

Victorian Freemasons CONVENTION 2024



HOSTED AT
FREEMASONS BAYSIDE

30 AUGUST - 1 SEPTEMBER 2024 PROGRAM OF EVENTS

FRIDAY 30 AUGUST

Friday 30 August	Friday Night events in the Supper rooms
5:30pm - 6:25pm	<p>Convention Registration Drinks and General Socialise</p>
6:25pm - 6:45pm	<p>Opening of the biennial Convention by MC Grand Master's Address</p>
6:45pm - 9:30pm	<p>Meet and Greet Buffet finger food supper Stall Sales Time to peruse stalls and purchase the available merchandise. Displays, heritage works and full barista coffee machine service.</p> <p>Great Debate <i>"How many Freemasons does it take to change a lightbulb?"</i></p> <p>Craft, Mark & Chapter Debate Light and Humorous</p>




SATURDAY 31 AUGUST

Saturday 31 August	Lodge Room 1 - Blue Room	Lodge Room 2 - Red Room	Lodge Room 3 - Green Room
9:00am - 10:00am	<p align="center">Convention Registration</p> <p align="center">Stall Sales</p> <p align="center">Time to peruse stalls and purchase the available merchandise. Displays, heritage works and full barista coffee machine service.</p> <p align="center">MC – RWBro. Rick Durra PJGW OS</p>		
10:00am - 11:15am	<p align="center">Key note Speaker - WBro. Bob Cooper (Scotland)</p> <p align="center"><i>Author of many books incl. – The Red Triangle, The Masonic Magician, The Rosslyn Hoax and Cracking the Freemason's Code</i></p> <p align="center">Topic – Early Scottish Craft Ritual</p>		
11:15am - 11:45am	 <p>CRAFT</p> <p>Ritual Learning, delivering and understanding.</p> <p>Ceremonial Exemplification and how to get involved.</p>	<p>RWBro. V Rev Fred Shade</p> <p>The Power of Ritual</p>	<p>Bro. Kane Ord</p> <p>Angels in the Architecture</p>
11:45am - 12:15pm		<p>Freemasons Foundation</p> <p>Your Foundation - how to apply for a grant</p>	<p>MWBro. Bill Jones PGM - MMMV</p> <p>Song Lines, Silver Serpents and Secrets</p>
12:15pm - 12:45pm		<p>VWBro. Neil Nyholm</p> <p>Transcending Freemasonry</p>	
12:45pm - 1:45pm	<p align="center">Casual Lebanese Buffet Finger Food Lunch</p> <p align="center">Stall Sales</p>		
1:45pm - 2:15pm	 <p>MARK</p> <p>In Search of the Lost Pillars of Enoch with VWBro. Glenn Hollibone, Mark Grand Lecturer.</p>	<p>WBro. Nik Sakellaropoulos</p> <p>Catechetical Lectures</p>	<p>WBro. Vuko Karov</p> <p>Grand Lodge of Macedonia</p>
2:15pm - 2:45pm		<p>WBro. Dr Lewis Allan</p> <p>Freemasonry, Qabalah and the Tarot</p>	<p>VWBro. Dr Mike Kearsley</p> <p>Grand Reflections on the meaning of the Royal Arch</p>
2:45pm - 3:15pm			
6:30pm - 10:30pm	<p align="center">Gala Night</p> <p align="center">Hosted by RWBro. Rick Durra, with a three course meal, band and dance floor at Freemasons East Melbourne. Presentation of Lodge/Chapter and individual awards and Recognition of Effort.</p>		



SUNDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

Sunday 1 September	Lodge Room 1 - Blue Room	Lodge Room 2 - Red Room	Lodge Room 3 - Green Room
<p>10:00am - 10:30am</p> <p>10:30am - 11:00am</p> <p>11:00am - 11:30am</p>	 <p>CHAPTER</p> <p>The 12 Tribes - A disquisition on the symbols, symbolism and significance of the Chapter banners.</p>	<p>Membership VWBro. Wayne Millard & WBro. Damien Hudson How to Recruit and Qualify men for Freemasonry</p> <p>Almoner VWBro. Terry Clifton Importance of the Almoner and how to do it properly</p> <p>Samantha Fabry Grand Lodge Archivist Update on Library, Museum & Archives</p>	<p>VWBro. Brendan Kyne Freemasonry in Victoria in the 1860s</p> <p>WBro. Bob Cooper A presentation on the History of the Order of the Free Gardeners</p>
<p>11:30am - 1:00pm</p>	<p>Sunday Lunch Displays, heritage works and full barista coffee machine service.</p>		
<p>1:00pm - 2:30pm</p>	<p>Keynote Speaker – VWBro. Dr Mike Kearsley (QC Lodge) - Prestonian lecturer (2014), a Kellerman lecturer (2017), past Grand Orator for Middlesex, and former editor of The Square Magazine.</p> <p>Topic - On the Square - the reflections of a Masonic Editor</p>		
<p>2:30pm - 3:00pm</p>	<p>Closing Remarks</p>		
<p>3:00pm - 4:00pm</p>	<p>Drinks, nibbles and general socialise</p>		

