80.

On 30<sup>th</sup> June 1921 Alfred Watkins had an extraordinary revelation. As he stood on a Herefordshire hillside, it came to him that straight lines of sight criss-crossed the landscape, connecting ancient and spiritual sites. He christened them ley lines and regarded them as we might imagine a Neolithic Sat Nav – straight tracks enabling our ancestors to situate themselves in the landscape and navigate through it. We know our forebears travelled for trade, rituals and celebrations, perhaps these alignments unveiled how such a feat had been made possible. Ley lines have fascinated us ever since and have served as the inspiration for Visit Herefordshire's scenic roadtrip and cycling route The Watkins Way. But who was Alfred Watkins and how did he come to make this discovery?

For the answer to his discovery and further details can be found on the Visit Herefordshire [here](#).

Or download a copy of the 'Watkins Way' route map [here](#).





Did you find these Easter themed words from last month?

## Easter

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

- Nest Egg Silver Stone Trial Chick Sacrifice Risen
- Robbers Resurrection Pilate Carrot Spring Bonnet
- Gethsemane Golgotha Easter Daffodil Duckling Denial
- Crown Blessing Chocolate Celebration Cross Caiaphas
- Bread Betrayal Arrest Angel

Can you find these Coronation themed items?

## King Charles III Coronation

B K V D A Q D G H G R G Y U J K H T I Z H H X K W G H R U G V K V G X F P I  
Z O V E H L C R E H U W Y G D N C I N P L K P V W X L B P E S R G U A L S J  
F Z B J Y T H Y D A R E M B J D Z I H P J D U K S X B F F G M M Q Q O T M E  
E O I I J X X A Q N G X Y R D T U V I U T Y E V M O N A R C H F E P J Z R G  
W D W U D C G B I S I V G P D A W L Y I U G A X E L O X A L F B C H E D K Q  
S Q K V O H A D J W Q O W N F P E J W F F Z B K J C I W C R L Y Y B P K C P  
C E N I R E H T A C T V M S R J S D I X G B B Y C L N Z P G U T E H L C W I  
O G D X J R A N I G H E W T E P T I I U I H E X O B E I Q E S J Y D M U K J  
N O E Y P X I G Y L R O T Y J K M D T W I L Y A R C V N R K Y J E R Y E J U  
E A A G G I R G L U O M T U V J I G N M G T G D O I C M W P D D R A L C U K  
A C G I Q P Y K J M N H K Y P E N N E H L Q K O N M X N Q G Y K G D S W T J  
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F S F X L O E J U B N T C H K M T K H X K M W K T S E G O L D C O A C H H J  
J E V Z H I V P X J L P O H J V E E S C O V S R I O B G C P D Q A T M C D N  
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N O E B L C S K L M V S F D N C Y B Z W U L S L Q C E O H G I V X T S D Q U  
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G F I W T O P W W B G B M P J I I S U G C W H S V D H O W U E E I R Z L L D  
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I Z C E E Z R V P E R H C G U W W W P F E J W Q T J T E M C R O W N Y E D A  
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- King Scone GoldCoach Standard UnionJack Princess
- Prince Jewels BigBen Castle Palace Catherine William
- Queen Camilla Winsor London Royal Abbey Crown
- Sceptre Sovereign Ceremony Archbishop Westminster
- Monarch Orb Throne Coronation KingCharlesIII