



**THE SUPREME COUNCIL 33°**  
OF THE ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED RITE  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES  
AND ITS DISTRICTS AND CHAPTERS OVERSEAS  
**DISTRICT OF SOUTH ESSEX**

Inspector General  
V.III Bro. John Hubbard, 33°

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**Installation of the Inspector General  
V.III. Bro. John Hubbard, 33°.**

The Chapters of the Rose Croix District of South Essex enjoyed the support and direction of V.III. Bro. Paul Tarrant, 33° as Inspector General from February 2017 until his appointment as R.W. Provincial Grand Master and Most Excellent Grand Superintendent for the Province of Essex in May 2021. The Supreme Council were pleased to appoint V.III. Bro. John Hubbard, 33° as his successor. Unfortunately, owing to the disruption to meetings associated with the Covid pandemic V.III. Bro. John's installation was deferred.

However as soon as meetings were resumed V.III. Bro. John swiftly settled into his new position and was very warmly received when visiting the Chapters within the District.

Finally, an installation date was fixed for 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2022, and on that day almost 100 members of the District of South Essex, visiting Inspectors General, District Recorders and the Heads of various other Orders attended Hutton Masonic Hall to witness the installation ceremony. The meeting was hosted by John's own chapter, Hutton Chapter No 680, and an outstanding ceremony was conducted by members of The Supreme Council, led by the Sovereign Grand Commander, M.P. Bro. Guy Elgood, 33°.



John's predecessor and now R.W. Provincial Grand Master for the Province of Essex. V.III. Bro. Paul Tarrant 33° was there to congratulate John on his appointment.

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At the festive board following the installation the installing officers were presented with gifts as a token of appreciation for the excellence of the ceremony. On behalf of the members of the District, the new Inspector General then presented V.III. Bro. Paul Tarrant with some gifts to mark their appreciation for his service throughout his term in office.

**A message from your Inspector General**

It is an enormous privilege to have been appointed Inspector General for the District and I will give my utmost Attention, Encouragement and Enthusiasm to this wonderful Order. As I stated at my Investiture: 'My over-riding priority will be, of course, the welfare and happiness of the members of the Chapters within the District. This time, like no other in our masonic lives, must be one where we focus on having but 'one aim in view, to please each other and unite in the grand design of being happy and communicating happiness.' As Christians within this special Order, we must strive to set an example of how to truly love one's brother. It will be my most earnest priority to instil into every Chapter the need to focus on its existing membership, encouraging communication with each and every member and so grow the camaraderie and happiness within their Chapters and thereby the Order. In this way, not only will this have the effect of maximising retention of our members but should also lead to the re-energising of many members to seek to grow the Order.' I intend to visit every Chapter before the summer recess, but am already very encouraged by the renewed energy and fraternal love being exuded by all the Chapters I have visited. Be proud of our wonderful and unique Order, by acting as one of its ambassadors and encouraging membership with all those that you know masonically.

With God's Blessings,

John

## South Essex Emergency Ritual Support (SEERS) Team

You will no doubt recall the 'New Start' circular from our Inspector General where he outlined his plan to establish a support team to assist Chapters who have difficulty in filling all their offices and need assistance to perform their ceremonies .

Unfortunately, from time to time some of our Chapters find themselves with reduced membership resulting in the inability to fill key offices, or maybe an officer will be unavailable for a particular meeting and there is no other member to fulfil the role. This is where the 'SEERS' Team comes in.

Our Inspector General would like to establish for our District a list of those brethren who would be willing, for the price of their meal, to perform part of the ritual for another Chapter, whether it be part of the MEZ's work, the Prelate's etc. He is therefore asking for volunteers to go on such a register. You may have a particular 'party piece' that you can perform. If so, can you please let the SEERS Team co-ordinator, **Ill. Bro. Derek Potter**, know. He can be contacted by email ([derek.potter59@btinternet.com](mailto:derek.potter59@btinternet.com)) or by 'phone (01268 750123).

It is so important to maintain a high standard of ritual, particularly to impress a new candidate. Using outside assistance to improve a Chapter's standard of ceremony should be seen as a sign of strength, rather than weakness, and I hope this initiative is seen in that light. Please consider volunteering for it.

Sadly, there has been a very slow response to the original appeal, so please give this new appeal some serious thought and contact Ill. Bro Derek if you can help. I sure that you will find it a very rewarding experience.

## Potential Members

New members are the lifeblood of our order. You, as members, are our recruiting officers. Please share your experiences of our Order and the wonder of our ceremonies with your friends and encourage them to join us. We can circulate information leaflets or put up posters to attract new members but there is no substitute for a tap on the shoulder and a quiet word.

If you have a friend who shows interest there is plenty of information out there for them on our web site <https://www.southessexrosecroix.org.uk/> and our information booklet is available to download from the 'Download' section.

St. Paul Chapter No 295 also hold an open evening in September. Potential members are welcomed into the temple for an explanation of the Order.

## King Edward VII Demonstration

Perfectees are told that the Intermediate Degrees are proper degrees and that the King Edward VII Chapter of Improvement demonstrates one or two of them each year. They are demonstrated at Great Queen Street in April and then again in selected districts. These are amazing ceremonies with full regalia and 'props' and are worked to a very high standard.

The combined Districts of North and South Essex were scheduled to host the King Edward VII Chapter of Improvement demonstration team back in 2019. Sadly this was deferred due to Covid-19.

I am pleased to advise that we are now in a position to proceed with a demonstration of the **14th Degree - Grand Elect Perfect and Sublime Master** at Saxon Hall on Saturday, 18th June 2022.

Bookings are available at £10.00 for the demo only and £37.00 for the demonstration plus dinner. Please submit your booking using the online booking form at <https://www.southessexrosecroix.org.uk/KEVII/booking>

## Essex Chapter No 894

Essex Chapter No 894 is the Sovereigns Chapter for South Essex. Sovereigns and Past Sovereigns are entitled to become members and are encouraged to do so. The Chapter plays an important role in the welfare of the District, in that it is a forum where all the senior members of the Ancient & Accepted Rite in Essex can meet together in a friendly and social atmosphere. The Inspector General is also on hand to keep members up to date with news from The Supreme Council and the District.

Essex Chapter meets twice yearly, on the last working days in May and October, at Southend in May and afterwards at Chingford in October. The joining fee is £5.00 and the Annual Subscription is currently £32.00. The next meeting of Essex Chapter No 894 will be held at Saxon Hall on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2022.

Joining forms are available for download from the South Essex web site or on request from the District Recorder [eric.terry2@gmail.com](mailto:eric.terry2@gmail.com). Please contact the District Recorder for any further information.



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## Promotions to Higher Degrees

We offer congratulations to the following members who have been rewarded with promotion to Higher Degrees and attended their respective Higher Degrees Ceremonies.

Eric Terry	32	Chapter of Eternity No 763
Ashley Hitchcock	31	Thames Estuary Chapter No 634
Stuart Topley	31	St. Katherine's Chapter No 608
Martin Howse	31	Essex Quadrant Chapter No 501
Derek Adams	31	St Barnabas of Woodford Chapter No 774
Brian Wright	31	St Paul Chapter No 295
Mark Cockburn	31	Chapter of Eternity No 763
Michael Ward	31	Wickford & Langdon Hills Chapter No 835
Chris Hicks	30	De Vere No8 31
Andrew Howard	30	St Barnabas of Woodford Chapter No 774
Martin Crane	30	Courtenay Chapter No 728
Ralph Ankers	30	Courtenay Chapter No 728
Martin Terence Bullard	30	Thames Estuary Chapter No 634
David Robert Newell	30	Wickford & Langdon Hills Chapter No 835
Martin Edward Power	30	Grays & Eagle Chapter No 464
Bruce Edward New	30	St Barnabas of Woodford Chapter No 774
Michael Scotchmer	30	Stanley Frohnsdorff Chapter No 1055
Martin Pickett	30	St Paul Chapter No 295
Dudley Payne	30	Chingford Chapter No 850
Willam Cross	30	Crossed Keys No 629
Derek Mersh	30	Chingford Chapter No 850

We also congratulate the following members whose promotion ceremonies have yet to take place.

Charles Ager	31	Wickford & Langdon Hills Chapter No 835
Frank Corkhill	31	Hutton Chapter No 680
Danny Field	31	Essex Quadrant Chapter No 501

## In Memoriam

We were very sad to lose the following members since the last newsletter was circulated.

Ill. Bro. F.A. Tohill 30°	St Paul Chapter No 295
Ill. Bro. G.F. Baron 30°	Wickford & Langdon Hills Chapter No 835
Ill. Bro. G.F. Baron 30°	Essex Chapter No 894
Ill. Bro. G.R. Everitt 30°	Crossed Keys Chapter No 629
E&P. Bro. J.P. Salmon 18°	Chapter of Eternity No 763
Ill. Bro. B.D. Donkin 31°	St Paul Chapter No 295
	Ambresbury Chapter No 632
	Essex Chapter No 894
Ill. Bro. P.L. Hallums 30°	Prittlewell St Mary Chapter No 379
	Essex Chapter No 894
Ill. Bro. D.R. Botson 30°	Chapter of Eternity No 763
	Essex Chapter No 894
Ill. Bro. J.R. Newman 30°	Wickford & Langdon Hills Chapter No 835
E&P. Bro. D. Whitelock 18°	Courtenay Chapter No 728
Ill. Bro. M.R. Eves 30°	Ambresbury Chapter No 632
	Essex Chapter No 894
Ill. Bro. D.J. Willmott 30°	Hutton Chapter No 680

## In Memoriam (Cont'd)

Ill. Bro. W.E.F.V. Dilloway 30°	Courtenay Chapter No 728
	Essex Chapter No 894
Ill Bro E.W. Easton 31°	Langdon Hills Chapter No 835
	Essex Chapter No 894
Ill Bro G. Swift 31°	Grays & Eagle Chapter No 464
	Essex Chapter No 894
Ill. Bro. W.G. Cope 30°	Crossed Keys Chapter No 629
Ill. Bro. L.F. Ruff 31°	Hutton Chapter No 680
	Essex Chapter No 894
Ill Bro. R.A.E Marshall 30°	Essex Quadrant Chapter No 501
Ill. Bro. J.J. Edwards 30°	Chingford Chapter No 850
Ill. Bro. C.W. Clements 30°	Stanley Frohnsdorff Chapter No 1055
Ill. Bro. R.G. Sargent 30°	Crossed Keys Chapter No 629
	Essex Chapter No 894
Ill. Bro.G.K. Jackson 31°	Chapter of Eternity No 763

## Recognition of Long Service

Regrettably the suspension of meetings as a result of Covid-19 meant that some of our members were unable to have their long service certificates presented in person. However the significant achievement of the following members is hereby recognised.

### 30 Years

Ill. Bro. Michael Robinson, 32°, Chingford Chapter No 850	perfected on 22 <sup>nd</sup> June, 1990
Ill. Bro. Michael Ward, 31°, Wickford Chapter No 886	perfected on 17 <sup>th</sup> April, 1990
Ill. Bro. Peter Cross, 30°, Crossed Keys Chapter No 629	Perfected on 25 <sup>th</sup> June, 1990
Ill. Bro. John Davies, 30°, Crossed Keys Chapter No 629	perfected on 25 <sup>th</sup> June, 1990
Ill. Bro. Robert Harvey, 30°, Thames Estuary Chapter No 632	perfected on 9 <sup>th</sup> April, 1991
Ill. Bro. Glyn Jarrett, 31°, Grays & Eagle Chapter No 464	perfected on 22 <sup>nd</sup> May, 1991
Ill. Bro. Graham Larke, 32°, St Katharine's Chapter No 608	perfected on 18 <sup>th</sup> October, 1991
Ill. Bro. Roger Miller 31°, St. Paul Chapter No 295	perfected on 29 <sup>th</sup> October, 1991
Ill. Bro. Roger Miller 31°, St Katharine's Chapter No 608	perfected on 13 <sup>th</sup> December, 1991
Ill. Bro. Mark Cockburn, 31°, Chapter of Eternity No 763	on 28 <sup>th</sup> January, 1992



### 40 Years

Ill. Bro. Brian Moore, 31°, St. Barnabas of Woodford Chapter No 774	perfected on 21 <sup>st</sup> January, 1981
Ill. Bro. Thomas Penman, 31°, Grays Chapter No 464	perfected on 8 <sup>th</sup> October, 1980