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The PGM Writes...

Brethren all, there is no shortage of material for me to draw on for this edition of The London Mallet. The life and work of our Mark Province of London has continued unabated since the turn of the year. There have been 12 Full Team Visits for me to lead to Lodges, and 20 Official Visits by the other 'Chains'. We have Consecrated 2 R.A.M. Lodges (Khalsa and Locomotion) with another one to come on 30 April (Metropolitan Lodge of R.A.M.). At all of these official visits the Chains and I have enjoyed terrific attendance levels from the Provincial Officers so I would like to go on record again by thanking you all for such unstinting support! [READ MORE](#)



Provincial Annual Meeting - 14 July, 2022

The Summons for the Province's flagship event - the Annual Meeting - has been emailed to all members and printed copies will also be available to collect at Mark Masons' Hall in the coming days.

The Annual Meeting is the highlight of our London Mark calendar, and this year the Provincial Grand Master will be saluting V.W. Bro. David Lucas as he stands down as an APMG after a sterling period in office, and investing W. Bro. Christopher Damp as David's replacement.

As per last year, the process for booking your place is all done online, and the Secretariat team is available to help anyone needing assistance.

[Book here](#)



Platinum Jubilee Celebration Dinner - 2 June, 2022

To mark HM The Queen's 70 year reign, the Province has arranged a celebration dinner to be held at Mark Masons' Hall on 2 June. This is a black tie event and, given the level of expected interest, will be limited to Mark Master Masons only. It promises to be a very special evening, and will feature entertainment by our very own Provincial Grand Master. The ticket price is £70, and full details can be found on the website and the online booking platform.

[Book here](#)



The humanitarian crisis unfolding in Ukraine has touched us all, and the Mark Benevolent Fund has set up a Relief Chest for both Lodges and members to use for donations. Please consider giving generously to this appeal and check with your Lodge Secretary / Treasurer / Charity Steward that they also have seen the detailed arrangements for donating on behalf of the Lodge (this will count towards your Lodge's MBF Patronage Level too). Click [here](#) if you would like to make a contribution.

How would you like to be able to donate money to charity without it costing you anything? Well, there is a way to do just that. many people purchase small to medium capital goods (and even foodstuffs) through Amazon, where the prices are generally good and the delivery service is market-leading

Amazon has set up AmazonSmile which, if you purchase items (at the same cost as standard Amazon) they will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price to nominated charities. At London Mark we identified this opportunity and we are now delighted to say that the



system is fully up and running. It really is quite a simple process inasmuch as simply go to smile.amazon.co.uk on your web browser or activate AmazonSmile in the Amazon Shopping app on your iOS or Android phone

within the Settings or Programmes & Features menu. You will be asked for the name of the charity and it is the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of London Benevolent Fund. Once you have entered the info you need to, you are sorted out, and AmazonSmile will direct monies to that charitable account automatically.

We do hope that you will be generous enough to support this endeavour and to see if, in a year's time, we can show a small donation to the worthwhile causes we support.



Royal Ark Mariner Lodge Consecrations

The Executive team has been busy in recent months with a number of Consecrations: first up was Khalsa R.A.M. Lodge in February and then it was the turn of Locomotion R.A.M. Lodge earlier this month. All the details and photos from these special meetings can be seen on the Provincial website [here](#).

And there are more planned - with Metropolitan R.A.M. Lodge on 30 April and then the RAF Mark Lodge on 12 November.



Calling all Members of the Royal & Select Masters

On 25 April, the Jerusalem Council of Royal & Select Masters will see Thomas Quinn (London Mark Provincial Grand Master) being Installed by Robert Anderson (London Mark Provincial Grand Secretary). The Jerusalem Council meets at Mark Masons' Hall at 7pm and the meeting will conclude at 9pm; the Council is non-dining. If you would like to attend to see what undoubtedly will be a first class ceremony, please contact Seirios Kokkalis (seiriosdj@yahoo.gr).



John's Chicken Jalfrezi

Welcome all, to the [Recipe of the Month](#)! I do hope you enjoy it - please let me know the next time you see me!

John Ellis
Assistant Provincial Grand Master

Dates for your Diary

- 30 April, 2022 - Consecration of Metropolitan R.A.M. Lodge
- 5 May, 2022 - Ceremony of the Keys, Tower of London [SOLD OUT]
- 2 June, 2022 - [Platinum Jubilee Celebration Dinner](#)
- 14 July, 2022 - [Provincial Annual Meeting](#)
- 11 October, 2022 - Provincial Grand Officers' Mess Annual Luncheon
- 24 October, 2022 - Ceremony of the Keys, Tower of London
- 12 November, 2022 - Consecration of the RAF Mark Lodge
- 10 December, 2022 - Provincial End of Year Party

You can keep up to date with all the News and Events from across the Province (including galleries containing pictures of all the Executive visits to our Lodges, and useful information) by visiting the Provincial website - <http://www.markprovinceoflondon.com/>

Regular updates from Mark Masons' Hall on all the Progressive Orders can be found [here](#).

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