



Somerset Provincial Grand Lodge Midweek Mason

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Fantastic result for DofE award appeal

On what would have been the late Duke of Edinburgh's 100th birthday the Province can announce that the appeal to support the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme in Somerset has raised over £25,000.

The money raised by Lodges and individuals will form a bursary fund in memory of HRH The Prince Philip and will allow around 250 disadvantaged young people to take part in the DofE Award Scheme across the County over the next few years.

UGLE have also announced today that the national appeal for the DofE scheme has raised over £300,000

[Full details on the Provincial website](#)



Freemasonry and Sport

In this week's presentation in the series taken from UGLE's Solomon web site, Provincial Mentor, Richard Parrish examines the similarities between [Freemasonry & Sport](#).

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](#).



How do other see us?

Provincial Orator Jeremy Hellier gives us a thought provoking oration as he ponders the question ["how do how others see us?"](#) In particular how others see us as freemasons. It seems that most of us would like to be seen according to the five points of fellowship.

*"O wad some Power the giftie gie us,
To see oursels as ithers see us!"*

Robert Burns - Poet and Freemason.

[June Update from the Hub](#)



Clevedon Social Hub came to fruition last year as the country emerged from the first lockdown. The brainchild of W.Bro Neil Hurcum and his partner Zena, to whom it had become evident that there was a demand from local Freemasons and their partners to engage with others socially in a safe environment.

Plans for the near future include Sunday lunch on the 27th June and NHS Workers Day Charity Lunch on Monday 5th July.

[Read this update to see the latest developments or book in for one of these events.](#)

50,000 Masonic Teddy Bears!

Well they weren't all Masons! Roger Penny, the Teddies for Loving Care Coordinator for the Province, together with the Provincial Grand Master, David Medlock were delighted to deliver the 50,000th Somerset Teddy to Senior Sister Kirsty Butler outside the A & E unit at Bath Royal United Hospital. [Read more about the event and the TLC scheme.](#)



Masonic Caravan Club of the South West

With holidays in the UK now becoming the norm for most of us the Masonic Caravan Club has seen an increasing interest in its activities.

If you have a caravan or motor home and would like to spend time with likeminded people come along to one of our rallies' and see what it's all about.

[Caravan Club Contact and Information](#)

SMCA ride 10am Sunday 13th June

The second Somerset Masonic Cycling Association ride will take place this Sunday starting out from East Coker Village Hall near Yeovil. It will be a circular route around some delightful countryside, even venturing into Dorset! The ride is being organised by veteran cyclist and Freemason, Derek Marpole. The weather forecast is good and no doubt the company will be too! Why not join us?

[Details of the ride](#)



The Royal Arch: What is it all about?

On the 30th June at 7.30pm, The Provincial Grand Chapter of Somerset will be pleased to present this talk on Zoom by Prestonian Lecturer, W.Bro Tony



Harvey. This talk is aimed at Master Masons and newly Exalted Royal Arch Companions, it is designed to increase awareness and knowledge of the Royal Arch. There will be a question and answer session following the presentation. [Register to join the presentation here.](#)

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