

A Resume' of Freemasonry in Cyprus

Freemasonry was brought to Cyprus in 1888 by a group of 27 British Servicemen, who were already Freemasons and stationed at Polemidia Camp on the outskirts of Limassol. They formed the first Lodge in Cyprus, under the name of St. Paul's Lodge No. 2277 (under the English Constitution.). The first members were all Servicemen but soon, Cypriots started to join the Craft, and in a year or two the Secretary of the Lodge and the Director of Ceremonies were Cypriots. It should be noted that through the efforts of St. Paul's Lodge, the first Lodge under the Greek Constitution was established in 1893 to accommodate Cypriots who spoke little English in those days.

St Georges Lodge was originally consecrated in 1891 and then due to falling membership had to surrender its warrant however it was re constituted in 1906 and has gone from strength to strength since then Lord Kitchener Lodge No 3402 , originally in Egypt, arrived in Cyprus in December 1955 and found a new home at Polemidia Camp on the outskirts of Limassol and moved to Dhekelia in January 1963.

In subsequent years, English Constitution Lodges, namely, Othello (1938), Lusignan (1956), Apollo (1963), Agapinor(1979), Cyprus Masters (1997) were consecrated.

In June 1980 the District Grand Lodge of Cyprus was established.

Then Dionysos (2000) and King Tefkros (2004) were consecrated.

In May 2006, Phoenix Lodge No 9817 E.C. and Zenon18 Lodge No.9818 E.C. moved from the Greek Constitution to The English Constitution and under the jurisdiction of District Grand Lodge of Cyprus.

In October 2009 Bellapais Lodge No. 9847 was consecrated and in October 2010 St Hilarion Lodge No 9851 and Peace and Harmony Lodge No. 9852 were Consecrated. On 23rd June 2011 Allegoria Lodge No..9865 was Consecrated and Lastly on 24th March 2012 Lakeside Lodge No..9869 became the 17th Lodge in the District.