

## Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of West Lancashire

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To:

The Worshipful Masters, Commanders & Brethren The Mark & Royal Ark Mariner Lodges

Street 2 Street Charity Bike Trek (Act 2) – Liverpool 2 London Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear Sirs & Brethren

Over the last four years Brethren of Mark Lodges of West Lancashire together with Brethren of their Craft Lodges & their ladies have participated in Charity Bike Treks along the canal towpaths of England in support of four charities:-

The 'R' Charity - The Linda McCartney Cancer Centre (charity reg no: 1047988)

The Motor Neurone Society (charity reg no: 294354)

The Macmillan Nurses (charity reg no: 261017)

The Clatterbridge Centre (charity reg no: 1051727)

Throughout every event, the participants have received unequalled support from the RW Provincial Grand Master & his Senior Officers of the Province & the West Lancashire Mark Charity Fund & has **raised** £24239.34p for those charities

In recognition of that support, this year's event, approved by the RW Provincial Grand Master will be in support of:

## The West Lancashire Mark Charity Fund

In order to assist in their continuing efforts, Mark Brethren of the Province, their families as well Brethren from their Craft Lodges have once again 'volunteered' to participate in a 5th fund raising 'Bike Trek'

Starting at Liverpool Masonic Hall on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June the riders will once again travel the canal system to London finishing on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at Mark Masons' Hall, St James's Street, London

The object of this letter is to draw your attention to this fund raising event & to seek the financial support of your Lodge & individual Brethren

## HOW TO DONATE - IT COULDN'T NOT BE EASIER!

**TEMPLE LODGE 1094** (the Lodge of many of the Brethren taking part) operates a **Grand Lodge Relief Chest Account** & all donations that are made will be deposited into this Relief Chest to ensure an 'audit trail'. It is necessary that an 'audit trail' of all donations received must be kept & this will be made available (on request) to any Lodge after the event

All donations should initially be forwarded to myself at the address shown at the letterhead

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Should any INDIVIDUAL BROTHER wish to make a donation then personal cheques should be made payable to: Temple Lodge 1094 Charity Account' where all donations will be collated before being deposited in the Relief Chest Account & eventual presentation to the charity on completion of the event

Wherever possible, Brethren making individual donations should complete a Freemasons' Grand Charity Relief Chest envelope enclosing their donation & forward it to me in the first instance for recording & then depositing in the Relief Chest. Please do not use the white 2021 Festival envelopes

**ALTERNATIVELY** – if there are a number of Brethren within the Lodge who wish to support the event than please use the attached Mark Gift Aid Form & return to myself enclosing a cheque(s) to the total amount donated

By using the Grand Charity Relief Chest envelope or the Gif Aid Form it allows us to claim an extra 25% tax relief on your personal donation

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Should the **LODGE** wish to **support** this charitable event, **cheques** should again be made payable to: **'Temple Lodge 1094 Charity Account'** & forwarded to me in the first instance for recording & then depositing in the Relief Chest

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On behalf of the ultimate recipients, thank you for taking the time to consider this appeal & for any support that may be given by your Lodge in general & the individual Brethren in particular

Yours sincerely & fraternally

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PS - If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on either of the following telephone numbers 0151 427 9596 or 07808 166279