

From the Secretary

This is our first meeting of the year and its apparent that we may still need to change the meeting dates to avoid diary clashes. I would ask all SMSC members to consider alternatives so we can discuss at our AGM.

At this meeting I am pleased to say that we have a talk from W.Bro John Chambers on the subject of Rudyard Kipling. Kipling's wonderful poem, 'The Mother Lodge' is often recited during Festive Boards and is still as apt today as when it was written in 1894 as it celebrates the equality which reigns among Freemasons without distinction of profession, rank, race or creed.

W. Bro. Robert Vine.

The regular meeting dates of SMSC are:

2nd Thursday in March (AGM), May, September, and December. 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.

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Southchurch Masonic Study Circle



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Meeting at

Southend Masonic Centre
Saxon Hall, Aviation Way,
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Next meeting:

Thursday 8th March 2018

AGM 7.45pm Meeting 8.00pm

A Talk by W.Bro John Chambers

"THE LIFE & MASONIC CAREER OF RUDYARD KIPLING"

AGENDA

AGM: 7.45pm

- 1) Apologies for absence.
- 2) To elect:
 - Chairman
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Examiners
- 3) To receive the accounts for the year ending 31st January 2018
- 4) Any other Business

Meeting: 8pm

- 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) To receive a talk from W.Bro. John Chambers
- 7) Any other Business
- 8) Close the meeting

News



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The Speaker & The Talk

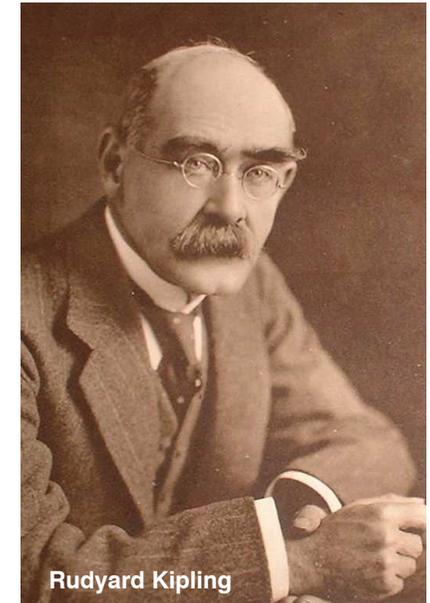
W.Bro John Chambers PPJGW.

The current Worshipful Master of Prittlewell Lodge No 4896, W.Bro. John is a member of two lodges, two Royal Arch Chapters and three Mark Master Mason's Lodges.

THE LIFE & MASONIC CAREER OF RUDYARD KIPLING

The subject of his talk is divided into four parts:

1. A preface to describe the circumstances of Kipling's introduction into Freemasonry
2. An account of his life
3. His Masonic career
4. Recitation of particular Masonic poems written by Kipling that show his great love of the Craft



*"We met upon the Level
an' we parted
on the square"*

Calendar for 2018

The next meeting of the Southchurch Masonic Study Circle will be on

Thursday 10th May 2018

Our guest speaker and talk has yet to be decided