



Death

Charles Sharman, Past Master

Bro. James Muircroft , Right Worshipful Master and the Brethren of the Lodge were sad to hear of the death of Charles Sharman or “Gerry” as he was known to everyone on 14th. July.

Gerry was Initiated into the Lodge on 23rd. April 1975 and served in a number of Offices in the Lodge before being Installed as Right Worshipful Master in November 2007.

He had suffered a long illness and his general health gradually deteriorated.

During this time he was regularly visited by our worthy Almoner, who kept him informed on the workings of the Lodge. Although he had not

attended the Lodge for many years due to his ill-health he will be fondly remembered by all who knew him.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE READ

ALL Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Regular Meetings and Deputations have been cancelled until the Lodge receives formal notice from Grand Lodge.



Grand Lodge News.

The Grand Master Mason has announced that due to the ongoing Covid 19 situation and the uncertainty surrounding future gatherings, it is unlikely that The Grand Lodge of Scotland will meet again this year. The Grand Lodge Installation and Festival of St. Andrew , due to take place in November has been cancelled.

The Grand Master Mason also announced that because Grand Lodge could not meet to elect. Grand Office-bearers, all Grand Office-bearers would stay in their current Office for another year as would members of The Board of Grand Stewards and Grand Committees.

Provincial Grand Lodge News.

The Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Bill Perry in discussion with the Golf and Bowls Convenors, have because of the Covid 19 pandemic, cancelled this years golf and bowls competitions due to take place in August and September. This indeed unfortunate as this year is the Centenary of The Provincial Grand Lodge, Robert King Stewart Bowling Competition.

Important Notice.

At the Grand Lodge Communication on Thursday 6th. February, 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.



Four New Heaters Installed in the Main Hall



The Right Worshipful Master inspects the work completed in the Lounge.



The Main Hall floor receives its annual refurbishment from the specialist contractor.

HALL UPDATE. PHASE 3. Stage 1 Complete.



Ladies Toilet Refurbishment complete



Carpets cleaned in the Lounge, Entrance and Corridors



An Air Blade Heater fitted above the entrance door to eliminate draughts.



Central Heating system extended in the Lounge and three fan assisted heaters installed under the seating.

Deaths

William Scott Moore, Past Master.

Bro. James Muircroft, Right Worshipful Master and the Brethren of the Lodge were sad to hear of the sudden death on Saturday 16th. May of our dear Brother, Scott Moore.

Scott was Initiated into the Lodge on 22nd. May 1963 aged 24. He was a very active member of the Lodge and worked tirelessly both on the upkeep of the Hall and in the social side of the Lodge.

He quickly established himself in office, but resigned due to work commitments only to later return and progress through the offices again to become Right Worshipful Master in 1999. He was a great character, but also was very kind and would do anything to help a friend.

He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.



Saturday 17th. April 1999

Bro. W.S. Moore
Right Worshipful Master

Bro. The Right Honourable THE LORD BURTON
Grand Master Mason

John Buchanan

Bro. John Buchanan (Roll No. 1901) joined our Lodge on 24th. February 1954. He died on 28th. April 2020 after a short illness. John was indeed a gentleman, a regular attender at church, he was always enquiring about his Mother Lodge and assisted with the repairs carried out after various break-ins.

He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.



George Napier, RWM 1919.
 An enquiry was received from a young man who was researching his family history. The family names were Learmonth and Napier. It was quickly established that our Lodge had both names on the Roll. Further information was exchanged and it was established that George Napier and his three sons were all members and residing in Uddingston at Crofthead St. and Old Glasgow Rd. George joined the Lodge on 27th.

March 1912 followed by George (jnr) and Alex in 1920 and John in 1940. The information contained in our records were of great assistance to the family in piecing together their history. Then almost casually came the remark "I think we have a photo of him in Masonic Regalia" This magnificent photo of Bro. George Napier, RWM 1919 was received and is one of the oldest that we have of one of our Masters.

Congratulations

Bro. James Muircroft, Right Worshipful Master and the Brethren of the Lodge would like to offer our CONGRATULATIONS to Bro. Wayne Price and his wife Joyce who celebrated their DIAMOND WEDDING ANNIVERSARY on 6th. June 2020 in Strasburg, Virginia.



Provincial Grand Lodge of Glasgow.
 The Seminar organised by The Provincial Grand Lodge of Glasgow which was scheduled to be held on Sunday 30th. August 2020 has been postponed until a later date. Bro. Stuart Jack, P.M. was due to present a paper at this event.

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.

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.

A Letter of thanks from Mrs. Isobel Moore

Dear Jim,
I would like to thank you
and the brethren of
Lodge St Bryde 579
and the other Lodges, for the
fantastic word of Honour you
gave ~~Scott~~ at Delabowse.
I know he would have been
so proud of the "send off"
you gave him. Lodge St Bryde
means so much to him and I
will always be grateful for
such a demonstration of
Respect and affection.
Please pass my appreciation
to all the brethren.
Yours sincerely
Isobel & family



District Grand Lodge of Central South Africa.

On Saturday 27th. June, R.W. Bro. Jim Kerr, District Grand Master of Central South Africa organised a Zoom meeting for the Brethren as the District Grand Lodge Installation has to be cancelled.

The D.G.M. reported that 144 had tuned into the Zoom call and he was delighted to announce that no deaths from Covid 19 had been reported from the District. He also reported that all District Grand Office-bearers and Committee Members would remain in their Offices for another year. The District had donated 200,000R (£10,000) to Cancer Charity this year and would be continuing to support this Charity. M.W. Bro. Ramsay McGhee, Grand Master Mason gave a report on the situation in Scotland and informed the Brethren that interviews for the position of Grand Secretary would be taking place soon. He also reported that Grand Lodge visits to Hong Kong and Sierra Leone had to be cancelled because of the pandemic.

579 Update

At the time of publishing this issue of The Right Angle we are in our summer recess. We are due to start back our Regular Meetings in September, but we have no indication at this time as whether this will be possible under the present Covid 19 regulations issued by the Scottish Government. The Grand Lodge of Scotland postponed all Masonic Meetings back in March to comply with the lockdown and are keeping Lodge Secretaries updated by regular briefings from the Grand Master Mason. Our Brethren will be informed by E-mail and phone of any changes to the current situation. We have managed to complete all the works which were due to take place over the recess early and I am sure that our Brethren will see a difference in the areas worked on. On another note the Lodge Accounts have been Audited and copies of the Balance Sheet will be available soon.

Death.

Peter Parsons

Bro. James Muircroft, Right Worshipful Master and the Brethren of the Lodge were sad to learn of the death of Bro. Peter Parsons on 7th. July after a long illness.

Bro. Peter, Affiliated to our Lodge in 2008 after his six sons were Initiated into our Lodge.

His Mother Lodge was Lodge Milton No.1520, Glasgow. He was the tenth Initiate into the Lodge in 1957 and was the first member to be awarded his diamond jubilee certificate from the Lodge. The certificate was presented in 2017 by RW Provincial Grand Master of Glasgow, Bro. James C. Peddie.

He was unique in having six sons members of our Lodge, but also in that he held the position of Depute Master of his Mother Lodge, Milton and Lodge St. Bryde at the same time.

He was a gentleman and a valued friend who will be sadly missed.



Bro. Russell Parsons, R.W.M. is congratulated by Bro. Peter Parsons, Depute Master.