



**PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS  
OF WEST LANCASHIRE**

**MINUTES OF THE  
INSTALLATION MEETING  
OF**

**V.W.Bro. KEITH ALLAN BEARDMORE P.G.J.O.  
AS PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER FOR WEST LANCASHIRE**

**and**

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE**

**HELD AT  
THE SOUTHPORT THEATRE & CONVENTION CENTRE,  
THE PROMENADE, SOUTHPORT PR9 0DZ**

**ON  
WEDNESDAY, 6<sup>th</sup> May 2015**

**Subject to Confirmation at Provincial  
Grand Lodge on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016**



**MINUTES OF THE INSTALLATION MEETING OF THE PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER  
AT SOUTHPORT CONFERENCE CENTRE  
ON WEDNESDAY THE 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2015**

**DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**

**GRAND LODGE INSTALLATION TEAM**

M.W.Bro.	Richard Victor	Wallis J.P.	Pro Grand Master
R.W.Bro.	Keith Partington	Schofield	Prov.G.M. East Lancs. as Grand Senior Warden
R.W.Bro.	Anthony	Morris	Prov.G.M. Leics & Rutland as Grand Junior Warden
V.W.Bro.	Revd. Bruce David	Harry	Grand Chaplain
V.W.Bro.	Lt.Cdr. Angus P.D.	Hannaghan	P.G.J.O., Grand Secretary
R.W.Bro.	Kessick .J.	Jones	P.G.J.W., Grand Director of Ceremonies
W.Bro.	Jagdash .S.	Dhadialla	Dep.G.Swd.B., as Grand Sword Bearer
W.Bro.	Ryan .A.	Williams	Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies
W.Bro.	Phillip .J.	Purves	Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies
W.Bro.	Robert .A.	Scott	Dep.G.Org., as Grand Organist
W.Bro.	Mark F.	Golding	Grand Standard Bearer
W.Bro.	Patrick J.	McGlone	Grand Inner Guard
W.Bro.	Timothy P.	Hatton	P.G.S.D., as Grand Tyler

**PROVINCES**

Bristol	R.W.Bro.	John Douglas Arthur	Platts	Prov.G.M.
Bristol	W.Bro	Terence Glyn	Rhys-Davies	Prov.G.Sec.
Cheshire	R.W.Bro.	David Robinson	Sellers	Prov.G.M.
Cheshire	R.W.Bro.	Bryan Russell	Ogden	P.Prov.G.M.
Cheshire	W.Bro	Austin Westbury	Bamber	P.D.G.Swd.B., D.P.G.M.
Cheshire	W.Bro.	Ronald Glyn	Hewitt	P.G.J.D., A.P.G.M.
Cheshire	W.Bro.	Christopher John	MacDonald	P.G.J.D.
Cheshire	W.Bro	Colin	Hambleton	P.A.G.D.C., Prov.G.Sec.
Cornwall	W.Bro.Revd	Stephen	Leach	P.A.G.Chap., Prov.G.Chap.
Cumberland And Westmorland	R.W.Bro.	Keith	Hodgson	Prov.G.M.
Cumberland And Westmorland	V.W.Bro	Barry	Kirkbride	P.G.J.O., D.P.G.M.
Cumberland And Westmorland	W.Bro.	Malcolm	Robson	P.G.S.D., A.P.G.M.
Cumberland And Westmorland	W.Bro	David Richard	Robinson	P.A.G.D.C., Prov.G.Sec.
Cumberland And Westmorland	W.Bro.	Raymond Ian	Edmundson	A.G.D.C., Prov.D.G.Sec.
Derbyshire	R.W.Bro.	Colin	Cantrell	Prov.G.M.
Derbyshire	W.Bro	Philip Charles	Ablott	P.A.G.D.C., D.P.G.M.
Derbyshire	W.Bro	Antony David George	Harvey	P.G.S.D., Prov.G.Sec.
Durham	V.W.Bro	Frank Alexander	Rankin	P.G.J.O., D.P.G.M.
Durham	V.W.Bro	Stuart Andrew Raymond	Ingham	P.G.J.O., A.P.G.M.
Durham	W.Bro.	Bryan	Kennedy	P.Prov.G.J.W.
East Lancashire	V.W.Bro	Alexander Sillars	McLaren	P.G.J.O., D.P.G.M.
East Lancashire	V.W.Bro.	David	Anderson	P.G.J.O., P.D.P.G.M.
East Lancashire	V.W.Bro.	Jeffery Alan	Huddart	P.G.J.O., A.P.G.M.
East Lancashire	W.Bro	John Hartley	Smith	P.G.Stwd., A.P.G.M.
East Lancashire	W.Bro	Trevor Edward	Parvin	P.G.S.D., Prov.G.Sec.
East Lancashire	W.Bro.	Ian	Brookes	P.G.J.D., Prov.G.D.C.
East Lancashire	W.Bro.	Malcolm Ronald	McCarthy	G.Stwd
Isle Of Man	W.Bro.	William John	Ashton	P.G.St.B.
Kent	V.W.Bro.	David John	Green	P.G.J.O., D.P.G.M.
Leicestershire And Rutland	W.Bro	Stephen	Davison	P.G.S.D., D.P.G.M.
Leicestershire & Rutland	V.W.Bro.	Ghanhshyam M	Patel	P.G.J.O., D.P.G.M. (Des.)
Leicestershire And Rutland	W.Bro	Donald Arthur	Peacock	P.A.G.D.C., Prov.G.Sec.
Lincolnshire	R.W.Bro.	Revd. Trevor John	Walker	Prov.G.M.
Lincolnshire	W.Bro	Stephen	Hallberg	P.A.G.Swd.B., Prov.G.Sec.
London	W.Bro.	Shane Maurice	Whelan	P.G.S.D., Prov.G.S.W.
Middlesex	W.Bro.	Peter	Warner	P.G.St.B., Prov.D.G.Sec.
Northamptonshire And Huntingdonshire	R.W.Bro.	George Edward	Bonham	Prov.G.M.
North And East Yorkshire	R.W.Bro.	David Robert	Clancey	Prov.G.M.
North And East Yorkshire	V.W.Bro.	Alan Cameron	Scott	P.G.J.O., D.Prov.G.M.
North And East Yorkshire	W.Bro.	Clive	Copley	P.A.G.D.C., Prov.G.Sec.
North And East Yorkshire	W.Bro.	Michael John	Collinson	P.A.G.D.C., Prov.G.D.C.
Nottinghamshire	W.Bro	Christopher Colin	Adkin	P.G.S.D., D.P.G.M.
Nottinghamshire	W.Bro.	Patrick D.M.	Westwood	P.A.G.D.C.
Northumberland	R.W.Bro.	Gordon	Craigs	Prov.G.M.
Northumberland	V.W.Bro.	Frederick Craigie	Main	P.G.J.O., D.P.G.M.
Northumberland	W.Bro	Stuart	Cairns	P.A.G.D.C., A.P.G.M.(Des)
Northumberland	W.Bro	David	Moses	P.A.G.D.C., Prov.G.Sec.

North Wales	R.W.Bro.	Peter	Talbot	Prov.G.M.
North Wales	V.W.Bro	Peter Gordon	Watkin	P.G.J.O., D.P.G.M.
North Wales	V.W.Bro	Philip	Orton	P.G.J.O., Prov.G.Alm.
North Wales	W.Bro.	John Stanley	Evans	Prov.D.G.D.C.
Staffordshire And Shropshire	W.Bro	Ian Christopher Marshall	Smith	P.G.S.D., A.P.G.M.
Sussex	R.W.Bro.	Charles Martin	Wilson	Prov.G.M.
Warwickshire	R.W.Bro.	Roger Stuart	Mac	Prov.G.M.
Warwickshire	W.Bro	Derek John	Griffin	P.G.S.D., D.P.G.M.
Warwickshire	W.Bro	Philip	Wills	P.A.G.D.C., A.P.G.M.
Warwickshire	W.Bro.	Paul James	Rowlands	Prov.G.Stwd.
West Yorkshire	R.W.Bro.	James	Steggles	Prov.G.M.
West Yorkshire	R.W.Bro.	James Bennett	Truswell	P.Prov.G.M.
West Yorkshire	V.W.Bro.	Robert	Corfield	P.D.Prov.G.M.
West Yorkshire	V.W.Bro	Richard Boswell	Putrell	P.G.S.D., D.P.G.M.
Worcestershire	V.W.Bro.	John Anthony	King	P.G.J.O., A.P.G.M.
Worcestershire	W.Bro.	Eric John	Rymer	P.Dep.G.D.C., Prov.G.M. (Des.)

#### OTHER DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

R.W.Bro.	James Peter	Croft	P.Prov.G.M., Pres.Mark E.C.
V.W.Bro.	Danny	Guy	G.J.O., Prov.G.Sec. Durham
W.Bro.	Douglas John	Forster	G.J.D.
W.Bro.	Raymond Ian	Edmundson	A.G.D.C., Prov.D.G.Sec. Cumberland & Westmorland
W.Bro.	Stephen Lawrence	Walls	A.G.D.C.
W.Bro.	Michael	Beesley	G.Stwd.
W.Bro.	Kenneth	Boon	G.Stwd.
W.Bro.	Malcolm Ronald	McCarthy	G.Stwd.

Also present were 165 Grand Officers, Present and Past, 155 Provincial Grand Officers, Present and Past, and 90 Masters, Past Masters and Mark Master Masons making a total attendance of 525.

The Presiding Officer, V.W.Bro. James Anthony Harrison, P.G.S.O., and the Deputy Presiding Officer, V.W.Bro. Glyn Jackson Davies, P.G.J.O., accompanied by acting Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge, entered in procession. The Presiding Officer occupied the Chair and the other Provincial Officers occupied the Chairs of their respective Offices.

The Presiding Officer welcomed the Brethren, commented on the purpose of meeting and his part in it and proceeded to open Provincial Grand Lodge in form.

There was a report and the Grand Director of Ceremonies was announced, and allowed admission. He declared that the Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master Richard Victor Wallis stood without and demanded admission.

Most Worshipful Brother Wallis entered the lodge in procession, preceded by the his Assisting officers. He was greeted by the Presiding Officer and assumed the Chair.

The Pro Grand Master was saluted under the direction of the Grand Director of Ceremonies with eleven. In his response the Pro Grand Master expressed his delight in being in Southport for an historic occasion, the installation of the twelfth Provincial Grand Master since Lancashire was divided into two provinces, East and West, one hundred and five years ago. He also referred to R.W.Bro. Peter Connolly for his enthusiastic and active leadership over the past eight and a half years. He concluded by officially announcing that the Most Worshipful Grand Master H.R.H. Prince Michael of Kent had been pleased to appoint V.W.Bro. Keith Alan Beardmore to be Provincial Grand Master for the Province of West Lancashire.

The Pro Grand Master, then directed the Grand Director of Ceremonies to ascertain whether V.W.Bro. Keith Alan Beardmore P.G.J.O. was in attendance. The Grand Director of Ceremonies, having confirmed that he was, was directed to present the Patent of Appointment to the Pro Grand Master and found to be in order.

The Grand Director of Ceremonies was directed to form an escort to present the Provincial Grand Master designate in due form. The Grand Director of Ceremonies called upon the following Brethren:-

W.Bro. Peter Green	WM Fylde Lodge No. 296
W.Bro. Howard N. Emmett P.A.G.D.C.	WM Unity Lodge No.544.
W.Bro. Clive M. Jervis	WM Prescott Lodge No.903,
W.Bro. Christopher L. Marsden	WM Newton Lodge No.1003,
W.Bro. David T. Grady	WM New Temple Lodge No.1438
W.Bro. Alan Foster ProvGMO	WM Philadelphia Lodge No.1646
W.Bro. M. Beesley GStwd.	PM Aeon Lodge No.1312 (Chain Bearer) and
V.W.Bro. Malcolm S. Cowburn PGJO.	WM Adoniram Lodge No.552 (Patent Bearer)

The Escort, preceded by the Deputy Grand Directors of Ceremonies, then retired and V.W.Bro. K.A. Beardmore together with the Chain and Patent of office was introduced by the Grand Director of Ceremonies.

The Pro Grand Master called upon the Grand Secretary to read the Patent of Appointment.

The Pro Grand Master addressed the Provincial Grand Master Designate on the duties and qualifications of the office to which he had been appointed and enquired if he was willing to undertake the duties. On receiving an affirmative reply the Grand Chaplain offered prayer, following which the Provincial Grand Master Designate took his obligation as Provincial Grand Master.

The Provincial Grand Master Designate was conducted to the right of the Pro Grand Master and was invested and installed in the Chair and presented with his Patent of Appointment and the Book of Constitutions. The Pro Grand Master was conducted to his seat on the right of the Provincial Grand Master.

The Provincial Grand Master was proclaimed by the Grand Director of Ceremonies:

"BE IT KNOWN THAT

KEITH ALAN BEARDMORE

Past Provincial Junior Grand Warden of the Province of West Lancashire in the United Fraternity of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of England;

Past Grand Junior Overseer and Holder of Royal Ark Mariner Grand Rank

etc., etc., etc.

has this day been appointed, invested and installed Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master for the Province of West Lancashire in the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and its District and Lodges Overseas, and for the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariners;

Whom, may the Great Overseer and Supreme Commander of the Universe long preserve, and I call upon you to salute him as Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master with seven taking the time with me."

The Provincial Grand Master acknowledged the salutations and thanked the Brethren.

The Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies enquired of the Provincial Grand Master if it was his intention to appoint a Deputy Provincial Grand Master. R.W.Bro. Beardmore confirmed that it was and that he appointed W.Bro. Geoffrey Herbert Lee, P.G.J.D. to be Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

The Provincial Grand Master directed the Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies to form an escort and introduce the Deputy Provincial Grand Master Designate in proper form. The Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies formed an escort and retired.

The procession returned to the Lodge, bearing the regalia and the Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies introduced the Deputy Provincial Grand Master Designate. The Provincial Grand Master called upon the Provincial Grand Secretary to read the Patent.

The Provincial Grand Master addressed W.Bro. Geoffrey Herbert Lee, outlining the depth of his Civil and Masonic careers and then asked if he was willing and able to undertake the duties of Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

On receiving an affirmative reply, the Grand Chaplain offered prayer, after which the Deputy Provincial Grand Master Designate took his obligation as Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master Designate was conducted to the right of the Provincial Grand Master and was invested and presented with his Patent of Appointment and the Book of Constitutions. The Deputy Provincial Grand Master was conducted to his seat to the right of the Provincial Grand Master.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master was proclaimed by the Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies:

"BE IT KNOWN THAT

GEOFFREY HERBERT LEE

A Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Judicature, Past Grand Junior Deacon in the United Fraternity of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of England;

Past Grand Standard Bearer in the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England;

Past Great Warden of Regalia in the United, Religious and Military Orders of the Temple and of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta in England and Wales and Provinces Overseas;

Grand Inspector Inquisitor Commander, 31st Degree in the Ancient and Accepted Rite under the Supreme Council 33rd Degree for England and Wales and its Districts and Chapters Overseas;

Past Provincial Grand Registrar in the Province of West Lancashire in the Grand Conclave of the Order of the Secret Monitor or Brotherhood of David and Jonathan;

Past Grand Junior Deacon and Holder of Royal Ark Mariner Grand Rank;

etc., etc.

has this day been appointed, invested and installed Deputy Provincial Grand Master of the Province of West Lancashire in the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and its Districts and Lodges Overseas, and for the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariners;

Whom, may the Great Overseer and Supreme Commander of the Universe long preserve, and I call upon you to salute him as Deputy Provincial Grand Master with five taking the time with me."

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master acknowledged the salutations and thanked the Brethren.

The Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies enquired if it was the intention of the Provincial Grand Master to appoint Assistant Provincial Grand Masters. On confirming that it was, he announced that he appointed V.W.Bro. Michael John Clarke, P.G.J.O., and W.Bro. Ian Douglas Nairn P.G.J.D. to be Assistant Provincial Grand Masters of the Province.

The Provincial Grand Master directed the Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies to form an escort and introduce the Assistant Provincial Grand Masters Designate in proper form. The Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies formed an escort and retired.

The procession returned to the Lodge, bearing the regalia and the Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies introduced the Assistant Provincial Grand Masters Designate. The Provincial Grand Master called upon the Provincial Grand Secretary to read the Patents.

The Provincial Grand Master addressed V.W.Bro. Michael John Clarke and W.Bro. Ian Douglas Nairn, outlining the depth of their Civil and Masonic careers and then asked if they were willing and able to undertake the duties of Assistant Provincial Grand Masters.

On receiving affirmative replies from both, the Grand Chaplain offered prayer, after which the Assistant Provincial Grand Masters Designate took their obligations as Assistant Provincial Grand Masters.

The Assistant Provincial Grand Masters Designate were conducted to the right of the Provincial Grand Master and invested and presented with their Patents of Appointment and Books of Constitutions. The Assistant Provincial Grand Masters were conducted to their seats to the left of the Provincial Grand Master.

The Assistant Provincial Grand Masters were proclaimed by the Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies:

"BE IT KNOWN THAT

MICHAEL JOHN CLARKE

Past Provincial Junior Grand Warden in the Province of West Lancashire in the United Fraternity of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of England;

Past Provincial Grand Scribe Nehemiah in the Provincial Grand Chapter of West Lancashire in the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England;

Past Grand Junior Overseer and Holder of Royal Ark Mariner Grand Rank;

etc.

AND

IAN DOUGLAS NAIRN

Past Provincial Junior Grand Warden in the Province of West Lancashire in the United Fraternity of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of England;

Past Provincial Assistant Grand Sojourner in the Provincial Grand Chapter of West Lancashire in the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England;

Grand Elected Knight Kadosh, Knight of the Black and White Eagle, 30th degree, in the Ancient and Accepted Rite under the Supreme Council 33rd Degree for England and Wales and its Districts and Chapters Overseas;

Past Grand Junior Deacon and Holder of Royal Ark Mariner Grand Rank,

etc.

have this day been appointed, invested and installed Assistant Provincial Grand Masters of the Province of West Lancashire in the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and its Districts and Lodges Overseas, and for the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariners.

Whom, may the Great Overseer and Supreme Commander of the Universe long preserve, and I call upon you to salute them as Assistant Provincial Grand Masters with five taking the time with me."

V.W.Bro. M.J. Clarke thanked the Brethren on behalf of W.Bro. Nairn and himself for the salutations.

The Grand Director of Ceremonies presented the By-Laws of Provincial Grand Lodge to the Provincial Grand Master who indicated his approval and confirmation.

The Grand Director of Ceremonies then asked if the Provincial Grand Master wished to confirm the appointment of Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge who were appointed at the last meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge. The Provincial Grand Master was delighted to confirm the appointments.

#### **THE PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER ADDRESSED THE INSTALLING OFFICERS**

The Provincial Grand Master rose to address the Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master. He thanked him and his team of Installing Officers for their attendance and for the work they had done during the ceremony.

The Pro Grand Master replied saying how much he had enjoyed the event at Southport, wished the Province well for the future, and congratulated the Provincial Grand Master on his appointment.

The Installing Grand Lodge Officers formed a procession according to rank under the direction of the Grand Director of Ceremonies. The Brethren were then called to order and the Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master accompanied by the Installing Grand Lodge Officers retired to acclaim by the Brethren.

#### **THE PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER ADDRESSED PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE**

The Provincial Grand Master then addressed the assembly and welcomed everyone. He thanked especially V.W.Bro. Tony Harrison P.G.S.O. and V.W.Bro. Glyn Davies P.G.J.O. for their roles as Presiding and Deputy Presiding officers respectively.

He hoped that all present had enjoyed the Investiture meeting and that they were looking forward to the afternoon meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge with the same enthusiasm as he was.

The Provincial Grand Master then adjourned Provincial Grand Lodge by virtue and retired in procession with the Distinguished guests.

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# MINUTES OF THE PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE MEETING HELD AT SOUTHPORT CONFERENCE CENTRE ON WEDNESDAY THE 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2015

Following the luncheon, the Pro Grand Master and Installing Grand Officers departed.

The Provincial Grand Master re-entered the Lodge in procession with the acting Provincial officers and welcomed the Brethren and hoped that they had enjoyed a good lunch.

Provincial Grand Lodge was resumed by virtue by the Provincial Grand Master.

## DISTINGUISHED GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE PROVINCES

Bristol	R.W.Bro.	John Douglas Arthur	Platts	Prov.G.M.
Bristol	W.Bro.	Terence Glyn	Rhys-Davies	Prov.G.Sec.
Cheshire	R.W.Bro.	David Robinson	Sellers	Prov.G.M.
Cheshire	W.Bro.	Christopher John	MacDonald	P.G.J.D.
Cheshire	W.Bro.	Colin	Hambleton	P.A.G.D.C., Prov.G.Sec.
Cornwall	W.Bro.Revd	Stephen	Leach	P.A.G.Chap., Prov.G.Chap.
Cumberland And Westmorland	R.W.Bro.	Keith	Hodgson	Prov.G.M.
Cumberland And Westmorland	V.W.Bro	Barry	Kirkbride	P.G.J.O., D.P.G.M.
Cumberland And Westmorland	W.Bro.	Malcolm	Robson	P.G.S.D., A.P.G.M.
Cumberland And Westmorland	W.Bro	David Richard	Robinson	P.A.G.D.C., Prov.G.Sec.
Cumberland And Westmorland	W.Bro.	Raymond Ian	Edmundson	A.G.D.C., Prov.D.G.Sec.
Derbyshire	R.W.Bro.	Colin	Cantrell	Prov.G.M.
Derbyshire	W.Bro	Philip Charles	Ablott	P.A.G.D.C., D.P.G.M.
Derbyshire	W.Bro	Antony David George	Harvey	P.G.S.D., Prov.G.Sec.
East Lancashire	V.W.Bro	Alexander Sillars	McLaren	P.G.J.O., D.P.G.M.
East Lancashire	V.W.Bro.	David	Anderson	P.G.J.O., P.D.P.G.M.
East Lancashire	V.W.Bro.	Jeffery Alan	Huddart	P.G.J.O., A.P.G.M.
East Lancashire	W.Bro	John Hartley	Smith	P.G.Stwd., A.P.G.M.
East Lancashire	W.Bro	Trevor Edward	Parvin	P.G.S.D., Prov.G.Sec.
East Lancashire	W.Bro.	Ian	Brookes	P.G.J.D., Prov.G.D.C.
East Lancashire	W.Bro.	Malcolm Ronald	McCarthy	G.Stwd
Isle Of Man	W.Bro.	William John	Ashton	P.G.St.B.
Kent	V.W.Bro.	David John	Green	P.G.J.O., D.P.G.M.
Leicestershire And Rutland	W.Bro	Stephen	Davison	P.G.S.D., D.P.G.M.
Leicestershire & Rutland	V.W.Bro.	Ghanhshyam M	Patel	P.G.J.O., D.P.G.M. (Des.)
Leicestershire And Rutland	W.Bro	Donald Arthur	Peacock	P.A.G.D.C., Prov.G.Sec.
Lincolnshire	R.W.Bro.	Revd. Trevor John	Walker	Prov.G.M.
London	W.Bro.	Shane Maurice	Whelan	P.G.S.D., Prov.G.S.W.
Middlesex	W.Bro.	Peter	Warner	P.G.St.B., Prov.D.G.Sec.
Northamptonshire And Huntingdonshire	R.W.Bro.	George Edward	Bonham	Prov.G.M.
Nottinghamshire	W.Bro	Christopher Colin	Adkin	P.G.S.D., D.P.G.M.
Nottinghamshire	W.Bro.	Patrick D.M.	Westwood	P.A.G.D.C.
North Wales	R.W.Bro.	Peter	Talbot	Prov.G.M.
North Wales	V.W.Bro	Peter Gordon	Watkin	P.G.J.O., D.P.G.M.
North Wales	V.W.Bro	Philip	Orton	P.G.J.O., Prov.G.Alm.
North Wales	W.Bro.	John Stanley	Evans	Prov.D.G.D.C.
Sussex	R.W.Bro.	Charles Martin	Wilson	Prov.G.M.
Warwickshire	R.W.Bro.	Roger Stuart	Mac	Prov.G.M.
Warwickshire	W.Bro	Derek John	Griffin	P.G.S.D., D.P.G.M.
Warwickshire	W.Bro	Philip	Wills	P.A.G.D.C., A.P.G.M.
Warwickshire	W.Bro.	Paul James	Rowlands	Prov.G.Stwd.
West Yorkshire	R.W.Bro.	James	Steggles	Prov.G.M.
West Yorkshire	V.W.Bro	Richard Boswell	Putrell	P.G.S.D., D.P.G.M.
Worcestershire	V.W.Bro.	John Anthony	King	P.G.J.O., A.P.G.M.
Worcestershire	W.Bro.	Eric John	Rymer	P.Dep.G.D.C., Prov.G.M. (Des.)

## OTHER DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

W.Bro.	Douglas John	Forster	G.J.D.
W.Bro.	Raymond Ian	Edmundson	A.G.D.C., Prov.D.G.Sec. Cumberland & Westmorland
W.Bro.	Stephen Lawrence	Walls	A.G.D.C.
W.Bro.	Michael	Beesley	G.Stwd.
W.Bro.	Kenneth	Boon	G.Stwd.
W.Bro.	Malcolm Ronald	McCarthy	G.Stwd.



### OTHER DISTINGUISHED WEST LANCASHIRE GUESTS

V.W.Bro.	James Anthony	Harrison	PGJO, PDProvGM	PrGM Craft
W. Bro.	Howard	Jones		DPrGM Craft
W. Bro.	Philip H.	Gunning	PGStwd	DPrGM (Des)
W Bro	Thomas	Blackburn	PGSwdB	Past Dep PrGM Craft
W.Bro.	Harry	Cox	PAGDC	APrGM Craft
Bro.	Derek John	Parkinson		APrGM Craft
Bro.	David John	Winder		APrGM Craft
V.W.Bro.	G. Danny	Jones	PGJO, PAProvGM	DGSupt Royal Arch
Bro.	Christopher Charles	Butterfield		A to PrG Principals Royal Arch
W. Bro.	David H.	Gallear	PGJD	Lancashire Priory KTs
V W Bro	Robert Simon Curtis	Mitchell	PGJO	DistGM Royal & Select Masters
W Bro	Michael R.	Walker	PGJD	Intendant General Red Cross
R W Bro	Thomas F.	Jackson	PGJW	Grand Master Allied Degrees
V W Bro	William R.	Seddon	PGJO	Dist G Prefect Allied Degrees
V.W.Bro.	Glyn Jackson	Davies	PGJO	G.Supt Dist No. 2 K.T. Priests
W.Bro.	Mel	Cross	PGStB	Grand Master St. Thomas of Acon

### Provincial Grand Lodge Officers 2014/2015

Provincial Grand Senior Warden	Arthur	Robinson
Provincial Grand Junior Warden	Anthony Edward	Farrar
Provincial Grand Master Overseer	Alan	Foster
Provincial Grand Senior Overseer	Robert Kenneth	Norris
Provincial Grand Junior Overseer	Mark Stephen	Gregory
Provincial Grand Chaplain	Reverend Graham	Halsall
Provincial Grand Treasurer	John Stewart	Dutchman-Smith
Provincial Grand Registrar	Malcolm Harry	Parr
Provincial Grand Secretary	Geoffrey Herbert	Lee
Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies	David	Emmerson
Provincial Grand Almoner	David Charles Watkin	Fairclough
Provincial Grand Charity Steward	Howard Nicholas	Emmett
Provincial Grand Inspector of Works	William Henry	Cordell
Provincial Grand Sword Bearer	Stephen	Hindley
Provincial Deputy Grand Chaplain	Reverend Walter Owen	Balmer
Provincial Deputy Grand Secretary	John Charles	Bicknell
Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies	Kenneth	Boon
Provincial Deputy Grand Sword Bearer	John Frederick	Whitley
Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	Stuart Howard	Cunningham
Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	Glyn Robert	Jones
Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	Neil Andrew	Latham
Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	James Edmund	Weaver
Provincial Grand Junior Deacon	Wayne Anthony	Carder
Provincial Grand Junior Deacon	Norman	Meadows
Provincial Grand Junior Deacon	Ian Russell	Welsh
Provincial Grand Junior Deacon	William Keith	Wilson
Provincial Assistant Grand Chaplain	Revd Canon Harry	Callaghan
Provincial Assistant Grand Secretary	Colin	Mills
Provincial Assistant Grand Secretary	John	Waring
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Robert Arthur	Brewer
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Alan Thomas	Burgess
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	John Graham	Earl
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	John Keith	Glover
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Alan	Lowe
Provincial Grand Organist	Shaun	Haynes
Provincial Grand Standard Bearer	Mark Andrew	Barton
Provincial Assistant Grand Standard Bearer	Walter Martin	Wootton
Provincial Grand Inner Guard	Kenneth	Hickson
Provincial Grand Steward	Roland	Alderton
Provincial Grand Steward	Dennis James	Eccles
Provincial Grand Steward	John Derek	Gaskell
Provincial Grand Steward	James Fishwick	Hustler
Provincial Grand Steward	Andrew George	Maginn
Provincial Grand Steward	Alan Gordon	Perks
Provincial Grand Tyler	Ernest	Gavan

### ATTENDANCE

The attendance total of 454 included 52 Distinguished Guests, 113 Grand Officers, 199 Provincial Grand Officers and 90 Worshipful Masters, Worshipful Commanders, Past Masters and Brethren.

### PROCESSIONS

**Subject to confirmation at Provincial Grand Lodge on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016**



Provincial Grand Masters, Deputy Provincial Grand Masters, Assistant Provincial Grand Masters, Provincial Grand Secretaries and other distinguished Brethren entered in procession.

The Worshipful Masters, or their representatives, entered in procession. (All 61 Lodges were represented).

The Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies reported that a Deputation of Worshipful Commanders of the Royal Ark Mariner Lodges within the Province was without and requested admission. On receiving permission they were conducted into Provincial Grand Lodge. (All 24 Lodges were represented).

The Representative Commander, W.Bro. , stated: "Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master; We the Commanders of your Royal Ark Mariner Lodges, having heard that you are holding a Provincial Grand Lodge Meeting of your Mark Lodges, request permission to take part in the meeting and to pledge our allegiance and support to you and your Province."

#### **IN MEMORIUM**

The Provincial Grand Master then called upon V.W.Bro. M.J. Clarke PGJO., A.Prov.G.M. who informed the Brethren that a number of Brethren had been called to greater service during the year, thirty brethren in all, four Grand Lodge officers, fourteen Provincial Grand Lodge officers and ten brethren. The brethren present stood to order whilst the Prov. Grand Chaplain said a prayer in respect of departed merit.

#### **SALUTATIONS**

R.W.Bro. Keith Partington Schofield, G.M.R.A.C., Provincial Grand Master of East Lancashire, and the other Right Worshipful Brethren, were saluted with seven and R.W.Bro. Partington suitably responded.

Past Deputy and Past Assistant Provincial Grand Masters, V.W.Bro. J.A. Harrison P.G.J.O., P.D.Prov.G.M., Glyn Jackson Davies P.G.S.O., P.A.Prov.G.M. and G.D. Jones P.G.J.O., P.A.Prov.G.M., were saluted with five and V.W.Bro. Harrison suitably responded.

V.W.Brethren and Deputy and Assistant Provincial Grand Masters of other Provinces were saluted with five and V.W.Bro. Forsyth P.G.M.O. suitably responded.

Grand Lodge officers were saluted with three and W.Bro. T. Blackburn P.G.Swd.B. suitably responded.

#### **APOLOGIES**

The D.Prov.G.Secretary reported that he had received apologies from 18 Provincial Grand Masters and Past Provincial Grand Masters, 25 Deputy and Assistant Provincial Grand Masters, 13 Grand Lodge officers, 17 Provincial officers and 13 other Past Masters and brethren.

#### **MINUTES**

W.Bro. Arthur Robinson, Provincial Grand Senior Warden proposed, and W.Bro. Anthony Farrar, Provincial Grand Junior Warden seconded that the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge held at Southport on 7th May 2014, as displayed on the Provincial Grand Secretary's desk from 9 a.m. be confirmed and adopted. The proposal was approved.

#### **PRESENTATION OF THE PROVINCIAL ACCOUNTS - Appendix 1**

W.Bro. John Dutchman-Smith, the Provincial Grand Treasurer presented his Report:

"R.W. Provincial Grand Master and Brethren, I present the Audited Accounts of the Provincial Grand Lodge for the Year Ended 31st August 2014. Copies of the Accounts have been available since 9 a.m. this morning on the Secretary's table.

They are unexceptional as there are no surprises. Income was £15,650 just £300 down from the previous year.

Expenditure was also down from £13,400 to £12,900 a reduction of £500 overall giving, a surplus of £2,700 compared to the previous year of £2,500 this demonstrates the growth and progress that the Province is making, over previous years.

In terms of assets we have nett assets of £39,298 which should be sufficient for some years to come.

The accumulated surplus carried forward was £30,109.00.

R.W. Provincial Grand Master and Brethren, I submit for confirmation, the Provincial Annual Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2014 which have been Audited by W.Bro. David Chestnutt and W.Bro. Peter Taaffe."

W.Bro. Michael Winterbottom P.A.G.D.C. proposed that the Accounts as presented be accepted and confirmed, and that the gratitude of the Province be extended to the Treasurer and the Auditors for their work. This was seconded by W.Bro. Stuart Brackstone P.G.S.D., and approved by the Brethren.

#### **PROVINCIAL DUES 2015/2016**

The Provincial Grand Treasurer said: "R.W. Provincial Grand Master and Brethren, I wish to confirm that the Annual dues payable to the Province for the financial year commencing September 2015 will remain unchanged at £4.00 for Mark members and £3.20 for Royal Ark Mariner members."

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master said: "Brethren, I express my thanks to the Provincial Treasurer not just for his report but also for his work throughout the year and also for keeping our finances in good order.

#### **ELECTION OF PROVINCIAL GRAND TREASURER**

The Provincial Grand Master enquired: "W.Bro. Provincial Deputy Grand Secretary, have you received, by the due date, nominations for the Office of Provincial Grand Treasurer?"

The Provincial Deputy Grand Secretary replied that only one nomination had been received, and that was for W.Bro. John Dutchman-Smith.

The Provincial Grand Master stated: "As there is only one nomination I declare W.Bro. John Dutchman-Smith duly elected."

## **ELECTION OF AUDITORS**

It was proposed by V.W.Bro. Brian Molyneux, P.G.J.O., and seconded by W.Bro. Graham Bailey, P.G.St.B., that W.Bros. P.H. Taaffe and D.M.A. Chestnutt be re-elected Auditors for the ensuing year. This was Carried.

## **REPORT OF THE PROVINCIAL GRAND SECRETARY**

The Provincial Grand Master called upon the Provincial Deputy Grand Secretary to read the report of the now retired Provincial Grand Secretary: "R. W. Provincial Grand Master and Brethren, the Web Site has again proved popular with every increasing numbers viewing the same. This year, it has enjoyed 116,163 hits, which is 6000 more than last year.

I am sure that it is envied by many provinces, and my special thanks must go to W. Bro. Mike Beesley for his hard work as web master.

Please let him have your interesting articles which need not be Masonic orientated.

Stories are worth telling, and bring joy and interest to others.

The Mark year book is now available. I would ask all Lodge Secretaries to collect their free copy from the Help Desk today and please do not go home without one.

Extra copies have been printed, and can be purchased from the Help Desk for £3.00.

We still have 61 Mark Lodges and 24 Royal Ark Mariner Lodges in the Province.

Whilst 39 Masons resigned last year for personal reasons or cost, 57 Masons joined or re-joined us.

73 new members were advanced during the year, which is 9 more than last year.

Sadly, 30 of our Brethren died but we now have 2038 Masons.

We must continue to promote our membership, and since our membership comes from the Craft, it is in our best interests that we also support the Craft, in attracting new Members to it.

Encourage Craft Masons and non Masons to view the Web Site as a means to attract them to our Order.

I would urge you all to increase your efforts and do what you can to support both the Craft as well as the Mark.

The Province has again been recognised by Grand Lodge, and a number of our Brethren will receive appointments or promotions in London on the 9th June

**FOUR** of our Brethren will be honoured with Acting Grand Rank, namely:-

W. Bro. Phillip Gunning of Freshfield Lodge to the office of Grand Junior Deacon

W. Bro David Bell of Fylde Lodge to the office of Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies

W. Bro. John Henry Mayor of Aeon Lodge and W. Bro. John Waring of Leyland Lodge to the rank of Grand Steward

**TWELVE** other Brethren will receive either first appointments or promotions namely W. Bros :-

Terry Hudson of Bispham with Norbreck and Ian Douglas Nairn of Newton Lodge will be promoted to the rank of Past Grand Junior Overseer

W.Bro Arthur Kaye of Imperial Lodge, W. Bro John Powell of Bispham with Norbreck and W.Bro Ernest Waites of Allen Pooley Lodge will be promoted to the Rank of Past Grand Senior Deacon

W. Bros. John Bicknell of Lawrence Lodge and Frank Thomas of Wilbraham Lodge will be promoted to the Rank of Past Junior Grand Deacon.

W. Bros. Andrew Dickson of Bispham with Norbreck and Russell Greenhow of Jubilee Lodge Will be appointed to the Rank of Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies.

W. Bro Raymond Pye of The Red Rose Lodge will be appointed to the Rank of Past Assistant Grand Sword Bearer and W. Bros. Stuart Mowbray of Scorton Lodge and David Richards of Queensway Lodge will be appointed to the Rank of Past Grand Standard Bearer.

On behalf of the Province, I congratulate them and hope that they will enjoy their well deserved ranks.

It is with somewhat of a heavy heart that this is my last Secretary's Report. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as Provincial Grand Secretary, but I could not have done it without the help of my colleagues in the Secretariat, namely Colin Mills, John Waring, Geoffrey Catterall and Derek Easton.

My very Special Thanks must go to W.Bro. John Bicknell and V.W. Bro. Rod Bennison who have been with me from the start, and whose valuable assistance has been gratefully appreciated by me. Brethren I thank you most sincerely.

I am sure that John will be an excellent Secretary, and I know I leave the office in safe hands and the Province in good heart.

Although we are only in the next room I assure him of my support and I extend all good wishes to him and the Secretariat for the future.

Brethren I submit my report - wish you well - and thank you for your kind attention in listening to me.

The report was met with acclaim on completion.

V.W.Bro. Paul Snape P.G.J.O. proposed, and V.W.Bro. Eric Drinkwater P.G.J.O. seconded, the proposition that the Provincial Grand Secretary's report be accepted and with thanks to the Provincial Secretariat for the work they did on behalf of the Province.

## **REPORT OF THE CHARITY COMMITTEE**

The Provincial Grand Master said: "I call upon V.W.Bro. Michael Clarke, P.G.J.O., Assistant Provincial Grand Master, and Chairman of our West Lancs Mark Charities to give his report."

The Assistant Provincial Grand Master responded: "R.W.Prov.G.M. and Brethren it is once again a privilege to present a brief report on the W.L.M.C.

May I as Chairman thank each and every one of you for your continuing support again this year. The monies which you have donated has enabled us to make a record level of grants to the charities and local organisations which you have nominated.

In the last financial year grants made totalled £58,000.00 I urge you all to visit and use the Provincial web site there you will see the scope of our donations on your behalf.

It is very varied both in value and content and covers all of our Province.

I want to take this opportunity to say a public thank you to the Leaders and deputies of our five charity groups together with the Provincial Almoner & Charity steward and the honorary secretary and treasurer who all work quietly and efficiently in the background ensuring that the Charities run so effectively.

In conclusion given the uncertain economic and austere problems we are all currently facing the level of support from you all for our Charities continues to be undiminished.

Always remember that the West Lancs Mark Charity is your Charity please continue to support it, keep the requests for grants coming in and one piece of housekeeping wherever possible embrace the "gift aid" scheme - money for nothing as the song goes is music to our treasurer's ears.

Please continue to enjoy your Mark masonry and THANK YOU".

The Report was approved with acclamation by the Brethren.

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master said; "I would like to add my personal thanks to all the Mark Brethren for their generosity to our Mark Charities. In addition to the major projects to which Michael has just referred, I would add that a number of grants to enable children with disabilities to lead fuller, more independent lives brings great joy and your generosity is much appreciated in that respect as well."

A collection was taken for Masonic Charities which raised the sum of £1288.50p which with Gift aid of £647.00 and tax relief of £161.75 raised the sum to £1450.25.

## **ADDRESS BY THE PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER**

The Provincial Grand Master rose and said: "Good afternoon Distinguished Guests and Brethren. It gives me the greatest pleasure to address Provincial Grand Lodge as Provincial Grand Master.

Firstly, I must pay tribute to our Past Provincial Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Peter Connolly, who for eight and a half years led this Province in exemplary fashion. His commitment to his office as Provincial Grand Master was an inspiration to everyone in West Lancashire, especially myself.

It is to the great fortune of the Province that we now have a Past Provincial Grand Master who will be active; a situation that the Province has not had the benefit of for many years. I am sure that after a suitable period of Rest and Recreation we will see him out and about at our Lodges and at social events.

Brethren, we have had the great pleasure to entertain the Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master and the team from Grand Lodge today.

I know for some of you this will have been your first opportunity to see one of the Leaders of our Order in person and I am sure you will have been impressed by his friendly and outgoing personality. This is also true of our Deputy and Assistant Grand Masters.

My sincere thanks go to V.W.Bro. Tony Harrison and V.W.Bro. Glyn Davies for acting as Presiding and Deputy Presiding Officers for the opening of Provincial Grand Lodge this Morning.

Likewise R.W.Bro. Keith Schofield and R.W.Bro. Tony Morris who acted as Grand Wardens and all the other Brethren who took part in the investiture.

So now to the future.

We have been able in the past few years to sustain both our numbers of Lodges and Membership in both the Mark and R.A.M in the Province.

For the past two years the Provincial Executive have been actively encouraging the promotion of the R.A.M Degree to increase our membership base. We stand at this time with a membership of 699 which is around 40% of the Mark membership. This is somewhat below membership levels in other Provinces and I would like to actively continue our upward trend in recruitment toward 50 or even 60% in the coming years.

Likewise our Mark Membership stands at 2030.

Brethren, there are 9,500 Craft Masons in West Lancashire - that leaves almost 7,500 or 79% who have not yet joined our order and it is up to you Brethren, the more enlightened amongst us, to offer them the wonderful opportunity that the Mark Degree affords as a Masonic Experience.

Invite Craft Masons to one of our 3 Mark Festivals or to the festive board of your own Mark Lodges and let them appreciate the friendly atmosphere of this Degree.

It has been my great pleasure to appoint W.Bro. Geoffrey Lee as Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and V.W.Bro. Michael Clarke and W.Bro. Ian Nairn as Assistant Provincial Grand Masters. These three Brethren have given sterling service to the Province of West Lancashire in recent years.

W.Bro. Geoff Lee as Provincial Secretary since 2010 has transformed the secretariat into a modern system occupying its own offices with the up to date information technology required to communicate with both Mark Grand Lodge and the brethren of the Province.

When he announced his intention to step down as Provincial Secretary, at this meeting last year, I realized his expertise and contribution to the Province needed to be both recognised and retained and I was delighted he accepted my invitation to be Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

Like wise both V.W.Bro. Michael Clarke, who's expertise in our Provincial Charities is immense, and W.Bro. Ian Nairn as a Past Deputy Provincial D.C. have made for excellent working relationships on the Executive.

There will, in the future, be changes in the Province, that is inevitable. These will be for logistic or other reasons, some already planned and the new Provincial Secretary W.Bro. John Bicknell and his team will, I am sure, make any changes as seamless as possible.

The Provincial Office in Leyland has one of the secretariat available every morning for help and advice for Lodges and secretaries. Remember Brethren, help is only a telephone call or an email away.

Brethren there are 9 Provincial Grand Master Special Representatives. They undertake a very special roll, each looking after a number of Mark and RAM Lodges in their area, and it gives me great pleasure to reappoint them all and offer my thanks for their support.

Like wise the Provincial Grand D.C., W.Bro. David Emmerson and his emerging team of Assistant Provincial Grand Directors of Ceremonies play an important roll at Team visits and Provincial Grand Lodge. Thank you David for your continued support and organization.

Brethren it has been an extended day with, in effect two meetings. I trust you will appreciate this was done for financial reasons and to the financial benefit of all the Brethren of the Province. As we all know staging this annual event at this most prestigious venue does not come cheap and it was therefore decided to incorporate both events into one day.

### **Grand Appointments**

Brethren this last year, the Province has been honoured by having 4 acting Grand Officers: W.Bro. John Forster as Grand Junior Deacon, W.Bro. Stephen Walls as Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies and W.Bros. Mike Beesley and Ken Boone as Grand Stewards and each one of them has discharged their duties in admirable fashion.

In June, 16 of our Brethren are to be honoured at Grand Lodge and I hope many of you will be able to join us in London. Among the Brethren being honoured is W.Bro. Ian Nairn Assistant Provincial Grand Master who is to be promoted to P.G.J.O.

### **Fun Day**

The now annual FUN DAY is to be held at Wellington Park Leyland on Sunday 28th June. Please bring children and Grand children to this wonderful summer event.

Tickets are now available.

Brethren, it will shortly be my pleasure to appoint, promote and invest the Brethren being honoured today. It is my hope these Brethren, especially those being appointed to Acting Rank, will take the opportunity to attend all the team visits and build lasting friendships with their fellow team members.

To the Brethren being Promoted, these Promotions are for an even greater contribution since being appointed to Provincial Grand Rank and I would hope they will encourage further contribution in the years to come to your own Lodges. Each of these ranks has come as a direct recommendation from the Special Representatives.

Brethren I thank you for your patience and kind attention.

The Address of the Provincial Grand Master was approved with acclamation.

### **APPOINTMENT AND INVESTITURE OF PROVINCIAL GRAND OFFICERS**

The R.W. Provincial G.M. then said: "Bro. Provincial Deputy Grand Secretary will you please read out the names of those Brethren to be invested today and W. Bro. Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, will you please conduct them to me."

The Provincial Grand Officers of the year, including Past Ranks and Promotions were appointed as follows, and those present were invested.

<b>ACTING APPOINTMENTS</b>				
Provincial Grand Senior Warden	Andrew Stephen	Whittle	Corinthian	1052
Provincial Grand Junior Warden	Melvyn Anthony	Cross	Bispham with Norbreck	866
Provincial Grand Master Overseer	Kieron Eamon	Mullan	Furness	36
Provincial Grand Senior Overseer	Malcolm Henry	Serjeant	Friendship	1549
Provincial Grand Junior Overseer	Austin Norton	Fletcher	Flixton Shepherd Eastwood	1173
Provincial Grand Chaplain	Stephen Windsor	Leach	Wyre	754
Provincial Grand Treasurer	John Stewart	Dutchman-Smith	Westthoughton	1006
Provincial Grand Registrar	Kevin Thomas	Chicken	Friendship	1549
Provincial Grand Secretary	John Charles	Bicknell	Lawrence	313
Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies	David	Emmerson	Prince of Wales	466
Provincial Grand Almoner	David Charles Watkin	Fairclough	Prescot	903
Provincial Grand Charity Steward	Eric John	Sarti	Progress	898
Provincial Grand Inspector of Works	John	Warminger	Newton	1003
Provincial Grand Sword Bearer	Stephen Keith	Lyon	Coronation	563
Provincial Deputy Grand Chaplain	Reverend Walter Owen	Balmer	Queensway	1331
Provincial Deputy Grand Secretary	Colin	Mills	Leyland	1002
Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies	Arthur	Robinson	Newton	1003
Provincial Deputy Grand Sword Bearer	John	Fenton	Imperial	1276

Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	David Eric	Roberts	Leyland	1002
Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	Terence William	Tasker	Friendship	1549
Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	John	Radford	Preston	143
Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	Phillip John	Lyon	Coronation	563
Provincial Grand Junior Deacon	Richard Harry	Higson	New Temple	1438
Provincial Grand Junior Deacon	Malcolm George	Morrison	Garnett	146
Provincial Grand Junior Deacon	William	Farrington	Prince Setanta	1446
Provincial Grand Junior Deacon	Ian Edward	Berks	Wilbraham	523
Provincial Assistant Grand Chaplain	Reverend Canon Harry	Callaghan	Chorlton	394
Provincial Assistant Grand Secretary	John	Waring	Leyland	1002
Provincial Assistant Grand Secretary	Geoffrey	Catterall	Lawrence	313
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	David	Bell	Fylde	296
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Gilbert Neil	Brown	Preston	143
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Bryan	Fox	Leyland	1002
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Brian James	Gregson	Cleveleys	1176
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Raymond	Pye	The Red Rose	1594
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Stephen Lawrence	Walls	Corinthian	1052
Provincial Grand Organist	Shaun	Haynes	Imperial	1276
Provincial Grand Standard Bearer	Jack	Ball	Ridgmont	1539
Provincial Deputy Grand Organist	David Keith	Tattersall	Garnett	146
Provincial Assistant Grand Standard Bearer	David John	Heaton	Lodge of Charity	935
Provincial Grand Inner Guard	Christopher Stephen	Walls	Corinthian	1052
Provincial Grand Senior Steward	Colin Gerard	Shannon	Fermor	1113
Provincial Grand Steward	Peter William	Hampson	Jubilee	375
Provincial Grand Steward	Mark Anthony	Cooper	Friendship	1549
Provincial Grand Steward	Peter Ronald	Gore	St. Austin's	479
Provincial Grand Steward	David James	Sear	Furness	36
Provincial Grand Steward	Colin Gerald	Ellis	Cloister	1475
Provincial Grand Tyler	Ernest	Gavan	Fylde	296
<b>FIRST APPOINTMENTS</b>				
Past Provincial Grand Inspector of Works	Sydney	Jones	Temperance	774
Past Provincial Grand Inspector of Works	Keith Stanley	Kemp	Morecambe	716
Past Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	Edward Martin	Brownlow	Ridgmont	1539
Past Provincial Grand Junior Deacon	Stephen Joseph	Black	Friendship	1549
Past Provincial Grand Junior Deacon	Hugh Johnstone	Clarke	Fylde	296
Past Provincial Grand Junior Deacon	Howard	Dickson	Garston	942
Past Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Brian Christopher	Clark	Rose and Thistle	158
Past Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Peter Louis	Nicholas	Lebanon	T.I.
Past Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Geoffrey	Wilman	Morecambe	716
<b>PROMOTIONS</b>				
Past Provincial Grand Senior Warden	Stuart Collinson	Anderson	Jubilee	375
Past Provincial Grand Senior Warden	Peter Christopher	Brockbank	Bootle	478
Past Provincial Grand Senior Warden	Peter Steele	Coates	Westthoughton	1006
Past Provincial Grand Senior Warden	Brian John	Dietz	Lodge of Charity	935
Past Provincial Grand Senior Warden	John David	Myers	Furness	36
Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden	Francis Timothy	Ashcroft	Prince of Wales	466
Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden	Reginald Thomas	Carden	Jubilee	375
Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden	Gregory George	Grove	Cleveleys	1176
Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden	Thomas James	Lovatt	Bootle	478
Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden	William Henry	McMath	Murray	490
Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden	Peter	Schofield	Ridgmont	1539
Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden	Jeffrey Allan	Smith	Wyre	754
Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden	William Roy	Tague	Murray	490
Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden	Derek	Todd	Rose and Thistle	158
Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden	Phillip Andrew	Watson	Prince Setanta	1446
Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden	Norman Edward	Williams	Wilbraham	523
Past Provincial Grand Master Overseer	Ian Winston	Elsby	George Harradon	956
Past Provincial Grand Master Overseer	Nigel Frederick	Paton	Cloister	1475
Past Provincial Grand Senior Overseer	Geoffrey Raymond	Gill	Temperance	774
Past Provincial Grand Senior Overseer	Malcolm	Graham	Morecambe	716
Past Provincial Grand Senior Overseer	Keith	Lamb	Morecambe	716
Past Provincial Grand Senior Overseer	Raymond Keith	Lamb	Fylde	296
Past Provincial Grand Senior Overseer	Michael John	Tonge	Chorlton	394
Past Provincial Grand Junior Overseer	James Edward	Airey	Leyland	1002
Past Provincial Grand Junior Overseer	Leslie	Allford	Clarence	447
Past Provincial Grand Junior Overseer	Timothy Andrew	Burns	Flixton Shepherd Eastwood	1173
Past Provincial Grand Junior Overseer	Keith Arthur	Gatley	Wilbraham	523
Past Provincial Grand Junior Overseer	John Reginald	Gillard	Clarence	447
Past Provincial Grand Junior Overseer	Peter Henry	Hillman	Furness	36
Past Provincial Grand Junior Overseer	Richard Barry	Scoffin	Morecambe	716
Past Provincial Grand Junior Overseer	Victor	Sereno	Lathom	268



Past Provincial Grand Junior Overseer	David Keith	Tattersall	Garnett	146
Past Provincial Grand Registrar	Roger Thomas	Upsdell	Garston	942
Past Provincial Grand Inspector of Works	Leon	Gaskell	Bispham-with-Norbreck	866
Past Provincial Grand inspector of Works	John Bernard	Hansen	Queensway	1331
Past Provincial Grand Sword Bearer	Stewart Frank	Gaukroger	Lathom	268
Past Provincial Grand Sword Bearer	Michael	Walling	Garnett	146
Past Provincial Deputy Grand Sword Bearer	Frank	Anderson	Murray	490
Past Provincial Deputy Grand Sword Bearer	David Joseph	Brogan	Lodge of Charity	935
Past Provincial Deputy Grand Sword Bearer	David Stanley	Morrison	Ormskirk Priory	1019
Past Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	David Edward	Jones	George Harradon	956
Past Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	Peter	Neville	Bispham-with-Norbreck	866
Past Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	Graham Andrew	Robinson	Tuscan	1099
Past Provincial Grand Senior Deacon	Kenneth Yardley	Sykes	Imperial	1276
<b>CONFIRMATION OF FIELD APPOINTMENT</b>				
Past Provincial Grand Junior Deacon	Paul Alfred	Lamb	Southport	473
<b>CONFIRMATION OF FIELD PROMOTION</b>				
Past Provincial Grand Senior Warden	Ronald	Goodyear	Ormskirk	734
<b>APPOINTMENT OF PROVINCIAL DIRECTORS OF CEREMONIES</b>				
Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies	David	Emmerson	Prince of Wales	466
Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies	Arthur	Robinson	Newton	1003
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	David	Bell	Fylde	296
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Gilbert Neil	Brown	Preston	143
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Bryan	Fox	Leyland	1002
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Brian James	Gregson	Cleleys	1176
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Raymond	Pye	The Red Rose	1594
Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies	Stephen Lawrence	Walls	Corinthian	1052

## **SALUTATION**

W.Bro. Andrew Stephen Whittle, Provincial Grand Senior Warden and the Provincial Grand Officers Present and Past of this and other Provinces were saluted with three.

## **VOTE OF THANKS**

W.Bro. Ian Douglas Nairn, P.G.J.D., Assistant Provincial Grand Master proposed a Vote of Thanks as follows:

"R.W. Provincial Grand Master, Distinguished Guests and Brethren, we do have a band of Brothers to thank for our security, comfort and direction here today - namely the Worshipful Master and Brethren of the Philadelphia lodge of Installed Mark Masters, Brethren from the Southport group of lodges and indeed Brethren from all over the Province. Brethren please show your gratitude in the usual manner - *[Applause]* - thank you Brethren".

The Provincial Grand Master enquired: "Bro. Provincial Grand Secretary do you have any other business pertinent to this Provincial meeting?"

The Provincial Grand Secretary reported the recorded attendance at the meeting of 454 brethren of which 165 were Grand Officers, 199 were Provincial Officers and 90 Worshipful Masters, Past Masters and Mark Master Masons.

He also advised that he had arranged for the Provincial meeting to be held on Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup> of May 2016 at the Southport Conference and Convention Centre subject too confirmation from Grand Mark Lodge.

There being no further business Provincial Grand Lodge was closed in due form by the R.W. Provincial Grand Master at 4.24 p.m.

## **The first verse of the National Anthem was sung.**

The Provincial Grand Master, the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, the Assistant Provincial Grand Masters, together with the Provincial Grand Lodge Officers, the Provincial Grand Masters, Deputy Provincial Grand Masters, Assistant Provincial Grand Masters and other Distinguished Guests retired.

**Minutes Approved at Provincial Grand Lodge held on \_\_\_\_\_**

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Provincial Grand Secretary

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Date



**PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS OF WEST LANCASHIRE**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST 2014**

**Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 August 2014**

2013			2014	
£	£	INCOME	£	£
	2950	Fees of Honour		3000
	11062	Annual Dues from Lodges		10558
	1324	West Lancashire Masonic Year Books		1296
	582	Interest		758
	65	Sundry Income		40
	<u>15983</u>			<u>15652</u>
		<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
1925		Provincial Office	2121	
1145		West Lancashire Masonic Year Books	1200	
1000		Office Equipment Provision	1000	
1580		Printing, Stationery, Telephones, Newsletter	805	
1344		Postage	662	
1429		Sundry Expenses	1132	
202		Insurance	202	
3847		Annual Provincial Meeting	4323	
1000	13472	Special Provincial Meetings Provision	1500	12945
	<u>2511</u>	<b>Surplus for the year</b>	<u>2707</u>	

**NOTE**

Income from fees, year books and interest is accounted for on a cash received basis.

**Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2014**

2013			2014	
£	£		£	£
		INVESTMENTS at cost		
	40000	Skipton Building Soc. Bond		<u>40000</u>
				40000
		CURRENT ASSETS		
21063		Balance at HSBC Bank plc	25015	
500		Payments in Advance	500	
200		Petty Cash Float	217	
<u>21763</u>			<u>25732</u>	
1304		Less CURRENT LIABILITIES		
	20459	Creditors	800	
<u>60459</u>		<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>24932</u>
				64932
		PROVISIONS		
16654		Special Provincial Meetings	17595	
4248		Regalia	4248	
<u>2790</u>	23692	Office Equipment	<u>3790</u>	25633
<u>36767</u>		<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>39299</u>
		Represented by:		
		ACCUMULATED FUND		
24890		Balance at 1st September 2013	27402	
2511		Add Surplus for the Year	2707	
<u>27401</u>		Balance at 31st August 2014		<u>30109</u>
		UNALLOCATED FUNDS		
3109		2010 Centenary Celebrations	3109	
<u>6257</u>	9366	Fun Day Committee Funds	<u>6081</u>	9190
<u>36767</u>		<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>39299</u>

J.S.Dutchman-Smith, FCA, Provincial Grand Treasurer.

**AUDITORS REPORT:** We have examined the Statement of Accounts of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of West Lancashire for the year ended 31st August, 2014 and in our opinion exhibit a true and fair view of the financial affairs of the Province for the period concerned.

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