

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

A Time of Celebration within the Province

As we have come to the end of another very successful year in Mark Masonry in the Province which ended on a high note at the Provincial Meeting in June which was attended this year by more brethren from the Province than ever before, we look back at other outstanding events which took place since the last edition of Mark my Word.

Dunraven Mark Lodge No.950

A photography by : **Anthony Howell**
momentous day in the history of Dunraven Mark Lodge took place on the 5th April last when in the presence of the Provincial Grand Master, R.W.Paul R. Clement accompanied by the Assistant Provincial Grand Master and Provincial Grand Secretary, together with a large number of Lodge members and guests witnessed W.Bro. Peter Armstrong, Install W.Bro. John Davies, as Master of the Lodge.

The Installation was followed by celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the Consecration of the Lodge, and a potted history of the Lodge was delivered by



W.Bro. Ryan A. Williams, PAGDC, ProvGDC, Secretary.

W.Bro. Denzil G. Powell, PPrGMO., presented an embroidered cushion to the Lodge to mark the occasion.

The Provincial Grand Master congratulated the Lodge on achieving their 75th Anniversary and presented a certificate of congratulations to the Worshipful Master, W.Bro. John

Davies who was further surprised when the Provincial Grand Master announced that to further mark this occasion and in recognition for the work W.Bro. John had undertaken as Deputy Provincial Grand Secretary he had great pleasure in promoting him to the rank of Past Provincial Grand Junior Overseer.

The Provincial grand Master was not in full flight and the brethren were wondering what was coming next, well they were not disappointed as he asked the Provincial Secretary to read the Congratulatory Address in the name of W.Bro. William (Bill) Wilson, PGStB., who celebrated 40 years in Mark Masonry on 2nd March 2011. The Provincial Grand Master congratulated W.Bro. Bill and thanked him for all the work he had undertaken for the good of the Order and presented him with a small token of appreciation.

Our photographs show - (left to right) :

Left - W.Bro. Peter Armstrong, W.Bro. Denzil Powell, (with the new cushion), R.W.Bro. Paul R. Clement and W.Bro. John Davies.

Above - Officers of the Lodge. together with Grand Lodge and Officers of the Provincial Executive.

Bottom right :

Our 40 year Veteran, W.Bro. William (Bill) Wilson.





Arthur Lewis Mark Lodge No.585

photography : **Anthony Howell**

With the brethren almost hanging from the rafters, the brethren of Arthur Lewis Mark Lodge really pulled out all the stops to make their meeting in April go with a bang, not only did they advance Bro. Gary Westacott into the Mark Degree, but also welcomed the Provincial Grand Master, accompanied by the Assistant Provincial Grand Master and Provincial Grand secretary, namely, R.W.Bro. Paul R Clement, W.Bro. T.R. Eirian Jones and V.W.Bro. S.W. Jeffrey Clarke, accompanied by a full team of Provincial Grand Lodge Officers together with a large number of Grand Lodge Officers.



the surprise, when the Provincial Grand Master took the gavel and occupied the chair of the Lodge. What was going to happen next, well when the Provincial Grand Master called on the Provincial Secretary to read the Certificates all became clear, we had come to honour R.W.Bro. Desmond Barnett, JP, PPrGM and V.W.Bro. Hywel Davies, PGJO. on attaining 40 years membership in the Degree of Mark Master Masons,

V.W.Bro. Hywel on 2nd June 2010 and R.W.Bro. Desmond on 13th April 2011 the same date as W.Bro. Harry James Mars. who regrettably due to ill health was unable to attend.

The PGM spoke of their service to the Order and thanked them both for the support they had extended not only to him personally but to many other brethren within the Province.

Needless to say both V.W.Bro. Hywel and R.W.Bro. Desmond thanked the Provincial Grand Master and addressed the body of the Lodge.

At the After Proceeding at which time both had recovered from the surprise, R.W.Bro. Paul R. Clement made a token presentation to both to further mark the occasion.

The pictures show : Top right - W.Bro. Nicolas Marsh Bro. Gary Westacott. R.W.Bro. Paul R Clement .

Left - R.W.Bro. Desmond Barnett, R.W.Bro. Paul R Clement and V.W.Bro. Hywel Davies with their certificates.



One must ask what was the reason for such a gathering, well firstly in was a delight for R.W.Bro. Paul R Clement to welcome Bro. Gary Westacott into the Order, and then came

Provincial Mark demonstration Team

The team with the Deputy Povincial Grand Master, V.W.Bro. Anthony F Moore acting as Worshipful Master were invited to conduct the ceremony of Advancement at an Emergency Meeting of the Mark Lodge of Progress when not one but to Candidates were welcomed into the Order.

The meeting was well attended and the ceremony was carried out to the high standard now expected by the brethren.

The photograph shows the Demonstration Team together with the newly Advanced Brethren, Bro's Roger Munkley and James William Carter.



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Anthony Howell



Mark My Words

Caerffili Mark Lodge No.1348

On the 10th March this year at their Regular Meeting the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, V.W.Bro. Anthony F. Moore delighted to welcome Bro. Edward David Roberts into the Mark Degree.

On behalf of the Provincial Grand Master who was unable to attend due to other Masonic business the Deputy Provincial Grand Master congratulated W.Bro. Donald Lewis Lewis, Past Provincial Grand Senior Warden on achieving 54 years

service to the Mark Degree. W.Bro. Don, was Advanced on the 20th February 1957 in the Principality Mark Lodge No.1057.

W.Bro. Don was presented with his certificate of congratulations by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, who also presented him with a small gift to further mark the occasion.

At the After Proceedings W.Bro. Don expressed his thanks to all present and with sincerity thanked those brethren who over the years had shared his enjoyment of the Order.

(It with regret that we have no photograph to capture the enjoyment of the evening)

Cowbridge Mark Lodge No.1573

photography by : **Anthony Howell**

Cowbridge Town Hall the home of Cowbridge Mark Lodge was well and truly alive with excitement the evening of Friday 15th April. The lodge was opened by the Worshipful Master W.,Bro. Richard Jasinski who had the privilege to welcome many distinguished guests to the meeting amongst whom were the W.Bro. Capt. Sir Norman Lloyd Edwards, PGM of Craft Freemasonry in South Wales, V.W.Bro. Hywel Davies, PPGM in the Craft, W.Bro. John Taylor, Past Grand Superintendent, South Wales .

R.W.Bro. Paul R Clement, the Provincial Grand Master accompanied by W.Bro. T.R. Eirian Jones, Asst.PGM,



present. At the conclusion of the ceremony R.W.Bro. Paul R. Clement extended a warm and fraternal welcome to Mark Masonry to Bro. David, with the sincere wish that he will enjoy the company of Mark Brethren for many years to come. The photographs show : Left - W.Bro. Richard Jasinski, Bro. David A. Westall and R.W.Bro. Paul R. Clement

Top right - left to right - V W Bro. Hywel Davies, W.Bro. Capt. Sir Norman Lloyd-Edwards Bro. David A. Westall, R.W.Bro. Paul R. Clement and W Bro. John Taylor.

Below - left to right - V W Bro. Jeffrey Clarke, W.Bro. Capt. Sir Norman Lloyd-Edwards, W.Bro. Eirian Jones, Bro. David A .Westall, W.Bro. Richard Jasinski, R.W.Bro. Paul R. Clement, W Bro. John Taylor and V.W.Bro. Hywel Davies.



V.W.Bro. S W Jeffrey Clarke, PPrAGM, Prov G.Sec. together with other officers of Provincial Grand lodge entered in procession and were warmly welcomed by the Worshipful Master.

Why should such a galaxy of brethren be attending a Regular Meeting of the lodge.? Well quite simply to add support and to welcome into the Mark Degree, Bro. David A. Westall, Grand Superintendent of the Holy Royal Arch Degree in the Province of South Wales.

The Worshipful Master W.Bro. Richard Jasinski, together with his officers, undertook the ceremony of Advancement to a standard which was very much appreciated by those privileged to be

