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Message from MWBro. Don Reynolds Grand Master

Dear Brethren

Start Your Planning!

17 March 2018: Bayside Masonic Centre is Dedicated!

A great event is coming up for Freemasonry with three Lodge rooms to be dedicated simultaneously, preceded by the March Quarterly Communication.

Showcasing Freemasonry, this event will be live-streamed across the State to Masonic Centres.

Here is an opportunity for you to engage your potential and existing members. Start your planning now to host a special event in your District!

Grand Master's Movements

On Monday night I attended United Service Lodge at the South Eastern Masonic Centre where I installed Bro Lt Col Robert Haughton, into the Worshipful Masters chair ably supported by RWBro Peter Henshall PDGM. Read on [HERE](#).

The October Installation planner is available [HERE](#).





Message from RWBro. Richard L. Elkington

President of the Board of General Purposes

Dear Brethren

Board Meeting

Your Board met last night and in the interests of transparency, I will prepare as usual, a report on the outcomes to share with you next week.

Member Ready Lodges

We are full steam ahead on Member Ready Lodges and Engagement Officers. Check your Lodge's progress [HERE](#).

Lodge Flyer

Don't forget your own promotional flyer for your Lodge. See [HERE](#).

Lodge Plan

Remember the Lodge Plan template can be found [HERE](#) or alternatively [HERE](#). Please send your completed Lodge Plan to [HERE](#) so others can learn.

Message from RWBro. Bruce Cowie

Grand Secretary

Brethren

Information on Lodge Workings

I am delighted to advise that the 2017 print of the Book of Lodge Workings, that is currently available in hard copy from the FMV office, is now available in soft copy. If you would like a copy emailed to you please email [HERE](#) for the link.

Book of Constitutions

The next addition of the Book of Constitutions will be released in early 2018. Pending this update, a list of changes that were approved from the Quarterly Communication 20 September 2017 are available [HERE](#). A copy of these changes will be issued with every copy of the **current** Book of Constitutions pending the new version.

Quarterly Communication

The next Quarterly Communication will be held on Wednesday 13 December 2017. This will be live streamed on the internet. If you are unable to attend in person, you can either logon to the website and watch proceedings live, or attend one of the nominated Masonic Centres to join other members to view the Communication. Further details will be issued shortly.

Prestonian Lecture

On 22 November, at the Inner East Masonic Centre at Box Hill, Freemasons Victoria in conjunction with Combemere Lodge No.752 E.C. are hosting a talk by Dr Richard Berman, the 2016 Prestonian Lecturer from the United Grand Lodge of England. This will be an event not to be missed. See [HERE](#) for further details.





Message from Jane Sydenham-Clarke

Chief Executive Officer

Dear Members

Southern Masonic Centre

Gardenvale progress continues at a great rate! See [HERE](#) for progress.

Freemasons Victoria Support Eastern Health in Suicide Prevention

The Freemasons Victoria Suicide Prevention program, initiated by the Bellarine Otway District Freemasons to raise funds for the Geelong based Support After Suicide services, has spread to Melbourne to support Eastern Health fundraising for research into the cause of suicide at its annual Searchlight Dinner. Read on [HERE](#).

Think Pink

Remember this is Breast Cancer Awareness month and thank you for your efforts to support this worthy cause. Congratulations to South East Mornington District and particularly John Grieve, Bob and Fay Thornton, Denis Henry and daughter Beth who generously contributed so much yet again last weekend raising \$10,000! Such an excellent achievement! We are very proud of your extraordinary result. See [HERE](#) for our progress. Another idea is the great program from Gippsland Lodge with 5 cent pieces. Could you undertake a collection in your Lodge community to support our Think Pink efforts during October? See [HERE](#).

Freemasons Support Northern Health

New York New York was the theme of the outstanding event last weekend raising \$110,000! Incredible effort of the supporting Lodges - The Lodge of the Golden Fleece, The Lodge of St Mark, The Lodge of Evolution, and The Victorian Naval and Military Lodge.

Freemasons Victoria Mobile App

Thanks to all those testing the FMV Mobile Phone Application which enables you to see what Lodges are meeting, upcoming events, and this weekly e-newsletter and more. Get involved [HERE](#).

Education Program

The Freemasons Victoria Online Education Portal continues to engage those with MAP 0 and MAP 1. Does your Lodge have propositions? You can share the MAP 0 (Introduction to Freemasonry) with them (and the general public) immediately [HERE](#), and all others can request access for MAP 1 [HERE!](#)

FMV Engage Newsletter 152

This week's [FMV Engage Newsletter 152](#) contains a number of interesting stories including: the Quarterly Communication held on 20 September 2017 in Morwell; Guiding Star Lodge makes significant donation to Ballarat Legacy; Mount Waverley Masonic Centre Refurbishment Completed and St George Lodge No 18 - a Spectacular Town Effort in Dunolly.

Other articles include Ballarat talks Freemasonry – Visit Ballarat library today; the Freemasons Victoria Grand Installation 2018 and the Freemasons Victoria 2016-2017 Annual Report.



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FREEMASONS VICTORIA OCTOBER MEMBER BENEFITS



Click the banner above to gain access to 25% Off Contact Lenses by 22 October 2017 via the **Freemasons Victoria's Member Benefits Program**.

Freemasons Members Helpdesk

Following the tremendous support and feedback received by our Lodge Secretaries and as part of our ongoing responsiveness, we have upgraded our FMV Helpdesk system to now handle all areas of membership enquiries and needs. The FMV Members Helpdesk System will receive your emails and provide you immediate notifications as we work to deliver swift responses. Please note the changes to the following email addresses and update your contacts accordingly:

Department

Grand Secretary
Membership
Marketing
Corporate
Property and Maintenance
Library and Museum

Email

grandsec@fmv.org.au
membership@fmv.org.au
marketing@fmv.org.au
corporate@fmv.org.au
property@fmv.org.au
library@fmv.org.au

Alternatively, you can visit [support](#) and submit your enquiries via our Helpdesk system directly.

Upcoming Events

- **Motorcyclists United Lodge to the Blessing of the Bikes** event to be held on Saturday 14 October from 9.00am – 3.00pm at San Remo, Phillip Island. Expressions of interest to Engagement Officer for the Motorcyclists United Lodge No 939, David Cash [HERE](#).
- **Nagambie Lodge Installation** of WBro Trevor Hibbert PJGD by Grand Master MWBro Don Reynolds 4.30pm Saturday 14 October 2017. Plus Riverboat Cruise on the Goulburn River for the ladies at 3.45pm. See [HERE](#) for further details.
- **Grand Mark Festival at Traralgon** - Friday 20 October to Sunday 22 October 2017. Join the United Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Victoria for a weekend of fun and festivities. See [HERE](#) for further information.
- **Defence Seminar** - 11.00am Saturday 21 October 2017 - The Auditorium, Shrine of Remembrance. View [HERE](#).
- **Navy Defence Ball** - 7.00pm Saturday 21 October 2017 - Melbourne Town Hall. Further details [HERE](#).
- **Lodge of St. Mark No. 591 Halloween Fundraiser** - 6.00pm Saturday 21 October 2017. Raising funds for Alzheimer's Australia Dementia Research Foundation. To be held at Grand Star Receptions, 499 Grieve Parade, Altona North. See [HERE](#) for Bookings.

- **Seafarers Church Service** at 10.30am Sunday 22 October at St Paul's Cathedral, Cnr Flinders and Swanston Street, Melbourne.
- **Royal Freemasons 38th Annual Masonic Charity Golf Day** - Monday 23 October 2017 at Huntingdale Gold Club. See [HERE](#) for further information.
- **Facebook Education night** - Monday 6 November 2017 - Commonwealth Lodge is hosting a Facebook Education night for all Brethren. More information [HERE](#).
- **FMV Lodge Engagement Conference** – 10.30am Saturday 18 November 2017 – Open to all Lodge Engagement Officers, this is the perfect event to share and seed ideas, as well as pick up valuable skills at improving the level of engagement within your Lodge. You can reserve your place at the Conference [HERE!](#)
- **RIMS (Recently Installed Masters) Course** – Saturday 18 November 2017 – Hamilton Masonic Centre. For more information please contact Peter Barrand [HERE](#).
- **Preparation for Masters Course** – Saturday 18 November 2017 – Hamilton Masonic Centre. For more information please contact Peter Barrand [HERE](#).
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Media Highlights

Echuca Masonic Lodge

11 October 2017 [Riverine Herald](#) "Masons go public in PR campaign"

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