

Order of the Secret Monitor

Or Brotherhood of David and Jonathan

Grand Standard Bearers Report

Consecration of the Dennis Slights Conclave No.635

On Wednesday 17th January 2024, I had the pleasure of attending the Consecration of the Dennis Slights Conclave No.635 in Goole, East Riding, Yorkshire.

The deputation of Grand officers was announced, processed in and seated. The Grand Supreme Ruler, M.Wy.Bro.Andrew Christopher Sweeney, took his rightful seat in the East and invited the Grand officers to carry out their respective duties.

Salutations were offered to the consecrating officer and afterwards he addressed the brethren on the object of the meeting.

The consecrating officer carried out the ceremony of consecration in an impeccable fashion with assistance from Chaplain, Grand Counsellor, Grand Guide, Grand Director of Ceremonies and the Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies.

On conclusion of the consecration, the Consecrating officer called upon the Deputy Grand Supreme Ruler, R.Wy.Bro. Keith Berwick Fergusson to carry on with the ceremony of installing the Primus Supreme Ruler and other officers of the new consistory.

The Grand team retired for refreshments and awaited the remainder of officers and visiting brethren to join them after the conclave was closed.

Representation from several other provinces was made by the presence of the respective Provincial Grand Supreme Rulers with Cheshire and North Wales by myself and Wy.Bro Paul Crudge who is the Grand Guide.

In all, 15 Grand officers attended the consecration with some 22 petitioners, 95 brethren attending the meeting and 87 remaining for the meal afterwards.

Customary toasts were given by dignitaries at the top table and ably organised by the Grand Director of ceremonies. Afterwards, we said our goodbyes and made our way home with a feeling of a long day but, enjoyable day.

Regards

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Grand Standard Bearer

