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MESSAGE FROM RW DISTRICT GRAND MASTER

Dear Brethren

Having been installed as the District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria on Saturday 25th May, I thank you all for the honour and privilege given to me for holding this high office. I thank the Most Worshipful Grand Master, MW Bro Jeffrey Robert Harper and the Grand Director of Ceremonies, RW Bro Peter Troeger, for carrying out the Installation Ceremony.

I will to the best of my ability, zealously, faithfully and impartially perform all the duties incumbent upon me as District Grand Master during the ensuing twelve months.

I congratulate my Deputy, VW Bro Lex Livingstone and thank him for taking on the Office of Deputy District Grand Master. I know that he will provide excellent support as he has the necessary qualifications, experience and knowledge of the District Grand affairs, having served as the District Grand Treasurer for the past ten years.

I congratulate the District Grand Officers who were invested at the Installation Ceremony and those who are yet to be invested, which hopefully will happen at the District Grand Quarterly Communication on Saturday 22nd June. We have a full complement of District Grand Officers for the year 2024/25, so many hands will make light work.

My thanks and appreciation to RW Bro Raja Chohan, now the Immediate Past District Grand Master and elevated at the Installation Ceremony to Past Assistant Grand Master for his valuable service and contribution over the past three years.

I congratulate the President of the Board of General Purposes, Wor Bro Duncan Cunningham, who will lead the Board that is responsible for the management and operations of the district. I also congratulate the President of the Board of Benevolence, RW Bro Duncan Walker, who will be responsible for Benevolence matters in the district.

Brethren, I wish you and your families all the best.

Fraternal regards RW Bro Dave Scott District Grand Master District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria



LODGE	DATE	TIME	WHERE	WORK
Trinity Daylight	Mon 3rd June	9.30am	Whitfield	General Business
Temple Memorial	Mon 3rd June	7.30pm	Freshwater	General Business
Johnstone RH	Tue 4th June	3.00pm	Innisfail	General Business
Tully-Tyson	Wed 5th June	7.00pm	Tully	3rd Degree Bro Mark Valdez
Pyramid-Highleigh	Wed 5th June	7.30pm	Gordonvale	General Business
Carpentaria	Thur 6th June	7.30pm	Freshwater	General Business
Barrine	Sat 8th June	3.00pm	Yungaburra	General Business
Gregory Allan	Sat 8th June	3.30pm	Freshwater	Installation VW Bro Alan Searle
Ravenshoe	Thur 13th June	6.00pm	Ravenshoe	General Business
Millaa	Thur 13th June	7.00pm	Yungaburra	General Business
P Douglas Mossman	Thur 13th June	7.00pm	Mossman	General Business
Bentley Park	Sat 15th June	1.00pm	Edmonton	General Business
Endeavour	Sat 15th June	2.00pm	Edmonton	General Business
Freshwater	Fri 21st June	7.30pm	Freshwater	General Business
Duyfken	Wed 22nd May	5.30pm	Freshwater	General Business
Granite	Sat 29th June	4.00pm	Mareeba	Installation Bro John Davey Mudge MBE

LODGE MEETINGS

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CARPENTARIA DISTRICT GRAND CENTENARY & INSTALLATION

The major events for the District of Carpentaria took place on Saturday 25 May 2024 with a Re-enactment of a Consecration Ceremony to mark the Centenary of the District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria and the District Grand Installation Ceremony to install RW Bro Malcolm David Scott as the District Grand Master and Investiture of District Grand Officers. Both ceremonies were very well attended with the Edmonton Masonic Room full with over 90 brethren and members of the general public being in attendance.

It was indeed a wonderful day for the District with the Re-enactment of Consecration Ceremony being performed by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro Jeffrey Robert Harper AFSM and his team of Grand Officers. The ceremony, which commenced at 11.00am and concluded at 12.30pm, was certainly one to be remembered and one that every Freemason can be proud of, for the image of Freemasonry that was projected to the brethren and members of the public present. The excellent performance of the Grand Team was one to behold with the Grand Director of Ceremonies, RW Bro Peter Troeger, leading the charge.



A Consecration Ceremony is performed at the formation of every Masonic Lodge. The achievement of a Centenary in all walks of life is normally celebrated with a special event and so it was on Saturday 25 May 2024 for the District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria. In Masonic Ritual, the elements of corn symbolizing plenty and abundance, wine symbolizing joy and cheerfulness, oil representing peace and unanimity and salt the emblem of hospitality and friendship were poured in a Consecration Ceremony that dates back to ancient times. It was the very same ceremony that was performed when the District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria was constituted on Easter Saturday, 19 April 1924 and RW Bro W.H.J. Mayers was installed District Grand Master.



At the conclusion of the Re-enactment of Consecration Ceremony, the Most Worshipful Grand Master presented a Commemoration Plaque to the District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria to mark 100 years of Freemasonry. The plaque was unveiled by MW Bro Jeffrey Harper, Grand Master of UGLQ and RW Bro Raja Chohan, District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria.

On behalf of the brethren of the District of Carpentaria, RW Bro Chohan thanked the Grand Master and the United Grand Lodge of Queensland for the Commemoration Plaque. He then presented the Grand Master with a Centenary Jewel which the District Grand Lodge had struck. RW Bro Chohan also thanked the District Grand Master of North Queensland,



RW Bro John Playford and the NQ District Board of General Purposes for

allowing the Carpentaria District to use the NQ District Centenary Jewel design.

The Grand Master then presented a Certificate from the United Grand Lodge of Queensland to RW Bro Chohan, which acknowledges the exemplary masonic service District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria has given to Freemasonry in Queensland, in celebrating its 100th anniversary. Accompanying the certificate is a poem – Reconsecrated – One Hundred Years Strong. On the back of the poem are the names and signatures of all of the Grand Lodge Officers who attended and carried out the Re-enactment of Consecration Ceremony. RW Bro Chohan thanked the Grand Master on behalf of the District of Carpentaria.

After a catered lunch, which was served in the downstairs hall, the District Grand Installation Ceremony took place commencing at 2.30pm.

The Installation Ceremony was also carried out by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, MW Bro Jeffrey Harper, the Grand Director of Ceremonies, RW Bro Peter Troeger and assisted by the Grand Organist, RW Bro Gary Young. It was a wonderful solemn ceremony full of pomp and Masonic tradition.



RW Bro Dave Scott was escorted into the Lodge Room, obligated, invested and installed into the chair of King Solomon. He was proclaimed as the District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria and saluted with Grand Honours.

VW Bro Lex Livingstone was obligated, invested, installed and honoured with Grand Honours as Deputy District Grand Master. District Grand Officers were then invested into their offices as per the Installation Card.

Hearty congratulations to RW Bro Dave Scott, VW Bro Lex Livingstone and the District Grand Officers and every success to the team for the year 2024/25.

At the conclusion of the Installation Ceremony, the Most Worshipful Grand Master presented RW Bro Raja Chohan with his Immediate Past District Grand Master's Jewel and honoured him with the Past Grand Rank of Past Assistant Grand Master.



A most sumptuous and entertaining banquet was held at the Sheridan Hotel in Cairns, culminating in a wonderful day and one for the District of Carpentaria to remember.

RW Bro Raja Chohan Immediate Past Dist GM District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria

AROUND THE DISTRICT



Carpentaria Lodge No.202H recent Installation with RW Bro Raja Chohan DistGM flanked by IPM Wor Bro Willie Johnson and new WM Wor Bro Rohtas Chowdhary



RW Bro Raja Chohan DistGM presenting Wor now VW Bro Bob Ruddell with his certificate for Past Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies



Recognition of Exemplary Masonic Service

This document acknowledges the exemplary masonic service District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria

has given to Freemasonry in Queensland In celebrating its 100th anniversary

And further, that the District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria celebrates its Centenary through the Reconsecration of the District Grand Lodge hv

MW Bro Jeffrey Harper AFSM GM in the company of RW Bro David Gray DGM and Grand Lodge Officers

> at Edmonton Masonic Centre

on Saturday 25th May 2024

In testimony, whereof this certificate is issued for the due date and under the Seal of our Grand Lodge this 21st May A.L. 6024 A.D. 2024

Milan Pavasovic

Grand Secretary

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Jeffrey Harper Grand Master ~ Reconsecrated - One Hundred Years Strong~ *

In the hallowed halls of time's embrace, Where Masons gathered, in this sacred place, A century's journey, secrets held within, Reconsecrated now, a new chapter to begin.

Through secrets kept and bonds so strong, You've worked together, where you belong. Now, in this moment, we Reconsecrate, A century's worth of Masonic fate.

A hundred years have come and gone, But the pillars of our lodge still stand strong, With each passing day, we recommit, To the principles that make us fit.

For brotherhood, and truth we strive, In Masonry's teachings, we are alive, With tools in hand, we'll ever explore, The depths of knowledge, forevermore.

So let this Lodge forever shine, A symbol of virtue, pure and divine. In unity, we'll ever be, A beacon of light for all to see.

Anor

We the undersigned had the great pleasure of being present for the Reconsecration

District Grand Lodge of Carpentaria

of

at Edmonton Masonic Centre Edmonton

on Saturday 25th May 2024



Attending Grand Lodge Officers

MW Bro Jeffrey Harper AFSM GM RW Bro David Gray DGM RW Bro Wayne Warry SGW RW Bro Steve Sue Yek JGW RW Bro Peter Troeger GDC Wor Bro John Ross SGD VW Bro Dennis Britten G Chap ______(G Stwd)

(G Stwd) RW Bro Gary Young PJGW G Org RW Bro Graham Maltby PJGW G Her VW Bro Jack Goward G Chap RW Bro Milan Pavasovic G Sec VW Bro Shannan Summers DGDC

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CENTENARY/INSTALLATION PHOTO GALLERY



Group photo after Consecration



Installation of District Grand Master RW Bro Dave Scott and Investiture of his Deputy VW Bro Lex Livingstone





Group after Installation



It's all about family



The Chiefs



Cutting the cake