



## Great Priory of Malta

Minutes of the Annual Malta Meeting of the Great Priory of Queensland, in the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta, held within the Caloundra Masonic Centre, Caloundra on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.

### Entry of the Great Prior of Malta:

The Right Eminent Great Prior of Malta, Right Eminent Knight William Tupou KCM and attended by Officers of the Pentagonal and Octagonal Tables entered in procession under the direction of the Deputy Great Mareschal at 1030 hours.

### Entry of the Grand Master:

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master, Most Eminent Knight Jack Manasserian GCT, accompanied by the H and RE Great Seneschal, R E Kt Edward Ruska, KCT, and attended by Great Priory Officers entered in procession under an Arch of Steel at 1035 hours.

### Salutation:

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master was saluted with eleven under the direction of the Great Mareschal. The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master suitably responded.

### Welcome by The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master:

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master delivered a welcoming address to all Brother Knights and Fratres of the Order. He sincerely thanked all present for their attendance and continued support to the Great Priory of Queensland at this the postponed (due to COVID19 virus) Annual Meeting of the Great Priory of Malta.

### Opening:

By Command of the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master the Great Prior of Malta, Right Eminent Knight William Tupou KCM opened a Priory of Knights of Malta at 1049 hours.

### ROLL CALL:

A Roll Call of members present by Preceptory was then conducted.

DUKE OF ALBANY PRECEPTORY No 1. 6

NORTH QUEENSLAND PRECEPTORY No 2. 1

BEAUCEANT PRECEPTORY No 3 2

CARPENTARIA PRECEPTORY No 4	0
CAPRICORN PRECEPTORY No 5	0
SIR WILLIAM WALLACE No 7	5
MACKAY PRECEPTORY No 8	1
WALTER DE CLIFTON PRECEPTORY No 9	2
WIDE BAY PRECEPTORY No 10	1
COOROORA PRECEPTORY No 13	11
BURNETT PRECEPTORY No 14	0
DE CONLAY PRECEPTORY No 15	1
ALPHA PRECEPTORY No 17	6
LEICHHARDT ENCAMPMENT No 18	4
IPSWICH-MORETON No 19	2
TRANSITION PRECEPTORY No 30	0

**Minutes:**

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Great Priory of Malta held at the Ipswich Masonic Centre, on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 were taken as a true and accurate record of that meeting and confirmed by the members present and duly signed by the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master, The Great Prior of Malta and The Great Chancellor.

**Apologies:**

Apologies were received and recorded from:  
M E Kt Robert Bennett GCT, V E Kt's Blair Weaver, David Hayward, Clyde Jackson, Beau Sankey, E Kt's Rick Gill, JJ De Kock, Dennis Britten, Samyo Dalgarno, John Whitehorn, Kt's Brodie Taylor, Iain Furby and Dale Atkinson.

### **Degree of Knight of St. Paul:**

The Degree of Knight of St. Paul was then conferred and the Mediterranean Pass communicated.

While awaiting the entry of the candidates, The Great Chancellor of the Great Priory of Queensland R E Kt Dr Donald Gifford GCT DSA gave a short lecture on the Knights of Malta.

### **Malta Degree:**

The Candidates admitted were: -

Bro Kt John Desmond Cameron Watson	Cooroora Preceptory No 13
Bro Kt Ian Reid	North Queensland Preceptory No 2
Fra Gregory Donald Broad	Leichhardt Encampment Preceptory No 18

Under the direction of the Great Mareschal they were escorted through the Degree Ceremony.

The degree work was carried out as follows:

Obligation	Right Eminent Knight Stephen Murie KCT Great Prelate.
Accolade	Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master Most Eminent Knight Jack Manasserian GCT.
Grip Word and Signs	Great Prior of Malta William Tupou KCM assisted by the Grand Master and the High and Right Eminent Great Seneschal.

Affiliate and ladies were then admitted.

Historical Lecture	R E Kt Norrie Morris GCT
Address at the Pentagonal and Octagonal Tables	R E Kt Norrie Morris GCT

The Candidates were then presented with their Respective Certificates and their Bibles by the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master and the Great Prior of Malta.

### **Address:**

The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master addressed the Knights in attendance.

### **Investiture:**

The Great Prior of Malta invested V E Kt Noel Mapes as The Great Sub-Prior of Malta due to his absence at the December meeting of The Great Priory of Queensland.

### **Alms:**

Alms were collected amounting to \$171.15.

### **Closing:**

Following permission from Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master, the Chapter of the Great Priory of Malta was closed by the Great Prior of Malta at 1200 hours.

### **Recession:**

Then followed the procession of Recession.

**Grand Master:**

**Great Prior of Malta:**

**Great Vice-Chancellor:**

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M E Kt Jack Manasserian GCT  
Grand Master

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R E Kt William Tupou KCM  
Great Prior of Malta

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R E Kt Vernon Flood KCT  
Great Vice-Chancellor

**Confirmed the 4<sup>th</sup> Day of December, 2021.**

Bro Knights and Ladies attending the Banquet 43