



Order of the Secret Monitor

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Quarterly Report of the Grand Supreme Ruler

Second Quarter 2024-2025

To the Brethren of our Order,

I hope this message finds you in the best of health. For those who are unwell, I extend my best wishes for a speedy recovery.

During this second quarter, I have attended Installations at the following Conclaves:

- **The Shield of David Conclave** Bro Khristianne Albano was installed as WSR.
Bro Remigo Nieto was installed as Deputy WSR
- **The Central Coast Conclave:** Bro Derek Crawford was installed as WSR
- **The Lachlan Valley Conclave:** Rt Wthy Bro Rex Gavin was re-installed as WSR.

I extend my sincere gratitude to all the Grand Officers who have worked diligently in performing these ceremonies and attending these events. Your efforts are deeply appreciated by our Worthy Supreme Rulers and the Brethren of the Conclaves. It is one of the special aspects of our Order that we support our Installations in such large numbers.

A special mention goes to the Installation ceremony at Shield of David Conclave, where Most Worshipful Brother Bernie Khristianne Albano was installed as Worthy Supreme Ruler, and Worthy Brother Remigo Nieto as Deputy Worthy Supreme Ruler. This was a memorable occasion for our Order, and I know all those present greatly appreciated the ceremony.

Looking ahead, the next quarter will be very busy, with ten upcoming Installations or Re-Installations.

- Balgowlah Conclave No. 11. Wednesday, 9th April.
- Oxley Conclave No. 24. Saturday, 12th April.
- Randwick No 12. Tuesday, 29th April.
- Colin Lawson Conclave No. 7. Friday, 2nd May.
- Earl of Courtown Conclave No. 10. Monday, 26th May.
- The Newcastle No 3. Saturday 24th May.
- Gunnedah Conclave No. 19. Saturday, 31st May.
- Sidney Holland Conclave No. 21. Friday, 6th June
- Picton Conclave No. 17. Saturday, 21st June.

Please note that Prince Jonathon Daylight Conclave No. 28. Installation has been rescheduled For the 28th August 2025.

Brethren, please remember that six of these Conclaves invite our Ladies to the refectory.

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Bernie Khristianne Albano, extended an invitation to the Heads of Associated Orders for a one-time attendance at our March 2025 Quarterly Communication, which was held at the Sydney Masonic Centre on Wednesday, 12th March 2025. On this occasion, the Grand Master invited us to wear the appropriate regalia of our Office. The evening was a great success and thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Additionally, I am pleased to share that a cordial invitation has been extended to me, or my representative, along with members, partners, and friends, to attend the forthcoming Grand Proclamation of Most Worthy Brother Wayne Leslie Smith as Grand Supreme Ruler. This event will take place at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Surfers Paradise, QLD, on Saturday, 17th May 2025. I am honored to represent the Order alongside Judyth, and we will be accompanied by Kevin Allen, DGSR and Connie; Past Grand Supreme Ruler Most Worthy Brother John Cooke and Ann; and Right Worthy Brother Trevor Harris, PDGSR and Sandra. We welcome any other Brethren who would also like to attend.

Brethren, you have now received the Third Quarter attendance forms. In the past, the number of returned forms has been quite low compared to those sent out, making it difficult for the Grand Director of Ceremonies to allocate work effectively. I understand that committing three months in advance can be challenging due to family, work, and social commitments. However, we aim to ensure that all Brethren have opportunities to participate throughout the year. If we do not know whether you are attending, we cannot plan accordingly. Even if you are unable to attend, please notify us.

Returns can be submitted via regular mail or email. If you find yourself forgetting to send it in, you can also write your response on a piece of paper and hand it to me at any Installation. To all current Grand Council Officers, there is an expectation that you will submit a return.

As we look ahead to the coming months, let us continue to uphold the fundamental values of our Order—friendship, compassion, and mutual support. May our efforts be ever guided by the principles of care for one another, the strengthening of fraternal bonds, and the quiet but steadfast service that defines the true spirit of the Order of the Secret Monitor. Together, let us work to ensure that our Order continues to flourish, not only in numbers but in the quality of our commitment to each other. Let us be ever mindful of our calling—to be a source of comfort in times of sorrow, encouragement in times of challenge, and joy in times of celebration. In this, may we truly reflect the light of our order: The Order of the Secret Monitor that is based on the Brotherhood of David and Jonathan.

I look forward to seeing you all in the near future.

Yours fraternally,
Stephen Hayne
Grand Supreme Ruler

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