

Provincial Report

2026 Annual Meeting of the Provincial Grand Conclave of Surrey

Greetings Brethren.

Is it really a year since R.Wy.Bro. Ian was installed as our Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler by M.Wy.Bro. Andrew Sweeney, our Grand Supreme Ruler, in a packed Temple at Guildford. We had 76 in the Temple, of whom 60 dined.

Since our last Annual Meeting we have welcomed four Companions into Surrey. One candidate for Surbiton Conclave, and three candidates into Hill of Zion Conclave; who recently took their Princes Degree, followed immediately with the 1st Grade in the Scarlet Cord.



R.Wy.Bro. Eric Trodd promoted to Past Grand Guide; Wy.Bro. Len Hillier promoted to Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies; Wy.Bro. Robert Anderson first appointment to Past Grand Sword Bearer; Wy.Bro. Chris Eley first appointment to Past Grand Standard Bearer; and Wy.Bro. Alastair Richardson first appointment to Past Grand Standard Bearer.

There have been six Official Visits by our Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler or his Deputy over the past year.

Thanks to all those Provincial Officers who came along to support, not only our Executive but also the Conclaves. Your attendance helps swell the numbers, and who knows you may get a job.....

As you may have seen in Freemasonry@86, as well as in the Surrey Arrow, we have been able to attend several other Provincial Grand Conclave meetings during the year and have enjoyed their fine hospitality. We look forward to welcoming them to our meeting.

I hope you have enjoyed reading our monthly newsletter, the Surrey Arrow. This is your newsletter so please let me know of anything you or your Conclave are doing that is newsworthy and we can share it with others.

We are all looking forward to the next Masonic year where several Executive Visits are planned, Details of these visits are shown below, and are in the latest issue of the Surrey Arrow.



We had five resignations in the same period, and 5 deaths, so we are slightly down on last years numbers.

Sadly, we said goodbye to Wy.Bro. Robert Shepherd, Wy.Bro. Leonard George Hayward, Bro. John Leonard Waggott, V.Wy.Bro. Arnold Long, and R.Wy.Bro. Roland John Bedford.

Congratulations to those Surrey Brethren who received appointment or promotion at the meeting of Grand Conclave in November:



Official Visits for 2026

The Official Visits for 2026 are scheduled for:

Surbiton No. 299	Surbiton	4 th June 2026
Pride of Surrey No. 118	Sutton	23 rd June 2026
ELJ Smith No. 613	Surbiton	28 th July 2026 (Ceremony of Mourning)
Artington No. 595	Guildford	7 th September 2026
Hill of Zion No. 270	Croydon	17 th September 2026
Wallingham No. 291	Redhill	29 th September 2026

Provincial Officers – please note, and any Brother who might be free to attend.

I wish all of you a successful 2026/27 and may I offer my personal congratulations to those receiving Provincial Honours on the 23rd of May.



*Wy. Bro. Chris Eley, P.G.St.B.
Provincial Grand Recorder*

Provincial Grand Conclave of Surrey web site:
<https://www.surreycompanionorders.com/welcome-order-secret-monitor>

