



## **PATSHULL LODGE 6592**

MEETING AT MASONIC HALL EDWARD STREET WEST BROMWICH B70 8NT  
ON THE THIRD MONDAY OF FEBRUARY, MARCH, **APRIL**, MAY, OCTOBER AND  
NOVEMBER. APRIL BEING OUR INSTALLATION.

### LODGE HISTORY.

Patshull was the name of the estate of Lord Dartmouth. William 7<sup>th</sup> Earl of Dartmouth, The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master for Staffordshire, welcomed the suggestion and gave it his sanction. The Consecration of the Lodge was arranged for Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> April 1948 at the Royal Oak Hotel, commencing at 3 p.m. The meeting was attended by 71 brethren including The Provincial Grand Master, R W Bro the Right Honourable the Earl of Dartmouth, the Deputy Provincial Grand Master W Bro Col Sir John Kent, the Assistant Provincial Grand Master, Robert Bradley Mummery (later Provincial Grand Master), the Provincial Wardens and the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, W Bro Major Harry Wilson Keys (again later Provincial Grand Master}. W Bro P F Simpkins, Prov G Treasurer was Installed as the first Worshipful Master of Patshull Lodge. In 2013, because of insurmountable problems at the Royal Oak Hotel, the Lodge moved to West Bromwich Masonic Hall.

The Lodge Banner was dedicated by The Provincial Grand Master, Right Worshipful Brother the Earl of Dartmouth on 18<sup>th</sup> October 1948. It had been designed by Brother Ephraim Smith. Patshull was the name of the estate of Lord Dartmouth, he having moved from Sandwell Hall, West Bromwich. He kept deer on his land and the head of a stag was included in his Coat of Arms. It was incorporated in the Coat of Arms of West Bromwich and is now incorporated in that of Sandwell District Council. The dominant feature on the Lodge Banner and of the emblem on the Lodge summons is the head of a stag.



### A UNIQUE PART OF PATSHULL LODGE HISTORY.

At the fiftieth meeting of the Lodge on 17<sup>th</sup> May 1954 the F A Cup was on display at the Festive Board, having been won by the Baggies on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May when they beat Preston North End 3-2. Two of the stars of the team were Ray Barlow and Jimmy Dugdale. According to the pundits the Preston right winger and skipper Tom Finney was prevented from becoming a match-winner by the Albion left back and Captain, Len Millard, who was been looked after shrewdly and has benefitted the Lodge Festive Boards greatly year by year.

The Cup was again proudly displayed at the Festive Board on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 1968, West Bromwich Albion having beaten Everton (1-0) in the Final that month and winning the Cup for the fifth time. The lid was damaged when the Cup, full of champagne, was being passed around and a visit with it to the Jewellery Quarter was necessary.

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