



Provincial Grand Charity Steward Summer 2015 Newsletter

Welcome to my first newsletter as the Provincial Grand Charity Steward. Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank W. Bro. Tony Evans for everything that he has done for this wonderful Province in his ten years as Provincial Grand Charity Steward. One thing for sure, it will be a very hard act to follow!

It is my intention to issue a quarterly newsletter to enable all Brethren to have an overview of our Charitable activities. If you would like to hear about anything specific then please let me know.

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CMBF and Non-Masonic Charity Presentation Day

On Sunday 10th May, 2015, the Newquay Masonic Centre hosted the second annual charity presentation when more than £56,000 was presented to 43 local charities. Thanks go to W.Bro. Robbie Alberry, W.Bro. Steve Franklin and of course Carolyn in the Provincial Office for helping to coordinate such a successful event. On the day, each charity received a photograph of their cheque presentation courtesy of Roger Norman. Next year the presentation will take place on Sunday 15th May, will your Lodge be represented?



Forthcoming Charity Events

Saturday 8th August 2015 at 7pm.

Hog Roast and BBQ followed by Arthurian Legend and Song at King Arthur's Hall, Tintagel. Contact King Arthurs Hall or Helen@uglow61.orangehome.co.uk or 01209 218660. All proceeds to Children's Hospice South West.

Saturday 5th September 2015

Team Charity Golf Day at Killiow Golf Club, Truro Contact Chris Mallett at kitmallett@yahoo.co.uk or on 01209 211005. All proceeds to The Cove Appeal.



Provincial Grand Charity Stewards' Conference

This year, the National Charity Stewards' Conference took place in Manchester on the 8th & 9th July. The first day was focussed on the move from four charities to one central charity. It was explained that a change was necessary for many reasons including declining membership, a need to be more accessible, a need to reduce duplication of effort and a change to being led by need rather than led by donations. In September the name of the new charity will be announced at Grand Lodge and a President and Deputy President will be announced. Following this, Trustees and a Chief Executive will be appointed. A pre-launch publicity campaign to raise awareness will commence soon after and in April 2016 the charity will be operational. On the second day the benefits of using electronic and social media in Freemasonry were discussed, identifying opportunities for engaging new, younger members and different types of fundraising.

The Macmillan Cove Appeal

The Provincial Grand Master launched his appeal at Provincial Lodge in April. At the time of writing, more than £10,000 has been raised, a fantastic start.

The Macmillan Cove Appeal is a project to build a Support Centre to provide a dedicated facility for people affected by cancer, whether they're the patient, are caring for someone or are simply worried about cancer.