

W.BRO. J. GASTON



Severn Lodge No. 5583

INSTALLATION
of
W.Bro. Robert H. James
AS WORSHIPFUL MASTER

Friday 31st January 2025

**FREEMASONS HALL
STOURPORT-ON-SEVERN**

LIST OF BRETHREN

Who have served the office of W.M. of this lodge:

1936 R.P. Vale ⁺	1967 R.H. Towell ⁺	1998 K.W.T. Greenfield ⁺
1937 J. Carss ⁺	1968 G.K. Morris ⁺	1999 G.T. Knowles ⁺
1938 H.N. Frost ⁺	1969 J.P. Hignell ⁺	2000 J.R. Gaston
1939 H.N. Frost ⁺	1970 F.C. Adams ⁺	2001 T.L. Burroughes
1940 R. Sykes ⁺	1971 E.J. Finch ⁺	2002 M.J. Smith ⁺
1941 F.C. Perrett ⁺	1972 K.W.T. Greenfield ⁺	2003 H.A. Wilmshurst
1942 T.G. Vale ⁺	1973 N.A. James [*]	2004 P. Hughes
1943 T.G.P. Healey ⁺	1974 H.G. Radcliffe ⁺	2005 K.H. Prosser ⁺
1944 G. Wilcox ⁺	1975 B. Brookes [*]	2006 G.M. Talbot
1945 A.S. Ward ⁺	1976 H.E. Higgins ⁺	2007 J. Barber
1946 H. Jones ⁺	1977 C.P. Poulson [*]	2008 A. Thompson MBE ⁺
1947 W.D. Broadbent ⁺	1978 D.J. Smith	2009 J.F. Lee
1948 K.W. Price ⁺	1979 R.W. Sheppard ⁺	2010 P.G. Dillistone
1949 J. Millican ⁺	1980 A.C. Watt ⁺	2011 A.P. Maffei
1950 W.H. Clarke ⁺	1981 K. Flood [*]	2012 A.P. Maffei
1951 D.W. Handley ⁺	1982 K.G. Meers [*]	2013 S.W. Greybanks
1952 H.G. Southall ⁺	1983 J.R. Gaston	2014 B. Maffei
1953 T.C. Marsland ⁺	1984 D. Matthews ⁺	2015 P. Felgate
1954 H.W. Penny ⁺	1985 C.P. Poulsen [*]	2016 C.P. Wilkinson
1955 H.W. Windsor ⁺	1986 J. McGann ⁺	2017 D.R. Rushforth
1956 A.F. Handley ⁺	1987 W.F. Burnell ⁺	2018 K. Hughes
1957 O.A.L. Mills ⁺	1988 E.A. Smith ⁺	2019 L.A. Taylor
1958 C.J. Perrett ⁺	1989 B. Field [*]	2020 M.J. Davies
1959 G.E. Glittins ⁺	1990 F. Lewis ⁺	2021 M.J. Davies
1960 G.J. Bowker ⁺	1991 J.A.C. Kimp [*]	2022 R. Sorano
1961 A.D. Catterall ⁺	1992 A.E. Petersen-Jones	2023 B. Maffei
1962 D.S. Park ⁺	1993 R.H. James	2024 W.A. Maffei
1963 G.A. Tyers ⁺	1994 M.J. McGann ⁺	
1964 P.G. Ruggles ⁺	1995 M.A. Silcox [*]	
1965 J.C. Mitchell ⁺	1996 J.J.L. Cognet ⁺	
1966 W.P. Johnson ⁺	1997 J.J.L. Cognet ⁺	

DECEASED⁺ RESIGNED^{*}

MENU

STARTER

Creamed Garlic Mushrooms on Toast



MAIN

Breaded Pork Escalope with White wine Sauce

Roast Potatoes

Vegetables in Season.



SWEET

Eton Mess



Cheese and Biscuits



Tea or Coffee

Wine included with the meal.

Tonight's Collection, Recipients:

Alms: The Worcestershire Freemasons Charity

Raffle: Kidderminster Food Bank

Grace:

*"For Food, and Friendship,
For Bob our returning Master,
And for all the blessings of this life,
We give thanks to the Great Architect of the Universe,
and ask that he keeps us truly thankful, ever mindful of the
wants and needs of others".*

INSTALLATION CEREMONY

Installing Master	W.Bro. W.A. Maffei
Senior Warden	W.Bro. P. Felgate
Junior Warden	W.Bro. D.R. Rushforth
Director of Ceremonies	W.Bro. A.J. Smith
Inner Guard	W.Bro. T.L. Burroughes
Presentation of Master Elect.	W.Bro. J.R. Gaston

ADDRESSES

To the Worshipful Master

RW Bro. K.M. Evans

Deputy Provincial Grand
Master

To the Wardens

W.Bro. C.J. Overall

Provincial Senior Grand
Warden

To the Brethren

W.Bro. P.S. Webber

Provincial Junior Grand
Warden

Director of Ceremonies

W.Bro. P.W. Emmerson

Provincial Deputy Grand
Director of Ceremonies

Severn Lodge Officers list 2025

IPM	W.Bro. W. A. Maffei
Worshipful Master	W.Bro. R.H. James
Senior Warden	W.Bro. P. Hughes
Junior Warden	Bro. M.I. Luxton
Chaplain	W.Bro. P.G. Dillistone
Treasurer	W.Bro. T.L. Burroughes
Secretary	W.Bro. K. Hughes
Director of Ceremonies	W.Bro. R. Sorano
Almoner	W.Bro. A. P. Maffei
Charity Steward	W.Bro. P. Felgate
Mentor	W.Bro. P. Hughes
Senior Deacon	Bro. S.J. Grove
Junior Deacon	Bro. S.C. Reeves
Asst. Director of Ceremonies	W.Bro. P. Felgate
Asst. Secretary	W.Bro. J.R.T. Lakin
Inner Guard	Bro. A.M. Davies
Stewards	Bro. B. Hughes Bro. A.W. Carlyle
Tyler	W.Bro. B. Maffei

21/6/25

TOAST LIST

1. The King & the Craft & Royal Arch Masonry.

Proposed by the Worshipful Master

2. The Most Worshipful The Grand Master, His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent. KG, GCMG, GCVO, ADC.

Proposed by the Worshipful Master

3. The Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master: Jonathan Spence,
The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master: Sir Michael Snyder, The
Right Worshipful Assistant Grand Masters: David John Medlock DL and
Arthur Steven Varley and the rest of the Grand Officers Present and Past.

Proposed by the Worshipful Master

4. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master: Stephen John Wyer.

Proposed by W.Bro. P. Hughes SW

5. The Very Worshipful Deputy Provincial Grand Master,
Keith M. Evans, Past Grand Sword Bearer.
The Worshipful Assistant Provincial Grand Masters,
M. J. Dykes, Past Senior Grand Deacon,
P. L. Wong, Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies,
J. T. Parker, Past Assistant Grand Chaplain,
And the rest of the Officers, present and past, of the Provincial Grand
Lodge of Worcestershire and any other Province here represented.

Proposed by Bro. M. I. Luxton JW

6. The Worshipful Master.

Proposed by W.Bro. P. Hughes SW

7. The Visitors.

Proposed by W.Bro. D.R. Rushforth

8. Visitors Response

Proposed by W.Bro. A. Kennedy

9. The Past Masters and Officers.

Proposed by Bro. B. Hughes

9. The Tyler's Toast.

Proposed by W.Bro. B. Maffei

WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S SONG

(Soloist – W.Bro J.R. Gaston)

We may toast in the craft one another,
And challenge our friends "South and West".
But the toast above all is our Brother,
Who rules and presides o'er the rest.
The blood in our veins runs the faster,
As the health is proposed loud and free,
Of our excellent Worshipful Master,
For a jolly good Mason is he.

**Chorus (first time by soloist then repeated by
Brethren)**

Here's a health to our Worshipful Master,
Whose actions are all "on the square",
May the Great Architect guide rule and protect
And prosper the Art everywhere.

Though we greet him with hearty ovation,
As monarch o'er all he surveys,
We must help him on every occasion,
His banner Masonic to raise.
Our love and obedience requite him,
Our zeal in the cause gives him bliss,
And our harmonies ever delight him,
With a chorus as friendly as this.

**Chorus (first time by soloist then repeated by
Brethren)**

At the sound of his voice or his gavel,
Let smiling attention prevail,
None of dreaming to cark or to cavil
But cheerfully utter "all hail".
May his year be a season of gladness,
His cup and his cupboard be full,
And way to ward of care and sadness
Is together united to pull.

**Chorus (first time by soloist then repeated by
Brethren all standing)**

Holy Father, in Thy mercy,
Hear our anxious prayer,
Keep our loved ones now far distant,
'Neath Thy care,
When in sorrow, when in danger,
When in loneliness,
In Thy love look down and comfort,
Their distress

Tyler's Toast

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep,
Its own appointed limits keep,
Oh, hear us when we cry to thee,
For those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power,
Our Brethren shield in danger's hour,
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go,
Thus evermore shall rise to thee,
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.



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