



Surrey Enthroned Commanders and Installed Mark Masters Lodge Meetings

The meetings of the Surrey Enthroned Commanders Lodge No 1219 and the Surrey Installed Masters Lodge No 1219 took place at Surbiton on Thursday the 24th of September 2026.



The afternoon started with a get together in the bar where we had a chance to catch up with old friends, and guests from other Provinces.

First was the meeting of the Surrey Enthroned Commanders Lodge. The Lodge was opened by the Worshipful Commander, W.Bro. Ray Seeley, **R.A.M.G.R.**, who welcomed the Provincial Grand Master, present and past members of the Executive and our honoured guests. He offered the Sceptre to the Provincial Grand Master, which he briefly held and handed back.

W.Bro. Andrew Bushe was elected a joining member of the Lodge. W.Bro. Richard Knox, **R.A.M.G.R.**, was elected Worshipful Commander and W.Bro. Ray Seeley, **R.A.M.G.R.**, was elected Treasurer for the ensuing year. The Worshipful Commander then gave a very informative talk entitled 'Noah, the Tablets, the Ark, and the Flood, which was well received.





The Lodge was then closed, and the Temple re-arranged for the Mark meeting while some went back to the bar for coffee and biscuits. A Lodge of Mark Master Masons was opened by the Worshipful Master, V.W.Bro. Bill Barr, P.G.J.O., Past Deputy Provincial Grand Master, who welcomed the many guests and visitors, which included members of the Provincial Executive present and past, and guests from other Provinces.



A tribute was given by V.W.Bro. Chris Eley to W.Bro. Nick Butterworth who had recently passed away after a short illness. A ballot was then taken for a joining member, W.Bro. Andrew Bushe, which proved in his favour.



The Lodge Banner was paraded, and the Junior Warden, W.Bro. Paul Fitzgerald, explained the history of the Banner.

V.W.Bro. Richard Knox, P.G.J.O., Past Assistant Provincial Grand Master, was then installed in the Chair of the Lodge by V.W.Bro. Bill Barr in a very sincere manner.

The Address to the Master was given by V.W.Bro. Bill Barr. The Worshipful Master then appointed and invested his Officers.

The Address to the Wardens was given by R.W.Bro. Ian Clark; to the Overseers by V.W.Bro. Chris Cradock; and to the Brethren by R.W.Bro. John French.

After the regular business of the Lodge had been completed the Lodge was closed and our R.W. Provincial Grand Master and the newly installed Worshipful Master retired in procession.



After the customary photographs we retired to the bar for refreshment before sitting down to a most enjoyable meal at the Surbiton Masonic Hall.



Mark Provincial Grand Stewards Lodge of Surrey



In September the Installation meeting of the Mark Provincial Grand Stewards Lodge of Surrey No 1726 was held at the Croydon Masonic Hall. V.W.Bro. Robbie Dobbie, Deputy Provincial Grand Master of the Craft, was also there attending a meeting.



The Worshipful Master welcomed our many guests and visitors, members of the Provincial Executive present and past, and several guests from other Provinces.

The Lodge Banner was paraded, and the Junior Warden explained the history of the Banner.

The RW Provincial Grand Master was then invited to install the Master Elect, W.Bro. Paul Wicking, **P.G.J.D.** Assistant Provincial Grand Master.

After opening the Lodge, the Worshipful Master, W.Bro. David Barden, **P.G.S.D.**, P.Prov.G.J.W., had much pleasure in welcoming the Provincial Grand Master, R.W.Bro. John French, and offered him the gavel.

The Provincial Grand Master thanked the Worshipful Master for the courtesy and returned it to him as he would be doing some work later on.

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master was then saluted with seven under the direction of the Director of Ceremonies, W.Bro. Les Smith.





W.Bro. Paul was installed as Worshipful Master in a very sincere and enjoyable manner by R.W.Bro. John French.

V.W.Bro. Bill Caughie, **P.G.J.O.**, a Past Master of the Lodge, invested the Worshipful Master with the 150th Anniversary Keystone Jewel and the Officers of the Lodge were appointed.

The Address to the Master was given by V.W.Bro. Chris Eley, to the Wardens by R.W.Bro. Ian Clark, to the Overseers by W.Bro. Terry Carpenter, and to the Brethren by R.W.Bro. John French.



The Worshipful Master then gave an interesting talk on his life, which was well received. After the Lodge was closed the Worshipful Master, accompanying the RW Provincial Grand Master, retired in procession under the direction of the Director of Ceremonies.

After the customary photos the Brethren retired to the bar. The members of the Mark Provincial Grand Stewards Lodge of Surrey and their many guests dined together in perfect harmony honouring loyal toasts.



Kent Mark Annual Meeting



The 2026 Annual Meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Kent took place on Saturday the 26th of September 2026 at Oakley House, Bromley, Kent. We received a very warm welcome on our arrival with tea/coffee and biscuits. There were honoured guests from many Provinces, and other Masonic Orders in Kent.





Provincial Grand Lodge was opened in due form by the Provincial Grand Master who was saluted with seven under the direction of the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies.

Those present remembered the Brethren who had passed to the Grand Lodge above since the last annual meeting.

The Provincial Grand Master then individually welcomed the many representatives of other Provinces and Masonic Orders, thanking them for their support for Kent Mark.



By 10.15 everyone was seated in the Temple. Just after 10.20 pm the Brethren were called to order to receive the distinguished guests, including Right Worshipful Brethren and past members of the Provincial Executive.

The meeting was called to order by the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies to receive the Provincial Officers of the year accompanying the Provincial Grand Master, R.W.Bro. Martyn Brian Summers, led by the Provincial Grand Sword Bearer and followed by the Provincial Grand Standard Bearers.

Also present was R.W.Bro. Peter David Williams, Assistant Grand Master, Past Provincial Grand Master of the Mark Province of Kent, along with two other Past Provincial Grand Masters, R.W.Bros. Roland Wade and Archie Torrance.



After the regular business before Provincial Grand Lodge had been concluded the Provincial Grand Master had much pleasure in re-appointing V.W.Bro. Perri Ahmet, **P.G.J.O.**, as Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and W.Bro. Paul Stephen Christopher, **P.A.G.D.C.**, as Assistant Provincial Grand Master.

He then appointed and invested W.Bro. Dr. John Peter Shervington, **P.A.G.D.C.**, as Assistant Provincial Grand Master.

The Officers for the ensuing year were then appointed, invested, and saluted, following which the Provincial Grand Master addressed Provincial Grand Lodge.

In his Address he said how heartening it was to see so many attending Provincial Grand Lodge, and he congratulated all those he had appointed or promoted that day.

He was especially pleased to receive many newly advanced brethren. He thanked the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies and the Provincial Grand Secretary and their teams for all their hard work in ensuring the day was a success

and closed by reminding everyone that we are all members of the Craft, to whom we should give our fullest support.



The meeting was then called to order and closed in due form. The Provincial Grand Master, the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, and the Assistant Provincial Grand Masters, together with members of the Past Executive, and Provincial Officers then left the Temple in procession, greeting their honoured guests as they left.

The Brethren of the Mark Province of Kent and their guests then retired to the bar.

The weather was so nice most of us went outside to enjoy the sunshine.



After refreshments, the Brethren of the Province of Kent and their guests dined together in peace and harmony, where the customary Loyal and Masonic toasts were honoured.

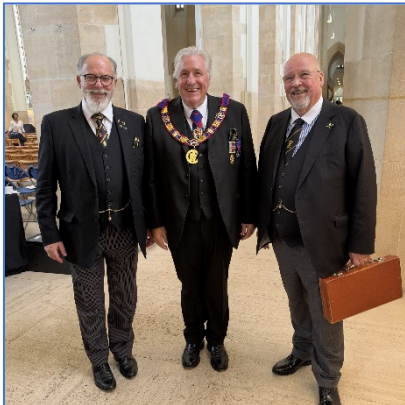




Provincial Thanksgiving Service at Guildford Cathedral



The Companion Orders were well represented at the Annual Order of Divine Service held on Sunday the 27th of September 2026. The service was led by The Reverend Patrick Coleman, and the Officiating Officers were W.Bro. Ian Whitley, Provincial Grand Chaplain, and W.Bro. Ivan Dias-Cooke, Deputy Provincial Grand Chaplain. As well as the Companion Orders, there were representatives from the Order of Women's Freemasonry. The Preacher was The Reverend Canon Mike Branscombe.



At 1.45 pm the processions made their way down the aisle during the Processional Hymn led by a Verger, followed by The Reverend Patrick Coleman and The Reverend Canon Mike Branscombe. These were followed by members of the Middlesex Provincial Executive, Heads of Companion Orders in Surrey, and representatives from the Order of Women's Freemasonry.

The Reverend Patrick Coleman welcomed the Brethren, their families and friends to the Cathedral, and W.Bro. Ian Whitley, Provincial Grand Chaplain, offered the Bidding Prayer.

The Reverend Canon Mike Branscombe gave an Address where he complimented Freemasonry and all the good work they do. W.Bro. Ian Whitley, Provincial Grand Chaplain, offered a prayer before R.W.Bro. Nick Burger gave his closing address, and The Reverend Canon Mike Branscombe offered the final Prayer and Blessing

After the National Anthem the Clergy retired, followed by the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master and his Officers, along with our honoured guests, to the sound of the Recessional Organ Voluntary.

Many thanks to the members of the Surrey Provincial Choir led by W.Bro. Carl Jackson *MVO*, *PJGD*, Provincial Grand Organist, and the Organist, Bro. James Furniss-Roe.

We all enjoyed the refreshments in the Cathedral after the Service, which rounded up a most enjoyable afternoon. Well done to all those involved in the organisation of the day.

We have always had a special relationship with Guildford Cathedral. The middle window bearing the Masonic Province of Surrey crest was donated by Surrey Freemasons at the construction of the Cathedral, as a Silver Alms Dish was presented to the Cathedral in 1961 by the Mark Province of Surrey for the Cathedral's Lady Chapel.



Remembrance Sunday

8th November



Remembrance Sunday falls on the 8th of November this year. To commemorate this there will be a Service of Remembrance at Holy Trinity Church in Guildford where Mark Masons, family and friends are invited.



Brethren should be seated in Holy Trinity Church at the top of the High Street at 9:15 – 9:30, the service starts at 10:00 prompt.

There will be a procession from the Guildhall led by the Scouts, Girl Guides, Cubs, Brownies; followed by the Mayor of Guildford and the Aldermen (& women) into the church.

There will be a short service, then the parade to the War Memorials will be formed up in the upper High Street before moving off to the Memorials which are situated at the bowling green at the top of Tunsgate next to the Castle, where the act of remembrance is followed by the wreath laying.

It would be nice if we could have a large Masonic presence. V.W.Bro. Richard Knox will be laying a wreath on behalf of Surrey Freemasons, and our Provincial Grand Master will join him representing Surrey Mark.



Dress code preferred for Remembrance Sunday is smart, jacket and Provincial Tie (Craft or Mark to match regalia being worn). The only regalia to be worn is collars or chains (Grand, Provincial or Lodge Collar), Craft, Royal Arch or Mark.



PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF

MARK MASTER MASONS

of Surrey



CHARITY GOLF DAY

IN AID OF THE
SURREY MARK BENEVOLENT FUND

A fantastic day of golf, great company and friendly competition – all in support of a worthy cause.

FRIDAY
9th OCTOBER 2026

CHOBHAM GOLF CLUB
Chobham Road, Knaphill
Woking, Surrey GU21 2TZ





TEA/COFFEE & BACON ROLLS
From 11:00hrs,
1st tee from 12:00hrs



ONE COURSE MEAL
After play with prizes



NON MASONS
Will be made most welcome as guests



PRIZES
For winners and various competitions

COST FOR THE DAY
£73.00 or (meal only - £23.00)

TO BOOK
Please email Calvin Gower c/o
ProvGM@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 Grand Mark Lodge of
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PLEASE USE YOUR NAME AS THE REFERENCE
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THE CHARITY DAY IS IN AID OF THE SURREY MARK BENEVOLENT FUND

Redhill Lodge of Mark Master Masons No 1285

Presents

A Trafalgar Night Dinner

Wednesday 14th October 2026

Croydon Masonic Hall

7.30 pm

A traditional Trafalgar Night 4 course dinner with English Wines,
Pussers Rum and Taylor's 20 yr old Jawnny Port
from our Allies

Musical Entertainment
Sea Shanty's will be sung during the evening

A white table, all are welcome

£45 per person

Further information and tickets from: -
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The Provincial Grand Lodge of
Mark Master Masons of Surrey
requests the pleasure of your company at the

Surrey Mark Charity Ball

Saturday 24th October 2026

ARRIVAL
6:30pm

DINNER
7:00pm

CARRIAGES
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
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Family, friends & guests all warmly welcome

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

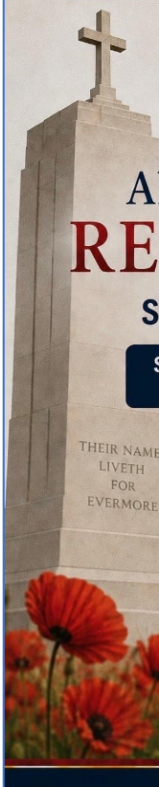
Brethren, a Date for your Diary
– for you to accompany the
MARK PGM



ANNUAL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

SUNDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2026

**SERVICE AND WREATH LAYING CEREMONY
IN CASTLE GROUNDS OF GUILDFORD**



THEIR NAME
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FOR
EVERMORE

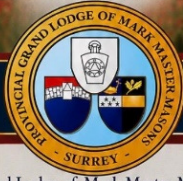
**FURTHER GUIDANCE FOR
PARADE PARTICIPANTS TO FOLLOW**

So many gave their lives
for the benefit of
future generations.
It is our duty to
remember, honour
and never forget.

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LEST WE FORGET



WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

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