



## Somerset Provincial Grand Lodge Midweek Mason

May 5th 2021

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### Craft, Chapter and Mark work together for local schools

W.Bro Steve McCarthy who is the Charity Steward for both Royal Clarence Craft Lodge at Bruton and Science Mark Lodge in Wincanton, wanted to support local schools during the Covid pandemic. With contributions from both Lodges and Royal Cyrus Chapter at Bruton as well as the Craft, Chapter and Mark Provinces, a total of nearly £5000 was shared between three schools. A fantastic combined effort the was really appreciated by the schools.

[Read the full story.](#)



### Somerset Masonic Cycling Association - Official Launch

The SMCA formed last year had its official launch on Saturday 24th April at Nailsea Masonic Hall.

Provincial Grand Master, David Medlock who was at the launch commented, "The SMCA is open to all, Masons and Non Masons alike. We are keen for the participation of families and inclusive of all abilities. Another vital link to those who are looking to get out amongst friends, after enduring tough times during lockdown".

[Read the full report on the launch.](#)

[How to join the SMCA](#)

### This weeks Solomon nugget

In this week's presentation in the series taken from UGLE's Solomon web site, Provincial Mentor, Richard Parrish looks at [the forget me not lapel pin](#). The pin reminds us of those Masons who suffered at the hands of Hitler and Stalin.

There are a collection of Solomon videos that Richard has produced during the COVID pandemic on the [Provincial Website/Preceptors Corner](#). Start or renew your own Masonic researches by exploring the [Solomon web site](#).





## 50th Certificate for Richard

At a recent Zoom meeting of the Provincial Communications Group the Provincial Mentor, Richard Parrish was presented with his 50th certificate. The certificate, signed by the PGM and presented by Assistant PGM, Martin Slocombe wasn't to celebrate Richard's 50 years in Masonry, rather it was to commemorate the fact that Richard had delivered 50 on line Solmon presentations to the Brethren of Somerset since the start of the first lockdown last year. For once, a surprised Richard was almost speechless! But not quite, he thanked Martin and the PGM for the certificate and said how much he had enjoyed doing the project, pointing out that his own masonic knowledge had increased significantly as a result!

## Party in the Park - 3rd July 6 -11pm

Ticket sales for the Party in the Park are going well. If you haven't booked your place yet please contact [Keith Baker](#). Tickets are £35.00 each.

The event is open to all Somerset Masons and their friends and families.

More details about the [evening and entertainment](#).



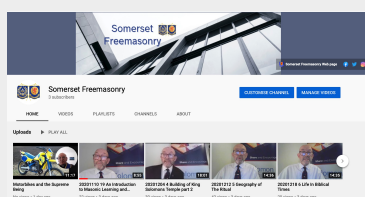
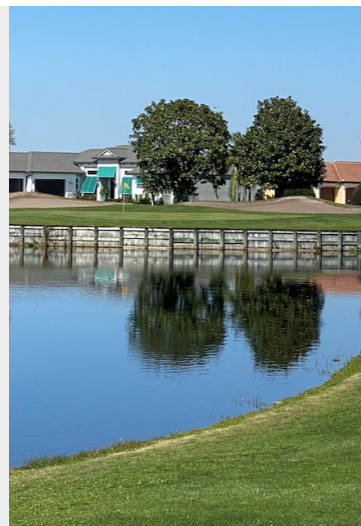
## Calling all Rowers!

The Province of Worcestershire is organising an inter province challenge regatta to be held on Sunday 11th July at the Worcester Rowing Club. It is all part of a Masonic fun day out with the proceeds going to the Worcestershire 2022 Festival. The Assistant Grand Master, Sir David Wootton has entered a team and our Provincial Director of Charity and Care, David Maddern would like to enter a Somerset Team, if you are interested please [email David](#).

## Masonic Golf is back!

Somerset Fairway Lodge is the Masonic home of many a would be golfer! In common with all other Lodges, members have been unable to meet during the pandemic. Although still unable to have a formal meeting due to restrictions a game of golf has been organised for members and friends at Yeovil Golf Club on Friday 4th June. [Details from the Lodge secretary](#). The St Andrew's Mark Lodge have also organised a friendly game for members and friends at Farrington GC

on what would have been their first meeting of the year, Monday 17th May. [Details from the Lodge secretary.](#) The Annual Mark Golf day will be held at Wedmore Golf Club on Friday 18th June, all golfers welcome. [More details of the Mark Golf day.](#)



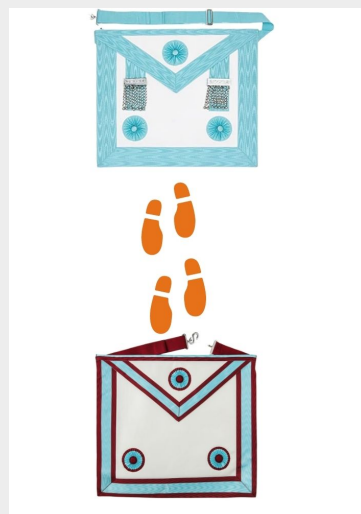
## Somerset Freemasonry on YouTube

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Somerset now has its own YouTube channel [Somerset Freemasonry](#). You can access the channel by clicking the YouTube icon in the top right corner of any page on the [Provincial website](#).

## Taking the Fourth regular step

The Provincial Grand Master of the Mark Degree in Somerset, Philip Voisey is hosting a series of Zoom presentations for Master Masons who may be considering progressing to become a Mark Master Mason. Dates are 12th and 26th May and 12th June. The presentation explains the significance of the Mark degree in the spectrum of Freemasonry and the importance of taking the fourth regular step. The presentation will be followed by a Q&A session. For more information and Zoom details click the button below.

[The fourth regular step](#)



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