

## From the Secretary

Nearly another year over as we approach the final 2014 SMSC meeting in December. We have celebrated the memory of fallen Brethren and all those who served and gave the ultimate sacrifice in the 100th anniversary of the great war, which I am sure gave us all time for reflection.

At this meeting, we are very honoured to have Very Worshipful Brother Peter Holland as our guest speaker who will be giving a talk about his role as Deputy Provincial Grand Master.

Please note that the Christmas cheese & wine Supper will be served following the meeting at £5 per person which will give us all time to catch up on news with other SMSC members and guests.

I do hope to see you all on the 11th.

Bro. Robert Vine



### The regular meeting dates of SMSC are:

3rd Thursday in March (AGM), May, September, and the 2nd Thursday in December (Cheese & Wine) all starting at 8pm. (Members will be notified of any unavoidable deviation from these dates and times)

**The SMSC year starts on 1st February** when subscriptions are due. Membership is only £3 per year so please ensure you are up to date by checking with the Treasurer.

As agreed at the 2013 AGM, any member three years in arrears will be sent a warning that their membership is about to cease; any member four years in arrears will be removed from membership, with a penalty of 3 years membership subscription on rejoining within two years. (waived at the discretion of the committee).

To ensure you are kept up to date please ensure the Secretary has your up-to-date email address for mailing the summons.

## The new Website

The SMSC website : [www.southchurch.mesh4us.org.uk](http://www.southchurch.mesh4us.org.uk) will be closing soon

The new website is now:  
<http://masonic-knowledge.org>

## Southchurch Masonic Study Circle



**Founded 1977**

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### Meeting at

Southend Masonic Centre  
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Next meeting:

**Thursday 11th December 2014, 8pm**

A talk by V.W.Bro. Peter Holland PGSwdB DepPGM  
**The role of a Deputy Provincial Grand Master**

## AGENDA

- 1) Open the meeting and welcome visitors and prospective new members
- 2) Apologies for absence
- 3) Read and if approved, confirm the Minutes of the previous meeting
- 4) Matters Arising from those Minutes
- 5) Items of Masonic Interest
- 6) A talk by V.W.Bro. Peter Holland PGSwdB DepPGM entitled "The role of a Deputy Provincial Grand Master".
- 7) Questions & Answers:
- 8) Any other Business
- 9) Close the meeting
- 10) Wine & Cheese Supper (**NB:** see opposite)

## Calendar for 2014

### Thursday 11th December 2014 : 8pm

V.W.Bro. Peter Holland PGSwdB DepPGM :

The role of a DepPGM

Followed by our Christmas Cheese & Wine supper

### Thursday 19th March 2014 : 8pm (150th Anniversary meeting)

A Q&A session and a talk about the setting up of the SMSC and its aims, goals etc. and whether at nearly 40 years on these are being met. See opposite

## News

**The Founding Lodge of SMSC**, Southchurch Hall Lodge No.8005 will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary on Saturday 18th April 2015 at Saxon Hall. The Installation will be attended by the Provincial Executive. The price is expected to be around £30pp.

They would be grateful for your support so if you wish to attend please contact the Lodge Secretary W.Bro. Richard Goodwin at [r.goodwin@btinternet.com](mailto:r.goodwin@btinternet.com).

## About the Author and his Talk

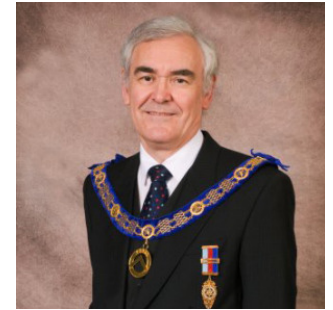
### V.W.Bro. Peter E Holland PGSwdB DepPGM

V.W. Bro. Peter was initiated into Sweyne Lodge No.4764. He is a Royal Arch Mason and a member in many other additional orders.

A very experienced Essex Mason, he was Appointed ProvAGDC in 1987, promoted to ProvDepGDC in 1989, ProvGDC in 1994, APGM in 1999 and DepProvGM in 2005.

His chosen career took him to Lloyds' Insurance as a broker from which he retired early in 1999. He was then appointed Company Secretary of QCCC Ltd and retired from that position in 2010.

His talk will cover the role, functions and duties of a Deputy Provincial Grand Master.



## Cheese & Wine Supper



The meeting will be followed by our usual Christmas Cheese and Wine Supper still at only £5 per person.



**To assist with catering arrangements it is imperative that if you wish to stay for the Cheese and Wine Supper you must please book by contacting the Secretary Bro. Robert Vine as soon as possible: [robert.vine@vodafoneemail.co.uk](mailto:robert.vine@vodafoneemail.co.uk), 07799 643240**

## Next Meeting

The March meeting is our **150th Anniversary meeting** and it has been proposed that it should be a Question and Answer session, enabling members to ask those questions they have always wanted answers to about freemasonry. Please send your questions in advance to the Secretary. The meeting will also include a talk about the setting up of the SMSC and its aims, goals etc. and whether at nearly 40 years on these are being met. We would like to hear from any founder or early member of the SMSC prepared to talk on this subject.