



THE TRAVELLING KNIGHTS OF OXFORDSHIRE, BERKSHIRE & BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

February 2025



In this month`s newsletter Feedback from January 2025

Aylesbury Preceptory 389

Bisham Abbey 691

Charles Nicholl Chapter 7318

February 2025 Knights are out visiting

Robert-de-Turnham 499

Wellesley 204

Coeur-de-Lion 29

Cygnets 464

Crusaders 258

Robert Loyd 438

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-



MONTHLY ROUND UP FROM THE PROVINCE



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

Dear Brother Knights,

We have another exciting year ahead and our objectives remain the same: To enjoy our Knight Templar Order, support our Brother Knights, support our Preceptories by regular attendance, engaging with the various roles within and encouraging Companions to join our wonderful Order.

I would like to take this opportunity of mentioning our exciting plans for the Beaumont Preceptory no.323 which meets at present in Bicester, it has been suffering of late from traffic congestion in the modern world and other concerns with their Knights.

Several saving possibilities were reviewed and the best conclusion drawn was moving to the Wallingford Masonic Centre and reviving the membership numbers with a task force of new Knights. For some of the original members this has opened the opportunity of moving to St Hugh Preceptory in Banbury thus strengthening numbers there and for others more local to Abingdon to be able to continue their journey as Knight's in Wallingford.

Many of the new Knights in the task force were originally destined to be founders of the Benefactores Hospitalis Preceptory and they hope to continue forging this link to the Jerusalem Eye-Hospital by connecting with the Beaumont Preceptory of Knights Templar.

Meetings will be on the 2nd Saturday morning of January, July & December and depending on workload this will planned to be a breakfast meeting!

If any Knights of the Province wish to show support by joining Beaumont Preceptory, please contact the Provincial Vice-Chancellor.

I thank you in anticipation of your continued support for our wonderful Province and the Order of Knights Templar.

As always, I look forward to seeing many of you on my travels around the Preceptories.

Yours in the Bonds of the Order

R.E.Kt. Dean Robert White

The Provincial Prior



BODYGUARD NEWS



Kt. Mark Harry P.Prov.A.-de-C.
Commander of the Provincial
Prior's Bodyguard



Kt. Dougie Leacy P.Prov.Gd
Deputy- Commander

Follow our Bodyguard events diary.

Forthcoming BG dates-
4th Feb – Robert De Turnham
20th Feb – Robert Loyd

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE
BODYGUARD TEAM? - send an email to the Commander-
mark@airl.co.uk

Preceptory of Improvement and update from the Sub-Prior

Dates for the Preceptory of Improvement. 7:30 start time

Marlow Masonic Centre

Friday the 4th of April, Monday the 9th of June and lastly Monday the 1st of September.

Wokingham Masonic Centre

Friday the 28th of March, Friday the 6th of June, Friday the 5th of September and Friday the 12th of December.

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

For more info contact-

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

Calling all Knight's from those Newly made Knight's to those in office and those approaching the Eminent Preceptor's Chair. The Preceptory of Improvement meetings held at the Wokingham and Marlow Masonic Centre's are there to help you on your journey in Knight's Templar. These meetings are informal and all you need is your sword ,belt and ritual book and we will guide you through all the aspects of the ritual, sword drill etc which will assist you to enjoy and progress through the various offices and hopefully to the Eminent Preceptors chair. Over the years we have helped many members and all that have attended, have found these meetings to be really instructive and provides an understanding of what is needed. I certainly get great enjoyment in visiting the Preceptory meetings around our Province and seeing those members we have helped carrying out the work with the confidence and with the information we have given them. Long may it continue . So please make every effort to attend the instruction evenings which are for your benefit. For the newly installed Knights you can visit other Preceptories in this Province and in other Provinces in the country. The very next step for you is to be installed as a Knight of Malta and all you need to obtain is a Malta Jewel and there are no other fees for joining this order. The Next Malta meeting is Thursday the 29th of May at the Beaconsfield Masonic Centre, so please talk to your Registrar to get booked in.

Finally let us look forward to a very enjoyable year in Knights Templar .

Yours in The Bond of the Order
Eminent Knight Malcolm Woolgar
Provincial Sub-Prior

JUST AROUND THE CORNER KT CLUB

Introducing a new concept for learning –

This is for those Knights who wish to learn about going through the Chair best suited to those who are 1st or 2nd Constables or perhaps you are now almost or just in the Chair of your Preceptory.

It is not about Ritual but more importantly the JAAtC KT Club hopes to assist you in how to get the best out of your year as Eminent Preceptor.

We meet online each Monday at 7pm- if you would like to join us

Contact- Martin Sando

t. 07740-983130 e. martin.sando@outlook.com

There is no test- we read ritual from the KT red-book and work from various Preceptory summons

The JAAtC KT club does not replace our regular Preceptory of Improvement evenings at Wokingham & Marlow



NEWS FROM ALL CORNERS OF THE PROVINCE



**Hold the date! -Thursday 29th May 2025 MALTA
meeting –
Do you have knights who need to complete their KT
Journey by taking the Malta Degree?
Look out for details from our Vice Chancellor soon !**



PROVINCIAL INSTALLATION KIT



The Provincial Prior has kindly given permission for OBB to stock some very useful regalia when installing multiple Knights in Ceremonies.

Your Preceptory may be having to perform multiple Ceremonies for candidates and locating spare pilgrim kit can be difficult.

We have available to loan-

Pilgrims Habit x3 / hat x3 / staff x3 / scrip x3 / water bottle x3 / cord x3 / Shields x3

Advice & assistance is also available.

Contact- Mark Harry (Bodyguard Commander)

e. mark@airl.co.uk



PROVINCIAL DIARY 2025

Robert-de-Turnham -Tuesday 4th February (I)

Wellesley- Tuesday 11th February

Coeur-de-Lion- Thursday 13th February

Cygnets – Friday 14th February

Crusaders – Wednesday 19th February

Robert Loyd – Thursday 20th February

Terra Sancta - Friday 14th March

William Warde – Friday 14th March

Sir Oliver Starkey – Tuesday 25th March (I)

Friendship & Care – Wednesday 26th March (I)

Cressing – Wednesday 26th March

St Hugh – Wednesday 2nd April (I)

Beaumont – Friday 4th April (I)

Outremer – Wednesday 16th April

Robert Loyd – Thursday 17th April (extra)

Bisham Abbey - Tuesday 22nd April

Leslie Felgate Dring – Thursday 6th May

Terra Sancta – Friday 9th May

Aylesbury - Monday 12th May

William Warde – Wednesday 14th May (I)

GREAT PRIORY – Wednesday 21st May

Robert-de-Turnham -Tuesday 20th May

Crusaders – Wednesday 28th May (I)

Leslie Felgate Dring – Thursday 29th May

Coeur-de-Lion- Saturday 7th June (I)

CHURCH SERVICE Sunday 8th June

St Helens Abingdon

Cygnets – Friday 13th June

Friendship & Care – Wednesday 18th June

Robert Loyd – Thursday 19th June (I)

Sir Oliver Starkey – Tuesday 24th June

Cressing – Wednesday 25th June (I)

Beaumont – Friday 4th July

Wellesley- Tuesday 8th July (I)

Outremer – Tuesday 9th July

Outremer – Wednesday 20th August (I)

Aylesbury – Monday 8th September

Terra Sancta – Friday 12th September (I)

PROVINCIAL PRIORY Monday 15th September

Bisham Abbey – Monday 22nd September

Sir Oliver Starkey – Tuesday 23rd September

St Hugh – Wednesday 1st October

Beaumont – Friday 3rd October

Robert-de-Turnham -Tuesday 7th October

Robert Loyd – Thursday 16th October

Cressing – Wednesday 29th October

Wellesley- Tuesday 11th November

Cygnets – Friday 14th November (I)

GREAT PRIORY MALTA- Tuesday 18th November

Crusaders – Wednesday 19th November

PROVINCIAL PRIORY MALTA – Monday 24th November

St Hugh – Wednesday 3rd December

William Warde – Wednesday 10th December

Friendship & Care – Monday 15th December

Installation of Eminent Preceptor (I)

Please confirm dates with the Registrars

Provincial annual Gala dinner-Saturday (TBC)

PRECEPTORY REGISTRARS

UPDATE FEB 2025

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ASK VIC.....

ANY PROVINCIAL OR GENERAL KT QUESTIONS?

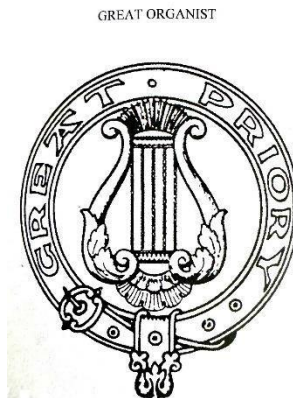
Do you have questions about Knights Templar or the Province in general?

Just send Vic an Email. kt1873info@gmail.com

**Q. HI VIC- I GOT A LETTER IN THE POST WITH PROVINCIAL HONOURS!
WHAT BADGE DO I NEED TO GET?**



Outer Guard



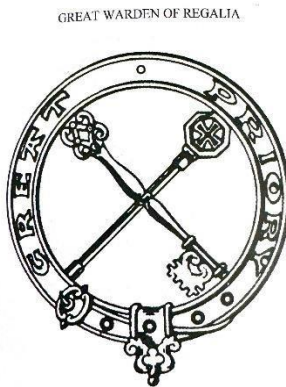
Organist



Captain of Guard



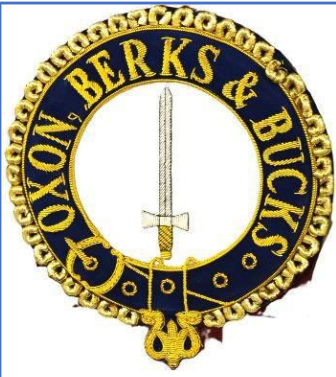
Chamberlain



Warden of Regalia



Aide-de-Camp



Sword Bearer



Banner Bearer



Standard Bearer (VB)



Standard Bearer (B)



Herald



Deputy Marshal



Marshal



Registrar



Treasurer



1st/2nd Constable



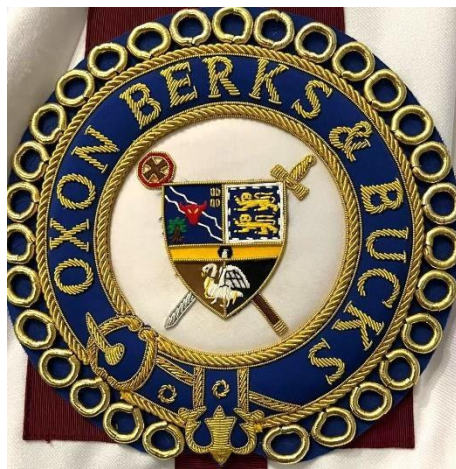
Chancellor/Vice-Chancellor



Prelate



Provincial Sub-Prior



the Provincial Prior

Some of the roundels shown above are of Great Priory rank - the only difference being it would be of Provincial rank on the outer edge.



ANOTHER CHAPTER



Charles Nicholl Chapter no 7318

This is our very own KT linked Chapter (In Berkshire), why not come along to support our next meeting.

Wednesday 14th May 2025, 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.



Royal Arch Chapter meets Knights Templar – a Knight to remember ...

The Chapter was called off at 6:15pm. The vault, arch and other Chapter furniture were covered so as to represent rubble of the temple. Master Masons were admitted accompanied by two Knights who had entertained them whilst the Chapter was opened.

There then followed two illuminating and interesting talks, introducing the Master Masons and Companions to the Royal Arch and Knights Templar The MEZ E Comp I.R.G. Hopgood, PG Supt, delivered the additional address usually given after the presentation of the 3rd Degree Working Tools to the Master Masons.

The MEZ, Haggi and Joshua introduced themselves and their roles. The Three Principals then presented the history of the Royal Arch and explained its significant role in Pure and Antient Freemasonry.



Knights Templar meets the Royal Arch – story of our Blue Table .

Right Eminent Knight Dean White, Provincial Prior, gave a very informative history of the Knights Templar and their origins. He then explained the link between The Royal Arch and Knights Templar and other companion orders.

With the assistance of his Knights, he then explained the Knights Templar regalia. In conclusion E Companion Jamie Ingham-Clark explained the connection between Knights Templar, The Hospitallers, and the St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital which is the sole charity that Knights Templar support.

The Master Masons were presented with information about the Royal Arch and Knights Templar and retired.



OUT & ABOUT IN THE PROVINCE



EN.....GAGE

A night out at Aylesbury Preceptory 380



EN.....GAGE

A night out at Bisham Abbey 691





ST JOHN OF JERUSALEM

EYE-HOSPITAL NEWS

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

Dear Knights,

Following the ceasefire we are returning to delivering increased services in Gaza. During last week 704 patients were treated by our teams. Many of the displaced people have started returning to the south to inspect their homes, hence the decline in the number of patients seen.

On Monday 27th January , thousands of displaced people have started their return to the north. Many of our staff will be amongst those and therefore, they have been granted one weeks leave to inspect their homes and adapt to a new way of living!.

As for the Hospital, although there has been no further damage, but the building has been stripped of everything including doors, windows, electrical panels etc. We have hired a security firm to safeguard the hospital on 24-hour basis. A team from the staff will also visit this week to provide a more comprehensive assessment of the facilities.

The Hospital has a 3 phase plan in place to return services and to provide the funds we have a silent auction running at present.

There are many different kinds of items available from holidays to helpful items of equipment. It can be assessed with this link. <https://www.stjohnsavingsight.com/>

YitBotO

Jamie

Jamie Ingham Clark, KStJ Trustee



DID YOU KNOW THE HISTORY OF WELLESLEY PRECEPTORY?



<https://www.oxonberksbucksct.org.uk/history/204-wellesley-history/#page-content>

Would you like your Preceptory
History featured then get in touch...



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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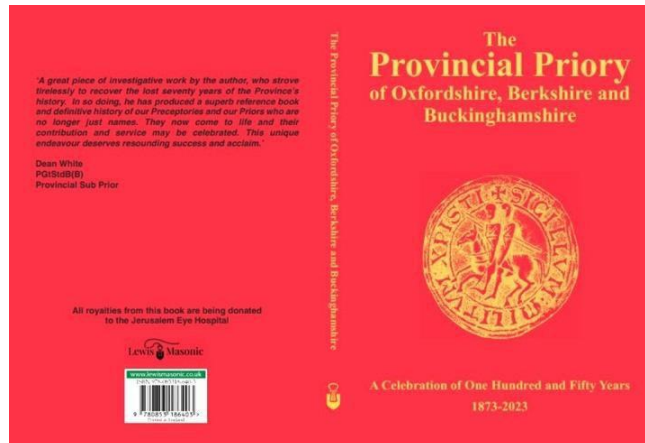


KNIGHTLY ARTEFACTS FOR SALE

CELEBRATING THE 150TH 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 £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-

Provincial Warden of Regalia-

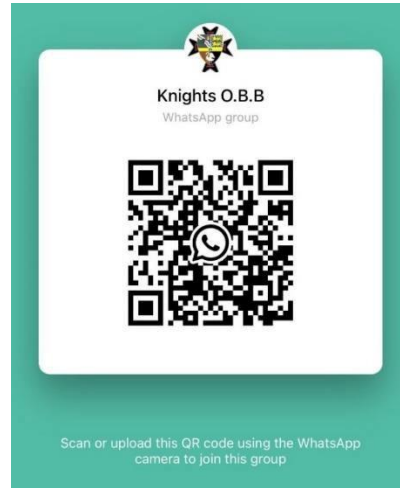
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OR

**Provincial Vice Chancellor and 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.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/EyFyBj6N7VnDZNVNVCN4Y0>



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