



## A Message from our Provincial Grand Master

**Brethren, I hope that this finds you and your families well and that you are enjoying the summer sunshine.**

In this edition of the Surrey Keystone, you will find information about events being planned in the coming months. These include the Sports raffle, the inter Province Cricket on **18<sup>th</sup> July** and the Sunday Curry Lunch on **8<sup>th</sup> August**.

These are all fun events planned for your enjoyment, whilst raising funds for the MBF Festival next year.

The programmes for the Cricket have been sent to every Lodge Secretary and serve as your entry to the event. It is always a fun day out for all the family and the only thing I cannot guarantee is the weather. Whatever is raised on the day will be donated to the Mark Benevolent Fund for our Festival.

Last month I was delighted to report on the £1.2M being given to the Hospice movement in England and Wales by the MBF. I thank all the Lodges who nominated a hospice to receive a donation of £1000 from their Lodge and we have submitted the nominations to Mark Grand Lodge; and even the smallest hospice in Surrey will receive £4,000. There will be an opportunity for Lodges to become involved in presentations to the hospice nominated by them and further details will be published in due course.

We have seen some Lodges and individual members organising fund raising for the Festival and I assure you that it all makes a difference. I am most grateful to those members, Lodges, and those involved in organising Provincial events for your support. I now ask everyone to stop and think –

**What is my Lodge doing? Could we do more? Could I get involved?**

If the answer to any is yes and you need support, advice or assistance, please ask W.Bro. Steve Jones the Provincial Grand Charity Steward, W.Bro. Alan Brockwell, the Provincial Events Manager, or your Lodge Group Charity representative.

We still live in uncertain times and in six days' time the Prime Minister will tell us about the next important steps on the roadmap. You have been informed that the suspension of Mark Masonry in Surrey ends on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021**. The Editor wouldn't hold the print on this edition, as there is an important announcement on the **Super Summer Sports Raffle** on the next page. Don't let me down, please help the Province and buy a raffle ticket, you could win one of three super prizes.

**Here is a link -**

<https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/raffle/2022SSSR>

I am unable to tell you what will happen when we re-start meetings and what restrictions will still be imposed. It is possible that the different centres will impose differing requirements, but the key is – **Keep safe**.

I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible, when our Lodges resume their activities, or at the events planned this summer. Once again, I remind everyone that there is no pressure on any individual member to return to physical meetings before they are ready.

Keep safe and Mark Well.

**Jan.**

## More Donations for our Festival.

**On the 12<sup>th</sup> May, Chertsey Abbey Council of Royal and Select Masters No 254 and Runnymede Council No 191 in the Allied Masonic Degrees held their Virtual Business Meetings using the Zoom video conferencing tool.**



Among the guests present were the District Grand Master of the Royal and Select Masters, District Grand Council of Surrey, Right Illustrious Companion David J Blackburn, our Past Deputy Provincial Grand Master; and the District Grand Prefect of the Allied Masonic Degrees, District Grand Council of Surrey, Right Worshipful Brother John V C French, our Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

At the meetings both Councils approved two charitable donations. The first from each Council was a donation of £200 to the White Lodge charity for disabled children and the second from each Council was a donation of £200 towards the **Surrey Mark 2022 MBF Festival**. W.Bro. John French, our Deputy Provincial Grand Master thanked the Brethren of both Councils for their kind donations.

***If any of you Mark Masons are looking to join other Orders but are put off by time commitments or cost you should look no further than joining Chertsey Abbey Council of Royal and Select Masters and Runnymede Council in the Allied Masonic Degrees. They both meet on the same day and have a joint Festive Board.***

***Where else could you experience nine unique ceremonies, not including the installation ceremony, in two Orders on the same day? If you would like to know more contact Eric Trodd, the Recorder/Secretary on [eric.trodd@talktalk.net](mailto:eric.trodd@talktalk.net) or 07778 812333***

## The Provincial Grand Master's Sunday Curry Lunch

**Sunday 8th August 2021, 12.00pm for 12.30pm at Croydon Masonic Halls.  
Cost: £20 per head – children under 12 £5**

Book your place through Alan Brockwell [Brockers01@icloud.com](mailto:Brockers01@icloud.com)

Full details and booking form are on the web site

<http://www.markmastermasons.org.uk/festival-events-0020.html>



# Super Summer Sport Raffle

Support the Surrey Mark 2022 MBF Festival with our Summer Super Sports Raffle featuring great sporting event prizes.

## Test Match Cricket

Two tickets for day 3 of the **England-India 4th Test** at the **Oval** on Saturday 4th September worth over £260. Seats are in Lock balcony and will include a meal hamper. Prize donated by former Surrey wicketkeeper, VW Bro. Arnold Long.

## Woking Football Club Hospitality

Tickets for 4 people to a Vanarama National League match at **Woking Football Club** with wonderful behind the scenes hospitality, 3 course lunch, half time refreshments and premium seating in the LGS Stand.

## Four Ball Golf at Chobham

Enjoy a round of golf for four players at the fabulous **Chobham Golf Club**. *Valid until 31 July 2022.*

**£5.00 per raffle ticket.** The Raffle runs from 5th June 2021 at 02:00 AM until 20th July 2021 at 7:00 PM.

The draw will take place on 20th July 2021 at 7:00 PM. See <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/raffle/2022SSSR>

## Flog it again for the Festival

Flog it for the Festival does it again. On their second outing to Hook Arena boot fair Norman Jones and the team were joined by our Provincial Grand Master, RW.Bro. Ian Clark.



After a good start they were all soon in the thick of selling their goods with Ian showing his high finance negotiating skills selling a pair of curtains for £3.00.

At the final count they had raised over £250 making a grand total so far for the two outings of £600.

They have proved that this works well. If their efforts are doubled just imagine how much can be raised for the Festival.

Norman appeals to all Surrey Mark Masons to do their own boot sale or sell online. This will make a huge difference.

## Cricketers Urgently Required!

### Make John French HAPPY!

Do you, your Sons, or your Grandsons play cricket?

Are you interested in joining the Surrey Mark Provincial Team?

Contact: **Chris Hatton NOW!**

Message him on facebook or e-mail:

[neatwork@btconnect.com](mailto:neatwork@btconnect.com)



## About

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All proceeds will go to the Mark Benevolent Fund to provide speedy support to many worthy charities.



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## Inter Province Cricket Match



On Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2021 the Provincial Grand Mark Lodge of Middlesex will host the annual Mark Inter Provincial Cricket Tournament between Kent, Middlesex, Surrey and Sussex at Radlett Cricket Club, Hertfordshire. All proceeds will go towards our 2022 MBF Festival.

The Trophy presentation will be made by RW Bro Edward R Garty, Provincial Grand Master for the Mark Province of Middlesex.

He will be accompanied by the Provincial Executive and their representatives from Surrey, Sussex and Kent.

### Timetable for the Day

#### The Big Toss Up - and start of the rivalry

1st Game - Team A verses Team B at 10.15

2nd Game - Team C verses Team D at 11.45

#### LUNCH

3rd Game - Third & Fourth Play Offs at 13.30

#### THE FINAL

Winner of Game 1 versus the winner of Game 2 at 15.00

Presentation Ceremony at 17.00

## Bonus Ball Update

### Congratulations to the May Bonus Ball winners:

Warlingham Lodge; Ted Knight of Croham Hurst Lodge; Mark Guzam of Percy Lodge; Colin Bryson of Cranleigh Centenary Lodge; Ashwinkumar Sumaria of Weald of Surrey Lodge; Stephen Dingvean of Woodgrange Lodge; David Bleming of Pleydell Bouverie Lodge; Colin Bryson of Cranleigh Centenary Lodge (*again*); Chris George of Lingfield Lodge; Michael Banbury of H A Mann Lodge; Denis Jackson of Croham Hurst Lodge; David Blackburn of Sanderstead Lodge; John French of Percy Lodge; Mike Prentice of Curfew Lodge; John Fitzgerald of Richmond Lodge; Roger Alderton of Croydon Lodge; Anthony DeBoeck of Pride of Surrey Lodge; Paul Kerswell of Weald of Surrey Lodge; Roger Alderton of Croydon Lodge (*again*) and John Woodville of Richmond Lodge

It's easy to purchase a ball – just click on:

<https://surrey-mark-bonus-ball-online.square.site/>