



# THE TRAVELLING KNIGHTS OF OXFORDSHIRE, BERKSHIRE & BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

EPISODE 3 – FEBRUARY 2024



**Our GOALS-**

**Attract new Knights to the Order.**

**Focus on “assisting where required” with Preceptories.**

**Assist with Ceremonies to ensure standard of KT ritual remains respected.**

**Introducing team communications that work!**

**INTRODUCING-**

**KNIGHTS AROUND THE TABLE**

**THE KT HUB**

**The one stop information centre for the Province!**

***DO YOU NEED-***

**Any advice?**

**Assistance with Ceremonies?**

**Require an officer to fill a spot?**

**Do you have any good ideas?**

**Do you think your skills would be useful? let us know-**

**Are you a new Knight and want some assistance?**

**USEFUL IDEAS CENTRE- send us your ideas-**



# MONTHLY ROUND UP FROM THE PROVINCE



E.Kt. Dean Robert White  
The Provincial Sub-Prior in Charge

Dear Brother Knights,

I trust that you and your loved ones have had a very happy and enjoyable Festive period and may I wish you all the very best for 2024.

I spoke to R.E. Knight Graham McGowan-Smyth this morning, he is in extremely good form, having had a most enjoyable Christmas with his family and friends. He gives you all his very best wishes and I personally look forward to his attendance as often as possible in the coming months.

We have an exciting year ahead and our objectives remain the same:

***To enjoy our Knight Templar Order, support our Brother Knights, support our Preceptories by regular attendance and engaging with the various roles, encouraging Companions to join our wonderful Order.***

May I take this opportunity to reflect on the past year, our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations, numerous social events and nearly every Preceptory installing a new Knight, with double ceremonies not being uncommon. We have already started this year in a similar vein with numerous Companions already destined to become Knights of our Order in the coming months.

I plan to visit each of your Preceptories during the year and would be delighted to hear your suggestions for their development. I thank you in anticipation of your continued support for our wonderful Province and the Order of Knights Templar.

With my kindest regards and in the Bonds of the Order

# BODYGUARD NEWS



E.Kt. Martin James Sando  
Commander of the Provincial  
Priors Bodyguard



E.Kt. Vito Mingolla  
Deputy- Commander of the  
Provincial Priors Bodyguard

## FOLLOW OUR BODYGUARD EVENTS DIARY.

Forthcoming BG dates-

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February –Robert-de-Turnham Preceptory no.499

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February- Cygnet Preceptory no.464

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February- Robert Loyd Preceptory no. 438

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February- Crusaders Preceptory no. 258

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE  
BODYGUARD TEAM? - send an email to the Commander-  
[Martin.sando@outlook.com](mailto:Martin.sando@outlook.com)



# MARSHAL POINTS



*“ A great PoI evening at Wokingham on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December- Kt. Stewart Dunbar BG was with us to practice his journey into the Chair at St Hugh Preceptory in 2024  
Kt. Bruce Hartrup BG came along to test his skills with presenting the Symbols”*

Come along to the Preceptory of Improvement.

## **Marlow Masonic Centre**

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> of March 2024

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> of June 2024

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> of September 2024

## **Wokingham Masonic Centre**

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of March 2024

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of June 2024

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> of September 2024

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> of December 2024

*All Knights are welcome, new, old, any office you wish to try- just come along and enjoy learning!*

For more info contact-

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E.Kt. Malcolm Woolgar  
The Deputy Provincial  
Marshal runs the Preceptory  
of improvement.



**OX. BERKS. BUCKS. 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR GALA DINNER  
SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2024**



To be held at Sindlesham Masonic Centre on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Gala dinner menu / Black tie event / Cocktail dresses for the ladies

Sparkling wine reception

Live band

Dancing till midnight!

Full details in due course- reserve your places now!

Book your table now!

**TICKET COST £60.00 PER PERSON**

**RESERVE NOW**

Gala dinner events team-

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# NEWS FROM ALL CORNERS OF THE PROVINCE



## LESLIE FELGATE DRING PRECEPTORY NO. 637 (LFD)

(above -photo)

R.E.Kt Ray Cochrane / the Sub-Prior E.Kt. Dean White / the Eminent Preceptor  
E.KT. Trevor Austin & R.E.Kt. Norman Bliss

All Knights of any Preceptory office/ rank are welcome to attend and enjoy!

**-THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024 MALTA MEETING**

3-course menu (inc coffee) with speciality Steak & Kidney pudding at  
Beaconsfield is hard to beat for £22!!

All Installed Preceptors (past & present) are welcome to join the Preceptory.  
Contact the Registrar for more information-

E.Kt. John Stribling

e. [interface.p@talk21.com](mailto:interface.p@talk21.com)

# PROVINCIAL DIARY

Aylesbury - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January  
Bisham Abbey - Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January  
Robert-de-Turnham -Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February  
Cygnet – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February  
Wellesley- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February  
Robert Loyd – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February  
Crusaders – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February  
Couer-de-Lion- Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February  
Terra Sancta - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March  
William Warde – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March  
Sir Oliver Starkey – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March  
Friendship & Care – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March  
Cressing – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March  
St Hugh – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April  
Beaumont – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April  
Outremer – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April  
Bisham Abbey - Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April  
William Warde – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May  
Terra Sancta - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May  
Aylesbury - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May  
**GREAT PRIORY – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May**  
Robert-de-Turnham -Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May  
Crusaders – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May  
**Leslie Felgate Dring (LFD) – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May- Provincial Malta meeting**  
Couer-de-Lion- Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June  
Cressing – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June  
Cygnet – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June  
**Please confirm dates with Registrars**

**CHURCH SERVICE ABINGDON- Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June**  
Outremer – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June  
Friendship & Care – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June  
Robert Loyd – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June  
Sir Oliver Starkey – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June  
Beaumont – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July  
Wellesley- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July  
Outremer – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August  
Aylesbury - Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September  
Terra Sancta - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September  
**PROVINCIAL PRIORY – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September**  
Bisham Abbey – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September  
Sir Oliver Starkey – Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September  
Robert-de-Turnham -Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October  
Leslie Felgate Dring (LFD) – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October  
St Hugh – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October  
Beaumont – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October  
Robert Loyd – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October  
**Provincial annual Gala dinner-Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October**  
Cressing – Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October  
Cygnet – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November  
Couer-de-Lion- Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November  
Wellesley- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November  
**GREAT PRIORY MALTA- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November**  
Crusaders – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November  
**PROVINCIAL MALTA MEETING -Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November**  
St Hugh – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December  
William Warde – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December  
Friendship & Care – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December



# A KNIGHTS TALE



E.Kt. Alan West P.Gt.A-d-C.

The Provincial Chancellor- appointed 2023  
He was the Provincial Registrar from 2013-2022

Registrar of Robert Loyd Preceptory no.438  
Founding member of Bisham Abbey  
Preceptory no.691

Past Eminent Preceptor of LFD Preceptory  
Member of Berkshire Provincial Grand  
Stewards lodge



## Interesting facts-

Alan spent many years racing stock-cars/ hot rods & banger racing and working hard in his business before retiring.

Married to Beverley (unofficial KT wardrobe seamstress for the Robert Loyd Preceptory)

After purchasing a rather nice boat he completed his YRA Yachtmaster qualification which technically qualifies him to be the captain of a cross channel ferry boat!

Has several very nice cars including a noisy Aston Martin & an immaculate 1960 Jaguar XK150 (which he uses on many trips with the Jaguar owners club)

# ANOTHER CHAPTER



## CHARLES NICHOLL CHAPTER NO 7318 MEETING ON JANUARY 9TH

Nearly 50 companions (inc 25 Knights) turned up to support the Chapter and watch an excellent Exaltation Ceremony for Companion Alex Bruscato.

E.Comp. Mark Harry joined the Chapter – Mark is also a member of the KT Provincial Bodyguards.

The evening was completed with E.Comp Dean White proposing Comp. Paul Robinson as a joining member (seconded by E.Comp Martin Sando)

A fantastic meeting followed by a noisy festive board!

*The next meeting will be the 200<sup>th</sup> of the Chapter-*

This is our very own KT linked Chapter, why not come along to support our next meeting which will be another Exaltation Ceremony on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2024, at Sindlesham.**

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Dining- Ass Scribe E. Comp Ian Mitchell- [ian.mitchell09@aol.com](mailto:ian.mitchell09@aol.com)

# OUT & ABOUT IN THE PROVINCE





## Aylesbury Preceptory no. 389



Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

The first meeting of the new year 2024 was well attended by the Preceptory members, the Provincial Bodyguard and the Provincial Sub-Prior-in-Charge- E.Kt Dean White.

E.Kt. Lloyd Harrison installed his successor E.Kt. James Woolley into the Chair.

Both Lloyd & Jim are both past members of the Bodyguard team (Lloyd served as Commander and deputy Commander), so it was great that the present Bodyguard team were present to wish them all the best for the future.

The Preceptory was unfortunately saddened by the sudden passing of E.Kt. Tim Hancock on the Saturday before. Tim had been a hard working committed member for many years, having served as the Eminent Preceptor in 2010 and until recently acted as Chaplain. He was not quite 70-years old and will be greatly missed by all. We all send our condolences to his family and wish them well at this sad time.





R.E.Kt Ray Cochrance KCT / E.Kt. James Woolley/ Sub Prior E.Kt. Dean White / E.Kt. Lloyd Harrison



Arch of Steel by the Bodyguard on duty



Provincial Sub-Prior-in -  
Charge with  
E.Kt Jim Woolley



Eminent Knights Ray Harrison / Richard Skym &  
Lester Wellington (Provincial Marshal of Hertfordshire)



Rob. P & Kevin. S of the  
Bodyguard team



Above pic - Jim & Lloyd

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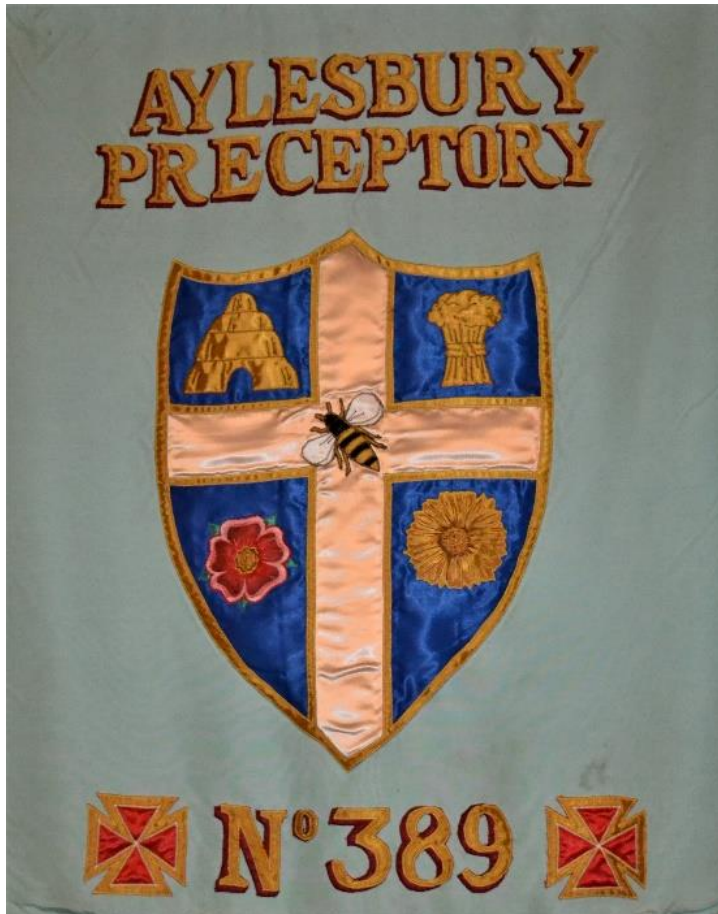
Lester & Lloyd











Would you like to join Aylesbury Preceptory no. 389?

Do you have candidates for Installation as new Knights?

Contact the Registrar -

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Visit the Mark Masons Hall website and follow the link for freemasonry 86 to see the edited report of the Aylesbury Preceptory meeting.

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**[Freemasonry@86](#)**

**19 January 2024**

# KNIGHTLY ARTEFACTS FOR SALE



## CELEBRATING THE 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Limited edition Firing sword & coin as seen everywhere!

Special offer to newly installed Knights £25.00 each

Pay by BACS to Provincial Priory of Ox, Berks & Bucks

Sort code- 60:00:01 account- 36312010

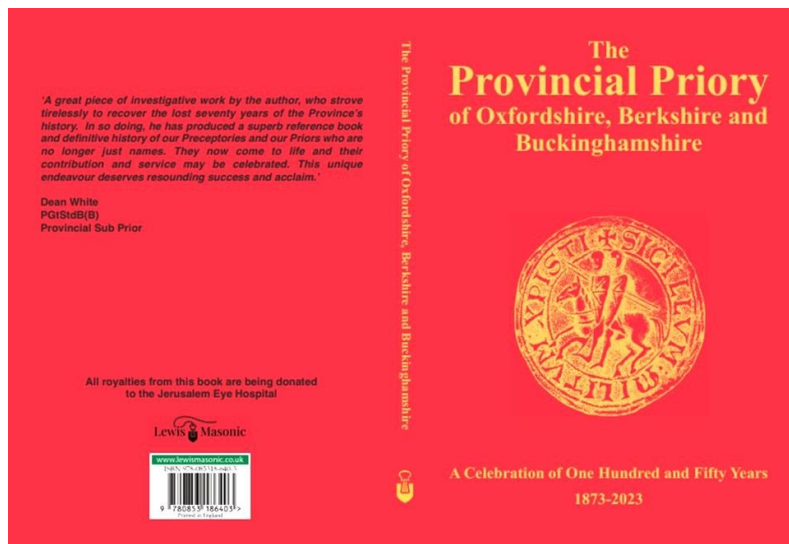
Ref. Surname & Preceptory number and we will ensure that it arrives at your next meeting ready for use at the festive board.



## CELEBRATING THE 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

The Province authorised the writing of a commemorative book called *A Celebration of One Hundred and Fifty Years 1873-2023* which has been kindly printed by the Lewis Masonic publishing house to commemorate our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

It has a page designed to receive a signature and dedication by our Provincial Prior and Sub Prior; including a section to record the highlights of one's time within our Order, it will be available from the Lewis Masonic online catalogue (February 2024) at a cost of £12.00 with all profits being donated to the Jerusalem Eye Hospital.



Bodyguard cufflinks

£20.00 per pair, all profits will go to the Jerusalem Eye Hospital

# WHAT IS HAPPENING IN YOUR PRECEPTORY THIS MONTH

Let us know what is going on, send some pics, ask some questions, request some assistance.

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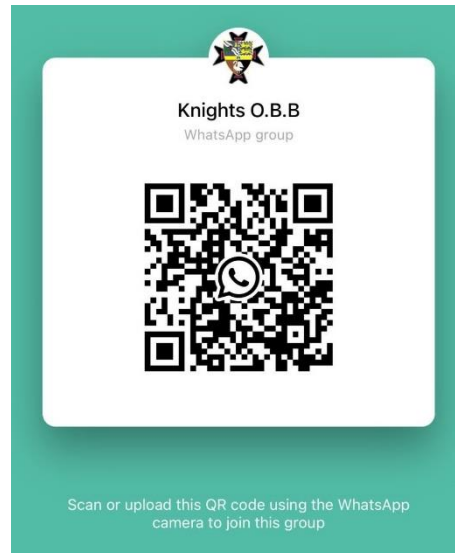
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