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FREEMASONS VICTORIA NEWSLETTER



Australian Prostate Cancer Research

Australian Prostate Cancer Research supports men living with prostate cancer by providing best practice, research validated models of care and treatment, and facilitates research to find a cure.

APCR are offering Freemasons Victoria members a fast track health screening opportunity.

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Message from MWBro. Don Reynolds Grand Master

Dear Brethren

Grand Master's Movements

On Saturday 20 May, I made a surprise visit to Bairnsdale Daylight Lodge, where the PBGP was to install Bro Bill Hardy and once he was introduced the DGDC requested the door to be open and I entered and was introduced to WBro John Goodall, the WM of the lodge. Following Grand Honours, I sat back while RWBro Richard Elkington PBGP undertook the installation ably assisted by RWBro Peter Crick PDGM and the 2016 – 2017 Grand Team.

To everyone's surprise I rose at the first time of rising to honour WBro. John Goodall with the rank of PJGD. John was chairman of the building committee responsible for the renovation to the Bairnsdale Masonic Centre. I also acknowledged the members of the committee informing WBro. John that as he was very aware, the achievement at the centre could not have been possible without the members' valuable assistance. I did not remain for the festive board as I was required back in Melbourne early evening for an informal meeting with a couple of the members of Brighton District Lodge.

On Tuesday I attended my own Lodge Meeting at Amicus and assisted with the initiation of two new candidates into Freemasonry. Thursday I had a most enjoyable evening at Keysborough Lodge for a first degree. Tonight I will be attending the Annual Firemen's Night at the South Eastern Masonic Centre, hosted by Mordialloc Lodge of Charity. Tomorrow at 10am I have an Education Team Gathering – understanding the new direction of FMV education program and acknowledging over four decades of valuable contribution to education from RWBro. Joel Solomon OAM, then I will be off to the Grand Mark Installation of MWBro Ian Coad. On Monday I will be at FMV for various meetings with the Grand



Secretary, CEO and Executive. Tuesday I will be attending a meeting of Past Grand Director's followed by dinner with them. On Thursday I will be at Box Hill for a meeting of the Past Deputy Grand Masters.

Click [HERE](#) to see a full list of Installations and Events for May. The June Installations planner is available [HERE](#).



Message from RWBro. Richard L. Elkington

President of the Board of General Purposes

My Brethren

In Conversation Series

This week our Deputy Grand Master continues to share his thoughts with us. See [HERE](#).

Member Ready Lodges

As we start to attract new members through FMV, we are looking to find Member Ready Lodges to welcome these potential Initiates. Member Ready Lodges are those who meet minimum standards in terms of compliance to our Constitution, above average (47%) attendance rates and an Engagement Officer to enable effective planning. Is your Lodge Member Ready? Do you have your Engagement Officer in place? See [HERE](#) for details. Are you up to date with your financial reporting, Summons and Lodge Management Reporting? Once member ready, many opportunities open up.

Lodge Planning Tools

To help with your Lodge planning, there are more tools available. See [HERE](#) for SWOT tools to help you identify your Lodge's Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats.

Message from RWBro. Bruce Cowie

Grand Secretary

Board of General Purposes Nominations

I am pleased to advise that the nominations for the two vacancies on the Board of General Purposes has closed. I have attached [HERE](#) a list of those who have applied. The Board Selection Panel will meet on 24 June to conduct the interviews and make the selection to fill the vacancies. It is important to understand that lobbying by the candidates or on their behalf to members of the Board Selection Panel is strictly prohibited and would be considered a Masonic offence to be dealt with by the Board of General Purposes.



2018 Grand Lodge Ceremonial Team

Applications for the 2018 Grand Lodge Ceremonial Team are now open and RWBro Keith Murray, Deputy Grand Master encourages you and your partner to attend an information evening. See [HERE](#) for details.



Message from Jane Sydenham-Clarke Chief Executive Officer

Hello Members

Royal Freemasons Homes Open Day

Please join us to celebrate The Homes 150th anniversary and Open day 18 June 2017! See [HERE](#) for details.

Men's Health Week 12-18 June 2017

Men's Health Week is our opportunity to make a positive difference in the lives of men and boys in our community. Bookings are filling up! Has your Lodge registered to attend the APCR during Men's Health Week? Are you planning any activities around Men's Health? Please see [HERE](#) for information.

Great to hear from Maroondah District about their health program that you can see [HERE](#).

Long Walk Saturday 27 May Fed Square to MCG

Please join us at Fed Square to engage in activations and walk with Michael Long and fellow Freemasons. See [HERE](#).

Remembering Freemasons Hall at 25 Collins Street -We want your memories!

The Library & Museum is currently investigating the history of 25 Collins Street and is looking for anyone who remembers Freemasons Hall or may images of this site particularly of the inside. Perhaps you remember attending Lodge, perhaps you walked past it on your way to work or perhaps you had even attended a dance within the main hall. All memories are welcome as we attempt to rebuild this significant site with your support. Please send your memories or scanned images to Collections Manager, [Samantha Fabry](#).

FMV Engage Newsletter

This week's **FMV Engage Newsletter No. 144** contains many interesting stories including: the MAP Attendance Record set by the Army Lodge; Join us for The Long Walk Saturday 27 May 2017; the Prestonian Lecture 2017 and the Monster Gala Charity Night.

Other featured stories include: Lodges come together to Celebrate History and Join us for the FMV Men's Health Expo.

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Upcoming Events

- **Annual Fireman's Night** - Tonight the Mordialloc Lodge of Charity No: 258 is celebrating the 65th Annual Fireman's Night at the South Eastern Masonic Centre in Keysborough. Further details [HERE](#).
- **Opera Gala Night** – On Saturday 24 June 2017, St Marks Lodge will be holding an Opera Gala Night at the Williamstown Town Hall in an effort to raise funds and awareness towards Alzheimer's Australia and the Dementia Research Foundation. The evening will feature five renowned artists who will each be dedicating their talents and time towards this important cause. Artists include Kathryn Radcliffe, soprano; Roger Howell, baritone; Liane Keegan, contralto; James Egglestone, tenor and Bro. David Barnard, piano. See [HERE](#) for details and make your booking NOW!
- **Monash District - Monster Gala Charity Night** - On Saturday 24 June 2017 a Monster Gala Charity Night will be held at the Waverley Golf Club. The evening will include a Banquet and giant auction to raise funds for two local Monash Gully charities - Interchange Outer East Sibling Program and the Waverley Benevolent Society. See further details [HERE](#).
- **A Night for the Craft** - On Monday 3 July 2017, Brethren of the Commonwealth Lodge will be holding a social night where those new to Freemasonry are encouraged to attend. Learn more [HERE](#).

Media Highlights

Geelong - Barwon Health

- 22 May 2017 [Geelong Advertiser](#) "Barwon Health's volunteers blitz Bryce's backyard"
 22 May 2017 [Herald Sun](#) "Barwon Health's volunteers blitz Bryce's backyard"
 23 May 2017 [Geelong Advertiser](#) "Transformers to the rescue"

Williamstown Lodge

- 23 May 2017 [Brimbank Weekly](#) "Freemasons join chorus of dementia support"
 24 May 2017 [starweekly.com.au](#) "Freemasons join chorus of dementia support"
 24 May 2017 [Maribyrnong Weekly](#) "Freemasons join chorus of dementia support"

Freemasons Foundation Scholarships

- 23 May 2017 [spec.com.au](#) "Recognition for high achievers"

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