



DIVISION OF DEVON & CORNWALL

The Constantine Times



R.III.Kt. Richard Lucas, Intendant General's Welcome..



Zoom and other online systems and of course, the good old telephone, it has become apparent that many of us still like to read a paper.

When our Deputy, Nic, suggested doing a quarterly newsletter I thought it a great idea, as long as he does it!

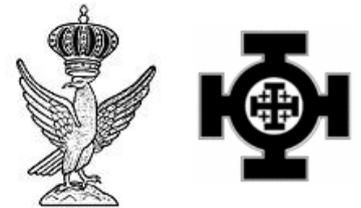
I know we have the web page, but not all Masons have access to it. We are hoping to bring you news of events and what your Divisional Executive get up to, but we do need your input too.

I would love to hear your stories, your interests, what you have been up to over the last six months! **Please let your Deputy Intendant General know so that**

we can include you in future publications.

I asked Nic to put on my picture with three of my Grand Children, Isabella, Jeremiah and Tobias, as most of you know my Wife Marilyn had a cardiac arrest at the end of May, this picture was taken at the end of June.

Marilyn had a triple heart bypass not long before and it had not gone to well, while the support from my family friends and most importantly the members of the Red Cross of Constantine, it was my Daughters, Rachel and Leanne that kept me going through the most difficult time in my life.



This picture is very special to me, perhaps you can see why.

In the history of Freemasonry, Covid 19 is possibly the biggest threat ever posed to us, it is vitally important that each and every one of us does his bit to keep it going. Hopefully by this time next year it will be a distant memory and we will all be getting on with our lives.

I look forward to meeting each and everyone of you in the not too distant future.

Meanwhile follow the Government guide lines, keep safe.
In Faith Unity & Zeal

Richard

Greetings Worthy Knights. Welcome to the first edition of our Divisional newsletter.

Because of corona virus we are obviously not meeting as we all would like, it has become even more important that we keep in touch, and whilst many of us are now using different forms of communication, WhatsApp,

Retention, Recruitment and maintaining enthusiasm for our Degree

There is no doubt, that when members of the Red Cross of Constantine are in company together, there is always the atmosphere of love and harmony, not just for our fellow members but also the ritual and work of the degree. There is nothing better than a ceremony delivered with sincerity to welcome a new member to the order. Some of the

finest words in our masonic rituals are encompassed in our ritual and personally I find the accolade on admitting a new knight is particularly poignant. We have of course been significantly hampered in keeping our efforts at attracting new members in the last months with little or no direct Masonic activity happening, however, we can continue to plan our emergence from our imposed

hibernation with renewed vigour to bring new candidates to our order. Equally, during this period I know many of you have been keeping in touch by phone, email and the occasional Zoom meeting. Worthy knights I would urge you to continue to reach out to your fellow knights, use the online facilities to hold short social meetings to chat or even do some Conclave business.

If you have an idea for how we can retain and how we can grow our membership then please let me know.



Masonic & Military Order of the Red Cross of Constantine and the Orders of the Holy Sepulchre and of St John the Evangelist

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Divisional Meeting 2020

The Divisional Meeting this year will be in the form of an online meeting using Zoom.

The date is Saturday 28th November 2020.

The Meeting Booking details are:-

[https://zoom.us/j/93520530804?](https://zoom.us/j/93520530804?pwd=OUlwaWYwZ3BGYThacDdOSmxybnZHUOT09)
[pwd=OUlwaWYwZ3BGYThacDdOSmxybnZHUOT09](https://zoom.us/j/93520530804?pwd=OUlwaWYwZ3BGYThacDdOSmxybnZHUOT09)

Meeting ID: 935 2053 0804

Passcode: 355262

The Waiting Room will be open 10:30 am.

The meeting will commence at 11:00 am.

No admittance after 11:00 am.

Dress Code: White Shirt, Divisional Tie, Sepulchre Guard Tie or Grand Conclave Tie. Jackets if you wish.

Refreshments prior to the meeting of your own choice.

Conclaves of the Division:

St. John the Evangelist No.238:
Topsham

Joseph of Arimathea No.253:
Perranporth

Mount Lebanon No.270: Tavistock

Holy Trinity No.311: Torquay

Royal Citadel No.327: Plymouth

St. Brannock No.342: Barnstaple

St. Ercus No.349: Hayle

Resurrection Past Sovereigns
No.432: Plymouth-peripatetic

Light No.498: Bodmin

Ascension No.499: South Brent

Grand Sovereigns Care for Children Fund



Until July 2010, this fund was known as "The Red Cross of Constantine Millennium Fund" (RCCMF), its name was changed in order to reflect the changing emphasis of the Fund.

The RCCMF was formed in 2000 in order to assist those children whose lives are so badly affected by circumstances beyond their control after the tsunami in South East Asia.

Applications for assistance from the Fund are only considered, as its name suggests, from Charities whose work is directly concerned with the welfare and care of children. Applications to the Fund from suitable Charities or Divisions and/or Conclaves of the Order on behalf of such

Charities should be made by letter stating the case for the application and enclosing as much supporting and financial information as possible. These are considered by the Charity Committee of the Order, which is headed by the Deputy Grand Sovereign, and then reports their deliberations to the Grand Sovereign's Council for approval.

All applications should, in the first instance, be sent to:
Charities, Mark Masons' Hall, 86
St. James's Street, London,
SW1A 1PL

Donations can be made by either completing the 'Regular Giving Form' or by sending your donation by cheque addresses to the 'Accounts Department' at the address above.

All cheques should be made payable to: **The Grand Sovereign's Care for Children Fund**.

Care for Children Fund in Devon & Cornwall.

Since the year 2000, the Fund has given Grants to Charities in Devon and Cornwall totaling £11,000.

This year the Deputy Intendant General, Ill.Kt. Nicholas White was delighted to present a cheque for £2,500 to Kernow Young Carers on behalf of our Intendant General and indeed the Grand Sovereign.

Mr Kevin Dowling—Kernow Young Carers and Ill.Kt. Nicholas White at Hayle Recreation Lake

