



FORUM

THE NEWSLETTER FOR SUFFOLK FREEMASONS

December 2004



Dear Brethren,

Without doubt, the highlight of my Masonic career arrived when I was Installed as your Provincial Grand Master in July. It was an occasion I will remember for the rest of my life, particularly for the warmth and good wishes from you all.

Now the dust has settled, I am beginning to thoroughly enjoy my new role. I am fortunate in having a first class Provincial Executive who ensure my own personal involvement is more than comfortable to manage. I have so far visited a number of our Lodges, all of which appear in good heart. Some are achieving very creditable results in drawing in new candidates, whilst others, less fortunate, are still maintaining a positive level of work. I congratulate them all.

I have also visited, accompanied in most cases by my Deputy, Assistant and Provincial Grand Secretary, six Annual Meetings in surrounding Provinces. Without exception, we have been received with great warmth and generous hospitality, a clear indication of the high esteem our Province is held in by others.

Our overall progress towards our New

Masonic Samaritan Fund Festival in 2009 continues apace. I have recently endorsed a plan to hold another Provincial Grand Charity Ball in 2005 (21st May) which will, no doubt, with your support, further augment our 2009 efforts. At the same time, and always aware of the communities in which we live, I have endorsed the provision of a regular supply of new teddy bear toys to our three main hospitals in Suffolk for giving to their youngest patients - a splendid idea which can only enhance our public reputation.

In conclusion, may I wish you and all your families a very happy and enjoyable festive season.

Barry Ross - Provincial Grand Master.



An informal picture with Jinny

SNAPSHOTS FROM HOLBROOK



An oration by George Pipe, P.A.G.C., Provincial Chaplain on the occasion of the dedication of the banner for Philip Jervis Kay Lodge No9300 - Friday 11 June 2004



It is good to be here on this happy day - as we say in another place PAX VOBISCUM - Peace be with you. This is an important event in the life of Philip Jervis Kay Lodge No.9300 in the Grand Register.

The inscription of the Tenor bell of the fine ring of eight at Debenham reads thus: FINIS CORNONAT OPUS which if, you were educated at Woodbridge, you will know translates The End Crowns the work, because, what we do today, in some ways sees the completion of the furnishings and treasures of this Lodge. Of course our work in Freemasonry is **never** done - that wonderful continuum of Brotherly Love, Relief for the Poor and Needy and speaking the Truth.

As we gather in this Temple today, we look around us, as we always do:

- The symbol of the Most High God
- The warrant
- The Volume of the Sacred Law
- The chairs, pedestal and columns; the Ashlar, the working tools
- Our regalia and all other appurtenances
- And our fellow brethren

OUR NEW BANNER WILL RENDER THIS COMPLETE.

Before we dedicate it, a word about this rather special Lodge. Right Worshipful Brother Philip Kay who founded it remains for us a blessed memory. He brought a new dimension to Freemasonry in Suffolk by his enthusiasm, his warmth, his inclusiveness and his attention to detail. This Lodge stands as a testimony to Bro. Philip and his family and we can join in that utterance from the book of Ecclesiasticus.

'Let us Now praise famous men.'

Sir Ranulph Fiennes the Antarctic explorer once said 'Life is too short to waste time on second class ambitions.' Philip Kay would have applauded that. His ambition was to see First Class freemasonry here and all that does and can mean in our Province.

Hugh Montefiore, the brilliant though somewhat enigmatic Bishop of Birmingham was once asked by a group of young people if he liked Pop Songs. 'Oh yes' he said 'I'm very fond of them.' They were a little surprised at this enthusiastic response. One student a little bolder than the rest asked the Bishop what were his favourites.

'Oh he said' The Book of Psalms. They have been sung as the songs of David for over 3000 years, they were the first pop songs, there are 150 of them!

The Bishop might well have added - they are all the Psalms brethren - **In the Volume of the Sacred Law**, they are pure Freemasonry - all those qualities and incidents in life, those principles and tenets we were taught from the day of our Initiation and where we received our 'infant nurture.'

- If we read Psalm 37 v 23: 'The level steps of a good man are ordered by god.'
- and if we read Psalm 20, v 5, it says this: We will rejoice in salvation and in the name of our God we will set up our banners.

That brethren is not just an exhortation, it is an invitation. A Banner to range under, to look up to, to stand sentinel.

And now a word about the Banner itself.

Well, beautifully worked by our old friend Right Worshipful Brother Richard Tydeman, at his age (and he won't mind me saying it) still keen of eye and steady of hand. He's been embroidering banners for so long I sometimes think he must have worked on the Bayeaux Tapestry! I'm proud to say we've been friends for nearly sixty years - we first met when I was 'nabbit a lad' as they say in Yorkshire and he was a parish priest at St. John's, Woodbridge when he was in his late twenties! Bro. Richard used to conduct a Harvest Festival in the Royal William pub in Woodbridge (courtesy of mine host Mr. Goldsmith) and my parents and I used to cycle over from Grundisburgh to ring handbells behind the Bar! Happy Days.

So we thank Brother Richard for this achievement today.

And the Banner's symbolism: The Square and Compasses - our call to good conduct; rule of life. And the Martlet Volant - as we say in heraldry - flying.

William Shakespeare knew the Martlet in his writings: In Macbeth: 'I have observed that where the Martlet haunts, the air is delicate. So may it be in our Lodges. And in the Merchant of Venice: "Like the Martlet which builds in all weathers." Freemasonry builds in all weathers too - even if the going gets tough.

To all these things we can add the Jervis Kay Motto: IN DEO SOLO SPES MEA In god alone is my hope.

It's a worthy motto.

As a humorous aside, speaking of mottos reminds me of the time in the sixties when I was invited by a friend to visit his Lodge in Eastbourne. Although allowing myself plenty of time from here, as I reached the Sea Front I found myself in a most frightful traffic jam - completely grid-locked. The minutes ticked by and the quarters of an hour - not a move! I got stuck behind a Eastbourne Corporation Bus and after awhile I noted on its livery the Arms of the Borough and the Latin inscription which freely translated read: 'We follow better things.'

Well, this Province certainly had something pretty good to follow in Philip Kay.

STAMP visits the Algarve

We visited the Algarve this year via Gatwick, Lisbon and Faro. The splendid hotel, Tivoli Almansor had double bedrooms for each of us overlooking the outside swimming pool and the sea. It was warmer than the UK. Dinner at the hotel was enlivened by additions being presented to the jewels worn by the Dangerous Brothers, Bill Hagger and Peter Peck, and to Ralph Robertson. An award also to Dave Deal (our Matron) of a jewel which stated amongst other things "I resign" one of his more often threatened threats. Thanks were expressed to the three organisers, Dave Deal, John Jarman and Peter Seaman, whose expertise promised us a perfect few days on the Algarve. All 26 of us had a happy evening. However, there was one unhappy member, John Martin, his luggage was still at Lisbon arriving ten minutes before the Lodge Meeting the next day.

Thursday 18th Was spent sightseeing.

Back to the hotel to prepare for the visit of Lodge of Discoveries, No9409. John Martin arrived ten minutes late resplendent in stripes and regalia. An excellent ceremony, third degree, performed by the Glaswegian Master and his Officers. A very good candidate and the Secretary who retired from office he had held since the consecration of the Lodge some ten years ago. The festive board was a grand affair with the Deputy District Grand Master attending. Vaughan Pryce disgraced himself by pouring gin and tonic into his lap - well he said it was gin and tonic! Bill Hagger replied for the



visitors in a manner we have come to expect from him over the year, and needless to say, we sung. A great evening.

Friday 19th The Next Day A full days coach trip round the Algarve. Our guide, Anna spoke five languages and was the perfect hostess and raconteur on the trip. Onto Lagos and the Pri Pri Restaurant for lunch. back to the coach and on to the highest mountain in the Algarve, Monchique. A look at the shops, a few mementoes purchased and we were on our way back to the hotel. The evening was great at the Vimar Restaurant where we enjoyed a fine meal. Regrettably your scribe did not see the following incident, he was normally in bed by 2.00am. One of our members who will remain nameless and who will shortly be Master of Lodge No.3833, was observed by those members still awake, chatting up

some enchanting Morrish maiden. Matron, fearing the STAMP's name was about to be slandered, to the delight of the members watching, approached the culprit and tenderly kissed him on the forehead. the Moorish maiden fled and the culprit looked suitably mortified.

Saturday 20th The Saturday was. A lazy day spent in the village or by the pool. There were several red faces and bodies by the end of the day. We dined at the Tasco Restaurant, and were joined by several members from Discoveries and their wives. Good food, good wine and good company were enjoyed by all. The Lodge members had made us feel most welcome and there were several fond farewells at the end of the evening. On return to the hotel, the annual presentation of the Bona Cup was performed. It had to be for one person only, Dave Deal, for "the kiss."

Sunday 21st Mention must be made at this point on the non-attendance of David Woodall who was absent through sickness. He was sent a card form each of our members, with appropriate comments on each, which we hope will be cascading through his letterbox in the next few days. We arrived back in Felixstowe at about 21.00 hours where I expect that many of us, their names appear below, retired to bed.

Des Band, David Boswell, Peter Broughton, Roy chalkley, Graham Colthorpe, David Deal, Nigel Gibson, Bill Hagger, David Harries, Geoff Harvey, Rod Hellowell, John Jarman, Mike Leighton, Norman Long, John Martin, John Newland, Chris Ottaway, Peter Peck, Greg Phillips, Vaughan Pryce, Ted Race, Ralph Robertson, Peter Seaman, Arthur Spraggons, Adrian Watts and Jack Wright.

"In Being a mason I truly became a man"

ROYAL CLARENCE LODGE No.1823

125th CONSECRATION ANNIVERSARY MEETING Friday 23rd July 2004



Every meeting of a Lodge is special but anniversary meetings more so than most. The initiation of a "Lewis", especially by his Father, in conjunction with his Father being the Master of the Lodge, made this meeting extra-ordinary. In addition to the presence of a full complement of Provincial Officers, including our new P.G.M., R.W.Bro. Barry Ross, attending his first meeting since his Installation at Holbrook School on 9th July.

157 Brethren assembled on a very hot Friday afternoon at the Temple in Clare for the Initiation of Mr. Christopher Norris by his Father, W.Bro. John Norris, the Master. It was a capacity crowd. The R.W. P.G.M. took the Chair and the minutes of the first Meeting held on the 23rd July 1879 were read. The Secretary stated that there were several meetings held to December of that year at which many Candidates were Initiated. The Master resumed the Chair and salutes were given during the course of which the temperature began to rise.

The Candidate was admitted and during the procession the JD had to put his arm around the Candidate to manoeuvre him to the JW, as there was little space. After the Obligation the Master gave a short address of a Father to his Son on his Initiation, this being a most moving addition to the Ceremony. At this point the Gavel did its usual trick of falling on the floor. In spite of the heat the Master continued in a most excellent manner although the sweat was running in rivulets down the forehead of the JD. The JW then presented the Working Tools

very well and the Candidate retired to restore himself; I suspect he would rather have remained in a state of partial undress.

W.Bro. Ivor Pearson then manfully gave the charge to the Initiate at the end of which I proffered him some water, as he seemed about to expire from the heat. A few of us had had the forethought to take fluid replacement into the Temple, this being well received by the neighbouring Brethren. An explanation of his Initiation was then delivered to the Candidate by the SD. This is a very important part of the ceremony and I believe it should always be performed and a written copy given to the Candidate. There is also available a pocket edition of the First Degree together with the First Degree Lecture and the questions for Passing, which I think should also be given to the Candidate.

W.Bro. Spencer Woods then had the unenviable task of giving an explanation of the First Degree Tracing Board, which he did with extra ordinary skill considering the length of the Ceremony thus far.

A Fifty Year Certificate was then presented to the Father of the Lodge, W.Bro. Martin Graham, by W.Bro. Ian Hutchinson in an exemplary manner. Bro. Martin had reached the Grand age of 99 years and 10 months and has now in fact celebrated his 100th birthday.

The Provincial Grand Chaplain, W.Bro. G.J.W. Pipe, then gave an "Ancient Charge" to the Members of the Lodge in which there were some very profound thoughts. Following this the Master presented a Cheque to the P.G.M. for £2009-00p, which had been raised by the Lodge for the 2009 Festival. The P.G.M.

responded with thanks and congratulated the Master and Officers on the Ceremony and welcomed the newly made Brother. He also congratulated the Brother who had received his 50-year certificate and other long serving Brethren. He wished that every Lodge could propose 10 Candidates for Initiation as they did in past times.

The difficult conditions made the meeting even more memorable adding another dimension to triumph over adversity.

And so we repaired to the Town Hall for the Festive Board. Many Brethren removed their jackets but some of us, of a more traditional nature than the rest, did not as the WM had not removed his. I was seated on the front of the stage and had a "bird's eye view" of the proceedings which, thankfully, were kept to a minimum in view of the heat. The caterers must be congratulated on the manner in which they prepared and served the Dinner in a most cheerful way under difficult conditions. Well done! W.Bro. John Frew made some interesting points concerning the future of Freemasonry during his toast to the Lodge and Past Masters. By now the dry cleaners were rubbing their hands in anticipation of all the sweat soaked suits coming their way.

Congratulations to W.Bro. John and his team and a fraternal welcome to our New Made Brother.

What a wonderful celebration of all that is good about Freemasonry, the memory will remain with me for many years to come.

W.Bro. Mac Speake. Master. The Lodge of Virtue and Silence. No.332



THAT DAILY ADVANCEMENT...

The Silver Jubilee Lodge No. 8811, consecrated in 1978, has recently appraised its position as a lodge of research. With the benefit of the Masonic knowledge and expertise of the long-standing members, coupled with the vision and energies of the more recent members, the future direction of the lodge has been signposted.

The vision for the lodge is very simple...

- to create a meaningful climate for Masonic education and learning,
- to do this through a membership having that inbuilt desire to further its knowledge and understanding of Freemasonry,
- to attract a membership prepared to use its talents to offer information, motivation, stimulation and inspiration to interested brethren in other lodges and...
- to work together, having fun and enjoying Freemasonry.

In pursuing a policy of extending our Masonic knowledge, and dedicated to two of our Founder brethren, the McCarthy - Slatcher Memorial Lecture was inaugurated in 1995 with an address from WBro John Hamill, perhaps one of our most knowledgeable speakers on the History of Freemasonry.

Annually, at this Memorial Lecture, prominent speakers have addressed a packed audience in the temple at the Masonic Hall, The Avenue, Lowestoft. On Saturday April 15th 2005 we shall be privileged to listen to an address from the VWBro Neville Barker Cryer who will speak on "Rediscovering the Lost York Tradition".

Bro Cryer took a first degree in history at Oxford, moved to Cambridge to study theology and was ordained in 1950. He was initiated into Freemasonry in Derbyshire, became a joining member of a lodge in Manchester and, on moving to East Croyden he became a Founder and Junior Warden of Comet Lodge No 7710.

In 1974 he was invited to be the Prestonian Lecturer for that year and from 1995 - 98, the Batham Lecturer, the first English Freemason to hold both official lecturer appointments.

He has been the WM and Secretary of the Quator Coronati Lodge No 2076 and in 1999 he became the WM of the Manchester Lodge of Masonic Research No 5502.

In that same year he wrote a book titled "I Just Didn't Know That". A reviewer wrote "He writes with a clarity and ease which we can all envy, and he has produced a gem of a book. The chapters address questions about Masonry, which many of us have not even thought to ask, and the information is given in a crisp and lively style. His second book on this theme, "I Just Didn't Know that 2" will be published late November.

His lectures and talks have been many and varied, covering a range of Masonic interests, viz: The Churches' involvement with Freemasonry; Women and Freemasonry; The influence of Operative on Speculative Freemasonry; The different origins of English and Scottish Freemasonry; What is the point in other than the Craft degrees?

We are very pleased to extend a welcome to all Master Masons to this Memorial Lecture on Saturday April 16th. 2005. Further details will be available to Lodge Secretaries early in January. If you wish for more information before that time, please contact Bro Peter Boneham, e-mail: b1ham.peter@virgin.net. Come and join us and make that Daily Advancement in Masonic Knowledge!

Around the Lodges

STRADBROKE LODGE 3291



WBro Frank Podd of Stradbroke Lodge No.3291 celebrated his 50 years of membership at a recent meeting when all three "rulers" from the Province were present in the Lodge. Presentation of his 50 year certificate was made by VWBro A Vaughan Pryce who is also an honorary member of that Lodge. Also pictured is WBro Antony Francis, the WM of the Lodge.



Brother Douglas Harmonic of Ionic Lodge No.31 in Saskatchewan, Canada has been attending Stradbroke Lodge No.3291 in Lowestoft for about a year, and following dispensation a special meeting was arranged for him to be passed to the second degree by the members of Stradbroke.

Our picture shows him being congratulated by the PGM.

LODGE OF DAWN 8799



W.Bro. Mike Saunders presenting a cheque for £240 to Mrs. Dorothy Goodwin a leader of the South Lowestoft Salvation Army, to assist in sending under privileged Lowestoft youngsters on a free holiday to Gilwell, a Scout Association Camp. This was the proceeds of a Candlelit supper Evening held at the Lowestoft Masonic Hall in June.

ST. LUKE'S 225



W.Bro. P. G. Gotts Master St. Luke's Lodge No.255 (far right) with W.Bro. R. E. S. Cawston, Lodge Charity Steward, presenting cheques for £200 each to Charlie Smith, fund raising manager St. Elizabeth Hospice and Ann Bunyan fund raising manager East Anglian Children's Hospice Ipswich. These amounts were raised at the St. Luke's 'Ladies Evening' held in March at Swallow Belstead Brook Hotel, Ipswich.

CORINTHIAN LODGE 3093



Worshipful Master Gives it Some Stick.

In July the WM of Corinthian Lodge, W.Bro. John Cope, together with brethren and their families and friends spent an enjoyable afternoon at Sutton Hoo. It started off with an in depth guided tour of the various burial mounds and finished with a visit to the exhibition centre, which further explained the way of life of the Anglo Saxons.

The afternoon was rounded off by a buffet with adult beverages very ably organised and served by W.Bro. Barry Kinsey.

We are not sure of W.Bro. John was giving the spirits of our ancestors some stick or trying to get to grip with the wasps that also found the buffet hard to miss.

FESTIVAL APPEAL

Lodges continue to make progress towards achieving and some are exceeding their individual targets.

The Provincial Grand Master, R. Barry Ross has announced an additional payment of £10 before 2009.

This means there are now three ways to obtain one: (1) a single payment of £100 (which can be done by gift plus £10 for the

(2) A payment of regular amounts through gift aid over a period of time and amounting to £100 before 2009 and a payment of £10 for the jewel: (3) By Pledging £100 to be paid in irregular amounts by 2009 and paying £10 for the jewel.

The Jewels very attractive, of good quality and £3.40 of the purchased price is a donation to the Festival Appeal.

Grateful thanks go to all Charity Stewards who order and deliver the Jewels and most especially to those who purchase and wear them.



MARK MASONS SUPPORT CYSTIC FIBROSIS

The Ipswich branch of the Cystic Fibrosis Trust has recently received a donation of £500 from Deben Valley Lodge of Mark Master Masons on behalf of the trustees of the East Anglian Mark Benevolent Association. This year sees the fortieth anniversary of the Trust nationally and the Ipswich branch is primarily concerned with the support of both sufferers and carers. The local secretary Mrs Yvonne Whalley can be contacted on 01394 670986.

Over twelve years the East Anglian Mark Benevolent Association has been responsible for donations totalling £73,300 to local charities through money raised by Mark Master Masons in East Anglia.

**MAKE A NOTE IN
YOUR DIARIES**

Suffolk Provincial

Grand Charity Ball

**21st May 2005
Hotel Elizabeth
Copdock**

(Formerly Copdock Moat
House)

**in aid of 2009 Festival
New Masonic Samaritan
Fund**

**Dress: DJ's and Posh
Frocks**

Cost £35 each

Make sure of your tickets book early
Cheques payable to **Events 2005**
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Belchamp Walter, Sudbury, Suffolk.
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Please reserve me _____ tickets

**Suffolk Provincial Grand Charity
Ball on 21st May 2005 at
Hotel Elizabeth, Copdock**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel. No.: _____

I enclose a cheque for:

£ _____

CORNWALLIS COURT'S CENTENARIAN



Mr. Davidson Martin Graham

Cornwallis Court is delighted to celebrate the 100th birthday of Mr. Davidson Martin Graham, a recently arrived resident.

Mr. Graham was born on 22nd September 1904, the eleventh of 12 children, in Invergordon, Scotland. He intended to be a school teacher, but after the First World War, he was asked to become a trainee chemist at the age of 14, earning 2/6d a week. Having received permission to leave school early, he qualified as a Chemist in 1927 and in 1933 set up his own business in Haverhill, Suffolk, beginning a career lasting 54 years as his own boss.

Mr. Graham married Gwendoline in 1934. They had 4 children, 3 daughters and a son. He has 8 grandchildren who give him "lots of love."

In 1987, aged 83, he retired from work. He enjoyed gardening and continued driving his car until the age of 94 - he still really misses driving! Unfortunately, he became ill in January of this year and stayed in Addenbrookes hospital for 6 months, after which he came to Cornwallis Court, which is now his home. He has now been a resident at Cornwallis for just 4 months.

In July of this year he celebrated 60 years of Masonry. It was a double celebration for Royal Clarence Lodge which was consecrated in 1879 and celebrated 125 years on the same night.

On the 24th he celebrated his 100th birthday with his family, friends and fond memories. The presence of a traditional piper also helped pay tribute to his Scottish roots. He says he has had "truly wonderful life" and has a lot to be grateful for, most of all the love of his family.

Roger Friend, of the RMBI Fundraising & Events Team, who was a guest at the celebration said: "It is marvellous to see someone able to celebrate and be happy at this great age, surrounded by loving friends and family. Mr. Graham is also part of the great Masonic family, whose values are encapsulated in our Homes, where we strive to achieve not only the highest standards of care, but also a sense of homeliness and 'belonging.' We all give Mr. Graham our very best wishes for the future."

Further Information

The RMBI is a registered charity which established its first Home in 1850 and now provides a comprehensive range of services to older Freemasons and their female dependents, including care in its Homes and Sheltered Accommodation and practical support to those who wish to remain in their own homes.



Mr. Graham (front Centre) with friends, family and a Scottish Piper!

L to R: Bianca Ahmed, Mr Graham's dedicated carer, Mr. Graham and Cornwallis Court Home Manager Alan McMahon.

The Lodge of Virtue and Silence No.332

Suffolk Masonic Tandem Ride

In aid of e a c h (East Anglia's Children's Hospices)
Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th June 04 Diary

STATISTICS

	Day One	Day Two
Distance	118.61miles	121.24miles
Time on Bike	8h 41m 04s	9h 17m 00s
Time on Road	11h 15m	12h 22m
Average Speed	13.6mph	13.0mph
Maximum Speed	31.5mph	34.5mph

TOTAL DISTANCE:- 239.85MILES
TOTAL TIME BIKING:- 17h 58m 04s
AVERAGE SPEED:- 13.3mph

SPONSORSHIP RAISED:- £3,685.62p
(as of 30th September 2004 (Total for year £11,176-87))



DIARY DATES 2005

Burns Night 26 January at
Hadleigh organised by Court Knoll

Provincial Charity Ball 21 May

PGL Holbrook 3rd June

Editor's notes

Brethren it has been a busy and notable year in the province and the various events have had a significant impact on 'Forum' and its editor. Many of these activities are pretty obvious, such as the retirement of RWBro Bob Tile as our PGM and then just three months after this we were all pleased to be part of the process of installing and welcoming our new PGMRWBro, Barry Ross. Then there has been the launch of a number of initiatives ranging from the Festival Appeal Fund and its Jewel, the Teddies for loving care scheme plus the fund raising activities of many lodges for so many good causes and of course the excellent work of raising money to donate to the hospitals in the area for the treatment of Prostate cancer. All these and more besides are very newsworthy items.

What I have referred to relate the more visible aspects of my work but I'm pleased to have been also part of the planning for future developments of Forum and ways in which news and information from around the province is communicated to you all.

I can report that under the direction of the provincial Secretary, WBro Barry Rackham, a number of studies are underway to see how we can improve the delivery of Forum to each of you, to use its content on the website, to update the website and make it a vehicle of more instant information and, if appropriate, to make it more interactive with Lodges own sites as and when they are developed. Integral to these developments is the work of the new information and PR Officer, WBro. Trevor White who doubles his role as Assistant Provincial Secretary. He is looking at ways to build our publicity machine and evolve greater efficiency in getting information to and from you quickly and accurately. Then there is the team who input to the Provincial database and those who maintain our computer system and records, all so essential to our future work, hence the reason why Lodge Secretaries have been asked to audit the information they pass to the office. It's a busy life!

I still do not hear from many lodges about their activities, remember if you want your social events or fundraising activities to be successful there is no better place to promote it than in your provincial magazine.

I am easy to contact my full address and phone is on page 8 of the blue book and reprinted here.

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