

Provincial Grand Lodge of Fife & Kinross



New Intrants Meeting

Saturday 21 March 2026

Freemasonry in the Province of Fife and Kinross

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- Welcome From Provincial Grand Master Brother Bill Rocks
- Presentation From Commissioned Office Bearers
- Coffee Break Approximately 11.00
- Continue Presentation From Commissioned Office Bearers
- Question and Answer Session
- Finish Hopefully Before 13.00

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Depute Provincial Grand Master Brother Lawrence J. T. Cooper



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Why are we here?

- To provide you with an overview of Freemasonry
- To allow you the opportunity to ask questions of us regarding Freemasonry
- To allow you the opportunity to discuss, what is important or confusing
- To help you appreciate the long history of this Province

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Why are we here?

- To meet like-minded Brethren from other Lodges
- To find out what the Province does
- To try and help enhance your enjoyment of your own Masonic journey

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Degree Structure



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Degree Structure

Craft Freemasonry

- Entered Apprentice Degree
- Fellow Craft Degree
- Master Mason Degree
- Mark Ceremonial
- Ceremony of Installed Master

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Degree Structure

Craft Freemasonry

- These are the only degrees and ceremonies in Craft Freemasonry
- Without the first three (at least) you can progress no further in Freemasonry
- You must be “In good standing” in all organisations to progress to another

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Other Masonic Orders which are in Amity with the Grand Lodge of Scotland

- Royal Arch Chapter



- Great Priory



- Grand Imperial Council of Scotland



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Other Masonic Orders which are in Amity with the Grand Lodge of Scotland

- Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite



- Royal Order of Scotland



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Other Masonic Orders which you may hear about

- The Order of The Secret Monitor



- Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests



- Ye Corporation o' Squaremen



- Ye Antient Order o' Noble Corks



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Substitute Provincial Grand Master Brother Craig J. Thompson



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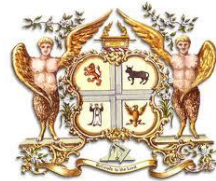


Home Grand Lodges

- England (1717)



- Ireland (1725)



- Scotland (1736)



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Grand Lodges in Amity

• Great Britain and Ireland	=	3
• Europe	=	37
• Australasia	=	7
• Canada	=	11
• Africa	=	14
• Asia	=	5
• USA	=	59
• South America	=	12

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The Grand Lodge of Scotland



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The Grand Master Mason Brother Alexander C.G. Moncrieff.



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Fife & Kinross in Grand Lodge – Past Grand Office Bearers

- Lord Elgin Past Grand Master Mason (1961-1965)
- Rev Andrew Paterson Past Depute Grand Master (2018)
- Hugh Clelland Past Substitute Grand Master (2016-2018)
- David Wishart Past Substitute Grand Master (2008-2009)
- Raymond Miller Past President of Grand Stewards (2013-2014)

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Fife & Kinross in Grand Lodge

- Stewart Quigley Grand Office-bearer
- Michael McAdams Grand Steward
- Colin Davie Grand Steward
- David Reekie Grand Steward
- David Gillespie Grand Steward
- Craig Thompson Employee

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Grand Lodge Structure Taken from the Grand Lodge Year Book 2025

• Provincial Grand Lodges	=	32
• District Grand Lodges	=	26
• Total Daughter Lodges	=	966
• Scotland	=	619
• Abroad (Districts)	=	319
• Abroad (Grand Superintendents)	=	14
• Abroad (Grand Lodge)	=	14

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Grand Lodge – What do they do?

- Constitution and Laws
- Masonic Etiquette and Best Practice
- Grand Lodge Database
- Committee Structure
- Standing Committees

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Grand Lodge – What do they do? – Installations of P.G.M's



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Grand Lodge – What do they do? – Rededication Ceremonies



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Grand Lodge – What do they do? – Charitable Giving

- Grand Lodge Benevolence
- Scottish Masonic Homes



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Substitute Provincial Grand Master Brother Ian W. Cockburn



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Provincial Grand Lodge – Who is?

- Provincial Grand Master – Brother William B. Rocks
- Provincial Grand Master – Appointed by Grand Lodge
- Commissioned Office Bearers – Appointed by P.G.M.
- Appointments For Five Years



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Provincial Grand Lodge – Who is Commissioned Office Bearers?



Bill Rocks P.G.M.



Lawrence Cooper D.P.G.M.



Graham Ramsay S.P.G.M.



Craig Thompson S.P.G.M.



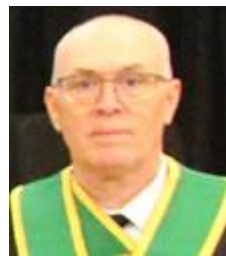
Ian Cockburn S.P.G.M.



Mike McAdams S.P.G.M.



Colin Davie S.P.G.M.



Alan Morgan P.G. Secretary



Alex Whitehill P.G. Chaplain

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Provincial Grand Lodge – Who is Elected Office Bearers?

- Elected Provincial Grand Lodge Office Bearers = 20
- Appointed Provincial Grand Stewards = 15*
- Provincial Grand Committee Members = 4*
- Elected Annually *Subject to change

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Provincial Grand Lodge – What P.G.L. Do

- Carry out Annual Visits as per the Constitution and Laws
- Disciplinary Committee
- Book Auditing Team
- Workshops Secretary / Treasurer
- Almoner Brother Neil Mackenzie



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Provincial Grand Lodge – What P.G.L. Do

- Charity Fund Raising
- 500 Club
- Church Services
- Day Lodges
- Sports
- Inter visitations with Sister P.G.L's

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Substitute Provincial Grand Master Brother Michael A. McAdams



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Masonic Learning – A better understanding

- Understanding the Ritual
 - Dictionary
 - Bible
 - Understanding the Rules
 - C&L's of the Grand Lodge of Scotland
 - Bye-Laws of PGL
 - Bye-Laws of your Lodge

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Masonic Learning – What next?

- Interested in History
 - History of Freemasonry – Gould
 - The Origins of Freemasonry – Prof D. Stevenson
 - History of Freemasonry – Albert Mackey
 - A Pocket History of Freemasonry – Pick & Knight

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Masonic Learning – What next?

- Interested in Signs and Symbols
 - Tracing Boards of the Three Degrees – J. Rees
 - The Craft and its Symbols – Allan E. Roberts
 - Symbolism in Craft Freemasonry – Colin Dyer

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Masonic Learning – What next?

- General
 - Freemason's Guide and Compendium – Bernard E. Jones
 - Famous Scottish Freemasons – Robert Cooper
 - Any book by Rev'd Neville Cryer
 - Freemasonry a Celebration of the Craft - Hamill

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Masonic Learning – Resources

- Amazon / Ebay

Online - www.pglfk.org

- www.themasonictrowel.com
- www.phoenixmasonry.org
- [www.pglforfarshire.org/William Harvey](http://www.pglforfarshire.org/William_Harvey)

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Social Media

- Websites



email



- Facebook



Twitter (Now X) etc



- Text messages



Whatsapp etc



- Any form of electronic messaging

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Social Media

- Grand Lodge of Scotland Guidelines for Masonic Websites
- Issued 2002
- Still Relevant Today
- P.G.L fully supportive
- Care to be Exercised

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Social Media – Good For

- Advertising Meetings
- Social Functions
- Lodge News

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Social Media – Should Not

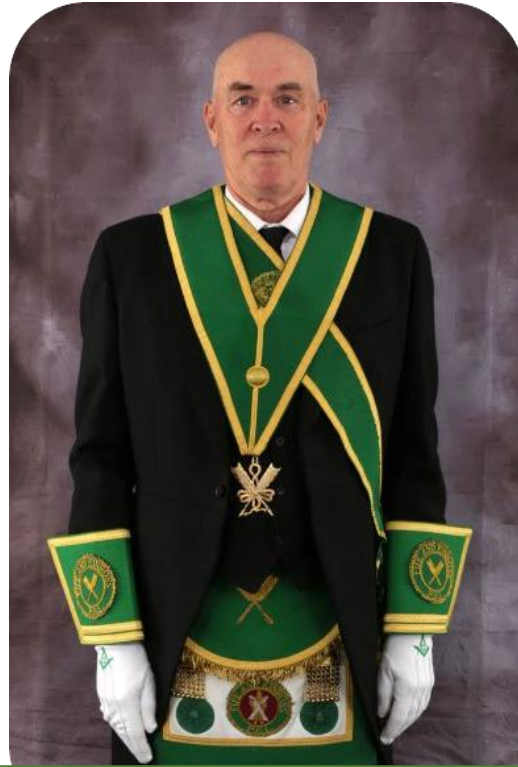
- No Advertising goods or services
- No Candidate Names or Details
- Personal Details Must NOT be posted without permission

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Provincial Grand Secretary Brother Alan Morgan.



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Provincial Grand Secretary

- Constitution & Laws
- Lodge Bye-Laws
- Annual Returns
- Visitation Schedules
- Disciplinary Matters
- Dispensations

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