

**PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE**

**OF**

**MARK MASTER MASONS**

**OF**

**DURHAM**

**PROCEEDINGS**

**OF THE 98<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING**

**Held in the  
LANCASTRIAN SUITE  
LANCASTER ROAD  
DUNSTON**

**WEDNESDAY, 27<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018**

**PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS OF DURHAM  
2018 ANNUAL MEETING**

The Annual Meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Durham was held in the Lancastrian Suite, Lancaster Road, Dunston, on Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> June 2018 when 326 Brethren signed the attendance sheets.

The Provincial Grand Master, R W Bro Prof. Denovan Keith Wilson presided. The following Grand Officers were present: W Bro D.N. Hanson PAGDC, DPGM; W Bro R.T. Lynn PAGDC, APGM; V W Bro F.A. Rankin PGMO, PDPGM; V W Bro D. Guy PGJO, PDPGM; V W Bro D. Warneford PGJO, PAPGM; V W Bro S.A.R. Ingram PGJO, PAPGM; V W Bro P.P. Paterson PGMO; V W Bros W. Swift, A. Cuthbertson, A. Craven, J.W. Warren and R.N. Neville PGJO; W Bros S.S. Beattie, J. Bulmer, K. Liddell, N.E. Heaviside, G. Crossley Snr, J.L. Kay, J.A. Hind PGSD; W Bros K. Dinning, L. Bell, J.B. Gibson, R.S. Hodgson, M. Davis, M. Graham Snr, F. Piggford, J.R. Bayles, D. Quickmire, K.I. Anderson, G.J. Mitchinson, J.M. Nye, G.S. Savage, PGJD; W Bro D. Youngson PAGChap; W Bros R.A. Forsyth, A. Cuthbertson, M. Cuthbertson, R.M. Henderson, L. Tinkler, L. Woodhouse, F.A.P. Beales, M. Maddison, R.J. Hargate, S. Preston, G. Martin, M. Rankin, M.J. Graham, R. Layton, P.G. Wilkie, K.E.C. Howe, B. Kennedy, L. Danby, P. Harrison, and K.U. Robson PAGDC; W Bros R. Armstrong, K.L. Robson, J.T. Dodds, and A. Crusher PAGSwdB; W Bros D. Barkess, R. Armstrong, J.A. Easton, D. Marshall, G. Tilley, F.A. Shaftoe, R. Hope, L. Nevin, L. Howarth, A. Monkhouse, K.P. Dale, A.J. Clark, S. Bell and C.J. Morris PGStB; W Bro W.S. Malcolm PAGStB; W Bro J. Rowland PAGIG; W Bro A. Gurney GStwd; W Bro G. Quinn PGStwd; (75)

**Distinguished Guests were introduced and paraded in before the Opening:**

**Lincolnshire**

PGM	R W Bro Rev	Trevor John	<b>Walker, GMRAC (HC)</b>
APGM	W Bro	Ronald Henry	<b>Harrison PGJD</b>
ProvGSW	W Bro	Bruce Michael	<b>Goodman</b>
ProvG Organist	W Bro	Malcolm Jeffrey	<b>Forrest PGJD</b>

**Northumberland**

PGM	R W Bro	Gordon	<b>Craigs</b>
DPGM	W Bro	Stuart	<b>Cairns PGJD</b>
APGM	W Bro	Richard	<b>Northey PGJD</b>
ProvGSec	W Bro	Christopher	<b>Allan PGStwd</b>
ProvDGDC	W Bro	Raymond Arthur	<b>Walton PAGDC</b>
ProvGSW	W Bro	Geoffrey James	<b>Morrison</b>
ProvDGDC (Des)	W Bro	Duncan Cruickshank	<b>McIsaac</b>

**Sussex**

PGM	R W Bro	Charles Martin	<b>Wilson</b>
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**North Wales**

PGM	R W Bro	Peter	<b>Talbot GMRAC</b>
DPGM	W Bro	John Stanley	<b>Evans PGStwd</b>
ProvGSec	W Bro	Colin Anthony	<b>Lemin</b>

**West Yorkshire**

PGM	R W Bro	James	<b>Steggles GMRAC</b>
ProvGSW	W Bro	Mark Neville	<b>Holland</b>

**Derbyshire**

PGM	R W Bro	Colin	<b>Cantrell</b>
DPGM	V W Bro	Philip Charles	<b>Ablott PGJO</b>
ProvGSec	W Bro	Ralph Everett	<b>Hitchin PAGDC</b>

### Cheshire

PGM	R W Bro	David Robinson	<b>Sellers</b>
DPGM	V W Bro	Austin Westbury	<b>Bamber PGJO</b>
APGM	W Bro	Ronald Glyn	<b>Hewitt PGJD</b>
ProvGSec	W Bro	Colin	<b>Hambleton PAGDC</b>

### North & East Yorkshire

PGM	R W Bro	David Robert	<b>Clancey</b>
DPGM	W Bro	Clive	<b>Copley GSD</b>
ProvDGSec	W Bro	Geoffrey	<b>Nicholson</b>
ProvGSW	W Bro	David	<b>Tunstall</b>
ProvGJW	W Bro	Leslie	<b>Race</b>
ProvGChap	W Bro	Maurice	<b>Hatton</b>
PPGM	R W Bro	Eric Roy	<b>Gore-Brown</b>
PPGDC	W Bro	Michael	<b>Collinson PGSD</b>
PPGSW	W Bro	Gordon	<b>Turner PAGDC</b>
PPGSW	W Bro	Wilf	<b>Elliott</b>
PPGSW	W Bro	David	<b>Kirkham</b>

### West Lancashire

PGM	R W Bro	Keith Alan	<b>Beardmore</b>
DPGM	V W Bro	Geoffrey Herbert	<b>Lee PGJO</b>
APGM	V W Bro	Ian Douglas	<b>Nairn PGJO</b>
APGM	W Bro	Giles Frederick	<b>Berkeley PGStwd</b>
ProvGSec	W Bro	John Charles	<b>Bicknell PGJD</b>

### Staffordshire & Shropshire

PGM	R W Bro	Michael Richard	<b>Heenan</b>
PPGJO	W Bro	Edward Michael	Thomas PGStwd

### Cumberland & Westmorland

DPGM	V W Bro	Barry	<b>Kirkbride PGJO</b>
APGM	W Bro	Douglas Graham	<b>Sanderson PGSD</b>
ProvGSec	W Bro	Peter John	<b>Sacre PAGDC</b>
ProvGReg	W Bro	David Richardson	<b>Robinson PGSD</b>
ProvGDC	W Bro	Phillip	<b>Carruthers GStwd</b>
ProvDGDC	W Bro	Richard John	<b>Benn AGDC</b>
PPGJW	W Bro	Eric	<b>Holmes PGJD</b>

### Gloucestershir & Herefordshire

DPGM	W Bro	Brian Percival	<b>Gargett PGJD</b>
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### Essex

APGM	V W Bro	Anthony	<b>Latham PGJO</b>
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### Northamptonshire & Huntingdonshire

ProvDGSec	W Bro	William Edward Desmond	<b>Hinshelwood</b>
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## **1. Opening of Provincial Grand Lodge**

Provincial Grand Lodge was opened in due form and with solemn prayer at 3-15pm.

### **1a. Representatives of the Royal Ark Mariner Lodges**

The Representatives of the 22 Royal Ark Mariner Lodges paraded into Provincial Grand Lodge, forming the traditional triangle. The Representative of Eclectic RAM Lodge No. 39, W Bro A. Ruddell, addressed the Provincial Grand Master, giving their Pledge of Allegiance. The PGM acknowledged their presence, and welcomed them to join him in this Provincial Grand Lodge.

## **2. Salutations**

Appropriate Salutations & Proclamations were conducted by the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, V W Bro A. Craven PGJO.

## **3. Obituary**

The R W Provincial Grand Master then called upon W Bro Keith Dinning, the Provincial Grand Chaplain to announce the Obituary. W Bro Dinning stated that since the previous AGM, 32 Durham Brethren had passed to the Grand Lodge above, and all 32 were named. He then called the assembled Brethren to order to receive a prayer.

## **4. Welcome**

V W Bro J.W. Warren PGJO, representing the Chairman of the Host Lodges, welcomed the Provincial Grand Master and the Members of Provincial Grand Lodge, saying, "Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master, Distinguished Guests and Brethren, it is with great pleasure, and a deep sense of satisfaction, that I warmly welcome you to the 98<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Durham, on behalf of the Host Lodges: Moseley Lodge No. 925; Cestria Lodge No. 1151; Durham Lodge of Installed Mark Masters No. 1492; and George Washington Lodge No. 1626. We are honoured to have been entrusted with this pleasant task, and we hope that the arrangements we have made will meet with your approval. It is our earnest wish that you will thoroughly enjoy a very happy and successful meeting."

In his reply the R W Provincial Grand Master thanked W Bro Warren for his welcome, and extended his thanks to the Brethren of the Host Lodges for their arrangements. The Provincial Grand Master then extended a general welcome to the guests from other Provinces and to the Heads of Orders in Durham, making particular reference to those who were in attendance in their new capacities or for the first time at our AGM.

## **5. Minutes**

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Durham held at Dunston on Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017, and the minutes of the Especial Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons held at Durham Masonic Hall on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018 were taken as read, confirmed, and signed on the motion of W Bro I.W. Turnbull, Worshipful Master, Woodhave Tyne Dock Lodge No. 362, and seconded by W Bro J.M. Burdess, Worshipful Master, Barnard Castle Lodge No. 778.

## **6. Letters of Apology**

The Provincial Grand Secretary announced receipt of many letters of apology from Provincial Grand Masters, Deputy Provincial Grand Masters, Assistant Provincial Grand Masters and Provincial Grand Secretaries.

The following apologies were received from Brethren of the Province of Durham:-

V W Bro F. Richardson	V W Bro J.A. Armstrong	V W Bro D.A. Wright	V W Bro A. Hall
W Bro G. Clark	W Bro J.B. Mitchinson	W Bro R.F. Knight	W Bro I. Morrison
W Bro R.G. Snaith	W Bro L.H. Stewart	W Bro P.S. Usher	W Bro E. Coupland
W Bro J.A. Dixon	W Bro D. Brown	W Bro W. Norwood	W Bro T. Hall
W Bro M.D. Ormiston	W Bro R.C. Brown	W Bro M.J. Gilpin	W Bro G. Morl
W Bro D.J. Sinclair	W Bro R. Proctor	W Bro M.R. Hayton	W Bro K. Musgrove
W Bro K. Bibby	W Bro J. Lloyd	W Bro S. Clark	W Bro S.J. Mullen
W Bro L.B. Annis	W Bro M. Buck		

## **7. Roll of Provincial Grand Officers**

The Provincial Grand Secretary announced that all of the Current Acting Provincial Grand Officers were present, with the exception of 4, who had tendered apologies for their own good reasons.

## **8. Roll of Mark Lodges**

The Provincial Grand Secretary announced that all of the 43 Mark Lodges in the Province were represented at the Meeting, and that satisfactory reports had been received from each of them.

## **9. Provincial Grand Secretary's Report**

The Provincial Grand Secretary presented the following report. (See accompanying report).

W Bro M. El Menabawey, Worshipful Master, Eclectic Lodge No. 39, proposed, and W Bro P.T. Lightfoot, Worshipful Master of William Todd Lodge No. 929, seconded the proposition that the Secretary's report be taken as read and accepted. This proposal was carried.

#### **10. Provincial Grand Treasurer's Report**

The Provincial Grand Treasurer read his Report and presented the following Statement of Accounts. (See accompanying financial statements).

W Bro M.I. Hamilton, Worshipful Master, Harte Lodge No. 740, proposed, and W Bro J. Higginbottom, Worshipful Master, Unity Lodge No. 827, seconded the proposition that the Treasurer's Report and Statement of Accounts be received, and adopted, and that the thanks of Provincial Grand Lodge be accorded to the Treasurer and to the Auditors for their services. This proposal was carried.

#### **11. General Purposes Committee Report**

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee was held in the Lancastrian Suite, Lancaster Road, Dunston, on Wednesday, 27th June 2018 at 2.00 p.m., when the Provincial Grand Master, R W Bro Prof. D K Wilson presided.

The Minutes of the Meeting held at Dunston on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017, having been presented, were taken as read, confirmed, and signed as a correct record. The Provincial Grand Treasurer, W Bro G. J. Mitchinson, PGJD, presented the Statement of Accounts which had been previously circulated. The Accounts were received and recommended for adoption by Provincial Grand Lodge, and thanks were recorded to the Treasurer.

W Bro C.G. Richardson, Worshipful Master Moseley Lodge No. 925, proposed, and W Bro J.W. Lonsdale, Worshipful Master Walton Lodge No. 1106, seconded the proposition that the Report be received, adopted, and that the recommendations contained therein be approved. The proposal was carried.

#### **12. Report of Benevolent Committee**

W Bro D.N. Hanson PAGDC, Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Chairman of the Benevolent Committee, presented the Report. (See accompanying report and balance sheet).

The recommendations which had been made by the Benevolent Committee and which were contained within the Report were put for approval, and accepted by the assembled Brethren.

#### **Donations**

The Provincial Grand Master, R W Bro Prof. Denovan Keith Wilson stated that a donation of £6,000 towards the MBF Festival for 2019 had been sent to the Province of Sussex. R W Bro C.M. Wilson, PGM for Sussex, acknowledged receipt of this money, and thanked the Provincial Grand Master for the generous donation, stating that he hoped to see a good number of Durham Brethren in Brighton next year.

The Provincial Grand Master, R W Bro Prof. Denovan Keith Wilson, then presented a cheque for £2,500 to R W Bro N.E. Heaviside (PGM Craft) towards the 2021 Craft Festival, this being the 6<sup>th</sup> of 9 donations. R W Bro Heaviside thanked the Provincial Grand Master, and the Mark Master Masons of Durham, for their continued generosity.

The Provincial Grand Master, R W Bro Prof. Denovan Keith Wilson, then requested the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies to present W Bro Joseph Alan Hind PGSD to him. W Bro Hind was then presented with his Diamond Patron collarette and jewel to mark his continued donations to the Mark Benevolent Fund.

#### **13. Nomination of Representatives**

The following two Brethren were nominated by the Provincial Grand Master to serve on the Benevolent Committee of the Province: V W Bro Stuart Andrew Raymond Ingram PGJO, PAPGM, and W Bro Keith Liddell PGSD.

#### **14. Election of Treasurer**

Their being only one nomination received for the office of Provincial Grand Treasurer, the Provincial Grand Master declared W Bro Graham John Mitchinson PGJD, Past Master of Percy Lodge No. 122, duly elected.

#### **15. Election of Auditors**

W Bro D.J. Anderson, Worshipful Master of Cestria Lodge No. 1151, proposed, and W Bro N.A. Marshall, Worshipful Master of George Washington Lodge No. 1626, seconded the proposition that, UHY Torgersens Chartered Accountants, of Somerford Buildings, Norfolk Street, Sunderland be elected Auditors for the ensuing year. This proposal was carried.

#### **16. Reappointment of Deputy Provincial Grand Master.**

The Provincial Grand Master reappointed W Bro David Nigel Hanson PAGDC as Deputy Provincial Grand Master for the ensuing year.

### **17. Reappointment of Assistant Provincial Grand Master.**

The Provincial Grand Master reappointed W Bro Ronald Trevor Lynn PAGDC as Assistant Provincial Grand Master for the ensuing year.

### **18. Appointment of Officers**

The Provincial Grand Master then proceeded with the Investiture of Provincial Officers. (See accompanying list). Salutations to the newly appointed officers were conducted by W Bro M Davis, Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies.

### **19. Provincial Grand Master's Address**

The Provincial Grand Master then addressed the Meeting.

At the end of his Address, the Provincial Grand Master explained the introduction of a 'Travelling Gavel' for the Province, and asked the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies to present W Bro Alan Ruddell, and W Bro William James Bell, Worshipful Master of St Andrew's Lodge No. 854, to him. W Bro Ruddell had been responsible for the designing and making of the 'Travelling Gavel', and duly presented it to the Provincial Grand Master as a gift to the Province. The Provincial Grand Master thanked W Bro Ruddell for his efforts, praising his skill and craftsmanship, and then asked him to present it to W Bro Bell, as St Andrew's Lodge had been selected by ballot as the first recipients.

### **20. Invitation**

The Provincial Grand Master received and accepted an invitation from W Bro W.J. Bell, Worshipful Master of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 854, to hold the 2019 Annual Meeting under the banners of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 854, Elevation Lodge No. 1112, St. Aidan Lodge No. 1145, and Ryton Lodge No. 1714, on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at The Lancastrian Suite, Dunston.

### **21. Collection**

A collection was taken for the Mark Benevolent Fund, which when enhanced by Gift Aid Tax relief, gave a total amount of £1,842-15.

### **22. Address by the St. John Ambulance Service**

Provincial Grand Lodge was then "Called Off". The Tyler admitted Dr. Gillian Willmore (Chair of the Durham County Priory Group), and Mr. Graham Ellis (Training Delivery Manager, St. John Ambulance Service). Dr. Willmore was invited to address Provincial Grand Lodge. In her Address, she thanked all Mark Master Masons for their continued and generous support for the St. John Ambulance Service, and went on to explain how our latest donation of £3.3m had come at just the right time due to cut-backs in their funding from the NHS. Mr Ellis then addressed the assembled Brethren. Again, he thanked all Mark Masons for their support, and briefly outlined his role in the Service. The Provincial Grand Master then presented a cheque for £500 to Dr. Willmore which was to be used towards the maintenance and upkeep of the Small Treatment Centre which the Durham branch of St. John Ambulance Service had received in January. Dr. Willmore and Mr. Ellis then retired from Provincial Grand Lodge. Provincial Grand Lodge was "Called On". Later in the day, V W Bro R.N. Neville PGJO, Provincial Charity Steward, presented a cheque for £100 to the two St. John Ambulance Service Officers who were on duty throughout our Provincial Meeting.

### **23. Vote of Thanks**

W Bro Ronald Trevor Lynn APGM gave the Vote of Thanks, in which he thanked the Host Lodges, the Grand Stewards' Lodge, the members of the Secretariat, and the members of the DC's Team for their hard work and commitment to making the day a success.

### **24. Any other business**

The Provincial Grand Secretary gave Notice of Motion that proposals for changes to the By-Laws of the General Purposes Committee will be brought before the next Annual General Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge. He then stated that he had no other business to bring before Provincial Grand Lodge.

### **25. Closing of Provincial Grand Lodge**

Provincial Grand Lodge was then closed in due form at 5.37pm and with solemn prayer. The Brethren joined in singing the Closing Ode and the first verse of the National Anthem.

The exit procession was formed by W Bro M Davis, Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, during which the Provincial Grand Master invited V W Bro Anthony Craven to accompany him in the procession

*Allan Gurney*

Grand Steward, PPrGSW, Provincial Grand Secretary

# PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE of MARK MASTER MASONS of DURHAM

## ***R. W. Bro. Prof. D K Wilson*** ***Provincial Grand Master***

### **Report of the Provincial Grand Secretary to the Provincial Grand Lodge held in the Lancastrian Suite, Lancaster Road, Dunston, Gateshead NE11 9JR on Wednesday, 27th June 2018.**

I present my Second Report to the Provincial Grand Mark Lodge of Durham. Since my appointment as Provincial Grand Secretary on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2016 it has been a very busy but enjoyable eighteen months. Our Provincial Grand Master now presides over his fourth Mark Annual Meeting and has continued to lead the Province with many new initiatives, and has made further changes to his Executive Team. It has been another busy year for the Mark Provincial Team, with 22 visits made during the year.

At our last Annual Meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017, following the retirement of VW Bro Stuart Andrew Raymond Ingram, PGJO, W Bro David Nigel Hanson, AGDC, was installed as Assistant Provincial Grand Master.

On 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018, following the retirement of VW Bro Danny Guy, PGJO, W Bro David Nigel Hanson, AGDC, APGM, was installed as Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and W Bro Ronald Trevor Lynn, PPrGSW, ProvGSec, was installed as Assistant Provincial Grand Master at an Especial Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge held at Durham Masonic Hall. At the same Meeting W Bro Allan Gurney, PPGSW, ProvGReg, was invested as Provincial Grand Secretary and W Bro Malcolm Donald Ormiston, ProvGStwd was invested as Provincial Grand Registrar.

This Especial Meeting held at Durham was a splendid formal occasion attended by 105 Brethren, who shortly after the closing of Provincial Grand Lodge, attended Dunelm Mark Lodge No 356 on a Provincial Visit, to round off a truly memorable evening. My sincere thanks go to Dunelm Mark Lodge and the Durham Masonic Hall Management Team for being such great Hosts for the evening.

#### Lodge Visits

The Provincial Grand Master appreciates the support from his Active Team of Provincial Officers which has enabled him to lead Provincial Deputation Visits to the following Mark Lodges; Durham Lodge of Provincial Grand Stewards No 1820, Staindrop No 1274, George Washington No 1626, Darlington 250, Stanhope No 1551, Harte No 740, Durham Lodge of Installed Masters No 1492, Industry No 293, Bernard Gilpin No 860, St. Lawrence 1093, Eclectic No 39, Hackworth 761, St. Aidan No 1145, Elevation 1112, Ravensworth 718, Ferryhill No 1560, St. Thomas No 1511, Ryton 1714, Barnard Castle No 778, St. Andrew's No 854, Dunelm No 356 and Penshaw No 1055.

The Annual Festival of the Durham Mark Lodge of Instruction will be held at Shiney Row on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018, where VW Bro. Anthony Craven PGJO, ProvGDC, will be appointed as President.

During the last year, 3 Certificates of 50 years of membership of the order were presented to:-

Anthony Craven; Elevation Mark Lodge No. 1112.

Joseph William White; Hackworth Mark Lodge No. 761.

Selwyn Smith Beattie; St. Andrew's Mark Lodge No. 854.

#### **Installations**

The Provincial Grand Master was represented at all the Mark Lodge Installation Meetings and the reports of those representing indicated that the Ceremonies were again of a high standard and well conducted in the majority of cases. Thanks are extended to all those Brethren who represented the Provincial Grand Master so ably and to the Lodges for the courteous and friendly manner in which the representatives were received.

#### **Membership**

The Membership at the end of 2016 was 1233 and by the end of 2017 had fallen to 1218. This decrease in Membership of 15 represents 1.2% of the Membership.

If we consider that 18 Brethren passed to the "Grand Lodge Above", and we had 51 resignations, then clearly resignations is an issue which needs to be and is already being addressed. The launch of "Four Steps to the Mark" earlier this year should ensure that recruitment will continue to be given high priority.

# Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Durham

## Summary of Annual Returns of Lodges Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017

No.	LODGE	Total Members Installation 2016	A	J	R	D	Ex	HM	Total Members Installation 2017
39	Eclectic	25	1	0	2	0	0	0	24
122	Percy	20	1	4	2	0	0	0	23
124	Union	25	0	0	1	1	0	0	23
250	Darlington	23	0	0	3	0	1	0	19
293	Industry	30	0	0	1	1	2	0	26
356	Dunelm	43	2	0	1	0	0	1	43
362	Wouldhave Tyne Dock	43	2	3	1	0	0	1	46
596	Auckland	25	0	0	3	0	0	1	21
605	Bede	30	2	0	0	2	1	0	29
701	Jarrow	42	2	1	5	1	1	0	38
718	Ravensworth	21	1	0	0	1	0	0	21
740	Harte	24	1	2	2	1	1	0	23
761	Hackworth	41	1	0	2	0	0	0	40
778	Barnard Castle	22	0	1	0	0	2	0	21
827	Unity	19	0	2	0	0	0	0	21
846	Steadfast	28	0	0	2	1	0	0	25
854	St. Andrew's	32	3	0	2	0	0	0	33
860	Bernard Gilpin	21	1	1	0	0	0	0	23
896	Clavering	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
925	Moseley	29	0	0	1	0	0	0	28
929	William Todd	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	32
930	Castle Eden	38	0	0	3	0	0	0	35
981	Spennymoor	25	1	0	0	0	0	0	26
1015	Ernest Dixon	23	1	1	0	0	0	1	24
1055	Penshaw	17	2	1	0	2	0	0	18
1093	St. Lawrence	13	0	0	2	0	0	0	11
1106	Walton	34	0	0	1	0	1	0	32
1112	Elevation	30	0	0	0	1	0	0	29
1145	St. Aidan	22	0	0	1	1	0	0	20
1151	Cestria	54	2	0	3	0	0	0	53
1269	Ambrose Crowley	41	2	1	2	1	0	1	40
1271	Shipley	23	1	0	0	0	0	0	24
1274	Staindrop	16	1	0	3	0	0	0	14
1339	Hebburn	19	0	0	1	1	0	0	17
1492	Durham L of I M	48	0	6	2	2	0	0	50
1511	St. Thomas	19	1	0	1	0	0	0	19
1551	Stanhope	31	1	2	2	0	1	0	31
1560	Ferryhill	31	0	0	0	1	0	0	30
1626	George Washington	24	0	0	1	0	1	0	22
1714	Ryton	27	2	1	0	0	0	0	30
1806	Chief of the Builders	56	0	10	0	1	0	0	65
1820	Provincial Stewards	22	0	3	0	0	0	0	25
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		<b>1233</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1218</b>



## Mark Grand Lodge Honours

The Most Worshipful Grand Master has been pleased to appoint the following Brethren from this Province, at the Annual Investiture Meeting of Mark Grand Lodge on Tuesday 12th June 2018:

Grand Steward - **Allan Gurney**, Unity 827  
Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies - **Lionel Danby**, Percy 122  
Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies - **Peter Harrison**, Auckland 596  
Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies - **Ronald Trevor Lynn**, Walton 1106  
Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies - **Kenneth Urquhart Robson**, Wouldhave T Dock 362  
Past Grand Standard Bearer - **Stephen Bell**, Ravensworth 718  
Past Grand Standard Bearer - **Christopher James Morris**, George Washington 1626

Congratulations are extended to all the above with the wish that they have good health to enjoy their preferment and the determination to continue to work hard for the betterment of the order.

## Obituary

The Province has also suffered the loss of many Mark Brethren, whose names are hereafter recorded: We acknowledge the service they gave to the order in general and to this Province in particular.

W. Bro. M. W. Biott	PPrGSwdB	Ferryhill No. 1560
W. Bro. S. Cowie	PPrGJW,	Penshaw No. 1055
W. Bro. E. Hold	PPrGJW	Ravensworth No. 718
W. Bro. J. L. Thompson	PPGReg	Bede No. 605
W. Bro. L. Douglas	PGSD, PPrGJW	Hackworth No. 761
V. W. Bro. Dr. G. Birch	PGSO, PDPGM	Elevation No. 1112
Bro. T. H. Roe		Barnard Castle No. 778
W. Bro. N. Watson	PPrGSW	Dunelm No. 356
W. Bro. J. R. Harrison	PGJD, PPrGJW	Jarrow No. 701
W. Bro. J. Whitaker	PPrGJD	Industry No. 293
W. Bro. D. W. Gibbins	PGStB, PPrGMO	Ernest Dixon No. 1015
Bro. C. V. Scott	PPrGSwdB	Ambrose Crowley No. 1269
W. Bro. G. Cuthbertson	PPrGJO	Union No. 124
W. Bro. J. Huntley		Moseley No. 925
W. Bro. W. A. Hutton	PAGIG, PPrGJW	Castle Eden No. 930
W. Bro. D. W. Easton	PPrGJW	Elevation No. 1112
W. Bro. G. M. Armstrong	PPrGSW	Spennymoor No. 981
Bro. R. Cook	PPrAGStB	Bernard Gilpin No. 860
Bro. T. K. G. Scorer		St. Aidan No. 1145
W. Bro. W. A. Jones	PGStB	Dunelm No. 356
Bro. S. W. Brunton		Ambrose Crowley No. 1269
Bro. K. Wright		Ambrose Crowley No. 1269
W. Bro. B. Ditchburn	PPrGSwdB	Ernest Dixon No. 1015
W. Bro. J. Swinhoe	PPrGSO	Clavering No. 896
Bro. A. W. Chambers		George Washington No. 1626
W. Bro. G. M. Maddison	PPrGIWks	St. Aidan No. 1145
W. Bro. C. Robinson	PPrGJO	Elevation No. 1112
W. Bro. T. R. Scott	PAGStB, PPrGJW	Ravensworth No. 718
Bro. G. C. Slater		Ryton No. 1714
W. Bro. J. L. Nicol	PPrGJO	Jarrow No. 701
Bro. T. F. Jameson	PPrGJD	Walton No. 1106
R. W. Bro. J. P. Croft	PastPGM	Wouldhave TyneDock No 362

“THEY REST FROM THEIR LABOURS AND THEIR GOOD WORKS DO FOLLOW THEM,  
THANKS BE TO GOD THEY HAVE MARKED WELL”

## **Visits to Other Provinces (13)**

The Province has been represented at the Annual Meetings of the following Provinces:- Northumberland; Spain; North & East Yorkshire; Cheshire; Lincolnshire; West Yorkshire; West Lancashire; Derbyshire; Leicester & Rutland; East Lancashire; North Wales; Cumberland & Westmorland; and Staffordshire & Shropshire. In addition the Province of Durham will be well represented at the 150th Annual Mark Benevolent Festival Meeting hosted by the Province of Lincolnshire.

## **Other Events**

On Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2018 over 50 Mark Masons and their partners attended a Dedication and Handover Ceremony at the Gateshead Headquarters of St. John Ambulance Service. The keys to a Small Treatment Centre vehicle were handed over by our PGM, R W Bro Prof. Denovan Keith Wilson, on behalf of the Mark Benevolent Fund.

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018 a Social Evening for Grand Officers and their partners in both the Mark and Royal Ark Mariner degrees, was held at the Masonic Chambers, Ferryhill. The event was well attended and enjoyed by everyone present. Our thanks are extended to W. Bro. John M Nye for his organisation and the Ferryhill Lodge volunteers who ensured the success of the evening.

On Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2018 the Annual Mark Gala Dinner was held at Spennymoor Town Hall, where an excellent meal was enjoyed by all followed by the entertainment of the singer Mark McCann. It had the support of approx. 120 in attendance. The function together with the combined "Money Draw" raised £3500.00 for the Mark Benevolent Fund. We all extend our grateful thanks to the Mark Ball Co-ordinating Committee, chaired by W Bro David Hanson, DPGM, for their hard work.

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2018 a dinner will be held for the Active Provincial Officers of the Year and their partners at Dunston Masonic Hall. This year both the retiring officers and the new officers will be invited for what promises to be a splendid occasion.

## **Conclusion**

Brethren, for your information and consideration I present my final report to you as Provincial Grand Secretary, before moving on to my new role as Assistant Provincial Grand Master. My grateful thanks go to all the hard working Lodge Secretaries for the friendship they have shown to me since being appointed Provincial Grand Secretary in December 2016, and I am sure they will continue the good work in their Lodges, and give their full support to the new Provincial Grand Secretary, W Bro Allan Gurney.

My particular thanks go to my Deputy Provincial Grand Secretary W.Bro.Fred Beales and my Assistant Provincial Grand Secretary, W Bro Doug Quickmire, who have executed their roles most efficiently, and their enthusiasm and assistance is greatly appreciated.

I hope that our return to the Lancastrian Conference & Banqueting Suite, Dunston is a success and everyone in attendance has a most enjoyable day.

Brethren I wish you all well.

*Trevor Lynn*

PPrGSW, Provincial Grand Secretary

## THE PROVINCIAL GRAND MARK LODGE OF DURHAM TREASURER'S REPORT 2017

R W Provincial Grand Master and Brethren

I am pleased to present and submit for adoption the Audited Accounts of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Durham for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017.

After making a provision of £500.00 to the Special Reserve Fund, the Income and Expenditure Account shows a surplus for the year of £3,022.

You will remember Brethren, that the Special Reserve Fund was setup as a provision towards the Installation of a Provincial Grand Master.

As always, the principle items of income continue to be Lodge Dues and Fees of Honour, with the Annual Meeting Dues being offset against the Annual Meeting Expenditure.

Expenditure continues to be monitored regularly.

As mentioned in previous Reports to you, increases in expenditure are planned over the next few years as we continue to replace or refurbish Provincial Grand Mark Lodge Regalia and Furniture as required. In addition, the contributions set aside for the Special Reserve Fund will continue to be reviewed annually.

Brethren, once again, we are indebted to the Provincial Grand Master and his Provincial Grand Officers who continue to finance their attendance on official deputations to Lodges during the year. The cost to Provincial Grand Mark Lodge, would be considerable if that were not the case, and I am grateful to those Brethren for their continued support and generosity.

So far as the Balance Sheet is concerned, the Accumulated Fund shows a balance of £28,346 at the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017, with the Special Reserve Fund standing at £5,178. Brethren the 2020 Centenary Fund which was established in 2015 shows a balance of £11,063 thanks mainly to generous contributions from Lodges and Individual members. All surplus funds continue to be invested in an Investment Account with our Bankers.

In conclusion R W Provincial Grand Master and Brethren, I would like to record my thanks to the Lodges who continue to forward dues so promptly, the Provincial Grand Secretary, his Deputy, and Assistant, and indeed the Provincial Grand Registrar for their most valuable assistance and cooperation during the year.

R W Provincial Grand Master and Brethren I submit this Report and the Statement of Accounts for adoption.

W Bro Graham J Mitchinson

*Graham Mitchinson*

PGJD, PPrGSwdB, ProvGTreasurer

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF  
PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS OF DURHAM**

**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Durham for the year ended 31 December 2017 which comprise of income and expenditure account, balance sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and FRS 102 Section 1A, The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the members as a body, in accordance with the Lodge's constitution and by-laws. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the members and the members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- ❖ give a true and fair view of the state of the Lodge's affairs as at 31 December 2017 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- ❖ have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities.

**Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the lodge in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

**Conclusions relating to going concern**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- ❖ the members' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- ❖ the members have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the lodge's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

**Other information**

Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

**Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the lodge and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the members' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters:

- ❖ adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- ❖ the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- ❖ we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- ❖ the members were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small entities regime; or
- ❖ a satisfactory system of control over transactions has not been maintained.

# **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS OF DURHAM**

## **Responsibilities of members**

The members are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the members determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the members are responsible for assessing the lodge's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the members either intend to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

## **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- ❖ Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- ❖ Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control.
- ❖ Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the members.
- ❖ Conclude on the appropriateness of the members' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the lodge's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- ❖ Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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STEPHEN TORGERSEN BSc FCA  
(Senior Statutory Auditor)  
For and on behalf of  
UHY Torgersens  
Statutory Auditors  
and Chartered Accountants

**PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS OF DURHAM**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

		2017 £			2016 £
<b>Income</b>					
Lodge Dues		4,720.10			4,887.00
Fees of Honour		1,200.00			1,260.00
Bank Interest	3.91		11.12		
Building Society Interest	-	3.91		-	11.12
		1,290.00		1,320.00	
Annual Meeting Dues		1,290.00			1,320.00
		7,214.01		7,478.12	
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Provincial Grand Lodge (Craft):					
Cost of year Book		686.00			540.00
Special Functions		61.80			900.75
Ties & Tokens	107.59		76.00		
<b>Administration Expenses:</b>					
Printing & Stationery	541.01		630.87		
Postage & Telephone	211.40		218.09		
Depreciation	17.00		19.00		
Sundries	172.64		275.86		
Audit	468.00	1,517.64	444.00		1,663.82
		1,426.33		1,743.00	
Annual Meeting		1,426.33			1,743.00
		3,691.77		4,847.57	
(Deficit)/Surplus of Income over Expenditure		3,522.24			2,630.55
Transfer (to) / from Special Reserve Fund		(500.00)			(500.00)
		3,022.24		2,130.55	
Surplus for the Year		3,022.24		2,130.55	

The notes on page 5 form part of these financial statements

**PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS OF DURHAM**  
**BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2017**

	Note		2017 £		2016 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>					
Regalia	1	4.00		21.00	
Computer Equipment		-	4.00	-	21.00
		4.00		21.00	
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Debtors		3,435.50		1,039.29	
Cash at Bank:					
Current Account		22,711.02		18,678.39	
Deposit Account - Barclays		22,320.96	48,467.48	22,317.05	42,034.73
		48,471.48		42,055.73	
<b>Creditors:-</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year			(3,883.50)		(3,883.35)
			44,587.98		38,172.38
<b>Total Net Assets</b>			44,587.98		38,172.38

**Represented by:****Accumulated Fund**

Balance at 1 January 2017		25,323.92		23,193.37
Surplus for the Year		3,522.24		2,630.55
Transfer (to)/from Special Reserve Account		(500)		(500)
		<hr/>		<hr/>
Balance at 31 December 2017			28,346.16	25,323.92
<b>Special Reserve Account</b>	<b>2</b>			
Balance at 1 January 2017		4,678.46		4,178.46
Transfer (to)/from Income & Expenditure Account		500.00		500.00
		<hr/>		<hr/>
Balance at 31 December 2017			5,178.46	4,678.46
<b>2020 Centenary Fund</b>	<b>3</b>			
Balance at 1 January 2017		8,170.00		3,210.00
Transferred from bank		3,961.50		4,960.00
Expenses		(1,068.14)		-
Balance at 31 December 2017			11,063.36	8,170.00
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			<u>44,587.98</u>	<u>38,172.38</u>

Approved &amp; Agreed on:

The notes on page 5 form part of these financial statements

**PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS OF DURHAM**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

**1. Fixed Assets**

	<b>Regalia</b>	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Computer Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 January 2017	783.84	-	783.84
Disposal	-	-	-
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At 31 December 2017	<u>783.84</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>783.84</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 1 January 2017	762.84	-	762.84
Charge for year	17.00	-	17.00
Disposal	-	-	-
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
At 31 December 2017	<u>779.84</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>779.84</u>
<b>Net Book Value</b>			
At 31 December 2017	<u>4.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4.00</u>
At 31 December 2016	<u>21.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21.00</u>

**2. Special Reserve Account**

The special reserve account is a provision towards the cost of any future installation of a

Provincial Grand Master.

**3. 2020 Centenary Fund**

The Centenary fund is a reserve created to celebrate the Centenary in 2020.

**4. Related Party**

There are no related parties or related party transactions during the year.

THE PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE  
OF MARK MASTER MASONS OF DURHAM  
BENEVOLENT FUND

REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENT COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31ST DECEMBER 2017

The Benevolent Committee is continuing to deliver on its promise to establish a solid foundation for our Benevolent Fund following the exceptional legacy of £454K bequeathed by R. W. Bro. John Harold Easton in 2016. The decision to donate £169K to the Mark Benevolent Fund and thereby attain Grand Patron Gold status for the Province of Durham and every Mark and Royal Ark Mariner Lodge under its jurisdiction, has shed a very favourable light on our charitable activities and has ensured that our province is in the forefront of support for our national charity. The current year has been rather less dramatic but nevertheless has seen an increase in income, an increase in other charitable giving and an unrealised gain on our investments.

The Gala Dinner is now firmly established as a highlight of the Fund's social calendar as well as incorporating the Money Draw and contributing £3,500 to our funds. We thank the Co-ordinating Committee for all their efforts in making this major donation whilst at the same time providing a fun evening enjoyed by all. The lodge donations to the 2020 Centenary Fund have had the understandable effect of reducing lodge donations to the Benevolent Fund but it is hoped that this situation will revert to normal in due course. A special mention this year goes to W. Bro. Jim Stubbings for raising £630 from Regalia Sales, the John and Marion Scott raffles which contributed an extraordinary £970, a surprise bequest of £3,000 from the estate of W. Bro. Frank Owen, and all the brethren who make a donation by way of the gift aid envelopes.

Our main charitable giving this year has included the following :

Provincial Grand Lodge of Lincolnshire	£5,000
Provincial Grand Lodge of Durham 2021 Festival	£2,500
Mark Benevolent Fund – Hurricane Relief	£2,500
Net Patient Foundation	£1,000
Scarborough Court	£1,000
Springwell Village Primary School Rainbow Room	£2,000

And many smaller grants to worthy causes

The bulk of our investments are held in an investment trust designed particularly for the charity sector and have provided income this year of £12,884 and an unrealised gain in market value of £18,386.

Overall, our total fund has increased this year by £27,069 to £388,699 at December 31, 2017.

It is proposed to make the following donations :

Provincial Grand Lodge of Sussex	£6,000
Provincial Grand Lodge of Durham (6 <sup>th</sup> of 9)	£2,500
Single Homeless Action Initiative in Durham (SHAID) Homeless Ex-Services Personnel	£1,000
Springwell Special School, Hartlepool	£1,000
Shildon Alive – Community Support Group	£1,000

On the subject of Fund administration, the Trustees intend to make some changes next year. In particular, consideration is being given to arranging the date of the Fund AGM for an earlier part of the year whilst still presenting this report at the Mark AGM in the usual manner.

Finally, to all our Almoners, Benevolent Representatives, Liaison Officers and Caring Committee members we say thank you for all you do in assisting us to provide relief where the need is greatest.

Brethren, I commend this report to you.

W. BRO. DAVID HANSON  
DEPUTY PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER, CHAIRMAN



**Durham Provincial Grand Mark Lodge Benevolent Fund  
Balance Sheet at 31 December 2017**

	Note		2017 £	2016 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>				
Investments	6		275,013.61	156,627.30
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Debtors	7	----	254.31	
Bank Balances and Cash		114,817.35	205,939.94	
		<u>114,817.35</u>	<u>206,194.25</u>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	8	(1,131.46)	(1,191.46)	
<b>Net Current Assets</b>			<u>113,685.89</u>	<u>205,002.79</u>
<b>Net Assets</b>			<u><b>388,699.50</b></u>	<u><b>361,630.09</b></u>
<b>Funds</b>				
Unrestricted Funds	10		388,699.50	361,630.09
			<u>388,699.50</u>	<u>361,630.09</u>
Approved & Agreed on				

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R.N. Neville, FCA

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Prof. D K Wilson

**Provincial Officers 2018 - 2019**

**Acting Officers**

<b>Deputy Provincial Grand Master</b> David Nigel Hanson, PAGDC	Union	No. 124
<b>Assistant Provincial Grand Master</b> Ronald Trevor Lynn PAGDC	Walton	No. 1106
<b>Provincial Grand Senior Warden</b> Jeffrey Awdas, PPrGSO	St. Andrew's	No. 854
<b>Provincial Grand Junior Warden</b> John Nicholson, PPrGJO	Ernest Dixon	No. 1015
<b>Provincial Grand Master Overseer</b> William Bentham	William Todd	No. 929
<b>Provincial Grand Senior Overseer</b> Anthony Hopkinson Bird	Steadfast	No. 846
<b>Provincial Grand Junior Overseer</b> Martin George Murray	Union	No. 124
<b>Provincial Grand Chaplain</b> Keith Dinning, PGJD	Ferryhill	No. 1560
<b>Provincial Grand Treasurer</b> Graham John Mitchinson, PGJD	Percy	No. 122
<b>Provincial Grand Registrar</b> Malcolm Donald Ormiston, PPrGStwd	Ryton	No. 1714
<b>Provincial Grand Secretary</b> Allan Gurney, GStwd	Unity	No. 827
<b>Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies</b> Michael Davis, PGJD	Bede	No. 605
<b>Provincial Grand Almoner</b> Keith Liddell, PGSD	Ambrose Crowley	No. 1269
<b>Provincial Grand Charity Steward</b> Roy Norman Neville, PGJO	Ernest Dixon	No. 1015
<b>Provincial Grand Inspector of Works</b> Paul David Thompson	Auckland	No. 596
<b>Provincial Grand Sword Bearer</b> David Dorward	Ernest Dixon	No. 1015
<b>Provincial Deputy Grand Chaplain</b> Phillip Alan Carter, ProvDGChap	St. Andrew's	No. 854
<b>Provincial Deputy Grand Secretary</b> Graham Wharton, PPrGJO	Steadfast	No. 846
<b>Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies</b> Garry Quinn, PGStwd	Ravensworth	No. 718
<b>Provincial Grand Senior Deacon</b> Philip Quinn, PPrGJD	Eclectic	No. 39
Graeme William Telford, PPrGJD	Castle Eden	No. 930
David McGeorge, PPrGJD	St. Aidan	No. 1145

<b>Provincial Grand Junior Deacon</b>		
Alan Dargue	Hackworth	No. 761
Brian Smith	Bernard Gilpin	No. 860
Ronald Woods	Ferryhill	No. 1560
<b>Provincial Assistant Grand Chaplain</b>		
Rev'd, Peter William Adamson, ProvAGChap	Ferryhill	No. 1560
<b>Provincial Assistant Grand Secretary</b>		
Douglas Quickmire, PGJD	Walton	No. 1106
<b>Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies</b>		
Sidney James Watson, PPrGSwdB	Ryton	No. 1714
Kenneth Peter Dale, PGStB	Percy	No. 122
Kenneth Moore, PPrGStwd	Hackworth	No. 761
Kenneth Urquhart Robson, PAGDC	Wouldhave Tyne Dock	No. 362
<b>Provincial Grand Organist</b>		
Barry Tallentire, ProvGOrg	Wouldhave Tyne Dock	No. 362
<b>Provincial Grand Standard Bearer</b>		
Ronald Stobbart, PPrAGStB	Jarrow	No. 701
<b>Provincial Assistant Grand Standard Bearer</b>		
Norman Edward Tinkler	Barnard Castle	No. 778
<b>Provincial Grand Inner Guard</b>		
Mark Stuart Whitaker	St. Thomas	No. 1511
<b>Provincial Grand Stewards</b>		
David Campbell	Auckland	No. 596
Ian Heaviside	Bernard Gilpin	No. 860
Thomas Stubbs	Barnard Castle	No. 778
David Battensby	Cestria	No. 1151
<b>Provincial Grand Tyler</b>		
Christopher James Morris, PGStB	George Washington	No. 1626

### Provincial Officers 2018 - 2019

#### Promotions

<b>Past Provincial Grand Senior Warden</b>		
Leonard Andrew Young, PPrGJW	St. Thomas	No. 1511
<b>Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden</b>		
Steven Pounder, PPrGReg	Eclectic	No. 39
John Douglas Crabtree, PPrGJO	Darlington	No. 250
Eric Brodie, PPrGJO	Bede	No. 605
John Bernard Martin Schoolkate, PPrGMO	Ravensworth	No. 718
William John Coward, PPrGJO	Harte	No. 740
Donald Martin Eccles, PPrGJO	Steadfast	No. 846
Philip Alan Carter, ProvDGChap	St. Andrew's	No. 854
John Malcolm, PPrGJO	William Todd	No. 929
Melvin Swailes, PPrGJO	William Todd	No. 929
Ralph Jackson Short, PPrGMO	Cestria	No. 1151
Graham Johnson, PPrGReg	Ambrose Crowley	No. 1269
Ian Ormiston, PPrGSO	Ferryhill	No. 1560
Norman Jemison, PPrGJO	George Washington	No. 1626
<b>Past Provincial Grand Master Overseer</b>		
Rodney Curtis Brown, PPrGReg	Wouldhave Tyne Dock	No. 362
John Strachan Denham, PPrGReg	Auckland	No. 596
Robert Main, PPrGSD	St. Andrew's	No. 854

**Provincial Officers 2018 - 2019**

**Promotions Continued**

**Past Provincial Grand Master Overseer**

Gordon McKillup, PPrGReg	Bernard Gilpin	No. 860
Hugh Dixon, PPrGSD	Spennymoor	No. 981
Kevin Parker, PPrGJO	Ambrose Crowley	No. 1269
Douglas Arthur Rowell, PPrGReg	Ferryhill	No. 1560
Daniel James Sinclair, PPrGReg	Ryton	No. 1714

**Past Provincial Grand Senior Overseer**

Alfred Walter Lunness, PPrGIWks	Jarrow	No. 701
Sidney Dent, PPrGIWks	Hackworth	No. 761
Robert Proctor, PPrGJD	Moseley	No. 925
Sidney James Watson, PPrGSwdB	Ryton	No. 1714

**Past Provincial Grand Junior Overseer**

Kenneth Dodds, PPrGStwd	Jarrow	No. 701
Kenneth Moore, PPrGStwd	Hackworth	No. 761
Michael James Wilkinson, PPrGStwd	Hackworth	No. 761
Graham Wharton, PPrGSD	Steadfast	No. 846
Frederick Foster, PPrGStwd	Spennymoor	No. 981
Malcolm Macdonald Heslop, PPrGJD	Walton	No. 1106
Donald Patrickson, PPrGSwdB	Cestria	No. 1151
John Connelly, PPrGSwdB	Ambrose Crowley	No. 1269
Rev'd Peter William Adamson, PPrGStB	Ferryhill	No. 1560

**Past Provincial Grand Registrar**

Martyn Robert Hayton, PPrGJD	Percy	No. 122
Geoffrey Oliver, PPrAGDC	Stanhope	No. 1551
Alfred Beck, PPrGSD	Ferryhill	No. 1560

**Past Provincial Grand Sword Bearer**

David Fairhurst Harrison, PPrGStB	Eclectic	No. 39
Robert William Oxley, PPrAGDC	Industry	No. 293
Arthur Stonehouse, PPrGJD	Industry	No. 293
Peter David Willcock, PPrGIG	Dunelm	No. 356
Peter Maughan, PPrGStB	Wouldhave Tyne Dock	No. 362
Stuart Neil Dixon, PPrAGDC	Barnard Castle	No. 778
David Ronald Coxon, PPrAGStB	Ferryhill	No. 1560

**Past Provincial Grand Senior Deacon**

Keith Bibby, PPrAGDC	Ravensworth	No. 718
Jeffrey Laybourne, PPrGStB	Cestria	No. 1151
Jeffrey Lloyd, PPrGStB	Cestria	No. 1151
George Albert Malt, PPrGStB	Ernest Dixon	No. 1015

**Provincial Officers 2018 - 2019**

**First Appointments Past Rank**

**Past Provincial Grand Junior Warden**

Dr. Malcolm Wayne Robson	Spennymoor	No. 981
John Arthur	Chief of the Builders	No. 1806

**Past Provincial Grand Master Overseer**

Charles Wilding	Castle Eden	No. 930
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**Past Provincial Grand Sword Bearer**

Stewart John Clark	Cestria	No. 1151
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**Past Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies**

Kevin John Dixon	Harte	No. 740
David Kenneth Wilson	Barnard Castle	No. 778

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**Provincial Grand Master, Prof. Denovan Keith Wilson**

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**Provincial Grand Secretary, Allan Gurney**