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Covid 19 Scottish Government Advice.

The Scottish Government has relaxed some of the restrictions designed to restrict the transmission of the new Omicron variant and some may be completely removed from Law late in March 2022. We in Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 have been adhering to the various Scottish Government recommendations which have been in force for over eighteen months.

It is hoped that our Regular Meetings will continue uninterrupted during the year 2022.

However, we must be very aware of the recommendations and Laws which are in place at any particular time until Government advice advises otherwise.

Brethren attending Regular Meetings or Social Nights must,

Hand Sanitise Regularly

Complete the Track and Trace information

Wear facemasks

Keep sensible distancing

And should be encouraged to take a L.F.T. before attending.

Any person who feels unwell or feels unsafe with the precautions that are in place should not attend

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March Masonic Diary

Fri. 4th. Provincial Grand Lodge Installation of Office-bearers at 7.30 p.m. Cambuslang (114)

Sat. 5th. Rearranged date for Lodge St. Bryde Christmas Draw. Lounge at 8pm.

Wed. 9th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. M.M. Degree by Bro. Ian Cowan, R.W.M.

Wed. 23rd. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. E.A. Degree by Bro. D. Mulholland, WJW. (Provincial Grand Lodge Visitation)

April

Sat. 2nd. Lodge Bothwell Brig No. 1229. Installation at 4.00p.m. in our Hall.

Future Social Functions.

Sat. 5th. March Rearranged Christmas Draw. 8pm in Lounge. (please return all tickets to D. Mulholland.)

Sat. 2nd. April Lodge Bothwell Brig No. 1229. Rearranged Installation. (sheet on notice board for tickets)

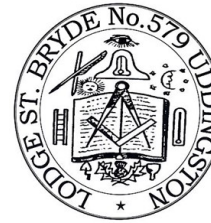
Sat. 23rd. April. Kilt Walk in aid of CHAS. 579 Members taking part. Sponsors required.

Sat. 30th. April Hall Let. 21st. Birthday Party.

Fri. 13th. May Lodge St. Bryde Sportsmans Dinner. See N. Telfer for tickets.

Sat. 4th. June Lodge St. Bryde Sponsored Walk in aid of Cancer Research.

Kilt Walk News. The total sponsorship for the Provincial Kiltwalk on 24th. April has reached the fantastic figure of **£30,000.**



History Book. Bro. Stuart Jack has received a draft copy of the World War 1 book. The book contains 318 pages of Lodge St. Bryde history and is now being checked. Watch this space for up to date information.

Visit to Madrid. Bro.

James Jack and Andrew Jack recently visited Madrid and took the opportunity to pay a visit to The Provincial Grand Lodge of Madrid, under The Grand Lodge of Spain. The Grand Lodge of Spain alternates its meetings between Barcelona and Madrid and meet in this Temple.



Outside the Front Door



Main Temple

As well as the Provincial Grand Lodge, twenty Lodges meet in the building along with various other Masonic Bodies. Interestingly, the Initiation Fee to join one of these Lodges is a minimum of £400 and the Annual Test Fee is a minimum of £400. The majority of the Fees are necessary to upkeep the premises.



The Provincial Grand Lodge of Madrid Banner.

Provincial Grand Lodge News.

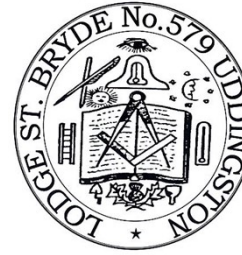
The Provincial Grand Lodge Charity event this year will in support of CHAS. On 24th. April members of Lodges within our Province will take part in the Annual Kilt Walk event from the Riverside Museum to Balloch. Several members of Lodge St. Bryde have signed up for the fund raiser and your sponsorship is needed to raise funds for this important event. Sponsorship forms will be available soon and it is hoped that the Middle Ward Brethren will top the league. Details and an Application Form can be found on the Provincial webpage or by contacting Colin Campbell on 01236 767011.



Provincial Visitation. The Provincial Grand Lodge visitation to our Lodge will take place on Wednesday 23rd. March. The Deputation and the report on the Lodge book inspection will be given by Bro. Robert Ferguson, Substitute Provincial Grand Master. Bobby is a Past Master of Lodge St. Thomas No. 306 in Larkhall.



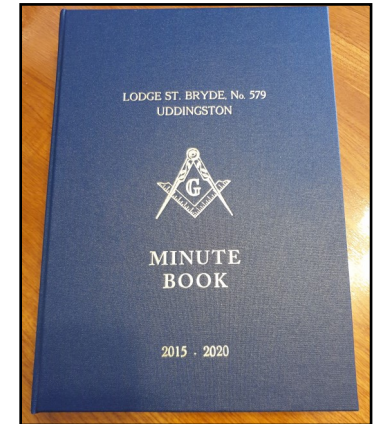
Grand Lodge News. RW Bro. Jim Kerr, District Grand Master of Central South Africa will lead a Deputation of twelve Brethren to this years Installation and Festival of St. Andrew. The Brethren from South Africa will be attending the Lodge St. Bryde Installation on Saturday 26th. November.



Lodge St. Bryde News. New Member.

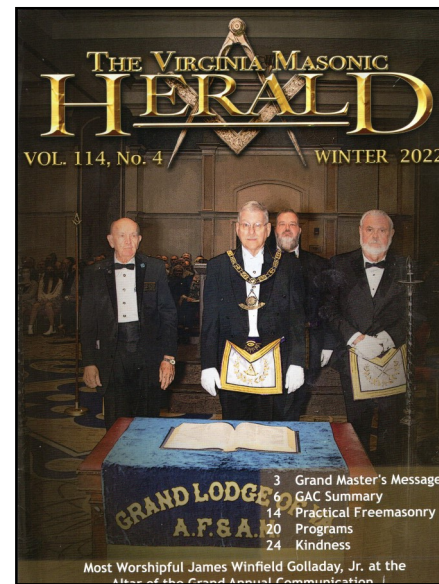
Christopher Darroch Bro. Ian Cowan, RWM and the Brethren of the Lodge are delighted to welcome Christopher into Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. Christopher was Initiated on 9th. Feb. Passed on 23rd. Feb and will received

his M.M. Degree on 9th. March at the hands of our RWM, Ian Cowan. **Minute Book.** In accordance with Grand Lodge Law, Lodges producing loose leaf minutes must have their minutes bound every five years. The Secretary has just had the latest minute book completed by Anderson Printers. Covering the years 2015-2020. The minute book has also been burned on discs and these will be available to members soon.



Masonic Hall Centenary. On 16th. Feb. the Sub Committee met to outline proposed arrangements for the Centenary of our Hall in 2024. These proposals were approved at the Regular Meeting on 23rd. Feb. the main proposals are that, An Open Doors Day be held on 14th. Sept. 2024, A

Re-dedication be conducted by Provincial Grand Lodge on 21st. Sept. 2024 and a Dinner to follow. Special Meetings would also be arranged and special centenary merchandise would be available to purchase. It was also agreed that Bro. James L. Jack be Installed as Right Worshipful Master for the session 2023/24.



Virginia Masonic Herald Winter 2022
Great to see our Lodge St. Bryde Member Bro. Wayne Price on the front cover of this months Masonic Issue. Wayne is currently Assistant Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

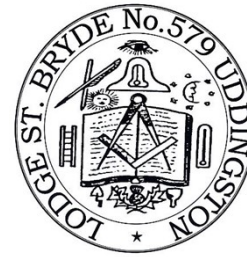


Wisconsin Meeting. The North American meeting of Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries

met in Milwaukee, Wisconsin last week and our Grand Secretary Bro. William Semple was invited to attend. The attached photo was sent by MW Bro. Mikel Stoops, Grand Master of Kansas who Affiliated to Lodge St. Bryde last November. Pictured are Mikel Stoops, Patrick Craddock, who is also well known in our Lodge and Grand Secretary William Semple.



Photo Left. This hand carved wooden chair is in the Masonic Temple Madrid. It is used when the Grand Lodge of Spain or the Provincial Grand Lodge of Madrid are meeting in Madrid. This beautiful chair was specially commissioned by a Past Grand Master for the special use of Grand Masters and Provincial Grand Masters.



Provincial Grand Lodge Installation.



Bros. Ian Cowan, RWM and James L. Jack, James Vasey and Alex Hamilton congratulate Bro. Duncan Mulholland, P.M. 579 on being Installed as a Provincial Grand Steward. The Installation took place on 4th. March in Cambuslang.



4th. International Scottish Masonic Conference.

Edinburgh 20th.-23rd. November 2022.

“The Vision for 2030 and beyond” is the theme of this years Conference. The Conference will take place in Freemasons Hall and will conclude with the Installation and Festival of St. Andrew on Thursday 24th. November and a Special Supreme Royal Arch

Meeting in Freemasons Hall on Friday 25th. November. The cost of attending the Conference (excluding the Festival of St. Andrew) is £150 for Early Bird Registration(1st. March to 30th. April), £200 for Standard Registration (1st. May to 10th. October) and £120 for a Day Pass Registration (The Conference will be limited to 300 attendees.) Any Brother wishing to attend must book via the conference website, <https://www.grandlodgescotland.com/4th-ims-c-2022> **Lodge Christmas Draw** The rearranged Christmas Draw was a great success with a good company attending. The £200 First Prize was won by Laura Jack and the total raised so far is £460. A number of Members have still to return their money, could they pass it on to Duncan as soon as possible. This was a great effort by Duncan under difficult circumstances.