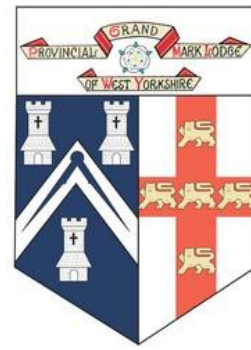


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Provincial Grand Lodge
of Mark Master Masons
West Yorkshire

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618 Cleeves	Tapton Hall, Shore Lane, Fulwood Road, Sheffield, S10 3BU	0114 266 0051
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398 Danum	Masonic Hall, Priory Place, Doncaster DN1 1BZ	01302 364091
545 Dartmouth	Masonic Hall, Britannia Road, Slaithwaite, Huddersfield, HD7 5HF	01484 842134
641 Dewsbury	Masonic Temple, Halifax Road, Dewsbury, WF13 2BS	01924 465635
493 Eland	Masonic Hall, Willow Royd, West Vale, Greetland, Halifax, HX4 8AH	01422 372087
1139 Escafeld	Tapton Hall, Shore Lane, Fulwood Road, Sheffield, S10 3BU	0114 266 0051
58 Fearnley	Masonic Hall, 14 King Street, Mirfield, WF14 8AW	01924 493150
812 Gilkirke	Masonic Hall, Skipton Road, Barnoldswick BB18 6DY	07759 198654
1018 Gothic	Masonic Hall, Station Street, Swinton, Mexborough, S64 8PZ	01709 582013
706 Halifax	Southwood, Birdcage Lane, Halifax, HX3 0JQ	01422 320832
525 Haywra	Masonic Hall, Station Avenue, Harrogate, HG1 5NE	01423 504473
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127 Portal	Masonic Hall, Eastgate, Barnsley, S70 2EP	01226 282578
14 Prince Edward	Blenheim House, Batley Field Hill, Batley, WF17 0BG	01924 477976
352 Prince Leopold	Masonic Hall, Low Skellgate, Ripon, HG4 1BH	01765 608662
658 Pudsey	Masonic Hall, Church Lane, Pudsey, LS28 7RF	0113 256 4896
651 Rother	Rotherham Golf Club, Doncaster Road, Thrybergh, Rotherham, S65 4NU	01709 850466
943 Sincerity	Tapton Hall, Shore Lane, Fulwood Road, Sheffield, S10 3BU	0114 266 0051
374 St. Chad	Castle Grove Masonic Hall, Moor Road, Headingley, Leeds, LS6 4BP	0113 275 2526
1079 St. Hiev	Masonic Hall, Charles Street, Bingley, BD16 4LG	01274 564477
1004 Thorne	Masonic Hall, Stonegate, Thorne DN8 5NP	01405 816280
137 Truth	Masonic Hall, Greenhead Road, Huddersfield, HD1 4EN	01484 423364
1191 Vulcan	Tapton Hall, Shore Lane, Fulwood Road, Sheffield, S10 3BU	0114 266 0051
2018 WYPG Stewards	Masonic Hall, Carleton Close, 1 Ackworth Road, Pontefract, WF8 3PA	01977 703610
1027 Wharfedale	Masonic Hall, Westbourne House, Bradford Road, Otley, LS21 3LG	01943 461120
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110 Carl Whitehead	Tapton Hall, Shore Lane, Fulwood Road, Sheffield, S10 3BU	0114 266 0051
525 Claro	Masonic Hall, Deighton Road, Wetherby, LS22 7SZ	No Telephone
641 Dewsbury	Masonic Temple, Halifax Road, Dewsbury, WF13 2BS	01924 465635
111 Elmete	Masonic Hall, Westbourne House, Bradford Road, Otley, LS21 3LG	01943 461120
58 Fearnley	Masonic Hall Britannia Road, Slaithwaite, Huddersfield, HD7 5HF	01484 842134
715 Hipperholme	Masonic Hall, Roydlands Street, Hipperholme, HX3 8AF	No Telephone
1905 The Bram Morley	Blenheim House, Batley Field Hill, Batley, WF17 0BG	01924 477976
T.I. Old York	The Masonic Hall, 51 Whitcliffe Road, Cleckheaton, Bradford, BD19 3BY	01274 872255
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127 Portal	Masonic Hall, Eastgate, Barnsley, S70 2EP	01226 282578
658 Pudsey	Masonic Hall, Church Lane, Pudsey, LS28 7RF	0113 256 4896
14 Prince Edward	Masonic Hall, Willow Royd, West Vale, Greetland, Halifax, HX4 8AH	01422 372087
1965 Rugby Football	Thornfield House, Bruntcliffe Road, Morley, Leeds LS27 0QG	0113 253 2023
1079 St. Hiev	Masonic Hall, Charles Street, Bingley, BD16 4LG	01274 564477
1004 Thorne	Masonic Hall, Stonegate, Thorne, DN8 5NP	01405 816280
137 Truth	Masonic Hall, Greenhead Road, Huddersfield, HD1 4EN	01484 423364
651 Welcome	Rotherham Golf Club, Doncaster Road, Thrybergh, Rotherham, S65 4NU	01709 850466
53 Wentworth	Tapton Hall, Shore Lane, Fulwood Road, Sheffield, S10 3BU	0114 266 0051

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2027 Masonic Hall, Harrogate

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2027 at Tapton Masonic Hall, Sheffield

The Associations provide a unique bond between Mark Masons in specific sectors of the Province and strengthen the link between the Province, its Lodges and their membership. Their purpose is to promote friendship, harmony and inter visiting between all Mark Master Masons, primarily within the Mark Lodges belonging to each Association. They are supported by and strongly recommended to all Brethren by the Provincial Grand Master.

All Mark Master Masons are entitled to attend the Meetings and are encouraged to do so.

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Royal Ark Mariner Provincial Grand Rank	W.Bro David George Whitelaw

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Provincial Grand Masters

1871	THOMAS PERKINGTON	58
1877	JOHN WORDSWORTH	14 & 110
1883	CHARLES LETCH MASON	111
1904	FREDERICK CLEEVES	53
1925	SIR WILLIAM HENRY CLARKE	374
1929	THE EARL OF HAREWOOD, K.G., G.C.V.O., D.S.O.	
1944	EDWIN HERBERT MIDDLEBROOK	374
1948	ALBERT FROST	618
1954	CAPT. RALPH GIBBS	768
1959	CARL WHITEHEAD	753
1989	JAMES BRAMLEY MORLEY	796
1994	GEORGE HENRY PHILIP BIRCH	651
1999	BRIAN MORRIS BATTY	753
2007	JAMES BENNETT TRUSWELL	651
2012	JAMES STEGGLES	374 & 1739
2023	JOHN TREVOR BOLTON	111

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1871	JOHN WORDSWORTH	14 & 110
1877	JOSEPH DAWSON SUGDEN	T.I
1880	CHARLES LETCH MASON	111
1883	THE REVEREND WILLIAM COLLINGS LUKIS	111
1887	THE REVEREND THOMAS CARTWRIGHT SMYTH	374
1893	JOHN BARKER	58
1904	WILLIAM POSTLETHWAITE	137 & 374
1906	HENRY GASKELL BLACKBURN	374
1920	SIR WILLIAM HENRY CLARKE	374
1925	RICHARD LEE BOLTON	374
1932	EDWIN HERBERT MIDDLEBROOK	374
1944	ALBERT FROST	618
1948	CAPT. RALPH GIBBS	768
1954	SAMUEL HAROLD STEAD	493
1959	CARL WHITEHEAD	753
1960	WALTER GREENWOOD ROBERTSHAW	715
1966	ARTHUR ROBERTS	525
1969	GEOFFREY LE PLA	53
1971	JOHN STANLEY RICHARDSON	1139
1979	SIR HERBERT REDFEARN, J.P., D.L.	715
1988	FRANK GOODALL WHITWORTH	545
1989	GEORGE HENRY PHILIP BIRCH	651
1994	BRIAN MORRIS BATTY	753
1999	BRIAN EMMETT	658
2002	ERIC ALEXANDER KEAY	1191
2004	JAMES BENNETT TRUSWELL	651
2007	BRIAN ADDY	137 & 1523
2009	JAMES STEGGLES	374 & 1739
2012	ROBERT CORFIELD	398 & 1739
2014	RICHARD BOSWELL PUTTRELL	110
2017	ALAN OLDFIELD	58
2025	ANDREW JAMES BROWN	493

THE MARK DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Pre 2025 known as the Provincial Grand Masters Award

The Provincial Grand Master's Award has been presented to the following Brethren:

- * W.Bro. Colin M. Frith, P.Prov.G.S.W., Rother 651
- * W.Bro. Norman Airtton, P.Prov.G.S.W., Old York T.I.
- * W.Bro. David James Welsh, P.G.S.D., Knaresborough Castle 768
- * W.Bro. Albert Preston, P.Prov.G.S.W., Bronte 535
- * W.Bro. Alwyn Crowther, P.Prov.G.S.W., (EL) Hon. Member Halifax 706
- * W.Bro. Harry Birkby, P.Prov.G.S.W., Worth 727
- * W.Bro. Norman Mennell, P.Prov.G.S.W., Castle 1257
- * W.Bro. W.A.R. (Bill) Speight, P.Prov.G.S.W., St. Chad 374
- * W.Bro. Harry Paley, P.Prov.G.S.W., Danum 398
- * W.Bro. Harry Clifford, P.Prov.G.J.W., Gothic 1018
- * W.Bro. Victor Joseph Siddons, P.Prov.G.S.W., Rother 651
- * W.Bro. Guion Wood, P.A.G.Std.B., Prince Edward 14
- * W.Bro. Samuel Ronald Littlewood, P.Prov.G.S.W., Integrity 110
- * W.Bro. Robert Andrew, P.A.G.D.C., Lightcliffe 715
- * V.W.Bro. Phillip Raymond Mann, P.G.J.O., Pontefract 878
- * Mrs. Judith Mann, Provincial Welfare Officer
- * Mrs. Freda Buxton, Provincial Welfare Officer
- * W.Bro. Alec Henry Oldham, P.Prov.G.Stwd., Dartmouth 545
- * W.Bro. Malcolm Jeffrey Forrest, P.A.G.Org., Rother 651
- * W.Bro. James William Wilson, P.Prov.G.J.W., Eland 493
- * V.W.Bro. Edward Keith Patnick, P.G.J.O., Vulcan 1191
- * V.W.Bro. Ian Wolstencroft, P.G.J.O., Pontefract 878
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- * W.Bro Christopher Oldfield P.G.J.D., Fearnley 58
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- * Mrs Ruth Drury, 2023 Festival Committee
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- * W.Bro Christopher John Mitchell P.G.J.D., Copley 111
- * W.Bro John Whitworth P.G.St.B., Beaumont 1523
- * V.W.Bro George Robert Fraser-Platt P.G.J.O., Legiolium 457
- * W.Bro Jack Acton P.G.J.D., St Hlev 1079
- * W.Bro David Llewelyn Steel P.G.Std.V., White Rose 1067

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1970	JOHN STANLEY RICHARDSON	1139
1971	NORMAN WHITEHEAD	1079
1983	FRANK GOODALL WHITWORTH	545
1988	JAMES BRAMLEY MORLEY	706
1989	BRIAN MORRIS BATTY	753
1994	BRIAN EMMETT	658
1999	ERIC ALEXANDER KEAY	1191
2002	BRIAN ADDY	137 & 1523
2007	ROBERT CORFIELD	398 & 1739
2009	JOHN FRED CLOUGH	768 & 1739
2014	ROD TAYLOR	753
2017	JOHN TREVOR BOLTON	111
2022	JOHN EDWARD VAUSE	525
2023	ANDREW JAMES BROWN	493
2024	GLEN GARY PARKER	1523
2025	PHILIP OLDFIELD	58

Provincial Grand Secretaries

1871	- WILLIAM COOKE	58
1890	- TUDOR	111
1893	- JOSEPH MATHEWMAN	110
1910	- FRANCIS GERALD HARMER	374
1918	- RICHARD LEE BOLTON	374
1925	- FREDERICK REANEY BOOTH	53
1929	- CAPT. RALPH GIBBS	768
1948	- ARTHUR ROBERTS	525
1966	- JACK THOMPSON	768
1970	- FRANK GOODALL WHITWORTH	545
1983	- DEREK BROOKE	706
1984	- BRIAN MORRIS BATTY	753
1989	- BRIAN ADDY	137 & 1523
2001	- JAMES STEGGLES	374 & 1739
2006	- JOHN MORGAN	651
2007	- JAMES STEGGLES	374 & 1739
2008	- KEITH ROBINSON	493 & 398
2010	- ALAN OLDFIELD	58
2017	- GRAHAM ANTHONY COOPER	535
2017	- FRASER McPHERSON	14
2020	- GLEN GARY PARKER	1523
2024	- WARREN MARSDEN	58

WEST YORKSHIRE ROYAL ARK MARINER DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The Royal Ark Mariner Distinguished Service Award has been presented to the following Brethren:

- * W.Bro. Trevor Lancaster Hughes, M.B.E., Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Welcome 651
- * W.Bro. Dennis Edgar Wilburn, J.P., Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Thorne 1004
- * W.Bro. John Derrick Woodhouse, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Wentworth 53
- * W.Bro. Peter Roy Smith, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Old York T.I.
- * W.Bro. Thomas Youell Watson, J.P., Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Fearnley 58
- * W.Bro. Eric Hirst, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Pudsey 658
- * W.Bro. Milton Crossland, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Caldene 501
- * Bro. Ernest William Angus, Caldene 501
- * W.Bro. Brian Charles Young, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Hipperholme 715
- * W.Bro. Geoffrey Wilson, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Elmete 111., Pudsey 658
- * W.Bro. Graham Fisher, Prov.R.A.M.G.R
- * W.Bro. Leslie Hainsworth, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Old York T.I.
- * W.Bro. Simon Thomas Gazzard, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Gilkirk 812
- * W.Bro. Gerald Draper, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Dartmouth 545
- * W.Bro. Godfrey Bedford, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Truth 137
- * W.Bro. David Marcus, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Pontefract 878
- * W.Bro. Roy Moreton, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Abbey 768
- * W.Bro. Ralph Maurice Thornton, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Portal 127
- * W.Bro. Douglas Garner, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Wentworth 53
- * W.Bro. Philip K. Taylor, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Elmete 111
- * W.Bro. James Garland, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Pontefract 878
- * W.Bro. Ian S. Stephens, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Welcome 651
- * W.Bro. Laurie Wroe, Prov.R.A.M.G.R., Truth 137

* Deceased

ADDRESS FROM THE PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER APRIL 2026

Well Brethren, it's so good to see so many of you here today and I trust that you are all enjoying yourselves. Brethren. On your behalf, it is my pleasure to extend a hearty West Yorkshire welcome to all our distinguished guests.

Our Guests from other Provinces have already been introduced to you as they entered, and I now take this opportunity to offer each and every one of them a very warm West Yorkshire welcome.

We are also most fortunate to have with us today many of the Rulers and Past Rulers from other Orders within our own Province.

From the Craft, We are delighted to welcome the Provincial Grand Master R.W. Bro **James Henry Newman** (James is also Grand Superintendent of the Royal Arch, and Past Deputy President of the Masonic Charitable Foundation) The Deputy Provincial Grand Master **Ian Lewis**, (who is also Past Deputy Grand Superintendent of the Royal Arch) The Past Deputy Provincial Grand Master **Brian Littlejohn**, we are also pleased to welcome the Assistant Provincial Grand Masters, **John Vause**, and **Christopher Allan**, along with the Past Assistant provincial Grand Rulers, **Andrew Wright**, **Michael Dyson**, **Rodney Tolson**, **Tony Brailsford**, **Paul Clarke** (is also past Provincial Grand Principle, Provincial Grand Chapter. Past Deputy Intendant General, Red Cross of Constantine, Past Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Province of Lindsey, Masonic Order of Athelstan.)

Stewart Carley (and Stewart is also our Past Grand Superintendent in the Holy Royal Arch and a Past Provincial Grand Supreme Ruler in the order of the Secret Monitor) From the Royal Arch. **Philip Drury** 2nd Provincial Grand Principal. From the Allied Masonic Degree, we have **John Fred Clough** Deputy District Grand Prefect, Past Deputy District Grand Prefects, **Sam Carris**, **Brian Price** and **Gerry Barker** (and Gerry is also a Past Deputy District Grand Master in Royal & Select, Grand Preceptor in St Thomas of Acon, and Deputy Master Mason in the Operatives.) From the Royal and Select Masters, we have **Ian Cotton** Deputy District Grand Master, **Algis Vasis**, District Grand Principal Conductor of the Works.

If I have missed anyone off, please accept my apologies, but we are very grateful for your support.

Brethren, you have all received the Provincial Grand Secretary's Report, in which he has taken a retrospective look at what has been a very busy period since our last Provincial Grand Lodge meeting.

As I said in my address last year, the purpose of my address is to endeavour to set the scene for the new Provincial year ahead, what we have achieved during 2025 and where we now stand. Over the past year, we have seen significant changes and progress within the Province and I firmly believe that we have established a strong and effective working team.

Our aim was and remains, to support all the Lodges within our Province, and with a team of four Rulers, it was an easy decision to divide the Province into four sections, aligned with our Mark Associations, Each Ruler was allocated responsibility for Lodges in a Mark Association area for a period of six months, after which we rotate. Having looked back over the year we agreed that six months was too long for one period, so we are changing it to three months. This new approach will, I believe, further strengthen our engagement and visibility across the Province.

I am particularly pleased to report that our advancements continue to increase. Since April last year, we have advanced, new Brethren into the Mark Degree, and this success is entirely due to you Brethren, and the work you do within your Lodges.

Advancements were only one of the changes introduced as part of our 2025 programme. On 10th July, we launched our first Grand Lodge Certificate Presentation Evening, held at the Greenhead Masonic Hall in Huddersfield. This event was attended by over 20 newly Advanced Brethren, who were supported together with members of their individual Lodges.

The second Certificate Presentation Evening was held on 25th March at the Masonic Hall Wetherby. Brethren, the purpose of these Grand Lodge Certificate Presentation Evenings is to create a special and memorable occasion for our newly Advanced Brethren, and I believe that objective is being successfully achieved due to the continued support from the Associations and the officers of the year, the certificate evenings are proving to be a success so we will continue to improve those special events to make them an even more enjoyable evening throughout Province.

Our Provincial Grand Stewards Lodge is now giving more support across the Province and today is a prime example, and I thank all the Stewards who are helping us here today, but not just today, there is now a much stronger support at both the advancement meetings and Provincial escorted visits throughout the year, the Lodge is steadily growing in numbers and in strength, the early promotions for active Brethren within the Provincial Grand Stewards Lodge have now started to filter through the system, and I would like to thank the Brethren of the Provincial Grand Stewards Lodge for their continued support.

2026/7 The Magic of the Mark initiative has been a great success within our Province over the past few years, and we are therefore pleased to continue promoting Magic of the Mark evenings throughout the province, the magic of the Mark video is to be updated; to reflect the progress we are making within our Province. Previously, our Mark Lodges have hosted these evenings within their own lodges, with the kind permission and support of the Provincial Grand Master of the Craft, James Henry Newman. We are now delighted to share that he has given his consent for the Mark Degree to approach Craft and Chapter Lodges directly, with a view to holding Magic of the Mark evenings at a regular lodge meeting Brethren, this is yet another demonstration of the bonds and cooperation between our orders.

I congratulate all the brethren who have received honours today, both the Acting officers of the year and those who have received a promotion, Brethren who receive a promotion rank is due to their continued support and commitment to the Mark degree in many forms year after year. And whilst we acknowledge that fact, we cannot forget the Officers of the year and the contribution they make in their year of office. I feel that the office of an acting Warden is a worthy rank to hold, Our Provincial Grand Wardens are two key officers of the year and will from this meeting going forward we are to promote the Wardens with a two year appointment, the Junior Warden will be promoted to the Senior Warden for his second year in office, That in turn will free up a Grand Rank promotion every year.

Brethren, just a week ago, the Most Worshipful Grand Master announced the names of those to be honoured with Grand Rank this year, and if present I ask them to stand as I call out their names:

Acting Grand Ranks go to:

Andrew J. Brown of Eland 439 to Dep.G.D.C.

Mark Holland of Haywra 525 to G.S.D

William Light of Worth 727 to G.Stwd.

With First Appointments going to:

Simon Green of Britannia 53 to P.A.G.D.C.

Stuart Prince of Wharfedale 1027 to P.A.G.D.C.

With Promotions for:

Andrew J. Brown of Eland 439 to P.G.J.O.

Stephen Wood of Lightcliffe 715 to P.G.J.O.

Roger Quick of St Chad 374 to P.G.Swd.B

Neil Davies of Bronte 535 to P.G.J.D.

Warren Marsden of Fearnley 58 to P.G.J.D.

Brethren I think we should now give them our applause.

Brethren, I would like to bring you up to date with the changes made to the Cleeves and Whitehead Trust's during 2025.

The new computer systems and programs are now well embedded and allows the trust to have better internal financial controls. They have also enabled more direct communications with the membership of the Province and support to the Provincial Charity Advisors.

The trustees have now approved a new constitution which was endorsed by the Provincial Charity Committee at its annual meeting in March. The revisions are mainly to update the previous governing document, which was created in 2005. It reflects the development of charity governance over the last twenty years and gives more flexibility on the appointment of new trustees.

I am informed that some £27,000 was sent to the MBF earlier this year to qualify 38 Brethren for various MBF honorifics and included 3 Grand Patron Diamond and 4 Grand Patron Gold, which will be /have been presented this morning.

The C&WT have also supported the following: Almoners Lunches £8,000, Mark Holiday £30,000, Grants £24,000 and Other Charities £22,000 making a total of £84,000.

Also, the trust has now taken over responsibility for the online shop, you will find this on the Provincial Web Site where you can purchase a range of Masonic items as well as regalia, and I would encourage you go online and see what is now available for sale.

Brethren, I said that we have to set out a plan for the future of our Province which will see its continued growth and create an environment which will put a smile back on everyone's face as we enjoy our Mark Masonry together, It takes a Vision to make changes, and changes constitute progress, and Wisdom to foresee our main aim, and Integrity to deliver. I believe with the support of our brethren we have started that plan in good form, but we must continue to improve and expand on what we have accomplished so far.

Finally, Brethren, I thank you all for your magnificent support at today's meeting, and I look forward to seeing you all again in the future, and of course shortly for Luncheon at the Midland Hotel.

But for now - Mark Well, and God Bless you all.

Support your Province with the Mark 250 Club. From only £10 **PER YEAR**



Join the Mark 250 Club today and show your support for your Province while also getting the chance to win exciting prizes! It's a simple and fun way to give back and potentially score some awesome rewards. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to make a difference and possibly be a lucky winner!

50% of the net proceeds will be allocated to the Prize Fund. 50% of the net proceeds will be allocated to the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of West Yorkshire.

OUR ACHIEVMENTS SO FAR

- 150th Anniversary Keystone Button
- Provincial Sword Refurbished
- New Provincial Banner Commissioned

HOW MANY DRAW NUMBERS CAN I HAVE

- Purchase ANY quantity ANY time

THE PRIZE FUND

- Scan the code
- Either fill in the online standing order mandate and submit
- or set up up online yourself but remember to let us know using the online form

WHO CAN JOIN

- Mark Master Masons and their Wives/Partners, Mark Lodges,
- Royal Ark Mariner Lodges
- Installed Masters' Associations.

THE PRIZE FUND

- 50% net proceeds allocated to prize fund.
- 2 prize draws annually consisting of £250, £100, and £50 prizes. Dependent upon size of the fund.

**REMEMBER MORE MEMBERS =
MORE PRIZES**

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The next meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge is on Saturday, 3rd April 2027
at Bradford Grammar School
All Mark Master Masons are most welcome to attend

