



# THE TRAVELLING KNIGHTS OF OXFORDSHIRE, BERKSHIRE & BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

**EPISODE 6 - MAY 2024**



## **IN THIS MONTH`S NEWSLETTER-**

- GREAT PRIORY APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED**
- PRESENTATION AT BUCKS LODGE**
- ST HUGH INSTALLATION**
- JAMIE VISITS N & E YORKS**
- SLAY IN AT BEAUMONT**
- NEW KNIGHT FOR OUTREMER**
- UNI SCHEME KT POP-UP**
- ANOTHER DOUBLE FOR BISHAM**

## 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!

## 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 Prior Designate

Dear Knights of the Province,

I trust that you and your families are well, please inform the Provincial Almoner (E.Kt. Paul Jenkins) of any difficulties so that we may help if required or just an update on your health issues so that we are all aware and supporting you.

We are looking forward to a very busy KT month ahead of us starting with Great Priory on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> of May (calling notice has been emailed or book online at MMH), it will be fantastic to have a good number of our Knights present to support the Province.

The following Knights will be receiving honours at Great Priory

His Hon Ian Douglas Gavin Alexander *KC* - Great Chancellor - reappointment

Bob Diplock – Past Great Registrar - promotion

Paul Ricketts- Past Great Standard Bearer (VB) promotion

Roger Peggram- Past Great Standard Bearer (VB) promotion.

My own Installation as Provincial Prior will take place on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May at Sindlesham at 11am and I hope to see many of our Knights in attendance!

Our Malta meeting at LFD Preceptory will take place on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May- 35 candidates have been invited to take their Malta degree under the guidance of the Provincial team so it could be a very busy Ceremony!

I hope to see many of you on my travels around the Province, and at the above meetings.

Yours in the Bonds of the Order

E.Kt. Dean White

# BODYGUARD NEWS



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

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



## FOLLOW OUR BODYGUARD EVENTS DIARY.

Forthcoming BG April dates-

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May – Terra Sancta Preceptory no.487

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May- Crusaders no. 258

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Provincial Priory Sindlesham 8.30am rehearsals

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May – LFD no. 637 team visit MALTA meeting.

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!*

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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

Music & Dancing till midnight!

Full details in due course- reserve your places now!

All Knights welcome- new & old

Book your table now!

**TICKET COST £60.00 PER PERSON**

**RESERVE NOW**

Gala dinner events team-

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(above - left to right)

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

3-course menu (inc coffee) £22 excl. wine

All Installed Preceptors (past & present) are welcome to join the Preceptory.

Contact the Registrar for more information-

E.Kt. John Stribling

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# 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 – Friday 5<sup>th</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

**Provincial Priory- 25<sup>th</sup> May- INSTALLATION**

**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- cancelled.**

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



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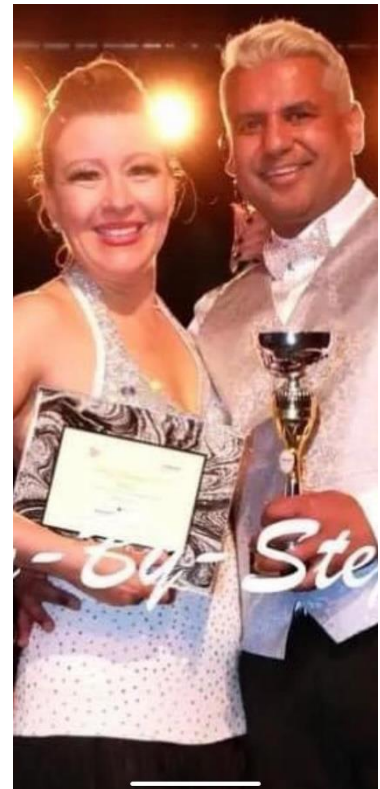
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# A KNIGHTS TALE



Kt. Steve Sahonta, a member of St Hugh Preceptory in Banbury and member of the Provincial Prior's Bodyguard



Interesting facts about Kt. Steve-

Steve is always helping others including lots of charity work raising money for various events.

His latest fund-raising adventure was "Strictly Come Banbury 2024" where with his dancing partner Rachel they won the competition!!

The competition helped to raise over £25,000 pounds for charity.

The Bodyguard team insist that he wears the silver suit from now on at our meetings!!!

# ANOTHER CHAPTER



CHARLES NICHOLL CHAPTER NO 7318

*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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**BOOK NOW!!! And enjoy a Royal Arch meeting with a KT twist.**





# OUT & ABOUT IN THE PROVINCE



## MASONIC KNIGHTS TEMPLAR PRESENTATION TO NESTOR LODGE NO. 8184 (Bucks)

On Tue 19 Mar 24, the Oxon, Berks & Bucks Presentation Team gave a very interesting presentation about Masonic Knights Templar, to Nestor Lodge No. 8184, who meet at the Masonic Centre in St Peter Street, Marlow in Bucks,.

The Team, consisting of Eminent Knights Bob Diplock, Provincial Vice Chancellor, and Graham Snell, Registrar of Cygnet Preceptory No. 464, was warmly welcomed by the Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Mark P. Iwaszko and his Brethren before giving an informative talk - consisting of a short film and slideshow - about the medieval Order of the Poor Fellow Soldiers of Christ and the Temple of Solomon and their spiritual descendants; modern Masonic Knights Templar.



Worshipful Brother Mark P. Iwaszko PPGReg centre flanked by E Kt Bob Diplock, Provincial Vice Chancellor, wearing KT regalia, and E Kt Graham Snell on the right dressed as a Knight of Malta



E Kts Bob and Graham - the former attired in Knights Templar regalia, and the latter in the undress uniform of a Knight of Malta – talked about: the leadership and outline organisation of KT and its place in the Masonic framework; the joining requirements and procedures; and information about regalia, swords and fees. The talk was rounded off with a question and answer session before the Brethren concluded the meeting with a hearty round of applause. E Kts Bob and Graham responded by saluting the Worshipful Master and his Officers with their swords before taking their place in the Lodge for the remainder of the meeting. Worshipful Brother Mark P. Iwaszko later said:

*‘With the amazing support of E. Kt Bob and E.Kt Graham, we facilitated a compelling presentation to twenty-nine Craft Masons across all degrees who had expressed great interest in learning more about this Order. There were seventeen visitors, from twelve different Lodges, across several provinces, enabling a rare insight into the fascinating history and continued spiritual values within the Knights Templar.’*

### **Report from E.Kt. Graham Snell**

Visit the Mark Masons Hall website and follow the link for [freemasonry86](#) to see the edited report of the Cygnet Preceptory meeting.

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# **Freemasonry@86**

**5<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

## St Hugh Preceptory no.314 meeting in Banbury

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April



E.Kt. Stewart Dunbar (above) was installed into the Chair of the Preceptory  
(photo on the left) Kt.Steve Sahonta (member Std Bearer (B) )

E.Kt. Stewart Dunbar and Kt. Bruce Hartrup (visiting) –  
all members of the Provincial Bodyguard team

Would you like to join St Hugh Preceptory no.314  
Do you have any candidates for Installation as new Knights

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**E.Kt. Jamie Clark of the Robert Loyd Preceptory visits  
St John of Beverley Preceptory no. 385 in the Province of  
N & E Yorkshire**



Above-Left to Right

E.Kt. Terry Perks Provincial Bodyguard commander / E.Kt. Jamie Clark / Kt Matt Clark (Dep Cmdr)





## Beaumont Preceptory no.323 meeting in Bicester

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April

20 plus Knights came along to see E.Kt. Mark Slaymaker install his successor into the Chair at Beaumont Preceptory on a busy Friday evening in Bicester.

E.Kt Dean White, the Provincial Prior Designate attended with several Provincial officers and members of the Provincial Bodyguard.

Newly installed E.Kt. Edmund Glasby was given a great welcome by everyone and will endeavour to further bond the unit together in the future.

E.Kt. Edmund who in the past had overcome a serious trauma which still has a lasting affect on his daily life showed his commitment to KT by completing the meeting in a very competent manner.

The Knights continued to enjoy the evening at the festive board in the downstairs dining area of the Bicester Masonic Centre



Left to Right

R.E.Kt. Ray Cochrane KCT. - E. Kt. Edmund Glasby - E. Kt. dean White -  
E. Kt. Mark Slaymaker IPP



Rob, Jamie, Mark & Tony



Dean & Edmund enjoying  
the Festive Board



E. Kt. Mark Slaymaker  
(known as “Slay” to friends)







Would you like to join Beaumont Preceptory no. 323

Do you have any candidates for Installation as new Knights

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## Outremer Preceptory no.474 meeting in Newbury

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April

The Eminent Preceptor, Richard Starkey performed a great Ceremony installing Kt. Colin Sainsbury into the Preceptory.

E.Kt. Dean White, the Provincial Prior Designate and a member of the Preceptory was in attendance with several Provincial officers and the Provincial Bodyguard team.

43 knights dined in fine style at the Chequer's Hotel just along the road from the Newbury Masonic Centre, the Registrar, E.Kt. Vic Bickers organised everything as always!

To see such great ritual and the enthusiasm of the members, along with a festive board for over 40-Knights it is hard to imagine that just 2- years ago this was a struggling Preceptory!

It shows that hard work & commitment will merit reward in the long run.











Would you like to join Outremer Preceptory no. 474

Do you have any candidates for Installation as new Knights

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## Knights Templar support the University scheme at Sindlesham on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April



The Provincial Prior Designate, Dean White was busy organising the National University scheme, 150 delegates from around the UK University Lodges met at Sindlesham for a day of talks!

O.B.B organised a pop-up KT display run by Martin Sando & Mark Harry.

Alan West joined us as well representing KTP.

A very worthwhile day for us all!



## **Bisham Abbey Preceptory no.474 meeting in Marlow**

### **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**



Left to right-

E.Kt. Dean White - Kt. Dave Harfield – Kt. Richard Aris – EP. Steven Dampier

Another great double installation of new Knights!

The Eminent Preceptor, Steven Dampier arrived back from his holiday in Australia just a few days before and completed a fantastic Ceremony- ritual of high quality with a ceremony to match!

Bisham is spoilt for choice with the quality of its members, E.Kt. Malcolm Woolgar who runs the Preceptory of Improvement for the Province and is the Marshal of the Bisham Abbey Preceptory, guided both Candidates around with such confidence.

The Provincial Prior E.Kt. Dean White was attending with many Provincial officers and the Provincial Bodyguard, they all witnessed one of the best double Installation Ceremonies in the Province!

New Knight Richard Aris, a well-known mason in the Berkshire Province proudly wore his father's original jewels and sword, he was installed as a Knight in Hong Kong in the early 1960's.

New Knight Dave Harfield was so keen on becoming a Knight that he was immediately taken on by the Bodyguard team! rapid promotion.

Both new Knights will enjoy being part of the OBB Templar Brotherhood!











Would you like to join Bisham Abbey Preceptory no. 474  
Do you have any candidates for Installation as new Knights

Contact the Registrar -

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# ST JOHN OF JERUSALEM

## EYE-HOPSITAL NEWS

E.Kt. Jamie Ingham-Clark KStJ,  
Past Dep. Gt.Swd.B.  
Trustee of the Jerusalem eye Hospital

I am delighted to report a very small but significant step in our desire to deliver eye care to Gaza which has been non-existent since the start of the war on 7th October.

We have been given permission to set up an eye clinic in three different locations within the Gaza Strip, in the north, south and in the centre. These clinics will only be able to deliver eye drops at this stage, but it is a real step in the right direction.

It represents stage one of our three phase plan to return to delivering the services we did before the start of the war. The next stage will be to return the hospital building to a useable state and following that to resume our operating facilities there.

All of this will depend on a resolution to the ongoing situation, but it means we will be ready to act as soon as conditions allow.

In the meantime, I would like to thank all our Brother Knights for their continued support for our work and I look forward to seeing many of you at our new Provincial Prior's Installation.

Jamie Ingham Clark, KStJ

Trustee



# 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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# 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.

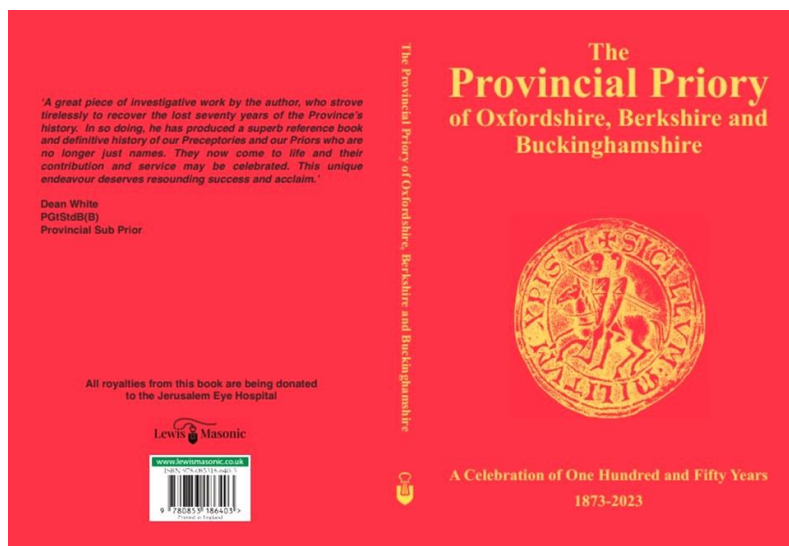




## CELEBRATING THE 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

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

# YE KNIGHTS OF OLDE REGALIA

Don't leave those unwanted KT regalia items gathering dust at the back of the cupboard.

tunics / mantle / badges / old swords / belts that no longer fit etc

**Don't waste!!! RECYCLE to our new Knights.**



**Recycling contacts-**

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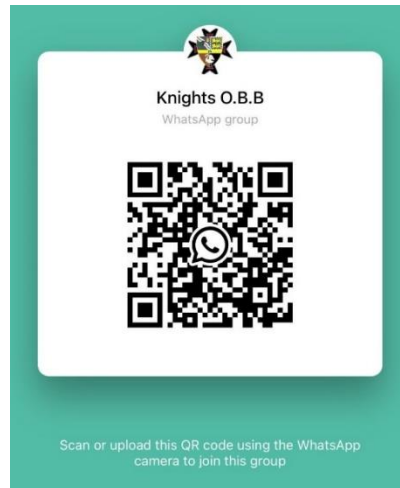
**OR**

**Provincial Vice Chancellor- Bob Diplock**

**Travelling Knights co-ordinator- E.Kt. Martin Sando**

**Join the Provincial O.B.B. WhatsApp group- let us know what is going on and keep us up to date.**

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/EyFyBj6N7VnDZNVNVCN4Y0>



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