

SOUTHAMPTON CIRCLE 12

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NEWSLETTER

President: John Singleton

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The Catenians
Strengthening family life
through friendship and faith

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ITALIAN NIGHT AT KEATS

Last year it was an Irish night at Keats in honour of the then President, Bro. Jim Shine. As Bro. President John Singleton spends much of his working week in Wales, we could have expected a Welsh night at Keats but he wisely decided to give the Welsh rarebit and leek soup a miss and instead chose a traditional Italian menu with the help of the restaurant.



As always, there was an excellent attendance by brothers and wives to enjoy the high standard of food and drink for which Keats is renowned. Starters included tube pasta with lobster and mussels and baked pancakes with spinach and ham. The main courses offered a choice between venison, beef, roasted fish and a chicken & watercress mousse. For those with room to spare there was a delightful selection of home made desserts.



As the diners departed, more than one brother was loosening his belt or trying to surreptitiously breathe in! A good night was had by all and the Southampton Circle pass on their thanks to Brother Daverio, Helen and all at Keats Restaurant.

Photos courtesy of Bro. Roger Lillie

SOUTHAMPTON CIRCLE MEETING

The 1144th Southampton Circle meeting will take place at 1930 hrs on Monday 6 January. It will be Brothers only. Dress code: lounge suits. Venue: Mercure Dolphin Hotel, 34-35 High Street, Southampton SO14 2HN.

CIRCLE DUTIES

December Welfare Officer: Philip Crook (report at January meeting). Whisky Donor for Christmas party: Michael Ingram

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING



The next Council meeting will be at 1930 hrs on Tuesday 28 January 2014.

September Meeting Statistics

Circle Strength	45
Present	(67%)
Apologies	14
No apologies	1
Visitors	1
Visiting gentlemen	0

CIRCLE EVENTS 2013/14

NOVEMBER


Tuesday 19 November	LUNCHEON CLUB 	12.00 noon: The Three Tuns, Romsey SO51 8HL. <i>Please advise Bro. Philip Crook of your attendance and contact him for directions to the venue, pmcbeeches@tiscali.co.uk</i>
Friday 22 November	MASS FOR DECEASED BROTHERS 	7.30 pm: Our Lady of Sorrows & St Philip Benizi Catholic Church, 15 Salisbury Road, Fordingbridge. Refreshments will be provided. <i>Brother President asks for a good attendance to this important date in our Circle diary.</i>

ADDITIONAL EVENTS FOR 2013/14

Monday 2 December	CHRISTMAS PARTY	7.00 for 7.30 pm: Mercure Dolphin Hotel, Southampton. Black tie. £18.00 per person. Family and friends welcome. <i>Please advise Martin Counihan of your attendance and whether you have special dietary requirements.</i>
Friday 24 January	NEW AGE KURLING	Banister Park Bowling Club, SO50 9HT
Saturday 22 February	KUTI THAI EVENING	To be confirmed
Sunday 23 March	CURRY EVENING	To be confirmed

CATENIHENS 2014



Monday 6 January	CATENIHENS DINING CLUB 	7.30 pm: Mercure Dolphin Hotel, Southampton <i>Ladies, please let Dawn Harrison know if you will be attending at dawn.harrison13@btinternet.com or on 01794 388 418.</i>
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AROUND THE PROVINCE AND BEYOND

7 December	Basingstoke's 50th Anniversary	Details have been circulated by email
10 December	Winchester Circle's Dinner Dance	Details in Winchester Circle's newsletter
12 January 2014	Weymouth Circle's 2nd Annual Family Day	11.15 am: registration. Athelhampton House, Athelhampton DT2 7LG. £18.00 to include lunch and admission to the house and grounds. Note: early booking advised as numbers are limited to 75. <i>Contact John Calvert on 01305 251 144 or at johnrcalvert@btinternet.com.</i>
17-27 March 2014	Pilgrimage to the Holy Land	Includes additional days in Jordan. Details to follow
20 May 2014	CAFOD Golf Day	Royal Winchester Golf Club

CIRCLE BENEVOLENT FUND

The Association maintains a Benevolent Fund to assist any brother, dependant or widow in financial difficulties. The Circle Benevolent Board is concerned that people with a genuine need may be 'slipping through the net'. Any request made for support is always treated in the strictest confidence and should be passed to Tony Wilson as Chairman of the Circle Board (tel: 023 8026 6617 or e-mail tonypaulwil@gmail.com). All brothers are asked to be vigilant for any signs of financial distress among their fellow brothers or the widows. We are all aware of how embarrassing it can be in such circumstances, but the fund is there to provide the necessary support.

Tony Wilson

CIRCLE BIRTHDAYS

*Congratulations to those whose birthdays are in **DECEMBER**.*

Andy Philpott (2), Donald Kumarajeewa (6), Dick Barber (12), Sheila Feighery (12), Chris Barber (10), Jackie Barber (22), Ellen Gobbi (23) and Rita Forster (28).

PRESIDENT'S CHARITY LOTTERY

£70: Graham Palethorpe (no. 7)

£40: Mary Gobbi (no. 32)



FROM THE ARCHIVES

by Bro Roger Lillie

Circle meeting at Cotswold Hotel, Portswood on Monday 21st January 1963

"Brother Charles Wills asked that we should send to Grand Secretary a resolution for tabling at the A. G. M. at Brighton this year - 'That the society of St Dismas, a corporate body formed for the rehabilitation of prisoners, should receive one guinea a year from every Circle in the Association to assist in paying the loan interest charges incurred in running the hostel, which is now established for these prisoners'. Brother Stan Rickard of Portsmouth suggested the Circle approach Grand Secretary to find out how the Catholic Workers' College was supported by the Association. Brother Stan Rickard also suggested that one guinea should be deleted from the resolution as Circles (if the are told what it is all about) are likely to give more."



PRAYERS Your prayers are requested for those who are unwell: Harry Harrison and Michael Ingram.



IN MEMORIAM Please pray for the December anniversaries: Alfred Ereat, William O'Keefe, Jim Hanly, Bob Tanner and Owen Mawson. Please also keep Bro. Derrick Austin and his family in your prayers following the recent death of Derrick's daughter, Elaine and also the family of the late Bro. John Doyle, Portsmouth Circle, whose widow Catherine died peacefully this month.

And finally...

... Brother President has asked that as many people as possible attend the Mass for Deceased Brothers in Fordingbridge on 22 November. You can find full details of time and location on page 2.

Bro. Harry Harrison, Publicity Officer

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