

# Twelve Talk

15.01.12

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## Meetings 2011-12

\* 20.12.11

Passing

\* 17.01.12

Raising by The Lodge of  
Erskine No 1566

(Renfrewshire East)

\* 07.02.12

Provincial Visitation

\* 21.02.12

Entering

\* 06.03.12

Passing by Lodge Burns  
Dundonald No 1759  
(Ayrshire)

\* 20.03.12

Entering Exemplification  
by The Scots Lodge No  
2319 (EC)

\* 03.04.12

Raising

\* 17.04.12

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**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 Bob Bain PM 22 Bellesdale Avenue Largs KA30 9EF (07753108979)**  
**Secretary Bro Ken McDougall PM 8 Mount Stuart Drive Wemyss Bay (07810270787)**

## Out and about with No XII

### Visitations

Our brethren have been doing a great deal of visiting recently. This is the best way that we can spread the cement of brotherly love within the craft beyond our Mother Lodge. It is also a great support to the sister lodges in boosting attendances and helping the atmosphere at the meetings. Of course we have always grateful for the many visitors that we receive and it is great to return the compliment. Here is a short

summary of our trips out: Lodge Salfire No 1505  
03.01.12 Lodge St John (Glasgow) Bros Bob Bain  
Kilwinning Largs No 173 RWM and Alan Beck  
(Ayrshire) Bros Bob Bain WSW; 12.01.12 Lodge The  
RWM, Alan Beck WSW and Gael No 609 (Glasgow) Bro  
Ken MacDougall PM; Iain White PM; 12.01.12  
05.01.12 Lodge Cumberland Lodge Inverkip Ardgowan No  
Kilwinning No 217 Bros 1425 Bro Eddie McGill;  
Bob Bain RWM, Alan Beck 13.01.12 Lodge Greenock St  
WSW, Iain White PM, Eddie John's No 175 Bros Alan Beck  
McGill and Paul Galbraith; WSW, Jim Adams PM, Jim  
09.01.12 Lodge Firth of McGregor Snr, Jim McGregor  
Clyde Gourock No 626 Bro Jr, Crawford Kikpatrick, Eddie  
Eddie McGill; 10.01.12 McGill, Paul Galbraith.  
Lodge Royal Arch West Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick was  
Kilbride No 314 (Ayrshire) a notable absentee until 175 –  
Bros Bob Bain RWM, Alan he has had a very bad cold and  
Beck WSW, Jurie Duvenage has been out of action!  
and Derek Storie; 12.01.12

## Our Next Meeting

### Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January

Bro James McGregor Jr will have his Raising on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January. The ceremonial will be carried out by The Lodge of Erskine No 1566 where our own Architect Bro Brian McFadyen is also an office bearer. We look forward greatly to seeing the brethren of 1566 at work. It will be the first time that 1566 has worked in No XII

## Financial Matters

Test Fees and Life Members' donations in lieu of Capitation Fees are now due. Test Fees are very reasonably set at £30 in No XII.

All fees and donations should be passed to Bro Iain White (Acting Treasurer) either at the Lodge or mailed to him at 23 Manor Crescent, Gourock PA19 1UZ.

## New No XII Website

Thanks to the work of Bro Alan Beck WSW, No XII has a new website. It may be found at [www.lgk12.masons-lodge.org](http://www.lgk12.masons-lodge.org) and gives loads of information about what's going on in the Lodge and charts our history too. Any brother who has photos involving No XII please scan them and email them to Alan at [tenor.alanbeck@ntlworld.com](mailto:tenor.alanbeck@ntlworld.com) Please add the names of the brethren in the photo to your email.

## **Visit to Lodge Innellan and Toward No 1435 this Wednesday**

When we were at the Installation of Lodge The Gael last month, we were in conversation with Bro Alasdair Henderson of Lodge Innellan and Toward No 1435. Alasdair is in office in 1435 and is a regular at Lodge The Gael. He was one of the pipers at the Pipers' Degree conferred by Lodge The Gael at No XII in October. We agreed that we would go to visit Lodge Innellan and Toward on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2012 when a First Degree is being worked.

Brethren will meet for the Argyll Ferries 1820 service to Dunoon at Gourock Pier. This is the ferry from the main Gourock pier, not McNroy's Point. We shall take taxis to Innellan and back. Ferries return at 2210 and 2310.

To my knowledge, No XII has never visited 1435 before, so it would be great to see as many brethren as possible there on the evening. It will be an interesting meeting and a number of our friends from Lodge The Gael will be there.

## **Invitations to Confer Degrees**

### **The Lodge of Erskine No 1566**

No XII has been invited to confer a Raising at The Lodge of Erskine No 1566 on Thursday 12 April. The invitation was discussed at the General Committee Meeting next week and we are delighted to accept. It is always an honour for the Lodge to be invited out to work in a Sister Lodge

### **Lodge Fleet Wood (EC)**

We have also received an invitation to visit Lodge Fleet Wood in London and exemplify a First Degree. The Committee decided that invitation too will be accepted and will set the wheels in motion to get all the relevant dispensations sorted out. The secretary of Lodge Fleet Wood is a friend of our Senior Warden Bro Alan Beck. The date is 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012. The Lodge meets in Freemasons' Hall at 430 in the afternoon with Dinner thereafter. This means that brethren travelling can easily go on the overnight train (in sleeping compartment or recliner) on both the Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The morning and early afternoon can be spent at leisure in London. This is an arrangement that we have used many times when visiting our friends at the Scots Lodge No 2319.

Brethren for sister lodges are most welcome to join our deputation on both visits.

## **The Charity Drive**

The success of the Charity Drive continues. It was decided by the General Committee at its meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> January that we shall concentrate on two beneficiaries - *Help for Heroes* and the 1<sup>st</sup> Greenock Company of the Boys' Brigade. The 1<sup>st</sup> Greenock celebrates its 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2012. We are conscious that the charitable work of the Lodge is a very important facet of the Craft and we urge all our brethren to give active support to raising funds for these worthy causes.

## **Visit to Rosslyn Chapel**

RWM Bro Bob Bain is organising a visit to Rosslyn Chapel on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2012. To obtain further details and reserve a place on the coach, contact Bro Bob on [rjbxll@aol.com](mailto:rjbxll@aol.com) or 07753108979.

## **No XII Burns Supper**

Tickets (priced £18) are now available for the No XII Burns Supper from Bro Alan Beck WSW. Bro Iain White (XII) will propose the Immortal Memory, Bro Iain T Gordon (1566) will Toast the Lassies and Bro Alasdair Hendry (217) will reply. Bro Ian M Ross (XII) will take the Chair. We shall be holding it at home in the Saloon of the Town Hall on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February** at 630 for 7 pm. The evening will be for males only and brethren are very welcome to bring friends along who are not (yet) masons. It is a really great opportunity to portray a positive image of the Craft. Everyone performing will be a Freemason. The evening will be in aid of the Charity Drive.

Contact Bro Alan at [tenor.alanbeck@ntlworld.com](mailto:tenor.alanbeck@ntlworld.com) or 07739514242 to reserve your place

## **Burns Supper Raffle and Auction**

We have some great prizes for the Charity fund raising at the Burns Supper. Already we have been promised a gallon bottle of Chivas Regal whisky, a signed and framed David Beckham shirt from his time at Manchester United, a signed Rangers shirt and a fourball at the Turnberry golf resort.

## **A dip into our history**

From the Minute Book and continuing the theme of associations with sister lodges in Argyll and the Isles ....

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 1934**

Bro John Waddell, RW Master, in the Chair

Bro Peter R Jacobs SW conveyed fraternal greetings from Lodge Dunoon Argyll at which Lodge he had represented Greenock Kilwinning on the occasion of the Centenary celebrations of that Lodge on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> inst

**Iain White PM**