



October Masonic Diary

Mon. 2nd. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit Lodge Buchanan No. 1499. E.A. Degree by Russell Parsons, W.J.W.

Wed. 4th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit Lodge Robert King Stewart No. 919. F.C. Degree by Bro. Duncan Mulholland, W.S.W.

Thurs. 5th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit Lodge Livingstone St. Andrew No. 573. M.M.M. Degree by Bro. James Vasey, P.M.

Fri. 6th. Provincial Grand Lodge of Lanarkshire Middle Ward. Regular Communication at 7.30 p.m. at 919 New Stevenston.

Wed. 11th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. Annual General Meeting at 7.30 p.m.

Wed. 18th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit Lodge Cambuslang Royal Arch No. 114. F.C. Degree by Bro. Duncan Mulholland, W.S.W.

Tues. 24th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 visit Lodge Major Ness No. 948. E.A. Degree by Bro. Russell Parsons, W.J.W.

Wed. 25th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. F.C. Degree by Bro. Duncan Mulholland, W.S.W.

Thurs. 26th. Grand Lodge of Scotland. Regular Communication at 2 p.m. Freemasons Hall, Edinburgh.

Sun. 29th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. Annual Divine Service at 6 for 6.30 p.m. in Uddingston Old Parish Church.



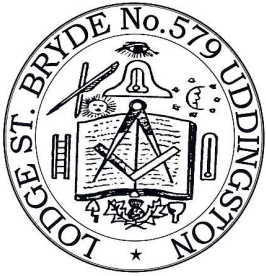
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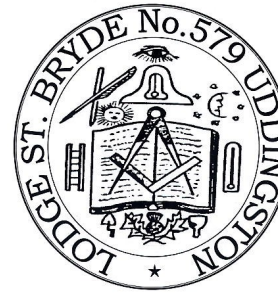
Left. Deterioration above the lounge window.
Right. Top coping stones being removed above lounge window and re-bedded.



Lodge St. Bryde News.

There can be no doubt that the refurbishment work carried out during the summer months to the exterior of the building has been a tremendous effort. Months of correspondence and negotiations finally secured a grant of funding from the Land Trust which along

with a concerted fund raising effort by members of the Lodge finally reached our financial target to allow the largest project undertaken by our Lodge since the Masonic Hall was built in 1924 to begin. Scaffold was erected on the West Wall and on close inspection soon it became clear how badly the original mortar had deteriorated between the original Sanquar brick. Mortar was also badly eroded on the blonde sandstone upright columns and horizontals above and below window level. All sandstone on the West Wall was cleaned and repaired where required. The mock Tudor rendering at the apexes was found to be in an unsafe condition and was removed. It was decided to dispense with the woodwork and completely re-render this part of the structure and colour it in keeping with the exterior. The old ground level windows which had been bricked up for security reasons a number of years ago were repaired and colouring applied to blend them in with the rest of the wall. The basement door, emergency door and the central heating chimney were painted in keeping with the building. In late August the scaffold was removed from the West Wall and for the first time the skills of the Guardian Stone craftsmen could be appreciated as the wall looked stunning as it must have looked in 1924 when the Hall was built and before 100 years of pollution discoloured the sandstone and eroded the mortar. The scaffold was erected on the front of the building and the area above the Lounge window immediately caused concern as the woodwork fell off as the scaffolding was being built !



Lodge St. Bryde News.

At the Regular Meeting of the Lodge on 13th. September the Management Committee made the following recommendations to the Lodge for Office-bearers for the 2017/2018 Session. The Election will take place at the A.G.M. on 11th. October.

- RWM** Duncan Mulholland
- WSW** Russell D. Parsons
- WJW** James S. Muircroft
- Secretary** James L. Jack, Past Master
- Treasurer** David F. Shaw, Past Master
- Almoner** John McLean
- Director of Ceremonies** Robert Abercrombie, Past Master
- Senior Deacon** William H. Jack
- Junior Deacon** Douglas Johnston
- Inner Guard** Ian Cowan
- Chaplain** Ian Liddell
- Bible Bearer** Anthony M. Hilton
- Architect** Iain Charlton
- Jeweller** Stuart J. Jack, Past Master
- Marshal** Andrew J. Jack
- Director of Music** James Vasey, Past Master
- Organist** Andrew McAlpine, Past Master
- Senior Steward** Ross J. Liddell
- Tyler** Patrick C. Clarke, Past Master
- Instruction Master** Alexander L. Hamilton, Past Master



Congratulations.
Bro. Bryce Morrison, RWM
congratulates
Bro. William Lang, RWM
of Lodge Meridian No. 1779.
Lodge Meridian Installation took
place in our Hall on Tuesday
12th. September.



Historic Visit

Bro. Bryce Morrison, RWM will welcome a very important visitor into our Lodge at the Regular Meeting on Wednesday 25th. October. M.W. Bro. B. Cole Presley, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kansas will visit our Lodge and meet our Brethren. Bro. Presley and his wife are in the U.K. to attend the United Grand Lodge of England 300th. Anniversary in London and he will also attend the Grand Lodge of Scotland Communication on 26th. October. This will be an excellent opportunity to meet with a Grand Master from an other Constitution in the surroundings of our own Lodge. Note. The last time we had a visit from a Grand Master was in 1976 at the Lodge Centenary when M.W. Bro. Capt. Robert Wolrige Gordon of Esslemont visited with the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

M.W. Bro. Cole Presley, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kansas with R.W. Bro. James L. Jack, Representative of the G.L. of Kansas near the G.L. of Scotland.

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Well Done Everyone !

At long last after years of collecting loose change, the Bar Bottle was full and it was time to count the contents.

Bro. Iain Dick had been running a "Guess the Money in the Bottle" competition and at the 13th. September meeting he revealed what we've all been waiting for !

Total in the Bottle— **£421.95p**

Winner—Douglas Johnston £410.50p

Booby Prize-David D. Johnston £740.26p

The real winners were **The Lifeboats** and the **British Heart Foundation** who shared the total collected.

Lodge St. Bryde No. 579. ANNUAL DIVINE SERVICE

The Annual Divine Service of the Lodge will be held on Sunday 29th. October at 6 for 6.30 p.m
In The Old Parish Church, Uddingston.
The Rev. Fiona McKibbin will conduct the Service.



Bro. James L. Jack visited Spurmont Lodge No. 98 in Strasburg, Virginia and met with Bros. Wayne Price and Raymond Steele. He presented a Lecture on the Origins of Speculative Freemasonry.



Visitations The RWM Bro. Bryce Morrison led strong Deputations to Lodges Garrowhill and Buchanan. Excellent Degree work was carried out by our Brethren.

