

The Ben Marsh Lodge No. 7938

Worshipful Master:
W.Bro. N.G. WYKES



LADIES' Christmas Party

The Masonic Hall,
Wellington Road
Dudley.

MONDAY
15th DECEMBER
1997



Warm Masonic hearts
to greet you

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Welcome

Together with the Brethren of the Ben Marsh Lodge I extend a warm welcome to you and trust you will have a very enjoyable evening, a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Nigel and Julie

Programme

4.45 pm	Open Lodge and Cocktails for Ladies
6.30 pm	Close Lodge and Start Reception.
7.00 pm	Receive Worshipful Master and his Lady Boar's Head Carol and Parade by Steward and Deacons Dinner Grace:- W.Bro G. Wood
9.00 - 9.15 pm	Short Break
9.15 pm	Dancing to 'Rainbow'
11.45 pm	The Parting Song'
12.00 pm	Carriages

Your pleasure is ours this festive
night may the programme
give you untold delight

Good wine, good food and friends what else can we desire

Menu

Boars Head

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Spring Vegetable Soup

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Roast Turkey and Pork with Cranberry Sauce

Chipolata Sausages and Herb Seasoning

Roast and Boiled Potatoes, Cauliflower, Peas and Carrots

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St. Honore Gateau

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Mince Pie

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Coffee & Mints

A feast of joy attends the table shared with friends

This is to confirm your welcome
and to you all, Good Health

Toasts

'Her Majesty the Queen' - proposed by W.Bro.N.G. Wykes

'The Ladies' - proposed by W.Bro.N.G. Wykes

'Ladies Song' - by W.Bro. M. Fellows

Reply - Julie

Charity Steward- Bro.D.J.Morgan

Director of Ceremonies - W.Bro. M. Fellows

Boar's Head Carol

The Carol was sung originally at Queen's College, Cambridge.

The Chorus is in Latin, as is the last line of every verse.

Translations are as follows:

Chorus: Caput Apri de Fero
Reddens Laudes Domino

The Boar's Head I bring
Giving Praise to the Lord

Verse 1: Quot Estis in Convivo

Those who are in the feast

Verse 2: Servire cum Cantico

Let us serve with a song

Verse 3: In Reginensi Atrio

In the Hall of the Queen

The Boar's Head in hand bear I
Bedecked with bay and rosemary
I bid you my Masters be merry
Quot Estis in Convivo

Chorus
Our Master hath provided this
In honour of the King of Bliss
Which on this day to be served is
Reginensi Atrio

Chorus

The Boar's Head as I understand
Is the rarest dish in all the land
Which now bedecked with a gay garland
Servire com Cantico

Kind words are the music of the world

The most precious possession that ever comes to a man
in this world is a woman's heart

The Ladies' Song

Ladies from the East and West,
We have done our very best.
To ensure your welcome here,
Bright fraternal and sincere.

Chorus

Warm Masonic hearts to meet you,
Hands of fellowship to greet you.
May our welcome here today,
Cheer and smooth life's thorny way.

We all recognise your worth,
Our best friends upon this earth.
For whatever be our lot -
Rich or poor it matters not.

Chorus

And when we shall adieu,
May our love remain with you.
And may we renew that love,
In a Grandeur Lodge above.

Chorus

The Parting Song

Are your glasses charged in the West
and South the Worship Master cries.
They're charged in the West, they're
charged in the South, and the Wardens
prompt replies.
Then to our final toast tonight your
glasses freely drain.
Happy to meet, sorry to part, happy to
meet again.

Chorus

Happy to meet again, happy to meet
again,
happy to meet, sorry to part,
Happy to meet again.

Amidst our mirth we drink to all poor
Masons o'er the world.
In every clime our flag of love is
gloriously unfurled.

We prize each brother fair or dark who
bears no moral stain.

Happy to meet, sorry to part, happy to
meet again.

Chorus

Ye brethren of the Mystic Art, the night
is waning fast.

Our feast is o'er, our work is done, this
toast must be our last.

Goodnight, goodnight once more, once
more repeat the well known strain.

Happy to meet, sorry to part, happy to
meet again.

Chorus.

Happy have we met
Happy may we part
Happy may we meet again

May the joy of these few pleasant hours
live in your hearts as it will in ours

Good Night

God Bless

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