

The Grand Council of the Order of Royal and Select Masters of  
England and Wales and its Districts and Councils Overseas

## **District of Northumberland**



District Grand Master  
R. Ill. Comp. John Harvey  
**2020 Yearbook**

As of 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021

# Foreword

The Covid-19 pandemic which began in early 2020 meant that no Installation Meetings could be held throughout the District.

This means that all Officers installed and invested in 2019 have remained in Office for a second year.

The Grand Council of the Order of Royal and Select Masters of England and Wales  
and its Districts and Councils Overseas

The Most Illustrious Grand Master  
KESSICK JOHN JONES

The Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master  
HIS HON. IAN DOUGLAS GAVIN ALEXANDER, Q.C.

The Right Illustrious Grand Principal Conductor of the Work  
RICHARD LUDWIK GAN, JP, IX

**DISTRICT OF NORTHUMBERLAND**

The Right Illustrious District Grand Master  
JOHN HARVEY

The Deputy District Grand Master  
V. Ill. Comp. COLIN HUME P.G.Lect.

The District Grand Principal Conductor of the Work  
Ill. Comp. DENIS ROY NIBLETT, P.G.Cond.C.

The District Grand Recorder  
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**ROLL OF COUNCILS**

Royal Kent, "A" TI	Throckley
Northumbria, No. 160	Bedlington
The Priors Haven, No. 173	North Shields
Wudcestre, No. 190	Ashington
Hexhamshire, No. 193	Hexham

## DISTRICT GRAND OFFICERS 2020 — 2021

Appointed at the Annual Meeting of the District of Northumberland on the  
26<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at Corbridge Road, Newcastle upon Tyne

Deputy DGM	V. Ill Comp C Hume, PGLect
District Grand PCW	Ill Comp D R Niblett, JP, PGCondC
District Grand Chaplain	Ill Comp M Mills, JP, PGCondC
District Grand Treasurer	Ill Comp J Bruce
District Grand Recorder	Comp. N M Deakin
District Grand DC	Ill Comp A Jennings, DGDC
District Grand Almoner	Ill Comp M F Jackson-Croker, PAGDC
District Grand Lecturer	Ill Comp J J O'Dowd
District Grand Deputy DC	Ill Comp A Thompson, PGStB
District Grand Captain of the Guard	Ill Comp G Young
District Grand Conductor of the Council	Ill Comp E Longstaff
District Grand Assistant DC	Ill Comp G Rice, PAGDC
District Grand Sword Bearer	Ill. Comp. T. Narey
District Grand Standard Bearer	Ill Comp P C Watters, JP
District Grand Assistant Recorder	Ill Comp J Warham, PGCaptGd
District Grand Organist	Ill Comp R Northey, PGCondC
District Grand Steward	Ill. Comp. P J Appleby
District Grand Manciple	Comp F D Beecroft
District Grand Manciple	Comp I Hudson
District Grand Sentinel	Ill Comp J H Dunford

## APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS

None

## TOAST LIST

The Queen

The Grand Master

Most Illustrious Companion KESSICK JOHN JONES

The Deputy Grand Master

R. III. Comp. His Hon IAN DOUGLAS GAVIN ALEXANDER, QC

The Grand Principal conductor of the Work

R. III. Comp. RICHARD LUDWIK GAN, JP, IX

And the rest of the Grand Officers, Present and Past

The District Grand Master

R. III. Comp. JOHN HARVEY

The Deputy District Grand Master

V. III. Comp. COLIN HUME, PGLect

The District Grand Principal Conductor of the Work

III. Comp. DENIS ROY NIBLETT, JP, PhD, PGCondCC

and the rest of the District Grand Officers Present and Past.

The Candidate(s) - (If appropriate))

The Thrice Illustrious Master (Usually only at Installations)

Our Guests

Our Next Merry Meeting

## GRAND OFFICERS

Companions of Northumberland holding Office in Grand Council

Name	Rank	Year Appointed
J R Armstrong	PGMar	1997
	PAGDC	2003
	PGCaptGd	2010
	PGLect	2015
D Auld	PAGDC	2008
G Craigs	PGCondC	2019
H R Cree	PAGDC	2014
	PGCondC	2019
R. Cuthbertson	PGSwdB	2017
A R Davis	PAGDC	2016
	PGCondC	2020
R Eames	PGSwdB	2011
I Gibbs	PGSwdB	2016
J Harvey	PAGDC	1999
	PGCaptGd	2004
	PGLect	2009
	DistGM	2012
C Hume	PAGDC	2008
	PGCaptGd	2014
	PGLect	2019
M F Jackson-Croker	PAGDC	2021
A C Jennings	PGStB	2015
	AGDC	2018
	AGDC	2019
	DGDC	2020
B Kennedy	AGDC	2017
	PGCaptGd	2021
M Lockey	PGStB	2009
G Long	GStB	2007
	PGCondC	2016
M J Louis, <i>JP</i>	PAGDC	2000
	GCaptGd	2005
	PGLeckt	2012
	PGCoun	2016
P Magnay, <i>DL</i>	PAGDC	2011
	PGCaptGd	2013
	PGLect	2018
R Mathews	PAGDC	2020
J J Meikle	PAGDC	2019
D Melvin	PAGDC	2004
	PGCaptGd	2012
M Mills, <i>JP</i>	PGStB	2009
	PGCondC	2015
D Moses	PAGDC	2013

<b>Name</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Year Appointed</b>
G Murdoch	PGStB	1997
S J Neil	GStB	2006
D R Niblett, <i>JP</i>	PGCondC	2012
	PAGDC	2016
R Northey	PGCondC	2021
	GManciple	2012
J Oliver	PGCondC	2015
	PAGDC	2018
D C Purkiss	PAGDC	1999
A C Reader	PAGDC	2020
G. Rice	PAGDC	2017
A H Smith	PGStB	1996
	DistGM	1997-2007
T Tait, <i>JP</i>	IX	2016
	PAGDC	2006
	PGCaptGd	2013
A Thompson	PGStB	2013
J Tomlin	PAGDC	2008
	PGCaptGd	2013
	PGLect	2018
J Warham	GMar	2000
	PAGDC	2005
	PGCaptGd	2011

## ROYAL KENT COUNCIL 'A' TI

Installation: September

Membership 16

Time Immemorial

Working under Templar Warrant previous to 1830

Confirmatory Warrant 28 July 1893

Falmouth House, Hexham Road, Throckley, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE15 9DX

Fourth Tuesday in February, April and September [7.00pm]

<b>Officers</b>		<b>Past Masters of the Council</b>	
TIM	J J O'Dowd, DistGLect	1985	A H Smith, IX, PDGM
DM	B Kennedy, PGCaptGd, DistGRec (Durham)	1992	J R Armstrong, PGLect,
		2009	A C Jennings, DGDC, DistGDC
PCW	K G Alldred	2010	D R Niblett, <i>JP</i> , PGConcC, DistGPCW
IPTIM	T Narey, DistGSwdB	2013	A C Jennings, DGDC, DistGDC
Chap	D R Niblett, <i>JP</i> , PGConcC, DistGPCW	2014	T Narey, DistGSwdB
Treasurer	D R Niblett, <i>JP</i> , PGConcC, DistGPCW	2015	J J O'Dowd, DistGLect
Recorder	P J Appleby, DistGStwd	2016	A C Jennings, DGDC, DistGDC
DC	A C Jennings, DGDC DistGDC	2017	P J Appleby, DistGStwd
		2018	T Narey, DistGSwdB
CaptGd		<b>Past Masters in the Council</b>	
ConcC	R D Valentine	B Kennedy, PGCaptGd, DistGRec (Durham), 126	
ADC			
Steward	T Narey, DistGSwdB		
Manciple	R J K McEwan		
Sentinel	N Wicks		

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## NORTHUMBRIA COUNCIL No. 160

Installation: December

Membership 20 Consecrated 30 November 1989

Masonic Hall, Hartford Road East, Bedlington NE22 6HU

First Thursday in March, May and December [7.00pm]

<b>Officers</b>		<b>Past Masters of the Council</b>	
TIM	J J Meikle, PAGDC	1999	M Louis, <i>JP</i> , PG Coun, PDepDGM
DM	F Dye	2002	D Auld, PAGDC
PCW	M Tahir	2003	E G Broadhead, PDistGCaptGd
IPTIM	J Dunford, DistGSent	2006	R Northey, PGCondC, DistGOrg
Chap	M Mills, <i>JP</i> , PGCondC DistGChap	2007	G Rice, PAGDC. DistGADC
Treasurer	G Rice, PAGDC, DistAGDC	2009	J Oliver, PAGDC
Recorder	D Auld, PAGDC	2011	D L Armstrong, PDistGLect
DC	R Northey, PGCondC, DistGOrg	2012	D L Armstrong, PDistGLect
CaptGd	J Barlow	2013	J J Meikle, PAGDC
CondC	G Fenwick	2014	J J Meikle, PAGDC
ADC	S Cairns, PDistGLect	2015	S Cairns, PDistGLect
Steward	J M Prail	2016	S Cairns, PDistGLect
Manciple	F Innes	2017	J Dunford, DistGSent
Manciple		2018	J Dunford, DistGSent
Sentinel	V Raffo		
			Past Masters in the Council J Harvey, 173, 193 M Mills, JP 190

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## THE PRIORS HAVEN COUNCIL No. 173

Installation: January

Membership 16

Consecrated 23 January 1992

Freemasons' Hall, Albion Road, North Shields, NE30 2RQ

Third Wednesday in January, March and September [7.00pm]

<b>Officers</b>		<b>Past Masters of the Council</b>	
TIM	J H Mowat	1999	J Harvey, DGM
DM	E Longstaff, DistGConC	2000	G Long, PGConDC
PCW	H R Cree, PGConDC,	2002	R L Andrews, PDistGLect
IPTIM	G Craigs, PGConDC	2006	H R Cree, PGConDC
Chap	G Long, PGConDC	2007	H R Cree, PGConDC
Treasurer	R Cuthbertson, PGSwdB	2008	J Harvey, DGM
		2009	R Cuthbertson, PGSwdB
Recorder	N Topping, PDistGConC	2010	D Moses, PAGDC
DC	D Moses, PAGDC	2011	H R Cree, PGConDC
CaptGd	A F Sheret	2012	R L Andrews, PDistGLect
ConDC	S J I Angus	2013	R L Andrews, PDistGLect
Steward	H P M Macleod	2015	E Longstaff, DistGConC
Manciple	C W Robson	2016	N Topping, PDistGConC
Sentinel	M E Pitkeathley	2017	H R Cree, PGConDC
		2018	G Craigs, PGConDC
		2019	G Craigs, PGConDC
		<b>Past Masters in the Council</b>	
		M Louis, <i>JP</i> 160	

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## WUDCESTRE COUNCIL No, 190

Installation: October

Membership 29

Consecrated 23 March 1995

Masonic Hall, John Street, Ashington, NE63 0SE

Fourth Thursday in January, May and October [7.00pm]

<b>Officers</b>		<b>Past Masters of the Council</b>	
TIM	P C Watters, <i>JP</i> , DistGStdB	1995	J Warham, PGCaptGd
DM	F D Beecroft, DistGManc	1996	M Mills, <i>JP</i> , PGCondC, DistGChap
PCW	I Hudson, DistGManc	1998	T Tait, <i>JP</i> , PGCaptGd
IPTIM	I Gibbs, PGSwdB	1999	M Lockley, PGStB
Chap	M Mills, <i>JP</i> , PGCondC DistGChap	2000	M J Lightly, PDistGCondC
Treasurer	R Mathews, PAGDC	2001	R Eames, PGSwdB
Recorder	J Tomlin, PGLect	2002	J Tomlin, PGLect
DC	J Warham, PGCaptGd	2003	C Hume, PGLect, DepDGM
CaptGd	S Mathews	2006	I Gibbs, PGSwdB
CondC	A Burn	2009	R Eames, PGSwdB
ADC	G J Morrison, PDistGLect	2010	G M Hall, PDistGLect
Steward	S Snaith	2011	R Mathews, PAGDC
Manciple	G R Smith	2012	R Mathews, PAGDC
	S Read	2013	I Gibbs, PGSwdB
	B Whittaker	2014	G J Morrison, PDistGLect
	J G Davies	2015	T Tait, <i>JP</i> , PGCaptGd
Sentinel		2016	P C Watters, <i>JP</i> , DistGStdB
		2017	P C Watters, <i>JP</i> , DistGStdB
		2018	I Gibbs, PGSwdB

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## HEXHAMSHIRE COUNCIL No. 193

Installation: December

Membership 28

Consecrated 7 April 1995

Masonic Hall, Westfield Terrace, Hexham, NE46 3DJ

First Wednesday in February, May and December [7.00pm]

<b>Officers</b>		<b>Past Masters of the Council</b>	
TIM	J N Bruce, DistGTreas	1995	J R Armstrong, PGLect
DM	R L Turner	1996	J Harvey, DGM
PCW	J S Moor	1997	D Melvin, PAGDC
IPTIM	J S Moor	2003	A R Davis, PGConcD
Chap	J Harvey, DGM	2004	S J Neil, PGConcD
Treasurer	M F Jackson Croker, PAGDC, DistGAlm	2005	C Deighton, PDistGLect
Recorder	A C Reader, PAGDC	2006	A R Davis, PGConcD
DC	A Thompson, PGStB	2007	A Thompson, PGStB
CaptGd	R A Walton	2008	P Magnay, <i>DL</i> , PGLect
ConcD	A C Jennings, DGDC, DistGDC	2010	D L Mowbray, PDistGStB
Steward	N D Milburn, PDGM (Cumb. & West.)	2011	A C Reader, PAGDC
Sentinel		2012	F C Main, PDistGLect
		2013	C Deighton, PDistGLect
		2014	A R Davis, PGConcD
		2015	G Young, DistGCaptG
		2016	M F Jackson-Croker, PAGDC, DistGAlm
		2017	A C Jennings, DGDC, DistGDC
		2018	J S Moor
			<b>Past Masters in the Council</b>
			A H Smith 'A'
			N D Milburn 199
			A C Jennings 'A'

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## NOTES FOR COUNCIL RECORDERS

### COUNCIL SUMMONSES

A copy of every summons should be sent to the District Grand Master, the Deputy District Grand Master, the District Grand Principal Conductor of the Work and the District Grand Recorder. These can be sent by email or hard copy as appropriate. Three copies of the summons should be sent to the Recorders of all other Councils in the District. Summonses received from other Councils should be passed on promptly to the TIM, Deputy Master and PCW. of your Council.

### CORRESPONDENCE FOR GRAND COUNCIL.

All forms and correspondence for Grand Council ***must*** be sent to the District Grand Recorder for onward transmission. Registration forms, Installation returns, etc, should be sent to the District Grand Recorder ***within*** fourteen days of the relevant meeting. Under no circumstances should correspondence be sent direct to Grand Council without the express permission of the District Grand Recorder.

### COUNCIL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A copy of the signed approved Financial Statement should be sent to the District Grand Recorder ***within one month*** of its acceptance.

### CHEQUE PAYMENTS

Cheques for Grand Council should be made payable to "GLMMM" and cheques for District Grand Council made payable to "District Grand Council of Northumberland". If paying Grand Council via Bank Transfer, please ensure that payment instructions from MMH are followed precisely.

### CONTACT WITH DISTRICT RECORDER

The District Grand Recorder can be contacted by telephone on (0191) 2850243 or 07846 533915. Messages by email may be sent to [distgrecorder@rsmnorthumberland.org.uk](mailto:distgrecorder@rsmnorthumberland.org.uk)

### Dates for your diary

Hexhamshire Installation	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday in December	4 Dec 2019
Northumbria 160 Installation	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday in December	5 Dec 2019
Priors Haven 173 Installation	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in January	15 Jan 2020
Grand Council Meeting	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in April	21 Apr 2020
Silver Trowel Meeting (Hexham)	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday in May	6 May 2020
Royal Kent 'A' Installation	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday in September	22 Sep 2020
Wudcester 190 Installation	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday in October	22 Oct 2020
District Grand Council Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday in October	24 Oct 2020

### District Visits

To be decided

## Council Meetings

Royal Kent	A TI	4th Tue Feb	4th Tue Apr	4th Tue Sep (I)
Northumbria	160	1st Thur Mar	1st Thur May	1st Thur Dec (I)
Priors' Haven	173	3rd Wed Jan (I)	3rd Wed Mar	3rd Wed Sep
Wudcestre	190	4th Thu Jan	4th Thu May	4th Thu Oct (I)
Hexhamshire	193	1st Wed Feb	May	1st Wed Dec (I)