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FREEMASONS VICTORIA NEWSLETTER



Join us for the Grand Installation
presented by KPMG and
the Grand Banquet on
Friday 10 March 2017.

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Message from MWBro. Don Reynolds Grand Master

Dear Brethren

Please see [HERE](#) the recording of last Wednesday's conversation between myself and our President Board of General Purposes RWBro. Richard Elkington. I ask that you accept FMV's apologies for the inconvenience caused by the technical problems incurred and trust that you will enjoy the conversation at your leisure in the comfort of your home and at a convenient time in your Lodge room with your members.

Grand Installation presented by KPMG

Only 20 days to go! Tickets are selling rapidly! Don't miss out! **Book now** to avoid disappointment! I understand the Novotel is now booked out, please don't miss out on booking tickets to the Installation and Banquet.

Cringe

Recent Strategic Plan Forums have evidenced the Cringe Factor is alive and active amongst us. On behalf of us all, I extend my thanks to those members who have had the courage and capacity to respectfully call this unacceptable behaviour to account, you are role models in our community. Cringe remains a fundamental barrier to attracting and retaining members. Please do not tolerate its presence and if needed, feel free to contact me confidentially should you require help in this respect.

Philippines ANCOM

The Board has approved travel to the Philippines for the annual ANCOM, all interested Brethren are invited to accompany the Deputy Grand Master and I in forming a Victorian delegation. See [here](#) for further details.



Message from RWBro. Richard L. Elkington President of the Board of General Purposes

My Esteemed Brethren

Strategic Plan

As our **Strategic Plan** is finalised we are developing our Business Plan to allow us to deploy and realise the Five Priorities of the Strategic Plan. Over the next few weeks we will share with you some of the Key Projects we are undertaking in order to achieve the Strategic Plan.

Book here for the Strategic Planning Forum with me and our CEO prior to the Grand Installation on 10 March 2017.

Message from Jane Sydenham-Clarke Chief Executive Officer

Senior Executive Team

Today I am pleased to advise you of the final two members of our senior executive team who commenced with us this week.

Maria Caspani our new Marketing Manager joins us to head marketing, communications, business development and member attraction functions as well as overseeing the museum and heritage collection. Maria comes with an impressive background including over a decade at Sensis where she significantly impacted revenues, brand and service outcomes.

Frank Warner our new Corporate Services Manager takes leadership over functions including finance, risk, legal, compliance, human resources and records management and brings expertise in both commercial and not for profit settings including over a decade at Mercedes Benz where he was a key player in the company's unprecedented growth in Australia.

Please join me in welcoming both Frank and Maria to FMV.

Success Stories

Find some great examples of members in their Lodges in our new Success Story collection on our website. View **here** the story about Ray Sutton from Jonadab Lodge in Ringwood.

Please submit your success stories to **Jessica Machell**.



Media Highlights

13 February 2017 **75th Anniversary of Kokoda Track** - View **here**.

14 February 2017 **Lilydale Yarra Valley Leader** "Boost for program"

View the **Treasured Babies Program** story **here**.

FMV Engage Newsletter

This week's **FMV Engage Newsletter No. 137** contains many interesting stories including: the 75th Anniversary of Kokoda Track; Felix Pintado's article in the Community Gallery; the Strategic Plan Outreach Forums; the Grand Installation and the 50 year Lodge story. Also included are the stories on the Ivanhoe Grammarians Lodge - Buckley Night and the 3MBS Mozart Marathon.

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