

The Provincial Grand Senatus of London Annual Meeting

Due to the continuing concerns over Covid, the Annual Meeting of the Provincial Grand Senatus of London was held as a Virtual Business Meeting using the Zoom video conferencing tool. The meeting was attended by many members of the Provincial Grand Senatus of London, and Provincial Grand Summi and Companions from several other Provinces.



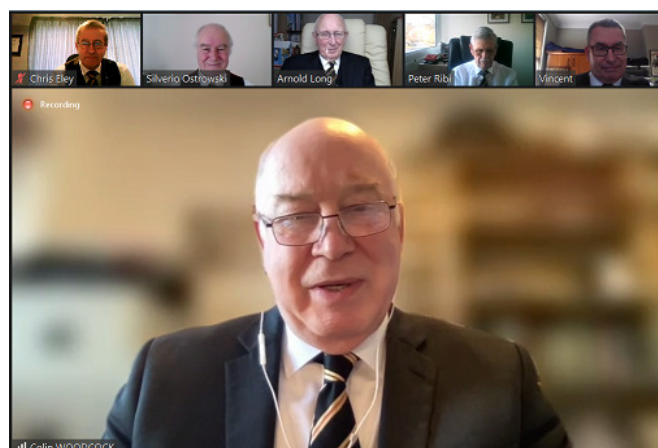
From Surrey there was our Provincial Grand Summus, R.Dist. Comp. Arnold Long; our Deputy Provincial Grand Summus, Dist. Comp. Nigel Thomson; and our Provincial Grand Recorder, Dist.Comp. Chris Eley.

By 11.00 a.m. 38 Companions had joined the meeting. R.Dist. Companion Colin Robert Woodcock, *M.B.E.*, Provincial Grand Summus of London, declared the meeting open and the Provincial Grand Recorder, Dist.Comp. Trevor Gray, read the Permission to hold a Virtual Business Meeting.

The Provincial Grand Summus welcomed all the guests and visitors said how pleased he was that on this occasion there was no need to read an In Memorium.

After the regular business had been concluded the Provincial Grand Summus re appointed V.Dist.Comp. Jules L Greenwall as Deputy Provincial Grand Summus and Dist.Comp. Dr. Surjit S Bhalla as Assistant Provincial Grand Summus. The Provincial Appointments and Promotions were then confirmed. Most Officers were reappointed in office for a further year.

The Provincial Grand Summus then gave a short address. He said how pleased he was to see so many Provincial Grand Summi and other guests at the meeting. He was disappointed not to be able to hold a face-to-face meeting but, due to concerns over travelling to London, numbers were low. He congratulated those honoured with Grand Rank, as well as those appointed to Provincial Grand Rank.



The Provincial Grand Summus announced that he will be retiring from Monday and that V.Dist.Comp. Jules Greenwall, the Deputy Provincial Grand Summus, will be in charge from Tuesday. The Provincial Grand Summus said that change is a good thing and that he has thoroughly enjoyed his time in office, and he will miss everyone's company.

He thanked all the Consistory Recorders for their support, as well as those who had worked hard to make this Zoom meeting such a success. The Provincial Grand Summus then thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed.

Afterwards many Companions stayed on the Zoom to wish R.Dist.Comp. Colin every success in the future, including our own Provincial Grand Summus



What's coming up?

A reminder that on **Wednesday 23rd February** there will be an Executive Visit by the Provincial Grand Summus to Surrey Consistory at Surbiton. They will be conferring the First Grade of the Order on 6 Candidates.

And on **Tuesday 29th March** Warlingham Consistory will be holding their Installation meeting at Nutfield. They will also be conferring the First Grade of the Order on Steve Jones.

A busy afternoon for Hill of Zion Consistory

A meeting of Hill of Zion Consistory No 52 TI was held at Croydon on Wednesday 26th January. Present was the Grand Summus, M.Dist.Comp. Ian S Currans, and our Provincial Grand Summus, R.Dist.Comp. Arnold Long.

The Consistory was opened by the President, Dist.Comp. Mark Currans, ProvGStwd, and after the minutes of the previous meeting were approved a ballot was taken for several Brethren of Surbiton Conclave, Bareen Charita, Norman Jones and Aslan Ertan,

Brothers Aslan Ertan and Norman Jones were admitted into the First Grade of the Order by the President, assisted by the Officers of the Consistory.



Companions Aslan and Norman were welcomed into the Order by the Grand Summus, Most Distinguished Companion Ian S Currans, Province by the Provincial Grand Summus, Right Distinguished Companions, Arnold Long, and the Consistory by Distinguished Companion Mark Currans.

Eminent Companion James Smith was declared as President Elect and Very Distinguished Companion Arthur Johnson was declared as Treasurer.

After the Consistory was closed the Companions of Hill of Zion Consistory and their guests dined together at Croydon Masonic Hall.