

# Twelve Talk

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## Meetings 2011-12

\* 06.09.11  
Passing exemplification

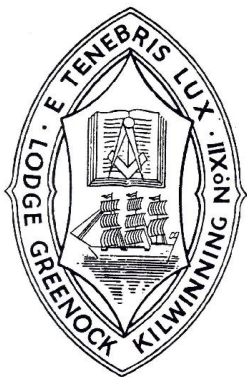
\* 20.09.11  
Nomination and Election of  
Office Bearers and  
Homecoming Curry  
evening; No XII members  
only

\* 04.10.11  
Entering: Pipers' Degree by  
Lodge The Gael No 609  
(Glasgow)

\* 18.10.11  
Passing

\* 01.11.11  
Raising

\* 15.11.11  
Annual Meeting and  
Installation of Office  
Bearers at 645pm



**Lodge Greenock Kilwinning No XII**  
**The Saloon of the Town Hall, Greenock**  
**Regular Meetings – 7.30pm 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays – September to April**

RWM Bro Arthur Young PM Beechwood Eccles Road Hunter's Quay (01369-704392)  
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### Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September

We had our homecoming curry evening for XII members. While we might have hoped for a better response, in addition to those who were there on the evening, we have had some 'pledges of return' and we look forward to seeing these brethren in

the next few weeks. The curry went down very well. Indeed it was so popular that we shall have a similar menu at our next meeting when members of Lodge the Gael visit.

### Celebration for Henry and Muriel

On Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September Past Master Henry Tibbles and his wife Muriel celebrated their Platinum Wedding. Henry met Muriel when he was serving in the Royal Navy during World War 2 and Muriel was in the Wrens. I am sure that many of you will have seen the great photo of them taken at their celebratory lunch in the Chartroom.

Henry is a native of Minster, by Sheerness in Kent. He took the chair of his Mother Lodge, aged 82 years and 16 days in 2001. He received his first degree during the Second World War on 10<sup>th</sup> November 1942. At that time he was in the Royal Navy and stationed locally. When Henry returned to civvy street, the printing trade beckoned and he rose to the position of Company Director. Unfortunately, for No XII promotion took Henry to London, but XII's loss was The Scots' Lodge's gain and he joined No 2319 (EC) on 24<sup>th</sup> April 1969. Henry's enthusiasm led him to be installed as Worshipful Master of The Scots' Lodge in 1980. After many further masonic honours, he returned to Scotland in his retirement and came back to No XII. He served the Lodge in several capacities – for example filling the offices of Tyler, Treasurer, WJW and WSW before ascending to the Chair.

### Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October

**Pipers' Degree by  
Lodge the Gael No  
609 (Glasgow)**

**This is an evening not to  
be missed!**

No XII has a relationship with Lodge the Gael No 609 that stretches back to the 1980s. We are delighted that The Gael will bring its Pipers' Degree to No XII on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October. The degree is worked by the pipers of the Lodge and there is much pipe music in the ceremonial. This is a unique masonic experience and we are sure that it will be a great evening. The team of pipers will be led by Bro Keith Bowes PM who is Pipe Major of Johnstone Pipe Band and it is hoped that as many as 8 pipers will be involved. There will be a traditional harmony after the ceremonial with a meal, singing (including some songs in the Gaelic), piping and a dram to lubricate the tonsils.

**Iain White PM**