# **Mark My Words**

-- The Newsletter for the Mark Master Mason



April 2011

### A collection of recent history, current event and future affairs for Mark Master Masons of the Province of South Wales.

### **Mark & Ark Mariner Veterans**

During this year a number of brethren will celebrate and have celebrated forty years or more in the Mark Degree and Ark Mariner we add our congratulations and thanks for the valuable support they continue to give to the Order. There are now 36 Veterans in the Mark Degree and 12 in the Ark Mariner Degree.

In March the Province presented a Congratulatory Certificate to W.Bro. Donald Lewis Lewis who was Advanced in the Principality Mark Lodge on 20th February 1957. A further presentation is taking

place in April with certificates being presented to V.W.Bro Hywel Davies and R W Bro. Desmond Barnett, PPrGM who were Advanced in the Arthur Lewis MarK Lodge on 12th September 1970 and 13th April 1971 respectfully.

During this year four brethren celebrate their fortieth year in the Royal Ark Degree namely,

Stanley William Jeffrey Clarke, St. John's No. 28
George Leslie Richards
Ivor Rymond Harfoot
David Gerald Evans
St. John's No. 28
Barry No. 1043
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The full list of Veterans in both the Mark and Ark Mariner Degrees can be seen on page number 284 of the current Provincial Year Book 2010-2011

## St. Patrick's Day Gala Dinner

Over 100 brethren with their Wives and Partners celebrated St Patrick's Day at a Gala Dinner held at the Canada Lakes Lodge. The Views from the Lodge overlooking the lakes and being blessed with good weather could be admired from the lodge and balcony.

The Provincial Grand Master and Mrs Mollie Clement, were supported by V.H Bro. David G Edwards, Inspector General of the Rose Croix and his wife and R.W.Bro. Neil H. Matthews, PGJW, Grand Inspector of Works, District Grand Master, Royal and Select Master and his wife.

Fun and enjoyment was the aim of the evening which saw the welcome return of our Annual





Dinner, after Accordion music arranged and played by W.Bro. Bob Harry, (called O'Harry on the night)? Our thanks to Bob and John Starr who accompanied Bob on the Drums. Everybody took part in the fun. Please watch for an early announcement of the Gala Dinner to be held in 2012.

We also had the opportunity celebrating with W.Bro. John Beddoe his 75th Birthday.

The Executive of the Province, wish to thank publically the brethren and ladies who supported the event, those brethren who arranged the evening, and a special thanks to Mrs. Gillian Fogarty, for the invaluable assistance in preparing the room in true Irish style.

The pictures show: Top right - The Birthday Boy's Table. left - Malcolm Grant in fine form for the Big Race and centre - Bro. Viv Thomas seems to be enjoying himself.

## De Cymru Royal Ark Mariners Lodge

The Installation took place in December of W.Bro. Keith Charles Hyde, who was Installed by the Provincial Grand Master R.W.Bro. Paul Raymond Clement, the occasion was further enhanced by the presence of the Deputy and Assistant Provincial Grand Masters and many other brethren who witnessed the Installation of W Bro. Keith, who became the seventh Commander of the Lodge.

W.Bro. Keith Hyde is enjoying a very busy year, not only in freemasonry but also in his capacity as the Right Honourable Lord Mayor of the City and County of

The Photograph shows from left to right:

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master, V.W.Bro. Anthony Francis Moore MBE, The Provincial Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Paul Raymond Clement, The R.Wor. the Lord Mayor of the City of Cardiff, resplendent in his chain of Office and the Assistant Provincial Grand Master, W.Bro. Thomas Richard Eirian Jones.



News just arrived - Yes more congratulations - It has just come to our attention that on Friday 25th March, at the Annual Presentation Dinner of the Welsh Music Guild, our Deputy Provincial Grand Master, V.W.Bro. Anthony Francis Moore MBE, became the recipient of the prestigious Joseph Parry award for service to music in education. We are sure that you all wish to be included in extending our congratulations to V.W.Bro. Tony, on his receiving this high honour.



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## **Congratulations and Jubilations**

We have arrived at that time of year again when we have much pleasure in congratulating the brethren of our Province who have been appointed, promoted and have given outstanding service within the framework of Freemasonry.

At the beginning of March we had the early announcement of Grand Rank appointments in the Mark Degree and we extend our

best wishes to the following brethren.

Acting Rank:

R.W.Bro. Neil Howard Matthews, PGJW Grand Inspector of Works Sir Frederick Alban Lodge No.1455 Re-appointed W.Bro. Peter Frost, PAGDC Cowbridge Lodge No.1573 Grand Sword Bearer Promotion W.Bro. Allan Davidson Sir Frederick Alban Lodge No.1455 Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies Re-appointed

W.Bro. Naunton Charles William Liles, DepGOrg. Ysgolion Lodge No.1487

Promotions:

W.Bro. Alan Rosser Thomas, PGJD Rhaeadr Gwy Lodge No.1318 Past Grand Junior Overseer W.Bro. Ronald Edward William Bennett, PAGDC Langley Lodge No.28 Past Grand Senior Deacon W.Bro. George Leslie Richards, PGstB Stability Lodge No.758 Past Grand Junior Deacon

First Appointments:

Senior Warden:

Steward:

Steward:

Tyler:

Inner Guard:

W.Bro. Nigel Lloyd Angell, PPrGMO[Mon] Cynon Dare Lodge No.1590 W.Bro. Kenneth James Heath, PPrGJW[Mon] Rhaeadr Gwy Lodge No.1318 W.Bro. Denis Tucker, Prov DepGDC W.Bro. Martin Alan Jones, ProvGAlm W.Bro. Elfan Walter Jones, PPrGJW. Rhaeadr Gwy Lodge No.1318 Dewi Sant Lodge No.1914 W.Bro. Penry Alan Lewis, PPrGSW

Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies Ysgolion Lodge No.1487 Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies Barry Lodge No.1043 Past Assistant Grand Sword Bearer Past Grand Organist

Brychan Lodge No.1725

Rhaeadr Gwy Lodge No.1318 Past Grand Standard Bearer

We look forward to their investiture on Tuesday 7th June in London.

#### In the Province the Provincial Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Paul Raymond Clement has made the following Appointments and Promotions.

Provincial Royal Ark Mariner Grand Rank. W.Bro. J S Cochrane, St. John's RAM Lodge No.28 Investiture Saturday 23rd April 2011.
W.Bro. DA Williams Afan RAM Lod Afan RAM Lodge No.1088 W.Bro.J D Williams, W.Bro. PA Burton Neath RAM Lodge No.1125 Arthur Lewis Lodge No.585 W.Bro.D Crowley St. Tydfil Lodge No.639 W.Bro. T E Fox Neath RAM Lodge No.1125 W.Bro. M Lloyd W.Bro. G Richards St. Tydfil Lodge No.639 Neath RAM Lodge No.1125 W.Bro. A J Powell Dunraven Lodge No.950 W.Bro. D R Evans Caerffili RAM Lodge No.1348 Barry RAM Lodge No.1043 Cambrensis RAM Lodge No.1528 W.Bro. D Parsons W.Bro. K H Harries W.Bro. A C Greedy Principality RAM Lodge No. 1057 W.Bro. D J Mason Brychan RAM Lodge No.1725

### In Provincial Mark Grand Lodge we acknowledge the following Acting Appointments Investiture 1st June 2011

W.Bro. J R Bevan, PGJD, :W.Bro. D F Court, PPrGJO, Junior Warden Master Overseer: W.Bro. R J EDmunds, PPrGInspWks, W.Bro. K S Say, PPrGJD[Mon] W.Bro. D C N Franklin, Senior Overseer: Junior Overseer: Bro. Rev A E J Swinford, Proc. GChap. W.Bro. J P Childs, PAGDC, Prov.G.Reg. Chaplain: Registrar: Secretary: V.W.Bro. S W J Clarke, PGMO, ProvSec. Dir. of Ceremonies: W.Bro. R A Williams, PAGDC, Prov.DC W.Bro. H L G Vaughan Inspector of Works: Sword Bearer: W.Bro. A W Oliver, Deputy Chaplain: W.Bro. D Evans Deputy Secretary: W.Bro. J.Davies W.M. DepPGSec Deputy Director of Ceremonies: W.Bro. S C E Harries, Asst. Prov DC W.Bro. M A Jones, PPrGJO, ProvAlm Almoner: Charity Steward: W.Bro. K Hearne, P.PrGJO, ProvChStwd Senior Deacon: W.Bro. S R Jones Senior Deacon: W.Bro. M D Noble Junior Deacon: W.Bro. N Davies W.Bro. R C Adams Junior Deacon: Assistant Chaplain: W.Bro. D B Evans Assistant Secretary: W.Bro. A J Strachan Asst ProvSec Assistant Director of Ceremonies: W.Bro. A W Seymour W.Bro. W S Shemwell, ProvGStwd Assistant Director of Ceremonies: W.Bro. N C W Liles, DepGOrg, ProvGOrg Organist: Standard Bearer: W.Bro. S J Needs W.Bro. M Green W.Bro. M E G Clarke Steward: Steward:

Llynfi Valley Lodge No.1592 Arthur Lewis Lodge No.585 Cambrensis Lodge No.1528 Cambria Lodge No.823 Cambria Lodge No.823 Porthcawl Lodge No.1377 Stability Lodge No.758 Dunraven Lodge No.950 Brychan Lodge No.1725 Cynon Dare Lodge No.1590 Dewi Sant Lodge No.1914 Dunrave'n Lodge No.950 Sketty Hall Lodge No.1685 Barry Lodge No.1043 Barry Lodge No.1043 Mark Lodge of Progress No.167 St. Illtyd Lodge No.784 St. Tydfil Lodge No.639 Afan Lodge No.1088 Trinity Lodge No.1845 Talbot Lodge No.179 Barry Lodge No.1043 Trinity Lodge No.1845 Prov Stewards Lodge No.1829 Sir Frederick Alban Lodge No.1455 Langley Lodge No.28 Talbot Lodge No.179 Neath Lodge No.1125 Trinity Lodge No.1845 Cwm Rhondda Lodge No.1812 Cambrensis Lodge No.1528

We extend our congratulation to the many other brethren who have been appointed and promoted to Past Provincial Grand Rank, and look forward to witnessing their investiture on Wednesday 1st June in Cardiff.

W.Bro. M C Bignell, PPrGSD, ProvGTyler

W.Bro. P K Coleman

W.Bro. K J Evans

W.Bro. J H Williams