

Provincial Newsletter

Provincial Grand Lodge of Cornwall

TILL WE MEET AGAIN: A Message From VW Bro. Roger L Cargeeg Deputy Provincial Grand Master



Brethren, as I write this on Wednesday 10th June I am reminded that this would have been Quarterly Communications at UGLE. Suspended, of course, as are all meetings.

The previous Quarterly Communications were held on Wednesday 11th March and it was the last Masonic meeting I attended before the suspension was imposed a few days later. Even on that day there was a strange atmosphere, no handshakes and a general feeling of uneasiness as we moved through Grand Lodge. Our Grand Master clearly imposed the suspension for all the right reasons as our safety must be the overriding factor, particularly given the average age of our membership.

The Grand Master is due to review the situation in July but in light of current Government regulations and with the guidance of scientific evidence the suspension is not likely to be lifted to enable us to restore our normal Masonic meetings and Festive Boards. Therefore, we must all be patient and continue to follow guidance from the Government and advice from UGLE. I know that the Brethren of the Province of Cornwall will continue to follow these regulations in the interest of keeping everyone safe and well for when we can return to some form of normality.

The Provincial Grand Master and his Executive have continued to meet (virtually of course) and have been pleased and encouraged to learn of all the efforts Brethren of Cornwall have carried out to assist each other and those less fortunate than ourselves.

The Provincial Grand Charity Steward, W. Bro. Michael Pritchard, has worked tirelessly to obtain funds from the Masonic Charitable Foundation to assist worthy causes in our Province and it is good to see these funds gratefully received.

It would be nice to see these good deeds recorded in the local press and media but alas that is not usually their style when it comes to Freemasonry. Our Provincial Grand Almoner, W. Bro. Graham Bennett, has also been assisting where he can in respect of Brethren and families in need of assistance. Brethren, if you are aware of a Brother in need of assistance please put him in touch with the Lodge or Provincial Almoner.

We are receiving substantial funds from the Masonic Charitable Foundation for all regular ongoing deserving causes as well as the additional funds mentioned above. We are, of course, in Festival and normal fund raising events are temporarily on hold but I would urge Lodge Charity Stewards and Treasurers to look at their account balances and see if there are sufficient funds to send in a donation for the Festival. This can be sent to the office in the normal way as our Provincial Grand Secretary and his staff go in on a regular basis to check the post and other administration matters. I am mindful that we lost 18 Installation meetings (a quarter of our annual number) from the date of the suspension to the end of May and Lodges may have been in a position to present a cheque for the Festival to the Presiding Officer on the day. If you have those funds please send them in.

I am sure you are all aware of the unfortunate incident involving an incendiary device found at the Masonic Centre in Penryn recently and an individual has since been arrested and bailed to a later date in June. We all hope this is a one-off unfortunate occurrence but it does bring home to us the dangers that may be around and the need to be vigilant. Our Assistant Provincial Grand Master, W. Bro. David Maskell, sent a letter recently to all Lodges highlighting this very subject.

Communication amongst our Brethren has remained positive and I am aware of various forms of contacting each other and encouraging positivity. I have taken part in a zoom meeting with the Provincial team that retired in April and they all feel for the new team yet to be invested. The longer this suspension goes on the more important it will be to take a look at those elected/appointed to various positions who have been unable to fulfil those positions in any meaningful way. It is a matter for individual Lodges to review their situation and decide a path forward when suspension is finally lifted but if any Lodge or Brother requires assistance or advice from the Province then please do get in touch. We are here to help.

Finally Brethren, until we meet again I hope you all stay safe and look out for each other and those less fortunate than ourselves.

VW Bro. Roger L. Cargeeg. PGSwdB

Deputy Provincial Grand Master.



FUNDING OF £2000 FOR PENGARTH DAY CENTRE, PENZANCE



“With this funding we have been able to adapt our normal operating procedures during this unprecedented coronavirus pandemic. Obviously, none of our clients have been able to attend the centre so all our focus has had to shift to what we call outreach services. We have been able to dedicate a member of staff to ensure that each one of our clients receives a welfare check phone call every day. This enables us to check on their physical and mental well-being and thus prevent any problems they might have from becoming so serious as to need intervention from the emergency services, Adult Social Care, or the like.

This also means that we are able to help with basic domestic and administration tasks that they are unable to do themselves because of having to shield from the rest of the community.

We collect and deliver shopping and prescription medicines and use our facilities and know-how to complete online and digital tasks that they do not have the ability or technical network to do themselves.

Demand for meals on wheels has increased by over 300% and we now have to have 3 dedicated drivers, each assigned to a particular route, to ensure that all the meals are delivered in a timely manner and that they remain hot. For the vast majority of people we deliver to this will be their main meal of the day, so it is hugely important.

The delivery drivers are also able to physically check on clients’ state of health and provide a welcome, if all too brief, period of social interaction.”

- Sharon Mitchell, Manager of Pengarth Day Centre

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CORNISH FREEMASONS DONATING FOR ISOLATED, LIFE-LIMITED, AND DISABLED CHILDREN TO RECEIVE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY FROM LIFELITES



Giving kids with limited life unlimited possibilities

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Cornwall pledged £1,000 to the charity Lifelites which donates assistive technology for life-limited and disabled children using hospice care services in Cornwall..

Lifelites and the Freemasons of Cornwall are particularly aware that the COVID-19 pandemic has left many people feeling overwhelmed by the sudden change of routine and isolation. Everyone is now getting a living insight into what it is like to be a life-limited and disabled child; unable to leave the house independently, or speak to people and socialise naturally, or even carry out all sorts of everyday activities that we usually take for granted. These are all challenges that Lifelites is seeking to help these children overcome through the provision of our special technologies. Particularly now, they find themselves even more isolated due to changes in hospices services.

Lifelites donates and maintains assistive and inclusive technology for the 10,000 life-limited and disabled children using every one of the 60 children's hospice service across the British Isles. This technology gives these children the opportunity to play, be creative, communicate and control something for themselves, for as long as it is possible.

Little Harbour children's hospice services in Cornwall is one of the hospices that have been receiving assistive technology from Lifelites since it opened.

Hospice staff at Little Harbour said: "The Lifelites donated assistive technology provides children with the opportunity to control certain aspects of their life by making choices and having a say.

Children will be able to develop social experiences through gaming, maintain links with their peers and their family. The technology package Lifelites donates enables them to communicate and establish new relationships. The assistive technologies help to maintain normality, when they may otherwise experience loneliness or isolation or lack of control. It is a crucial assistant in maintaining communication in preparation of end of life situations and to aid relaxation and the perception of control in a very challenging situation."

Provincial Grand Master of Cornwall, Stephen Pearn, said: "It is an honour for us to enable Lifelites to continue providing assistive technology for life-limited and disabled children. We know that the children's hospices, the children they care for, and their families are going through a very difficult time right now. With our donation, we want to help reduce the burden, so that these children can escape the confines of their conditions, and connect with their families in ways not possible before."

Lifelites chief executive, Simone Enefer-Doy, said: "With the very generous donation from the Cornwall Freemasons, we can give life-limited and disabled children using hospice care in Cornwall assistive technology so they can play with their brothers and sisters and tell their parents they love them, sometimes for the first time. It's wonderful to see that these technologies can have a tremendous impact in the lives of these children. It really does give those with limited lives unlimited possibilities. This is only possible thanks to our supporters, such as the Provincial Grand Lodge of Cornwall."

MASONIC FISHING CHARITY, CORNWALL



On two occasions the branch was pleased to welcome pupils from Doubletrees School in St Blazey when the participants had lovely weather, caught a variety of fish and enjoyed a barbeque lunch.

We were delighted to have had the support of our Assistant PGM W.Bro. David Leaity along with his wife Karen in May and in September the members welcomed the PGM of Cornwall Rt.W.Bro. Stephen Pearn. On both occasions the participants were thrilled to be awarded with their certificates and medals to mark their participation and expressed their eagerness to attend further events in the future.

The children who take part invariably have serious health conditions and disabilities, many are confined to wheelchairs and in normal circumstances would not be able to enjoy these activities so grateful thanks must go to the volunteers who give up their time to assist and look after them and we look forward to welcoming the children back again as soon as it is safe to do so.

The Cornwall Branch is supported solely by donations from lodges throughout the Province. Some have been generous enough to “sponsor” an event and when we are able to resume, their Lodge will be invited to attend on the day and present the children with their awards.

If you would like to make a donation or volunteer to help in any way, please contact the branch secretary Barbara Williams at barbara.williams@mtsfc.org.uk

- W. Bro. Rob Williams

Sadly, due to the “Covid 19” pandemic and the fact that the majority of children who take part have conditions which class them as “high risk”, the charity has been unable to host any events this year. We have however been able to be of some assistance in the local community. In April the charity authorised our branches throughout the country to make available any reserve stocks of PPE to local doctors surgeries and care homes. The Cornwall Branch was pleased to be able to donate several dozen items of PPE to a doctors surgery and a large local nursing home in Looe, this included hand sanitizer, surface wipes and protective eyewear.

Whilst everyone involved with the Cornwall Branch are disappointed that we are unlikely to hold events for some time yet, we can look back with satisfaction on the very successful fishing days held last year.



Royal Arch Chapter of Cornwall



THE FOUR STEPS IN PURE ANTIENT MASONRY

For information contact your Lodge Royal Arch Representative.



Step 1:
Initiation

Entered Apprentice →



Step 2:
Passed

Fellowcraft →



Step 3:
Raised

Master Mason →



Step 4:
Exalted

Companion

The “indissoluble link” between the Craft and the Supreme Order of the Holy Royal Arch, extending as it does from the London hub of United Grand Lodge and Supreme Grand Chapter through to all Provinces in England and Wales, ensures that we are of course all in suspension together.

As in the Craft, the Royal Arch is continuing to maintain links throughout its membership through Zoom meetings and WhatsApp groups; but above all through telephone calls to our Companions. The word companion derives from the Latin, meaning “to share bread”, and like our Brethren in the Craft, it is not just the ritual that we are missing, but also the social contact and “companionship” that our Order brings.

Together Craft Freemasonry and The Holy Royal Arch constitute “pure Antient Masonry” and the Royal Arch its completion. We are of course eager to strengthen that bond with the Craft and working together are developing the Royal Arch Representatives Scheme. Prior to the suspension some 80% of Lodges had appointed or re-appointed their “RAReps” and they in turn had been provided with a job description. They are not Lodge Officers as such but, when our Lodge meetings resume, you will be able to identify them by their pin badges which, like the Royal Arch jewel, can be worn in Craft as well as the Royal Arch.

Four Area Officers will be appointed to help and support the Reps and emails will be sent out in a couple of weeks providing contact details.

It is our intention to supply information sheets and short talks that can be used by the Reps to inform Brethren who have not yet joined us, and answer any questions they may have. This is an important initiative that is encouraged and indeed recommended by United Grand Lodge as a means of strengthening Freemasonry in general and Craft Lodges in particular.

Those of you who are familiar with the Members Pathway will be aware that it recognises the need for the Royal Arch to be prominent from the earliest stages of a Brother’s progress in Craft Masonry. We believe that the Royal Arch Reps will be crucial in that journey, working alongside the Lodge Mentor, Lodge Secretary and Proposers and Seconders.

Contact details for your RARep are already listed in the Year Book and further details about the Holy Royal Arch can be obtained from The Provincial Scribe Ezra, Mike Barnard by email at: chapter@pglcornwall.org.uk

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CORNWALL 2024 FESTIVAL NEWS – #FEST2024

I started my report in the last newsletter by mentioning how easy it is to become insular and to wonder how we can do anything to assist in these strange and uncertain times. You will have heard from the Provincial Grand Charity Steward how the Masonic Charitable Foundation and our own Charities within the Province having been supporting those in need and the local Charities and initiatives that require support. For those of you that receive an email direct from the Masonic Charitable Foundation you will know that from 1 April – 5 June, Freemasonry together with the MCF, supported 278 local charities and projects dedicated to helping people through the coronavirus pandemic, at a total cost of £1,345,908. In Cornwall, this resulted in 5 projects that were awarded a total of £12,675.

Nationally between 1 April – 3 June, Freemasons and their families generously donated £756,484 into the Freemasons' COVID-19 Community Fund!, the total now stands at above £877,000. The MCF will match all donations up to £1 million.

Most Brethren won't know however, that all monies donated to the MCF COVID-19 Appeal will also count towards our own 2024 Festival and the Festival honorifics, therefore in no way detracting from the efforts we are all putting towards the 2024 Festival.

I know individual jewels awarded to members have become a great source of pride and in the coming weeks I will endeavour to ensure all outstanding jewels are dispatched to those that qualify so that when finally we do resume you can wear your Festival Jewels with pride and promote the Festival.

In regard to the various Honorifics, I'm sure most members are aware, from seeing the Certificates within our Masonic Centres, of the donations made in the past to our various Festivals and causes, whether it be from the 2012 Festival or those Lodges that display their Certificates from the Royal Masonic Hospital.

The 2024 Festival is no different in having a number of Lodge Honorifics, and at the Installation meeting of Phoenix Lodge of Honor and Prudence No. 331 back in January, the Provincial Grand Master was pleased to present the first Lodge Honorific Certificate making them a Steward Lodge of the 2024 Festival. A Steward's Certificate recognise the donation of the Lodge to the sum of £300 per member, I know a number of Lodges are drawing close to this figure, if a Charity Steward wishes to know how close your Lodge is please get in touch.

Below is the presentation of the Certificate by R.W Bro Stephen Pearn to the Worshipful Master of Phoenix Lodge of Honor and Prudence No. 331 W.Bro T. Andrews and the Senior Warden W.Bro A Robbins before their Installation.

As I mentioned in the last edition if you do wish to make a single donation or set up a regular payment plan to qualify as a Festival Steward please visit:

<https://mcf.org.uk/donate/?festivalId=1263>

There have been two further 1 to 2024 draws this month, the lucky winners were:

First Prize (£75) Saint Anne's Lodge

Second Prize (£50) W.Bro. T. Norris (Cornish Acacia Lodge)

Third Prize (£25) One and All Lodge

First Prize (£75) Trevaunance Lodge

Second Prize (£50) Towan Lodge

Third Prize (£25) Towan Lodge

That's three wins now for Towan Lodge! For any information on how you can support the 2024 Festival, the 1 to 2024 club or the MCF in general, please do not hesitate to get in touch by emailing me at: fest2024@pglcornwall.org.uk

- W. Bro. David Trevains



PROVINCIAL GRAND ALMONER

W Bro Graham N Bennett PPJGW ProvGAlm



I am sure most of you will be aware that the office of Provincial Grand Almoner (PGA) exists but who is ours, and what does he actually do?

To answer the first question, my name is Graham Bennett, and I'm a Past Master of Cornish Acacia Lodge No.8302 meeting in Hayle. I've been PGA since September 2016 when my predecessor, W Bro Martin Winchester, was elevated to Assistant Provincial Grand Master.

That's the easy bit, answering the second question is more complicated. Perhaps I should start by saying what I'm not: contrary to popular belief, I'm not the Almoner for Provincial officers.

As for what I actually do, my role can be briefly summarised under three main headings:

i) Support for Lodge Almoners - our Almoners perform a vital role and do a superb job, but the role has changed over the years, particularly with new data protection legislation but also with the need to stay up to date with the wide range of assistance available in the public sector and from our own MCF. I therefore try to ensure our Almoners have access to the information they need to provide you, our Brethren, dependents and widows, with the pastoral care & support of which we as Freemasons are justly proud. Brethren may also contact me personally for advice, and I'm happy to help where I can.

ii) Working with the Masonic Charitable Foundation - we've all heard about the MCF and I hope most of us have a general understanding of the support that they offer. As PGA I have oversight of all grant applications and subsequent awards...this past year alone our Cornish Brethren and dependents received around £365,000 in direct financial support from the MCF.

This total encompasses a vast range of grants, too numerous to mention them all here, but includes grants to those in financial distress, private medical treatment when NHS waiting lists are too long, help with our children's and grandchildren's education costs, RMBI care-home fees, etc.

I have seen some truly heartbreaking cases cross my desk during my term as your PGA but so too, I have seen the profound difference that the support of the MCF can make to real lives within our Province. I want to shout out loud about those successes, so we can all know about the MCF's good work, but for obvious reasons that's just not possible.

Since late 2017 all applications to the MCF from our Province are handled by our eight dedicated Visiting Volunteers (VVs), who carry out home visits and complete the necessary paperwork. I cannot praise their dedication and commitment highly enough, without them the whole grant process would fall apart and those in need within our Province would suffer terribly. As PGA I am responsible for initial recruitment of the VV team and on-going management of their workload.

As PGA I attend regular briefings organised by the MCF at their offices in Grand Lodge, as well as regional 'Group 9' meetings at Cadogan Court, our RMBI care-home in Exeter; every two years the MCF host a national two-day PGA conference and, so far, I've attended these in Manchester and Nottingham; regrettably this year's meeting to be held in Bristol was postponed due to Covid-19.

iii) Reporting to the Provincial Executive - the office of PGA includes a seat on the Provincial 'full executive'. We meet quarterly to review the running of the Province and it is my job to keep the 'inner executive' (PGM, Deputy & Assistants) updated on MCF grant levels and other relevant matters within the Province. So, if you hear any of our Rulers at installation festive boards mention how much we've received from the MCF you now know where those figures have come from.

On average, I spend about two hours a day as PGA dealing with cases, enquiries, calls and emails, which may not sound a lot but I also run my own business as an Architectural Technician; hence it's not always easy to find time to visit or attend installations, but like all of the active Provincial team, I do what I can because I enjoy my Freemasonry so much.

The role of PGA is, of necessity, a low-key one as most of the work I undertake for the Province happens behind the scenes. It takes courage for someone to admit they need help, still more to actually ask for it, and the last thing vulnerable people need is for their woes to be aired in public, therefore discretion is the watchword of a PGA.

The role of PGA has many other facets but hopefully this overview will help you fill in some of the blanks.



HAYLE COMMUNITY KITCHEN RECEIVE GRANT OF £3,675 FROM MCF COVID-19 FUND



disAbility Cornwall & Isles of Scilly in partnership with Hayle RFC and The Cornish Oven have delivered a much-needed response to the Covid-19 pandemic, supporting some of the most vulnerable people across West Cornwall, thanks to funding from the Masonic Charitable Foundation and Cornwall Community Foundation. Without their financial support, this vital lifeline for so many people could not have happened.

In the last 12 weeks, 10,485 meals and 7,236 portions of cake have been delivered to 493 households supporting a total of 501 vulnerable, elderly and disabled people.

Local businesses, large and small also contributed, by kindly donating many items, which all served to add considerable value and uplift the spirits of our beneficiaries. The wonderful touch of a flag on top of cakes on VE day, the beautiful felt hearts to display and the amazing pictures from local children have finessed this service and truly shown people feel they are cared for.

All of this could still only be achieved because of a team of truly wonderful, community spirited and caring people – our 20 Community Heroes! These volunteers have arrived twice a week for duty and have kindly undertaken deliveries across West Cornwall. Through their commitment, they have been able to identify when people have needed more support or have become unwell, they have called emergency medical services when they were required and referred back to our charity to follow up on a person's well-being if concerned. This has been the wonderful thing about this project, the community caring for their own, and a community spirit not witnessed since the Blitz!

The feedback from our beneficiaries illustrates how our service has been valued, and the volunteers always arriving with a smile, a wave, a chat where needed, respectful of social distance boundaries, and often being the only person they have seen all week. They have been described as a lifeline, angels, a godsend and a hero to the people who have told us what this service has meant to them.



£2,360 GRANT FOR THE DROP IN AND SHARE CENTRE (DISC) NEWQUAY



The Drop In and Share Centre (DISC) Newquay has been running for a number of years and was formally registered in February 2017. This was in response to the deaths of six street homeless in Newquay in 2016. DISC was initially based at St Michael's Church, Newquay.

From June 2018, partner organisations were brought in to provide additional, and on the spot, support and advice. This helped contribute to the reduction in the number of street homeless. In November 2019, DISC relocated to The Store House, directly opposite the church in a larger hall with better catering facilities and two private rooms for consultation. In early 2020 DISC incorporated two further Soup Kitchen sessions previously run by other smaller local charities.

Their objective is to prevent or relieve poverty for homeless persons in the Newquay area. They do this by empowering and supporting homeless, vulnerable, and disadvantaged people to enable them to develop physical, mental and spiritual capacities in order to enhance their quality of life and that of the community.

From the very start of the lockdown, charities in Newquay pulled together to help feed and look after the community. DISC, Soulfood and the Store House got together and implemented a plan to deliver food seven days a week. They are now delivering in excess of 1,200 meals a week.

This has been possible through local businesses, groups, and volunteers.



ELIOT LODGE NO. 1164

PILOT NEW FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE

Our Worshipful Master, W.Bro. Bob Dean, has chosen our own Building Fund as the charity for his year in office. Windows and guttering need replacing and inside, a damp issue to solve and a general spruce up needed to preserve the building as a legacy for future Freemasons. With this in mind, we had a busy year planned both inside the Temple and working on the building.

After an Initiation at our March meeting the Covid-19 lockdown began and our masonic and social calendar ground to a halt.

As Charity Steward, I was keen to keep our members engaged with fundraising during lockdown, I came up with the idea of a Numbers Pledge Draw. No money will change hands until we meet again but a pledge is made.

Within twenty-four hours of sharing the idea with our members over thirty people had each pledged £5. By Thursday, our lodge meeting night, the number had risen to seventy-four! I am delighted that our members have got behind this initiative, including some who have not attended lodge for several years.

To date we have held three draws, these now take place LIVE during our usual lodge night Zoom meeting where our WM draws the winning number at 9pm and the lucky winner gets the good news!

At the time of writing our total raised has reached a massive £785, thank you to everyone. If any other Charity Stewards would like more information on how the Pledge Draw works please email me hbunt@live.com

W.Bro. Haviland Bunt



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W. BRO ARTHUR FRAZIER REACHES HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY



Born on 29th June 1920, during Mevagissey Feast Week, Arthur is the last living descendant of the Frazier boatbuilding family.

A happy childhood saw Arthur spending his spare time around the harbour watching large sailing vessels bringing in cargoes of coal and salt for the local fish merchants. Cars were a luxury, television unheard of, with the wireless (radio) and telephone in their infancy, every Wednesday afternoon the local children went to the pictures in the Town Hall – black and white, no sound, entrance 2d. Water was collected from the village pump so the advent of electricity and water arriving in the home were viewed as real progress!

Arthur's grandfather purchased the boatyard in 1880, his father joined the family firm in 1900 and Arthur began his apprenticeship in 1934 at the age of 14. 1939, with war clouds gathering over Europe, Arthur remembers coming to the end of his apprenticeship after a successful year, completing some fine craft. One vessel, built by the yard in 1904, is reported to be still working in Looe.

In 1940 Arthur received his Royal Navy call up papers and a rail warrant with orders to report to HMS Drake. Aged 20, Arthur found it difficult to say his goodbyes to his family.

By late February 1941, with Plymouth suffering heavy bombing, Arthur spent most nights on duty around HMS Drake. March of the same year saw Arthur joining the aircraft carrier HMS Victorious for the next five years. Victorious escorted convoys in the mountainous seas of the Arctic Ocean, braving temperatures of minus 20 to 40 and witnessing the loss of many ships and lives. Looking back on 1941/42 Arthur acknowledges the important part the convoys played in the war effort but to him the time was a nightmare of U-boat and aircraft attacks and he says, "I just thank the good Lord my life was spared."

Trips back home were few and Arthur's time in the Navy saw him travel to warmer climes. Through the Panama Canal to the Hawaiian Islands, docking at Pearl Harbour for repair, serving alongside the US Third Fleet in the South Pacific, seeing the Med, and eventually joining the British East Indies Fleet. As part of the British Pacific Fleet, tasked with attacking Japanese Airfields, Victorious received Kamikaze attacks which Arthur says were frightening and made him feel uncomfortable.

Looking back Arthur says, "Despite the storms, the bombs and the Kamikaze attacks, I still fondly remember my days in the Royal Navy." He misses the friendships, the comradeship, and feels immensely proud to have served on Victorious and that being sent to the breaker's yard in 1969 was not a fitting tribute to such a fine ship.

Docking at Liverpool for repair in 1943, Arthur received 14 days leave and returned to Mevagissey to marry sweetheart Audrey on a Thursday. By Saturday the pair were back in Liverpool and Arthur returned to duty. After the war the couple returned home to Mevagissey and Arthur took up the mantle of running the boatyard for the next 35 years. Later, Audrey gave up her job in law and took over the boatyard administration. Arthur says they were a perfect team and very successful. The boatyard continued until 1981 and part of the yard buildings now house the Mevagissey Museum. Arthur is proud to have been instrumental in ensuring the building is retained as a museum for the people of Mevagissey for the future.

1962 saw Arthur and Audrey move to St Austell but, despite living there for over 50 years, Arthur's first love will always be his Mevagissey childhood home.

Audrey's health deteriorated over a period of ten years and, as the couple had not been blessed with children, Arthur became her full-time carer until she sadly passed away in 2013.

Arthur was Initiated into Peace and Harmony 496 in 1952, his proposer warned him that, "You are now entering a strange and wonderful new world. You may like it, or you may not – the choice is yours." Needless to say Arthur did like it, he has enjoyed a long association with Peace and Harmony and the Province culminating in receiving a certificate to mark 60 years in Freemasonry in September 2012, presented by PGM Peter George, and the PGM's Certificate of Service to Freemasonry in April 2016.

Arthur is held in high regard by his Brothers at Peace and Harmony and is described as "a fine ritualist" and a "true example of the philosophy of a Mason."

We all send congratulations and wish Arthur a Happy 100th Birthday!

Happy
Birthday

WHOLE AGAIN COMMUNITIES RECEIVE GRANT OF £3,000 FROM CORNISH FREEMASONS



With their motto, Community Led, Community Fed, Whole Again Communities (WAC) believe in bringing communities together for a greater good.

Started by Liz Sullivan in 2013 and founded on the stone soup principles WAC is a social enterprise which encourages and supports people to learn to cook good quality, affordable food from scratch so that they can embrace healthy eating at home.

Liz began running workshops for other women living on a shoestring budget with an interest in healthy eating. These workshops were such a success that the people who attended went on to help set up the weekly Open House, and in January 2016 they acquired their own venue which enabled them to expand to more workshops, catering for outside events and venue hire.

Liz commented "Thanks to funding we are able to deliver to 30 households with an average of 4 people per household. The "community-led connecting boxes" that we send out contain ingredients to make meals and we also provide tuition via online workshops.

Many of the families that we deliver to have said they look forward to our boxes every week, it gives them something to do. Some of them have started gardening and growing their own ingredients. They are also trying out some upcycling ideas."



THE TRELAWNY CLUB



TRELAWNY CLUB

During these difficult last few months, members of Trelawny Club have been busy; be it in their roles as key workers or helping in local communities wherever assistance was needed. They have ably demonstrated the core values of Freemasonry and shown how members can pull together.

Although meetings have been suspended Trelawny Club members have kept in touch via social media and WhatsApp chat groups. The Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary have held regular zoom meetings and a full virtual Committee meeting was held in June.

The topic of several discussions has been future club events. The Committee have suggested ideas to work on during lockdown and hope some can come quickly to fruition when restrictions are lifted. Plans include an event in each of the last three months of the year culminating in a big "2020 Blow-Out" event in December.

The club has been invited to speak during the "Young Masons' Virtual Inter Club" social later this month. The topic is to be the progress of the Trelawny Club and its place within the Province. These socials have been very popular events and recent speakers include Dr David Staples and Sir David Wooton so this is a great opportunity to showcase ourselves.

Whilst the Committee facilitate the day to day running of the club, it is there as a forum for all Freemasons within the Province of Cornwall to meet socially, organise groups visits to lodges or just enjoy each other's company. Ideas are welcome and the Committee would be delighted to hear from you.

Trelawny Club Area Co-ordinators will be shortly getting in touch, via Lodge Secretaries, to introduce themselves and set up social networks in readiness for when it is safe to visit and socialise once more.

The Trelawny Light Blue Club provides a great opportunity to meet Brethren from outside your own Lodge or to ask questions and share your own thoughts on Masonry. MEMBERSHIP IS FREE AND AUTOMATIC FOR ALL NEWLY INITIATED AND YOUNG FREEMASONS IN CORNWALL. Whilst the Trelawny Club is the Light Blue Club for the Province of Cornwall, every brother is welcome, regardless of age or the colour of your apron.

Find the Trelawny Light Blue Club closed member Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/thetrelawnyclub>

Or email Club Secretary Nick Annear on:

trelawnysec@pglcornwall.org.uk for more information.

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