



Congratulations to our Provincial Grand Summus and our Assistant Provincial Grand Summus



Next month at the meeting of Grand Council in the order of Royal and Select Masters our Provincial Grand Summus, **Arnold Long**, is to be appointed Custodian of the Ninth Arch.



Arnold was the District Grand Master of the District Grand Council of Surrey from 2006 to 2014 and has been a keen supporter of the Order over the years.

At the recent Annual Meeting of District Grand Council at Croydon the Grand Master, M.III.Comp. Kessick J Jones, invited R.III.Comp. Arnold to retire with him after he had Addressed District Grand Council.



At the same meeting our Assistant Provincial Grand Summus, Simon McCarthy, was appointed and invested as the District Grand Principal Conductor of the work.....



....and a few days later W.Bro. Simon was promoted to Past Provincial Grand Sword Bearer in the Provincial Grand Court of Sussex in the Masonic Order of Athelstan.

Simon is seen here with W.Bro. Bob Hancock who was appointed Provincial Senior Grand Warden and Worshipful & Eminent Brother Chris Eley, our Provincial Recorder, appointed Eminent Prior, also in the picture is W.Bro. Andrew Sales.



As if that was not enough, on the 22nd of April Simon will be installed as Intendant-General in the Order of the Red Cross of Constantine, Division of Surrey.



A Special Meeting of the Jubilee Masters Lodge



In March our Past Provincial Grand Summus, R.Dist.Comp. Mik Barnes, invited some of us along to a special meeting of the Jubilee Masters Lodge held at Freemasons Hall, Great Queen Street. What made this meeting very special was that the Pro Grand Master, M.W.Bro. Jonathan Spence, installed the Deputy Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Sir David Wootton, JP, as the Worshipful Master for their sesquicentennial year.

We all met up at the Shakespeare's Head in Holborn for a glass of wine before joining the meeting. After the Lodge was opened and the regular business had been transacted, they received the Pro Grand Master, M.W.Bro. Jonathan Spence, who was offered the gavel and took the chair.



The Master Elect, R.W.Bro. Sir David Wootton, JP., Deputy Grand Master, recited his obligation and was installed in the Chair of the Jubilee Masters Lodge.

The Lodge was closed and we went over to The George for another glass of wine, before sitting down to a most convivial meal in the Connaught Rooms.

Thanks to Mik from all of us for a most enjoyable day.



South Wales & Monmouthshire



On the 25th of March our Deputy Provincial Grand Summus, Dist.Comp. Nigel Thomson, and our Past Deputy Provincial Grand Summus, V.Dist.Comp. Ian Smith, drove down to Penarth to attend the Installation meetings of the Scarlet Cord and OSM Province of South Wales and Monmouthshire.

The Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler Designate and Provincial Grand Summus Designate, Worthy Brother/Very Distinguished Companion Allun D Jones was installed as Provincial Grand Summus and Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler of the Province of South Wales & Monmouthshire at Penarth Masonic Hall.

The photo taken before the Scarlet Cord meeting shows R.Dist.Comp. Phillip Purves, Grand Director of Ceremonies; Dist.Comp. Hugh Bennett, Deputy Provincial Grand Summus; R.Dist.Comp. Francis Spencer, Deputy Grand Summus; R.Dist.Comp. Allun Jones Provincial

Grand Summus Designate; M.Dist. Grand Summus, Ian Currans; R.Dist.Comp. Howard Markham Assistant Grand Summus; the Assistant Provincial Grand Summus; and Dist.Comp. Toby Pratt Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies.

In the OSM meeting R.WyBro. Keith Ferguson, Deputy Grand Supreme Ruler, installed Allun Jones as Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler.

Thanks to Nigel Thomson