



Glorious Guildford



Forget glorious Goodwood, Sunday the 9th of July saw yet another glorious event, the Surrey Allied annual Hog Roast which was possibly the most colourful hog roast to date with even more Caribbean and outlandish shirts being on display.



The weather although dry and bright wasn't as sunny as normal but this was more than made up by the sunny disposition shown by all those who attended.



Again, another sell out which always raises a huge amount on the day for charity.



With the usual large number of raffle prizes donated, resulting in nearly all the tables winning at least one prize and these again being distributed to the winning tables by the band of little helpers as usual...thanks Kids!





The prize for the best Caribbean shirt this year went to 'Zimmo' who went beyond the usual attire by turning up in a nice matching ensemble which included a grass skirt! ...he not only looked the part but even turned a few heads...a great effort Zimmo, well done.



Thanks also to the Guildford Masonic Centre and their super staff for providing a lovely lunch and ensuring that everybody was well looked after, and to the whole membership of the Allied District of Surrey and their friends and families who regularly support this event every year.



The total sum raised for charity was £950, which was made up to £1,000 by Wally Maynard. Thanks to Wally, this made it the largest amount raised at the Hog Roast.

I think there was someone who was not too happy with her raffle prize.....



This event is always a success and thanks must go to Kevin Brennan for organising the event, Ray and Jenny Beadle for donating a lot of the prizes, Alan Brockwell for overseeing proceedings and John French's family for encouraging the sale and distributing those very important raffle tickets.



It certainly got the thumbs-up from everyone.

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Surrey Royal Arch and Craft Annual Meetings



In June the Surrey Royal Arch Annual Convocation and Craft Annual Meetings were held at Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street. Many Mark Brethren were present to see their Companions and Brethren received Provincial honours. The meetings were presided over by the Grand Superintendent and Provincial Grand Master, M.E.Comp./R.W.Bro. Ian Chandler.

There were also several Heads of Surrey Orders present to support the RA and Craft Provinces of Surrey.



Here we have the Heads of Surrey Orders prior to the Royal Arch Convocation, and at the drinks reception between the meetings.

The Provincial Priory of Surrey



The Annual Meeting of the Provincial Priory of Surrey was held on Saturday the 8th of July at the Croydon Masonic Centre in Oakfield Road, Croydon.

The Provincial Prior welcomed the Honoured Guests from other Provinces, as well as the Heads of Surrey Orders and their Executive.



Here we have from the Allied Masonic Degrees District of Surrey our District Grand Prefect, John French, the Past District Grand Prefect, Ray Hussey, the District Grand Senior Warden, Chris Eley, and the Provincial Marshal, Tim Ford, a member of Kyngstun Council.

Flying the Flag at the Surrey Installed Mark Masters Lodge



As is the usual custom at Mark Festive Boards in Surrey, the members of the Allied Masonic Degrees joined the Worshipful Master in wearing their AMD napkins to promote the Order amongst Surrey Mark men.

In June, our District Grand Prefect took the Chair of the Surrey Installed Mark Masters Lodge.



Surrey Allied Masonic Degrees

DGP Official Visits 2023/24

Whilst the District Grand Prefect, accompanied by the Deputy District Grand Prefect, will be attending a small number of Council meetings on an unofficial basis. Please carefully note the following planned Official Visits:

COUNCIL	Date	Venue
2023		
Kyngstun	6 th September	Surbiton.
Runnymede	6 th October	Surbiton.
Farnham	1 st November	Farnham.
Surrey Hills	14 th November	Redhill (Nutfield).
2024		
Godalming	8 th January	Godalming.
Riverside	15 th February	Guildford.
Surrey 64	3 rd June	Croydon.
Pride of Surrey	7 th June	Sutton.
Kyngstun	4 th September	Surbiton.
Runnymede	4 th October	Surbiton
Farnham	6 th November	Farnham.
Surrey Hills	12 th November	Redhill (Nutfield)
Southern Cross,	N/A.	No OVs.

The District Grand Council Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday 2nd December 2023 at the Croydon Masonic Halls.

All Active District Officers, or indeed any Allied Brethren, are welcome and invited to attend and support our District Grand Prefect, R.W. Bro. John V.C. French, on all or any of the above scheduled official dates.

Reminder invitations will be sent to all Active Officers individually, nearer the date of each meeting, for your personal responses directly to **the District Recorder**.

Worshipful Master, we're missing the Tyler, the Senior Warden and both Deacons, shall I press it now?

