

9th January 1971 – 46th regular meeting. The lodge was opened at 5pm.

All EA's were asked to leave apart from Bro C.W Jones and Bro R.J Harvey , who answered the questions leading from the 1st to the 2nd, they were then entrusted and retired for preparation for the 2nd degree. The lodge was opened in the 2nd and the Bros were re-admitted and the ceremony of passing was performed. Bro Peter Bean 4657 G & Laurel father of Bro C.W Jones presented and explained the working tools to both in a very able manner. The candidates were restored to their personal comforts for an explanation of the 2nd degree tracing board given by W/Bro F.W.Sandham in a faultless manner. The W/M invited any of the brethren to gather around the T/B if they had not heard it before, Bro E.A. Skelton did so.

The lodge was resumed in the 1st degree. Candidates Mr. R.F. Wood and Mr G.W.A Roberts were admitted, and the ceremony was conducted by the Past Masters as recorded

1st degree charge - W/Bo H Sutton

W/Tools – W/Bro E. Ewens

2nd Charge - W.Bro T Beer

The candidates were presented with initiates bibles on which they took their obligations.

The charity box was circulated and raised £6.0.0

The W/M proposed and Bro .W Stanton seconded that a vote of thanks be recorded for the excellent work of the past masters who performed the ceremony of initiation – this was carried out.

The lodge closed at 19:50 and was attended by 23 visitors and 34 members.