

# Lodge Waikato 475

September 2022



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## NOTICE PAPER



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Dear Brother,

**You are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Monthly Meeting of  
Lodge Waikato, to be held in the Hamilton East Masonic Centre,  
285 Grey St., Hamilton East, on Thursday 15th. September 2022 at 7:30pm**

**Ceremony: - Second Degree working - Bro. Rommell Soaygan**

1. Confirmation of Minutes
2. Accounts payable
3. Treasurer's report
4. Correspondence
5. Almoners Report
6. **Ballots**
7. General Business
8. **Notice of Motion**

***Rt.W Bro. Gary Salmon - Hon Secretary***

**Nomination of prospective Candidate -**

Mr. Benjamin Ansel, (Ben) Aged 41yrs, Married (Estelle)  
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## LODGE WAIKATO 475



**To be Initiated -**

**To be Passed to the Second Degree -** Bro Quintin Smith, Bro Patrick Salmon,  
Bro Mark Black & Bro John Gensik

**To be Raised to the Third Degree -** Bro Lowell Daquioag, Bro Geoff Taylor  
& Bro Jomar Figuerres

Please contact the **Lodge Almoner**, - W Bro. Wally Lee, in all cases of difficulty  
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**Lodge Waikato Monthly Diary - August 2022**

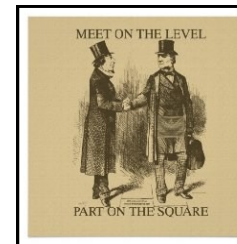
**Thursday, 1st September at 7:00pm - Management meeting .**

**Thursday, 8th September at 7:00pm - Practice meeting**

**Thursday, 15th September at 7:30pm - Lodge Regular Monthly meeting.**

### **Lodge Waikato Brethren with Masonic Birthdays in September 2022**

John Peart - In. 28/09/1967 (55yrs)  
Dick Morgan - In. 26/09/1968 (54yrs)  
Darryl Gray - In. 17/09/1992 (30yrs)  
Trevor Service - In. 16/09/2004 (18yrs)  
Andre Schenk - In 21/09/2006 (16yrs)



**Special Thanks —**

**Lodge Waikato 475 would like to thank most heartedly  
the following business for their continued support throughout the year.**

**James R. Hill.**

## Master's report - September 2022

Greetings Brethren, I trust you all fit a well and ready for some warmer dryer weather

Thanks for the great turn out to our August meeting, our double fifty year service presentation was a great way to start our new year off and I was delighted we all got to see Dave and Don recognised for their service to Freemasonry.

We have a full year planned and this stage 14 degree workings to get through, so planning is locked in to ensure we perform to our very best abilities.

The year planner is in the Plumblin.

Please note that the charges for our second degree in September are in this edition of the plumb line and we will have TWO rehearsals to make sure its done properly.

Just as a friendly reminder that if you have taken on a charge and are NOT able to be at the regular meeting, please arrange for another worthy brother to take on the charge and let either the master, or Mike Tribe know!

We will be publishing at least two months in advance the up coming degree workings and who is doing the charges, this will help you all with planning ahead.

We have a great secretary and prompt for our rehearsals and regular nights, please refrain from offering up words to assist someone stuck on a charge.

I mentioned at the instillation about trying to adopt an unattached mason, we all need to see who we can bring back and likewise support each other with transport, this is all part of what we agreed to do in our obligation.

We will be supporting other lodges with regular visits, if you have a lodge that you want to visit, please don't hesitate to contact me , I'm always happy to come along.

Lastly, lets all try and keep learning new charges and a make our daily masonic advancement in masonic knowledge.

Take a note of my visiting dates (when advised), I really want your company when visiting, you are all very welcome to join me. Let me know if you want a ride.

**Fraternally,**

**W Bro Darryl Gray - Master.**



### **'A note from the Treasurer'**

"Thank you to all those Brethren who have paid their dues.  
To those who have not responded yet, there are 3 options for payment on your invoice. Please take action soon to make my task easier.

**Thank you in advance, Don Seath Treasurer."**

**Lodge Waikato No 475  
Monthly planner**

**Proposal for Lodge Work.**

The following is a proposed schedule for ceremonies for the coming twelve months following the installation in July. This proposed programme is based on the monthly meeting that is normally held on the third Thursday of each month.

Month	Date	Proposed ceremony	Brother/Brethren
August	18 <sup>th</sup>	Presentation of 50 <sup>th</sup> year jewel. Role specifications	Don Morgan & Dave Campbell
September	15 <sup>th</sup>	Second Degree	Rommel Soaygan
October	20 <sup>th</sup>	Double Third Degree	Mark Namuag and Jomar Figuerres
November	24 <sup>th</sup>	Third degree	Geoff Taylor
December*	8 <sup>th</sup>	Social evening including speaker and food	Speaker to be confirmed
January		No Meeting	
February	16 <sup>th</sup>	Double Second Degree	John Gensik and Mark Black
March	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Third degree	J. Gensik or M. Black
April	20 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Speaker to be confirmed
May	18 <sup>th</sup>	Third degree	J. Gensik or M. Black
June	15 <sup>th</sup>	To be confirmed	
Installation	20 <sup>th</sup>		

Scheduled for 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

If there is seen to be a need for extra meetings to cover any unexpected ceremonies it should be noted that there are five Thursdays in September and March 22, and June 2023

**Attention - Attention -**

**Brethren please take note as to whom of you are involved on September 15th.**

This is a Second Degree working, for Bro. Romnel Soaygan.

Worshipful Master - W Bro Darryl Gray

Test Questions - W Bro. Andre Schenk

Obligation - W Bro. Steve Weller

Secrets - W Bro. Kirk Spragg

Charge after Investiture - VW Bro. Paul Sutcliffe

Charge in the SE. - Bro. Jed Guento

Working Tools - W Bro. Don Morgan

Charge after passing - W Bro. Dennis Mead (SW)

Tracing Board - VW Bro. Don Seath

It would be good if we can have your attendance at practices on 1st and 2nd Thursdays.

WM.

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**A note from VW Bro. John Evered,**

**District Grand Master. -**

Greetings brethren,

The Special Olympics and the preparations for this event are now starting to pick up momentum again.

Special Olympics NZ have now appointed a new Volunteer Coordinator and she has so far issued a reminder email to all those who had registered for last year's event, to either confirm their availability or non availability.

This email was sent late June to just over 600 people (not all Masons) and so far she has received roughly a third responding saying "no longer available", another third responding saying "still available" and the remaining third have not replied - yet.

So if you are in the last third (i.e. not yet replied) can I ask that you give this task some priority in the next few days, as the resourcing by way of volunteer help is one of the major issues that the organisers will face.

If you did not offer assistance last year but are now available to assist, I have attached the link below that will take you direct to the registration web site and the Freemasons registration portion, You can use this log on for anyone that you can convince to take part as a volunteer, be it family, friends neighbours etc.

[https://specialolympicsnz.rosterfy.co/invite/Freemasons\\_Volunteers](https://specialolympicsnz.rosterfy.co/invite/Freemasons_Volunteers)

Questions or concerns please get back to me .

Kind regards, John

## BLEDISLOE; Charles Bathurst 1867 - 1958

Lawyer, Politician, Agriculturist, Freemason and Governor General of N.Z.

Charles Bathurst was born in London, England, on 21st September 1867. The son of Charles Bathurst of Lydney Park, Gloucestershire, and his wife Mary. He was educated at Sherborne school, Eton College and University College, Oxford. He studied Law, and graduated BA in 1890.



On 17th December 1898 in the Temple Church, London, he married the Hon. Bertha Susan Hapes, they were to have two sons and one daughter. For recognition of his various works he was Knighted in 1917 and elevated to the peerage the following year, taking the title "Lord Bledisloe," First Baron of Lydney. Lady Bledisloe died in May 1926 and in 1928.

Bledisloe married the Hon. Alina Cooper-Smith, after-which he resigned from the Government. In 1929 Bledisloe was appointed Governor General of New Zealand, taking up office in Wellington on 19th March 1930.

Lord Bledisloe's most important and enduring action while in New Zealand was the purchase of the site where the Treaty of Waitangi was signed in 1840. The property which included James Busby's house and 1,000 acres of land, was presented to the Nation in May 1932 as a National memorial.

The first ceremony to mark the signing of the Treaty on the 6th February, took place in 1934, when a large number of people gathered from all parts of the country for the laying of the foundation stone for a new Maori meeting house. Until then, Pakeha New Zealanders had taken little interest in the site or the Treaty.

By the end of his term as Governor General, there was a general acknowledgement of the qualities that Lord and Lady Bledisloe had brought to the Vice Regal office.

The Bledisloes returned to NZ in 1947 with a 'good-will' mission from the Royal Agriculture Society. For many following years the Early Settlers and Historical Assn. of Wellington continued to hold an annual Bledisloe day gathering. Lady Bledisloe died in February 1956, and Lord Bledisloe died at the age of 90yrs, at Lydney, in July 1958.

Another feature of the Bledisloe stewardship was his promotion of various causes and events by the presentation of trophies.

Among these were the awards for landscape painting, for garden featuring NZ plants, for Maori excellence in farming, and the Bledisloe Cup, for the competition between the NZ and Australian Rugby teams, which was presented in 1931, and became the major event through which his name has endured.

Australia and New Zealand Rugby matches have taken place since 1903, but lacked a trophy until Lord Bledisloe, the Governor General at that time, donated the cup.

Historically, the contest was not held regularly, however since 1982 it has become an annual event. The Bledisloe series varies from one to three matches each time it is contested, and should there be a draw, the holding country retains the cup.

**In 1932 the governor-general, [Lord Bledisloe](#), became the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the New Zealand Masonic Lodge. This is the certificate of his installation and shows some of the key Masonic symbols such as the compass, the single eye and the pillars.**

(Front cover)

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**100 yrs Jointly of Masonic Service -**

An enjoyable evening was had at the August Lodge meeting, where it was great to see TWO 50yr Badges presented to respected brethren.

W Bro. Don Morgan and W Bro. Dave Campbell were both presented with their 50 yr badge respectively, and the ceremony was attended by a goodly number of fellow Freemasons, and in particular, there were also a good number of family and friends in attendance.

We congratulate both Don and Dave for the huge example they have shown.







It was a particular thrill for Dave, as Howard Carstledine, PM of Gate Pa Lodge, arrived as they were room mates when going through the Police College many years ago.

## Master Masons and Past Masters

- **Attend**, you are duty bound and obligated to do so. You have sworn “a prompt attendance to all signs and summonses” If you can’t then see that your **apologies** are presented at every meeting to which you are summonsed, if your an **Officer** then **you** need to find a **replacement** for **your** position.
  - **Participate**, To the limit of your competence. We are not all cut out to be officers, but we all have equal responsibility to apply Masonic effort.
  - **Ready acquiescence**, “To all votes and resolutions duly passed by a majority of the Brethren” doesn’t stop you having a negative opinion but the majority must rule.
  - **Ballots**, not frivolous, can happen anytime. It is a Master Masons special privilege. If you make a mistake confess it when the WM asks, don’t sit on your hands. Don’t leave it until the ballot box; if you don’t approve of the candidate discuss it with the WM first for guidance.
  - **Signs**, learn with them properly and execute with pride.
  - **General comments**,
    - 1 When moving around the Lodge always go in a **clockwise** direction and salute the WM as you cross the Lodge.
    2. Do not walk on the **Pavement** unless the ceremony requires it.
    - 3 When giving a charge **do not cover your apron** with your hands, keep them behind your back or at your side.
    4. We only ever have **one prompt in our Lodge**, that is the Secretary.
    5. **Sign** the attendance register, if you haven’t then when the WM asks, stand and say you will as soon as the Ceremony is completed.
    - 6 If you are a **Mentor** then ensure that you keep in contact with the Brother and assist where required. **Don’t leave him hanging!!**
  - **Visits**, you may ring the JW, don’t make him ring you all the time, don’t elongate any excuse. **DON’T LET THE MASTER VISIT BY HIMSELF.**
- Proposing**, when proposing candidates remember it’s your greatest privilege and greatest responsibility. Don’t think your jobs done when your candidate is initiated. If he fails as a Mason 90% of the time it’s the proposers fault.
- **Daily advancement** Is something you do every day not just an accumulation of time.



**Support your lodge**, all masons have an attendance obligation as set out in the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree **“to obey all signs and summonses sent to me from a MM’s Lodge”** the notice of meeting is clearly a summons. While accepting this duty himself he should also acknowledge its extension to encourage others to attend and visit. Lodge meetings should not be regarded as ceremonies in which we “create new Masons”, lectures and visits extend the work and understanding of the Craft. The NZ ritual contains little of the old lectures, which is a pity because without some knowledge of these, Masonic education is incomplete. Don’t leave “membership’ duties to the “membership committee” we should all promoters of the crafty in general. Too easy to appoint a committee and think the job is done.

**Support your Master.** Visiting is the old chestnut, but one visit per year by every MM would mean the master or his deputy would have two or more Brethren with him every visit. Accept assignments of ritual and attend at least one rehearsal to improve your knowledge and presentation. Remember although rehearsals are primarily for the officers and the Master every mason who attends contributes and helps to maintain the Masonic standard.

**Past Master’s** Your participation even more important. Your privilege of having been a M should dictate your support for all your successors to that position.

**Don’t accept** the responsibility to present a charge unless you are prepared to put the effort in to learn it. This applies especially to PM’s

**A strong Lodge** has good PM’s. Share your knowledge and experience with the new and upcoming MM’s

**Support yourself** as a Freemason, Final charge in **the 1<sup>st</sup> degree “endeavour to make a daily advancement in Masonic knowledge”** As a Freemason you are instructed to contemplate the VSL and to regulate your actions by it, you have duties to God, **“by not mentioning his name save with that awe and reverence due by the creature to his creator”** To your neighbour **“by doing unto him as you would wish that he would do to you”** and to yourself **“by a prudent and well-regulated course of discipline etc.”** As a Citizen Masons are directed in the discharge of their civil duties to be supporters of peace and good order of society and to exercise obedience to its laws and as individuals.

**To exercise Benevolence, Charity, Secrecy, Fidelity and Obedience.**

## **“DO YOUR DUTY”**

“Success is not a failure - failure is not fatal;  
It is the courage to continue that counts.”

Sir Winstone Churchill.

## Musical Masons

### *The great Victorian musical duo, Gilbert and Sullivan, were both active Freemasons, as Yasha Beresiner discovered*

Of the 14 Gilbert and Sullivan comic operas only one has allusions to Freemasonry - an amusing parody in the opening act to *The Grand Duke*, first performed in March 1896. The scene is set in 1750 in the marketplace at Speisesaal in the Grand Duchy of Pfennig Halbpennig. Members of a theatrical company, of which Ernest Dummkopf is the manager, are celebrating the forthcoming marriage of Lisa to Ludwig. Several complications come to light. There appears to be a conspiracy to depose the Grand Duke and put Ernest Dummkopf in his place. Those involved with the conspiracy have a secret sign...

William S Gilbert, the librettist, dramatist and critic, and Arthur Sullivan, a musical child prodigy, composer and conductor, had enjoyed separate successful careers before they first teamed in 1871 to produce the burlesque *Thespis* or *The Gods Grown Old*. Their Masonic careers had a parallel development. They were made Freemasons separately and unaware of each other's pending interest in the Craft when they were introduced in 1868 by Frederic Clay (1838-1889) the English singer and composer, who had been initiated with Sullivan in 1865. After meeting as fellow Masons, however, they jointly progressed and enjoyed several degrees beyond the Craft.

Sir William Schwenck Gilbert was born in the Strand in London on 18 November 1836 and died 29 May 1911 (while attempting to save what he thought to be a drowning adolescent), having established himself as England's leading playwright, critic, humorist and satirist. He had early ambitions to become a lawyer, and was a justice of the Peace in Middlesex in 1891. As a young man he chose to join the militia in the first half of 1850, but was too late to serve actively in the Crimean war, which had ended by 1855. He received his BA degree from King's College, London and after a five-year spell from 1857 as a clerk in the Privy Council Office, he took up law and was called to the bar in 1864.

In 1907 Edward VII knighted him. Notwithstanding his many personal achievements, William Gilbert remains most famous for his collaboration with Arthur Sullivan, in which his very special skills found their ideal vehicle. ..

Sir Arthur Seymour Sullivan was born in Lambeth, London in 1842 to a very musical family. His father was a bandmaster at the Royal Military College, and young Arthur had mastered all of the wind instruments in his father's band before the age of 10.

By then he had already composed his own anthem, and at 14 he was the youngest participant for the first Mendelssohn Scholarship competition, which he won.

He also won various scholarships to study abroad and following the Royal Academy of Music, he studied in Leipzig, Germany where he performed his final thesis in the presence of Franz Liszt. Whilst still in Leipzig he composed the orchestral suite to Shakespeare's *The Tempest* in 1861. The second performance took place on 15 April 1862 at the Crystal Palace and earned him huge acclaim.

Arthur Sullivan was now a qualified Professor of Music and spent the next decade teaching. He was regarded as the leading composer of the day, with influential friends in every circle of society and patronised by European Royalty. Sullivan's first venture into comic opera was in 1867, with the writer F C Burnand. He was knighted by Queen Victoria in 1883.

Although their first collaboration was a success, it was their partnership with the impresario Richard D'Oyly Carte that produced the numerous dazzling operas.

The first of the string of successes, which became known as the Savoy Operas, was *Trial by Jury* (1875), and the triumvirate continued to collaborate over the next 20 years. The partnership was not to dissolve until the unsuccessful and last play, *The Grand Duke* in 1896. In the 1870s William Gilbert participated in manoeuvres in Scotland with the Royal Aberdeenshire Highlanders, a sort of military reserve of which he was an officer, having been active for the best part of 20 years.

It was here that he was initiated into Freemasonry in Lodge St Machar No. 54, Scottish Constitution, on 12 June 1871. This ancient Lodge was constituted in March 1753 and named after a companion of St Columba of Iona, who founded a church in 589 AD, still on the site in Aberdeen.

His interest in Freemasonry continued on his return to London when, in June 1876 he became a member of Bayard Lodge No. 1615, meeting in Duke Street

. Arthur Sullivan took his first degree in Harmony Lodge No. 255 on 11 April 1865, then meeting at the Greyhound Inn, Richmond, Middlesex. His friend Frederic Clay, the man who was to be instrumental in bringing about the Gilbert-Sullivan duo, was initiated with him. Although Arthur Sullivan limited his Lodge duties to becoming the organist for a few years and took no other office in Lodge or the Province, he was honoured as the Grand Organist of the United Grand Lodge of England for the year 1887.

Both Gilbert and Sullivan progressed through the Royal Arch and the Ancient and accepted Rite (Rose Croix) more or less simultaneously. They were both exalted into the now defunct Friends in Council Chapter No. 1383 in February and July 1877 respectively. Gilbert preceded Sullivan in the Rose Croix, being perfected in the Bayard Chapter No. 71 in 1876. Sullivan followed suit in 1878 and they both resigned a few years later. Sullivan also resigned from the Chapter just five years after his exaltation, whilst Gilbert was still a member at the time of his death in 1911.

They ended their partnership in 1898, the year of the production of their last and least successful play, in which the Masonic allusions are made. It has been suggested that *The Grand Duke* was excessively long because the author and composer were no longer speaking to each other.

It is sad that their lives ended with animosity, and it is an equally consoling thought that in their joint Masonic activities, in the peaceful ambience of a Lodge room where they sat together, they would have had occasion to enjoy that perennial Masonic message of true brotherly love and charity

**All these nine things will disappear...!!!!**

***Nine major things are dying and on the way out Whether the changes will be good or bad will depends on how we adapt. Ready or not, the changes will come.....***

- 1. POST OFFICES.** Get ready to live in a world without Post Offices. They are so deeply in trouble there is probably no way to sustain them. Our many e-mails have just about wiped out the revenue needed to keep Post Offices alive.
- 2. CHEQUES.** Britain is already planning to do away with cheques by 2018. Cheques cost millions of dollars a year to process. Plastic cards and online transactions will lead to their eventual demise.
- 3. NEWSPAPERS.** The younger generation doesn't read newspapers. They certainly do not subscribe to daily delivered print editions. Papers may go the way of the milk men and laundry men. As for reading the paper online, get ready to pay for it. The newspaper and magazine publishers have already met with Apple, Amazon, and the major cell phone companies to develop a model for paid subscription services.
- 4. BOOKS.** You say you will never give up the physical books that you hold in your hand. People said the same thing about downloading music. They wanted hard copy CDs. They changed their minds when they discovered they could get albums for half price without leaving home. The same thing will happen with books.
- 5. THE LANDLINE TELEPHONE.** Unless you have a large family and make a lot of local calls, you don't need it any more. Most people keep it simply because they've always had it.
- 6. MUSIC.** The music industry is dying a slow death. But not because of illegal downloading. It is because innovative new music isn't being given a chance to get to the people. Over 40% of the music purchased today is "catalogue items," meaning traditional music from older artists the public has heard for years.
- 7. TELEVISION.** Revenues to the networks are down dramatically. Not just because of the economy. People are watching TV and movies streamed from their computers. And they are playing games and doing lots of other things that take up the time they used to spend watching TV. Cable rates and adverts are rising.
- 8. OUR "THINGS".** Many of the possessions we used to own are still in our lives, but soon we may not own them. They may simply reside in "the cloud". Today computers can store pictures, music, movies, and documents. Soon, when we turn on a Computer, the Internet will be built into the operating system. Systems like Windows, Google, and the Mac OS will be tied straight into the 'Net.
- 9. PRIVACY.** This has long gone. Cameras are now on streets, in many buildings, in computers and cell phones. People can now look at our homes with the aid of Google. The old idea of privacy has disappeared.

**When and where are the 2022 Bledisloe Cup matches being held?**

The first test for the 2022 Bledisloe Cup is set for Thursday, **September 15** at Marvel Stadium, Melbourne. The second test is stated for Saturday, **September 24**, 5:05 pm. at Eden Park, Auckland.

**Ed.**



## LINKS BETWEEN MASONRY AND SCOUTING

The many Scout leaders who participated at Lodge Tawhiri last month in the Second Degree of Bro Luke Sharplin bring to mind the strong connections between Freemasonry and Scouting.

Some of the connection may have come from the friendship between Lord Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting, and a very keen Freemason named Rudyard Kipling.

And some of the ideas of what would become the Cub Scouts almost certainly came from Kipling's work, The Jungle Book. Wolf Cubs, as Baden-Powell styled them, felt that The Jungle Book was very suitable to the idea of scouting.

Kipling was in such agreement that he even contributed much of his Jungle Book to it, including the exact method of the Wolf Cub howl.

Some other notable elements from The Jungle Book that made their way into the Cub Scouts include 'Law of the Pack,' 'Akela,' 'Wolf Cub,' 'grand howl,' 'den,' and 'pack' (and more) all used with Kipling's blessing.

Freemasonry and the Boy Scouts have other traces in common. In fact the traditions and rituals of Freemasonry contributed more to the basic structure of the Scout rituals than any other organization. The task of writing the first rituals of the Scout movement was given to an early member who was a 32nd degree Mason. It has been suggested that the Order of the Arrow, created in 1915, is a Masonic ritual embedded into the Boy Scout organization. Familiar terms such as "lodge" and "obligation," were borrowed from Masonic practice, as were some ceremonial practices. Even the early national meeting was called a "Grand Lodge," thought to be a Masonic reference.

The national body of Masons in New Zealand whose members are connected with Scouting, is called the Baden Powell Lodge.

Ed.

### **An important note directed to the younger and/or newer Masons. -**

I would like you all to know that the meetings we have on the first two Thursdays of each month are open for every member of the Lodge to attend. Come and meet the other Brethren of the Lodge, spend time at the meeting then stay for a while at the practices.

This is where you will learn so much about the ritual of the Lodge workings, get to know the older men who have many years of experience, and for you to remember that each of them started just where you are some many years ago.

While you may attend the regular monthly ceremonies and things look to run OK., it is at the practices that all of the mistakes are made and ironed out.

These practices have helped many of the Masons to learn their lines and to gain that confidence to speak in front of others, they have helped me enormously.

So, I seriously encourage you all to come to the meetings and stay for the practice, - you may even enjoy being the candidate.

Ed.



### September 2022 (New Zealand)

October 2022						
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	1 Management Meeting and practice 7:00pm	2	3
4 Father's Day	5	6	7	8 Practice night 7:00pm	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 Monthly meeting 7:30pm Second degree Bro. Rommell Soaygan	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	1



### October 2022 (New Zealand)

November 2022						
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26	27	28	29 Management Meeting and practice 7:00pm	30	1
2	3	4	5	6 Practice night 7:00pm	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 Monthly meeting - 7:30pm Presentation night	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 Labour Day	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5 No Practice Night



Speak - up - Step - up - Show - up

