

Embarking at Folkestone, he disembarked at Boulogne the same day, then entered Rouen, arriving on the 7<sup>th</sup> of August, where he was posted to join the cyclist base depot at Rouen. Alexander now numbered 316104 entered the field of War on the 16<sup>th</sup> of August 1917 with the 1/3 Highland Field Ambulance. His job would have been to initially treat any wounded or ill man before they were transferred to a casualty clearing station or hospital. In late 1917 the men are South of Arras. The London Gazette from the 13<sup>th</sup> of March 1918 records that Alexander was awarded the Military Medal for 'Bravery in the field'. It is also recorded in the Edinburgh Gazette on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March 1918. Although we are unsure as to why he received the Military Medal an entry in the War Diary by the Lieutenant Col of the R.A.M.C in March 1918 gives us an indication. The 1/3 Highland Field Ambulance who were South of Arras around the Greyvillers area are noted; *'I cannot speak too rightly of the sterling work of the officers and all other ranks of the Ambulance during there trying days & nights when, though tired & worn out, they carried on amidst all the strain, their great consolation in this is that all the posts left behind were completely cleared so that not one wounded man was left behind.'* Alexander was allowed to return home for a few days leave. When he returned to France he was wounded in action on the 24<sup>th</sup> of July 1917. Alexander returned to duty the same day. He was promoted to Corporal and transferred to an Officer Cadet unit in at Preston Barracks in Brighton, England from September 1918 to February 1919. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February 1919 Alexander was demobilised. He returned to Uddingston to work again as a dancer teacher at the Grammar School. He joined the Lodge where his Brother was not only a member but very active in the construction of the temple in 1924. Not much else is known of Alexander after the War. No record of marriage, death or fathering any children can be found.

*Stuart Jack, Past Master.*

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**February      Masonic      Diary**

Fri. 1st. Emblem Lodge No. 6727 Installation at 3.30 p.m. Blackpool.

Wed. 6th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. Management Committee. 7.30 p.m.

Thurs. 7th. Grand Lodge Communication, Edinburgh 2 p.m.

Sat. 9th. Cambuslang Royal Arch Lodge No. 114. 250th. Anniversary and Re-dedication by Grand Lodge 1p.m.

Mon. 11th. Provincial Grand Lodge Book Inspections. 7 p.m. Baillieston.

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

Mon. 18th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit Lodge Garrowhill No. 1413. F.C. Degree by Bro. James Muircroft, WSW.

Wed. 27th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. F.C. Degree by Lodge Milton No. 1520.

Wed. 28th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit Lodge Robert Burns No. 440. M.M. Degree by R.W.M.

Fri. 1st. March. Provincial Grand Lodge Installation of Office-bearers at 7.30 p.m. Cambuslang (114)

**Lodge St. Bryde No. 579**

**FUND RAISING**

**DISCO DANCE**

**Sat. 16th. February at**

**7.30 p.m.**

**Tickets £5 each**



They arrived at Malta on the 12<sup>th</sup> of June 1916. Alexander, along with his comrades from the R.A.M.C Territorial Force were heading to the Dardanelles where the British were fighting the Ottoman Army, most notably at Gallipoli. He entered theatre on the 5th July 1915 and qualified for the 14- 15 Star. They landed at Gallipoli and were involved in operations at Cape Hellas. It seems the unit soon began to lose men and on the 10th July they show a strength of 185 other ranks. By the 17th they were down to 165 men and although details of casualties are not shown in the War Diary it is feasible that he was evacuated from the front line after a week, sadly many other men did not last that long. Army Form B.103 shows Alexander was admitted to Imtarfa Hospital, Malta on the 14 July 1915 suffering from enteric fever, he had spent just over a week on the Peninsula, an operation which was a catastrophe for the British Forces. Alexander's illness is reported in The Sunday Post newspaper article from the 22<sup>nd</sup> of August 1915 and it notes that; *'Mr Alex Junor, MA, who resides at Woodview, Uddingston, and who, previous to joining the R.A.M.C at the outbreak of the War, was a teacher in the Grammar School, is laid up with fever at Malta. He proceeded to the Dardanelles some time ago, and, falling a victim to fever, was taken to hospital at Malta.'* Alexander was sent home and the report of his admission to hospital was not recorded on Army Form B.103 until September which seems a long delay. He must have been very sick as he was not posted back to the Depot until November 1915 from where he was redeployed. His records on his Statement of Disability on demobilization show that he was 4 months in Gallipoli and it should be noted that this is period includes Gallipoli as well as, illness in Malta, travelling home and at home recovering. His illness was severe and he recovered before being redeployed with the Forth Royal Garrison Artillery. Spending 1916 on home soil he was awarded a Good conduct badge in September 1916. On the 5<sup>th</sup> of August 1917 and presumably after making a full recovery Alexander returned to France.

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## Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 World War 1 Research

### Alexander Junor

Member 757. Initiated 26th of January 1916 at the age of 23 Residing at Woodview, Uddingston he worked as a Teacher of Dancing.

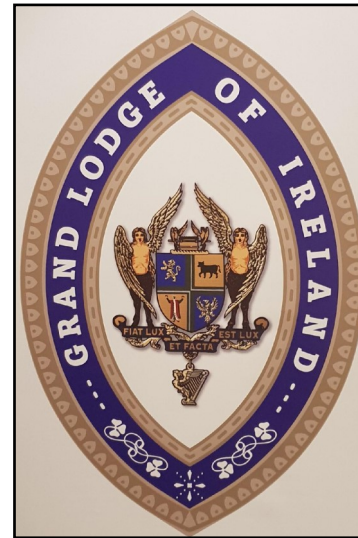
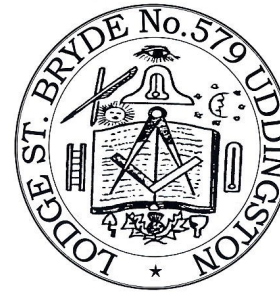
EA Degree- 26th of January 1916

FC Degree- 12<sup>th</sup> of November 1919

MM Degree- 10<sup>th</sup> of December 1919

Mark Degree- 12<sup>th</sup> of February 1919

Alexander Junor was born in the New Kilpatrick area of Dumbartonshire on the 29<sup>th</sup> of February 1892. He was the son of Francis Junor a Market Gardener from the Ross & Cromarty area in the North of Scotland. His Mother was Jane Junor (prev Munro) who was born in Nigg also in Ross & Cromarty. The couple who married at Edinburgh in 1884 are residing at Bearsden in Glasgow before settling in Bothwell. In the 1901 census the family are residing at Laurel Bank, Main Street, Bothwell where Francis (43) and Jane (42) are living with there 3 children John (15), Isabella (13) and Alexander (9). At this time Alexander was at school. Prior to the War the family move to Woodview in Uddingston and Alexander was employed as a Teacher of Dancing at Uddingston Grammar. He was one of four teachers from the School who were recorded in a report of the Bothwell Parish School Board (Bellshill Speaker of 19<sup>th</sup> November 1915) where the article names Messrs. George Johnstone, W.B. Jarvie, W.G. Gracie and Alex Junor all teachers on Military Service. At the outbreak of War, Alexander was serving with the Territorial Force. When he enlisted on the 10<sup>th</sup> September 1914 he was serving with the Royal Army Medical Corps (R.A.M.C) who were part of the 3/1 Lowland Field Ambulance. His service number was 224. Alexander spent the early months of the War on home soil. Being part of the 52<sup>nd</sup> Division they prepared at Falkirk, Stirling and Dunfermline. Part of their training was to prepare as he and his regiment looked to embark to a theatre of War overseas; but also prepared for the potential threat of invasion. On the 5<sup>th</sup> of June 1915 the 3rd Lowland Field Ambulance who had been embarked at Devonport on the *ship named 'The Karoa'* set sail.



Honorary Member of our Grand Lodge last November by the then Grand Master Mason, Bro. Charles I. R. Wolrige Gordon of Esslemont and he was delighted to welcome a large deputation from Scotland which included Brethren from Lodges in the East of Scotland. The visit was arranged by Bros. Norman Telfer and Stuart Jack and our thanks to them for a wonderful weekend.

## Lodge St. Bryde News.

**Ireland Visit.** On Saturday 12th. January 2019 a number of Brethren from Lodge St. Bryde attended the Installation of Leinster Lodge No. 141, Dublin under the Grand Lodge of Ireland. The reason for the visit was to support our friend and Brother, Darren O'Brien who was being Installed as Worthy Master of the Lodge. We have met on many occasions at Emblem Lodge Installation in Blackpool and our own Installation here in Uddingston. The Installation took place in the splendid surroundings of Freemasons Hall in Molesworth Street, Dublin and was further enhanced by the attendance of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of Ireland, Bro. Douglas Grey and a Deputation of Grand Lodge Office-bearers. M.W. Bro. Grey was made an





Lodge St. Bryde 579 Brethren  
in Freemasons Hall, Dublin.



**Congratulations.** Members of Lodge St. Bryde attended the Regular Meeting of Lodge Thistle and Rose No. 73, Glasgow to support Bro. Bruce Reidford, P.M. who was receiving his Jubilee Certificate. Much to his surprise he was also awarded Distinguished Service Membership of 73. Bro. James L. Jack was also surprised when the Lodge conferred on him Honorary Membership



Immediate Past Provincial Grand Master Bro. Tom Davidson presents Honorary Grand Rank Certificates to Bros. James MacDonald 114, Steven Davis 573 and John Clydesdale 963

**Provincial Grand Lodge News.**  
**Installation of Office-bearers**

The Installation will take place on Friday 1st. March at 7.30 p.m. Installing Masters will be Bros. Stephen Campbell, S.P.G.M. Gordon McCaffer, P.G. Treasurer and James Lees, Past Provincial Grand Senior Warden.



**Provincial Visitation.** The Official Provincial Annual visitation to Lodge St. Bryde will be on Wednesday 27th. March 2019 and will be led by Bro. Norman Carnegy, Substitute Provincial Grand Master.

**Grand Lodge News**  
**New Appointment.**

Bro. James L. Jack, P.M. Secretary has been appointed as Chairman of The Grand Lodge, Overseas and External Affairs Committee. This is believed to be the first time that a Member of Lodge St. Bryde has Chaired a Grand Lodge Committee and the congratulations of the Right Worshipful Master and Brethren of the Lodge are extended to Bro. Jack.

