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M.:P.: Bro. Peter Gerald St. John Straw 33° Sovereign Grand Commander

TABLEAU OF OFFICERS as at 31 December, 2010

Sovereign Grand Commander	M.:P.: Bro. Peter G St J Straw, 33°
Lieutenant Grand Commander	V.:P.: Bro. Bro. Peter J Rowland, 33°
Grand Chancellor	M.:Ill.: Bro. William Thompson, 33°
Grand Director of Ceremonies	M.:Ill.: Bro. Rodney J Powell, 33°
Grand Prior	M.:Ill.: Bro. Ian E Tilbury, 33°
Grand Treasurer General H.:E.:	M.:Ill.: Bro. James R Gist, 33°
Grand Marshall	M.:Ill.: Bro. Kenneth C Smith, 33°
Grand Registrar	M.:Ill.: Bro. Philip J. Clark, 33°
Grand Captain General	M.:Ill.: Bro.G. Bill Morgan, 33°



A further nine Supreme Councils have been established in the second half of the Century: Iceland in 1951, El Salvador and Honduras in 1960, Nicaragua in 1961 and in Israel 1966.

In the Seventies it was Iran in 1970 (now in exile), Finland in 1973, Luxemburg in 1976 and finally Australia in 1985.

The Order in Australia commenced slowly. The first Sovereign Chapter was established in 1859 when the Supreme Council for England and Wales granted a Charter to a Victorian Chapter in Melbourne.

Twenty years elapsed until the next Chapter was chartered and this was by the Supreme Council for Scotland. This chapter met in Brisbane, Queensland for the first time in 1879.

Another decade passed and it was not until 1889 that the second chapter established by the Supreme Council for England and Wales received its charter. This took place in Adelaide, South Australia. The first charter to be issued to a Sovereign Chapter in New South Wales was to Sedgwick Chapter in 1892.

Our Australian Supreme Council was recognised as a regular Supreme Council when it was established in 1985. The Charter was issued jointly by the Supreme Council of England and Wales and the Supreme Council of Scotland.

Summarising then: the geographical spread of the Rite and the grouping of Supreme Councils in the following Regions are:-

- North Americas 3
- Latin Americas 18
- European incl Scandinavia 31
- United Kingdom 3
- Africa 3
- Middle East 4
- Pacific Area 4

The European Sovereign Grand Commanders generally meet annually.

The English Speaking every four years, the Latin Americas approximately four yearly and each five years there is a World Conference.

These meetings are consultative bodies only and any decisions are taken are subject to confirmation by each recognised Supreme Council.

The Supreme Council



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Grand Marshal



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Grand Registrar



M. Ill. Bro. George William (Bill) Morgan 33°
Grand Captain General

SECRETARIAT



M. Ill. Bro. Robert Lions 33°
Grand Secretary General H. E.



Em. Bro. Maxwell Otto Brown 32°, KCoM
Assistant Grand Secretary General



REPORT BY SOVEREIGN GRAND COMMANDER

I now submit for your consideration my report for the year 2010, a year that had many highlights.

The year did, of course, mark the twenty fifth anniversary of the erection of the Supreme Council for Australia, an event that was celebrated by members of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite all over Australia. Regions and Districts within Regions, organised and enacted numerous events. It was pleasing that I was personally invited to attend many of them but, naturally, it was beyond my capabilities to attend them all, mainly due to a clash with dates. The events were all well organized and well executed and well received. Some involved the community, none more so than the one in Region 4, where the celebrations culminated in a walk, where some two hundred people from all walks of life participated and a large sum of money was raised for the Association for the Blind, Guide Dogs of Western Australia. I congratulate each and everyone for their enthusiasm, which showed that the Rite is alive and very well in this country.

During a visit to Adelaide, the Lieutenant Grand Commander, Very Powerful Bro. Peter Rowland, 33°, arranged for us to meet with the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of South Australia and the Northern Territory, Most Worshipful Bro. Ray Clarke. The meeting was informal and pleasant and we were able to exchange ideas. It appeared that the Grand Lodge there was looking into the possibility of entering into Concordats with selected Orders as has occurred in New South Wales. Should this eventuate, it will only affect Masons who are members of Craft Lodges in Region 5.

On the financial front, the year, as predicted in last year's report, saw another financial loss, however, it was nowhere near as great as originally forecast, due to efficiencies introduced during the year. It is reiterated that our financial situation is very sound indeed, with solid assets and good reserves. However, the Supreme Council is very conscious of the need for fiscal responsibility and a rolling three year financial plan will be put in place. It will be a living document and will provide the blueprint for our future financial stability.

We continued to enjoy recognition by the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory and I attended two meetings of the Heads of Orders Committee convened by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro. Dr. Gregory Levenston. It was my pleasing duty to bestow the accolade on him when he joined the Rite in June. Further, I again received and was pleased to accept, an invitation to the Grand Installation Proclamation. I was also recognized by the First Grand Principal and Grand Master of the Mark and Royal Arch Masons of New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory, Most Excellent Companion Edward Keenahan, at the Grand Installation Convocation at Coffs Harbour. Aware of the fact that, in the past, only Sovereign Grand Inspectors General were able to attend our own installation ceremonies, we have introduced concise installation and re-installation ceremonies which are open to all, including members of other Orders and ladies and gentlemen. These will be held on the Friday evening, immediately prior to the annual dinner.

In 1804 de Grasse-Tilley arrived back in France, filled with zeal, to establish in Europe the new structure of the Rite under Article 2 of the Grand Constitutions of 1786. Within months he had established a Supreme Council 33° for France.

Having organised France, de Grasse-Tilley travelled to Italy and set up, a year later, the first Supreme Council in that country. Spain was next. Francisco Guzinan founded a Supreme Council for Spain under Article 2 of the Grand Constitutions of 1786, in the city of Aranjuez. Two and a half years later the energetic Conte de Grasse-Tilley succeeded in setting up a rival Supreme Council in Madrid which was suppressed by King Ferdinand after 3 years. It was revived 5 years later in 1818 and then amalgamated with the Original Supreme Council for Spain. It is interesting to note that this Supreme Council, the fourth oldest in the world was banned by Franco in 1939 went into exile in Mexico and finally returned from exile in 1978, some 39 years later and now flourishes again.

The Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the USA, then based in New York, was established in 1813. Belgium was founded in 1817 by Jean-Pascal Royer and was known as "The Supreme Conseil les Pays-Bas" or Low Countries. Three months later that old war-horse de Grasse-Tilley, set up a rival Supreme Council which in December of the same year amalgamated with the original one. In 1830 it was re-named "Supreme Conseil pour la Belgique".

The next 30 years saw Supreme Councils in seven nations constituted: Venezuela in 1824, Brazil in 1826, Ireland in 1826, Columbia in 1827, Peru in 1830, England in 1845, Scotland in 1846.

The second half of the 1800s saw by far the most vigorous growth of the Rite with some 15 of the Present Supreme Councils coming into existence.

The Fifties saw Uruguay in 1856, Argentina, Cuba and Denmark in 1858 and in the Sixties, Mexico in 1860, Dominican Republic and Turkey in 1861.

In the Seventies, seven new Councils were born: Chile in 1870, Central America (Guatemala), Costa Rica and Paraguay in 1871, Greece in 1872, Switzerland in 1873 and Canada in 1874. The final one of that century was Norway in 1891.

The 20th Century, disturbed and distressed by so much war and civil strife saw a much slower growth.

In 1910 Ecuador was founded, the Netherlands and Panama in 1913, Austria 1925, Germany 1930, and Bolivia 1931.

The first half of the 20th Century closed with the establishment in 1949 of the Supreme Council of the Philippines.



In 1795 Compte De Grasse-Tilley, his father-in-law Delahogue and their families arrived in Charleston from San Dominigo. Two years later, with French colleagues, he formed a Consistory of the 25° and so Charleston had become a centre for the development of the Higher Degrees in the New World. The necessary developments were in place for the subsequent establishment, four years later, of the first Supreme Council in the World

At this time it is important to note the developments being made in Europe while the New World activities were taking place.

First there was the birth of the "Chapter of Clermont" in France, possibly the Cradle of the Rite. It was founded in Paris in 1754 by Christopher De Bourneville and it had only a short life of four years.

From it, in 1758, came a "Council of Emperors, of the East and West" which had a Rite of 25° called the Rite of Perfection. Its full title was "Le Conseil des Empereurs d'Orient et D'Occident Grande et Souveraine Loge Eecossais de St. Jean de Jerusalem".

The formation of this body is considered to have formed the basic structure for the eventual development of the Grand Constitutions.

The drafting of this Grand Constitutions was **over/under** the alleged signature of Frederick the First of Prussia and nine other Commissioners of whose signatures only four are now legible. These documents not only laid down the procedures for the government of the Rite, both internationally and within each Supreme Council, but they also expanded the Rite from 25 to 33 Degrees by adding a further eight Degrees.

Strangely, this, the most important document of our Rite, was not made public at the time. No original copy has survived and its existence only became known over a period of time. The earliest reference to it is in the statement made at the time of the establishment of the Charleston Supreme Council - that it had been established under Article 2 of the Grand Constitutions of 1786. It is on this basis that our Supreme Council is recognised as the first Supreme Council 33° to be established in Australia.

As a footnote to these developments, Morin and Franken had in 1770, some 30 years earlier, set up in Kingston Jamaica a Grand Chapter of Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret. In 1804 it became the Supreme Council for the British West Indies under Warrant issued by the Supreme Council for the Southern Masonic Jurisdiction U.S.A. It became extinct by 1816.

Therefore by the start of the 1800s, all the foundations of our Order, as it exists to-day, had been laid. But the wheel had one more turn to make. Our story now takes us back to France.

Our present Grand Secretary General, Most Illustrious Bro. Robert Lions, 33°, indicated his desire to retire at the end of June, 2011, after nine years in the position, and it will be necessary to seek a replacement. Interviews for the position will be carried out early next year.

The Supreme Council is always very conscious of the need to contain costs and continually manage the Rite in an effective manner. To this end, I commissioned a very senior member of the Rite to carry out a complete analysis of the operations of the Grand East and the Order in general. The person appointed had been engaged in such work during his employment and he was asked that, while taking into account opinions where necessary, to approach his task with a completely open mind and keep himself independent of members of Supreme Council and office staff. His report will be to hand early next year and there will, no doubt, be recommendations for the implementation of change, including the management of our property assets.

A Management Plan was introduced to the annual general meeting of the Supreme Council in June and this is to be developed and expanded. It will be rolled out to all Regions and Districts and will assist not only them, but the Sovereign Councils and the Sovereign Chapters in establishing plans for their own development, dealing with everything from financial planning to asset management and membership. I seek your full support in its implementation, remember, if you fail to plan you plan to fail. It is up to all of us to plan the future we want.

Amongst all the positives there had to be a negative and that was the response from the Supreme Council for Scotland, saying that it could see that no good purpose would be served in the formation of a United Supreme Council for Australia and intended for the present situation to remain unchanged.

I will have travelled to every Region at least once in the past two years and have always been received with the utmost courtesy and deference and I thank you all for that. Also, I have been heartened by the positive attitudes I have encountered and consider that there is a bright future ahead for the Rite in Australia.

Peter G. St.J. Straw. 33°
Sovereign Grand Commander

27 April, 2011.



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

(Abridged full detailed set available on request)

	2010 \$	2009 \$
<u>BALANCE SHEET</u>		
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Balance at 1 January	486,535	402,072
Net Surplus (Deficit) for year ended 31.12.10	(12,206)	(6773)
Transfer of Provisions	-----	91,016
	<u>474,509</u>	<u>486,535</u>
RESERVES		
Asset Replacement Reserve	40,000	40,000
Regalia Reserve	6,155	5,660
Australian Development Reserve	8,970	8,197
Queensland Development Reserve	41,718	41,692
	<u>571,352</u>	<u>582,084</u>
Represented by		
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts and Cash Balances	4,765	25,246
Investments	103,597	100,986
Trade Debtors & Prepayments	7,586	132,519
Trading Stock	21,440	24,301
Deposits	500	400
	<u>137,888</u>	<u>283,452</u>
Fixed Assets		
Furniture, Office Equipment & Regalia at cost less depreciation	13,060	14,636
Pitt Street Property at cost	609,003	609,003
	<u>622,063</u>	<u>623,639</u>
Total Assets	<u>759,951</u>	<u>907,091</u>
LESS LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Chapter and Council Dues in Advance	43,250	155,287
Trade Creditors	10,335	2,527
GST Liabilities	779	17,019
Other Creditors & Accruals	7,975	13,876
	<u>62,339</u>	<u>188,709</u>
Long Term Liabilities		
Property Loan	126,260	136,298
Total Liabilities	<u>188,599</u>	<u>325,007</u>
	<u>571,352</u>	<u>582,084</u>
<u>STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE</u>		
INCOME		
Dues and Fees from Councils and Chapters	180,328	193,388
Interest from Investments	1,461	1,240
Surplus on Sales	10,393	20,971
Other Income	1,874	1,864
Total Income	<u>194,056</u>	<u>217,463</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Depreciation	1,576	3,000
Audit Fees	5,000	7,700
Premises costs	33,918	30,582
Office Expenses	22,308	47,728
Staffing costs	105,206	97,481
Supreme Council Expenses	24,224	31,362
Regional/District Expenses	15,715	23,122
Total Expenditure	<u>207,947</u>	<u>240,975</u>
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for year	<u>(13,891)</u>	<u>(23,512)</u>
Net movement in value of Investments	2,611	16,564
Income Tax	(746)	-----
Building Fund Donations	-----	395
Net Surplus (Deficit) for year	<u>(12,026)</u>	<u>(6,553)</u>

The period was one of great religious intolerance and persecution, mainly as a result of the Jacobean "disturbances" and problems and a number of Scottish and English Masons left Britain and settled in France. At that time Bordeaux was apparently the oldest and main Masonic Centre in Europe and there in 1732 "Loge L'Anglais" was established by British Masons.

More than 50 daughter Lodges sprang from this "Loge L'Anglais" and these gave rise to a great proliferation of Degrees. With time these came to be grouped together and resulted in the progenitors of our Rite. The first identifiable group became known as the Rite of Perfection, comprising 25 Degrees, in the mid 1750s, a decade later.

Our story of the development of the Rite then splits into two streams with the physical migration of the Rite to the New World and the further development of the Rite into a more formal body In Europe.

In 1761 Etienne Morin, bearing Letters Patent of his Authority from the Grand Master and Protector of all Lodges HRH, and V.:Ill.:Bro Louis De Bourbon, Comte de Clermont, left France for the West Indies. Morin took two years to complete the journey having first to survive capture of the ship in which he was travelling by the British and his subsequent imprisonment in England.

Waiting for him on his arrival in St. Domingo in 1763 were documents entitled "The New Statutes and Regulations made by the 14 Commissioners on the 25th November, 1762", now known as the "Constitutions of 1762". Almost immediately Morin appointed Henry Franken as a Deputy Grand Inspector General and over the next eight years they worked on laying down the Rituals of the 15° to the 25°.

This document is now in the care of the Supreme Council Library, London. Morin died in 1771 and Franken continued his Ritual work. By 1783 Franken had completed all the Rituals from the 4° to 25°, the manuscripts of which are now in the archives of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U.S.A. in Boston, Mass.

Of particular interest to us is the history of the 18°. This appears to have entered the French Rite of Perfection in about 1750 and the Degree, according to Franken's Rituals, was called the "Knight of the White Eagle or Pelican or Knight of the Rose Croix".

By 1770 the Rite had spread to a number of centres along the Atlantic Coast of the U.S.A. reaching as far north as New York and Albany in New York State.

In 1783 in Charleston, South Carolina, a Lodge of Perfection was probably established followed in 1788 by a Council of Princes of Jerusalem.



THE WORLD WIDE SPREAD OF ANCIENT & ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE MASONRY

By M.:P.:BRO JACK BALL A.M. 33° PSGC

This is a reprint of a paper first presented in 1992.

Much of this information has come from the writings of V.:Ill.:Bro AC Jackson 33°, various publications and correspondence from V.:Ill.:Bro Sydney R Baxter 33° of the N.M.J. USA and from papers and conversations resulting from overseas trips to the Sovereign Grand Commanders' Conference.

For the relevant dates of establishment and historical facts I'm indebted to a Publication entitled "A Register of Supreme Councils Active and Extinct" published in 1981 by George Draffen of Newington 33°, at that time Lieutenant Grand Commander of the Supreme Council for Scotland.

To set the scene for the birth and growth of the Rite, we must go back to the origin of Craft Masonry as we know it and trace its early development as an organised body.

Our story starts in the 1600s when Britain was slowly emerging from medieval times. Things changed very slowly in those days. The Middle Ages had lasted for more than 1000 years from the 5th to the 16th Centuries. The late 15th Century invention of the Printing Press had unleashed a thirst for knowledge across a much wider range of people and provided a means whereby men of education could transmit their thoughts and philosophies as never before.

In towns and villages throughout England, Scotland and Wales, men of learning and achievement came together in groups to speculate and learn from each other. In the newly emerging urbanisation, a need to teach men their duties to each other in this new system of Society led to the Speculative Lodges. These Lodges, at first without form, gradually evolved and developed a similarity as our beautiful ritual was brought to life, written and re-written, amended and evolved.

In 1717 the first formal organisation of Lodges occurred with the formation of the Grand Lodge of England. On the 24th June 1717 representatives of four Lodges met at the Goose and Gridiron Tavern near St. Paul's Churchyard in London.

The Order comprised only two degrees at that time ~ the "Apprentice" Degree and the "Fellow of the Craft" Degree. It was not until about 1730 that the 3rd, the "Master Mason" Degree gradually came to be accepted.

MOVEMENTS OF CHAPTERS & COUNCILS DURING 2010

AMALGAMATIONS

District of New South Wales Sydney North & Sydney North East Districts amalgamated into Sydney North

NEW CHAPTERS AND COUNCILS

Chapter

Rockingham Bay Chapter No.262 (Region 7) commenced on 14 May 2010.

Council

Gippsland Council No.68 (Region 3) commenced on 15 November 2010.

CHANGES

District of Western Australia Great Southern & South West was change to (Central South, Great Southern & South West Districts).

SURRENDERS

Golden West- Trinity Chapter No. 7 (Region 4) surrendered its Chapter in May 2009.

Easton Chapter No.26 (Region 1) surrendered its Chapter in July 2010.

St John Rosekley Chapter No. 77 (Region 3) surrendered its Chapter in December 2009.

Murray Valley Chapter No. 200 (Region 5) surrendered its Chapter in October 2010.

Simeon Chapter No. 825 (Region 1) surrendered its Chapter in December 2010.

LIST OF CHAPTERS AND COUNCILS AND MEETING PLACES

REGION No.1

Regional Commander, M III Bro Ian E Tilbury 33°

Holden Chapter Of Improvement, Preceptor Em Bro D Barry Travis 32° CoM

District of New South Wales Illawarra, District Commander V III Bro Syd Weller 33°

Chapters

112 Shoalhaven
226 Southern Cross

Nowra
Bulli

Councils

5 Illawarra
52 Cambewarra
Bulli
Nowra

District of New South Wales South Coast, District Commander, V III Bro Allan NE Brown 33°

Chapters

114 Bega

210 Eurobodalla Daylight

Bega

Moruya

Council

54 South East
Daylight
Pambula

District of New South Wales South Eastern & ACT ,District Commander, V III Bro Roy Bloomfield 33°

Chapters

24 Canberra

99 Highland St Ninian
229 City of Goulburn

Queanbeyan

Queanbeyan
Goulburn

Councils

2 Australian
Capital Territory
48 Southern
Goulburn
Canberra

District of New South Wales Sydney Central, District Commander V, III Ken Mobbs 33°

Chapters

9 Sydney St Andrew
46 St Mark

91 University of Sydney
260 The Sydney

Sydney
Sydney

Sydney
Sydney

Councils

23 Sydney Central
45 Prince Charles
Edward Stuart
Sydney
Sydney

District of New South Wales Sydney South, District Commander, V III Bro John Sunman 33° KCoM

Chapters

2 Sedgwick

36 The Star of Bethlehem
107 Cronulla Sutherland
126 John Wesley

Hurlstone
Park
Oatley
Sutherland
Petersham

Councils

21 Sir Frank
McDowell
49 Sydney
Oatley
Petersham



District of New South Wales Sydney Northern, District Commander, V III Bro Bill Bate 33°

Chapters		Councils	
23	The Mystic Rose	Willoughby	22 Sydney Artarmon
117	The Schools	Artarmon	56 Collaroy Collaroy
125	Adeste Fideles	Willoughby	Daylight
193	Omnes Sancti	Top Ryde	
218	Collaroy Daylight	Collaroy	

District of New South Wales Sydney South West, District Commander, V III Bro Rey Porras 33°

Chapters		Council	
184	Glenfield	Glenfield	44 Hume Glenfield
256	Campbelltown Holy Trinity	Ambarvale	
825	Simeon	Moss Vale	

REGION No.1 Continued

District of New South Wales Sydney West, District Commander, V III Bro Angus Frazer 33°

Chapters		Councils	
22	Gordon Bennett Service	Epping	24 Parramatta Epping
48	St Marys Le Penrith	Orchard Hills	58 Mountains-Orchard Hills
		Riverlands	
174	Macquarie	Parramatta	
178	Kumali	Castle Hill	
227	St John	Blacktown	

REGION No. 2

Regional Commander, M III Bro Rodney J Powell 33°

Coral Sea Chapter Of Improvement, Preceptor Em Bro Howard Beattie 31° OoM

District of Queensland Brisbane Central, District Commander, V III Bro Terry Tyler 33°

Chapters		Councils	
4	Queensland	Brisbane	12 J.S. Laurenson Ipswich
62	Ipswich Moreton United	Ipswich	25 Sherwood Sherwood
94	Sherwood of Brisbane	Sinnamon Park	36 Sirius Brisbane
157	Eustace Jones	Sherwood	

District of Queensland Brisbane South, District Commander, V III Bro Alan Herbert Wright 33°

Chapters		Councils	
118	South Brisbane	Stones Corner	4 Brisbane Stones Corner
147	Olivette	Beenleigh	13 Wynnum Wynnum
148	Wynnum	Wynnum	
156	Mansfield	Stones Corner	
176	Alma Mater	Stones Corner	
211	Redlands	Beenleigh	

District of Gold Coast Tweed Valley, District Commander, V III Bro Neil Stuart Duncan 33°

Chapters		Councils	
67	Lismore	Ballina	7 T.G.H. Jones Southport
69	South Coast	Southport	20 Northern Rivers Ballina
158	Burleigh	Burleigh Heads	42 Coolangatta Tweed Heads
213	Coolangatta Tweed D/light	Tweed Heads	Tweed D/Light

District of Queensland Brisbane North and North Coast, District Commander, V III Bro Andrew Royal (Roy) O'Dowd 33°

District of Tasmania Bass, District Commander V III Bro Gregory L Parkinson 33°

Chapters		Council	
32	Ernest Clark	Launceston	35 Northern Launceston
		Tasmania	
66	Coronation	Devonport	
175	Rose of Launceston	Launceston	

District of Tasmania Derwent, District Commander, V III Bro Robert T Clarke 33°

Chapters		Council	
10	Holy Sepulchre	Hobart	28 Holy Grail Hobart
33	Hobart Crown of Life	Hobart	





87	Christos Anastas	Port		
		Macquarie		
98	St Francis	Coffs Harbour		

District of New South Wales Northern Tablelands, District Commander, V III Bro Ray J Weston 33°

Chapters		Council		
41	Peel	Tamworth	31	Northern Inland Tamworth
68	New England	Glen Innes		
96	Armidale	Armidale		
141	Ad Lucem	Warialda		

District of New South Wales Shortland, District Commander, V III Bro John T Marselos 33°

Chapters		Council		
85	Saint Elizabeth	Maitland	9	Newcastle Maitland Northern
189	Nelson Bay	Nelson Bay		

REGION No. 6 Continued

District of New South Wales Central Western Plains, District Commander, V III Bro Allan P Flood 33°

Chapters		Council		
223	Rose of the Plains	Kelso	47	Western Kelso
225	Ophir	Orange		
258	Belubula	Mandurama		

District of New South Wales Mid Western Plains, District Commander, V III Bro Jeffery D Marks 33°

Chapters		Council		
199	Lachlan River - In recess	Cowra	53	Macquarie Valley Dubbo
237	Dubbo	Dubbo		
238	Narromine	Narromine		

REGION No. 7

Regional Commander, M III Bro James R Gist 33°

District of Queensland Far North, District Commander, V III Bro Leslie J Keane 33°

Chapters		Councils		
8	North Queensland	Townsville	14	Townsville Townsville
12	Townsville Kilwinning	Townsville	27	Kennedy Atherton
97	Cairns	Cairns		
106	Tablelands	Atherton		
110	New Guinea	Port Moresby		
123	Malanda	Atherton		
262	Rockingham Bay			

District of Queensland North East & Western, District Commander, V III Bro Ronald F Donnellan 33°

Chapters		Councils		
3	Mylne	Charters Towers	32	William Bickmore Mackay
14	Alexander Corrie Mackay	Mackay	60	W.J.C. Schwabe Charters Towers/Mount Isa
131	Bowen	Bowen		
149	Mount Isa	Mount Isa		

REGION No. 8

Regional Commander, M III Bro George W (Bill) Morgan 33°

Tasman Chapter of Improvement, Preceptor Em Bro Ray Patmore 32° CoM

Chapters		Councils		
116	Nambour	Nambour	8	Sandgate Sandgate
124	North Brisbane	Sandgate	10	Nambour Nambour
130	Heritage	Kedron	67	Caboolture Caboolture
169	Sandgate	Sandgate		
208	Caboolture	Caboolture		

District of Queensland Burnett, District Commander, V III Bro Arnold W Home 33°

Chapters		Councils		
19	Burnett	Bundaberg	6	Bundaberg Bundaberg
70	Phoenix	Gympie	39	Maheno Pialba
133	Barambah	Kingaroy	59	Gympie Gympie
144	Gayndah	Gayndah		
191	Hervey Bay	Pialba		

District of Queensland Darling Downs & Western, District Commander, V III Bro Campbell D Denyer 33°

Chapters		Councils		
76	City of Toowoomba	Toowoomba	11	Maranoa Roma
103	Maranoa	Roma	33	Condamine Toowoomba
138	Chinchilla	Chinchilla		

District of Queensland Central, District Commander, V III Bro Albert W (Bill) Baker 33°

Chapters		Council		
52	Andrew Wood Smith	Mount Morgan	3	Rockhampton Rockhampton
63	Exemplar	Rockhampton		
122	Dawson	Biloela		
150	Meteor	Longreach		
167	Progress	Rockhampton		
206	Gladstone	Gladstone		

REGION No. 3

Regional Commander, M III Bro Prof Em William Thompson 33°

Southern Cross Chapter of Improvement, Preceptor Em Bro Barrie Hunt 32° CoM

District of Victoria Central, District Commander, V III Bro Wesley A Jolley 33°

Chapters		Councils		
1	Metropolitan	Preston	40	Major Mitchell Kerang
15	Kerang	Kerang	62	Melbourne Preston
18	Royal Moira	Shepparton		
129	Central Goldfields	Maryborough		
257	Arcadia	Mansfield		

District of Victoria Eastern, District Commander, V III Bro John H Wilcock 33°

Chapters		Councils		
54	Nepean	Moorabbin	29	St Andrew Moorabbin
55	Ringwood	Ringwood	68	Gippsland Traralgon
132	Gippsland	Traralgon		
154	Arboreal	Belgrave		
168	Mornington Peninsula	Mornington		
188	Warragul	Warragul		
259	Tambo	Bairnsdale		

District of Victoria Western, District Commander, V III Bro Peter L West 33°

Chapters		Council		
92	Avalon	Belmont	30	Australia Felix Ardeer
134	Brunswick	Ivalda		
152	Sunshine	Ardeer		
166	Coburg Ascension	Preston		
181	Colac	Colac		



District of New South Wales Riverian District Commander, V III Bro John H Arthur 33°

Chapters		Council	
50	Albury	Albury	17 Riverina Junee
61	Burrangong	Murrumburrah	
109	Wagga Wagga	Wagga Wagga	
230	Riverina	Leeton	

District of Victoria Sunraysia, District Commander, V III Bro Barry Wilfred Lewis JP 33°

Chapters		Council	
146	Wimmera	Dimboola	63 Charles Sturt Irymple
180	Balranald St Barnabas	Balranald	
252	Alfred Deakin	Irymple	
261	Alpha Victoria	Keysborough	

REGION No. 4

Regional Commander, M III Bro Kenneth C Smith 33°

Western Australia Chapter of Improvement, Preceptor E&P Bro Terrence Patrick 18°

District of Western Australia Central East, District Commander, V III Bro Edward RG (Ted) Gray 33°

Chapters		Council	
5	Boucaut	Shenton Park	16 Milpara Victoria Park
40	Gordon with Victoria Park	Victoria Park	
51	Northam	Mundaring	
179	Hosanna	Kalamunda	
187	Governor Stirling	South Perth	

District of Western Australia Central North, District Commander, V III Bro Stewart Stenhouse 33°

Chapters		Councils	
11	Donald Smith	Broome	1 Western Australia Karratha/ Port Hedland
42	Nowell	Geraldton	19 J.A. Ellis Doubleview
140	Sharon	Doubleview	43 Midwest Dongara
196	Rose of Pilbara	Karratha	61 Kingsley Kingsley Daylight
202	Kingsley	Kingsley	
212	Port Hedland	Port Hedland	

District of Western Australia Central South, District Commander, V III Bro David Wood 33°

Chapters		Council	
27	Duke of Kent	Doubleview	15 Fremantle Fremantle
64	Emmanuel in Fremantle	Fremantle	
65	The Nautilus	Fremantle	
90	Cockburn	Furnissdale	

District of Western Australia Great Southern, District Commander, V III Bro Robbie McInnes 33°

Chapters		Council	
78	Rose of the South	Narrogin	34 Great Southern Esperance/ Albany/ Narrogin
102	Lockyer	Albany	
170	Rockingham	Dowerin	
183	Archipelago	Esperance	

District of Western Australia South West, District Commander V III Michael W Berryman 33°

Chapters		Councils	

20	Bridgetown	Bridgetown	41 South West	Bridgetown/ Busselton/ Bunbury
35	South West LeFanu	Bunbury		
139	Vasse	Busselton		

REGION No. 5

Regional Commander, M III Bro Peter J Rowland 33°

Light of the South Chapter of Improvement, Preceptor III Bro Wayne Hancock 30° OoM

District of South Australia East, District Commander, V III Bro Clifford Rees (Cliff) Olds 33°

Chapters		Council	
6	Broken Hill	Broken Hill	18 Adelaide Tusmore
101	South Eastern	Naracoorte	
194	Logos	Elizabeth	
203	Earl of Euston	Tusmore	
217	Ridgehaven	Ridgehaven	
255	Percy	Goodwood	

District of South Australia West, District Commander, V III Bro Robert J Parsons 33°

Chapters		Councils	
29	Port Adelaide	Port Adelaide	37 Adelaide Adelaide Western
79	Whyalla	Whyalla	65 Para Daytime Elizabeth
81	Port Pirie	Port Pirie	
201	Blessed Trinity	North Terrace	
207	Meridian	North Terrace	
251	Witton	Noarlunga Downs	
254	Centralian	Alice Springs	

District of South Australia Flinders, District Commander, V III Bro Joseph Lamarca 33°

Chapters		Council	
349	Fellowship	Blackwood	66 Flinders Brighton
499	Murray	Lower Mitcham	
698	Bon Accord	Brighton	
865	Payneham St Aidan	Marden	
889	Fleurieu	Goolwa	

REGION No. 6

Regional Commander, M III Bro Philip J Clark 33°

Lachlan Macquarie Chapter of Improvement, Preceptor M III Bro Philip J Clark 33°

District of New South Wales Hunter, District Commander, V III Bro James S Richardson 33°

Chapters		Councils	
49	Aedis Christi	Gosford	38 Hunter New Lambton
100	Mystes Rosae	New Lambton	57 The Lakes Morisset
128	St Albans	Cardiff	
165	Aquila Alba	Belmont	

District of New South Wales North Coast, District Commander, V III Bro Keith Spencer 33°

Chapters		Councils	
75	Saint Luke	Grafton	26 Central Rivers Wauchope
86	Manning St John	Taree	64 Southern Cross Coffs Harbour