

Twelve Talk

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Meetings 2013-14

- * 03.09.13
Entering
- * 15.01.13
Passing by Lodge Greenock
St John's No 175
- * 01.10.13
Entering
- * 15.10.13
Passing by The Bridgeton
and Glasgow Shamrock and
Thistle Lodge No 275
- * 05.11.13
Raising
- * 19.11.13
Annual Installation at
630pm
- * 03.12.13
Passing by Lodge The Gael
No 609
- * 17.12.13
Annual Divine Service
Bro JC Glenn PM



Lodge Greenock Kilwinning No XII
The Saloon of the Town Hall, Greenock
Regular Meetings – 7.30pm 1st and 3rd Tuesdays – September to April

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Our next meeting 17th September 2013

Fellowcraft Degree by Lodge Greenock St John's No 175

At the start, the meeting will be for members only because we have our Nomination and Election of Office Bearers. Visitors should be able to get in pretty sharp – probably around 745. The election will be followed by a Fellowcraft Degree conferred by work.

The Charity Drive

Charitable work should be an integral part of freemasonry and not just work for Masonic Charities. By having a focus on assisting people and causes in need in the wider community, we make the public more aware of the good work that we do and it brings excellent PR for the Craft. These principles are very important to the brethren of No XII and this year's Charity Drive now stands at almost and Govan High School pupils who are fund raising to go on a £5800. Our work will

RWM Bro Alex Johnstone and the brethren of Lodge Greenock St John's No 175. We are looking forward greatly to this meeting. In recent years, the great resurgence in No XII has been accompanied by us welcoming our friends in to work degrees. There will be a terrific atmosphere on Tuesday and we are hoping for a big attendance again to see the brethren of 175 at work.

Speeding Things Up!

The reading out of minutes at No XII is over and many minutes will be saved as a result!!! Taking advantage of 21st Century technology, the Bro Secretary now emails minutes out for the brethren to peruse. Hard copies are provided beside the Sederunt Book for brethren who do not have internet access. We believe that this new system will also improve our communication with our members.

The beneficiaries chosen by the RWM this year are the Erskine Home and Youth Theatre at The Beacon. Provost Robert Moran has nominated Glenburn School and S4 pupils of Govan High School who are fund raising to go on a Holocaust study visit to Germany and Poland also benefitted.

Test Fees and Life Member Contributions

Annual subscriptions or

Test Fees are now due for 2013-14. These are set at the very reasonable level of £30 in No XII. Also, the Lodge has to pay a Capitation Levy for all Life Members to The Grand Lodge of Scotland. This amounts to £25. Over the last couple of years we have been grateful to all of the Life Members who have made a donation to cover this. Fees and contributions are payable to the Treasurer

Our Opening Meeting Tuesday 3rd September

We had a terrific turn out at the first meeting of the new session. The business was an entering and there were 3 Candidates, namely Mr Fraser Cameron, Mr John Dyer and Mr Bryce Fagel. With the 3 candidates, 30 brethren of No XII were in attendance – a great result! A deputation of 26 visitors from within and outwith the Province, headed by Bro Alexander Johnstone, RWM of Lodge Greenock St John's No 175 and accompanied by Bro Gerard Robertson, RWM of Lodge Cumberland Kilwinning No 217, Bro William McLarty, RWM of Lodge Inverkip Ardgowan No 1425, Bro Robert Shields, RWM of The Anchor Lodge of Research No 1814 and Bro William Duncan, RWM of Lodge Montgomerie Kilwinning Skelmorlie No 624 was introduced by Bro KK Morrison PM. The Degree Team was Obligation: RWM Bro Alan Beck Prayer: Bible Bearer Bro Albert MacLean Secrets: IPM Bro Robert Bain Apron: Bro Murray Thompson PM NEC: Architect Bro Brian McFadyen Working Tools: DM Bro Allan Macfeate The Charge: Secretary Bro Kenneth C. MacDougall PM.

At the end of the meeting Bro Anthony Buckley and Bro Robert Crossan were called to the centre of the floor and presented with their Master Mason and Mark Master Mason Certificates by RWM Bro Alan Beck.

Gourmet Dinner for No XII Members

A gourmet dinner will take place at the Greenock Golf Club on Saturday 21st September at 7 for 730 pm. Golf Club Chef, Gary Lewis, has created a magnificent menu for us (below). The cost is £25 per head and all No XII members and their partners are welcome. To reserve places please call Bro Iain White on 07575752570.

Gourmet Dinner Menu

Lentil Soup
Hot Smoked Salmon with Horseradish Cream
Melon with Parma Ham

Laird's Beef Wellington
Chicken Balmoral
Cajun Shrimp Gumbo with Wild Rice

Pan Fried Strawberries with Butterscotch Sauce and homemade Ice Cream
Apple Crumble Pie and Custard
Cheese and Biscuits

Visits – Diary Dates

Tuesday 24th September 2013
Saturday 28th September 2013 at 2pm

Lodge Crawfordsburn Greenock No 1121
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XII conferring Passing
Centenary

Monthly Draw

Bro Allan Glen is going to restart the No XII Monthly Draw. Cheques or cash should be passed to him. For details contact Allan on 07736060280.

Reports on Visits

The RWM, Office Bearers and brethren of No XII continue to do a power of work visiting sister Lodges.

- Lodge Ellangowan No 716 on 17th April 2013 (Passing) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck
- Lodge Cumberland Kilwinning No 217 on 18th April 2013 (Raising) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, WSW Bro Martin Anderson and Bro Eddie McGill
- Lodge St George No 333 on 20th April 2013 (Annual Installation) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck and Bro Robert Crossan

- Lodge Firth of Clyde Gourock No 626 on 22nd April 2013 (Mark) – attended by RWM M Anderson, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Tony Buckley, Bro Robert Crossan, Bro Joe Fogarty, Bro James Livingstone and HM Bro Kenneth McCrae
- Lodge Crawfordsburn Greenock No 1121 on 23 April 2013 (Mark) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, WSW Bro Martin Anderson, Bro Robert Crossan, Bro Eddie McGill, HM Bro James Lever, HM Bro Neil Forbes and HM Bro James Strachan
- Lodge Sir Michael No 989 on 24 April 2013 (Passing - Homes Degree) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain, WSW Bro Martin Anderson, DM Bro Allan Macfeate, PM Bro James Adams, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Tony Buckley, Bro Joe Fogarty and HM Bro James Strachan
- Lodge The Gael No 609 on 25th April 2013 (Passing) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck and PM Bro Iain White
- Lodge Cumberland Kilwinning No 217 on 26th April 2013 (Mark) – attended by WSW Bro Martin Anderson, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick and HM Bro James Strachan
- PGL of Ayrshire on 28th April 2013 (Divine Service) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck , IPM Bro Robert Bain and Bro James Livingstone (RWPGM)
- Lodge of Dunblane No IX on 29th April 2013 (Entering) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Robert Crossan
- PGLRW Communication on 1st May 2013 – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, WSW Bro Martin Anderson, WJW Bro Paul Galbraith, IPM Bro Robert Bain, Bro Robert Crossan, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, PM Bro Hector Macphail, Bro Joe Fogarty and Bro James Livingstone (RWPGM)
- Lodge St Vincent Sandyford No 553 on 2nd May 2013 (Raising Ex.) - attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick and Bro Robert Crossan
- The Anchor Lodge of Research No 1814 on 3rd May 2013 (Annual Installation) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain, PM Bro Kenneth MacDougall, Bro Allan Glen, Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick
- Lodge Govandale No 437 on 6th May 2013 (Raising) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Eddie McGill, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick and Bro Robert Crossan
- Lodge St Barchan No 156 on 7th May 2013 (Mark) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick
- Lodge St John Kilwinning Largs No 173 on 7th May 2013 (Passing) – attended by IPM Bro Robert Bain
- Lodge Shalom No 1600 on 9th May 2013 (Golden Jubilee Rededication) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, and IPM Bro Robert Bain
- The Lodge of Erskine No 1566 on 9th May 2013 (Mark) – attended by Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick and Bro Eddie McGill
- Lodge Union and Crown No 307 on 10th May 2013 (Table of Scottish Freemasons) –attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck
- Lodge Neptune No 419 on 14th May 2013 (Entering) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, PM Bro Iain White, PM Bro Kenneth Morrison, Bro Allan Glen, Bro Robert Crossan, Bro Tony Buckley, HM Bro Donald Finlayson and HM Bro Hamish McLachlan
- Prince of Wales Lodge No 426 on 14th May 2013 (Passing) – attended by Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick and Bro Eddie McGill
- Glasgow Kilwinning Lodge No 4 on 15th May 2013 – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain and Bro Allan Macfeate
- PGL of Lanarkshire Upper Ward on 17th May 2013 (Installation) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro James Livingstone (RWPGM) and Bro Allan Glen
- Lodge Kelvin Partick No 1207 on 21st May 2013 (Passing) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick
- Lodge Cadder Freestone No 1584 on 22nd May 2013 (Entering) – attended by RWM Bro Allan Beck, Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick
- Lodge Inverkip Ardgowan No 1425 on 23rd May 2013 (Entering) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain, Bro James Livingstone, Bro James McGregor Snr, Bro Joe Fogarty, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick and Bro Eddie McGill
- Lodge Bridgeton and Glasgow Shamrock & Thistle No 275 on 24th May 2013 (Passing) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, PM Bro Iain White and Bro Allan Glen
- Lodge Bonhill and Alexandria No 321 on 27th May 2013 (Mark) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Robert Crossan, Bro Eddie McGill and HM Bro James Strachan
- Lodge Whifflet St John's No 963 on 28th May 2013 (Passing Ex.) - attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Robert Crossan
- Lodge Caledonian Railway No 354 on 31st May 2013 (Entering) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain, PM Bro Iain White, PM Bro Kenneth MacDougall, Bro Allan Glen, Bro Robert Crossan and Bro Eddie McGill
- Lodge St John Kilwinning Largs No 173 on 4th June 2013 (Lecture) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain, Bro Ewan MacLean, Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick
- Lodge St Vincent Sandyford No 553 on 6th June 2013 (Entering) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain, PM Bro Iain White, Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Robert Crossan
- Lodge Sir Michael No 989 on 7th June 2013 (Mark) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro James Livingstone and Bro Eddie McGill
- Lodge St John Whiteinch No 683 on 7th June (Entering Ex.) - attended by IPM Bro Robert Bain who stood in as the candidate.
- Caledonian Lodge No 392 on 12th June 2013 (Passing Ex.) - attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck and Bro Allan Glen

- Lodge The Gael No 609 on 13th June 2013 (Passing Ex.) - attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck and IPM Bro Robert Bain who stood in as the candidate.
- Lodge St John Kilwinning Largs No 173 on 18th June 2013 (Mark) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck and IPM Bro Robert Bain
- Seminar on Mentoring by PGL Renfrewshire East at Redhurst Hotel on 22nd June 2013 – attended by IPM Bro Robert Bain
- Lodge Mother Kilwinning on 25th June 2013 (Raising) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, IPM Bro Robert Bain, PM Bro Hector Macphail, Bro Robert Crossan, Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick, Bro Eddie McGill. Bro James McGregor Snr and Bro James McGregor Jnr
- PGL of Ayrshire on 26th June 2013 (Quarterly Communication) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck and IPM Bro Robert Bain
- Lodge Sir Michael No 989 on 28th June 2013 (Mark) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Allan Macfeate, Bro Robert Crossan, Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick
- PGL Kilwinning on 29th June 2013 (Installation) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro James Livingstone (RWPGM) and Bro Alexander Galbraith
- Lodge Neptune Kilwinning Saltcoats No 442 on 4th July 2013 (Passing Ex.) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck and IPM Bro Robert Bain
- Lodge Tir An Eorna No 1775 on 5th July 2013 (Installation) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Allan Glen, HM Bro Donald Finlayson and HM Bro Hamish McLachlan
- Lodge Prince of Wales No 426 on 9th July 2013 (Entering) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck
- Lodge The Gael No 609 on 11th July (Raising Ex.) - attended by Bro Allan Glen
- Lodge Randolph No 1434 on 12th July 2013 (Installation) – attended by IPM Bro Robert Bain who also replied on behalf of the Toast to the Visitors
- Lodge Mother Kilwinning on 23rd July 2013 (Passing) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck
- The Glasgow Star Lodge No 219 on 26th July 2013 (Reigning Masters' Degree) – attended by IPM Bro Robert Bain
- Lodge St John Royal Arch No 320 on 9th August 2013 (Raising) – attended by IPM Bro Robert Bain
- Prince of Wales Lodge No 426 on 13th August 2013 (Passing) – attended by Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick and Bro Eddie McGill
- Lodge The Gael No 609 on 22nd August 2013 (Lecture) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick
- Lodge Loch Fyne No 754 on 24th August 2013 (125th Anniversary Rededication) – attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck and PM Bro Hector Macphail
- Lodge Springburn Glasgow No 1198 on 29th August 2013 (Passing Ex.) - attended by RWM Bro Alan Beck, Bro Robert Crossan, Bro Eddie McGill and Bro Crawford Kirkpatrick

On all occasions Fraternal Greetings were exchanged.