



### Uddingston Masonic Burns Club No. 237.

2013 UMBC Burns Supper got off to a flying start with a missing haggis? With the 110 guests seated and the top table piped in, the Chairman, (Arthur W Burns , President), welcomed everyone and introduced the to table. It soon became clear that not all was well, word from the Chef was that the haggis was not being very cooperative and that proceedings would be delayed. Arthur invited the band, LUCKENBOOTH, to improvise with a few songs.. this they did in an excellent manner and very soon the Haggis resigned itself to its fate.

Scott Moore was missing in action and his traditional place was taken by Bob Edgar and between Bob, Bobby & Davie the piper, the Haggis was presented to Robert Kennedy, who delivered an excellent address along with the fatal blow. The company enjoyed the fare provided and settled down for the main event. The Immortal memory was proposed by Iain Glennie, no stranger to the UMBC or Uddingston, having taught at the Grammar for a number of years. Iain’s choice of theme was very appropriate for the event, Burns’s and Freemasonry. I’m certainly not an expert but I think Iain painted a colourful picture of our national bard, : his literary genius, his politics, his highs and lows, his human frailty and - most importantly – the influence of freemasonry. Iain managed to negotiate that dangerous chasm between factual intent and insightful wit, not an easy thing to do.

First recital was by debutant, Douglas W Welsh PM who took us through the famous story of Tam O’Shanter. Kenny Wilson donned his night dress before lighting a candle and offer up his prayers as Holy Wullie, both were very good indeed. In between recitals we were well entertained by the band for night who performed a number of the bards famous songs.

Willie Horne, new comer to UMBC put on a most remarkable performance of the Twa Dugs. By enlisting a couple of dummies from the top table to place dog ear on, he cleverly created two dogs, (Arthur & Iain Glennie). He then proceeded to recite the whole poem on his own, even those in the audience unfamiliar with the work of Burns were on their feet, great performance.

By ten O’Clock the guests were looking for some light hearted relief and this was duly provided by Tom Lynch & Fiona Lynch, toast & reply to the lassies. Neither had ever spoke at Burns Supper let alone with 100 paying guests but feedback on the night was very positive, particularly Fiona. At only 27 she was by far the youngest member of the top table, (Young enough to be Tom’s daughter), her youth did nothing to hamper her efforts as she confidently delivered a very witty reply which was very well received by all the lassies, (And her Grandpa who almost bust with pride).

Davie Shaw took up his rightful position at the supper and paid tribute to all the artists with his usual relaxed style.

Great night was had by all. *Tom Lynch, Secretary.*

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**Bro. George Cuthbertson, R.W.M.**

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**March      Masonic      Diary**

Fri. 1st. Provincial Grand Lodge of Lanarkshire Middle Ward. Installation of Office-bearers at 7.30 p.m.

Masonic Hall, Cambuslang.

Thurs. 7th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit Lodge Livingstone No. 599 , M.M. Degree by RWM.

Wed. 13th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. M.M. Degree by Lodge Tollcross No. 1194.

Fri. 15th. Provincial Grand Lodge Dinner. Baillieston 7.30pm.

Mon. 18th. Bro. J.L. Jack will present a Lecture at Lodge St. Molios No. 774, Arran.

Wed. 27th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. FC Degree by WSW. PGL Visitation.

### Provincial Grand Lodge

The Installation of Provincial Grand Lodge Office-bearers will take place on Friday 1st. March in the Masonic Hall, Cambuslang at 7.30 p.m. A special presentation will be made by the Provincial Grand Master to Bro. Alex Hamilton, P.M. 579 who will be vacating the Provincial Senior Grand Warden`s chair. As this is a very important occasion for Bro. Hamilton and equally an important occasion in the history of Lodge St. Bryde 579, our Brethren should make every effort to attend and lend their support.

James L. Jack, *P.M., Secretary*



### Fleetwood Revisited.

Was it really nearly three years ago that we travelled to Fleetwood to support Brother Alasdair Dunlop, P.M. on being Installed as Worthy Master of Mount Lodge No. 6654 ! Well we all know what happened shortly after that and were left wondering was it all worth it. Well it was, because after

completing his term in both Wardens chairs, Bro. Alasdair was again ready to be Installed. A Deputation led by Bro. George Cuthbertson, RWM made the trip south and it was great to see Lodge St. Bryde Brethren from Birmingham and Blackpool making the effort to attend. The Temple was packed and our worthy Brother was duly Installed (for a second time ?) However it was great to see a member of Lodge St. Bryde take the chair of another Lodge.



Bro. Alasdair Dunlop, W.M. with the Brethren of Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 who attended the Installation.

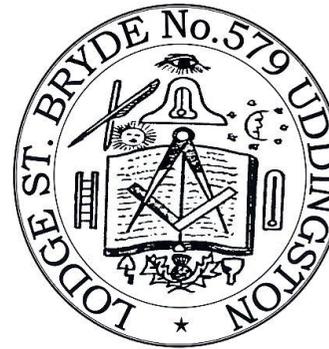
**Honorary Membership.** A large Deputation of Sister Provincial Grand Lodges attended the Provincial Grand Lodge of Kilwinning Installation of Office-bearers on 19th. February. Bro. David Bloomfield was presiding at his last meeting as Provincial Grand Master of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Kilwinning. At the conclusion of the meeting Bro. James L. Jack, Immediate Past Provincial Grand Master was presented with Honorary Membership of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Kilwinning, the first time such an award had been made.



**Provincial Grand Lodge Dinner.** Tickets priced £20 are still available for the Provincial Grand Lodge Charity Dinner which will be held on Friday 15th. March in Baillieston (440). Guest speakers are, Bro. Alastair Henderson, Provincial Grand Master of Glasgow and Bro. Archie Chalmers, Immediate Past Provincial Grand Master of Ayrshire.

**Annual Divine Service.** The Provincial Grand Lodge Annual Divine Service will take place on Sunday 28th. April 2013 in the Old Parish Church, Uddingston at 6 for 6.30 p.m. The Service will be conducted by Rev. Fiona McKibbin Minister of the Church and Rev. Peter Price, Senior Provincial Grand Chaplain.

**579 Homepage.** The Editor is sorry to report that the Homepage which has been a feature of the Lodge since 1993 has been hacked and has been shut down. The repair will have to be assessed, but it could be a considerable cost to have it re-established and protected from further attacks.



*Lodge St. Bryde News.*

**Arran.** Bro. Aadrew Martin, RWM of Lodge St. Molios No. 774 and Past Master of Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 has invited Bro. James L. Jack, P.M. to present a Lecture at the Regular Meeting of the Lodge on Monday 18th. March 2013. Any Brother wishing to attend should contact Bro.

Jack or Bro. Martin. **Cheque.** Lodge St. Bryde responded to the concern expressed by the Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Tom Davidson that the Provincial Holiday Accommodation Fund was in need of a boost, by immediately donating £500 to this worthy cause. In a letter to the P.G.M. our Lodge Secretary expressed his hope that other Lodges in the Province would follow our example. **Break-in.** Brethren will now be aware that the Temple was broken into on the night of 23rd. January, thankfully not much damage was done and nothing appeared to be stolen. It could have been a lot worse ! A number of actions have been undertaken since, they are, slip blots have been fitted to the North West corner Fire Exit these bolts must be unbolted when a function is on. The front door exit has a photo of the front exit door contacts, please check the contacts are as in the photo—if they are not the alarm system may have been tampered with. The exit buzzer has now been extended to just inside the front door and is clearly audible from out side the door. This buzzer goes silent when the alarm is properly set. Your help is required if anything unusual is noticed.

**Honorary Membership.** After an excellent M.M.M. Degree at Lodge St. Enoch No. 1288 (22 in the Deputation) Bro. Albert Laughram, RWM presented Bro. Alasdair Dunlop, P.M. with Honorary Membership of the Lodge. An Honour for Lodge St. Bryde as a well deserved Honour for Alasdair.



### Lodge Dura No. 1513.

On a recent visit to Lodge Dura No. 1513 members of the Lodge were presented with a copy of their recently published history. It was a surprise to read that the FIRST Right Worshipful Master of the Lodge was a Member of Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. The Lodge was Chartered on 2nd.

February 1956 in Allanton, which at that time was a vibrant mining community. There were 61 Founder Member representing 17 Lodges, 2 from Lodge St. Bryde, including the first Master James Marshall. The sponsor Lodges were St. John, Shotts No. 471 and St. Clair No. 427, the Lodge was Erected and Consecrated on 26th. May 1956 in the Church Hall, Allanton by The Provincial Grand Master of Lanarkshire Middle Ward, Bro. Captain John Christie Stewart.

The first Master, Bro. James Marshall was Initiated into our Lodge on 11th. March 1942 and lived in Newton Avenue, Cambuslang. Interestingly he was not a Past Master of our Lodge ! The other Founder from 579 was Bro. Peter Marshall he was Initiated on 9th. March 1921, could he have been James father ? Almost certainly a relative. Of the 19 Founding Office-bearers only 1 was a Past Master, the Depute Master ! The first Elected Office-bearers Installation took place on 24th. November 1956 Bro. James Marshall again taking the chair. The Lodge took its name from the ruined Dura Kirk, Allanton and the church ruins are the depicted on the Lodge crest and their Mark Token.

The Lodge Celebrated its Golden Jubilee on 20th. May 2006 when Bro. Kenneth D. Kennedy, Provincial Grand Master conducted the Rededication Ceremony.

### PG Secretary and 1st Elected Office Bearers 24th November 1956



Bro. Albert Loughran, RWM presents Bro. Alasdair Dunlop, P.M. with Honorary Membership.