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A Message from our Deputy Provincial Grand Summus

Greetings Companions and welcome to the fourth edition of the Surrey Cord. I am sure we are all looking forward to later this month when, hopefully, the Lockdown easing will be implemented in its entirety and we can hold our meetings face-to-face once more.

Doubtless, we have missed the company of our fellow Companions, which we enjoy so much. However, we will probably find things will not be quite the same as the pre-pandemic days.



There may be elements of the Lockdown requirements remaining – for instance, social distancing and wearing face masks. These would be minor inconveniences and would be outweighed by the chance to see one another again and over a drink at the bar, catch up with what we have been doing.

Please remember, though, it is up to each of you to consider when you feel comfortable and ready to attend meetings again. When that time comes, we must be ready to carry out ceremonies to a high standard. Especially, if like me, you have hardly looked at the inside of a ritual book over the last year. Now is the time to blow away those cobwebs!

Other aspects may be different in the early days of meetings resumption. We may find catering facilities for Festive Boards are limited, but would that detract from being together once more? I think not. The Masonic Centres will have conducted their risk assessments and I expect the necessary procedures to be in place for the safety of everyone.

If you decide not to return to meetings immediately, please keep in touch with the members of your Consistory. Indeed, I hope you have been doing this over the last year, through phone calls, social media and maybe the very useful virtual business meetings, which have allowed us to deal with administrative work, instead of letting it pile up for the first meeting together. Eighteen months ago, who had heard of Zoom, let alone know how to use it?

Indeed, your Executive has been invited to a large number of Annual Provincial Meetings which have been held around the country, albeit virtually using Zoom. We have represented the Province and enjoyable though they are, it is a pity those Companions receiving Provincial offices were not able to be invested personally by their respective Provincial Grand Summi.

We hope that in Surrey, we shall be able to hold our annual meeting at Surbiton in July. This will be the first time our Provincial Grand Summus has had the opportunity to preside. Please support him at this important meeting, details of which will be published soon.

As our meetings resume, I am looking forward to being able to visit you all in your respective Consistories and renewing old friendships. In the meantime, keep safe and look forward to that bright light at the end of the tunnel, which is getting brighter day by day!

Dist.Comp. Nigel Thomson, Deputy Provincial Grand Summus

Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Senatus

The Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Senatus will be held on Thursday 15th July 2021 at Surbiton Masonic Hall commencing at 11.15 a.m. followed by lunch.

This will be the first opportunity for our Provincial Grand Summus to invest his Officers since he took office back in July 2020 and it is hoped that many Companions will be able to attend.



Details of the meeting along with a booking form are included with this newsletter and will also be available on the Provincial web site

New date for Grand Senatus

Under normal circumstances, the Annual Meeting of Grand Senatus would have taken place on Thursday, 6th May at Mark Masons' Hall, but owing to Covid-19 restrictions the meeting was unable to take place.

The Grand Summus was keen that we do not miss out on the Annual Investiture for a second consecutive year and has therefore considered the merits of moving the meeting to a date later in the year when restrictions are likely to have eased still further.

Consequently, the Grand Recorder
has confirmed that the new date for Grand Senatus is

Thursday, 2 September 2021 when recipients will be invested.

Future Consistory Meetings in 2021

III 2021				
29 June <i>Installation</i>	Warlingham No 134	Nutfield		
15 July <i>Installation</i>	Surrey No 4 TI	Surbiton		
15 July	Provincial Meeting	Surbiton		
16 September Installation	Hill of Zion No 52 TI	Croydon		
28 October Installation	Guildford No 53 TI	Guildford		
28 October <i>Preparation Ce</i>	Provincial Meeting remony	Guildford		
30 November First Degree - 1	Warlingham No 134	Nutfield		

CONGRATULATIONS

2021 Appointments and Promotions

2021 - PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE

Provincial Grand SummusR.Dist.Comp. Arnold LongSurrey 4 TIDeputy Provincial Grand SummusDist.Comp. Nigel ThomsonHill of Zion 52 TIAssistant Provincial Grand SummusDist.Comp. Christopher F Hatton, P.G.Swd.B.Surrey 4 TI

2021 - PROVINCIAL ACTIVE OFFICERS

Chancellor	R.Dist.Comp. Trevor D Currans, P.G.Chan, Pres.Ex.Com.	Hill of Zion 52 TI
Episcopus	Dist.Comp. Ian N Clark	Guildford 53 TI
Treasurer	Em.Comp. David M Willmott	Surrey 4 TI
Registrar	Em.Comp. Robert G Tuthill	Hill of Zion 52 TI
Recorder	Em.Comp. Christopher W Eley	Surrey 4 TI
Director of Ceremonies	Dist.Comp. Ian A Parsons, P.G.Stwd.	Guildford 53 TI
Lecturer 1	Dist.Comp. Leonard H Hillier	Surrey 4 TI
Lecturer 2	Dist.Comp. Robert Shepherd	Guildford 53 TI
Lecturer 3	Dist.Comp. Colin M Beerling	Surrey 4 TI
Lecturer 4	Dist.Comp. Harry Smith	Surrey 4 TI
Deputy D of C	Dist.Comp. Ian R Bloodworth	Surrey 4 TI
Herald	Em.Comp. Leslie Grout	Surrey 4 TI
Asst D of C	Em.Comp. Mark P Donovan	Surrey 4 TI
Sword Bearer	Comp. Barrie S Selway	Guildford 53 TI
Standard Bearer	Dist.Comp. Eustace Thompson-Shaw	Hill of Zion 52 TI
Organist	Comp. Glyn Harvey	Hill of Zion 52 TI
Guarder	Dist.Comp. Alastair Mackenzie	Guildford 53 TI
Steward	Em.Comp. John T Coleman	Guildford 53 TI
Steward	Em.Comp. Mark I J Currans	Hill of Zion 52 TI
Steward	Dist.Comp. Hugh J Everitt	Guildford 53 TI
Steward	Dist.Comp. Tamba A John	Hill of Zion 52 TI
Watchman	Dist.Comp. John McGriger Norton-Doyle	Hill of Zion 52 TI

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Captain	Comp. Steven R L Rowlands	Surrey 4 TI
Deputy Captain	Dist.Comp. Robert M Anderson	Hill of Zion 52 TI
Member	Comp. Jonathan J Murdock	Guildford 53 TI
Member	Comp. Derek M Williamson	Guildford 53 TI
Member	Comp. Graham V Rawlinson	Surrey 4 TI
Member	Comp. J Martin Dunham	Surrey 4 TI
Member	Comp. Bernard U Ezekwem	Hill of Zion 52 TI
Member	Comp. Eddie Ertan	Hill of Zion 52 TI
Member	Comp. Roger Short	Surrey 4 TI
Member	Comp. Ian Neve	Surrey 4 TI
Member	Comp. Walter J Maynard	Surrey 4 TI
Member	Comp. Alan J Boniface	Surrey 4 TI