The Province of Berkshire

# Pangbourne Masonic Lodge 1922 – 2022



Celebrating 100 Years of Freemasonry in Pangbourne

"When a man opens a car door for his wife, it's either a new car or a new wife."

HRH Bro. The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

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#### The Founders of The Pangbourne Lodge No. 4381

Charter Granted 6th December 1921 Consecrated 4th February 1922

*The photograph below, showing the Founders of Pangbourne Lodge, was taken in the grounds of St James the Less Church, in Pangbourne.* 



Back Row: W.Bro. George E.W. Clark; Bro. Frank M. Fogarty; Bro. Marquis W. Stafford Bro. Percy Stone; Bro. Robert S. Payne.

Middle Row: Bro. George Marshall; Bro. Charles E. Carter; W.Bro. Ebenezer T. Wilson; Bro. Walter John Blunden; Bro. Edward J.R.S. Roberts; Bro. Frank T. Robinson; Bro. W.J. Barnes; Bro. John Ernest Gulliver; Bro. Leonard J.C. Geer; Bro. John Smallbone; Bro. Charles H. Cross.

Front Row: Bro. Albert J. Maker; Bro. Benjamin E. Wakelin; W.Bro. Arthur Everest, W.Bro. Rev. H.R. Pring; W.Bro. George W. Smith, W.Bro. The Rev. Arthur E. Brisco Owen W.Bro. Hugh R. Fraser, W.Bro. Henry C. Brown; Bro. Allan A. Banyard; W.; Bro. Richard William Archer.

W.Bro. Raymond J. Head, PSGD, PAPGM

#### Foreword

Dear Brethren All,

It is a real pleasure and an honour to be asked to write a foreword to our Centenary booklet, which has been drafted, edited and published by our esteemed Secretary, W.Bro. Ray Lloyd, assisted by a number of other brethren, to all of whom great thanks are due.

It is also very pleasurable indeed to have played a part at our Centenary meeting – a great achievement for any Lodge. Whether you are reading this on the day, having attended the meeting, or are reading this at some time after the great day, I thank you very much for your support and interest and hope that you will derive much pleasure in reading its contents.

The past couple of years or so have been full of uncertainty in respect of the COVID situation. Can we go back? Can we meet? How many can attend? And many other questions to which the answer eventually came that a full resumption of masonic activity was allowed, which meant that we can, very happily, meet today to celebrate 100 years of Freemasonry in Pangbourne Lodge; a Lodge of which I have been delighted to be a member for over 53 of those years.

I commend you to this Centenary booklet as it maps the progress of the Lodge over the years. Like almost every other Lodge, we have had good days and not so good days, but we are gathered today on the greatest day in the Lodge's history since its Consecration all those years ago to give thanks to the Great Architect for all the blessings he has disposed on us.

Brethren, I truly hope that you will derive much pleasure and satisfaction in sharing this celebration with us who are very proud of our Lodge and its traditions.

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

**Raymond J. Head**, PSGD, PAPGM, Centenary Worshipful Master



#### A New Lodge for Pangbourne

#### *The first 50 years*

In THE early 1900s, Bro. Allan Ambrose Banyard came with his family to live at Redcott House, Horseshoe Road in Pangbourne. Being a keen Freemason, he soon realised that there were no Masonic Lodges in the immediate area between Reading, Newbury and Wallingford. He therefore conceived the idea of forming a Lodge in Pangbourne.

Bro. Banyard, a Commercial Traveller with social attributes contacted various local brethren to form a nuclei of possible



Bro. Allan Ambrose Banyard first conceived the idea of forming a Masonic Lodge in Pangbourne.

founder members; then went further afield and obtained the assistance of other interested brethren, including that of W.Bro. The Rev. Arthur Edwin Brisco Owen *MA FRAS*, PAGChap, PProvGChap (Berkshire), PProvGChap (Berkshire), PProvGChap (Staffs. and Wilts.), Past Master of 2487 and 3129 – a very well-respected Freemason indeed.

With the support of 28 petitioners and the sponsorship of The Reading Lodge of Union No. 414, together with the recommendation of the Provincial Grand Master for Berkshire, RW Bro. John Thornhill Morland, *MA*, a Charter was granted by the United Grand Lodge of England on the 6th December 1921. The Lodge was Consecrated on Saturday 4th February 1922 at the New Hall, Pangbourne, the Ceremony being performed by RW Bro. John Thornhill Morland, *MA*, Provincial Grand Master for Berkshire along with a deputation of his Provincial and Grand Officers. The Festive Board afterwards was held at The Elephant Hotel.

The first Master of Pangbourne Lodge was W.Bro. The Rev. Arthur Edwin Brisco Owen and its Secretary, Bro. Allan Ambrose Banyard. Meetings of the Lodge were at first held at a number of venues in and around Pangbourne, principally at the Elephant Hotel. During the first couple of years it was normal to see double and triple Ceremonies being performed at each meeting. This led to the membership increasing steadily to such an extent that it was proving difficult to provide comfortable accommodation for the members

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and, furthermore, as the Ceremonies could not be performed efficiently, the Permanent Committee decided to start a fund to purchase premises suitable to meet their current needs and to provide for the future.

Bro. Banyard, as Secretary, wanted the fund to grow quickly in order to have a Masonic home of their own. He came up with a novel fund-raising scheme asking the Brethren to save all their tin foil from cigarette packets, or in whatever form they could get this valuable metal, and to ask all their friends to save theirs for them as well. By working up a regular connection with their friends the collection grew rapidly. They were also asked to collect lead-foil which was also valuable, but warned that when collecting it to take care not to mix the lead with the tin foil, but to keep the collection separate, packed flat, and 'not in balls.'

By great good fortune, Shooters Hill House came onto the market in early 1928. It was a large property having been designed and built in 1895 by well-respected architect, Leonard Stokes, in a free neo-Georgian style and extended over the intervening years.

Stokes was held in high esteem amongst his fellow architects and became RIBA President in 1910. At the time, it was customary for all Presidents of the RIBA to have their portrait painted in evening dress with their medals. However, Stokes was a bit of a dissident to say the least and turned up for his portrait sitting wearing an old Jaeger dressing gown. Clearly, the RIBA was not amused and asked the artist, William Orpen and Stokes to change the painting but both refused. So instead of it being hung in a prominent position at Portland Place, it was displayed outside the gent's toilets.

Shooters Hill House was situated on the Reading to Oxford Road, in Pangbourne on high ground, close to and overlooking one of the most loveliest reaches of the River Thames near to the Swan Hotel where the travellers in Jerome K. Jerome's classic novel, *Three Men in a Boat*, ended their journey. It was, at the time, the home of Mr Dan Harries Evans, the founder of the famous department store, D.H. Evans in Oxford Street, London, which merged with Harrods and later, the House of Fraser. Evans also owned the infamous seven Gothicstyle houses further along the Oxford Road in Pangbourne, affectionately known as the 'Seven Deadly Sins.' These were built in 1896 and there are a couple of apocryphal theories about the name given to them. One is that they were built by Mr. Evans to house each of his mistresses, but another story is that they were in fact built to house seven lady friends of the Prince of Wales (later King Edward VII).

In 1928 the Lodge made a decision to purchase the eastern section for the sum of £1,100 and this was completed



The porchway (or entrance) with the Evans Coat of Arms engraved above.

in September of that year. This portion of the property purchased by the Lodge was an adjunct to the original building, having been added in 1898. The original entrance was through an ornate porchway over which is carved, in solid stone, the Coat of Arms of the Evans family with the inscription in Welsh, 'Goreu arv Gwirionedd' which, literally translated, means, 'The greatest weapon is truth'.

This entrance led into a large room and from this, access was gained to the first and second floors (initially via a twelve rung step-ladder!) that contained some eight rooms, which have never been used for Masonic purposes.

From the hallway, entrance was gained to what is now the Committee Room and then to the magnificent Billiard and Picture Room. Beside the solid polished mahogany panels and walls covered with royal blue cloth with satin stripe, the most striking feature of the room is the curved ceiling, beautifully moulded with ornamental figures. At each end of the curved section, a moulded frieze, which



The ornate curved ceiling of the Lodge room, showing the inscription.

carries the inscription, "*Then care away and wend along with me*." These words were first recorded in 1653 in Izaac Walton's book, *The Complete Angler*, and later found in many books of Ancient English Songs and Ballads. A Minstrels' Gallery fitted with stained glass windows overlooks and completes this magnificent room. This, then, was to be the Lodge Room.

The doors are made of solid polished mahogany to match the panelling, with brass fittings, and are considered to be very fine specimens of the Craftsman's art. The entire building deserves admiration, not only by the Pangbourne Lodge members but also visiting Brethren and others who are privileged to use it.

A certain amount of modification to the building was necessary to enable it to fulfil its new role as a Masonic Temple. This was tastefully and sympathetically carried out by one of the Lodge's Founders, Bro. John Smallbone.

The Temple was Dedicated on the 6th October 1928, by the Right Worshipful Bro. HRH Prince Arthur of Connaught, at that time the Provincial Grand Master for Berkshire, assisted by the VW Bro. The Rev. Canon F.J.C. Gillmor, *MA*, *TD*, Deputy PGM and the Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge with great ceremony. The Provincial Grand Chaplain, Bro. The Rev. Arthur Keeble, *BA*, delivered an Oration after which the ceremony proceeded on the customary lines, the musical arrangements being ably rendered by a quartet of musically talented Pangbourne Lodge members.

At the close of the ceremony a 22 carat gold fountain pen was presented to HRH Prince Arthur of Connaught by the Worshipful Master, W.Bro. Percy Stone, on behalf of the members of the Lodge. His Royal Highness appropriately responded thanking the Lodge for their handsome and most useful present.

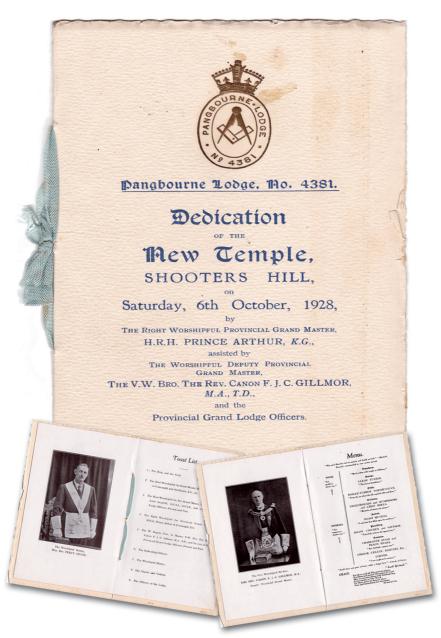


Following the Dedication Ceremony, the Brethren adjourned to the Constitutional Hall where a splendid banquet was admirably served by Bro. C.G. Parslow, of Messrs. G.G. Parslow and Sons, of Reading, under the most convivial of conditions. The hall, it was reported, was prettily and tastefully decorated in pale pink and blue draperies supplied by Messrs. Heelas (Reading).

In the toast to the Provincial Grand Master, His Royal Highness rose to a stupendous welcome saying that it afforded him very great pleasure to visit Pangbourne on such an important occasion. He went to say, "It is not the first time I have visited Pangbourne. I spent some time here during my boyhood. I stayed not far from this building with my German governess and I had some excellent swimming in the river, and I recollect falling backwards out of a punt. The acquisition of this Temple is an important thing and I hope that it may augur well for the prosperity of the village."

An attractive feature of the evening was an interesting and wittily arranged souvenir Toast List and Menu, showing photographs of HRH Prince Arthur of Connaught, VW Bro. Rev. Canon Gillmor and W.Bro. Percy Stone.

With some of the Lodge Members holding key positions with the Great Western Railway, it was interesting to see, stated on the Dedication Summons, that, Officers and Brethren returning to London after Lodge will note that, by the kindness of the Superintendent of the Great Western Railway, the express trains from Weston-Super-Mare and Birkenhead will be especially stopped at Pangbourne for the convenience of those Brethren returning to Reading and London. Clearly, the Lodge had members with influence back in those days!



The Toast List and Menu printed for the Dedication Ceremony



## RW Bro. Charles E. Keyser

*A generous benefactor to Freemasonry* 

N EMERGENCY Meeting was called on 29th June 1929 to record and pay tribute to Pangbourne member, RW Bro. Charles E. Keyser, who died on 23rd May 1929. Bro. Keyser was a very generous benefactor of the principal Masonic Charities, including the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls of which he was Patron, with 26 stewardships. He was Patron, Trustee and Chairman of the Board of Management, and formerly Treasurer of the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys.

In 1893, Chas. as he was affectionately known, purchased the estate of Aldermaston Court and by this purchase he became Lord of the Manor of Aldermaston and Patron of the Living. He was, at various times, Deputy Lieutenant and High Sheriff of Berkshire. He was the benefactor of numerous projects in the village, including the renovation of the church, the establishment of a water supply and drainage system, and the building of the Parish Hall.

Charles Edward Keyser was born in 1847 in Paddington, London and was initiated into Freemasonry on the 25th May 1867 at the Isaac Newton University Lodge No. 859. W.Bro. Keyser was raised to the third degree on the 1st March 1869 on a day when eight members were elected, six initiated, one passed and four raised – all at one meeting!

His Masonic career saw him as a fully subscribing member of at least 36 Lodges covering many Provinces including London and Berkshire. Of those Lodges he was a Past Master of 24, and the first Master of six Lodges of which he was a founder, including Charles Edward Keyser Lodge No. 2518. He was a member of the Craft for 61 years and of Royal Arch Masonry for 54 years. Chas also held Grand Rank in Craft, Chapter and Mark Masonry. In 1906 he was appointed Deputy Provincial Grand Master for Hertfordshire and in 1924 was appointed Provincial Grand Master for Hertfordshire. RW Bro. Keyser's death was a great blow to Freemasonry and to the Brethren of Pangbourne Lodge in particular. He was one of the Officers at the Consecration of the Lodge and a generous benefactor to Masonry.



Pangbourne Member and one of the Consecrating Officers, RW Bro. Chas. E. Keyser.

## W.BRO. Allan A. Banyard

A man of vision and determination

he Lodge was in deep mourning at the October Meeting in 1936 when the passing to the Grand Lodge above on 8th September was announced of the beloved Secretary, W.Bro. Allan Ambrose Banyard, one of the Founder Members, Past Master of the Lodge and Provincial Junior Grand Warden of the Province of Berkshire in the year 1935-36.

He was admitted to the Freedom of the City of London on 6th February 1905 and it was in London that he started his masonic career when he was Initiated on 25th October 1913 in the Kentish Lodge No. 3021 in Westminster and, on relocating to Bury St. Edmunds, he then joined the Abbey Lodge No. 1592.

It was through W.Bro. Banyard's vision, his unstinting determination and vibrant energy, and some influential friends in high places, that Pangbourne Lodge is here today. He was also instrumental in finding and purchasing the superb premises we have now and his novel ways of generating money in order to pay off the bank loan and release us from debt.

A tribute to W.Bro. Banyard was recited at the October Meeting in 1936 by the Worshipful Master, W.Bro. William Webster, which read as follows:

The Past Masters of the Lodge have conferred together and have unanimously agreed that the occasion cannot be passed without arranging to make some reference to the passing of our late Secretary, Worshipful Brother Allan Ambrose Banyard.

W.Bro. Allan Ambrose Banyard in his year as Master, 1931.

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Soon after Brother Banyard came to live in Pangbourne, and, being a man of vision that he was, he saw that there was room for a Masonic Lodge in Pangbourne and with that untiring energy which was his wont, soon got busy with the necessary proceedings for the formation of such a Lodge,

Brethren, you know that this work was far from simple. Grand Lodge does not grant Charters until they are absolutely satisfied, not only that real necessities exist, but that the Lodge could be suitably housed and the secrets and mysteries properly safe-guarded. In this respect, Brothers who live in Pangbourne will know something of the difficulties which are encountered on these occasions.

It was fortunate that our late Brother was a great friend of Worshipful Brother Charles Quicke who was able to lead him in the straight and narrow of Masonic accuracy.

The feelings of Brother Banyard can be better imagined by those who knew him than can be described when the Charter of Pangbourne Lodge was granted on 6th December 1921. And those who were in close touch with him will remember his feelings of joy when the Lodge was Consecrated by the Late Worshipful Brother John Thornhill Morland on 4th February 1922.

It was after much persuasion that Brother Banyard accepted the Office of Master of the Lodge in 1931. By this time, unfortunately, his health began to fail but it is true to say that our sympathy to him in his affliction was a great help to him in his adversity. A man with no enemies but countless friends and those whose pleasure it was to live near him will assure us that his was a heart of gold. He was not satisfied with only helping Brother Masons but he was always looking for the opportunity to help those in any station of life who might be in poverty or distress. The finest and truest tribute that we can pay to him is that his mind and soul was unceasingly directed in this channel.

Brethren, I am sure that you will agree that it will illbecome us to allow this occasion to be passed without making these references to Brother Banyard. It is the wish of the Past Masters, in which I hope you will concur, that this tribute is recorded in the Minutes. We cannot of course exclude from our sympathies the dear ones whom he left behind. Brother Banyard's wife, Catherine, was attached to him in the closest bonds of affection that any Brother could wish to enjoy.

You who know anything of the affliction which hung over the family for so long will understand the difficulties under which he laboured.

**W.Bro. William H. Webster** Saturday 3rd October 1936



The ornate fireplace in the robing/kitchen area.

#### THE INCUMBRANCES OF WAR

Joining forces across 'the pond'

WING to the difficulties encountered during the Second World War, W.Bro. Charles A.A. Gubbins served two terms as the Worshipful Master at Pangbourne, in 1939 and 1940. To commemorate this second year of Office a special gift of silver was presented to him.

In the latter part of 1942 approaches were made to the Lodge by the Welfare Department of the Berkshire County Council for the rooms on the first and second floors of the Temple to be converted into a wartime nursery. After some protracted negotiations, the Lodge agreed to the proposal.

The conversion meant that the original entrance could no longer be used by the Lodge and that part of the entrance hall had to be given up. This apart, there was very little disruption to the well-being of the Lodge, and the nursery was to provide a small income. This part of the property continues to be used today for the letting of commercial purposes. The new entrance to the Lodge was on the Oxford Road side of the property.

As evidence of the universality of Freemasonry, the following report is worthy of note. In 1942, Lieutenant Lyle Forest Lindquist, an Officer in the US Army was proposed, seconded and balloted for, and accepted as a Candidate for Initiation into the Craftsman Lodge No. 314 in Lincoln City, Nebraska. However, before he could be initiated he was drafted to England but, still anxious to be made a Freemason, the Grand Lodge of Nebraska asked the United Grand Lodge of England for their advice and help. As Lieutenant Lindquist was stationed in Berkshire, the Grand Secretary wrote to the Provincial Grand Secretary who then approached the Pangbourne Lodge Secretary, W.Bro. William Webster. A Permanent Committee meeting was held and it was readily agreed to assist Lieutenant Lindquist and, on 4th November 1943, he was duly Initiated into Freemasonry at Pangbourne. At the meeting both National Anthems were sung and at the Festive Board that followed members and guests spoke in glowing terms of the universal power of Freemasonry.

The following year, 1944, Bro. Lindquist was Passed at the March meeting and then Raised the following month on 1st April. However, owing to War restrictions, it proved difficult to obtain Masonic clothing of any kind and, as the Lodge Secretary, W.Bro. Webster, held Provincial Grand Rank, he gave Bro. Lindquist his own Master Masons apron suitably inscribed on the underside of the apron's flap to mark the occasion.



Bro. Lindquist's Lodge – The Craftsmen Lodge, No 314 in Lincoln, Nebraska.

At the Lodge Meeting in October 1943 the Worshipful Master, W.Bro. William Bale, informed the Brethren that to mark the 'Coming of Age' of the Lodge, he intended to launch a scheme to relieve the Lodge of its indebtedness to the bank for a loan procured to purchase the Lodge property.

To this end and at the following November Meeting, W.Bro. Bale proposed that a financial loan be made by the Brethren, free of interest, to the Lodge so that the loan from the bank could be cleared. By this means, the Deeds could then be returned to the Worshipful Master for presentation to the Lodge at the Installation Meeting in February 1944.

The scheme was unanimously approved in Open Lodge and the fund inaugurated. At the 1944 Installation Meeting, the Deeds were formally given to the newly installed Master, W.Bro. Frederick Billington, signifying that the Lodge

was finally free from its indebtedness to the bank.

At the April Meeting in 1944, W.Bro. Webster proposed, as a Joining W.Bro. Lieut. Member, Harold Walter Lake. MC, MA, PGD This was seconded by Bro. Leonard Fitt, and W.Bro. Lake was unanimously accepted into the Lodge. Such was his progress through the Lodge and in Berkshire generally, he was appointed Provincial Grand Master for Berkshire in 1950.



RW.Bro. Harold Lake, PGM, 1950



# **25 Years: Still Going Strong**

A new Chapter and 'Jimmy' sets his sights high

ITH the passing of the years the Lodge progressed steadily and membership increased. In 1945, Pangbourne Royal Arch Chapter was formed and in 1948 Pangbourne Mark Lodge was founded. In later years, two 'Daughter Lodges' were sponsored and founded; Enborne Lodge in 1963 and Goring Gap Lodge in 1971; both of these Lodges use the Pangbourne Masonic Centre for their meetings.

At the Installation Meeting in February 1947, RW Bro. Sir Archibald Young Gipps Campbell, PDistGM (Madras), congratulated the Lodge on attaining its first 25 years and wished it every success for the future. W.Bro. W.H. Elliott, the Provincial Grand Secretary, also added his congratulations and spoke of the excellent progress made by the Lodge.

On 7th February 1953, Bro. George William Randall Shepherd (known to all as 'Jimmy') became a joining member of the Lodge. Bro. Jimmy had the distinction of having his School, his Regiment and his Mother Lodge contain the same name. He was educated at St. George's Choir School, in Hanover Square; he joined the Territorial Army Regiment, the Queen Victoria Rifles, formerly St. George's Hanover Square Rifles and in 1948 was admitted into the St. George's Hanover Square Lodge.

At the age of 21, he received a wound to his head, was totally blinded, taken prisoner of war and was repatriated some four years later. His blindness was a shocking disability but Jimmy had to think of his future. He was trained at St. Dunstan's Hostel in Agriculture and matriculated (enrolled) in Economics and History. Since 1951 Bro. Jimmy made over 150 broadcasts on Agriculture for the BBC. He was determined to get the best out of life, eventually coming to reside in Whitchurch Hill near Pangbourne.

Jimmy wanted so much to attain the rank of Worshipful Master in the Lodge that, in 1955, the United Grand Lodge presented him with a complete set of Braille Books provided by St. Dunstan's Hostel. These books contained the whole of the Craft Workings. He set to work and studied with such fervency that, in 1963, he presented the Lodge with the original books, so worn that they were of no further use to him. A few years later a new set of books were obtained to enable him to continue his studies and to eventually take



'Jimmy' during his year as Master in 1965.

the Chair as Worshipful Master in 1965. Subsequently, with approval from the Lodge, the books were presented by W.Bro. David Wilford (Secretary at the time) to the Berkshire Library and Museum of Freemasonry.

It was recorded at a Lodge Meeting on the 2nd October 1965 that an impressive ceremony was performed and as a mark of appreciation for the services to the Lodge by the late W.Bro. Percy Stone, as Treasurer, and W.Bro. William Webster who had resigned as Secretary of the Lodge two years earlier having served in the office for 23 years, the Brethren decided to subscribe to some tangible form of recognition for the services rendered to the Lodge by these two brethren.

It was decided to have two chairs made, one for the Treasurer and one for the Secretary as their Chairs of Office. These beautifully made chairs, replicas of those occupied by the Worshipful Master and his Wardens, were suitably inscribed and make an added feature to the impressive furnishings of the Lodge. The chairs are of polished oak with the insignias of Office hand-carved in satin wood. The approximate cost, including the carved insignias and brass plates with their appropriate wording, was in the region of £100.

During the Ceremony, a Dedication was performed by the Chaplain of the Lodge, W.Bro. The Rev. Charles Harbridge, *MA*, PProvGChap who gave an Oration on the work of these two Brethren which read as follows:

Brethren, it is customary in our Lodges, year by year, for the newly installed Master to undertake, as his first duty, the appointment and investiture of his Officers. High on that list of Officers stand those of Treasurer and Secretary; the former elected by the Brethren and the latter appointed by the Master. Their position in the list draws attention to the importance of their work and, so far as is possible, every effort is made to ensure the continuance of both these Offices year by year, for as much of the welfare and honour of the Lodge depends on the faithfulness of their work.

The Treasurer holds a position of trust, involving not only the collection of dues, but also the keeping of accurate accounts and controlling expenditure by spending wisely. Likewise, the Secretary holds an important position involving not only the issuing of Summonses, recording Minutes, etc., but also interpreting and answering correspondence.

The two Offices are of great value to the Lodge, helping to maintain harmony within the Lodge and presenting a good image of Freemasonry to the outside world in the prompt payment of accounts and the tactful answering of correspondence.

For many years, these Offices have been held by two highly esteemed and worthy Brethren. The late W.Bro. Percy Stone, a Founder Member of our Lodge, was Treasurer for 30 years. He endeared himself to all by his quiet, unassuming manner; by his efficiency in all he undertook to do for the Lodge and the attention he gave to minor matters. For many years he arranged for the cleaning of the rooms for the Lodge Meetings and greatly helped in the smooth running of our affairs.

W.Bro. Webster is here with us in the flesh today looking as sprightly and as lively as ever, despite his near octogenarian state. He has the distinction of being the only living Initiate in this Lodge of the year 1922 and has occupied the Office of Secretary for 23 years with efficiency and devotion for the benefit of the Lodge and its members. With that touch of the 'Webster wit and humour' he has on more than one occasion successfully dispelled what might have prevented him from concluding the Minutes with the customary phrase, "The Lodge was closed in Peace and Harmony."

Because of the great service of these two Brethren, the members of the Lodge desired to place on record, in a permanent form, the appreciation and gratitude of the Lodge to these worthy and distinguished Brethren. This has been expressed in the presentation of these two chairs, one destined to be used by the Treasurer and the other by the Secretary. We trust that their successors today and through the years to come as they occupy these seats, may realise that they are sitting in the seats of the mighty, not only by reason of the importance of their respective Offices, but because of the noble, self-sacrificing and effective example of the two Brethren we are now to remember: W.Bro. William Webster and the late W.Bro. Percy Stone.



Table and chairs of the Secretary and Treasurer, presented by Enborne Lodge in 1966.

There followed a Prayer of Dedication after which the Assistant Director of Ceremonies, W.Bro. Frederick Porton, inducted W.Bro. Percy Stone (representing his father) into the Treasurer's Chair and W.Bro. Webster into the Secretary's Chair.

In May 1966, W.Bro. John Charles Beauchamp, Worshipful Master of the Enborne Lodge presented, on behalf of the Brethren of Enborne Lodge, a beautifully made solid oak table for the use of the Secretary and Treasurer. This was a tangible expression of appreciation by Enborne Lodge for the facilities afforded to them by the Pangbourne Lodge.

There are many features which make Pangbourne Lodge different from the general run of Lodges. For instance, it is a custom of the Lodge that every Worshipful Master shall have his photograph taken, in his regalia, framed and hung above the mahogany panelling, commencing at the south-east corner of the Lodge. Another custom of many years standing is that at every December Meeting, Past Masters of the Lodge take the various Offices and perform whichever Ceremony is due.

A 'pleasing ceremony' was recorded as being performed at the Lodge Meeting held on 1st November 1958, not least because Bro. Arthur Seymour had been the Lodge's Tyler since its founding in 1922.

As a mark of appreciation from the Lodge for his devoted service a framed portrait was presented to him. This still hangs on the wall in the Anteroom leading into the Lodge. Sadly Bro. Arthur died in October 1960.



Bro. Arthur Seymour, PProvGTyler.

## GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

A very grand affair

THE LODGE was very fortunate at the time of its Golden Jubilee Celebrations in 1972 to have, still active amongst its members, a Brother who was initiated in the year of its Consecration and to whom much of the early history of Pangbourne Lodge has to be attributed.

As part of the celebrations an Anniversary brochure was produced for the 50th Installation Meeting in which W.Bro. William Webster, PProvGTreas gave an absorbing record of the Masonic history of the Lodge much of which is reproduced here for your approbation.

W.Bro. Harold Pearson was installed into the chair of King Solomon before an attendance of some 113 members and visitors. After the Installation Ceremony,

the Provincial Grand Master, RW Bro.

Brig. Edwin Flavell accepted an invitation to occupy the Worshipful Master's chair.

The minutes of the and First Consecration Regular Meeting of the Lodge were read by W.Bro. Webster, after which an Anthem was sung by the Pangbourne Lodge Singers under the leadership of Bro. Ken Mark.

The Provincial Grand Master then rose to address the Brethren followed by an Oration on the

Golden Jubilee Brochure

Golden Jubilee

1922-1972

Nature and Principles of the Institution which was delivered by the Provincial Grand Chaplain, Bro. Rev. E.L. Wright.

In recognition of his most loyal and devoted services to the Lodge, W.Bro. William Webster was presented with an engraved Key to the Temple by W.Bro. Hubert Jefferies, Provincial Grand Secretary and a Past Master of Pangbourne Lodge.

There being no further business for the good of Freemasonry in general all assembled then retired to the Pangbourne Village Hall for the Golden Jubilee Dinner.



The engraved Key to the Temple, presented to W.Bro. William Webster in 1972.

# NEWSPAPER SNIPPETS

#### Processions, outings, and a remarkable Initiation

URING the early years of Pangbourne Lodge, it was quite common to see reports in the local newspapers of what was happening in the local Masonic Lodges. The Marriages and Deaths columns (more particularly the deaths!) frequently made reference to the Masonic connections of the local people. Press coverage was also given to many Masonic social gatherings.

The death of the first Master of the Lodge, W.Bro. Revd. Arthur Edwin Brisco Owen in July 1925 was extensively reported in the local press, including his life history, even down to the individual names of those who sent floral tributes. In his Will, W.Bro. Brisco Owen wrote of one part, "In leaving £700, with the furniture in my bedroom which she admires, to my housekeeper, Jane Morris." He added, "She has saved me, by her careful management, more than this sum since she entered my service 20 years ago."



The procession, led by the Worship Master of Pangbourne, W.Bro. Benjamin Wakelin.

In June 1926, the *Reading Standard* reported on a Masonic Church Service at Pangbourne Parish Church, the first to be held in Pangbourne, which was inaugurated in support of the Samaritans Fund of the Freemasons Hospital and Nursing Home and was held under the auspices of The Pangbourne Lodge No. 4381.

Prior to the service, a luncheon, at the invitation of Bro. Allan Banyard, was held in the Constitutional Hall after which the assembling of the procession took place under the direction of W.Bro. George Holden, the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies and comprised of nearly 400 Freemasons in full regalia representing Lodges in Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire, London, Essex and Suffolk.

Such a display obviously caused a high amount of local interest in the proceedings augmented by large numbers of

residents from Reading and surrounding districts who came to view the goings on. It was hoped that when final contributions had been received, the amount would ultimately reach around £100. On their return from the Church. between six and seven hundred brethren their friends and entertained were to tea and light refreshments by the

wives and daughters of the Pangbourne Lodge members.



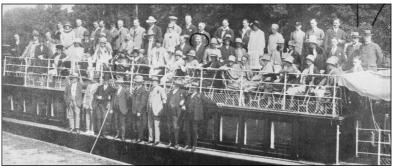
Form of Service

Another *Reading Standard* report mentions that, on Christmas Eve 1926, the Lodge Secretary, Bro. Allan Banyard, invited some 325 guests, comprising members of Pangbourne Lodge, their wives, partners, friends and children to celebrate his son, Cyril's 21st Birthday in the Constitutional Hall in Pangbourne. The report told of the Lodge Stewards performing their duties admirably in serving tea and of a 'happy incident' during the evening in which The Worshipful Master, W.Bro. Benjamin Wakelin, presented Cyril with a beautiful oak desk in appreciation for the assistance given and work done for the Lodge.

After tea, some excellent entertainment was provided by a plethora of entertainers in the form of a wizard, a ventriloquist, singers and comedians. After a buffet, the evening continued with dancing for which music was supplied by the Black Pearl Orchestra.

Annual masonic outings were very popular and the *Reading Standard* was on hand, yet again, for the Pangbourne Lodge's very first outing in August 1927, when nearly 100 guests spent the day cruising the River Thames on the new Oxford and Kingston steamer, 'The Mapledurham.'

They left the Swan Hotel at Streatley and proceeded up stream to Wallingford where luncheon was served in the



Members of Pangbourne Lodge with friends aboard 'The Mapledurham.'

Town Hall by courtesy of Mr. Frederick Jenkins, the Mayor of Wallingford. After lunch, they resumed their journey to Dorchester (Oxon) where the visitors were to inspect the Abbey. They were welcomed by RW Bro. S.F. Tompkins, representing the Provincial Grand Lodge of Oxfordshire, the Vicar of Dorchester, Rev. Henry Lancaster, and the Principal of the Missionary College, Rev. Herbert Kirkpatrick, who conducted the party on a private visit through the Abbey.

In 1928 the Press reported that a Masonic Ceremony of unusual interest was witnessed at Pangbourne on 7th January when a candidate who had never been able to walk or stand was initiated into the Craft. It was the initiation of Mr. Cyril Langford Banyard who was paralysed in his lower limbs from birth and the Ceremony being performed in the presence of his father, Bro. Allan Banyard, the Secretary of the Lodge. A large contingent of Officers from the United Grand Lodge of England, the Provincial Grand Lodge of Berkshire and from London and different parts of the country all travelled to do honour to Bro. Banyard and his son.

The ceremony, which was conducted by W.Bro. Albert Maker, was most impressive and it was evident to see that all the Brethren present were deeply affected by the proceedings. The initiate, a tall, bright-looking young man, not being able to use his crutches, was borne into the Lodge on the stalwart shoulders of the Senior and Junior Deacons, Bros. Leonard Geer and Edward Roberts, whose difficult task was carried out with the utmost delicacy.

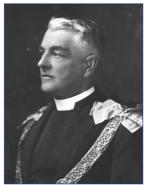
Young Cyril, it was reported, made an excellent speech in response to a toast to his health at the Festive Board which followed.

### DISTINGUISHED BRETHREN

Prominent members of Pangbourne Lodge

N THE Craft, and in public life, Pangbourne Lodge can boast a good proportion of its Members who have attained distinctions in many ways.

W.BRO. REV. ARTHUR EDWIN BRISCO OWEN, the first Master



of the Lodge, Educated at Harrow, where he showed a decided scientific bent and from there he proceeded to Oriel College, Oxford, where he took a 3rd Class in Classical Moderations and a 3rd in the Final Honours School of Natural Science. He was ordained Deacon at Lichfield in 1881 to the Curacy of Prees in Shropshire, and ordained a priest a year later.

In addition to his astronomical tastes, he was a keen Registrar of meteorological statistics, having thermometers, barometers, anemometers, sunshine recorders and rain gauges with which he showed great attention to detail in his daily observations, all of which were meticulously recorded.

He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society in 1906 and in 1919, he held the office of Assistant Grand Chaplain of England. He had an engaging personality; possessed of an incisive and emphatic manner of speaking, enhanced by a great fund of humour, he was a most interesting and fascinating conversationalist and was an excellent raconteur in any company, especially at dinner parties, where he was a notable addition to the party. He died on 3rd July 1925. W.BRO. WILLIAM HENRY BALE, CBE, JP progressed to



become a holder of Grand Lodge Rank (PGD) and was finally appointed Assistant Provincial Grand Master of Berkshire. W.Bro Bale was a very active member of the Lodge; he became an Alderman of the Council of the County Borough of Reading and eventually became Mayor of

Reading in 1936, an office which he filled with distinction and dignity.

W.BRO. ALBERT JAMES MAKER, OBE, another of our



Founders, who also served on the Reading Council as Alderman and was the longest serving member, celebrating 60 years on the Council in 1966. He and W.Bro. William Bale were both made Freemen of the Borough of Reading in recognition of their public service. W.Bro. Maker was affectionately known as 'The Father of the Reading Council.'

BRO. RONALD WINCKWORTH was a British natural historian



who became President of three learned societies in the field, and who wrote on the topic of British and Indian mollusca. After teaching navigation at Pangbourne Nautical College, he worked for the Royal Society on publications, later becoming Librarian, Assistant Secretary (1932–1937) and Assistant Editor (1937–1944). A member of the Conchological Society of Great Britain and Ireland from 1913 onwards, he served as President (1930–1931). His paper on British marine mollusca, his Presidential Address, was the most cited of his many writings. He became a member of the Malacological Society of London in 1919, later becoming its Editor, and serving as President (1939–1942).

He was also a Fellow of the Zoological Society and Royal Geographical Society and was gifted with an exceptional flair for languages; he was conversant with a number of European languages, and had considerable knowledge of Russian and some Indian languages. Without any academic training in the subject, he could hold his own with any professional zoologist. Possessed of a phenomenal power of memory, his breadth of knowledge of a wide range of subjects was impressive: he might fairly be said to have known something about most things and everything about some things.

He joined Pangbourne Lodge in 1924 becoming Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies in 1939 and Provincial Deputy Grand Registrar in 1948.

#### BRO. RIGHT HON. SIR ARTHUR GRIFFITHS BOSCAWEN, PC who



was elected the Member of Parliament for Tonbridge in Kent. Lord Salisbury, Prime Minister at the time, appointed him as Private Secretary to Michael Hicks-Beach, the Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1895, a job which Sir Arthur held before becoming Parliamentary Charity Commissioner in 1900 and serving until 1905. When Lloyd George's government fell in October 1922, Sir Arthur was one of only a few members of the outgoing Cabinet who agreed to serve under the new Prime Minister, Andrew Bonar Law, who promoted him to Minister of Health.

RW BRO. SIR ARCHIBALD YOUNG GIPPS CAMPBELL was an



Indian civil servant serving as the Law member of the Executive Council of the Governor of Madras from 1926 to 1928 and Chief Secretary of Madras 1925–1935 and made an important contribution towards the founding of Red Cross Food Parcels in WWI.

In 1920 Irene decided that the pressures of Archibald's job meant that the family were better off in

England and she moved back permanently and Archibald only came back on his extended periods of leave.

In 1926 Irene and Archibald bought Flowers Court in Pangbourne. It acted as the family home for the next 26 years.

BRO. SIR ROBERT ANTHONY BEVIS DURANT, MP, was



Initiated at Pangbourne Lodge in December 1983. He was the Member of Parliament for Reading North from 1974-83 and after Reading's constituency changes, he was the Member of Parliament for Reading West from 1983–97.

He was a great campaigner for safety measures on the M4 Motorway where he had the central reservation

barriers raised after a van flipped over them killing 13 people; also campaigning on local canals pressing for life-

belts, and at the AWRE nuclear facility at Aldermaston, asking awkward questions after a leak of tritium in 1991.

Sir Tony's desire to help did not always bring the response he expected. When, in 1985, he called on a woman who had complained about the living conditions in her bedsit, she emptied a bag of flour over his head. He diligently took up her case – and he did not press charges!

**W.BRO. HUGH FRASER,** one of the Founders of the Lodge, despite his age at over 90 years old and by the grace of the Great Architect of the Universe, was recorded as attending the 50th Anniversary Celebrations and still able to take an interest in many of the Lodge activities.

**W.BRO FREDERICK PORTON** and **BRO. HUGH GUBBINS** both of whom enjoyed the distinction of being members of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.

W.BRO. JOHN PEETT, CBE, was a founding Director and



member of the original team which created Vodafone in the UK. He also had extensive involvement in the start up and operation of Vodafone Group's International businesses spending some time in Sydney when, as Chief Executive, he successfully completed an assignment for Vodafone Australasia.

He made an immense contribution to

the success of Vodafone and a significant contribution to the development of mobile telephony in the UK and many other countries. The growth of cellular networks, value added services, paging, data networks and satellite communications have all been stimulated as a result of John's involvement.



# The Last 50 Years...

Bringing you up to date

**P**ANGBOURNE LODGE is steeped in history, not only in the Lodge building itself, but with everyone who came into contact with Freemasonry in Pangbourne. This is not so much a history of events but more a history of its Brethren – the Brethren who made us proud to say, "I am a member of the Pangbourne Masonic Lodge."

And so now we bring you up to date with the happenings in the more recent years and of those members whose unstinting support continues to move the Lodge forward in these ever changing and challenging times.

W.Bro. John Carpenter took the Chair for the second time in 2008 and in the October of that year had the pleasure of Initiating his son, Michael, into Freemasonry. Being the son



The Carpenters, Arthur, John and Michael; grandfather, father and son in 2008.

of a Freemason, he was known as a 'Lewis'. It turned out to be a bit of a family occasion as John's father, Arthur, a Past Master of Leyton Manor Lodge No. 6565 also attended the meeting and was delighted in being asked to present the Working Tools of an Entered Apprentice Freemason to his grandson, Bro. Michael.

In preparation for the meeting, W.Bro. John sent out an invitation to members and guests to bring along their father's and/or son's to the meeting which proved very popular. A group photograph was taken to record the occasion.

Two of our longer serving members, were both party to the 50th Jubilee Celebrations in 1972, they were W.Bro. Paul Bowman, and W.Bro. Raymond Head. W.Bro. Paul, who joined Pangbourne Lodge in 1966, celebrated his 50th year in Freemasonry on 5th November 2016 and it was a fitting tribute that W.Bro. Raymond Head presented him with a certificate commemorating his achievement.



A family affair for the masonic father's and their son's attending Michael Carpenter's Initiation into Freemasonry.





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W.Bro. Paul Bowman (on left) celebrating 50 years in Masonry being presented with his Certificate of Appreciation by W.Bro. Raymond Head in 2016. There was a big surprise for many members attending the March Meeting in 2019 as the Lodge's longest serving member, Bro. Geoffrey Bach, travelled all the way from Vancouver in Canada to attend the meeting. Well, not specifically to attend the meeting; he came back for his daughter's wedding and the meeting date coincided with his stay and presented a perfect opportunity to meet up with old friends.

Bro. Geoffrey was initiated into Pangbourne Lodge in 1965 but work matters sent him to Hong Kong very shortly afterwards. He furthered his Masonic career by joining a Lodge in Hong Kong, where he was Passed and Raised, but he still retained his membership with Pangbourne Lodge and diligently paid his subs to Pangbourne on time every year for the past 54 years.

This rare visit to Pangbourne Lodge afforded the opportunity for W.Bro Raymond Head, on behalf of the Lodge, to present Bro. Geoffrey with his 50-Year Certificate of Appreciation that had been lying in abeyance in the Berkshire Provincial Office for the past four years. Let's hope it's not too long before we welcome him back here again.

At the October Meeting in 2019, the tables were turned when it was W.Bro. Raymond Head's turn to be on the receiving end as he too celebrated his 50th year in Freemasonry. There probably isn't a Masonic Lodge in Berkshire where the name of Raymond John Head has not been brought into conversations. (Good and bad!)

W.Bro. Raymond was initiated at Pangbourne Lodge in October 1969. He has served the Masonic Community admirably and his little known interest in Steam Trains came as a surprise as, at the very moment of him receiving his certificate from the Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Berkshire, the VW Bro. Peter Sands, a Steam Train came

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Bro. Geoffrey Bach (on right) is presented with his 50th Year Certificate of Appreciation. thundering through Pangbourne Station, blowing its whistle obviously in celebration of the auspicious occasion.

W.Bro. Raymond has held numerous appointments in the Province of Berkshire, including that of Provincial Grand Secretary for eight years, Assistant Provincial Grand Master of Berkshire for four years, achieved Grand Rank of Past Senior Grand Deacon and has served as Worshipful Master in numerous Lodges in the Province.

It is a fitting tribute to Bro. Raymond that he is to be installed as Worshipful Master for the Lodge's Centenary Celebrations.



W.Bro. Raymond Head (centre) is presented with his 50-year certificate of appreciation by VW Bro. Peter Sands watched on by the Worshipful Master, 'Toks' Aluko in October 2019.

### CASH IN THE ATTIC?

A hidden gem of treasure

URING a spring clean, in 2016, W.Bro. David Wilford found, tucked away in a dark corner of the Minstrels' Gallery in an old cardboard box, a 138 year old original canvas of a mezzotint engraving. It depicted the Installation of HRH Albert Edward, The Prince of Wales (known to his family as 'Bertie') as Most Worshipful Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England held in London's Royal Albert Hall on 28th April 1875.

This mezzotint engraving was dedicated by special permission to His Royal Highness by Bro. Edward James



The Mezzotint Engraving. Seen here in 2016 with a rally of Pangbourne members and the Provincial Grand Master for Berkshire, RW Bro. Martin Geoffrey Peters. Left to right: W.Bro. M. Male; W.Bro. T. Speight; W.Bro. A. Croxon (WM); W.Bro. C. Ayres; W.Bro. P. Bowman; RW Bro. M.J. Peters (PGM); W.Bro. P. Allen; W.Bro. D. Wilford; W.Bro. A. Godfrey. Harty, (PM 1201). It was engraved by A. Lurat and Edward G. Hester, printed by McQueens and published on 1st January 1878 by W.Bro. E.J. Harty of Regent Street, London. Research showed that a similar sized canvas depicting the same imagery sold at auction in 2018 for a sum of £1,000. The installation ceremony at the Albert Hall was recorded at the time as being the largest congregation of Freemasons ever to have been held.

The canvas was suitably framed and the opportunity for a photograph was taken when the Provincial Grand Master for Berkshire, RW Bro. Martin Peters, attended the early summer meeting in 2016. In the same year, the re-decoration of the outer rooms of the building was completed and the framed canvas now proudly adorns the wall over the fireplace in the Anteroom for all to see and enjoy.



The Anteroom as it is now with the Mezzotint on display.

## THE SOCIAL MASON

#### Out and about with family and friends

T HAS always been something of a tradition for the Worshipful Master to hold a Ladies Festival. And many successful events have taken place over the years, mainly at local places in the area but in recent years weekends away to coastal resorts have also proved popular.

Of course, back in the early days it was a very formal affair; for the ladies, long dresses, posh frocks, and ball gowns were the order of the day. Cocktail dresses and anything above ankle length was frowned upon and if you thought trousers and skimpy tops – don't even go there!

Anything that was full length, sparkly, glittering and dazzling was what you needed and it didn't have to be black; colourful evening dresses were perfect. It was an evening for the ladies to show off their jewels, diamond earrings, pearl





W.Bro. Paul Bowman's Ladies Night in 1983.

necklaces, evening scarves and fur coats. Dig out the Jimmy Choos, and the Prada handbags; ladies, this would be the night when you would really go to town! The men, as usual, dressed up in their DJ's and bow ties for a night to celebrate with their ladies!

It has also been a tradition at Pangbourne Lodge for the Senior Warden to hold a late-summer luncheon for the Brethren, their families and friends. These have always proved popular, again, being held at various establishments around the area.

The Old Mill at Aldermaston has been favoured by a number of Senior Wardens in that as a group, the Lodge



A leisurely Senior Warden's lunch in the conservatory at the Old Mill in Aldermaston.

benefits by having the restaurant to itself and is able to enjoy the gardens and the River Enborne, which flows alongside, at their leisure.

During his year as Master in 2013, W.Bro. Les Peters arranged a weekend trip to Scotland to visit his Mother Lodge, Lodge Western No. 1346, and for the Pangbourne members who came along with him to experience a true Scottish Ceremony. The trip was well-supported with members bringing their wives and partners along for a great weekend of Scottish hospitality. Everyone enjoyed a superb dinner as the hosts put on a fine spread followed by music and dancing. On the evening of the Ceremony, the ladies went off for their own evening's entertainment joined by some of the lady partners from the Scottish Lodge's members whilst the gentlemen were entertained to a Scottish style First Degree Ceremony, with W.Bro. Les acting as the candidate!

The following year, the Pangbourne Lodge formally invited Lodge Tower No. 1523 from Glasgow to venture south of the Border and demonstrate a Scottish-style Raising to be held in the main temple at the Provincial Grand Lodge of Berkshire, at Sindlesham.



Members of Lodges Tower, Western and Pangbourne at Lodge Western in Glasgow, 2013.



W.Bro. Peters (centre) with RW Bro. Leisham (on right) and RW Bro. Whitehouse, 2013.



Part of W.Bro. Les' guided tour of Glasgow was a private visit to the Royal Concert Hall.

# THE CHARITABLE MASON

Engaging with the community

any years ago Pangbourne Lodge was a major player in the community; before the war the Lodge members would proudly be seen parading through the streets but sadly over the years Freemasonry conjured up notions of being a mysterious and sinister organisation, and was spoken of in cautious whispers with furtive sideways glances. The reason for all the secrecy stems from before World War Two, when there were fears that Adolph Hitler, who hated and killed Freemasons, would invade this country, so they went underground to protect themselves.

Today Pangbourne Lodge is very keen to be seen engaging with the local community and helping local organisations wherever it can. The Lodge website brings in many enquiries from people interested in joining masonry



W.Bro. Toks with some of the pupils of Pangbourne Primary School

and also from local charity organisations requesting help. With Freemasonry becoming more open, it is a breath of fresh air that we can now publicise the charitable work we do in the media.

A request by the Friends of Pangbourne Primary School in 2021 was for help in purchasing new reading books for the children. A local Playgroup also requested help to assist in the purchasing of computer tablets for the children. In both cases the members of Pangbourne Lodge were delighted to help with the Worshipful Master, Toks Aluko, resplendent in his Master's Collar attending the morning assembly. W.Bro. Toks said later, "It was a fantastic experience and a privilege to help the local community especially when it's for a worthwhile and worthy cause." Toks added that he was very impressed with the exceptional good behaviour shown by the children, adding that it is a credit to both the school and the parents.



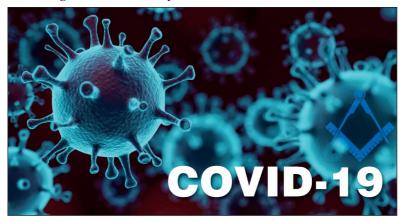
Playgroup youngsters, Harry and Vinny, computer gaming with W.Bro. Toks

## DISRUPTION FOR MASONRY

The Coronavirus pandemic hits Freemasonry

THE CENTRAL Chinese city of Wuhan in Hubei Province became the focus of the world after a cluster of mysterious pneumonia cases at the end of December 2019 was identified as a new Coronavirus. Efforts to contain the virus to the city of 11 million people failed and, by the end of January, the disease had spread to every province in mainland China and was declared a public health emergency of international concern by the World Health Organisation. Little did we know what utter disruption was to follow as the virus spread globally.

The Lodge held its Installation Meeting in February 2020 and managed the March Meeting before being thrown into a National Lockdown never before experienced in our lifetime. On 23rd March 2020, the Government ordered that people must stay at home. This instruction included very limited purposes for which people were allowed to leave their homes, such as essential shopping, one form of exercise a day or travelling to work if they could not work from home, and



banned gatherings of more than two people from different households in public. Non-essential shops were told to close, and all hospitality events were cancelled. The United Grand Lodge of England also added their weight with a message from the MW The Grand Master, His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent, who directed that all Lodge meetings in England were to be suspended until the review date in July 2020.

The Lockdown restrictions were eased on the 4th July which permitted Lodges to meet with no more than six people attending and having to follow strict health and safety precautions when so doing. W.Bro. David Wilford was instrumental in writing up a very in-depth Covid-19 Health & Safety Policy for the Lodges that met at Pangbourne and this was also shared with many other Berkshire Lodges.

With the October Meeting approaching and only six members being permitted to attend and not having a live ceremony to perform, the majority of members gave their apologies rather than put their safety at risk; the Meeting was therefore abandoned due to insufficient members being able to attend and form a quorum.

The same was likely to have happened for the November Meeting but a second Lockdown, where you could meet only one other person was imposed at the beginning of November as the number of cases and deaths was rising alarmingly. With millions of people working from home and the tight restrictions imposed on the numbers of people permitted to meet, plans were put in place to hold 'virtual' social meetings via Internet conferencing applications like Zoom which proved very popular. The Provincial Grand Lodge of Berkshire and many Lodges across the whole of the UK, including Pangbourne, regularly held meetings in this way which proved an excellent means of checking on the health and welfare of our members. The restrictions were due to be reviewed early December, three days before our December Meeting at which we were due to elect the Master, Treasurer and Tyler for the coming year. Sadly, this was not to be; the Government decided that our area of Berkshire was such a high risk for the virus and declared that all indoor contact was banned for London and the south-east, effectively cancelling Christmas and any New Year celebrations for millions of people.

As we moved into 2021 the situation worsened with over 125,000 people having died in the UK and some 60,000 new cases of the virus being reported every day and worldwide deaths now at over two million. The race was now on to vaccinate the population. However, variants were still a threat and we were still wearing masks in all indoor public places.

Our Regular Installation Meeting date in February 2021 had passed and the United Grand Lodge of England gave notice that the Master and the Officers had to remain in Office for this year as well, meaning that, much to his dismay, W.Bro. Toks had to serve three years in succession.



Typical weekly meet-up by Pangbourne members on the popular 'Zoom' application.

As the vaccination programme moved into gear, it was early summer before any relaxation of the government's restrictions on people meeting up with each other was implemented.

Full relaxation of the restrictions were not implemented until mid-August which of course meant the cancellation of our meetings earlier in the year and we had to contend ourselves with having some 19 months without meetings.



The original entrance of the Pangbourne Masonic Temple.



The Pangbourne Lodge occupying the left-hand side, viewed from the River Thames.

## The Trustees

#### Ever mindful of improvement

HEN Shooters Hill House was purchased in 1928, it was decided that the building should be held in trust by W.Bro Percy Stone and W.Bro George Clark on behalf of the Brethren. Accordingly, a Declaration of Trust dated 22nd September 1928 was duly executed with additional Trustees being added over subsequent years.

It was not until W.Bro David Wilford became Secretary and reviewed the Trust document that it became clear that the Declaration of Trust did not reflect nor accommodate modern Trust Law and, more importantly, would enable a dissident band of Brothers to force the sale of the building for their own profit! As a consequence, W.Bro David arranged for a new Trust Deed to be executed; its main objective being first and foremost to ensure that the Masonic Centre at Pangbourne continues to provide a home for Pangbourne Lodge and the other Lodges and Orders that meet at the Centre.

Operationally, the Trustees operate autonomously. However, they are accountable under the Trust Deed and Trust Law to the members of Pangbourne Lodge and consequently provide reports to the Permanent Committee on a regular basis, seeking approval for capital or unusual expenditure when required. To date, this arrangement has worked exceedingly well as decisions can be actioned quickly and efficiently when necessary.

Maintenance and further enhancements of the premises, particularly the Temple itself is, on the other hand, a major challenge as the building is Grade II\* listed! The five Trustees (the maximum permitted under Trust Law) therefore work closely together, agreeing and arranging structural and other repairs on a regular basis whilst ensuring that all relevant building, health and safety, and other laws and regulations are complied with.

This was particularly so when W.Bro. Chris Medway's vision, in the early 2000s, of having a magnificent chandelier above the Master's chair. This was discussed at many a Trustees meeting and finally came to fruition in late December 2021 just in time for the Lodge's Centenary celebrations. Indeed, the approval was not for one, but for two chandeliers to adorn the ceiling above the Master's chair. This is now a legacy in memory of W.Bro. Chris who sadly died in 2013 before seeing his dream come true.

To further add to their workload, the Trustees are also Landlords to two tenants that provide much needed income for what we believe is our beautiful Masonic Centre.



The Anteroom accessed from the original entrance. c.1930

# Past Masters of the Lodge

1922	Rev. Arthur E. Brisco Owen	1957	Frederick A. Porton
1922	George W. Smith	1957	
1923 1924	0		Charles Aldridge
1924 1925	Henry C. Brown	1959 1960	Percy Stone Jnr
	Stephen G. Clark		John R. Smallbone
1926	Benjamin E. Wakelin	1961	Percy G. White
1927	Albert J. Maker	1962	Richard L. Cottingham
1928	Percy Stone	1963	Ernest D. Mansfield
1929	John Smallbone	1964	Harold T. Petrie
1930	Frank T. Robinson	1965	George W. R. Shepherd
1931	Allan A. Banyard	1966	Norman Commins
1932	Edward J. S. Roberts	1967	Walter H. Bean
1933	Charles J. Annetts	1968	William G. Crowhurst
1934	Frank Hamlyn-Crimp	1969	Arthur E. Venables
1935	George E. W. Clark	1970	Dennis A. Porton
1936	William H. Webster	1971	William J. Hayward
1937	James O. Dorrell	1972	Harold V. Pearson
1938	Albert O. White	1973	Stanley F. Bunce
1939	Chas. A. A. Gubbins	1974	William H. Harris
1940	Chas. A. A. Gubbins	1975	George A. Tonkiss
1941	Ernest J. Olley	1976	Frederick C. Moore
1942	William H. Bale	1977	Neil F. Griffin
1943	Edwin C. Mortimore	1978	Arthur F. Johnson
1944	Frederick Billington	1979	Donald B. Richardson
1945	Wilfred Dent	1980	James (Ken) Mark
1946	Wilfred C. Stone	1981	John R. Wood
1947	Eric A. Doré	1982	Harold E. Wicks
1948	Edward H. Freebody	1983	Paul H. Bowman
1949	Hubert W. Jefferies	1984	Raymond J. Head
1950	Harold G. Hunt	1985	James W. T. Dance
1951	Arthur T. Johnson	1986	Christopher W. Medway
1952	Bernard J. Fost	1987	Donald O. North
1953	Francis G. Sturges	1988	George B. Lawson
1954	Leonard Fitt	1989	Anthony F. R. Clark
1955	Ernest V. Martin	1990	Richard C. Stone
1956	Rodney R. Elford	1991	Richard C. Stone
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1992	Alan E. Blackman	2007	Michael R. Male
1993	Michael Brookes	2008	John A. Carpenter
1994	Norman A. Marlow	2009	James A. J. Evans
1995	John A. Carpenter	2010	Andrew Godfrey
1996	John Kipling	2011	Raymond J. Lloyd
1997	Paul Williams	2012	Christopher W. Medway
1998	David I. Wilford	2013	Leslie Peters
1999	David I. Wilford	2014	Paul F. Allen
2000	Anthony Thomas	2015	Raymond J. Head
2001	Michael Brookes	2016	Anthony E. Croxon
2002	David Lewis	2017	David E. Athey
2003	Raymond J. Head	2018	David E. Athey
2004	Charles F. Ayres	2019	Augustine A. Aluko
2005	Sean T. Kulan	2020	Augustine A. Aluko
2006	Michael R. Male	2021	Augustine A. Aluko



The Committee Room, c.1930

# PANGBOURNE LODGE

#### Initiations / Passings / Raisings

Held at the Elephant Hotel, Pangbourne.

	Name	Initiated	Passed	Raised
1	Kenneth Charles BAXTER	04-Mar-1922	07-Oct-1922	04-Nov-1922
2	James Edward PETERS	04-Mar-1922	07-Oct-1922	04-Nov-1922
3	Charles Gerald ANNETTS	07-Oct-1922	04-Nov-1922	02-Dec-1922
4	Richard DEARLOVE	07-Oct-1922	04-Nov-1922	02-Dec-1922
5	Hammond Charles CHARLTON	04-Nov-1922	02-Dec-1922	06-Jan-1923
6	Thomas Frank HIGGS	04-Nov-1922	02-Dec-1922	03-Mar-1923
7	Lloyd PITNEY	02-Dec-1922	06-Jan-1923	03-Mar-1923
8	William Henry WEBSTER	02-Dec-1922	06-Jan-1923	06-Oct-1923
9	Arthur Norman BARTON	06-Jan-1923	03-Mar-1923	06-Oct-1923
10	Frank Hamlyn CRIMP	06-Jan-1923	03-Mar-1923	03-Nov-1923
11	William Penfold THORPE	06-Oct-1923	03-Nov-1923	01-Dec-1923
12	Frank COX	06-Oct-1923	03-Nov-1923	01-Dec-1923
13	Percy George SKILTON	03-Nov-1923	05-Jan-1924	01-Mar-1924
14	Dan PARTLO	03-Nov-1923	05-Jan-1924	01-Mar-1924
15	Frank SMALLBONE	01-Dec-1923	01-Mar-1924	05-Apr-1924
16	Harry Albert Lacey SMITH	01-Dec-1923	01-Mar-1924	05-Apr-1924
17	Albert Osmond WHITE	04-Oct-1924	01-Nov-1924	06-Dec-1924
18	Reginald Sutton BRIEANT	01-Nov-1924	06-Dec-1924	07-Mar-1925
19	Lewis William GRANT	01-Nov-1924	03-Jan-1925	03-Oct-1925
20	Alfred Andrew NORMAN	03-Jan-1925	07-Nov-1925	05-Dec-1925
21	Frederick John WILSON	03-Jan-1925	07-Mar-1925	03-Oct-1925
22	Percy Frank Rich WALKER	03-Oct-1925	07-Nov-1925	05-Dec-1925
23	Charles Arthur Albert GUBBINS	07-Nov-1925	02-Jan-1926	06-Mar-1926
24	Frank Leonard WILKINS	05-Dec-1925	02-Jan-1926	06-Mar-1926
25	William Henry BALE	02-Jan-1926	06-Mar-1926	04-Dec-1926
26	Bernard Charles MATTHEWS	06-Mar-1926	08-Nov-1926	04-Dec-1926
	Re-Obligated	—	—	01-Sep-1928
27	Walter John TEGG	02-Oct-1926	08-Nov-1926	05-Mar-1927
28	Owen TEGG	02-Oct-1926	08-Jan-1927	01-Oct-1927

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29	Leslie Vincent HERRIDGE	08-Nov-1926	08-Jan-1927	01-Oct-1927
30	Isaac SHEFFIELD	04-Dec-1926	08-Jan-1927	05-Nov-1927
31	Ernest James OLLEY	08-Jan-1927	05-Nov-1927	03-Dec-1927
32	Walter WHITTINGTON	05-Mar-1927	05-Nov-1927	03-Dec-1927
33	Kenneth George CLIFFORD	01-Oct-1927	07-Jan-1928	03-Mar-1928
34	Frederick BILLINGTON	05-Nov-1927	07-Jan-1928	03-Mar-1928
35	Hedley Montague KING	03-Dec-1927	01-Sep-1928	03-Nov-1928
36	Cyril Langford BANYARD (Initiated at the Constitutional Hall, Pangbourne)	07-Jan-1928	01-Sep-1928	03-Nov-1928
37	Thomas Edward LEETE	03-Mar-1928	01-Dec-1928	05-Jan-1929
38	Edwin Charles MORTIMORE	01-Sep-1928	01-Dec-1928	05-Jan-1929
	The Following Ceremonies were performed at Sh	ooters Hill, Pan	gbourne.	
39	David Edmund RICHARDS	03-Nov-1928	02-Feb-1929	02-Mar-1929
40	Reginald Aldridge LYON	01-Dec-1928	02-Feb-1929	02-Mar-1929
41	Bernard John FOST	05-Jan-1929	05-Oct-1929	02-Nov-1929
42	Percival George FORSCEY	02-Mar-1929	05-Oct-1929	02-Nov-1929
43	Wilfred DENT	05-Oct-1929	07-Dec-1929	01-Mar-1930
44	George William ALLEN	02-Nov-1929	04-Jan-1930	06-Dec-1930
45	Wilfred Cooper STONE	07-Dec-1929	04-Oct-1930	06-Dec-1930
46	Frank DRURY	04-Jan-1930	04-Oct-1930	03-Jan-1931
47	Hubert William JEFFERIES	01-Mar-1939	01-Nov-1930	03-Jan-1931
48	Maurice Frederick BUTLER	04-Oct-1930	01-Nov-1930	07-Mar-1931
49	Frederick James FLETCHER	06-Dec-1930	03-Oct-1931	05-Mar-1932
50	Eric Alexander DORE	07-Nov-1931	05-Dec-1931	03-Dec-1932
51	Aubert Thomas DOE	02-Jan-1932	01-Oct-1932	07-Jan-1933
52	Edward Henry FREEBODY	05-Nov-1932	04-Mar-1933	01-Apr-1933
53	Robert Charles HAYTER	01-Apr-1933	07-Oct-1933	04-Nov-1933
	Re-Obligated		03-Mar-1934	07-Apr-1934
54	William Bruce ADAMS	02-Dec-1933	03-Mar-1934	06-Oct-1934
55	Arthur Thomas JOHNSON	07-Apr-1934	03-Nov-1934	05-Jan-1935
56	David Charles HOW	06-Oct-1934	01-Dec-1934	02-Mar-1935
57	Herbert WALTON	03-Nov-1934	05-Jan-1935	06-Apr-1935
58	Ernest William FREEBODY	01-Dec-1934	05-Oct-1935	02-Nov-1935
59	Augustus Stephen George ADAMS	02-Mar-1935	05-Oct-1935	07-Dec-1935
60	Walter James CROMBIE	06-Apr-1935	02-Nov-1935	07-Mar-1936

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61	Horace Michael RABONE	04-Apr-1936	07-Nov-1936	05-Dec-1936
62	Herbert John KING	03-Oct-1936	06-Mar-1937	05-Jun-1937
63	Maurice Gregory MILSOM	07-Nov-1936	03-Apr-1937	06-Nov-1937
64	John Alfred WILSON	03-Apr-1937	02-Oct-1937	05-Mar-1938
65	Harold George HUNT	05-Jun-1937	04-Dec-1937	05-Nov-1938
66	Leonard FITT	02-Oct-1937	01-Oct-1938	01-Apr-1939
67	Reginald George SCARSBROOK	02-Apr-1938	03-Dec-1938	01-Apr-1939
68	William Hodgson BIGNALL (Initiation performed at Greyfriars Road, Reading)	04-Feb-1939	01-Apr-1939	02-Dec-1939
69	Eric George Vinan HIVES	04-Mar-1939	04-Nov-1939	06-Apr-1940
70	Frank SUMPTER	04-Nov-1939	02-Mar-1940	05-Oct-1940
71	Frank Guy STURGES	07-Dec-1940	01-Mar-1941	04-Oct-1941
72	Richard Alan BAKER	06-Dec-1941	07-Mar-1942	03-Oct-1942
73	Ernest Victor MARTIN	04-Apr-1942	07-Nov-1942	05-Dec-1942
74	Frederick Albert PORTON	06-Mar-1943	03-Apr-1943	02-Oct-1943
75	George Frederick CHEESEWRIGHT (Passing performed at Greyfriars Road, Reading.)	06-Nov-1943	05-Feb-1944	07-Oct-1944
	Lyle Forrest LINDQUIST – (Performed at the request of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, USA)	04-Dec-1943	04-Mar-1944	01-Apr-1944
76	Sidney Jackson LORD	04-Mar-1944	02-Dec-1944	06-Oct-1945
77	William David GOWING	04-Nov-1944	02-Dec-1944	01-Dec-1945
78	Reginald Brough PETERS	03-Mar-1945	03-Nov-1945	05-Oct-1946
79	Charles ALDRIDGE	07-Apr-1945	02-Mar-1946	07-Dec-1946
80	Hugh Charles GUBBINS	06-Apr-1946	02-Nov-1946	01-Mar-1947
81	George GARNER	02-Nov-1946	29-Mar-1947	01-Nov-1947
82	Percy STONE (Jnr) (Initiation performed at Greyfriars Road, Reading)	01-Feb-1947	04-Oct-1947	06-Dec-1947
83	John Richard SMALLBONE (Initiation performed at Greyfriars Road, Reading)	01-Feb-1947	04-Oct-1947	06-Dec-1947
84	Charles Alfred AUGER	29-Mar-1947	06-Mar-1948	02-Oct-1948
85	Eric MARTIN	04-Oct-1947	03-Apr-1948	04-Dec-1948
86	Cyril George ARMSTRONG	03-Apr-1948	06-Nov-1948	02-Apr-1949
87	Arthur John MATTHEWS	06-Nov-1948	01-Oct-1949	03-Dec-1949
88	Hiram Charles KEMP	05-Mar-1949	04-Mar-1950	01-Apr-1950

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89	Richard Leigh COTTINGHAM	05-Mar-1949	04-Mar-1950	01-Apr-1950
90	George Edward DAWES	05-Nov-1949	07-Oct-1950	04-Nov-1950
91	Ernest David MANSFIELD	04-Mar-1950	07-Oct-1950	02-Dec-1950
92	Harold Thomas PETRIE	03-Mar-1951	07-Apr-1951	03-Nov-1951
93	John Samuel LILLINGTON	07-Apr-1951	06-Oct-1951	01-Dec-1951
94	Walter Harold COTTLE	01-Mar-1952	05-Apr-1952	04-Oct-1952
95	Reginald HORWILL	05-Apr-1952	01-Nov-1952	06-Dec-1952
96	Jack William FRANCIS	01-Nov-1952	07-Mar-1953	05-Dec-1953
97	Frederick LEE	03-Oct-1953	03-Apr-1954	05-Mar-1955
98	Herbert John LOVEDAY	07-Nov-1953	02-Oct-1954	02-Apr-1955
99	Arthur Eric VENABLES	06-Mar-1954	06-Nov-1954	03-Dec-1955
100	Norman COMMINS	04-Dec-1954	01-Oct-1955	06-Oct-1956
101	Arthur Frederick JOHNSON	05-Nov-1955	07-Apr-1956	01-Dec-1956
102	Walter James Cousy HALLEY	03-Mar-1956	02-Mar-1957	07-Dec-1957
103	John William HICKS	03-Nov-1956	02-Mar-1957	11-Jan-1958
104	Owen Williams MEDWAY	06-Apr-1957	01-Mar-1958	03-Oct-1959
105	Dennis Albert PORTON	05-Oct-1957	04-Oct-1958	07-Nov-1959
106	William Robert FLETCHER	02-Nov-1957	13-Dec-1958	09-Jan-1960
107	Harold Victor PEARSON	12-Apr-1958	04-Apr-1959	02-Apr-1960
108	Stanley Frederick BUNCE	01-Nov-1958	05-Dec-1959	03-Dec-1960
109	George Allen TONKISS	07-Mar-1959	09-Jan-1960	04-Mar-1961
110	Victor James ROSIER	05-Mar-1960	05-Nov-1960	08-Apr-1961
111	Robert Arthur PORTON	01-Oct-1960	08-Apr-1961	02-Dec-1961
112	Frederick Charles MOORE	07-Oct-1961	07-Apr-1962	01-Dec-1962
113	Neil Forder GRIFFIN	04-Nov-1961	06-Oct-1962	03-Mar-1963
114	Harry HOPKINSON	03-Mar-1962	03-Nov-1962	—
115	William DREWITT	06-Oct-1962	06-Apr-1963	07-Dec-1963
116	Lionel Allin MORRIS	05-Oct-1963	04-Apr-1964	03-Oct-1964
117	George Ernest AMES	02-Nov-1963	04-Apr-1964	05-Dec-1964
118	Donald Breese RICHARDSON	07-Mar-1964	07-Nov-1964	03-Apr-1965
119	John Roskruge WOOD	03-Oct-1964	01-May-1965	06-Nov-1965
120	Maurice Gordon LIDGLEY	07-Nov-1964	01-May-1965	06-Nov-1965

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121	George Clair COOK	06-Mar-1965	05-Mar-1966	02-Apr-1966
122	Geoffrey David Benham BACH	02-Oct-1965	Passed & Raised in Hong Kong	
123	Reginald Peter CLEVERLEY	04-Dec-1965	05-Mar-1966	07-May-1956
124	Reginald Walter BRETT	02-Apr-1966	05-Nov-1966	03-Dec-1966
125	Reginald Alert FISHER	01-Oct-1966	01-Apr-1967	06-May-1967
126	Paul Herbert BOWMAN	05-Nov-1966	01-Apr-1967	02-Dec-1967
127	John NORBURY	04-Mar-1967	04-Nov-1967	02-Mar-1968
128	Eric SMITH	07-Oct-1967	04-Nov-1967	04-May-1968
129	James Frederick WHITE	06-Apr-1968	02-Nov-1968	07-Dec-1968
130	Peter Henry MASH	05-Oct-1968	02-Nov-1968	05-Apr-1969
131	William Howard FORD	01-Mar-1969	03-May-1969	06-Dec-1969
132	Raymond John HEAD	04-Oct-1969	01-Nov-1969	07-Mar-1970
133	Walter William Kenneth HOBDAY	04-Apr-1970	05-Dec-1970	04-Dec-1971
134	James Fortnum GOSNELL	02-May-1970	03-Oct-1970	06-Mar-1971
135	David Victor HESSEY	07-Nov-1970	01-May-1971	04-Mar-1972
136	Reginald George Arthur TIBBS	03-Apr-1971	06-Nov-1971	02-Dec-1972
137	Peter Reginald NASH	02-Oct-1971	06-May-1972	06-Oct-1973
138	Stanley Thomas RUSSELL	01-Apr-1972	04-Nov-1972	01-Dec-1973
139	Christopher Williams MEDWAY	07-Oct-1972	05-May-1973	04-May-1974
140	Kenneth Alan DARVILL	03-Mar-1973	03-Nov-1973	07-Dec-1974
141	James William Thomas DANCE	07-Apr-1973	06-Apr-1974	03-May-1975
142	Peter William GOODSELL	02-Mar-1974	05-Oct-1974	01-Nov-1975
143	Ronald William SPILLMAN	02-Nov-1974	05-Apr-1975	01-May-1976
144	Gerald William Ernest FEAKES	01-Mar-1975	06-Dec-1975	06-Nov-1976
145	Donald Oliver NORTH	04-Oct-1975	03-Apr-1976	07-May-1977
146	John LOGUE	06-Mar-1976	04-Dec-1976	05-Nov-1977
147	William BURGESS	02-Oct-1976	02-Apr-1977	01-Apr-1978
148	Gordon Bruce LAWSON	05-Mar-1977	03-Dec-1977	04-Nov-1978
149	Clive William APPLETON	01-Oct-1977	06-May-1978	05-May-1979
150	Frank LEWIS	04-Mar-1978	02-Dec-1978	03-Nov-1979
151	Anthony Frederick Robert CLARK	07-Oct-1978	07-Apr-1979	01-Mar-1980
	Dennis Albert WARD – (Ceremonies performed at the request of the United Grand Lodge of England)	_	02-Dec-1978	07-Apr-1979

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152	John Ronald HORNER	03-Mar-1979	01-Dec-1979	04-Oct-1980
153	Brian Dennis BODLE	06-Oct-1979	05-Apr-1980	01-Nov-1980
154	Glen Keith Stannard SYMONS	03-May-1980	06-Dec-1980	07-Mar-1981
155	Richard Cooper STONE	04-Apr-1981	03-Oct-1981	06-Mar-1982
156	Peter SOLOMONS	02-May-1981	05-Dec-1981	06-Nov-1982
157	Michael BROOKES	07-Nov-1981	03-Apr-1982	05-Mar-1983
158	George Francis Michael SHEPPARD	01-May-1982	02-Oct-1982	07-May-1983
159	Roy Gordon ROSEKILLY	04-Dec-1982	02-Apr-1983	01-Oct-1983
160	George COLLIN	05-Nov-1983	03-Mar-1984	05-May-1984
161	Robert Anthony Bevis DURANT	03-Dec-1983	06-Oct-1984	01-Dec-1984
162	Bernard Paul WILLIAMS	07-Apr-1984	02-Mar-1985	05-Oct-1985
163	Norman Albert MARLOW	03-Nov-1984	04-May-1985	07-Dec-1985
164	Leslie IVEY	06-Apr-1985	05-Apr-1986	04-Oct-1986
165	Michael David IVEY	02-Nov-1985	03-May-1986	01-Nov-1986
166	Anthony Robert WILSON	01-Mar-1986	02-May-1987	05-Dec-1987
167	Edward George BRAZIL	06-Dec-1986	04-Apr-1987	03-Oct-1987
168	John KIPLING	07-Nov-1987	05-Mar-1988	07-May-1988
169	Alan John MATTHEWS	02-Apr-1988	01-Oct-1988	03-Dec-1988
170	Gerald Alfred BEASLEY	05-Nov-1988	04-Mar-1989	01-Apr-1989
171	Clifford MEREDITH	07-Oct-1989	04-Nov-1989	02-Dec-1989
172	Anthony Trevor Lewis EDWARDS	03-Mar-1990	06-Oct-1990	01-Dec-1990
173	Maurice Jon BILLS	07-Apr-1990	05-May-1990	—
174	Anthony THOMAS	03-Nov-1990	06-Apr-1991	07-Dec-1991
175	James Arthur PARISH	02-Mar-1991	05-Oct-1991	03-oct-1992
176	Charles Frederick AYRES	04-May-1991	07-Mar-1992	05-Dec-1992
177	Bryan Thomas BROOKE	02-Nov-1991	04-Apr-1992	03-Apr-1993
178	David LEWIS	02-May-1992	02-Oct-1993	04-Dec-1993
179	Jeffrey William BURT	07-Nov-1992	02-Oct-1993	02-Apr-1994
180	David John Mathias MANNING	01-May-1993	05-Mar-1994	01-Oct-1994
181	David Eric ATHEY	06-Nov-1993	07-May-1994	03-Dec-1994
182	Ian David WALLACE	05-Nov-1994	01-Apr-1995	04-Nov-1995
183	Jon Martin CLAYDON	04-Mar-1995	07-Oct-1995	13-Apr-1996

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184	Russell Hugh AITKINS	06-May-1995	02-Dec-1995	05-Oct-1996
185	Alan VASA	02-Mar-1996	04-May-1996	07-Dec-1996
186	Stephen Alan ROLFE	02-Nov-1996	01-Mar-1997	05-Apr-1997
187	Sean Trofim KULAN	04-Oct-1997	01-Nov-1997	06-Dec-1997
188	David PAYNE	07-Mar-1998	04-Apr-1998	03-Oct-1998
	Christopher WAKEFIELD (Ceremonies performed at the request of the United Grand Lodge of England)	_	07-Nov-1998	05-Dec-1998
189	David Ralph MOORE	06-Mar-1999	01-May-1999	04-Dec-1999
190	Michael TOWNSEND	10-Apr-1999	06-Nov-1999	04-Mar-2000
191	George Edward ELLAMES	02-Oct-1999	01-Apr-2000	04-Nov-2000
192	Michael Raymond MALE	06-May-2000	07-Oct-2000	02-Dec-2000
193	David Charles BROWN	03-Nov-2001	01-Dec-2001	05-Oct-2002
194	Andrew Spencer COOK	02-Mar-2002	06-Apr-2002	02-Nov-2002
195	Marcus Luke MACKAY	01-Mar-2003	05-Apr-2003	03-May-2003
196	Raymond John LLOYD	04-Oct-2003	01-Nov-2003	01-May-2004
197	David James ROBINSON	06-Dec-2003	06-Mar-2004	06-Nov-2004
198	Paul Frederick ALLEN	03-Apr-2004	02-Oct-2004	04-Dec-2004
199	Neil Paul BOWMAN	02-Apr-2005	07-May-2005	01-Oct-2005
200	Stephen BASTERFIELD	07-May-2005	05-Nov-2005	03-Dec-2005
201	Andrew Norman HEALEY	04-Nov-2006	02-Dec-2006	03-Mar-2007
202	Stuart PETERS	06-Oct-2007	03-Nov-2007	01-Dec-2007
203	Michael John Peter CARPENTER	04-Oct-2008	01-Nov-2008	06-Dec-2008
204	Augustine Adetokunbo ALUKO	04-Dec-2010	02-Apr-2011	03-Dec-2011
205	David Alan BLACKMAN	03-Mar-2012	03-Apr-2012	01-Dec-2012
206	Henry Raven WILLSHIRE	06-Apr-2013	05-Oct-2013	07-Dec-2013
207	Michael Howard GREEN	04-May-2013	02-Nov-2013	01-Mar-2014
	Lawrence Alfie GOODMAN (Performed at the request of Enborne Lodge No. 7906)	—	01-Nov-2014	—
208	Nathan PORTER	05-Dec-2015	05-03-2016	_
209	William Stanley WARING	02-Apr-2016	01-10-2016	03-12-2016
210	Simon John WALSHAW	04-Mar-2017	_	_

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211	Darren Charles EVANS (Passing & Raising performed on behalf of the Keys of Munster Lodge No. 881 (British Freemasonry in Germany))	08-May-1992	01-Apr-2017	07-Oct-2017
212	Antony Robert HAWKES	02-Mar-2019	05-Oct-2019	07-Dec-2019
213	Benjamin SCHIFFER-HARTE	06-Apr-2019	05-Oct-2019	07-Mar-2020
214	Neculai DIMA	22-Jun-2019	02-Nov-2019	02-10-2021
215	Karl LAQUA	06-Nov-2021		
216	Rohan RATHOD	04-Dec-2021		



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## Joining Members

Date of Election	Name
04-Mar-1922	Bro. Frank COLES
04-Mar-1922	Bro. Laurence PARSONS
07-Oct-1922	Bro. Daniel Mortimer GIBSON
03-Feb-1923	Bro. Albert John HITCHCOCK
06-Oct-1923	Bro. Alfred John LINDSAY
01-Dec-1923	Bro. James Okey DORRELL
05-Jan-1924	Bro. Ronald WINCKWORTH
02-Feb-1924	Bro. Rev. William Wellesley Gordon LLOYD
06-Dec-1924	Bro. Albert MORGAN
07-Mar-1925	Bro. Eric Carson NICHOLLS
06-Mar-1926	W.Bro. William Henry KEEP
02-Oct-1926	W.Bro. Hugh Ronald FRASER (Re-joined)
05-Nov-1927	Bro. Wilfred Henry GRAY
03-Mar-1928	Bro. The Rt. Hon. Sir Arthur GRIFFITHS-BOSCAWEN
03-Mar-1928	Bro. Charles James Adam CLARKE
03-Nov-1928	Bro. Charles A. LANGFORD
01-Dec-1928	RW Bro. Archibald Young Gipps CAMPBELL
02-Nov-1929	Bro. Claude MENPES
07-Jan-1933	Bro. John Donald WILSON
03-Feb-1934	Bro. Owen TEGG (Re-joined)
07-Apr-1934	W.Bro. Francis RIDGE
03-Apr-1937	Bro. Arthur FRANCIS
05-Dec-1942	Bro. Ernest James CARTER
06-Nov-1943	W.Bro. William Henry KEEP
04-Dec-1943	Bro. John William PIGOTT
01-Apr-1944	W.Bro. Lt. Col. Harold Walter LAKE
03-Mar-1945	W.Bro. Albert James MAKER (Re-joined)
03-Mar-1945	W.Bro. Ernest Cuthbert Raymond WIGMORE
06-Oct-1945	Bro. Henry Charles MIDDLETON

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01-Dec-1945	Bro. Walter John Charles DAWKINS
01-Feb-1947	W.Bro. Rodney Ross ELFORD
01-Mar-1947	W.Bro. Archibald Cherry MARTIN
01-Nov-1947	Bro. Rev. Edward Montagu GILBERT-COOPER
01-Apr-1948	Bro. Clifford FORMSTON
01-Apr-1948	Bro. Edward William FRANKLIN
05-Feb-1949	W.Bro. John Crosbie DIXEY
02-Apr-1949	Bro. Donald Marshall TAYLOR
05-Nov-1949	Bro. George Roy DOLBY
04-Feb-1950	W.Bro. Percy George WHITE
07-Feb-1953	Bro. George William Randall SHEPPARD
07-Feb-1953	Bro. Walter Ewart MASSER
04-Feb-1956	Bro. Walter Hopper BEAN
03-Nov-1956	Bro. William George CROWHURST
01-Dec-1956	W.Bro. Rev. Charles William James HARBRIDGE
06-Apr-1957	W.Bro. Daniel GIBBS
02-Nov-1957	Bro. William Jacob HAYWARD
01-Mar-1958	Bro. Richard Allan BAKER (Re-joined)
13-Dec-1958	W.Bro. William Henry HARRIS
05-Mar-1960	W.Bro. Arthur Edgar BRADLEY
01-Oct-1960	W.Bro. John Charles BEAUCHAMP
03-Feb-1962	Bro. Robert Charles KNIGHTS
03-Mar-1962	Bro. Lionel Julius BACH
07-Apr-1962	Bro. Brig. Geoffrey Neil GASKELL
06-Apr-1963	W.Bro. Reginald Albert GRAY
07-Mar-1964	Bro. James Kenneth MARK
07-Mar-1964	Bro. Raymond MIDDLETON
04-Apr-1964	Bro. Alfred Bethuen EMARY
03-Oct-1964	Bro. Hugh Leggate GEORGE
06-Nov-1965	Bro. Harold Ernest WICKS
02-Feb-1967	Bro. Bruno RUDNICKI
04-Mar-1967	Bro. Harold TWIST

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04-Mar-1967	Bro. Fritz Maurice ROCKEL
06-Apr-1968	Bro. James GREENHILL
04-May-1968	Bro. Robert John FAIRMAN
04-May-1968	Bro. George MUDGE
01-Feb-1969	W.Bro. George JOHNSON
01-Feb-1969	W.Bro. Joseph Anthony TROST
01-Nov-1970	Bro. William Frederick Lucraft PURSER
04-Apr-1970	Bro. Duncan LAMONT
03-Oct-1970	Bro. Rev. Edward Leslie WRIGHT
06-Nov-1971	Bro. Maurice Charles GREENWOOD
06-May-1972	Bro. Ronald James McLAREN
05-Nov-1977	Bro. Alfred Robert MORTIMER
04-Mar-1978	W.Bro. William Francis SYMES
04-Mar-1978	Bro. Leonard Albert CHALK
03-Feb-1979	W. Bro. Peter William WELLS
07-Nov-1981	Bro. John Derek RAINE
06-Nov-1982	W.Bro. John McLean DOCHERTY
04-Dec-1982	Bro. Ronald John BROWN
07-May-1983	W.Bro. Frederick Alun JONES
07-May-1983	Bro. David James JONES
03-Dec-1983	W.Bro. Edward John PEETT
03-Nov-1984	Bro. John Campbell MEIKLE
02-Mar-1985	Bro. John Arthur CARPENTER
02-Nov-1985	W.Bro. Alan Edward BLACKMAN
02-Nov-1985	Bro. David Ian WILFORD
07-Apr-1990	Bro. Brian James STARCK
05-May-1990	Bro. Barry John STACEY
06-Oct-1990	Bro. Michael Colin CLOTHIER
01-Dec-1990	Bro. Terence James RELF
04-May-1991	W.Bro. George Charles CHURCHILL
02-Oct-1993	W.Bro. Robert Geoffrey HEWETT
06-Nov-1993	W.Bro. Colin Dennis SELWOOD

Date of Election	Name
06-Nov-1993	Bro. Roy Jack MOODY
05-Nov-1994	W.Bro. Mervyn Allport LOVEROCK
07-Dec-1996	Bro. Dennis LIPSCOMBE
01-Mar-1997	Bro. Clifford Lee MYNOTT
07-Oct-2000	W. Bro. Gareth Stuart JACKSON
05-Apr-2003	Bro. James Alfred Josiah EVANS
06-Nov-2004	Bro. Andrew GODFREY
05-Mar-2005	Bro. Alexander NATHAN
01-Oct-2005	W.Bro. John SWIFT
03-Mar-2007	Bro. Leslie PETERS
06-Oct-2007	Bro. James Teyman TUBBS-GALLEY
01-Nov-2008	W.Bro. Trevor CHRISTIAN
04-Feb-2012	Bro. Jamie DUNFORD
04-Nov-2012	W.Bro Graham Richard HARWOOD
02-Mar-2013	W.Bro. Terence Victor SPEIGHT
02-Mar-2013	W.Bro. Anthony Edward CROXON
01-Mar-2014	Bro. Peter Banastre TARLTON
04-Oct-2014	W.Bro. David John BROWN
07-Apr-2017	Bro. Darren Charles EVANS
05-Mar-2022	W.Bro. Jeremy Neil JONES



**PROVINCE OF** 

BERKSHIRE

# **Consecration of Pangbourne Lodge**

## No. 4381

by

## The R.W. Bro. John Thornhill Morland M.A. P.G.D. (ENG.) PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER FOR BERKSHIRE

assisted by

R.W. Bro. Charles E. Keyser, P.G.W. (Eng.), Dep.Prov.G.M. (Herts) as Senior Warden
W.Bro. Lt. Col. A. P. Ford Moore, Prov.J.G.W.
W.Bro. The Rev. Everett G. Turner, Prov.G. Chap
W.Bro. Sir Frederick Dyson, Asst.G.D.C. (Eng.), Prov.G.Sec
W.Bro. G. H. Holden, P.G.D. (Eng.), Prov.D.C as Director of Ceremonies
W.Bro. A. Crampton, Prov.G.Purs
W.Bro. Lt. Col. S. Boyle, P.G.S.B.

at the

# New Hall, PANGBOURNE

# SATURDAY 4th FEBRUARY 1922 at 4.0 p.m.

DINING WILL BE AT THE ELEPHANT HOTEL, PANGBOURNE

## The Minutes of the Consecration Meeting of **The Pangbourne Lodge No. 4381**

The Lodge was opened promptly at 4.00 p.m. by the Provincial Grand Master who addressed the brethren on the cause of the gathering that day and that the Founders clearly demonstrated the necessity for a Lodge to be held at Pangbourne. The M.W. Grand Master, H.R.H. Arthur, Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, had been pleased to grant a Charter. He was, therefore, very glad to take his part as Provincial Grand Master in this very important ceremony.

There was a large assembly of brethren from other Provinces and from London, in addition to Grand Officers and Provincial Grand Officers. The Grand Officers present were:

W.Bro. Rev. F. J. C. Gilmour, P.Prov.A.G.Chap.W.Bro. Charles F. Quicke, Prov.G.Supt.Wks.W.Bro. E. O. Farrer, Prov.G.St.B.and others as above mentioned.

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master then called upon the Provincial Grand Chaplain, W.Bro. The Rev. Everett G. Turner to deliver an Oration. The Provincial Grand Chaplain was asked to allow the very striking and able Oration to be printed, in order that every brother of the Lodge might have a copy. This was kindly permitted.

The addresses to the Worshipful Master, the Wardens and the Brethren, were impressively given by the R.W. Bro. John Thornhill Morland, the R.W. Provincial Grand Master for Berkshire, R.W. Bro. Charles Keyser and W.Bro. Charles Quicke respectively.

The Master Designate was W.Bro. The Rev. A. E. Brisco Owen, M.A., P.A.G.Chap. (Eng.); the Senior Warden Designate was W.Bro. George W. Smith, P.Prov.G.W. The Junior Warden Designate was W.Bro. Hugh Ronald Fraser, Prov.G.D. On the Motion from the Worshipful Master, seconded by the Senior Warden, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Consecrating Officers who were, in turn, elected Honorary Members, for which the Provincial Grand Master returned thanks. The Pangbourne Lodge being constituted and consecrated, the W.M. proceeded to appoint and invest his Officers.

The declaration of the ballot for Treasurer was left in the hands of the W.M. who declared W.Bro. George E. Clark elected.

In appointing Bro. Allan Banyard Secretary, the W.M. said that it afforded him the utmost of pleasure to have Bro. Banyard as the first Secretary. The inception of the Lodge was due to that brother's work and personal services, without which this meeting would not have been held. Bro. Arthur Seymour was elected Tyler.

A Committee to frame the By-Laws was appointed, consisting of the W.M., S.W., J.W., Treasurer, Secretary and Past Masters.

The following brethren were prosed as joining members: Bro. Frank Coles and Bro. Lawrence Parsons. The following gentlemen were proposed as Candidates for Initiation: Mr. Kenneth Charles Baxter and Mr. James Edward Peters.

Telegrams of regret at being unable to attend were read out from the Dep.Prov.G.M.: W.Bro. J. W . Martin, owing to sickness, also from the V.W. Dr. Cooper Smith from the same cause; additionally from the Dep.Prov.G.M. for Suffolk, W.Bro. Owen A. A. Clark who wished to have conveyed to the R.W. Prov.G.M., the Dep.Prov.G.M., Wardens and Brethren, cordial greetings and best wishes for the success of the new Lodge. He regretted being unable to attend owing to sickness.

Messages containing good wishes were also received from Bro. A. T. Lloyd, M.P., Lockinge House, Wantage; W.Bro's, Lancelot Martin, Paxton Petty, W. Cooke, and G. Marcus Love.

Nothing further being offered for the good of Freemasonry in general, or for this Lodge in particular, the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony until the first Saturday in March 1922.

#### Dues and moneys collected:

#### Charity Box: £3.1.6d

The brethren then adjourned to The Elephant Hotel, Pangbourne, to dine and spend an enjoyable evening. W.Bro. Dodd's Royal Windsor Glee Party rendering the entertainment and also the anthems at the Consecration Ceremony.

The W.M. presented the R.W. Provincial Grand Master with a handsome gold mounted, suitably engraved umbrella.

The Register records that there were 79 brethren in attendance.

#### LIST OF DESIGNATED OFFICERS FOR 1922

W.BRO. REV. A. E. BRISCO OWEN, <i>M.A.</i> , P.M. 2487, 3129,
Prov.G.Снар., Р.А.G.С W.M.
W.BRO. H. C. BROWN P.M. 414, P.S.G.D
W.Bro. George W. Smith, P.M. 414, P.Prov.S.G.W,
W.Bro. Hugh Ronald Fraser, P.M. 1101, Prov.S.G.D J.W.
W.Bro. Rev. H. R. Pring, M.A.,
W.Bro. George E. W. Clark, P.M. 902,
Bro. Allan A. Banyard
W.BRO. EBENEZER T. WILSON DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES
W.BRO. A. E. Everest, P.M. 1887, PROV.G.D Senior Deacon
Bro. C. E. Carter
Bro. C. H. Cross
Bro. G. S. Clark
Bro. B. Wakelin
Bro. Albert J. Maker
Bro. W. J. Barnes
Bro. Percy Stone
Bro. Arthur Seymour

# The Province of Berkshire

# The Pangbourne Lodge No. 4381



INSTALLATION MEETING AND CENTENARY CELEBRATION SATURDAY 5TH FEBRUARY 2022

#### **Antient Charge**

From Antient times no Master or Fellow could be absent from his Lodge, especially when warned to appear at it, without incurring a severe censure, unless it appeared to the Master and Wardens that pure necessity hindered him.

#### Province of Berkshire

## **CENTENARY INSTALLATION MEETING**

# The Pangbourne Lodge

in the Register of the United Grand Lodge of England



to be held at The Pangbourne Masonic Centre Shooters Hill, Pangbourne, Berkshire on **Saturday 5th February 2022** at 4:00 p.m.

Worship Master: W.Bro. Augustine Adetokunbo Aluko Master Elect: W.Bro Raymond John Head, PSGD, PAPGM

# Order of Procedure

- 1. To open the Lodge with the Opening Ode
- 2. To put for confirmation the minutes of the 642nd Regular Meeting held on Saturday 4th December 2021 as circulated.
- 3. To receive the Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Berkshire, the VW Bro. Peter James Sands, PGSwdB, accompanied by the Provincial Centenary Team.
- 4. To Install the Master Elect, W.Bro. Raymond John Head, PSGD, PAPGM as Worshipful Master.
- 5. To Appoint and Invest the Officers for 2022.
- 6. Addresses to the Worshipful Master, the Wardens and the Brethren.
- To present a Past Master's Jewel to W.Bro. Toks Aluko for his services to the Lodge during his years of Mastership.

# **CENTENARY CEREMONY**

- 8. The Worshipful Master will invite the Deputy Provincial Grand Master to accept the Gavel and take the Chair of King Solomon.
- 9. The DepPGM will appoint his officers as follows: ProvGDC, W.Bro. Jim Sampins, PGStB Director of Ceremonies
  ProvSGW, W.Bro. Paul Wilding Senior Warden
  ProvJGW, W.Bro. Les Matthews Junior Warden
  ProvGChap, W.Bro. David Joynes Chaplain
  ProvGSec, W.Bro. Laurence Fretwell, PAGDC Secretary

- 10. The DepPGM will address the Brethren in respect of the Centenary Ceremony.
- The DepPGM will call on the Provincial Grand Secretary, to read the Minutes of the Consecration Meeting held on Saturday 4th February 1922 and the DepPGM will counter-sign the minutes.
- 12. The DepPGM will make a few remarks concerning the Founders and will call on the Provincial Grand Secretary will read the names of the Founders who have passed to the Grand Lodge above and will then call on the Brethren to honour the Founders.
- 13. The DepPGM will call upon the Provincial Grand Secretary to read the Centenary Warrant.
- 14. The DepPGM will invite the Brethren to join in an Act of Thanksgiving.
- 15. We will sing the hymn, **Praise my Soul the King of Heaven**.

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, To his feet your tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Who like you his praise should sing. Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour To our fathers in distress. Praise him, still the same as ever, Slow to blame and swift to bless. Alleluia, Alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us, All our hopes and fears he knows. In his hands he gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Alleluia, Alleluia! Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him, You behold him face to face. Sun and moon, bow down before him, Praise him all in time and space. Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

#### 16. Provincial Grand Chaplain: The Bidding:

Brethren, we are assembled here to offer up thanksgiving to Almighty God for his many blessing to us – for His wonderful creation and for the many good things therein that we may enjoy; for his Sacred Word and Law, and for the wisdom and knowledge that comes to us from them; for his Salvation and Redemption of mankind; and for Brotherly love, Charity and all that ennobles character.

And herein we would offer thanks to the Great Architect of the Universe for our ancient Craft which, through His Almighty blessing and guidance, has prospered for so many centuries, bringing skills and knowledge, mercy, love, charity and relief to all mankind.

More especially today would we render to the Most High our hearty thanks for the Pangbourne Lodge, for His preservation of it through the years and for all it has accomplished and stood for during the past One Hundred Years.

We would remember all those in times past to have built so firmly on that rock that their work has stood against the shocks and stresses of time. And we would pray, Almighty God, that we may keep intact the precious heritage they have left to us and be, like them, wise Master Builders and good and true Masons in His sight.

#### 17. Thanksgiving:

Almighty and Eternal God, we praise thy holy name; for the Founders of the Pangbourne Lodge, for the Masters, Officers and all who have laboured to uphold its fair name.

For all members who have kept their vows, set before us examples of good masonic lives and handed on this goodly heritage to our own time.

And now we stand in silence before Thee to remember with gratitude and affection all the members of this Lodge, known and unknown, who are now serving in the Grand Lodge above.

**18. Provincial Grand Chaplain**: "Rest eternal grant to them."

All respond: "And let light perpetual shine on them."

Almighty God, who hast called us into this strong fellowship, make us worthy of our calling. Give us a deeper sense of duty, a greater zeal in all our work, a larger loyal and deeper charity and true brotherhood with one another that, assisted by Thy divine help, we may go forward to enrich the Craft to benefit our fellow men and to establish this Lodge in strength and stability to Thine Honour and Glory.

All: So mote it be.

19. The DepPGM will call on the Provincial Grand Chaplain for an Oration.

#### 20. Dedication Prayer.

Great Architect of the Universe, without whose special and preventing grace to all human efforts be of no avail, we ask Thy grace this day that we may dedicate our lives and our Lodge to Thy service so that we may be worthy of those who have gone before us. Strengthen us and keep us ever mindful of our high vocation.

May we be regular in attendance and earnest in our endeavour to learn. May we practice in the world outside all that we are taught of virtue and Godliness in our Lodge. May Prudence, Temperance, Fortitude and Justice enable us to hand on to our successors the traditions of our Order, pure and unsullied as we ourselves have received them; to the honour and glory of Thy Holy Name.

All: So mote it be.

21. We will sing the hymn, Now thank we all our God.

Now thank we all our God With heart and hands and voices, Who wondrous things has done, In whom his world rejoices; Who from our mothers' arms Has blessed us on our way With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us, With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us, To keep us in his grace, And guide us when perplexed, And free us from all ills Of this world in the next. All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given, The Son and Spirit blest, Who reign in highest heaven The one eternal God, Whom heaven and earth adore; For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.

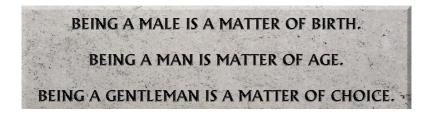
All: So mote it be.

#### 22. Patriarchal Benediction

May the God of our fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob, the angel of the everlasting covenant, who has redeemed us from evil, the Holy one who sanctify us, bless, preserve and keep you evermore.

All: So mote it be.

- 23. The DepPGM will invite the Worshipful Master to reoccupy the chair who will then make a presentation to the DepPGM.
- 24. To Collect Alms.
- 25. To Close the Lodge.
- 26. The Closing Ode followed by the first verse of the National Anthem.



# The Pangbourne Lodge

No. 4381

## Officers of the Lodge for 2022

W.Bro. Raymond Head, PSGD, PAPGM WM
W.Bro. Les Peters, PProvAGDCSW
W.Bro. Charles Ayres, PProvGSwdBJW
W.Bro. Michael Male PProvGRegChaplain
W.Bro. David Athey Treasurer
W.Bro. Ray Lloyd PProvJGDSecretary
W.Bro. Andy Godfrey PProvSGDDC
W.Bro. Charles Ayres, PProvGSwdB Almoner
W.Bro. David Wilford PProvGReg Charity Steward
W.Bro. Ray Lloyd, PProvJGD Membership Officer
W.Bro. Les Peters, PProvAGDCMentor
W.Bro. Anthony Croxon, LGRSD
Bro. Darren EvansJD
W.Bro. Norman Marlow, PProvJGWAssistant DC
W.Bro. John Farndon, PProvJGWOrganist
W.Bro. David Athey Assistant Secretary
Bro. Benjamin Schiffer-HarteIG
Bro. Jeffrey BurtSteward
Bro. Andy CookSteward
Bro. Antony HawkesSteward
Bro. Neculai DimaSteward
Bro. Karl LaquaSteward
Bro. Rohan RathodSteward
W.Bro. Eric Smith PProvGStdB (PM 9275)Tyler
W.Bro. Augustine AlukoIPM

#### Subscribing Members (\* Joining Member)

Geoffrey Bach Paul Bowman Raymond Head Richard Stone Mike Brookes John Peett \* Norman Marlow John Carpenter \* David Wilford \* Gerald Beasley Terry Relf \* Charles Ayres Jeff Burt David Athey Alan Vasa Sean Kulan Mike Male Andrew Cook Ray Lloyd Andrew Godfrey \* John Swift \* Andrew Healey Les Peters \* Augustine Aluko Tony Croxon \* Darren Evans \* Antony Hawkes Benjamin Schiffer-Harte Neculai Dima Karl Laqua Rohan Rathod Jerry Jones\*



#### Subscribing Past Masters

1983 W.Bro. P. H. Bowman, PProvJGW
1984 W.Bro. R. J. Head, PSGD, PAPGM
1990 W.Bro. R. C. Stone, PProvJGW
1991 W.Bro. R. C. Stone, PProvJGW
1993 W.Bro. M. Brookes, PProvSGD
1994 W.Bro. N. A. Marlow, PProvJGW
1995 W.Bro. J. A. Carpenter, ProvGTyler
1998 W.Bro. D. I. Wilford, PProvGReg
1999 W.Bro. D. I. Wilford, PProvGReg
2001 W.Bro. M. Brookes, PProvGswdB
2003 W.Bro. R. J. Head, PSGD, PAPGM
2004 W.Bro. C. F. Ayres, PProvGSwdB
2005 W.Bro. S. T. Kulan, ProvGAlm

2006 W.Bro. M. R. Male, PProvGReg 2007 W.Bro. M. R. Male, PProvGReg 2008 W.Bro. J. A. Carpenter, ProvGTyler 2010 W.Bro. A. Godfrey, PProvSGD 2011 W.Bro. R. J. Lloyd PProvJGD 2013 W.Bro. L. Peters, PAProvGDC 2015 W.Bro. R. J. Head, PSGD, PAPGM 2016 W.Bro. A. E. Croxon, LGR 2017 W.Bro. D. E. Athey 2018 W.Bro. D. E. Athey 2019 W.Bro. A. A. Aluko 2020 W.Bro. A. A. Aluko 2021 W.Bro. A. A. Aluko



Visiting Lodge Officer W.Bro. Phil Cottrell, PGStdB

**Royal Arch Representative** W.Bro. Ray Lloyd PProvJGD

Honorary Member RW Bro. D. R. Woods, Past Provincial Grand Master

Honoured Guest of the Lodge The Worshipful Master of Enborne Lodge No. 7906



"A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty."

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Bro. Sir Winston Churchill

