



The District Christmas Carvery Lunch at Glenmore House 7th of December 2025



Without a doubt one of Surbiton's best kept secrets is the Glenmore House Sunday Lunch which has built up an enviable reputation with a regular following.

After enjoying a complimentary amuse bouche (pre-starter) followed by a choice of five starters, you can then tuck into a choice of one of 5 delicious main courses, typically including some classic roasted meats such as Roast Sirloin of Scottish or English Beef (with possibly the largest Yorkshire puddings you have ever seen!), Roast Welsh or English Leg of Lamb, as well as other delights!

After enjoying the main courses, if you still have room, the dessert menu boasts a range of mouth-watering desserts, selection of English and Continental Cheese, with a coffee and Glenmore House chocolate to finish.

A warm, friendly and efficient service is their forte, coupled with the abilities of a passionate brigade of Chefs producing amazing food using fresh, and where possible, locally sourced ingredients combine to make this a carvery unrivalled locally at such a remarkable price.

To start

Pumpkin Soup with Crème Fraiche & Ground Mace
Sautéed Oyster Mushrooms in a White Wine Cream and Tarragon Sauce with a Pastry Creel, Pesto Sauce
Oak Smoked Wester Ross Scottish Salmon with Prawn Marie-Rose
Deep Fried Welsh Goats Cheese with a Strawberry Salad
Galia Melon, Parma Ham & Fresh Fig

Then please visit the Carvery where one of their Chefs will be pleased to serve a selection of:

Roast Rib Eye of Cornish Beef, Yorkshire Pudding
or Roast Leg of English Lamb with Mint Sauce
or Roasted Loin of Wiltshire Pork
or Baked Fillet of Scottish Salmon stuffed with Baby Spinach

All served with a Panache of Fresh Market Vegetables, Cauliflower & Broccoli Gratin, Roasted Chateaux Potatoes

Dessert

Choose from our Dessert/Cheese Selection

Only £35 per person.

To book contact Stephen Hall at stephen@sjhconsulting.co.uk or call 07534 282786



District Grand Council of Surrey web site:

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A day out in Hampshire

On Saturday the 23rd of August 2025 a delegation from Surrey drove down to Botley to attend the Annual Meeting of the District Grand Council of Dorset, Hampshire, and Isle of Wight. The meeting was held at the Botley Masonic Centre in Hampshire.

We all received a very warm welcome from the District Grand Master, R.III.Comp. Frank Jeremy Shaw, and the Companions of Dorset, Hampshire, and Isle of Wight. There were many guests from other Districts present, and good support from the Heads of the other Orders in Dorset, Hampshire, and Isle of Wight.



Before the meeting we enjoyed tea, coffee and bacon baps and the opportunity to catch up with old friends from other Districts while the District Grand Director of Ceremonies was busy rehearsing his team in the Temple



The Companions were called to Order to receive the District Grand Master who entered the Temple in procession, accompanied by the District Grand Officers of the Year. District Grand Council was opened in due form by the District Grand Master, who was who was saluted with seven under the direction of the District Grand Director of Ceremonies.





The District Grand Master welcomed the honoured guests of the District and other Distinguished Companions, including R.Ill.Comp. Rufus and his driver, Mark. The Right Illustrious Companions were saluted with seven under the direction of the District Grand Director of Ceremonies.

After the regular business of District Grand Council had been concluded, the District Grand Master was pleased to appoint Ill.Comp., Simon Paul Lancaster, **P.G.Man.**, as Deputy District Grand

Master and Ill.Comp. Clive Barry Egerton, **P.G.Capt.G.**, as District Grand Principal Conductor of the Work.

After the District Grand Master had invested his Officers, he had pleasure in presenting the Travelling Trowel to the Thrice Illustrious Master of Terra Regis Council No 263. The Travelling Trowel has visited each Council over the past three years and was presented to the District Grand Master by Ill.Comp. Anton Smith of Carnarvon Council No 5 at the start of the meeting.

He then addressed District Grand Council. He thanked all the guests for supporting District



Grand Council, and all the District Grand Officers who had accompanied him on his visits to the Councils over the year. He congratulated those he had appointed and invested today saying he was looking forward to his visits to Councils this year.

He thanked the District Grand Recorder and the District Grand Director of Ceremonies and their teams for all they had done to make the meeting such a success, and finally all the Companions of Dorset, Hampshire, and Isle of Wight for their support.





District Grand Council was closed in due form and the District Grand Master, attended by the Deputy District Grand Master, the District Grand Principal Conductor of the Work, and distinguished guests retired in procession, greeting their honoured guests on their way out.



We then retired for refreshments before going into the dining room for lunch where we were joined by more Dorset, Hampshire, and Isle of Wight Heads of Orders for lunch. It was a very convivial lunch with good food and good company. After the meal the Deputy District Grand Master proposed the Toast to the District Grand Master thanking him for all he has done over the past year.



The District Grand Master thanked the Deputy District Grand Master and the Companions for their best wishes and then had much pleasure in presenting R.III.Comp. George Deacon, Past District Grand Master, Provincial Grand Master of the Mark Province of Hampshire and Isle of Wight, with a donation of £1,000 towards his 2026 MBF Festival.

R.III. Comp. George thanked the District Grand Master and all the Companions of the District of Dorset, Hampshire, and Isle of Wight for their generous donation.



A Visit to West Yorkshire

On a bright and sunny August day, Companions from across the country gathered in Leeds for the Annual Meeting of the District Grand Council of West Yorkshire. The event commenced with a welcoming breakfast of bacon sandwiches and coffee, providing an opportunity for fellowship before the formal proceedings began.



The meeting was officially opened by the Right Illustrious District Grand Master, Fraser McPherson, who extended a warm and hearty Yorkshire welcome to all present. Following the opening, the regular business of the meeting was conducted, which included the adoption of new District By-Laws and the appointment of new District Grand Officers.

A highlight of the meeting was the announcement of two £5,000 donations from the 150 Festival Fund Appeal, benefitting the Yorkshire Air Ambulance and Andy's Man Club.

Vickie Cowan from the YAA and Agunwa Umeokafor from AMC, were present throughout the morning providing information for visiting Companions and later joined them at the Festive Board.



The Festive Board itself was a memorable occasion, welcoming distinguished guests including Trevor Bolton, the Provincial Grand Master for the Mark Degree in West Yorkshire, who, though not a member of our Order, expressed his pleasure in joining the celebration, and James H Newman, the Provincial Grand Master and Grand Superintendent for the Province of Yorkshire West Riding. Having both the Craft Provincial Grand Master/Grand Superintendent, attending alongside the Mark Provincial Grand Master, as well as other local Heads of Order and national Rulers, highlighted the unity of Freemasonry within the Districts and Provinces.

The meeting and Festive Board were a testament to the strength of fellowship and the shared commitment to Masonic values and charitable efforts.

Thanks to our Northern Correspondent, Ill. Comp. Archie Parsons

Leonard George Hayward 19 May 1945 – 11 August 2025



We were saddened to hear earlier this month of the passing of Len Hayward after a short illness.

Len was a well-known figure in many of the Companion Orders, and at the time of his passing was Secretary/Recorder of eight Masonic units.

Len was Admitted into Chelsea Council No. 72 in April 1997 and was their Recorder from 2008. He joined Weald of Surrey Council No. 309 in January 2012.

Len, who held high rank in all the Companion Orders, received his first District rank of District Grand Manciple in 2008, followed by several promotions until he received Past District Grand Captain of the Guard in 2014.

His first Grand Rank was P.A.G.D.C. in 2013 and he was promoted to P.G.Cond.C. in 2019.

Len, who had a quick wit and a twinkle in his eye, will be sorely missed by all who knew him.