

London Mark Masons 500 Club Information



The 500 Club has been giving away great cash prizes since 1999 and provides London Mark and R.A.M. Lodges, individual Brethren and their families with the opportunity to win cash prizes: while at the same time generating donations for our Charities. 50% of the contributions go to Charity and 50% is handed back to subscribers in the form of Annual Draw Prizes.

How it works

Each year the Provincial Grand Master nominates a charity for the coming year. He is keen that as many members of the Province as possible together with Mark and R.A.M. Lodges participate - as he knows everyone would relish the chance to win up to £1000 and to support the nominated Charity.

And all for a mere £12.00 per annum – for this you will be allocated a number (1-500) which will be yours for as long as you remain a member. If your number is drawn you could win one of a number of these prizes; £1000, £750, £500, £400, £250 and £100(*dependent on member numbers**). You may of course increase your chances of being a winner, by purchasing more numbers.

The 500 Club draw is made annually at the time of the Provincial Grand Lodge Annual Meeting, so over the coming months you have ample opportunity to join in the fun by signing up as individuals and Lodges. Remember the surplus funds generated by the Club support the most excellent causes. The 2016 Draw will be in

support of the four charities shown in the attached note.

How to Join

Membership can be either for an individual or in a Lodge's name, and is open to both London Mark and RAM lodges. Simply decide how many numbers you want and then complete a standing order form or have the Treasurer do so on behalf of the Lodge and send it to the address shown on the form. *Forms can be downloaded from the Provincial Website*

On behalf of the Provincial Grand Master thank you in anticipation of your contribution – and of course “Good Luck” in the Draw.

**This reflects the prizes available when we have 500 subscribing members, fewer subscribers will limit the number and value of the prizes awarded. Further details and the rules for this great Charity can be found on the Provincial Website. Markprovinceoflondon.com*

Mark Masons Province of London 500 Club Rules

Name: The name of the Club is the PGLMMMOL 500 Club. Hereafter, references to the PGLMMMOL shall mean The Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of London.

Objects: The objects of the Club are to raise money for the Charities of the PGLMMMOL

Management: The Club shall be managed by a committee ('the Committee') of three brethren, two nominated by the Provincial Grand Master, and one nominated by the Chairman of the Trustees of the PGLMMMOL Benevolent Fund, one of whom will act as Hon. Chairman, one as Hon. Treasurer and one as Hon. Secretary. The Committee shall have the power to amend or revoke the whole or any of these Rules.

Address: The address of the Club shall be that of the Honorary Secretary.

Application for Membership: All applications for membership of the Club shall be made in writing by completion of a standing order mandate to be sent to the Honorary Secretary

whose address will be published from time to time in 'London Mark News' or at the address shown on the form.

Membership Qualification: Individual membership of the Club shall be limited to brethren of the PGLMMMOL and their immediate families (spouse and dependents over the age of 18years). Group membership shall be limited to Mark and RAM Lodges within the Province of London.

Number of Units: Membership units shall be limited to 500 units or such higher number as may be decided, from time to time, by the Committee in its absolute discretion.

Membership Cost and Payment: Membership subscription shall be at the rate of £12.00 per unit per annum, payable annually in advance by an until-further-notice Standing Order. An individual member or Lodge may hold as many units as they wish. Members are free to cancel their subscription on each anniversary on prior written notice (e-mail also accepted) to the Honorary Secretary.

A list of subscribers, both individual and Mark/RAM lodges will be published and updated annually on the Provincial website.

Termination of Membership Rights: No member whose subscription is in arrears shall be entitled to participate in a draw. The committee shall be entitled to cancel the membership of any member whose subscription is three months or more in

arrears.

Eligibility to Participate in Prize Draws:

Subject to payment of subscriptions, all members shall be entitled to take part in the annual draw, held at the banquet of each annual meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge, or on such other occasions as the Provincial Grand Master shall determine. The prizes being as described in the brochure. To be eligible for the July draw subscriptions must be paid up by the preceding 30th April.

Notification of Prize Winners: Prize winners, if not present at the Annual Meeting Banquet, will be notified by post and winners' names shall be published in the subsequent edition of the 'London Mark News' and on the Provincial website. Prizes will be delivered to the prizewinners only in person or by post. Photographs of the winners will also be published on the Provincial website

Interpretation: The decision of the Committee shall be final in any interpretation of these Rules.

Financial Accounts: An audited statement of receipts and payments will be published in the 'London Mark News' and in the proceedings of the Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge.