

# Freemasonry in the 21st Century

96 George Street, Edinburgh, our Headquarters







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William Semple, the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Antient Free and Accepted Masons of Scotland interviewed by The Sunday Times, "Freemasons rip up the rule book to get a grip on Gen Z"

"We have got to change if we are going to survive,"

"Adopting an effective approach to modernisation whilst maintaining its historic traditions and culture."





"The lodge's goal is to cultivate a positive culture of inclusivity and meaningful impact in our communities".

"Young brethren are the future of our craft and we need to pull out the stops to make our meetings more enjoyable and interesting."



## 21st Century Freemasonry – What is it?

Freemasonry is one of the oldest fraternal organisations in the world reaching across the seven continents.

Freemasonry uses the analogies of geometry and craft stonemasonry to teach members how to lead productive lives to the benefit of the communities that they live in.

Freemasonry develops the younger masons to become better citizens and promoting the well-being of our members.

Freemasonry is about building character, supporting members as individuals and creating lifelong friendships.



#### Where to find us

The Lodge of Melrose St. John No.1bis

**Lodge Dunse No,23** 

**Lodge Peebles Kilwinning No.24** 

Lodge St. John Selkirk No.32

**Lodge Kelso & Tweed No.58** 

**Lodge St Ebbe Eyemouth No.70** 

Lodge St. John Jedburgh No.104

The Hawick Lodge No.111

Lodge Lauder St. Luke No.132

**Lodge St. John Stow No.216** 

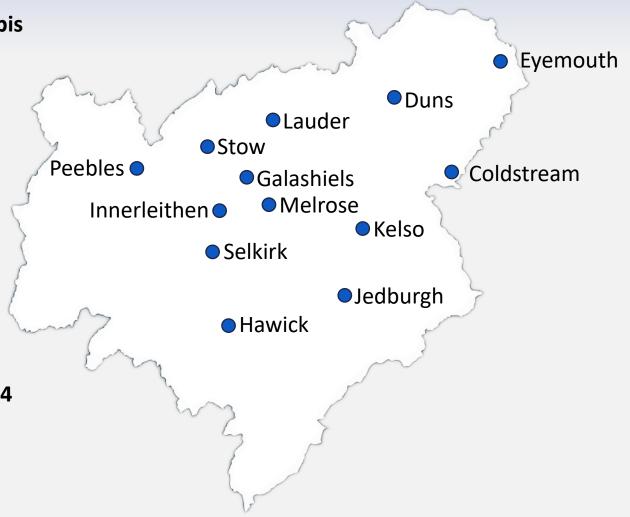
The Galashiels Lodge No.262

**Lodge St. John Coldstream No.280** 

**Hawick Lodge St James BURA No.424** 

**Lodge St. Ronans No.856** 

The Haughfoot Lodge No.1824









A network of young and new masons groups across the entire Scottish constitution.



Helping with masonic education and understanding.



Helping to strengthen the craft and retain members.





#### **April 2023**

Nine young and new masons representing Lodges throughout the Scottish Borders met at Lodge Kelso & Tweed No.58 overseen by the RWPGM Bro Andrew Elliot Forsyth and representatives from Grand Lodge of Scotland with a view to creating and operating a "Young & New Masons Group".

This was the beginning of "The Borders Quarrymen"



One year on...

- **❖** The group has over 30 members.
- It has created a revolving degree team, helping lodges throughout the province with ceremonial workings.



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One year on...

❖ The group has had 5 members installed as Provincial Grand Lodge Officebearers.

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PROUDLY
SUPPORTING
OUR PROVINCIAL
GRAND LODGE





One year on...

The group enjoys social team building events.





One year on...

**The group has visited other Young & New Masons Groups in Sister Provinces** 



**Edinburgh Ashlars** 



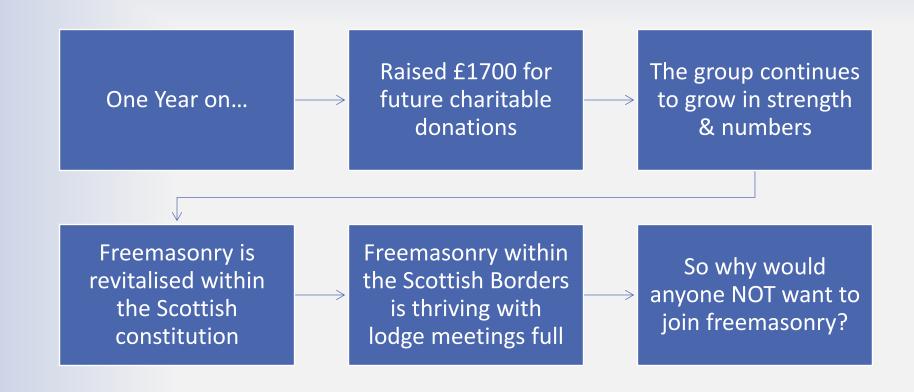
**Young Lothian Masons** 



**Dumfriesshire YNM** 









#### Our Charitable Donations 2023-2024 @ Kelso & Tweed

Date	Recipients	Total
09-Jul-23	Kelso Laddies Association - Civic Week	£150
09-Jul-23	Kelso Ex-Laddies Club	£130
27-Apr-23	BYSS - Borders Youth Support Scheme	£225
30-Oct-23	George MacIntosh Appeal - Get George Moving	£3,260
15-Nov-23	Kelso Pipe Band	£300
04-Dec-23	Christmas Gift - Provincial Grand Lodge	£50
14-Dec-23	Poppy Scotland Appeal	£10
10-Feb-23	Kelso over 60's Club	£500
17-Feb-24	The Cliff Worrell Walk Stick - BYSS donation	£500
19-May-24	Kelso Cricket Club - Juniors - BYSS Sponsored	£500
24-May-24	SAFFA (Military Degree Team)	£500
CCATA: Cupposting the Assess Company with		£6,125

SSAFA: Supporting the Armed Forces community



#### **Lodge Kelso & Tweed No.58**

Wishing the Kelso Laddie
Jack Forsyth
"Safe oot, Safe in"



"Dae Richt Fear Nocht"

