

# MAMR

## Programme for 2020

Our meetings normally begin at 5.45pm, but this can vary according to location and subject. The general intention is to move around the north-western region to share variety and inclusion. But in the winter two months of the year, January and November, the meetings are held in the comfortable surroundings of the Third Floor, Manchester Hall, 33 Bridge Street, M3 3BT. These winter meetings are associated with the Lodge of Silent Temple No. 126, warranted in 1762, and are tyled. Locations are otherwise as stated on our website: [www.mamr.co.uk](http://www.mamr.co.uk)

**Tuesday, 28 January 2020** Venue: Manchester Hall, 33 Bridge Street, M3 3BT  
Installation within Lodge 126, tyled, with the Inaugural Address by  
RWBro. Roger B. Pemberton, Provincial Grand Master of Shropshire

### **Angelo Soliman, Noble Moor and Mason**

Mmadi Make, sold as a slave at Marseille became a friend of Mozart and as Angelo Soliman, WM of the most prestigious Masonic Lodge in Vienna. Roger Pemberton's paper will outline what we know of Mmadi Make's life, will provide a background to Viennese Masonry in the last years of the eighteenth century and will attempt to evaluate his personal contribution to the development of philosophical, esoteric and radical Freemasonry in Austria.

**Thursday, 9 April** Venue: TBA

### **Freemasonry in Austria 1900-1955**

Priv-Doz. Mag. Dr. Marcus G. Patka is Master of *Forschungsgesellschaft Quatuor Coronati Wien*, the Masonic research lodge of Vienna. He leads the production of its annual *Jahrbuch*. Expanded under Bro. Patka in recent years, it is now a very substantial equivalent to the English *Ars Quatuor Coronatorum*. The fortunes of the Grand Lodge of Austria are little known abroad. In Manchester we will have this rare opportunity to have light shed on the background to modern Austrian Masonic culture, at the centre of Eastern Europe.

**Wednesday-Thursday, 27-28 May**

**A Spring Outing to York** is being considered, and details will follow. See the website nearer the date

York is of legendary status in Masonic history. Its towering Minster is the largest medieval cathedral north of the European Alps. Many buildings mentioned as early Masonic meeting places are still standing and can be visited. Of these, not least are the rooms used by York Lodge No. 236 as successor to the Grand Lodge of York. There is much to see and enjoy in this inspiring city.

**Sunday, 19 July 2020**

## **Summer visit to Langholm: annual parade of Lodge Eskdale Kilwinning No. 107 (SC)**

Bro Ivan Eastwood will lead the visit to Langholm. It may lie not far beyond the border with England but it is definitely in Scotland. Its annual church parade is a memorable and colourful occasion, reminiscent of the processions to church common in northern England until the mid-nineteenth century. Ladies are welcome also to come, see, wave, cheer and listen and tea and sandwiches available. A special experience – read about the last visit at [www.mamr](http://www.mamr)

**Wednesday 23 September 2020** Venue: Masonic Centre, Castle Hill, Whitchurch, Salop SY13 1BQ

RWBro. Roger Pemberton, our President will talk about one of the still remembered Shropshire Masons

## **Charles Shirreff and Lodge Whitchurch No. 1**

Major Charles Shirreff, career soldier in Europe and the Americas retired to north Shropshire where he became a Deputy Provincial Grand Master between 1786 and 1795. In that town he founded Lodge Whitchurch No. 1 and became a signal nuisance to the Premier Grand Lodge. The large gravestone in the entrance hall of the Whitchurch Masonic centre is said to be his? But is it?

**Tuesday, 24 November 2020** Venue: Manchester Hall, 33 Bridge Street, M3 3BT with a tyled meeting of Lodge No. 126

The exact details of this evening will follow in due course. Summonses will be sent to those who have provided email addresses and details will also be at [www.mamr.co.uk](http://www.mamr.co.uk)