



THE MARK BENEVOLENT FUND AND YOU!

For the next five years or so the **Mark Benevolent Fund** will be the main Charity this Province is supporting. It culminates in **July 2026** with a **Grand Festival** for which we will be the **Host Province**. Your support in our fundraising efforts is absolutely vital. So how can you help?

By making donations direct to the M.B.F. either by:

REGULAR GIVING ARRANGEMENTS

SINGLE PAYMENT DONATIONS

The choice is yours but if you are a UK Taxpayer please ensure you tick the **Gift Aid** box. That way, your **£10.00** donation becomes **£12.50!!** Both type of donations are easy to make by downloading the appropriate Form from the Provincial Mark Website, obtaining them from your Lodge Charity Steward who should have a supply of the Forms or from me niwilk02@gmail.com and I'll e-mail them to you by return.

Remember ALL your donations count towards your **personal honorifics** AND the **2026 Festival**.

Personal Honorifics



LIFE GOVERNOR (Jewel)

Qualification: Donation totalling £100.00 including gift aid.



VICE PATRON (Collarette)

Qualification: An additional £150.00 making a total of £250.00 including gift aid



PATRON (Collarette)

Qualification: An additional £250.00 making a total of £500.00 including gift aid



GRAND PATRON (Collarette)

Qualification: An additional £500.00 making a total of £1,000.00 including gift aid.



GRAND PATRON GOLD (Collarette)

Qualification: An additional £1,500.00 making a total of £2,500.00 including gift aid.



GRAND PATRON DIAMOND (Collarette)

Qualification: An additional £2,500.00 making a total of £5,000.00 including gift aid.

To those of you who are already Regular Givers or have made sizeable single donations my grateful and sincere thanks! If you haven't signed up yet please give it your support as soon as possible. To those who are in any financial difficulties in these troubling times please ignore this request. Many thanks to you all in anticipation!

Nigel Wilkinson
Provincial Grand Charity Steward

!!!STOP PRESS!!!

A new 2026 Festival Jewel has just become available!!



Stewardship Fee: £100.00

You will receive:

*The new distinctive Stewards Jewel and Ribbon (as above)

*A breast pocket pad

*A Year Bar

*Your name added to the Stewards Roll of Honour in the Festival Results Booklet

IT WILL COUNT TOWARDS YOUR PERSONAL HONOURIFICS AND IF YOU ARE A UK TAXPAYER YOU CAN CLAIM GIFT AID AND IT WILL BE WORTH £125.00!

YOU CAN START WEARING IT STRIGHT AWAY AT MARK AND ROYAL ARK MARINER MEETINGS WHEN THEY RECOMMENCE!

APPLICATION FORM ATTACHED



Mark Benevolent Fund

Registered Charity No. 207610

158th ANNUAL FESTIVAL

Stewardship

Jewel Form

2026

Saturday, 4 July 2026



Dear Sir and Brother,

As Provincial Grand Master for the Province of Hampshire and Isle of Wight, I shall have the honour of presiding over the 158th MBF Annual Festival.

I hope that you will support Hampshire and Isle of Wight by making a donation to qualify as a Festival Steward.

All donations and orders for Stewardship Jewels must be made direct to Mark Masons' Hall by completing the attached form.

Yours sincerely and fraternally

R.W. Bro. George John Deacon, Provincial Grand Master for Hampshire and Isle of Wight
Festival President

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- The new distinctive Stewards Jewel and Ribbon (as above)
- A breast pocket pad
- A Year Bar
- Your name added to the Stewards Roll of Honour in the Festival Results Booklet

*If you **DO NOT** wish to be added to the list tick here*

I enclose my Stewardship fee* of £100

(tick box below if you are eligible for gift aid)

Total Payment Due

£

FULL NAME	
ADDRESS	
LODGE & NO.	
PROVINCE	
MMH NO.	

I wish to pay by:

Cheque (Payable to Mark Benevolent Fund)

Direct Transfer to MBF using 'STEWARD26' plus your 'SURNAME' as a reference

Sort Code: 82-12-08 Account: 60225892

Credit Card

Security
Number

Visa

Mastercard

Maestro

Issue No.

Valid From

/

Exp date

/

Signature of Cardholder

Date

Return Form to:

Linda Read, MBF (Finance/Charities Manager)

Mark Masons' Hall, 86 St. James's Street, London SW1A 1PL or email to: l.read@mmh.org.uk

Gift aid it – I wish this donation to be treated as a Gift Aid Donation

TICK HERE

I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that the charity that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I have given.

Signed..... Date.....

***Your Stewardship fee counts towards your personal Honorifics. If this is your first donation to the MBF you will also receive a Life Governors Breast Jewel.**

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