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**TO ALL REGISTRAR'S/SECRETARIES and**  
**REGIONAL GREAT SUB-PRIORS**

Dear Sir and Bro Knights/Fratres,

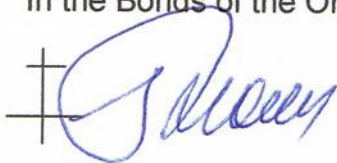
**Great Vice-Chancellors Notes**

1. Welcome to a new Calandar year and already we notice a quickening in the activity in our Preceptories with new Candidates in North Queensland, Capricorn, Burnett and Wide Bay Preceptories and Malta Degrees in a number of the other Preceptories. As well from your Reports visitation is alive and well.
2. New and Joining members: It is perhaps then timely to remind you that New and Joining member Forms (GPQ1 and 2) are available on the Website. When completed they should now be sent to me as Great Vice-Chancellor. You also need to have the GPQ3 Form completed by the applicants Craft Lodge – this Form is kept by you in your file, it is just to confirm that the applicant is a regular Freemason.
3. Website. Our Webmaster (John Spooner) has been very busy in keeping our Website as up to date as possible. Statutes are up to date. All GPQ Forms are available. Security has been tightened. Check that your Preceptory entry is up to date. Now earlier in the term I advised each of you your Preceptories peculiar Username and Password. You were requested to advise your Preceptory members of same. In some cases you may need to send this information out to your members once again judging from the enquiries received.
4. Great Priory of Queensland meetings. The Grand Master has, in consultation with his Grand Master's Council, made the dedcision that Great Priory will only host two (2) meetings per annum i.e. the Annual June Installation/Proclamation and the December Malta meeting. Hence the March Malta will be discontinued. However this in no way prevents Preceptories banding together to host meetings for either the Knight Templar or Malta Degrees providing prior Dispensation is sought.
5. June Proclamation. The Great Priory of Queensland June Proclamation this year will be held at Caloundra at The Caloundra Power Boat Club. More details in due course.

6. Items for Sale. Grand Master's Council has made the decision to relocate all auxiliary salable items from the office of The Great Treasurer to the office of The Great Vice-Chancellor. This list includes but not limited to Rituals, Ties, Garters with Generic Insignia for Great Priory Officers, Pouches etc. A full list and price will be available shortly. We have found that postage cost is a challenge so if ordering think about who is travelling to or from your location.
7. New Members. With the number of Candidates being presented it has raised the question as to what should be presented to him at the conclusion of his KT Degree. I am interested in what your Preceptory presents so if you would share with me that information I will then share that with each of you and then come up with a must list and a nice to do list.
8. Preceptory Newsletter. Several Preceptories already have a Newsletter that they send to their members with their Preceptory Summons. It is usually a one pager but from what I have observed they are newsworthy and informative. Please think about what you could do for your Preceptory.
9. Registrar's/Secretaries Handbook. Our previous Grand Master M E Kt Reginald Langusch has put a lot of time and effort into its production. It is on the Website under Members page and then Publications. You will find it to be a wonderful source of information for your valuable role in our Order.
10. Secretariat. With the Great Registrar (V E Kt Ted McCauley) deciding that he wished to gracefully step back and resign from that role our Grand Master put to Grand Master's Council that we incorporate that role into what he calls our Secretariat to include the role of Great Vice-Chancellor and Deputy Great Vice-Chancellor ( V E Kt Stephen Murie has been appointed to this role). Hence any forms or notices previously sent to the Great Registrar should now be sent to the Great Vice-Chancellor. Please adjust your email contact list please.

Finally may I take this opportunity to wish you all well for this New Year. May you enjoy your role in our marvellous Order and remember to be active in your Craft Lodge as it is from there that we will be able to continue to grow.

Fraternally yours,  
In the Bonds of the Order

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'V. Flood', written over a faint grid pattern.

V.E. Kt. Vernon Flood  
Great Vice-Chancellor