

Don't let your chosen Charity miss out on **CALM APPEAL** Match Funding



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CALM APPEAL MATCH FUNDING UPDATE

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Dear Brother and Companion Charity Steward,

Following a very successful year with the CALM Appeal, which raised more than our £60,000 target, it has been decided to launch a 'Match Funding' exercise with the balance.

The Match Funding will work as follows:

Any Lodge or Chapter that has donated to the CALM Appeal will be able to apply.

We will match donations up to £500, providing the Lodge or Chapter has voted in an Open Lodge or Chapter meeting, until the surplus funds of the CALM Appeal have been exhausted!

Each Lodge or Chapter will only be able to receive ONE match funding.

The recipient should be a local Charity or good cause, preferably within West Kent.

Once an Application Form has been received and providing the above criteria has been met, the Appeal Team and the APGM of the Lodge group or the DepGSupt for Chapters will consider the petition and decide if match funding is appropriate.

For your information, the recipient does not necessarily need to be a registered charity.

WE STILL HAVE FUNDS AVAILABLE SO MAKE YOUR APPLICATION NOW !!!

Please email me for an Application Form: roland.stokes1@btinternet.com

Sincerely & Fraternaly

Roland Stokes

Provincial Grand Charity Steward

The Column is produced to keep all Lodge and Chapter Charity Stewards fully informed of current events and Fund Raising matters.
If you have any presentations to Charities we would be pleased to hear from you.
Email any submissions to: fredhalligan@aol.com



The Column

News for Charity Stewards

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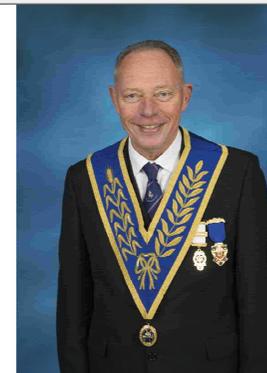


PLANNING THE FUTURE.

Brethren,

You should all be aware that our 2026 MCF Festival starts on 1st January 2020.

This may seem in the distant future but as always time flies, so preparations need to be put in place now!



One of the issues from the 2015 MSF Festival was the lack of regular monthly donations to the relief Chest. This is easy for each individual to set up and is significant in spreading payments and attaining targets and thus cushions the journey to a successful festival conclusion. So I strongly advise Charity Stewards to encourage all Brethren to employ this method of giving.

Charity Stewards please ensure Monday 30th September 2019 is indelibly printed in your next years diary for the special event at Oakley House. This evening event is for Charity Stewards only and will provide invaluable information and advice to assist in your roles. In view of the notice given we expect 100% attendance! More details will be available shortly.

I shall keep you fully informed as our plans come together over the next 16 months to ensure that every member feels fully connected to this very special first appeal for the MCF by West Kent. I know you will give our PGM your full support but feel free to contact me with any questions or for advice.

Thank you for your attention

Roland Stokes PGC

BARKAWAYS FERRARI OPEN DAY

Brethren, You may recall that as part of the CALM Appeal fund raising we held an Auction for 2 sets of tickets to the Barkaways Ferrari Open Day on Saturday 21st June. The highest bidder very kindly donated the tickets to be used as the CALM Appeal saw fit and it was decided to give them to two worthy Brethren within the Province. Below is a copy of one of the two thank you's we received.

Dear Calm Appeal Team, I just wanted to thank you both for arranging for my son, Josh, and I to attend the Barkaways Open Day. To say we had a good time is an understatement! Both Josh and I thoroughly enjoyed being surrounded by so many beautiful cars and finding out all about the painstaking process of restoring them. The team at Barkaways were excellent and talked us through various elements of the restorations they undertake. Josh is an avid fan of the car programmes on Discovery and to see the same sort of thing 'live' put a huge smile on his face. For that you have my heartfelt thanks.

We took a ridiculous amount of photos. Attached are a few. We were at The Marsden yesterday for his continued chemo treatment and he took great delight in telling the nurses that he'd been out Saturday looking at Ferraris. I assured them that, although he is learning to drive, his first car will not be a Ferrari (despite his best efforts at trying to persuade me it would be a 'good investment')!

Once again, many thanks and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Daniel Unthank.



Brethren, The article above is a perfect example of what our organisation is truly about. The Brother who made the highest bid for the tickets had heard about Daniel's magnificent achievement in raising £2,250. He had also heard the story surrounding Josh and immediately rang me to say "let Daniel and Josh have the tickets with my very best wishes".

That is Freemasonry at its very best. Roland Stokes PGCS

Applications to The Provincial Charity Committee (PCC)

Dear Brother & Companion Charity Steward, The PCC are always looking for Applications for Grants to local Charities, which your Lodge or Chapter support. The Grants are made from The Provincial Benevolent Funds providing they meet the certain criteria.

Full details of how to apply and the terms and conditions forms may be viewed and downloaded from the Provincial Website at the following link: www.westkentmasons.org.uk/pr-benevolent-fund

Dates for your Diary:

West Kent Lodge of Charity 9610 Meeting on Saturday 20th October 8:15 am for Breakfast. Speaker Ms Eithne Rayne, CEO of Kent Blind Association.

Provincial Pantomime Sunday 6th January 2019 "Dick Whittington" The Stag Theatre, Sevenoaks. Full particulars to be released soon.

Motown Night Dinner Dance Friday 8th February 2019 The Warren, Hayes, Kent Full particulars to be released soon

PSA TESTING

The Provincial Grand Master is to continue supporting PSA testing in the Province.

The next PSA testing session will take place at Wrotham Masonic Centre on Saturday 17th November 2018 between 10.00 am and 1.00 pm. This session is open to all members, their friends and families from the age of 40 years.

For the first time we are offering re-testing for those having attended a session more than one year ago. To assist with arrangements booking is essential.

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