

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

## **BORDER LODGE OF MARK MASTER MASONS**

**2016-2017**

The year commenced with the Installation of Bro. Rick Whitehead in September 2016 which was graced with the presence of The Deputy Provincial Grand Master W.Bro Bob Blake and other officers of the provincial Team. There were 43 Mark Masons present and a good time was had by all.

The November meeting saw the delayed Advancement of Bro Joshua Konynenburg. A cheque for £200 was presented to V.W.Bro John Bell for Hope for Tomorrow. W.Bro Darlington Presented the Mark Lecture which was well received by all present.

At the February Meeting it was agreed that W.Bro. Frank Watson who had been the Lodge Secretary for many years should be elected as a honorary member of the Lodge. A ballot was held and proved in favour of his Honorary Membership. As there was no candidate a presentation of Masonic Interest from R.W.Bro. Michael Mead the Past Provincial Grand Master highlighted various anomalies in Masonic Dogma in general and Mark Masonry in particular.

This was a very interesting and enlightening presentation leaving the assembled brethren with plenty to think about. We received notification of the Appointment of W.Bro Darlaston as Provincial Grand Standard Bearer from Provincial Grand Lodge.

At the April Meeting Niall Barry-Walsh was declared Worshipful Master Elect for the ensuing Year.

Membership was relatively stable with one Advancee and a member becoming an honorary member reducing our membership to 37.