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### Message from MWBro. Don Reynolds Grand Master

Dear Brethren

#### Grand Master's Movements

Last Saturday, Mya and I, together with the Grand Director, Myles and Isabella King travelled to Portland for an Open Investiture where Bro Russell Walder was installed into the chair of King Solomon at the Portland Lodge of Victoria. The hospitality was exemplary and for the 120 Freemasons, partners and guests who witnessed the ceremony, it was certainly a great way of introducing Freemasonry to the community. Read more [HERE](#).



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



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

Dear Brethren

**WBro John Fowlett Agricultural Show Stand Out**  
John Fowlett, a member of the Koo Wee Rup Lodge has contributed a great deal to his Gippsland community through his extensive involvement with Victorian Agricultural Shows. Read more [HERE](#).

Member Ready Lodges

Great work continues 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.

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## Message from RWBro. Bruce Cowie Grand Secretary

Brethren

#### **Grand Secretary's Bulletin**

The next edition of the Grand Secretary's Bulletin is now available [HERE](#).

#### **Information on Lodge Workings**

The 2017 print of the Book of Lodge Workings is available in soft copy. If you would like a copy emailed to you please email [HERE](#). Due to enthusiasm for this Book we have exhausted our current stocks of hard copies. More are on order and the printer has advised that we will have more stocks in the office today with further stock to follow. Please call Jill on 9411 0111 (option 1) to reserve your copy.



#### **Prestonian Lecture**

Have you booked for the 22 November 2017 event 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.

#### **Quarterly Communication, Wednesday 13 December 2017**

As the Grand Master advised last week the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge will be held on Wednesday 13 December at the Sandringham Masonic Centre. The event will be by booking only and is limited to 200. Ensure your booking [HERE](#).

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## Message from Jane Sydenham-Clarke

Chief Executive Officer

Dear Members

#### **FMV Telephone System**

Last Friday we updated the office telephone system. We have had some feedback and suggested improvements which we are investigating, and will further advise next week.

#### **Albert Street East Melbourne**

Major progress is evident on this project. See [HERE](#).

#### **Gardenvale**

Every day we see progress with this new monumental facility and it has been terrific to have the Works VAT team members facilitating the transition for relocating Lodges. This week leaders in the Masonic VAT and its History and Heritage team visited the site with Samantha Fabry from the Library and Museum to be briefed by our Grand Inspector of Works, VWBro Peter Shellie, on the opportunities to display our cultural collection in the grand new Masonic Centre.

### 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](#)! Map 2 is very close to completion – watch this space for updates!

## FMV Engage Newsletter 153

This week's **FMV Engage Newsletter 153** contains a number of interesting stories including: Lowan Wimmera Lodges Host Successful Display; The Francis Ormond - University Lodge donates to S.E.M.B.A.; Sunraysia's 'Seven or More Monty' and A Fiery Night.

Other articles include Around the Bay for The Smith Family; Freemasons Victoria 2018 Grand Installation and the Freemasons Victoria 2016 - 2017 Annual Report.



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### Freemasons Victoria October Member Benefits

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## 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**

**Email**

Grand Secretary  
Membership  
Marketing  
Corporate  
Property and Maintenance  
Library and Museum

[grandsec@fmv.org.au](mailto:grandsec@fmv.org.au)  
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[marketing@fmv.org.au](mailto:marketing@fmv.org.au)  
[corporate@fmv.org.au](mailto:corporate@fmv.org.au)  
[property@fmv.org.au](mailto:property@fmv.org.au)  
[library@fmv.org.au](mailto:library@fmv.org.au)

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

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## Upcoming Events

- **Victoria Blue Ribbon 2017 Golf Day To Remember** - 8.00am Friday 3 November 2017 at Settlers Run Golf and Country Club. See [HERE](#) for more details.
  - **Grand Organ Recital** in aid of the **We Care Appeal 2017** - 2.00pm Sunday 5 November 2017 at Brighton Masonic Hall in aid of the Royal Children's Hospital. See [HERE](#) for further details.
  - **Facebook Education night** - Monday 6 November 2017 - Commonwealth Lodge is hosting a Facebook Education night for all Brethren. More information [HERE](#).
  - **Lodge Fraternal 603 Ladies in The South Dinner Dance** - 7.00pm Saturday 18 November 2017 to be held at Milanos Tavern, Brighton. Celebrating Lodge Fraternal's 70th Year. Bookings Essential. More details [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](#).
  - **Prestonian Lecture** - 6.30pm Wednesday 22 November 2017. 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 held at the Inner Eastern Masonic Centre Box Hill. See [HERE](#) for details.
  - **Sunshine Wisdom Lodge 2017 Christmas Party** - 6.00pm Friday 1 December 2017 at Williamstown Town Hall. Bookings essential. See [HERE](#) for more details.
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## Media Highlights

### **Koo Wee Rup Lodge**

7 July 2017 [Dandenong Star](#) "John's show goes on an on"

10 July 2017 [Pakenham Berwick Officer Gazette](#) "Folletts' keep show going"

### **Portland Masonic Lodge**

20 October 2017 [Portland Observer](#) "Freemasons opens lodge doors to visitors"

### **Outtrim Lodge - 2 Korumburra Seoul Group**

24 October 2017 [Great Southern Star](#) "Trailer promotes scouting"

### **Eastern Health Searchlight Fundraiser**

25 October 2017 [Moonee Valley Leader](#) "Searchlight Fundraiser"

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