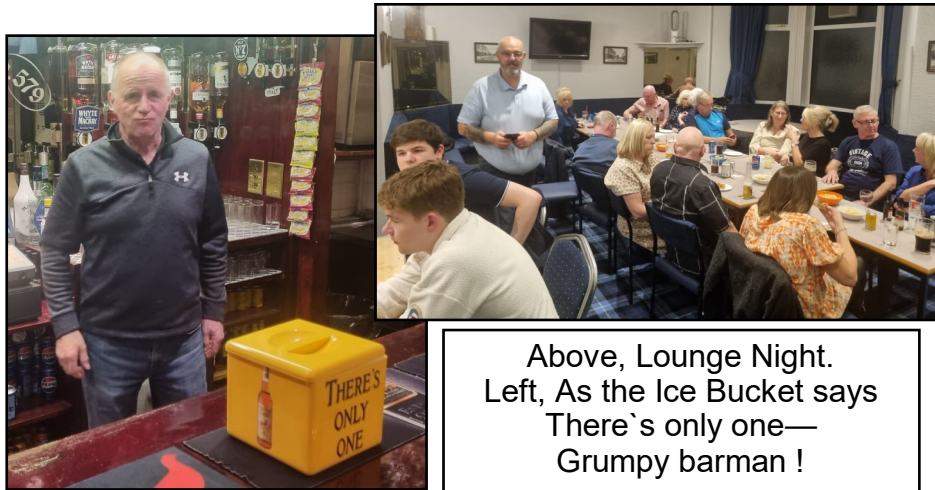


### Lounge Night 19th. September.

Bro. Duncan Mulholland, Right Worshipful Master Elect organised another very successful Lounge Night on Sat. 19th. Sept. Duncan hopes to organise these Lounge Nights throughout next year in an effort to bring members and their families closer together. Russel Parsons was again trying out his cocktails on volunteers and so far we have not had any reports to pass on to the Almoner.



Above, Lounge Night.  
Left, As the Ice Bucket says  
There`s only one—  
Grumpy barman !

### Hall Lets and Social Functions 2024-2025

- Sat. 23rd. Nov. Carla Callaghan 40th. Birthday.
- Sat. 30th. Nov. Lodge St. Bryde 579 Installation
- Thurs. 5th. Dec. Adelphi Bluebell No. 4 Meeting.
- 2025** 10th. Jan. Provincial Grand Lodge A.G.M.
- Sat. 11th. Jan. Lodge Bothwell Brig No. 1229 Installation.
- Sat. 25th. Jan. Lodge Burns Immortal No. 1730 Installation.
- Sat. 8th. Feb. Lodge Bothwell Brig Burns Supper.
- Fri. 21st. Feb. Tannochside RSC Sportsmans Dinner
- Sat. 22nd. Feb. Lodge Bothwell Brig Senior Citizens Concert
- Fri. 9th. May. Lodge St. Bryde Sportsmans Dinner.
- 2026** Sat. 21st. Feb. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 150th. Rededication by Grand Lodge at 1 p.m.
- Sat. 16th. May. Uddingston B.B. Centenary Dinner.
- 2027** Sat. 6th. Feb. Lodge Livingstone No. 599 150th. Rededication by Grand Lodge at 1 p.m.

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# November Masonic Diary

**Wed. 13th.** Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. Memorial Meeting at 7.30 p.m. (no degree)

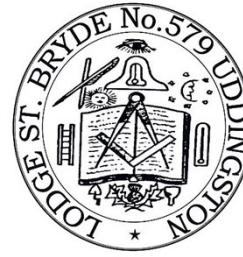
**Fri. 15th.** Lodge St. Bryde visit Lodge Clyde No. 408. E.A. Degree by Bro. James Vasey, WJW.

**Wed. 27th.** Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. F.C. Degree by Duncan Mulholland, WSW.

**Thurs. 28th.** Grand Lodge of Scotland Installation of Office-bearers and Festival of St. Andrew. 12.30 p.m.

**Sat. 30th.** Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Installation of Office-bearers at 4 p.m.

**Wed. 1st. Dec.** Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Committee Meeting at 7.30 p.m.



## Visit to Lodge St. Martin No. 1217.

Lodge St. Bryde have received an invitation from Lodge St. Martin No. 1217 in Ullapool (Province of Ross and Cromarty), asking if our Lodge would



be willing to attend Lodge St. Martin and carry out an exemplification of a Degree. The visit would take place on **Saturday 22nd. March 2025** to avoid the Easter Holidays. When further details regarding costs etc are available they will be communicated to our Lodge. A sheet has been put on the Notice Board for those Brethren wishing to attend to put their name. A £20 deposit will be due to the Treasurer. **Widows Sons Visit 579.** On Saturday 19th. Oct The Widows Sons Masonic Motorcycle Group visited our Lodge, the group do a tremendous amount of work for Charity and this year they are collecting for CHAS. Russell Parsons our Senior Deacon is an active member of the group and was delighted to host the group for tea and coffee. The group who travelled from all over Scotland were very impressed with the Hall and thank the Lodge for their hospitality.

## Test Fees

Annual Test Fees are now due for the session 2024-2025.

Fees due this year are £45 Test Fee and £12 Provincial Grand Lodge Fees for Past Masters.

## Lodge Nethan St. John No. 1289.

A date for your diary Brethren, on **Saturday 13th. December 2024**, our 579 Member, Bro. John Robertson will be Installed as Right Worshipful Master of Lodge Nethan St. John No. 1298, Kirkmuirhill. Lodge St. Bryde Brethren wishing to attend should put their names on the Notice Board list and transport will be arranged.



RWM 579 with WSW 1289





### Lodge St. Bryde Installation of Office-bearers 2024.

The Installation of Office-bearers will take place on Saturday 30th. November 2024 at 4 p.m. (photographs at 3 p.m.) This years Installing Masters are Bros. Tom Lynch and David Shaw, both Past Masters of Lodge St. Bryde. Installation Dinner Tickets are again priced at £15 (payable to the Treasurer as soon as possible as he is one of the Installing Masters this would be appreciated). A reserve ticket list is on the Notice Board, if you intend to stay for the Dinner please add your name to the List. **Historic Date.** At the Regular Meeting of our Lodge on 27th. November, Bro. James L. Jack, RWM will receive his 50 year Certificate from the Provincial Grand Master. Also on that occasion Bros. Andrew and Stuart Jack will receive their Honorary Life Membership Certificates, this Certificate is awarded by the Lodge for paying twenty one years consecutive Test Fees, the Fees can not be paid in advance or arrears and must be paid Annually to qualify for the award.

**New Right Worshipful Master Elected.** At the Annual General Meeting, the Brethren of the Lodge Elected Bro. Duncan Mulholland as our Right Worshipful Master for the session 2024-25. Duncan was our Right Worshipful Master in 2017-18 and is a very enthusiastic Freemason who through his hard work for the Lodge will no doubt have a great year in Office.



**Central South Africa.** R.W. Bro. Julian Apfel, District Grand Master of Central South Africa and three other Brethren from Central South Africa will attend the Installation. We look forward to welcoming them into our Lodge.



### Provincial Grand Lodge News.

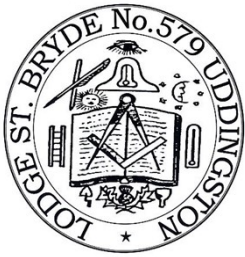
**New Banner.** At the Regular Communication of Provincial Grand Lodge held on 4th. October, the Brethren were delighted to witness the presentation of the Banner by the Brethren of Lodge Caldercruix St. John No. 1413. This was a great gesture by the Lodge and replaces the original Banner which was lost many years ago.



**P.G.L. Quiz.** This years Quiz will take place on Friday 1st. November at 7.30 p.m. in Lodge Old Monkland St. James No. 177. **Christmas Carol Service.** The Carol Service this year will be held on Sunday 8th. December 2024 at 6 p.m. within Blantyre Old Parish Church

The Service will be conducted by Rev. Jim Murphy.  
Note, No Regalia to be worn.

**Lodge St. Bryde No. 579  
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Since 1876.**



**Lodge St. Bryde News.  
Office-bearers 2024-2025.**

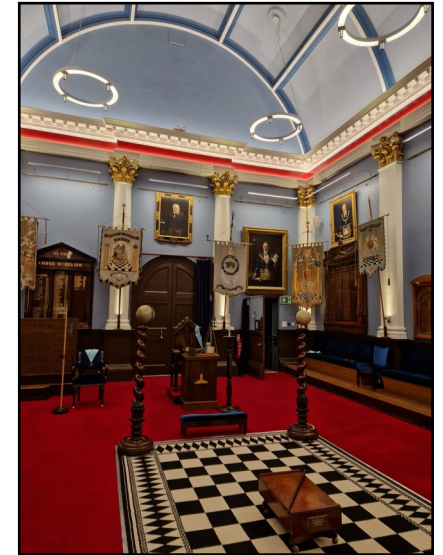
The following Office-bearers were Elected at the Annual General Meeting on 9th. October 2024.

- Right Worshipful Master** Duncan Mulholland
- Immediate Past Master** James L. Jack
- Senior Warden** James Vasey
- Junior Warden** Russell Parsons
- Secretary** James L. Jack
- Treasurer** David F. Shaw
- Almoner** John McLean
- Director of Ceremonies** Stuart J. Jack
- Senior Deacon** Thomas S. Lynch
- Junior Deacon** Robert Ede
- Inner Guard** Scott Grant
- Chaplain** Ian Cowan
- Bible-bearer** Iain Charlton
- Architect** Norman Telfer
- Jeweller** Graeme Wardrope
- Marshall** William H. Jack
- Director of Music** Andrew J. Jack
- Organist** Andrew Nisbet
- Senior Steward** Gary Burns
- Junior Steward** Neil Carlton
- Junior Steward** Alain Cabrie
- Tyler** Robert Gibb
- Instruction Master** Alexander L. Hamilton

The Enquiry Committee was re-elected. Bro. Duncan Mulholland was re-elected as the Lodge St. Bryde Provincial Grand Lodge Representative.



Instructed the Lodges not to meet, lock all the doors and hand over the keys. All the doors and windows were sealed by the German Military and things stayed that way for two years, until a thirty man special unit arrived from Berlin and entered the building. What happened next must have been devastating for the Jersey Masons. The Special Anti Masonic Unit systematically removed all the Lodge furnishings, regalia, documentation, books, jewels and even the First World War Memorial was taken.



Everything was removed and loaded on to trucks to be taken to the harbour and forwarded to Berlin for a special Anti - Masonic exhibition which was being held by the Nazi Propaganda machine. The thirty Special Unit troops returned at a later date and smashed everything that



remained. Fortunately, the structure of the building was relatively undamaged and when liberation of the island finally came in 1945, Freemasonry resurfaced and the enormous task of restoring the Temple was started. In 1946 a Masonic Temple Company was formed and all the Lodges became shareholders in the building and gradually the interior began to return

to its former glory. But what of the items that were removed ? Nothing was ever recovered, but perhaps one day researchers may find a clue to what happened to them.

*James L. Jack and Stuart Jack.*

## Jersey Masonic Hall Visit.



On a recent visit to Jersey with Bro. Stuart Jack. We took the opportunity to visit the Jersey Masonic Temple in St. Helier, Jersey. Freemasonry in Jersey dates back to the mid 1700's when Military Lodges with travelling warrants were garrisoned there. However these Lodge were at that time not to allowed to Initiate local

population. This changed in the early 1800's and two early Lodges, Farmers No. 224 and Mechanics No. 225 under the United Grand Lodge of England were responsible for the idea of building a Masonic Temple in St. Helier. The foundation stone was laid in 1862 and two years later the Temple was completed. Freemasonry progressed and a Provincial Grand Lodge was formed, which now has ten Lodges on Jersey. The adjacent islands of Guernsey and Alderney have their own Provincial Grand Lodge with eleven Lodges. Disaster struck Freemasonry in Jersey when the island was invaded by the Germans in 1940 and remained occupied for five years. During this time the conditions for those living on the island were very harsh, the Germans had decided that Jersey was to be fortified and slave labour was brought to the island to build substantial coastal defences, which are still in position today. But worse was to come, the initial invasion force



## Grand Lodge News.

**Test Fees.** The Administration Committee of Grand Lodge have recommended to Grand Lodge that the Annual Fee returned by Lodges for each Member be increased to £45.

## Grand Lodge Installation and Festival of

### St. Andrew.

The Installation will take place on Thursday 28th. Nov. at 12.30 p.m. The Dinner will take place at the Corn Exchange after the Meeting, tickets priced £80. Ten Lodge St. Bryde Members will attend.

Bro. James L. Jack, Past Master will be Installed as Junior Grand Warden at this meeting.

### Recognition Scheme.

Grand Lodge has been awarded the prestigious Silver Employer Recognition Scheme Award. This distinguished accolade is the second highest honour available to organisations who have signed the Armed Forces Covenant.

Commitment to supporting defence through service, policy and projects. The Ceremony took place at the City of Glasgow College on Thurs 3rd. October 2024.

Brig. Andrew Muddiman Presented the awards.



Bro. Ramsay McGhee, Immediate Past Grand Master and Mrs. Dawn Oliffe accept the award presented by Brig. Andrew Muddiman.