



PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF HAMPSHIRE AND ISLE OF WIGHT

W. Bro. Neil Morse PGStB
Provincial Grand Almoner

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Dear Bros. District Grand Secretary, North Island, New Zealand
 District Grand Secretary, South Island, New Zealand

Very recently, Bob Hanson, one of the members of Wayfarers Lodge 5740 in our Province of Hampshire and Isle of Wight, UK, was taken critically ill whilst on holiday with his wife in New Zealand. Mrs Hanson subsequently contacted Wayfarers Lodge to advise them of the circumstances.

This began a series of events which clearly demonstrate the universality of our Fraternity and the bonds of Brotherly Love that we all aspire too.

In the first instance, contact was made with R.W. Bro. Richard Taylor, District Grand Master of the South Island, who in turn contacted R.W. Bro. James Westhead, his counterpart on the North Island.

As a direct result, Bro. Hanson and his wife were contacted by Bro. Peter Kellond, the Almoner of the local lodge where Bob was hospitalised. Bro. Peter then arranged and oversaw the welfare of both Bob and his wife.

We understand that Bro. Hanson and his wife have now returned to the UK.

On behalf of the Province of Hampshire and Isle of Wight, Wayfarers Lodge 5740, and I am sure Bob and his wife, we would like to extend our warmest thanks to all the Brethren in New Zealand who helped Bob and his wife in such a difficult time.

With sincere and fraternal best wishes

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