

Two new Princes and a new Supreme Ruler for Dewi Sant Conclave



On Monday 22nd of June, sunny Rhyl welcomed a goodly number of members and visitors to Elwy Hall for an early start (10:30 a.m.) for the Annual Installation Meeting.

The Supreme Ruler being in hospital, the Immediate Past Supreme Ruler. WyBro. Barrie Billinge took the chair to open the conclave and to welcome RWyBro. William Anthony Stringer PGSR, escorted by WyBro. Anthony Lloyd Prov.DC and Grand Officers.

RWyBro. Paul Crudge was invited to take the Chair, and proceeded in a most impressive manner to admit Bro. Stephen Roberts and Bro. Charles Turner as Princes in the Order.

WyBro. Barrie Billinge returned to the Chair to for the Installation of Bro. David Starbuck-Edwards, which he delivered with great sincerity. The addresses were delivered by WyBro. Derek Gaskell. The new Supreme Ruler was then solemnly Commissioned by the PGSR and celebrated By the Princes in the usual manner.

Thanks are expressed to those brethren who, as Visitors, stood in to help out. Especial thanks to WyBro. John Bannell on his first outing as a newly appointed Prov.G.Visitor, who volunteered when we had a last-minute apology from our Chaplain, who was unwell.

The PGSR excelled (as usual) by delivering the Lecture in the Princes Degree, the Weapons after the Installation, and presenting a Grand Conclave Certificate to Bro. Ian Perkin. He congratulated RWyBro. Paul Crudge and WyBro. Barrie Billinge, and the Officers, on delivering "two wonderful Ceremonies".

The Company then retired to enjoy a delicious, five-course Luncheon, starring Welsh Lamb, three appropriate wines, and closing with a Cheese Platter served with Aged Madeira.



L to R: The PGSR, Bro. Charles Turner, Bro. Stephen Roberts, WyBro. David Starbuck-Edwards SR.