



Bahamas Visit 2007.

Our flight to Nassau arrived on time at 14.30 local time. We were met by Bro. Andrew Flowers, R.W.M. Elect. Of Lodge St. David No.1741 who had arranged transport to our hotel. Our first engagement was a beach party organised by the local Lodges at which we met old friends and their

families. On Saturday, a Deputation headed by Bro. Calum Stewart, R.W.M., Lodge St. Enoch attended Lodge St. David No. 1741 Installation. Visitors included The District Grand Masters, Scottish & English constitution, The Grand Master of The Prince Hall Grand Lodge.

On Tuesday the Deputation visited Lodge St. Anne's No. 1751 where the Brethren of Lodge St. Enoch conferred an excellent F.C. Degree on two Candidates.

Saturday and Sunday was taken up with the Food and Cultural Festival which I personally enjoyed. I assisted with the Scottish Section and was interviewed by local T.V.

On Monday, I visited Lodge Royal Eagle No. 1 of Prince Hall Masons of The Bahamas. This was the first time that I had visited a Prince Hall Lodge, which was quite different to a Scottish working. The Brethren from The Bahamas were with us in Uddingston and at The Grand Lodge Installation at the end of November.

Alasdair Dunlop, P.M.

Members of The District Grand Lodge of The Bahamas with Bro. James L. Jack, P.G.M. at the St. Enoch Installation in our Temple Sat. 1st. December 2007.



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Bro. Gerry Sharman, R.W.M.

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December Masonic Diary

Wed. 12th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. E.A. Degree by Bro. Alasdair Dunlop, W.J.W.

December Installations.

- Sat. 1st. Coltswood No. 1067
 Murdostoun Castle No. 1096
 St. Enoch No. 1288
 Heatheryknowe No. 1461
- Fri. 7th. Robert King Stewart No. 919
 Buchanan No. 1499
- Sat. 8th. Clydesdale No. 551
 Caldercruix St. John No. 1314
- Thurs 13th. Woodhall St. John No. 305
- Fri. 14th. Motherwell Caledonian No. 1228
- Sat. 15th. Robert Burns No. 440
 St. John Shotts No. 471
 Whifflet St. John No. 963
- Wed. 19th. Airdrie St. John No. 166
- Thurs. 20th. St. Andrew No. 544
- Fri. 21st. Cambuslang Royal Arch No. 114
- Sat. 22nd. St. Thomas No. 306
- Thurs. 27th. Operative Lodge of Airdrie No. 203

Rare Occasion.

At the Regular Meeting of The Lodge on 28th. Nov. Bro. Andrew McAllister was made an Honorary Member of Lodge St. Bryde becoming only the ninth since World War 2. Andrew is a Member of Lodge Garthland St. Winnoch No. 205.



Lodge St. Bryde No. 579



Visit to Lodge Mallaig No. 1056 Mallaig, Inverness-shire.

Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 will attend a Special Meeting of Lodge Mallaig No. 1056 on **Saturday 15th. March 2008.** Arrangements have been made by Bro. Ronnie McCarney, P.M. for our Deputation in the West Highland Hotel, Mallaig.

The total cost of the trip will be approx. £55. If you are interested in attending the Deputation to Lodge Mallaig please give your name and a £20 deposit to Bro. McCarney.

Fantastic. The 579 Brethren who took part in the Sponsored Walk in aid of the Provincial Grand Lodge New Caravan Fund raised the fantastic sum of £400. The Brethren of the Lodge decided to double the amount, so the total presented to the P.G.M. at the Installation was **£800 - FANTASTIC !**



Grand Lodge News.

New Grand Master Mason.

Bro. Sir Archibald Orr Ewing, Grand Master Mason was Installed on Thursday 29th. November 2007 at the Grand Lodge Installation and Festival of St. Andrew. He announced at the Regular Communication of Grand Lodge in October that this would be

his last year as Grand Master. Bro. Archie has served a full 5 year term and an additional 3 years as Grand Master after the withdrawal of Bro. Rev. Joseph Morrow. This will mean that a new Grand Master will be Installed in November 2009. Interestingly, Bro. Charles Woolridge Gordon was Installed as Depute Grand Master.

Our Province continues to be well represented in Grand Lodge with Bro. George R. Kelly being Installed as Grand Architect and Bro. Kenneth Kennedy, now Past Depute Grand Master.

Honorary Grand Rank. At the Grand Lodge Installation, the Grand Master Mason conferred Honorary Grand Rank on the following Brethren, William Craig, P.M. Lodge Buchanan No. 1499 Hon. Grand Senior Deacon, Thomas Lindsay, P.M. Lodge Griffin, Gartcosh No. 1254 Hon. Grand Marshall, Bruce Wilkie, P.M. Lodge Whifflet St. John No. 963. These Brethren will be presented with their Certificates at the Provincial Annual General Meeting on 11th. January 2008 in the Masonic Hall, Uddingston.

Congratulations

Members of Lodge St. Bryde would like to offer our congratulations to Bro. William E. Orr, P.M. who received the 30th. Degree in Lanarkshire Sovereign Council No. 75 on 15th. November 2007.



Hall Lets

If you would like to let our Hall for a Function.

Contact: Andrew McAlpine, Secretary.

63 Glebe Street, Hamilton, ML3 6UD.

Phone. 01698 458068.

(This advert is placed in accordance with The Land Trust Agreement.)

Installation Report.

A large attendance of Brethren attended the Installation of Office-bearers on Sat. 24th. November.

Installing Masters Bros. Alasdair Dunlop & Bobby Abercrombie both Past Masters of the



Lodge, conducted an excellent ceremonial and much to the delight of the Brethren duly Installed Bro. Gerry Sharman into the chair of Lodge St. Bryde. Bro. Wayne Price an Affiliate Member of 579 attended the Installation, having just arrived from Virginia at 11 am on Saturday morning, he was made most welcome by the Brethren and although tired by his long journey replied to the Toast to Provincial Grand Lodge. Bro. Gerry Sharman, R.W.M. presented Bro. James L. Jack, P.G.M. with a cheque for £800 being the Lodge St. Bryde contribution to the Provincial Caravan Appeal.

Provincial Grand Masters Report.

It hardly seems as if eighteen months have passed since I was Installed as Provincial Grand Master. To say that it has been a busy eighteen months would be verging on the understatement !

During that time I have represented the Province on almost two hundred occasions, including meetings in Ireland (three times), England (twice) and

Virginia. I have visited all 43 Lodges in our Province, at least once, and have also visited members of our Province who are Masters of Lodges outwith our Province, Willie Anderson (P.M. 114) who is R.W.M. of Lodge Mallaig No. 1065 and Raymond Steele (579) who is R.W.M. of Hiram Lodge No. 21 in Winchester, Virginia.

The support of the Brethren has been tremendous, I am convinced that there remains in our Province a strong commitment to the Craft, although last month we sadly lost Lodge St. John Dalzell No. 406 who had been working continuously in Motherwell since 1860. This was a sad loss, some may say that it is a sign of the times and we may lose others, this may be correct, but as some Lodges struggle to survive their determination to meet regularly is maintained. I believe that Freemasonry in our Province will continue, the numbers of Lodges may reduce but the enthusiasm of the Brethren will be lasting.

The Lodges in our Province have donated almost £60,000 to Non-Masonic Charities in the last year and we have agreed to replace the Holiday Caravan by the year 2009. This will require a sum of £20,000 to be raised in the next two years, I feel very confident as your P.G.M. that we will achieve this target. Our Lodge has already been active by organising a sponsored walk which raised £400 and the Lodge has donated a further £400.

In the near future, I will be visiting Belgium to give a Lecture on Freemasonry in Scotland. Provincial Grand Lodge are organising a Seminar on 31st. May 2008 in Baillieston and



we have invited a number of prominent speakers who I am sure will be a great attraction to our Brethren. Looking further ahead, a Special Burns Supper is planned for March 2009 in Cambuslang to mark the 250th. Anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns, this will be a much sought after event ticket.

Lastly, I would like to thank the Members of my Mother Lodge for their continued support and encouragement which has been tremendous.

James L. Jack, *Provincial Grand Master.*



Provincial Grand Lodge News.

During November we were delighted and indeed highly honoured to receive Bro. Edgar Moxy, District Grand Master of The Bahamas into our Province. The Brethren from The Bahamas attended the Lodge St. Enoch Installation on 1st. December.

Caravan Appeal. The P.G.L. Caravan Appeal has been well received by the Lodges in the Province and we have made a great start with over £5,000 raised since June.

Lodge St. Bryde Christmas Draw

The Lodge St. Bryde Christmas Draw will take place on

Saturday 22nd. December 2007

In The Lounge.

Get your Draw tickets from
Alasdair Dunlop