

Lodge Ailsa No. 1172 S.C.

Secretary's Report for the Year
to 31st December, 1973

The years of the Oriental lunar calendar are designated by 12 animal categories which repeat in a 12 year cycle. The year 1973 is designated as the year of the Ox.

Referring to my Oriental calendar I find that "Ox people inspire confidence in others, they are eloquent speakers", which traits should stand in good stead those "born" into Freemasonry this year.

For Lodge Ailsa I would name this "The Year of Progress".

The strength of any Lodge lies in its foundation of conscientious resident members, without which little or no progress can be made. This year has seen the initiation into Freemasonry through, and affiliations to, Lodge Ailsa of what I believe to be the largest influx of local residents in the past years, and more are yet to come. It is not for me to question the reason, just to welcome it.

This does not mean that Progress cannot be made without our migratory brethren, on the contrary, those who visit and affiliate to us bring a wealth of Masonic knowledge with them, whilst those that are initiated into the Lodge can go forth into their Masonic career with the confidence that Lodge Ailsa has given them a foundation of which they can be proud.

Our Right Worshipful Master can be justly proud of "The Year of Progress".

The years' working commenced in January with our Mark Degree Meeting. Seven of our eligible brethren were conducted and advanced through this most interesting ceremony.

Our March Meeting saw Bro. Keki R. Vesuna installed in the Chair of Solomon after having been unanimously elected as R.W.M. at our February Election Meeting.

The Ceremony of Installation was presided over by our own Bro. Donald Sinclair, D.G.S.W. at the request of the R.W.M. elect.

The pre-Meeting jitters of our new office bearers proved unwarranted at our April Meeting as a faultless First Degree Ceremony saw the initiation into Freemasonry of Bros. Geoffrey Chiam and Brian Price.

Our District Grand Master Bro. Dennis Bindon, after several months illness, announced his retirement in June and departed from these shores. With him went the well wishes of everyone in the District as well as those of his many friends in the English and Irish Constitutions.

The candidate for our August First Degree Meeting was unfortunately away from the Republic and, despite every endeavour to return, was unable to attend, however Bro. L. Bels stepped in to the breach and delivered a most appropriate and interesting lecture on the North East Corner.

December saw the installation in Kuala Lumpur of Bro. T.A. Keegan as our new District Grand Master. To Tommy goes our congratulations and an offer of any assistance he may require from Lodge Ailsa to make his appointment a long and happy one.

The working in the Lodge has been kept to Ailsa's usual polished standard however our Right Worshipful Master has expressed his concern over the attendance at Practice Meetings. This has been very poor and especially noticeable by the lack of their presence have been the senior office bearers. We trust that the 1974/5 office bearers will show a little more keenness and responsibility and will be available when the cry is heard "Lead Thou Me On".

To end this report I again refer to my Oriental calendar and discover that 1974 is "The Year of the Tiger" whose people it defines as "sensitive, thoughtful and sympathetic". By all the signs it portends another good year for Lodge Ailsa.

F. L. LIDSTONE
Secretary

THE YEARS WORKING

The Lodge held eleven Regular Meetings in addition to the Installation Meeting. The following work was concluded during the course of the year.

- 5 Initiations
- 7 Passings
- 7 Raising
- 7 Advancing
- 6 Affiliations

Initiations

The following Brethren were initiated into Freemasonry and welcomed most cordially into the Craft:

- Bro. Geoffrey Heng Khim Chiam
- Bro. Brian John Price.
- Bro. Steven Cheong Kwok Wing
- Bro. Ray Charles Allan Ellis.
- Bro. George McPhail.

Affiliations

We sincerely and fraternally welcomed the following Brethren who affiliated to Lodge Ailsa during the year.

- Bro. Guy Churchill.
- Bro. George Eftos
- Bro. Charles Taylor
- Bro. Ken Fullerton.
- Bro. Max Alwin.
- Bro. J. O'B. Canavan
- Bro. Tang Seng Foon

Advancing

The following Brethren were advanced in the Mark Degree during our Regular Meeting in January 1973.

- Bro. C.F. Castlio
- Bro. C. Tosh
- Bro. R.J. Barrett.
- Bro. Chang Pinang.

Bro. N. Jones.

Bro. A. Chong.

Bro. D.R. Townsend (For Lodge St. Andrew).

With deep regret the Lodge learned of the passing of the following Brethren, called to the Grand Lodge, Above during 1973.

Bro. W. Dawson P.M.

Bro. F.P. Hurt.

Bro. E.O. Findley P.M.

Bro. L. Klamer.

General Statistics

ATTENDANCE MEMBERS

	Practice	Regular	Visitors	Total	Collection	Working
Jan.	—	30	5	35	\$ 225	Mark
Feb.	—	25	2	27	\$ 120	Election
Mar.	18	30	54	84	\$1001	Installation
Apr.	14	27	5	32	\$ 120	First
May	18	37	4	41	\$ 140	Third
Jun.	15	30	22	52	\$ 225	Third
July	13	32	7	39	\$ 155	Second
Aug.	13	28	5	33	\$ 185	—
Sep.	9	30	16	46	\$ 190	Third
Oct.	13	33	7	40	\$ 180	First
Nov.	15	29	8	37	\$ 175	Second
Dec.	13	33	2	35	\$ 195	Third

Office Bearers 1973/74

Right Worshipful Master	-	-	-	Bro. Keki R. Vesuna, D.G. STWD.
Immediate Past Master	-	-	-	Bro. A.E. Macmillan, P.D.G. STWD.
Wor. Depute Master	-	-	-	Bro. E. Robinson
Wor. Substitute Master	-	-	-	Bro. D.F.H. Sinclair, P.S.D.G.W., P.M.
Wor. Senior Warden	-	-	-	Bro. R.I. Archibald
Wor. Junior Warden	-	-	-	Bro. I.J. Robertson
Secretary	-	-	-	Bro. F.L. Lidstone
Treasurer	-	-	-	Bro. J.C. Darby
Almoner	-	-	-	Bro. R.C. Weston
Chaplain	-	-	-	Bro. A. Colville
Senior Deacon	-	-	-	Bro. Chee Koon Lin
Junior Deacon	-	-	-	Bro. D.G. Harwood
Director of Ceremonies	-	-	-	Bro. E.H. Walker, P.D.G. STWD., P.M.
Bible Bearer	-	-	-	Bro. R.J. Barrett
Sword Bearer	-	-	-	Bro. Chang Chin-Fa
Asst. Dir. of Ceremonies	-	-	-	Bro. D. Crawford
Asst. Secretary	-	-	-	Bro. Chiu Nang Yang
Organist	-	-	-	Bro. N. Jones
Piper	-	-	-	Bro. I.E. MacMillan
Standard Bearer	-	-	-	Bro. A.C. McMaster
Inner Guard	-	-	-	Bro. C.H. Kam
Senior Steward	-	-	-	Bro. H. Bryson
Junior Steward	-	-	-	Bro. C.B. MacDonald
Stewards	-	-	-	Bro. J.N. Lockerbie
	-	-	-	Bro. Chang Pinang
	-	-	-	Bro. T.R.J. Noyce
	-	-	-	Bro. Tan Song Chua
	-	-	-	Bro. A. Chong
Tyler	-	-	-	Bro. J. Weston
Members of Management and Enquiry Committee	-	-	-	Bro. L. Bels, HON. J.G.D., D.D.G.M., P.M.
	-	-	-	Bro. M. Lee Ah Choon, D.G.D. of M., P.M.
PROXY MASTER	—			Bro. JOHN L. PATE, P.M.1170
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEMBERS	—			Bro. R.M.A. JACKSON, P.D.G.W., P.M., HON. G. LIB
				Bro. W.J. WEARNE, HON. G. SWD. BR. P.D.G.W., P.M.
				Bro. T. CARTER, HON. J.G.D., P.D.D.G.M., P.M.
HONORARY MEMBERS	—			Bro. F.W. CHAMBERLIN, P.D.G.D., P.M.
				W. Bro. J. WESTON, P.D.G.W. (E.A.), D.G. TYLER (E.A.), P.M. 2225 E.C.
				Bro. JOHN L. PATE, P.M. 1170

Past Masters

1918	Bro. J.A. HAMILTON	1948	Bro. N. WADE
1919	.. A.A. SIMPSON	1949	.. W. DAWSON
1919	.. A.E. GOW	1950	.. E.J. PHILLIPS
1920	.. W. GROSS	1951	.. F.W. CHAMBERLIN
1921	.. J. BEVERIDGE	1952	.. G.W. JACKSON
1922	.. J.L. McNAIR	1953	.. JOHN ANGUS
1923	.. R.W. NEWSON	1954	.. WALLACE INGLIS
1924	.. G.H. WATTS	1955	.. LESLIE COULSON
1925	.. A.A. SIMPSON	1956	.. S.W.G. EDLIN
1926	.. E.O. FINDLEY	1957	.. R.M.A. JACKSON
1927	.. D. MAIN	1958	.. J.H. McNEIL
1928	.. V. PATTERSON	1959	.. M.C. DACK
1929	.. G.H. WATTS	1960	.. J. SANDERSON
1930	.. R.F. LAMB	1961	.. J.A.L. PAVITT
1931/2	.. J. NAIRN	1962	.. L. BELS*
1933	.. P.L. BARCLAY	1963	.. W.G. CHRISTIE
1934	.. R.C. STEWART	1964	.. A.G.B. SMITH
1935	.. R.F. PALMER	1965	.. D.F.H. SINCLAIR*
1936	.. P.B. PURVIS	1966	.. D. BROWSE
1937	.. J.C. MacLEOD	1967	.. J. LADBROOK*
1938	.. J. McNEISH	1968	.. M. LEE AH CHOON*
1939	.. J.G. STEWART	1969	.. JOHN PITT
1940	.. TREVOR CARTER*	1970	.. K.C. SLATER
1841	.. W.J. WEARNE*	1971	.. E.H. WALKER*
1947	.. G. EDMOND	1972	.. A.E. MACMILLAN*

**Denotes Resident in Singapore*

ABSENT LIFE MEMBER OVERSEAS

ADAMS	Alfred Frederick	Hon. G. Arch.	A	17. 2.1954	L
ATKINSON	Alfred	M.M.	I	24. 9.1959	L
ATKINSON	William Orwin	M.M.	I	23. 7.1953	L
BAILEY	Vernon	M.M.	A	22. 2.1962	L
BAIRD	Ian De Ceriat Forsyth	M.M.	I	27. 7.1967	L
BARROW	Bruce Victor Fred	M.M.	I	25. 4.1968	L
BIRD	Edgar Warren	M.M.	A	26.10.1961	L
BIRD	Roy Lee	M.M.	I	25. 8.1960	L
CRAWLEY- BOEVEY	Arthur Martin	M.M.	I	28. 4.1960	L
TER. BRAAKE	Leonard	M.M.	A	27.11.1958	L
BRADSHAW	William Gabbot	M.M.	A	29. 2.1952	L
BROWN	Cyril	M.M.	I	31. 7.1951	L
BROWN	Michael Edward Griffith	M.M.	I	26. 8.1954	L
BRUSH	John Alfred	M.M.	I	25. 5.1972	L
BROWSE	Dennis	P.M.	A	28. 5.1959	L
BURCH	Ralph Lionel	M.M.	I	24. 7.1958	L
BURNS	Robert	M.M.	I	28.12.1934	L
CAGNACCI	Colin Edward	M.M.	I	22.11.1962	L
OSBORNE- CAREY	Norman Frederick	M.M.	I	23. 4.1964	L
CHAMBERLIN	Frederick William	P.M.	I	30. 8.1931	L
CHAPMAN	Peter	M.M.	A	24. 5.1956	L
CHERIAN	Kuryah	M.M.	A	26.11.1964	L
CHRISTIE	William Glencross	P.M.	I	31.10.1939	L
CLUNIES-ROSS	William Thomas Gerald	M.M.	I	29.12.1952	L
COULSON	Leslie	P.M.	A	31.10.1946	L
DACK	Merdith Cole	P.M.	A	17. 2.1954	L
DAVIDSON	James Masson	M.M.	A	31. 3.1939	L
DAVIS	Kenneth	M.M.	I	31.10.1949	L
DICKIE	Robert Lambie Davidson	M.M.	I	28. 9.1961	L
DICKIE	William Hugh	M.M.	A	26. 8.1954	L
EDWARD	Eric Charles	M.M.	I	30. 6.1922	L
EDMONDS- HILL	Arthur Henry	M.M.	I	31. 1.1947	L
ELGEY	Harold	M.M.	I	23. 4.1964	L

FMDOND	George	P.M.	I 29	6.1934	L
EVANS	David James	M.M.	I 23.10.1958		L
ENDERT	Herman	M.M.	I 31	1.1934	L
FARAKER	Ian Guy	M.M.	I 28.	4.1966	L
FARROW	William Frank	M.M.	I 25.	7.1968	L
FERGUSON	Archibald	M.M.	I 1.	7.1940	L
FORD	Peter	M.M.	I 28.12.1964		L
FRASER	David Alexander	M.M.	I 28.11.1968		L
GODDARD	Ernest Joseph	M.M.	A 28.	2.1963	L
GIESON	Albert John	M.M.	I 23.11.1961		L
GOODALE	Albert Victor	M.M.	A 30.	4.1932	L
GUILFOYLE	Philip	M.M.	I 23.	9.1965	L
GORDON	Matthew Dobie	M.M.	I 31.	7.1950	L
HAMILTON	James Sandeman	M.M.	I 1.	5.1950	L
HARKER	David Jean	M.M.	A 27.	2.1964	L
HATCHER	Thomas Charles Philip	M.M.	I 30.	7.1938	L
HATTON	Austin Michael	M.M.	I 26.	9.1963	L
HILL	Horace	M.M.	I 23.	8.1962	L
HYDE	John Elliot	M.M.	I 27.10.196		L
IFFLA	Melville	M.M.	I 27.	4.1967	L
IVESON	William Keegan	M.M.	A 22.11.1956		L
JACKSON	Robert Martin Anthony	P.M.	I 30.	4.1937	L
JANZEN	Jan	M.M.	I 18.	7.1956	L
JOINT	Anthony Edward	M.M.	I 28.	9.1961	L
KEITH	George William	M.M.	I 27.	5.1971	L
KITNEY	William Robert	M.M.	I 25.	7.1968	L
KOREN	Rolf	M.M.	I 26.	8.1954	L
MASTERTON	Arthur John	M.M.	I 26.	9.1957	L
MAY	Douglas James	M.M.	A 23.10.1958		L
McGLASHAN	Charles Young	M.M.	I 28.	4.1955	L
MEEN	Arnold Fountain	M.M.	A 25	7.1963	L
MEYER	Irwin Carl	M.M.	I 27.	9.1956	L
MOSS	Eric	M.M.	A 30.	9.1940	L
NESBIT	George Ray	M.M.	A 22.11.1918		L
O'CARROL	John James	M.M.	I 22.10.1970		L

ORGAN	Charles Desmond	M.M.	I	27.12.1956	L
PAVITT	John Anthony Leighton	P.M.	A	26. 5.1955	L
PINE	Frederick Arthur	M.M.	A	25. 1.1962	L
PHILLIPS	Ernest Johnston	P.M.	A	28. 2.1938	L
PITT	John	P.M.	I	24. 9.1959	L
POBJOY	John	M.M.	A	30. 7.1937	L
PRIEST	Malcolm	M.M.	A	22.12.1969	L
RAWLE	Harold Shapland	M.M.	I	25. 8.1966	L
READ	Studley Rupert	M.M.	I	27.12.1956	L
REID	Ian Alister	M.M.	A	26. 5.1960	L
ROBERTSON	James	M.M.	I	28. 8.1969	L
ROBERTSON	Richard Gladstone	M.M.	A	24. 9.1970	L
SANDERSON	James	P.M.	I	22.10.1953	L
SEWELL	Reginald Frank	M.M.	I	30. 4.1952	L
SINCLAIR	William Wares	M.M.	A	25. 1.1968	L
SKINNER	Percival	M.M.	A	23. 8.1962	L
SLATER	Kenneth Charles	P.M.	A	28. 8.1958	L
STEVENSON	James Bryan	M.M.	I	30.11.1932	L
STEWART	James George	P.M.	A	30. 6.1930	L
STRAUSS	Louis	M.M.	I	23. 8.1962	L
SUTTON	Patrick	M.M.	I	27. 5.1971	L
THOMSON	George Burns	M.M.	I	28.12.1972	L
THORN	Stuart Bernard	M.M.	I	27.11.1969	L
VISSER	Mattheus	M.M.	A	30.11.1936	L
VOGELZANG	Edward Jules Willem	M.M.	I	28. 5.1959	L
WADE	Vernon Nicholas	P.M.	A	28. 2.1939	L
WALKINGTON	Randolph	M.M.	I	27. 8.1964	L
WANSTALL	Peter	M.M.	I	30. 9.1952	L
WARD	William	M.M.	I	23.11.1961	L
WINSTON	Roy Rashleigh	M.M.	A	28. 7.1966	L
WOOD	Frederick Stanley	M.M.	I	31. 4.1939	L
YATES	Edward Charles	M.M.	I	31.10.1951	L
ZWARETVEEN	Jozef Albertus	M.M.	A	30. 4.1951	L

MEMBERS RESIDENT

ALWIN	Max Bruno	M.M.	A	25.10.1973	T
ARCHIBALD	Ronald Ingham	M.M.	I	24.10.1963	L
BAEY	Lian Peck	M.M.	A	25.10.1962	T
BAKER	Victor Edward	M.M.	A	27.11.1958	T
BARRETT	Richard John	M.M.	I	26. 8.1971	I.
BELS	Leonard	Hon. J.G.D. D.D.G.M. P.M.	I	28. 4.1955	L
BOWLES	Ralph Arthur Thomas	M.M.	I	27. 4.1967	L
BROWN	Kenneth Forbes	M.M.	I	27. 7.1961	L
BRYSON	Hugh	M.M.	A	22. 4.1971	T
CANAVAN	Joseph O'Brien	M.M.	A	25.10.1973	T
CARTER	Trevor	Hon. J.G.D. P.D.D.G.M. P.M.	I	31.10.1929	L
CHANG	Chin-Fa	M.M.	A	25.11.1971	T
CHANG	Pinang	M.M.	I	25.11.1971	T
CHEE	Koon Lin	M.M.	I	22. 8.1968	T
CHEONG	Steven Kwok Wing	M.M.	I	22.11.1973	T
CHEW	Alec Khek Han	M.M.	I	27. 7.1972	T
CHIAM	Geoffrey Heng Khim	M.M.	I	26. 4.1973	T
CHIU	Nang Yang	M.M.	A	25.11.1971	T
CHONG	Andrew Kang Leong	M.M.	I	27. 4.1972	T
CHURCHILL	Guy Edington	M.M.	A	26. 4.1973	T
COLVILLE	Alexander	M.M.	I	28. 7.1966	T
CRAWFORD	Douglas	M.M.	A	29. 9.1969	T
DARBY	John Creighton	M.M.	A	22.12.1969	L
EFTOS	George	M.M.	A	28. 6.1973	T
ELLIS	Ray Charles Allan	F.C.	I	25.10.1973	T
EVANS	Edward Bowen	M.M.	A	30. 6.1927	T
FULLERTON	Kenneth John	M.M.	A	23. 8.1973	T
HARRIS	Edwin Francis	M.M.	I	22. 6.1961	T
HARWOOD	Douglas Gordon	M.M.	I	22. 8.1968	L
HAWKINS	Harry Frederick	M.M.	A	27. 6.1968	T
HUXTABLE	Jeremy Dare	M.M.	I	25. 4.1968	T
JONES	Noel	M.M.	I	27. 4.1972	T
KAM	Chai Heng	M.M.	I	28. 8.1969	L
LADBROOK	Jack	D.G. Trea. P.M.	I	23.10.1958	T

LL	Member's Name	D.G. Adv. of Mem.	I	Br.	1958	I
LIDSTONE	Frederick Lewis	M.M.	I	23.	9.1965	L
LOCKERBIE	James Nisbet	M.M.	A	28.10.1971		T
MACMILLAN	Albert Ernest	P.D.G.S. P.M.	A	28.	2.1963	T
MACMILLAN	Ian Edward	M.M.	A	1.	3.1972	T
MACPHAIL	George	M.M.	I	25.10.1973		T
MACMASTER	Alexander Crawford	M.M.	A	24.	6.1965	T
NORBOM	Martin Edwin	M.M.	A	27.	1.1972	L
NOYCE	Terence Robin James	M.M.	I	25.11.1971		T
PRICE	Brian John	M.M.	I	26.	4.1973	T
ROBERTSON	Isaac John	M.M.	I	28.12.1964		L
ROBINSON	Eric	M.M.	A	22.	1.1959	L
RUDD	Charles George Villiers	M.M.	A	1.	3.1948	T
SINCLAIR	Donald Frank Harvey	Hon. G. Mar. P.D.G.W. P.M.	I	18.	7.1956	L
TAN	Song Chua	M.M.	A	27.	7.1972	T
TANG	Seng Foon	M.M.	A	27.12.1973		T
TAYLOR	Charles Price	M.M.	A	28.	6.1973	T
TOSH	Gordon	M.M.	I	26.	8.1971	T
TOVEY	Kenneth James	M.M.	I	24.	7.1969	T
VESUNA	Keki Rustomji	D.G. Stwd.	A	27.10.1960		L
WALKER	Eric Hilton	P.D.G. Stwd. P.M.	I	27.	7.1961	L
WEARNE	Walter John	Hon. G. Stwd. Br. P.D.G.W. P.M.	A	29.11.1934		L
WESTON	Robert Clifford	M.M.	I	25.	8.1966	T
WIGHT	Ian Leonard	M.M.	A	22.	2.1962	L
WRIGHT	Montague Stewart	M.M.	I	23.	4.1959	L

A Indicates Affiliates

L Indicates Life Member

I Indicates Initiates

T Indicates Test Fee Paying

Total Absent Life Member — 101

Total Resident Members — 59

The attention of brethren is drawn to the last sentence of Grand Lodge Law No. 187 which states:—

Every member including Apprentices and Fellow Craft shall notify the Secretary of his Lodge of any change of address as it occurs.

F.L. LIDSTONE
Secretary