

New Provincial Grand Master.

The Grand Master Mason, Bro. W. Ramsay McGhee announced at the Grand Committee Zoom meeting that the Brethren of our Province had Elected **Bro.**

Andrew Duncan Millar as our next Provincial Grand Master.

Bro. Andrew is presently Depute Provincial Grand Master and is a Past Provincial Grand Senior Warden (2009) and a Past Master of Lodge Kirkhill No. 1230.



Because of the situation regarding the Covid 19 restrictions, Grand Lodge decided that the Election would be by postal vote, this was believed to be the first time in our Province that such a method of voting had taken place. This was an onerous task for our Provincial Grand Secretary and indeed Lodge Secretaries in that voting papers had to be sent to all qualified members, the returns collated and sent to Grand Lodge.

The Installation of Bro. Millar and his Commissioned Office-bearers is scheduled to take place in June, but this is in grave doubt because of ongoing Covid restrictions.

Bro. Andrew has chosen excellent Commissioned Office-bearers.

Depute PGM Norman Carnegie, P.M. No. 31

Substitute PGM's Colin Campbell, P.M. No. 1067,

Robert Ferguson, P.M. 306, Gordon Mather, P.M. No.

557, Laird McDonald, P.M. No. 114

P.G. Secretary William Paton, P.M. No. 919,

Senior P.G. Chaplain, James Vasey, P.M. No. 579

Junior P.G. Chaplain, Alexander Hamilton, P.M. No. 579.

Congratulations to the new Commissioned Office-bearers Team especially to our own Brethren, Jim Vasey and Alex Hamilton, both appointments well deserved.

I am sure that the Brethren of Lodge St. Bryde will give the new Provincial Grand Master and his Team every support in the next five years.

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Important Notice.

At the Grand Lodge Communication on Thursday 6th. February, 2020. The Grand Master Mason proposed that Grand Lodge Law 126 be suspended from 6th. February for one year.

This means that a Brother wishing to clear his Test Fee arrears with his Lodge (usually two years + the current year) from the 6th. February will only require to pay one year to clear his arrears.

In our Lodge this means a Fee of £35.

If a Brother of Lodge St. Bryde wishes to take up this offer and clear his arrears contact the Lodge Secretary.

Note, Due to the present circumstances this period has been extended to February 2022



Board of Grand Stewards. Due to the untimely death of our dear Brother, Tom McCrone, P.M. Lodge Griffin No. 1254 and a Member of the Board of Grand Stewards, Bro. William Perry, Provincial Grand Master has appointed Bro. Allan Hutton, P.M. of Lodge Caldercruix No. 1314 and the current Lodge Secretary to the Board.

Announcement by Grand Master Mason. On 14th. January the Grand Master Mason, met with the heads of other Masonic Orders in Scotland and unanimously agreed that all Masonic activity would continue to be suspended until June 2021. This effectively means that Lodge St. Bryde will not meet again until September at the earliest and that Grand Lodge and Provincial Grand Lodge meetings will also be suspended until further notice.

The Grand Master Mason is aware that a significant backlog of important celebrations is now building up, with no Centenary, Bicentenary, Installation of Provincial Grand Masters taking place last year and an additional significant delayed programme this year we can only hope that this can be resolved in the future.

9. Ordering from the Bar. A Member of the Lodge will take your order and serve your refreshments and take your payment.

10. Drinks glasses will not be collected and reused but left on your table.

11. If you require toilet facilities, a one-way system will be in operation. Leave the Lounge, via the Main Hall door, go through the Main Hall, exit the Tyler's Door, and turn right, into the Gents Toilet. On leaving the Toilet walk straight down the corridor to the Lounge Door. Use the hand sanitizer facilities before leaving the Lounge. Only one person will be allowed in the Gents toilet at any one time. Hand washing facilities must be used before leaving the toilet and hand sanitizer used before entering the Lounge.

11. When leaving the premises Social Distancing must be maintained and Members must not depart in groups.

The Premises will be open to Members only until further notice.

It is important that the above guidance notes which are issued by the Scottish Government are strictly adhered to.

Anyone who is showing symptoms of COVID 19 or has underlying health issues should follow Government Guidelines.

STAY SAFE.

Brethren, Please use our Lounge facility on a Friday Evening to keep in touch with one another.

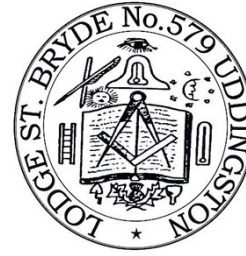
**PLEASE NOTE
THAT DUE TO FURTHER RESTRICTIONS BY
THE GOVERNMENT
THE LOUNGE WILL BE CLOSED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 COVID-19 Guidance for Lounge Bar Opening.

The Premises will reopen from Friday 17th.
July 2020

**2-meter Social Distancing in accordance with
Government Regulations will be mandatory
throughout the premises**

1. The Lounge Bar Area will be open on Friday evenings to Members only.
2. A Risk Assessment has been undertaken and the following measures will be taken to reduce the risk of spreading the COVID-19 Virus.
3. A Nominated Person will be appointed to co-ordinate each opening.
4. The Lounge will be reconfigured to accommodate the maximum number of Members (this number is 10), maintaining Social Distancing. (If required overflow facilities will be made available in the Main Hall.)
5. The outside door will remain closed and locked. Entry for Members will be by ringing the doorbell and Member will be identified on the TV monitor before admission.
6. Immediately on entering, hand sanitizer facilities will be used.
7. The Scottish Government, Test and Protect Personal Data record sheets will be required to be completed. This will involve you recording on the sheets provided, your name, contact telephone number and time of arrival and departure.
8. Proceed to the Lounge (or Main Hall) and select a seat. Seats have been spaced out to accommodate the Social Distancing Guidelines. You must use the same seat during your stay and maintain Distancing Guidelines.



IMPORTANT
Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Test Fees (£35)
and Provincial Grand Lodge Fees (£10)
Are now due for 2021
Please forward payment to the Lodge
Secretary.

Fees Brethren, I have now in accordance with Grand Lodge Law paid the portion (£33) Test Fees due to Grand Lodge. As we are not meeting and some Brethren have not had the opportunity to pay their Fees, I have for all Brethren who paid their Fees for last year made the return to Grand Lodge. This will now enable our Annual Certificate for 2021 to be issued by Grand Lodge. If you have not paid your Lodge Fee or your Provincial Fee please phone the Lodge Secretary to make arrangements for payment.

Hall & Bar. The Bar opening and Hall lets will continue to be under the directive of the Government. This means that until the present (Feb. 2021) Law is relaxed our premises will be closed.

Refurbishment. Members of the Hall refurbishment sub-committee met by Zoom link to discuss the work to be carried out in the next phase of the Hall refurbishment. (this was a first for our Lodge, discussion by video link !) The discussion was chaired by Bro. Jim Muircroft RWM. The work, which was agreed at our last Regular Meeting in March 2020 will consist of, decorating the corridor and foyer of the Hall, replacing lights where required, replacing display cabinets and to complete the replacement of wall lights in the Lounge. There may be an opportunity to carry out additional work if required and this will be discussed if required.