



# Provincial Grand Lodge of Antrim **NEWSLETTER**

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## **A SPECIAL OCCASION FOR CHICHESTER MASONIC LODGE 313**

On Saturday evening 02 June 2012 at an Emergency Communication of the Lodge, three of its stalwarts were recognised by Provincial Grand Lodge. **VW Bro W J Liggett MBE** and **W Bro Archie Singleton** received long service awards: for Bill Liggett, a 60-year bar was added to his 50-year jewel and Archie Singleton accepted his 50-year jewel. Archie had originally joined a Lodge in Londonderry and affiliated to Chichester; Bill joined Chichester sixty years ago.

At a good attendance of the Lodge, the Provincial Grand Master RW Bro John Dickson was received and welcomed. During the presentation ceremony the PGM referred to events of the day at the time of both brethren joining Freemasonry and highlighted their Masonic and professional careers. W Bro Singleton was WM in 1974 and VW Bro Liggett was WM in 1975. Both served as sergeants in the RUC stationed at Whitehead. *Below, the PGM addresses Archie and Bill during the presentation ceremony.*







be of interest to Brethren, provide something a little different and encourage Lodges to become more pro-active.

## Golf Tournament

The Provincial Grand Master of Antrim, RW Bro John Dickson, launched an inaugural golf competition in order to support charities. Held at Ballycastle Golf Club on Friday 18 May, the day was a great event with over 100 golfers registered to play. The event was attended by both men and lady golfers, all aiming to win coveted prizes for varying disciplines during the round of golf.

The event raised **£2818** shared between two non-Masonic charities as well as the Victoria Jubilee Fund. **Lifelites** is a children’s charity working in conjunction with the Northern Ireland Children’s’ Hospice, to provide essential and much needed respite care for patients with terminal or life limiting illnesses. The Charity co-ordinator at NICH explained, *Eighty percent of our funding must come from donations and the Freemasons are always very generous to the hospice. They have contributed, and continue to contribute, substantial funds towards our important work.*



The **Cardiac Fund at Altagelvin Hospital** has also benefited and It is hoped that this will go some way to improving the cardiac services for the local residents.

Pictured is the golf day organiser W Bro Robert Wilson presenting the winning prize to W Bro McVeigh.

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## WOODLAND LODGE 803 *hold a* MEMORIAL SERVICE

On Friday 23 March 2012, the brethren of Woodland Lodge 803 held a Memorial Service for departed brethren during their Stated Communication. The Provincial Grand Master, RW Bro John Dixon, was in attendance along with a number of distinguished guests, Brethren of the Lodge and visitors. The service was held to commemorate the passing to the Grand Lodge above of the following brethren:

The late W Bro David Crawford  
The late W Bro William J C Leeper

The late W Bro Thomas Montgomery  
The late W Bro James L Hewitt

The late W Bro Norman Crozier

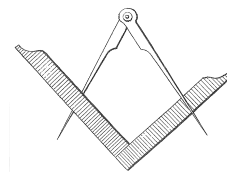
VW Bro Rev Ken Gamble, Provincial Grand Chaplain to the Provincial Grand Lodge of Down, officiated during the service. Scripture readings were read by Bro Barri Orr (Junior Warden), Bro Harold White (Senior Warden) and W Bro Trevor Moore (Worshipful Master). W, Bro Noel Smyth played the organ. This was a fitting tribute to the dearly departed brethren and despite the sombre occasion, an enjoyable evening was had by all in attendance as the brethren reminisced at the festive board about the good times had in the company of those no longer with us.



**Above**  
The PGM with members and guests after the memorial service.



**Left**  
After being elected Provincial Grand Lodge Steward for the year 2012, W Bro Trevor Moore is presented with his provincial regalia by W Bro Eric Hanna, Worshipful Master at the time.



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