



PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF HAMPSHIRE AND ISLE OF WIGHT

Royal Albert Hall & Battersea Evolution – 31st October 2017 Latest Information from UGLE

The arrangements for the events of 29th October (when 148 Grand Masters from other Constitutions arrive) through to the Celebrations on 31st October are going well. The major logistical task is to seat the 4000 plus Brethren in Royal Albert Hall, ensuring, whenever possible, that Brethren from Provinces can be seated together, whilst taking account of mobility issues and whether Brethren are going on to Battersea Evolution, where the same will apply, or to other locations, after the meeting.

The outer doors to RAH will open at 12.30 giving access to the bars and restaurants. The doors to the seating areas will open at 14.30 with the intention of having everyone seated by 15.10 at the latest. The Tercentenary brochure and separate programme for the day will be on sale for £10.00 for the two. They will not be sold separately.

There are no cloakroom facilities at either RAH or BE so a regalia bag is being provided for everyone attending. This can be stored in the pocket of your apron or a jacket pocket. Brethren are being instructed NOT to bring cases or heavy coats. Small (collapsible) umbrellas and pack-a-mac style coats should fit in to the regalia bag.

The regalia bags and personalised tickets will be packed mid-September and will be posted to Brethren with a UK address to arrive by the end of the month. The tickets are bar-coded to the individual and will be scanned at RAH and BE on entry. Any duplicated tickets will be refused entry at both RAH and BE.

Should a Brother have in some way obtained two tickets for either venue, once the first is scanned, the second will be refused entry.

Brethren dining at BE will all be transported by coach. On arrival at BE those with a blue border to their BE ticket will use the centre doors and go to the mezzanine floor. Those without a border will use the outer doors with a reception area on the ground floor.

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