

THE TRAVELLING KNIGHTS OF OXFORDSHIRE, BERKSHIRE & BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

EPISODE 7 JUNE 2024





IN THIS MONTH`S NEWSLETTER-- GREAT PRIORY VISITED BY OBB -PARTY AT CRUSADERS -BRUCE IS OUT VISITING -NEW PROVINCIAL PRIOR FOR OBB

OUR GOALS-

Attract new Knights to the Order.

Focus on "assisting where required" with Preceptories.

Assist with Ceremonies to ensure standard of KT ritual remains respected.

Introducing team communications that work!

KNIGHTS AROUND THE TABLE THE KT HUB

The one stop information centre for the Province!

DO YOU NEED-

Any advice? Assistance with Ceremonies? Require an officer to fill a spot? Do you have any good ideas? Do you think your skills would be useful? let us know-Are you a new Knight and want some assistance?

USEFUL IDEAS CENTRE- send us your ideas-



MONTHLÝ ROUND UP FROM THE PROVINCE



R.E.Kt. Dean Robert White The Provincial Prior

Dear Knights of the Province,

On Saturday 25th May the Grand Master Installed me as the Provincial Prior for this Province (OBB).

It was a Ceremony attended by over 220 Knights, who were members of our own Province, the Great officers who were acting as the installation team, and visitors from many of our neighbouring Provinces.

Having over 200 Knights in attendance is a record number attending a Provincial Priory meeting at Sindlesham, hopefully this is a number which can be maintained over the coming years.

It then gave me immense pleasure to install E.Kt. Malcolm Woolgar as the Provincial Sub-Prior, we all know Malcolm well and I am certain that you will support him as you have me during the past years.

I must also pay respects to my good friend and the Past Provincial Prior, R.E.Kt. Graham McGowan-Smyth who has worked diligently for our Province during the past 5-years, we wish him, his wife Kate, and their family well for the future.

My Installation was a truly humbling and memorable event and will remain with me for a long time. I do hope that with your assistance we can together go on to achieve great things for our Province, not only with increased memberships and visiting numbers but also supporting Preceptories where needed and ensuring that ritual is maintained to our best ability.

I look forward to seeing many of you on my travels around the Province.

Yours in the Bonds of the Order

R.E.Kt. Dean Robert White



BODÝGUARD NEWS







E.Kt. Martin James Sando Commander of the Provincial Prior`s Bodyguard

E.Kt. Vito Mingolla Deputy- Commander



FOLLOW OUR BODYGUARD EVENTS DIARY.

Forthcoming BG June dates-

Wednesday 19th June – Outremer no.474- TBC

Wednesday 26th June- Cressing no. 264

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE BODYGUARD TEAM? - send an email to the Commander-<u>Martin.sando@outlook.com</u>

M&RSH&L POINTS



"A great PoI evening at Wokingham on Friday 8th December- Kt. Stewart Dunbar BG was with us to practice his journey into the Chair at St Hugh Preceptory in 2024 Kt. Bruce Hartrup BG came along to test his skills with presenting the Symbols"

Come along to the Preceptory of Improvement.

Marlow Masonic Centre Wednesday 20th of March 2024 Monday 10th of June 2024 Monday 2nd of September 2024

Wokingham Masonic Centre Friday 22nd of March 2024 Friday 7th of June 2024 Friday 6th of September 2024 Friday 13th of December 2024

All Knights are welcome, new, old, any office you wish to try- just come along and enjoy learning!

For more info contact-

Malcolmg.woolgar@taltalk.net



E.Kt. Malcolm Woolgar The Provincial Sub-Prior runs the Preceptory of improvement.

OX. BERKS. BUCKS. 1st ANNUAL KNIGHTS TEMPLAR GALA DINNER SATURDAY 19th OCTOBER 2024



To be held at Sindlesham Masonic Centre on Saturday 19th October 2024 Gala dinner menu / Black tie event / Cocktail dresses for the ladies Sparkling wine reception Music & Dancing till midnight! Full details in due course- reserve your places now! All Knights welcome- new & old Book your table now!

TICKET COST £60.00 PER PERSON

RESERVE NOW

Gala dinner events team-

Contact- Martin Sando

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NEWS FROM ALL CORNERS OF THE PROVINCE



LESLIE FELGATE DRING PRECEPTORY NO. 637 (LFD)

(above - left to right) R.E.Kt Ray Cochrane K.C.T. / the Sub-Prior E.Kt. Dean White / the Eminent Preceptor E.KT. Trevor Austin & R.E.Kt. Norman Bliss K.C.T.

All Knights of any Preceptory office/ rank are welcome to attend and enjoy! -THURSDAY 30[™] MAY 2024 MALTA MEETING

3-course menu (inc coffee) £22 excl. wine fish goujons / gammon steak chips & peas / cheese board

All Installed Preceptors (past & present) are welcome to join the Preceptory. Contact the Registrar for more information-E.Kt. John Stribling e. <u>interface.p@talk21.com</u>

PROVINCIAL DIARY

Aylesbury - Monday 8th January Bisham Abbey - Tuesday 16th January Robert-de-Turnham -Tuesday 6th February Cygnet – Friday 9th February Wellesley- Tuesday 13th February Robert Loyd – Thursday 15th February Crusaders – Wednesday 21st February Couer-de-Lion- Saturday 24th February Terra Sancta - Friday 8th March William Warde – Friday 8th March Sir Oliver Starkey – Tuesday 26th March Friendship & Care – Wednesday 27th March Cressing – Wednesday 27th March St Hugh – Wednesday 3rd April Beaumont – Friday 5th April Outremer – Wednesday 17th April Bisham Abbey - Tuesday 23rd April William Warde – Wednesday 8th May Terra Sancta - Friday 10th May Aylesbury - Monday 13th May GREAT PRIORY – Wednesday 15th May Robert-de-Turnham -Tuesday 21st May Crusaders – Wednesday 22nd May Provincial Priory- 25th May- INSTALLATION Leslie Felgate Dring (LFD) – Thursday 30th May- Provincial Malta meeting Couer-de-Lion- Saturday 1st June Cressing – Wednesday 26th June Cvgnet – Friday 14th June Please confirm dates with Registrars

CHURCH SERVICE ABINGDON- cancelled.

Outremer – Wednesday 19th June Friendship & Care – Wednesday 19th June Robert Loyd – Thursday 20th June Sir Oliver Starkey – Tuesday 25th June Beaumont – Friday 5th July Wellesley- Tuesday 9th July Outremer – Wednesday 24th August Aylesbury - Monday 9th September Terra Sancta - Friday 13th September PROVINCIAL PRIORY – Monday 16th September Bisham Abbey – Monday 23rd September Sir Oliver Starkey – Tuesday 24th September Robert-de-Turnham -Tuesday 1st October Leslie Felgate Dring (LFD) – Thursday 3rd October St Hugh – Friday 4th October Beaumont – Friday 4th October Robert Lovd – Thursday 17th October Provincial annual Gala dinner-Saturday 19th October Cressing – Wednesday 30th October Cygnet – Friday 8th November Couer-de-Lion- Saturday 9th November Wellesley- Tuesday 12th November GREAT PRIORY MALTA- Tuesday 19th November Crusaders – Wednesday 19th November PROVINCIAL MALTA MEETING -Monday 25th November St Hugh – Friday 4th December William Warde – Wednesday 11th December

Friendship & Care – Wednesday 16th December

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A KNIGHTS TALE



E.Kt. Jamie Ingham Clark KStJ, Past Dep.Gt.Swd.B. Trustee of the Jerusalem Eye Hospital



Interesting facts about E.Kt. Jamie

He joined Freemasonry being initiated December 1980 into Jerusalem Lodge no. 197

Becoming a Grand Steward in 1986 and joined the Ingham Clark lodge of Berkshire in 1992 (his father was one of the founding members (Primus Master) and his grandfather, Lt-Col R.H. Ingham Clark was the Consecrating Provincial Grand Master (Berkshire) in 1967.

In the Craft he was appointed as a Metropolitan Grand Inspector in 2015 -2020 (& PSGD)

Exalted into St. George's Royal Arch Chapter no. 5 in 1986 and was appointed GstB in 2011

Installed as a Knight in Public Schools Preceptory no. 209 in 2010, joined Coromandel Preceptory no. 73 in 2021 & William Warde no.705 in 2023 (OBB)

Appointed as Dep Great Swd B. in May 2022

Alongside Freemasonry, Jamie has been very involved in the Venerable Order of St John since 1980, which leads to his becoming a trustee of the Eye Hospital in Jerusalem in 2017

Jamie was recently awarded the honour of Knight of Justice of the Order from the King.

He has his own personal coat of arms (above) and is a valuable source of Masonic history!

OBB can only benefit from such a wealth of experience in its ranks.

ANOTHER CHAPTER



CHARLES NICHOLL CHAPTER NO 7318

This is our very own KT linked Chapter, why not come along to support our next meeting which will be an installation meeting on -

MONDAY 30[™] SEPTEMBER 2024,

AT SINDLESHAM.

Contact - Scribe E- Comp Robin Kent- robin.kent@live.com

Dining- Ass Scribe E. Comp Ian Mitchell- ian.mitchell09@aol.com

BOOK NOW!!! And enjoy a Royal Arch meeting with a KT twist.



OUT & ABOUT IN THE PROVINCE





OBB visit the Great Priory meeting at Great Queen Street Wednesday 15th May

20-plus knights from OBB visited the Great priory meetingfantastic support for our Province and a great day visiting.

When you see 500+ Knights all together in the main temple at Great Queen Street it is a sight to truly behold and a must on the visit list for all new & old Knights!

5 of our OBB Knights received honours from the Grand Master- well done to all!!!

We can now look forward to the Great Priory of Malta meeting on Tuesday 19th November 2024





















Kt. Bruce Hartrup on his travels

Kt. Bruce has completed visits to each Preceptory in the Province- all 17!

Many Knights have done the same over the years, but Bruce only joined KT in November 2022! – he joined the Bodyguard immediately and has made over 40 visits to Preceptories.

- Great work Bruce!!

- Join the Bodyguard and see the Province!!









Crusaders Preceptory no.258 meeting in Wokingham Wednesday 22nd May



A great evening at Crusaders with reason to celebrate!

E.Kt. Dean handed over the Sub-Prior badge to E. Kt. Malcolm

Dean presented the outgoing Provincial Prior Graham McGowan-Smyth with a cheque for £800.00 donated by each of the Preceptories in the Province.

And our deputy Commander of the Bodyguard E.Kt. Vito installed another of our past Bodyguards, E.Kt. Glenn Whittaker into the chair!

A festive board with banter & good humour followed a great meeting!

















Would you like to join Crusaders Preceptory no. 258? Do you have any candidates for Installation as new Knights? Contact the Registrar -E.Kt. John Foster e. johnfoster10@sky.com t.07720-052467

Provincial Priory meeting at Sindlesham Saturday 25th May

The Great Priory team arrived at Sindlesham early on Saturday morning and directed the proceedings under the guidance of the Great Marshal, R.E.Kt. Tim Wheeler & his Deputies.

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master, Paul Raymond Clement GCT, and his Installation team conducted a first-class Ceremony installing R.E.Kt. Dean Robert White as the Provincial Prior for Oxfordshire, Berkshire & Buckinghamshire.

The Provincial Prior then installed E.Kt. Malcolm George Woolgar as his Sub-Prior.

The Provincial Prior`s Bodyguard under the Command of E.Kt. Martin Sando & the acting Deputy Commander Kt. Mark Harry organised the Arch-of steel 6-times for the processions.

The excellent standard of the Bodyguard was complimented on by the Grand Master in his address to the Knights in the Temple- well done BG!

220 knights attended the meeting and over 200 dined in the Flavell suite, a mention must go to the organisation by the Sindlesham team who were superb in everything they did, from the start to the finish, well done.

Provincial meetings cannot be a success without the efforts of others and great thanks must go to the Provincial Vice-Chancellor V.E.Kt. Bob Diplock & his merry team of helpers who set-up on Friday evening, arrived early Saturday and then stayed after the dinner was finished to return the temple back to its normal positions.

A fine festive board accompanied a great meeting!

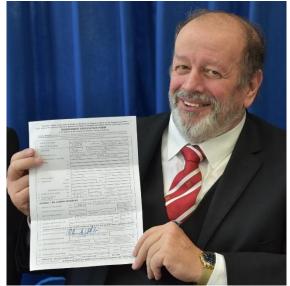


































WE ENCOURAGE KNIGHTS TO LEARN, DEVELOP & ENJOY AS THEY PROGRESS THROUGH EACH OFFICE OF THEIR PRECEPTORY

WE WELCOME ALL NEW KNIGHTS TO OUR ORDER

R.E.KT. DEAN ROBERT WHITE THE PROVINCIAL PRIOR



THE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR PROVINCIAL PRIORY OF OXFORDSHIRE, BERKSHIRE & BUCKINGHAMSHIRE









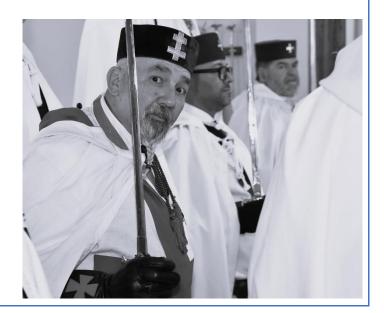




















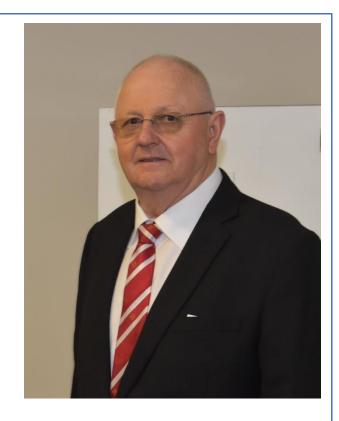








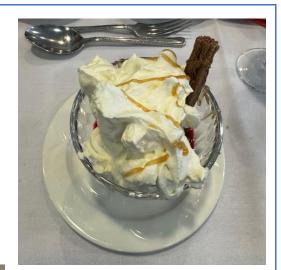


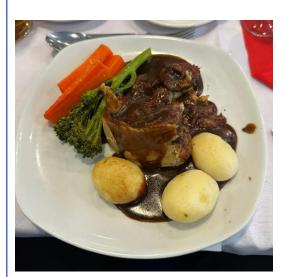


































































We thank you all for joining in a great day!

And look forward to seeing you on our travels around the Province.









ST JOHN OF JERUSALEM EYE-HOPSITAL NEWS

E.Kt. Jamie Ingham Clark KStJ, Past Dep. Gt.Swd.B. Trustee of the Jerusalem Eye Hospital

From the words of our Grand Master at Great Priory2024

"As to the hospital these are turbulent times indeed. The good news is that since 20th April we have been able to provide clinics in Gaza which allows us to do vision screening as well as treatment for eye infections and the dressing of wounds. This is a huge improvement and took over 6 weeks of negotiating with the many relevant powers that be. This is the first part of a three phase plan to restore a full service in Gaza. The next will depend on being able to transport refrigerated medication, which will allow us to extend our services to the prevention of blindness and the treatment of Diabetic Retinopathy. Phase three will be to reopen the hospital which is not expected until the end of the year at the earliest."

"Meanwhile in the rest of the west bank the level of violence remains considerably higher than before the war started, but we hear little of it in our press. Our clinics there remain busy but the level of operations performed in Jerusalem is at about 75% of what it was, mainly due to movement restrictions placed on the Palestinians by the IDF. Because of this, we have purchased a site in Nablus and are in the process of fitting other out with a view seeing patients there before the end of the year. This is an important step for the hospital group and we are looking forward to commence our work in that city."

Jamie Ingham Clark, KStJ

Trustee



WHAT IS HAPPENING IN YOUR PRECEPTORY THIS MONTH

Let us know what is going on, send some pics, ask some questions, request some assistance.

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KNIGHTLY ARTEFACTS FOR SALE



CELEBRATING THE 150[™] ANNIVERSARY

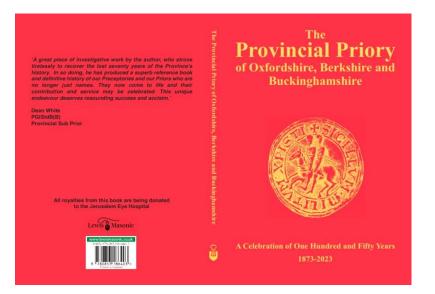
Limited edition Firing sword & coin as seen everywhere! Special offer to newly installed Knights £25.00 each Pay by BACS to Provincial Priory of Ox, Berks & Bucks Sort code- 60-00-01 account- 36312010 Ref. Surname & Preceptory number and we will ensure that it arrives at your next meeting ready for use at the festive board.



CELEBRATING THE 150[™] ANNIVERSARY

The Province authorised the writing of a commemorative book called *A Celebration of One Hundred and Fifty Years 1873-2023* which has been kindly printed by the Lewis Masonic publishing house to commemorate our 150th anniversary.

It has a page designed to receive a signature and dedication by our Provincial Prior and Sub Prior; including a section to record the highlights of one's time within our Order, it will be available from the Lewis Masonic online catalogue (February 2024) at a cost of $\pounds 12.00$ with all profits being donated to the Jerusalem Eye Hospital.





Bodyguard cufflinks

£20.00 per pair, all profits will go to the Jerusalem Eye Hospital

YE KNIGHTS OF OLDE REGALIA

Don't leave those unwanted KT regalia items gathering dust at the back of the cupboard.

tunics / mantle / badges / old swords / belts that no longer fit etc

Don't waste!!! RECYCLE to our new Knights.



Recycling contacts-

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Provincial Vice Chancellor- Bob Diplock

Travelling Knights co-ordinator- E.Kt. Martin Sando

Join the Provincial O.B.B. WhatsApp group- let us know what is going on and keep us up to date.

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