



Somerset Provincial Grand Lodge News update February 3rd 2021

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This weeks Solomon nugget

This week Provincial Mentor, Richard Parrish presents 'Mediaeval Masonry Transformed', taken from UGLE's Solomon web site. Richard examines the extent the three Craft Degrees derive our present traditions from those of early mediaeval operative masonry. Start or renew your own Masonic researches by exploring the [Solomon web site](#)

[Listen here](#)



Helping sick children

W.Bro Roger Penny, coordinator for the Somerset Provincial TLC scheme, announced that this year he will present the provinces 50,000th teddy to one of the fifteen hospital in Somerset involved in the scheme. Teddy bears are donated to hospital staff and are given at their discretion to children who are admitted, in severe distress, where the staff feel that a teddy to cuddle will help to relieve that distress and will aid the staff in giving required treatment.

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Square Meals update

The Bath Freemasons project to supply meals to vulnerable older people and children was originally intended to run for the period of the first lockdown. It has been running continuously since then providing over 22,000 meals and still counting! The committee organising the scheme is trying to raise the funds to enable the projects continuation until May. In addition to an appeal to Lodges, a local giving page has been set up to enable anyone to donate direct. [Read more about the latest Square Meals activity.](#)

[Donate to Square Meals](#)

Somerset Military Lodge Founders meeting

W.Bro Scott Gibbons, the organising secretary of the proposed new Somerset Military Lodge, has arranged a Zoom Founders meeting on Thursday February 18th at 19.30. Scott will email all fifty-nine founders with an invitation and the log on details. If you are interested in becoming a founder and haven't yet registered your interest, you will also be welcome at the meeting, contact [Scott](#) who will supply the log in details.

NB. This is the proposed badge/logo for the new Lodge, the number 10015 is an example, the actual Lodge number will be allocated by UGLE when the new Lodge warrant is issued.



The historic links between Craft, Royal Arch and Mark degrees.

W.Bro Tony Harvey PAGDC, the 2012 Prestonian Lecturer will give a Zoom presentation on Wednesday 10th February at 19.00. Over 200 Brethren have registered already for this unique opportunity to receive this most informative talk on the links between Craft, Royal Arch and Mark.

If you haven't already done so, you can register your interest in attending via the Provincial web site. Once registered you will be sent log on details for the meeting. If you have registered but haven't received log on details please check your email spam folder. To avoid emails going into your spam folder add our email to your address book. ie Contact name - Somerset Freemasons email address - newsletters@pglsom.org

This talk will be of interest to all Freemasons but I would particularly encourage Master Masons to attend, I'm sure you will find Tony's presentation fascinating.

I look forward to seeing you all there!

Roger Allen Provincial Grand Secretary - Somerset

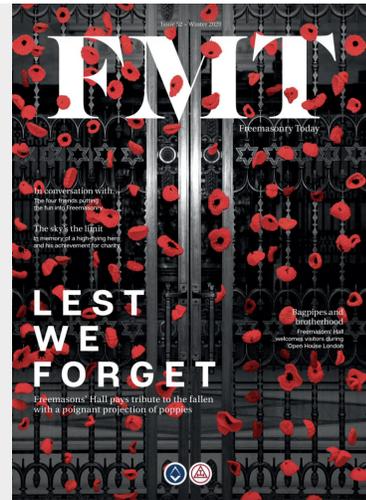
[Register Here](#)

Pathway for Freemasonry post Covid

Learning and Development lead for the Province, Ray Guthrie has been liaising with other nearby Provinces regarding improvements to Pathway. Pre covid, UGLE had concluded that while there was much support for the aims of Pathway not many Lodges had adopted the system fearing it too complex. Work began on

streamline and improving Pathway a year ago and has continued, thanks to Zoom. The overall aim is to make Pathway a concise, interactive, robust and relevant blueprint for all Lodges across UGLE to use post COVID and build for the future. The revised Pathway should be launched in our Province in September, Covid permitting of course. You can read more on page 45 of FMT.

Freemasonry Today



SOMERSET DAY MAY 11TH
#FLYTHEFLAGFORSOMERSET

May 11th 2021 Somerset Day!

Somerset Day organisers, Somerset Day Community Interest Company, hope to turn the county into a sea of Somerset flags. Whether it's the distinctive Somerset flag with its bright red dragon waving from a flagpole, or your own painted picture in your front window, #somersetday* will be the time to #flytheflagforsomerset.

More about Somerset Day

Brethren it's your newsletter, let us know what you think

What do you think of our newsletter? We hope that it is keeping you informed about Masonry in our Province but are we missing something? Your suggestions as to how we can improve the service would be much appreciated. Contact us on newsletters@pglsom.org We look forward to hearing from you.

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