



2022/23 Newsletter Number 3

To: All Royal Arch Companions

1. Extension to the Grand Superintendent's Patent

THE PROVINCIAL OFFICE IS DELIGHTED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND SUPERINTENDENT, E COMP JIM BOUGHTON, HAS BEEN GRANTED AN EXTENSION TO HIS PATENT OF OFFICE.

2. Message From the Grand Superintendent



Dear Companions.

The past years have, to say the least, been traumatic and, it is to be hoped, are now behind us. We must therefore look to the future and embrace the lead from UGLE and SGC by, as the Pro Grand Master/Pro Grand 1st Principal has stated, moving from a 'but what if' culture to a 'yes if' culture in our efforts to bring the joy of the Royal Arch to all Master Masons. To this end I strongly urge all Companions to unite behind your Executive as we announce:

THE LAUNCH OF THE ROYAL ARCH AMBASSADOR STRATEGY

3. Royal Arch Ambassadors

Following the recent announcement by the Pro Grand Grand Master/Pro First Grand Principal, we know that the indissoluble link between the Royal Arch and the Craft is firmly embedded in UGLE's strategy for the future of Freemasonry. We also know that it is his wish that EVERY Master Mason should complete his journey through Pure Antient Masonry by becoming a Companion in the Royal Arch

To ensure that we can deliver on this message, with the support of the Provincial Grand Master, the Most Excellent Grand Superintendent has announced the establishment of a network of Royal Arch Ambassadors.

Their job will be to spread the word about the Royal Arch by ensuring that all Master Masons understand that there is more to learn and that they should take the opportunity to do so when the time is right for them.

Many Chapters are successful in finding new members, but others are not. However, this is not a numbers game, and so the Ambassadors will work closely with Scribes E to help each Chapter grow its numbers, but without creating long waiting lists of Brethren waiting to join us.

The first task is to put in place Lead Royal Arch Ambassadors who will head teams of Ambassadors in each of the Craft Lodge Groups. The Most Excellent Grand Superintendent invited six enthusiastic, knowledgeable and friendly Companions to fill these roles and is pleased to report their ready acceptance. He is therefore delighted to announce the following appointments with immediate effect.

E Comp Neil Handley
Deputy Grand Superintendent

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Provincial Team Visit
Cytrigan Chapter 4048
Tuesday 21st February 2023
Kettering Masonic Hall



PSA Testing Session Corby
Saturday 1st April 2023
Corby Masonic Centre



Supreme Grand Chapter
Annual Meeting &
Investiture
Thursday 27th April 2023
Freemasons' Hall, London

E Comp John Napper



E Comp John will be responsible for the Huntingdon, Ramsey, St Ives and St Neots Centres.

E Comp John was Exalted in to St Neots Chapter 2684 in 2008. Progressing through the necessary offices, he was Installed as MEZ in 2019 and is currently the Chapter Scribe E.

E Comp John will be a familiar face to many Brethren and Companions, not least as he is currently serving as Active ProvAGDC in the Craft.



Annual Meeting of
Provincial Grand Lodge
Thursday 18th May 2023
Griggs Centre, Sheaf Close,
Northampton

**E Comp J Scott McNeil, ProvGOrg,
PPGSwdB**



E Comp Scott will be responsible for the Daventry and Towcester Centres.

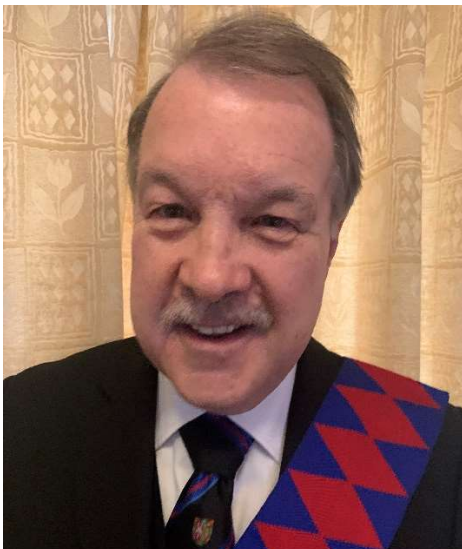
E Comp Scott was Exalted in to Chapter of Fidelity in 1997 and is currently a member of Waynflete Chapter 4452.

If you Haven't met E Comp Scott, you may certainly have heard him! He has been the ProvGOrg since 2017. He also serves as a Senior Visiting Officer for both the Craft and RA in MetGL and MetGC, and holds SLGR and SLGCR.



Annual Meeting of
Provincial Grand Chapter
Thursday 29th June 2023
Griggs Centre, Sheaf Close,
Northampton

**E Comp Roger Hutchinson,
PProv1stAsstGSoj**



E Comp Roger will be responsible for the Corby and Kettering Centres.

E Comp Roger was Exalted in to Cytringan Chapter 4048 in 2004, rising to be its MEZ in 2015. He has been Scribe E since 2016. E Comp Roger is also a member of First Principals' Chapter 3422.

As well as having held an active office in the RA, E Comp Roger was a ProvGStwd in the Craft (2010).



E CompBarrie Goulding, PPGSoj



E CompBarrie will be responsible for the Northampton Centre.

He Exalted in to Kingsley Chapter 2431 in 1997, rising to become MEZ in 2013.

He served as ProvGStB (2017).

E Comp Barrie has been part of the PSA Team, registering many of us in to the various testing sessions across the Province.

He was Active ProvGPurs in the Craft (2012) and is currently PPGSuptWks.

E CompAndy Petrie, PProv1stAsstGSoj



E Comp Andy will be responsible for the for the Peterborough and Stamford centres.

He was Exalted in to St Peter's Chapter 442 in 2008, rising to become its MEZ in 2016. He is also a member of First Principals' Chapter 3422 and served as Active Prov1stAsstGSoj in 2020, following a year as ProvSGD in the Craft in 2019.

An ebullient character, he is a strong and active supporter of both the Craft and RA, often seen at functions and meetings.

E CompStuart Phillips, PPGSN



E CompStuart will be responsible for the Thrapston, Wellingborough and Rushden Centres.

E CompStuart was Exalted in to Saxon Crosses Chapter 6227 (Cheshire) in 1989. He became a joining member of Whytevell Chapter 8400 in 2000, becoming its MEZ in 2007, and has been its DC since 2011.

E Comp Stuart was appointed ProvGStwd in 2010, promoted PPGSoj in 2012 and PCSN in 2017.

E Comp Stuart has held various Craft Provincial appointments both in Cheshire and Northamptonshire & Huntingdonshire and is currently a PPJGW in the Craft Province.

You can keep abreast of matters Royal Arch (and Craft) in the Province by signing-up to the Provincial website. Not already signed-up? Here is the web address you need:

[//www.northants-huntsmasons.org.uk](http://www.northants-huntsmasons.org.uk)

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