

## Meetings 2013-14

\* 07.01.14  
Visit by The Anchor Lodge  
of Research No 1814 to  
deliver a Lecture

\* 21.01.14  
No Meeting

\* 04.02.14  
Raising

\* 18.02.14  
Passing

\* 04.03.14  
Passing

\* 18.03.14  
Raising

\* 01.04.14  
Raising

\* 15.04.14  
Mark

\* Thursday 05.06.14  
Summer Meeting  
Past Masters' Degree  
Entering



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

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### Our Next Meeting Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February

Our next meeting on Tuesday coming is a Passing. There should be 2 candidates. The Degree will be worked by No XII and the team is: **Obligation** Bro Alan D Beck RWM; **Secrets** Bro KK Morrison PM; **Apron** Bro Martin Anderson WSW; **Working Tools** Bro Allan MacFeate DM; **Tracing Board** Bro Ken MacDougall PM; **Charge** Bro Allan Glen WJW

### Our Previous Meeting Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February

In a well filled Lodge, RWM Bro Alan Beck welcomed Reigning Masters Bro Gerard Robertson, RWM of Lodge Cumberland Kilwinning No 217, Bro Andrew Piggott, RWM of Lodge Firth of Clyde Gourock No 626, Bro Hugh Docherty, RWM of Lodge Crawfordsburn Greenock No 1121, Bro Joseph Fogarty, RWM of Lodge Inverkip Ardgowan No 1425 and Bro Ronald Ford, RWM of Lodge The Prince's No 607. The brethren of No XII conferred a Raising upon Bro Tam Hamilton. The Degree Team was Retrospect: WJW Bro Allan Glen Obligation: RWM Bro Alan Beck Prayer: Bible Bearer Bro Albert MacLean Secrets: Director of Ceremonies Bro Kenny Morrison PM The Raising: Bro Alistair Glenny PM Apron: WSW Bro Martin Anderson Working Tools: Architect Bro Brian McFadyen Traditional History: IPM Bro Robert Bain Tracing Board: IPM Bro Robert Bain The Charge: Secretary Bro Ken MacDougall PM



Last Year's Burns Supper

### Charity Burns Supper 2014

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March  
630 for 700 pm

### The Town Hall Greenock

A significant contributor to our fundraising efforts is the Charity Burns Supper, which has become the largest in Inverclyde. The next one will be held in No XII's home, the Town Hall, Greenock, on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2014 when, Past

Master of the Lodge and eminent Burnsian, Jack Glenny will deliver the Immortal Memory. Between the Divine Service and the Burns Supper we are keeping Jack busy. Bro Bobby Shaw IPM of The Bridgeton and Glasgow Shamrock and Thistle Lodge No 275 will Toast The Lassies. Individual tickets and tables may be reserved by contacting Bro Alan Beck on 07739514242 or Bro Iain White on 07575752570. Tickets will also be available at Tuesday's Lodge meeting.

## **Cajun Barbecue Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2014**

RWM Bro Alan Beck is organizing a Cajun barbecue at Greenock Wanderers Rugby Club on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. The man at the barbecue will be Chef Gary Lewis. Gary is a champion Cajun Chef having won competitions in Las Vegas. Many of us enjoyed Gary's cuisine at the Gourmet Evening at the Greenock Golf Club in September.

Names to the RWM please. Do not miss this superb evening. Bring your friends along – no 'masonic' requirement!!

## **Doon the Watter – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2014**

A sail 'Doon the Watter' on the paddle steamer Waverley is being organised by the PGL of Glasgow for 21<sup>st</sup> June to mark the 275<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the appointment of Bro Alexander Drummond (yes, No XII's Alexander Drummond) as the first Provincial Grand Master in the Scottish Craft. The Lodge has the option of a pair of tickets (£50). It was agreed that the Lodge would take up the option and purchase the tickets. The tickets will be sold to the successful Brother whose name is drawn from the names of all those Brethren wishing to attend the trip.

Names will be taken at our Regular Meetings.

## **Reports on Visits**

- Lodge Firth of Clyde Gourock No 626 on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2013 (Entering) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Joseph Fogarty, Bro James Livingstone and HM Bro Kenneth McCrae
- Lodge Crawfordsburn Greenock No 1121 on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2013 (Raising) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Bob Crossan, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Joseph Fogarty, HM Bro James Miller and HM Bro James Strachan
- Lodge The Gael No 609 on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2013 (Installation) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Iain White PM, Bro Hector Macphail PM, HM Bro H. McLachlan, HM Bro K. Bowes, HM Bro D. Bryce and HM Bro D. Finlayson
- Lodge Doric Kilwinning Non 68 on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2013 (Installation) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Hector Macphail PM, Bro Bob Crossan, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick and Bro Joseph Fogarty
- Lodge Doric Kilwinning Non 68 on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2013 (Lecture) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Hector Macphail PM, Bro Bob Crossan, Bro David Stevenson, Bro Tam Hamilton, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro James McGregor and Bro James McGregor Jnr
- The Prince's Lodge No 607 on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (Regular Meeting & Burns Supper) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain, Bro Iain White PM, Bro Allan Glen, Bro Bob Crossan, Bro Allan MacFeate and Bro Tam Hamilton
- Lodge Montgomerie Kilwinning Skelmorlie No 624 on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (Passing Exemp.) – attended by Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick

- Lodge Inverkip Ardgowan No 1425 on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (Raising) – attended by Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick and HM Bro Kenneth McCrae
- Lodge Galen No 1285 on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (Business Meeting & Burns Supper) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro John Keogh and Bro Tony Buckley
- Lodge Bridgeton and Glasgow Shamrock & Thistle No 275 on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (No XII conferring a Passing) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain, Bro Ken MacDougall PM, Bro David Stevenson, Bro Allan Glen, Bro Allan MacFeate, Bro Gordon Thomson, Bro Bob Crossan, Bro John Keogh and Bro Alasdair Beaton
- Lodge Montgomerie Kilwinning No 624 on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (Installation) – attended by Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick
- Lodge Firth of Clyde Gourock No 626 on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (Passing conferred by No 1425) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain, Bro Allan MacFeate, Bro Bob Crossan, Bro John Keogh, Bro Brian McFadyen, Bro Tony Buckley, Bro Ewan MacLean, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Joseph Fogarty, Bro James Livingstone, HM Bro Kenneth McCrae, HM Bro Sandy Reddy and HM Bro James Strachan
- Lodge Crawfordsburn Greenock No 1121 on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (Divine Service) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Joseph Fogarty, HM Bro Neil Forbes, HM Bro James Strachan and HM Bro James Miller
- Lodge Cumberland Kilwinning No 217 on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (Passing Exemp.) – attended by WJW Bro Allan Glen, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Tam Hamilton, Bro James Livingstone and HM Bro Kenneth McCrae
- Lodge Union & Crown No 307 on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2014 (Entering) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain, Bro Ken MacDougall PM, Bro Bob Crossan, Bro Allan MacFeate, Bro Ewan MacLean, Bro Gordon Thomson and Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick
- Lodge Broomhill No 1595 on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2014 (Passing Exemp. conferred by Motherwell Royal Arch) – attended by Bro Gordon Thomson
- Lodge Greenock St John's No 175 on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (Raising) – attended by Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick and HM Bro Kenneth McCrae
- Lodge Doric Kilwinning No 68 on 24<sup>th</sup> January (Business Meeting & Burns Supper) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro James Livingstone and Bro David Stevenson
- Lodge Firth of Clyde Gourock No 626 on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (Entering) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Joseph Fogarty, Bro James Miller and HM Bro Kenneth McCrae
- Lodge Crawfordsburn Greenock No 1121 on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (Passing) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Allan MacFeate, Bro John Keogh, Bro Tony Buckley, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Joseph Fogarty, Bro James

Livingstone, HM Bro Neil Forbes, HM Bro James Miller and HM Bro Kenneth McCrae

- Lodge Cumberland Kilwinning No 217 on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (Burns Supper) – attended by Bro Ian Ross PM who had the pleasure of proposing the ‘Toast to the Lassies’ on that occasion
- Lodge The Prince’s No 607 on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2014 (Entering) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Allan Glen and Bro Bob Crossan

### **Forthcoming Visits to Confer Degrees**

Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2014	Lodge Shalom No 1600	Raising
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2014	The Lodge of Erskine No 1566	Raising

### **From the old minute books of No XII**

When I joined the Lodge back in the 1970s Bro Dugald Rankin was the Lodge Tyler. This was a part of his duties as a Council Officer employed by the District Council. This had been the situation for many years. We see evidence of this in the following extract from the Minutes.

#### **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 1907**

Bro RL Scott, RW Master, in the Chair

Resignation of Bro Berry, Tyler

The Secretary also read a letter from Bro Berry, Tyler, of which the following is a copy

Greenock 14<sup>th</sup> May 1907

*Right Worshipful Sir*

*Owing to my having given up my appointments of Council Officer and Hall Keeper to the Corporation, and as I have now removed from the Municipal Buildings, I beg respectfully to resign my office as Tyler of Lodge Greenock Kilwinning No 12 which has its meeting place in the buildings and which office I have had the honour to hold for 15 years. Thanking you RW Sir, and the Wardens and Brethren for all your past kindnesses.*

*I remain*

*Yours fraternally*

*(Signed) John Berry*

Vote of Thanks to Bro Berry

It was agreed to accept bro Berry’s resignation and the Secretary was instructed to write conveying the hearty thanks of the Lodge to him for his long and faithful service as Tyler

Bro W Cowat appointed Tyler pro tem

Bro W Cowat, Bro Berry’s successor as Hall Keeper was appointed Tyler pro tem

**Iain White PM**  
**14.02.14**

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