

# Forest of Arden Lodge No 3826

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Welcome to the Forest of Arden Lodge Newsletter!

## Introduction

Welcome to our newsletter. This newsletter will be produced regularly throughout the year, and has two purposes – firstly, to keep the Brethren of the Lodge informed, and secondly to provide a point of reference for non-members and potential Candidates by providing information about the Lodge in particular and Freemasonry in general.

Articles for inclusion should be submitted to Stuart Jenkins on [ismj61@icloud.com](mailto:ismj61@icloud.com), who will add them to the next available edition. Your article can be on any subject relevant to the Lodge or Freemasonry, and should ideally be between 300 and 500 words. Pictures are welcome!



Please do contribute – variety is, after all, the spice of life!

We hope you enjoy this newsletter!



## Upcoming Events

**December 14**

PM&Officers, Lol

**December 21**

Past Masters Night

**January 18**

Friends & Families Meeting

## Important Announcement

Our Website has been restored! After a temporary absence, new hosting has been found, and a new, cleaner design has been created.

Pages include Events, Lodge History and How to Join.

Please visit [www.forestofardenlodge.org.uk](http://www.forestofardenlodge.org.uk) and sign the Guestbook!

## More Important News

### Remembrance Parade

Four Past Masters of the Lodge paraded with Knowle British Legion to commemorate the fallen in conflict since the great war.

W.Bro Jason Chapman & W.Bro Stuart Jenkins, as veterans themselves, wore regimental ties and headdress, while W.Bro Kevin Kane-Brooks and W.Bro Tim Watson sported the Provincial Tie. Following the parade, the Brethren drank a toast to absent brethren.

### Sad Losses

During the summer recess, we lost three much beloved Brethren to the Grand Lodge Above – W.Bros Lynn Harris, Len Bowden and Malcolm Davies. At the October meeting, moving eulogies were presented in Lodge, and a Charity collection of £430.00 was raised and donated in the name of W.Bro Malcolm Davies, our Charity Steward, to the British Heart Foundation.

### Social Media

As part of an initiative to raise the profile of the lodge, our social media activities have taken on a new lease of life, under the expert guidance of W.Bro Stuart Jenkins and Bro James Harris. Bro James, our newest member has taken to the task with great enthusiasm, and has posted several interesting articles.

Follow us on Facebook by searching for the Forest of Arden Lodge, and on Twitter at @lodge3826.

### Changes to Lodge Agenda

At the last Officers meeting, it was agreed that we should move towards a more family and business friendly approach to our meetings by cutting out of our Agenda, those items which unnecessarily take up our time.

Watch out for a new, dynamic running order that will take away nothing of our overall experience, but will allow us to open the Lodge at 6:30pm. This will greatly assist our working Brethren to get to Lodge without undue stress!



### Visitors

There is no doubt that in recent months, we have suffered greatly from a drop in attendance at our Regular Meetings.

It is our Worshipful Master's hope, that to remedy this situation, and to make our already enjoyable meetings and Festive Board even more vibrant, that every Brother attempts to invite at least one visitor to each meeting.

As an added incentive, he has agreed to present a bottle of a suitable spirit to that Brother who has invited the most visitors during his year in office.. It is to be hoped (or even expected) that his successor will continue this practice, and make it a tradition!

The bottle will be presented at the Installation meeting!