



Grand Lodge



On Tuesday the 9th of June Mark Brethren from around the world filled the Grand Temple in Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, to capacity for the June 2026 Communication and Annual Investiture meeting.

As is now the usual custom, the Surrey Mark brethren, and brethren from other Provinces, met up in the Shakespeare's Head in Kingsway for refreshments before the meeting.



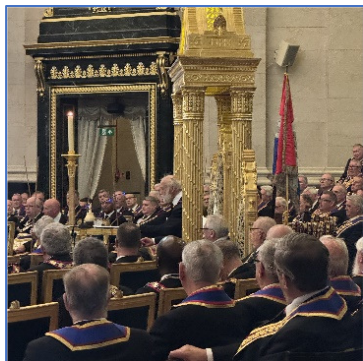




Presiding was M.W.Bro. Raymond Smith, Past Pro Grand Master, who entered in procession to great applause and took his Chair in the East.



After the initial items of Grand Lodge business had been conducted, the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W.Bro. Chris Davies, rose and called out two Deputies, the two Grand Standard Bearers, and Grand Sword Bearer and exited Grand Lodge, calling



the Brethren to Order, as the Grand Master entered to a thunderous applause and ascended the Dais and took charge of the meeting.

He was then Proclaimed in all his styles and titles as Grand Master for the ensuing year before the customary salute.

The Grand Master spoke warmly about the late M.W.Bro. John Prizeman before announcing the appointment of R.W.Bro. Paul Raymond Clement as Pro Grand Master.



He then proceeded to invite M.W.Bro. Raymond Smith to act as installing officer, which he proceeded to undertake. The Grand Director of Ceremonies formed an escort and exited Grand Lodge, to re-enter in procession with the Pro Grand Master Designate.



R.W.Bro. Paul Clement was then obligated, invested and proclaimed and congratulated by the Grand Master.

The Grand Secretary then announced the re-appointment of R.W.Bro. Prof. Denovan Wilson, Deputy Grand Master and R.W.Bro. Peter Williams, Assistant Grand Master, before they were individually proclaimed and saluted.

At this point the Grand Master took his leave from Grand Lodge to further acclaim and M.W.Bro. Paul Clement assumed the Chair.

Following this, over 200 Brethren were announced as being recipients of Active Grand Rank or First

Appointment to Past Grand Rank, and those present were each invested by the Pro Grand Master with a warm, fraternal handshake and some kind words of personal congratulations.

The Pro Grand Master then delivered an Address to the assembled Brethren.



There being no other business to conduct, the Pro Grand Master closed Grand Lodge and retired in procession to welcome the many visitors from overseas and other distinguished guests at a drinks reception before moving through to the Grand Connaught Rooms to dine.



The four dining rooms were also filled to capacity with nearly 1,200 Brethren dining. As the afternoon progressed, it fell to W.Bro. Stacy Harman, President of the 2025/2026 Board of Mark Grand Stewards, to propose the Toast to the Grand Master.

He paid tribute to the Grand Master's dedication to service and the betterment of humanity, his charitable work and Grand Presidency of the Mark Benevolent Fund, and his leadership and inspiration through Freemasonry.

The Pro Grand Master then responded, thanking W.Bro. Harman for his kind words, and the Board of Grand Stewards for their patronage of the Grand Festival Dinner, before moving on to propose the Toast to the Board of Grand Stewards 2025/2026. Lastly, W.Bro. Peter Lapage, Treasurer of the Board of Grand Stewards, had the honour of replying. He thanked the Pro Grand Master, expressing how much it had meant to him and his fellow Board members to serve the Grand Master and Grand Lodge as Grand Stewards of the year, and wished the newly appointed Grand Stewards the same enjoyment and success in their year.

With the speeches finished and dinner plates cleared, the Pro Grand Master retired from the dining room to appreciative applause and the Mark Brethren made their way home, some stopping for further refreshment along the way, and with many commenting on what a thoroughly enjoyable day it had been.

Our congratulations to all those who received preferment in Grand Rank. and our thanks to everyone who came to support the meeting. If you weren't able to join us this year, we hope to see you next year.



Photos by Bob Tuthill and Chris Eley and summary by Mark Masons Hall

Magic of the Mark Greek Night

Saturday the 20th of June 2026 at The Greek Vine Restaurant, Wallington

The Provincial Grand Lodge of
Mark Master Masons of Surrey
requests the pleasure of your company at the

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Magic of the Mark

Surrey Provincial Greek Night

Saturday 20th June 2026

Arrival 6:30pm Dinner 7:00pm

The Greek Vine Restaurant

Ross Parade, Wallington, SM6 8QF

Traditional meze • Plate smashing • Greek dancing • Disco until late

PRICE

£28

per person (inc. gratuity)

CAPACITY

125

places avail able

DRESS CODE

Summer Casual

Cool and comfy

Family, friends & prospective candidates all welcome

The Greek Vine is exclusively ours for the evening

Surrey Mark Charity Ball

Saturday the 24th of October 2026 at the Wotton House Hotel, Dorking

The Provincial Grand Lodge of
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requests the pleasure of your company at the

Surrey Mark Charity Ball

Saturday 24th October 2026

ARRIVAL 6:30pm DINNER 7:00pm DARRIAGES Midnight

Wotton House Hotel & Country Estate

Guildford Road, Dorking, Surrey RH5 6HS

Drinks reception • Three-course dinner • Entertainment • Dancing

PRICE

£89

per person

DRESS CODE

Black Tie

Lounge suit alternative welcome

PRESENTED BY

Surrey Mark
Benevolent Fund

Family, friends & guests all warmly welcome

An evening of fine dining, entertainment and dancing at Wotton House

Surrey Mark Golf Day 2026

Thursday the 23rd of July at Banstead Downs Golf Club



Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Surrey

Charity Golf Day at Banstead Downs Golf Club
Burdon Lane, Cheam Surrey SM2 7DD
On Thursday 23rd July 2026

Tea/Coffee & bacon rolls from 11:00hrs, 1st tee from 12:00hrs
18 holes of Individual Stableford
One course meal after play with prizes
Non Masons will be made most welcome as guests

Cost for the day is £78.00 (meal only £23.00)

To book please e mail Steve Berkshire
(steve.berkshire@surreymarkmasons.com) confirming your name,
handicap, lodge number and details of any guests.

To confirm your booking, payment by BACS must be made to:

Provincial Mark GL of SURREY Benevolent Fund,
Sort code 30-93-74, Account 02602788

Please use your surname as the reference i.e 'A Smith GOLF'

The Charity Day is in aid of the Surrey Mark Benevolent Fund



The Surrey Mark Charity Golf Day 2026 Booking Form

RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:
steve.berkshire@surreymarkmasons.com

COST: Full Day - £78.00 | Meal ONLY - £23.00

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It is my intention to attend the **FULL DAY** on Thursday 23rd July 2026.
Please reserve me places for the whole day @ £78.00.

Only if necessary

Please book buggy and wait for confirmation as we are limited to just the few that are available.

ONLY REQUIRED FOR FULL DAY ATTENDEES

PLAYER NAME	HANDICAP	SPECIAL DIET	BUGGY £30.00 only 5 available	WHOLE DAY £78.00

It is my intention to attend the **MEAL ONLY** on Thursday 23rd July 2026.
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