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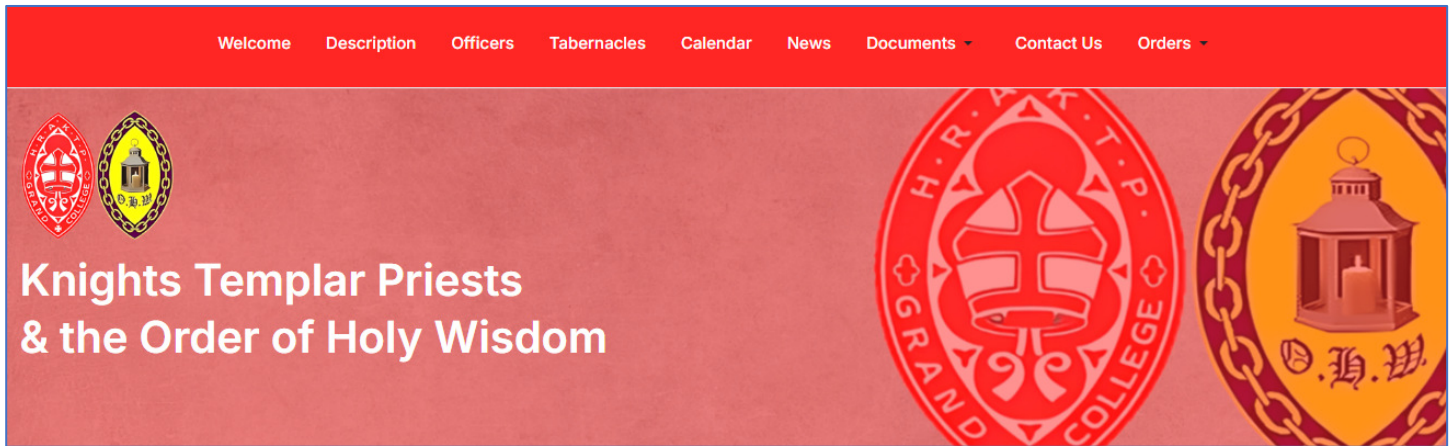


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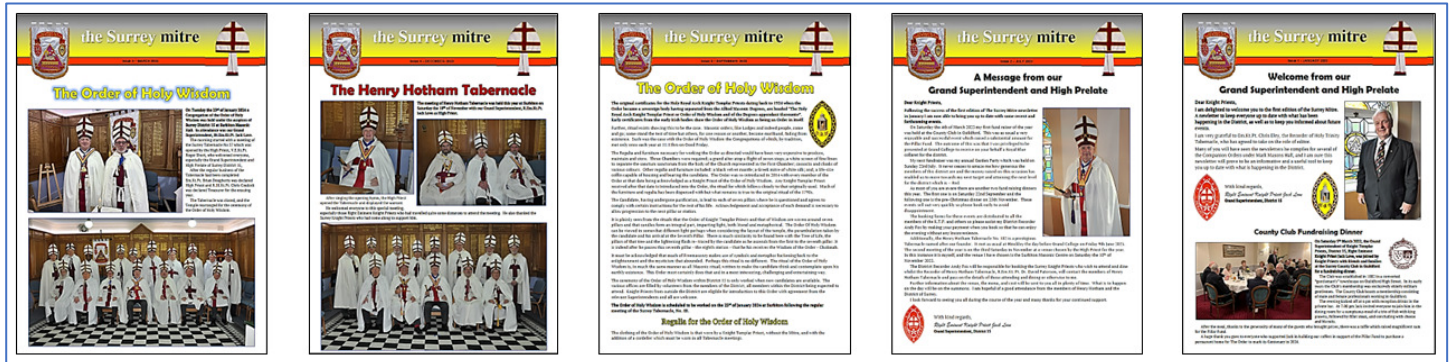
The new Surrey Companion Orders Web Site

We are pleased to announce that on the 1st of September a new web site for all the Companion Orders in Surrey was launched. This has been the result of a considerable amount of hard work and burning of the midnight oil by Tim Ford, supported by others with a specific responsibility for each Order.

It is modelled on the MMH website with some enhancements and personalisation. The main web page is www.surreycompanionorders.com from which all Surrey Companion Orders, including the KTP District 15 web pages, can be accessed. You can also access our pages directly by using www.surreyktp.com



Please look at the new website which has a lot of information about our Order in general, the Provincial Officers, details of Consistories in the Province, all issues of the Surrey Cord, our Provincial newsletter, and other information.



Number	Name	Recorder	Location	Installation Meeting	Second Meeting	Third Meeting
27	The Surrey	Len Hayward	Surbiton	1st Weds JULY	2nd Weds Nov	4th Tues Jan
104	Saxon	Anton Smith	Surbiton	2nd Mon JUNE	Last weekday of Nov	--
184	Pride of Surrey	David Thompson	Sutton	3rd Fri MAY	2nd Fri Dec	--
186	Gyldeforda	Peter Brown	Guildford	2nd Fri JAN	2nd Mon July	--
195	Chertsey	David Matthews	Camberley	2nd Mon FEB	2nd Fri Oct	--
212	Holy Trinity	Chris Eley	Croydon	1st Thurs MAY	2nd Mon Sept	--
299	North Downs	Andy Fox	Nutfield	3rd Thurs SEPT	4th Thurs May	--

If you have any items of interest, news, or upcoming events, please submit full details to Chris Eley cw.eley@talktalk.net who is our website content manager.



Holy Trinity Tabernacle Installation Meeting



The Installation meeting of the Holy Trinity Tabernacle No 202 was held on Tuesday 2nd May 2024 at Croydon Masonic Centre, Oakfield Road, Croydon.

The Tabernacle was opened by the High Priest, V.Em.Kt.Pt. Chris Eley, who welcomed all Knight Priests to the Tabernacle, and especially all the visitors who had come along to support the Tabernacle and act in Office.

V.III.Kt.Pt. Patrick Crossan gave a moving eulogy to V.III.Kt.Pt. John D G Marshall, KHW, PGV11P, who was a Founder of the Tabernacle. The Knight Priests stood for a moment in memory of V.III.Kt.Pt. John.

After the regular business of the Tabernacle had been completed the main item on the agenda was to install Em.Kt.Pt. Tim Ford as High Priest. This was done in a most sincere manner by V.Em.Kt.Pt. Chris Eley. The High Priest then appointed his Officers and invested those present: The Recorder thanked our Grand Superintendent for his support for the Tabernacle in donating some of

the proceeds from his County Club Dinner towards Holy Trinity Tabernacle to enable them to achieve a Royal Blue collarette.

The High Priest thanked Chris George, Steve Jones, and all the visitors for supporting the Tabernacle, and they in turn wished V.Em.Kt.Pt. Tim an enjoyable year.

V.Em.Kt.Pt. Chris Eley presented Kt.Pt. Jim Agnew with his Grand College Certificate saying that an explanation of the Certificate will be given by our Grand Superintendent on his next visit to the Tabernacle.



There being nothing further for the good of the Order, or this Tabernacle, the Tabernacle was closed and the Knight Priests of the Holy Trinity Tabernacle and their guests retired for refreshments before sitting down to a most enjoyable meal at the Croydon Masonic Hall.



Grand College Centenary Celebrations



Grand College was constituted as a sovereign body in 1924 and held its first meeting at Newcastle upon Tyne on 15th May of that year. Grand College returned to the city of its birth almost exactly 100 years later on Saturday 18th May 2024 to celebrate its Centenary.

A service was held in The Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas, St. Nicholas Square, Newcastle upon Tyne followed by a Celebration Banquet.

The banquet, attended by many Surrey Knight Priests, was held at Newcastle Racecourse, Newcastle upon Tyne.

Here is a picture of our Grand Superintendent standing next to 'The Hotham declaration' by Henry Hotham. Our Grand Superintendent is a Past High Priest of the Henry Hotham Tabernacle.



Our Grand Superintendent is now a Knight Beneficent of the Holy City



On Thursday the 12th of September at Mark Masons Hall, a meeting of the Prefecture of St George of London No 1 in the Order of the Grand Priory of the Knights Beneficent of the Holy City in the Rectified Scottish Rite of England and Wales was held to conduct the Armament Ceremony of a Knight Beneficent of the Holy City and to commission several qualified Squire Novices.



Our Grand Superintendent was one of the candidates to take this very impressive ceremony.

There to support Jack were several members of the Order including the Provincial Prior of Surrey Knights Templar, Pat Crossan, and the Regional Grand Prefect of the Anglo-Saxon Prefecture of the Knights Beneficent of the Holy City, David Jordan.

Also present was Chris Maiden, our Grand High Priest, and Graham Flight, Grand Sovereign of the Red Cross of Constantine.



The Most Eminent and Reverend Grand Master, Dr Vivian Thomas, JP, G.C.H.C., joined us afterwards for a group photo.



Our Grand Superintendent's BBQ

Love a BBQ... I do especially when accompanied by my Anne and Barrie. The setting was ideal, the weather perfect and the company wasn't too bad either. You can make that decision if you care to read my following synopsis of a very good afternoon.



Chilworth is a lovely village, typical of our superb countryside and mine host's home was just around the corner from a good Hants Isle of Wight pal who first brought me into Freemasonry some twenty odd years ago. Parking by my chauffeur, the ever-present Barrie, was achieved in spite of the event being very well attended and in we went to be met with a sea of faces, most of whom we knew.



The greetings were genuine, and we soon felt at home. Mrs Love is a lovely hostess and my partner was soon made to feel welcome. Barrie went off to chinwag with many of his acquaintances and I grabbed a lager thanks to the former driving us there.



Some five tables were already prepared, and we all sat down and enjoyed the gorgeous summer afternoon. The shade provided by the gazebos was welcome and the conversation on all tables was forthcoming.

The quiet months of July and August always mean that we have news to catch up on, both of a local and national level.



Freemasonry is always part of the discussion; a recent change of national leadership was commented on but we just talked about all matter of things. It is just good to meet up and exchange stories and viewpoints.

Our visit to Normandy for a week provided us two with much to discuss. The journey from Portsmouth to Caen on the spacious and peaceful ferry was made all the more enjoyable by a decent meal in the immaculately presented restaurant.



Enough of that and back to the event. There was an impressive display of drink available both alcoholic and non-alcoholic. The raffle table was well presented with a variety of offerings and not just bottles of wine. The proceeds of this coupled with profits from the BBQ were to be forwarded to Jack's particular masonic charity. The KTP Pillar Fund.

I have slightly jumped my order of reporting on the afternoon however. The most impressive part of the gathering was the eating of an amazing meal/BBQ. Our hostess had beautifully prepared a wide choice of salad accompaniments to the main course. our BBQ meat!

The dining with Jack is to be experienced to be believed. He is able to source the most delicious meats I have ever tasted. Today was no exception. Those with a wish for tender filet steaks were catered for and those who partook were impressed by the flavour and quality of the meat provided.

My partner thoroughly enjoyed her platter but for me it was the sirloin, my favourite cut of meat. I was allowed to cook my own and chose a classic cut, placed it on the prepared charcoal grill and gazed with interest as it gradually achieved what I wanted from a well prepared, cooked steak. I did have some salad but concentrated on the best piece of sirloin I had ever tasted.

A very good selection of desserts accompanied our repast and then it was the raffle. Jack drew the numbers; Andrew distributed the winnings and there were lots of smiling faces. We slowly began to depart after a memorable afternoon of good company, good food and drink. I am looking forward to the November dining experience at the County Club in Guildford. Do come and join us!

Article and photos by Michael Fenech



Holy Trinity Tabernacle



A visit from our Grand Superintendent

On Monday the 9th of September Holy Trinity Tabernacle No 212 was honoured by the presence of our Grand Superintendent, R.Em.Kt.Pt. Jack Love and his Escorting Officer, Ill.Kt.Pt. Steve SurrIDGE.

The Tabernacle was opened by the High Priest who welcomed all Knight Priests to the Tabernacle, especially our Grand Superintendent on his Official Visit, and all the visitors who had come along to support the Tabernacle and act in Office.



V.Em.Kt.Pt. Chris Eley gave an eulogy to V.Ill.Kt.Pt. David Burgess, PGM11P, who was a Founder of the Tabernacle. The Knight Priests stood for a moment in memory of V.Ill.Kt.Pt. David.

Ill.Kt.Pt. Hugh Everitt was declared elected as High Priest and V.Em.Kt.Pt. Garry D Lewis as Treasurer for the ensuing year.



The Grand Superintendent was invited to present a Grand College Certificate to Kt.Pt. Jim Agnew, which he did in a very informative way.

In return Kt.Pt. Jim Agnew presented the Tabernacle with a picture of *The Light of the World* by William Holman Hunt. This was received on behalf of the Tabernacle by our Grand Superintendent.

V.Em.Kt.Pt. Chris Eley gave a most interesting and informative talk entitled **'The story of the Knight Templar Priests'** by Reg Cooley who was Grand Recorder of the Order. R.Em.Kt.Pt Jack Love was thanked for his kind donation from his charity events towards the Pillar Fund. The Tabernacle is now at the Royal Blue level.



R.Em.Kt.Pt. Jack Love then made a surprise announcement. After thanking V.Em.Kt.Pt. Garry Lewis and V.Em.Kt.Pt. Chris Eley for all their hard work as Treasurer and Recorder of the Tabernacle for the past few years, he had much pleasure in awarding both with the Companion of Holy Wisdom. Both Garry and Chris thanked our Grand Superintendent for his kind gesture.

The Grand Superintendent conducted the Grand Point. There being nothing further for the good of the Order, or this Tabernacle, the Tabernacle was closed and the Knight Priests of the Holy Trinity Tabernacle and their guests retired for refreshments before sitting down to a most enjoyable meal at the Croydon Masonic Hall.



The Light of the World by William Holman Hunt

Holman Hunt's painting is one of the most viewed 20th-century art pieces in the world, with a rich tapestry of symbolism to be unravelled.

'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life'. (John 8:12). This verse from John's Gospel is what inspired Holman Hunt to paint this world-famous image. This is the third version of this painting by the artist. The first, from 1853, resides in Keble College Oxford and the second, painted shortly afterwards, can be seen in the Manchester Art Gallery. The piece in St Paul's was painted around fifty years later, with the assistance of Edward Robert Hughes, and it is thought to be the culmination of Holman-Hunt's vision.

This "sermon in a frame" is the most travelled artwork in history. After it was finished in 1904, it toured the globe, visiting most of the major towns and cities in Canada, South Africa, New Zealand and Australia. Today, it has been seen by millions of people and is one of the best-known works of its period.

The painting arrived at St Paul's after it was purchased from Holman-Hunt by the industrialist Charles Booth and donated to the Cathedral. It was received during a service in June 1908. On that day, the choir sang Psalm 119 which includes the verse: *'Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path'.* (Psalm 119:105).





Dinner at The County Club Guildford



Saturday the 23rd of November 2024

The Grand Superintendent of Knight Templar Priests, District 15, Right Eminent Knight Priest Jack Love, once again cordially invites you and your friends to attend

The County Club

158 High Street, Guildford, GU1 3HJ

arrive at 6.15pm, dinner at 7.30pm.



There is a multi-storey car park behind Sainsbury's in Sydenham Road, which is less than a 2-minute walk away.

Dress Code: Lounge Suit / Jacket and Tie for Men.

There will be a cash bar on arrival.

A raffle will be held in aid of the Pillar Fund please do bring a raffle prize.

Your family and friends are welcome.

Cost per person £60

Each table will receive a bottle of sauvignon blanc & two bottles of excellent Fleurie!

The District Grand Superintendent looks forward to extending a warm welcome to you all.

Andy Fox, Recorder, District 15

Stop Press: the fillet steaks remain at 8 ounces!





The Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests & Order of Holy Wisdom



District 15

Grand Superintendent

R Em Kt Pt J LOVE

Booking Form

Name	Vegetarian Starter Yes / No	Vegetarian Main Yes / No	Dessert C&B / Fruit Salad

Menu

Starter	Trio of Fish & King Prawn Salad
Starter Vegetarian	Cantaloupe Melon
Main Course	Fillet Steak (all cooked medium rare), Peppercorn Sauce, with Seasonal Vegetables and Mashed Potato
Main Course Vegetarian	Moroccan Nut Roast
Dessert	Cheese and Biscuits
	or
	Mixed Berry Fruit Salad
	Coffee / Tea with Mints to Follow

Wine

Each table will receive a bottle of Sauvignon Blanc & two bottles of excellent Fleurie

Cost per person £60

I enclose a cheque for £ for tickets

Contact Name

Contact Number

Payment must be made by cheque payable to Jack Love and accompany the booking form to:
Jack Love, 39 Halfpenny Close, Chilworth, Guildford, Surrey GU4 8NH
or via BACS, sort code 07-04-36 account Number 36798636

Please put your name as the reference and email Jack accordingly jacklamontlove@aol.com

Please ensure payment is made in advance!