This list began as a short list of Famous Australian Freemasons in an edition of our Lodge Newsletter “Devotion News” and has grown to include over 700 notable and/or famous Australian Freemasons.

There are many lists readily available of famous Freemasons on the internet, but when this list was started in 2007, no extensive list dedicated to just Australian Freemasons existed. Never keen to simply duplicate web content from other web sites on our site www.lodgedevotion.com I set out to compile a list concerned with only Australian members of “The Craft”. My list is now widely used by others – please cite our web address when using our content.

This list has been compiled over years. For some time, references were not recorded, but as the list grew, it was realized it could become an authoritative and comprehensive record of Australian Freemasons. It is now the most authoritative and comprehensive list of Australian Freemasons on the web and a useful resource for researchers. References are now being progressively added, but readers should note names have only been included when the source of the same was considered reliable. Unfortunately, not all of those named have reflected the greatest credit on our Craft, but the test for inclusion is reasonable proof of membership, not subjective opinion on their actions or the lives they led. For want of other phrase, I’ve included the bad apples.

It is hard to organize such a list – where do you put a Governor General who won a Victoria Cross? An Archbishop with a Military Cross? An actor who was Grand Master and a State Politician, or a “military man” who was a doctor, humanitarian and community leader? We suggest if you are looking for something specific either peruse the list or hold the Ctrl key and press “F” to search it, or if you have a hardcopy version – use the index. I do not (knowingly!) duplicate many names in the list with the exception of those under the first heading.

Some inclusions are not Australians – but such men have been added for their strong link and influence on Australia; early Governor Generals who were not “Australian” being a good example. Keep in mind this is a list of names, not a biography, I try to keep entries short but some details have been added for context and/or interest.

The real future value of the list might be to social historians examining how membership of the Craft influenced some of the great men recorded below, especially how being Freemasonry may have affected how they interacted with each other and society. This topic is yet to be meaningfully examined in an Australian context. With this view, there are now many on the list that may not seem very notable or famous, but the list is now being used as a starting point by many researchers, so we include such names with these researchers in mind.

Note - If you reproduce all or part of this list, you MUST cite the source. Good manners and the Law aside, my internet research is being greatly slowed by Google searches returning my own list quoted but not cited on other sites, especially lodge web sites. We do not knowingly add a name unless the person is deceased or agreed to be, or is, in the public eye as a Freemason.

A note on footnotes; Almost all footnoted sources mention the Masonic Membership of the individual in conjunction to the specific item footnoted.
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House Hold Names of Men who were not Primarily Politicians

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- "Smokey Dawson" Herbert Henry MBE AM (1913 –2008), country music entertainer and community leader
- Sir Charles Kingsford Smith (1897-1935), aviator first to cross the Pacific from the US to Brisbane in about 1928.
- "Chips Rafferty" John William Pilbeam Goffage (1909-1971) Film actor
- Graham Kennedy (1934-2005), entertainer and the "King of Television". Lodge of St Kilda, 1955
- Sir Donald Bradman AC (1908-2001), world famous Australian cricketer.
- Sir Hubert Opperman (1904-1996) world's fastest bicyclist in 1930s
- Sir Joseph Banks (1743-1820). "Father Of Australia", botanist
- John McDouall Stuart (1815-1866), explorer, claimed he recognised a Masonic greeting when he encountered a party of traditional owners in northern Australia.
- Lachlan Macquarie (1762-1824), Governor of NSW (1810 to 1821)
- James Boag (c.1822-1890), brewer, founded “J. Boag & Son” in 1883.
- Charles Brownlow, football legend.

Famous Freemasons; Australian Prime Ministers

- Sir Edmund Barton GCMG, KC (1849-1920), 1st Australian Prime Minister (1901-1903). 1 2 3 4 Initiated into Australian Lodge of Harmony No 555 English Constitution on 13 March 1878.5 6 7
- Sir George Reid GCB, GCMG, KC (1845-1918), 4th Prime Minister of Australia8 9 10 11, Lodge Centennial No. 169, UGL of NSW on 16 Nov 1896 12 13
- Sir Joseph Cook GCMG (1860-1947) 6th Prime Minister of Australia14 15. Initiated into Lodge Independent No 8 UGLNSW 12 Feb 1892.16 17
- Viscount Stanley Melbourne Bruce (1883- 1967) 8th Prime Minister of Australia18 19 20. Only Prime Minister to lose his seat at an election in 1929. First Australian to sit in the House of Lords 21. Initiated at Old Melbournians Lodge No 317 UGLV on 12 June 1925.22 23 24 25 26 27
- Sir Earle Christmas Grafton Page GCMG, CH (1880-1961) 11th Prime Minister of Australia28 29 30. Initiated at Lodge Prince Leopold No 87 UGLNSW on 4 Dec 191731 32
- Sir Robert Menzies KT, AK, CH, FAA, FRS, QC (1894-1978), 12th Prime Minister of Australia33 34 35 36 37, Initiated into Austral Temple Lodge No. 110, UGLV on 10 March 1910.38 39 (Initiated 1920?)40 Received a 50 Year Jewel41
- Sir William McMahon GCMG, CH (1908-1988) 20th Prime Minister of Australia.42 43 44 45 46 47. Initiated into Freemasonry at Caledonia Lodge No 737 Scottish Constitution in Queensland on 20 July 191548 49 50
- Sir John McEwen, GCMG, CH (1900-1980) 18th Prime Minister of Australia51 52. Initiated into Freemasonry at Lauderdale Lodge No 361 UGLV on 28 July 192653 54
- Sir John Grey Gorton (1911-2002) 19th Prime Minister of Australia. Initiated into Freemasonry at Kerrange Lodge No 100 UGLV on 5 Feb 1948.55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62
- Sir William McMahon GCMG, CH (1908-1988) 20th Prime Minister of Australia.63 64 65 66 67. Initiated at Lodge University of Sydney No 544 UGLNSW on 22 March 1974.68 69 70
Famous Freemasons; Australian State Premiers

The list of Premiers has been expanded enough to warrant subsections. There are several below which generally do not appear in lists of Freemasons yet have reliable sources for inclusion.

Famous Freemasons; Australian State Premiers – NSW

- Sir Charles Cowper KCMG (1807-1875), 2nd Premier of New South Wales five times, was initiated in The Lodge of Australia in 1862.
- Sir John Robertson KCMG (1816 - 1891) MLA MLC 5th Premier of NSW and Premier 5 times. Colonial Secretary. President Local Branch Irish (National) League from 1864 until 1865 Led squatter protest against Governor Gipps' attempt to restrict expansion beyond boundaries of location in North-West in 1838. Opposed Federation. Best remembered for land reform and in particular the Robertson Land Acts of 1861, which sought to open up the selection of Crown land and break the monopoly of the squatters.
- Sir Robert Askin GCMG, 32nd Premier of New South Wales, member Boree Lodge 335 & Prince Edward Lodge 349. In 1973 Askin became the first premier of New South Wales to win a fourth successive term.
- Sir Eric Willis KBE, CMG (1922-99), 34th Premier of New South Wales.

Famous Freemasons; Australian State Premiers – Queensland

- Sir Samuel Walker Griffith KCMG(1845-1920), Chief Justice and 9th Premier of Queensland (twice), Grand Master.
- Sir Robert Philip KCMG(1851-1922), businessman and 15th Premier of Queensland.
- William Forgan-Smith (1887-1952) 24th Premier of Queensland 1932-1940, initiated into Prince Albert Lodge No 248 UGLQLD.

Famous Freemasons; Australian State Premiers – South Australia

- Sir Richard Davies Hanson (1805-1876), solicitor founding member of the South Australian Literary Society in August 1834, initiated Lodge of Friendship in 1834. 4th Premier (1857-1860) South Australia, as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court (from 1861) and as acting Governor (1872-1873). Hanson St & Road Adelaide are named after him.
- Sir John Hart CMG (1809-1873), SC Provincial Grand Master SA, 11th Premier South Australia three times.
- John Greeley Jenkins (1851-1923), 22nd Premier of South Australia.
- Thomas Price (1852-1909), 24th Premier of South Australia, reformist, trade unionist.
- Archibald Henry Peake (1859-1920), 25th Premier of South Australia.
- Sir Thomas Playford IV GCMG (1896-1981), 33rd Premier of South Australia, not to be confused with Thomas Playford II (1837-1915) who was also a Premier of South Australia and grandfather of Sir Thomas Playford IV.
1938 to 10 March 1965, the longest term of any elected government leader in the history of Australia

Famous Freemasons; Australian State Premiers – Tasmania
- Sir Neil Elliott Lewis KCMG (1858-1935), lawyer and 19th Tasmanian Premier three times. MLA. Attorney-General. Federationalist. Lieutenant-Governor of Tasmania 1933-35. Chancellor of the University of Tasmania 1924-33
- Sir John William Evans CMG (1855-1943), seaman, businessman and politician, 21st Premier of Tasmania

Famous Freemasons; Australian State Premiers – Victoria
- Sir George Turner KCMG (1851-1916) Privy Councilor, Victoria's first Australian-born Premier of Victoria (18th), Commonwealth Treasurer & Minister, Mayor of St Kilda 1887-88. Introduced income tax (1894) Initiated 1882 at The Brighton District Lodge No37
- Sir Alexander James Peacock KCMG (1861-1933), 20th Premier of Victoria and member of fourteen ministries. Grand Master (1900-05) of the United Grand Lodge of Victoria
- William Alexander Watt (1871-1946) politician, 24th Premier of Victoria, Acting Prime Minister post WW1. initiated North Melbourne Lodge 2 Dec 1901
- Sir Harry Lawson KMCG (1875-1952), 27th Premier of Victoria 1918-1924, Scotch Collegians Lodge
- Sir Henry Edward Bolte GCMG (1908-1990), was the 38th and longest serving Premier of Victoria. Initiated into Lodge Meredith No 163 UGLV 9 October 1946

Famous Freemasons; Australian State Premiers – Western Australia
- Major General Sir Newton James Moore KCMG(1870-1936), 8th Premier of Western Australia, soldier and businessman, President of the Western Australian Municipal Association in 1904
- Sir Charles Court AK KCMG OBE (1911 –2007), 21st Western Australian Premier Past Master Latham Lodge

Famous Freemasons; Australian & State Governors
- Lachlan Macquarie (1762-1824), Governor of NSW. Served as the last autocratic Governor of NSW (1810 to 1821) and played a leading role in the social, economic and architectural development of the colony. Initiated January 1793 at Bombay, India in Lodge No1
- Sir Isaac Alfred Isaacs (1855–1948), Governor-General, Attorney-General, High Court Judge and politician. Elected to the first Federal Parliament of Australia. Initiated Antrim No 349 Irish Const, first Grand Register of UGLV
- Sir Ernest Clark (1864-1951), Governor of Tasmania, installed Grand Master of Tasmania in 1935. Elected to the first Federal Parliament of Australia. Initiated United Lodge No. 1629 EC
- Sir Robert William Duff GCMG, PC (1835-1895), Governor of NSW, Grand Master of NSW
Air Vice Marshal Sir Robert Allingham George KCMG, KCVO, KBE, CB, MC (1896-1967), South Australian Governor 1956-1958

Major-General Sir Reginald Alexander Dallas Brooks KCB CMG DSO KStJ KCVO KCMG (1896-1966), Governor of Victoria, 19th Grand Master UGLV 1951-1963

Victoria's longest serving Governor and Masonic Grand Master “was possibly the most popular Governor in Victoria's history” initiated in the Clarke Lodge No. 98 on 6 February 1950

Dallas Brooks Hall 300 Albert St East Melb is named after him


Lord Somers, Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Herbert Tennyson Somers-Cocks KCMG, DSO, MC (1887-1944), Governor of Victoria, 12th Grand Master Victoria 1927-1932

Chief Scout of Victoria and succeeded Baden-Powell as Chief Scout of the British Commonwealth

Initiated Household Brigade Lodge

George Edward John Mowbray Rous, 3rd Earl of Stradbroke CB CVO CBE KCMG ADC (1862-1947) KCMG CB CVO CBE VD TD (1862-1947), Soldier & Governor of Victoria (1922-1929)

Initiated Lodge of Prudence No. 388 10th Grand Master UGLV 1922-1929

Lord Stonehaven, Major-General Michael Jeffery, Governor General 1925-1930, Grand Master UGLNSW

Major-General Jeffery AC, CVO, MC. (1937-), Governor General of Western Australia (1993-2002) and then Australia (2003-2008), Former CO of SAS Regiment (Australia). Initiated in St George's Lodge No 6 on 23 November 1994

Sir Samuel J Way (1836-1916), South Australian Lt Governor, Grand Master South Australia 1884-1884

Sir Malcolm Barclay-Harvey (1890-1969), South Australian Governor (1890-1969), South Australian Governor 1891-1943

Grand Master South Australia 1941-1943

Sir William Ellison-Macartney KCMG (1852-1920), Governor of Tasmania (1912-1917) Governor of Western Australia (1917-1920)

Initiated Apollo University Lodge No. 357 EC on 6 June 1872

Sir Eric Neal (1924-) AC CVO South Australian Governor 1996-2001, Chair Wespac


Sir Gerard Smith KCMG (1839-1920), Governor of Western Australia (1895-1900) First Grand Master of Western Australia Grand Lodge

Sir Harry Holdsworth Rawson GCB GCMG (1843-1910), Admiral, Governor of NSW (1902-1909) "He promoted 'the ultimate formation of a separate navy' for Australia” Grand Master of

Sir Thomas Mellis Napier KCMG (1882-1976) Judge, Lieutenant Governor (1942-73), Grand Master of South Australia 1928-1930, First Grand Master of Western Australia Grand Lodge

Frederic John Napier Thesiger, 1st Viscount Chelmsford GCSI, GCMG, GCIE, GBE, PC (1868-1933) British statesman served as Governor of Queensland (1905–1909), Governor of NSW (1909-1913), Viceroy of India. Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of NSW 1910-1913, First Grand Master of Western Australia Grand Lodge. Initiated 1 June 1898 in Lodge of Amity No. 137 EC

Sir Gerard Smith KCMG (1839-1920), Governor of Western Australia (1895-1900) First Grand Master of Western Australia Grand Lodge. Initiated into Freemasonry on 4 May 1880 in the United Studholme Alliance Lodge No. 1591 EC

Lord Kintore, Algernon Hawkins Thomond Keith-Falconer (1852-1930) Governor of South Australia and Grand Master South Australia 1889-1895

Lord Carrington, Charles Robert Carrington KG GCMG PC DL JP (1843-1928) Governor of NSW and District Grand Master NSW in 1888 to 1890

First Grand Master United Grand Lodge NSW

Sir Thomas Mellis Napier KCMG (1882-1976), Judge, Lieutenant Governor (1942-73), Grand Master of South Australia 1928-1930

Sir Harry Holdsworth Rawson GCB GCMG (1843-1910), Admiral, Governor of NSW (1902-1909) “He promoted 'the ultimate formation of a separate navy’ for Australia” Grand Master of
United Grand Lodge of New South Wales (1905-09). Initiated in Royal Sussex Lodge No. 501 EC in November.

- Lord Brassey. Thomas Brassey KCB (1836-?), first Governor of Victoria to be elected Grand Master (1896-1900) helped found Volunteer Naval Reserves. Initiated Oxford University Lodge 1850. In Melbourne he joined the Clarke Lodge No. 98.

- Sir John Goodwin KCB, CMG, DSO, Queensland Governor and Queensland Grand Master.


- Sir John Goodwin KCB, CMG, DSO, Queensland Governor and Queensland Grand Master. Initiated into Freemasonry at Lodge St Andrews Military Lodge No 668 on 15 March 1893.


- Sir Victor Albert George Child-Villiers, 7th Earl of Jersey GCB, GCMG, PC, DL, JP (1845-1915), Governor of NSW, Grand Master UGLNSW (installed 1891) initiated into Apollo University Lodge No. 357 EC, on 25 October 1865 affiliated with Lodge Ionic No. 65 NSWC.


- Lord Carmichael, Thomas Gibson Carmichael, GCSI KCMG (1859-1926) Governor Victoria (1908-?) Governor of Madras, India, Governor of Bengal. Grand Master UGLV 1909-1912. Initiated 1895 in Lodge Dramatic and Arts No. 757 SC.


- Frederick John Prichard (1851–1920), journalist During WW1 wrote under the name of 'Union Jack' to keep readers informed of developments on the front.

- Sir George Cumine Strahan KCMG. (1838-1887), Governor of Tasmania.


- Lieutenant-Colonel George James Molle (1773-1823), soldier and Lieutenant-Governor NSW, commander 46th Regiment in February, 1814 Sydney. Took part in the first public Masonic ceremony in Australia, at the laying of the foundation stone of Captain John Piper's new house on what is now Point Piper. Lodge of Social and Military Virtues in late 1816.

- Hercules George Robert Robinson, 1st Baron Rosmead GCMG PC (1824-1887), was a British colonial administrator who became the 5th Governor of Hong Kong and subsequently, the 14th Governor of New South Wales.

- Lieutenant-General Sir John Lavarack, Grand Master QLD Governor of Queensland from 1946-1957.

NOTE – Two Governors not noted above appear in the Premiers lists.
Major General Alan Bishop Stretton AO CBE (1922-2012), Australian of the Year 1975.

Sir Edward 'Weary' Dunlop, Australian of the Year 1976 (see military men section for footnotes)

Captain Matthew Flinders (1774-1814), explorer. First Australian explorer to be born here. Initiated at Leinster Marine Lodge of Australia No 266, Irish Const on 12 Sept 1825.

Hamilton Hume (1797-1873) first Australian explorer to be born here. Initiated at Leinster Marine Lodge of Australia No 266, Irish Const on 12 Sept 1825.

William Wentworth (1790-1872) explorer, poet, journalist and politician. Member Lodge Amis Incorruptibles of Orient de Paris in 1818. Member The Lodge of Australia No 3.


Inspector-General Belgrave Edward Sutton Ninnis CVO (1837 – 1922) Royal Navy Surgeon, surveyor, Arctic explorer, and leading Freemason. Served as part of a surveying expedition to the Northern Territory of South Australia, helping to chart the area to the west of the Adelaide River and returning biological specimens to Adelaide for study. Initiated 1872 in Zetland Lodge No 515 Malta. Died by accident Antarctica in December 1912 aged 25 years.


Arthur Todd Holroyd MD, MB, FZS, FLS, FRGS (1806-1887), physician, explorer and jurist. Fellow, Zoological Society of London. First European to cross the Bayuda desert to Khartoum and the first Englishman to visit Kordofan. Fellow Royal Geographical Society. MLC MLA. First Mayor municipality of Prospect and Sherwood (now Holroyd). District Grand Master of the English constitution (1867-77).

Albert Frederick Calvert (1872-1946), author, explorer, traveler and mining engineer. Initiated 1893.


Michael Terry (1899–1981), explorer and author. In 1923 he and his companion Richard Yockney drove from Winton, Queensland, to Broome, Western Australia, in a 1913 T-model Ford.
Famous Australian Freemasons; Actors, Entertainers & Musicians

- Graham Kennedy AO (1934-2005), entertainer and "King of Television". Lodge of St Kilda, 1955.
- Ken G Hall (1901-1994). Australian film producer and was the first Australian to win an Oscar. Initiated into Freemasonry at Lodge Anima No 421 on 12 Dec 1922.
- George Seth Coppin (1819-1906), politician, comic actor and entrepreneur. An energetic Freemason he became the first Grand Master of Victoria (Grand Lodge Victoria later dissolved when United Grand Lodge Victoria was formed, Coppin presided over the first (and last (1889) meeting of the GL). Coppin has been credited with fathering the Australian theatre. Initiated St Johns Lodge No 346 IC.
- " Roy Rene Mo" (born Harry Van Der Sluys) (1892-1954) better known as 'Mo' the clown. Thespian No.256, NSW Australia.
- Nathan Phillips better known as “Stiffy” the clown.
- Philip Peter Jacob Wirth (1864-1937) bandsman and circus proprietor, with his brother, founded Wirth Bros Ltd Circus.
- Friedrich Wilhelm August Klauer (1829 -1906) Band musician, composer, arranger, publican, gold miner, played at the Eureka Stockade. Oldest publican in Adelaide. He was a prominent Freemason, having been a Past Master of the Duke of Leinster Lodge and Member of the Adelaide City Council.
- Walter Malcolm Neil McEachern (1883-1945), singer, one half of the comic musical duo Mr Flotsam and Mr Jetsam. Toured with Nellie Melba.
- Arthur Tunstall (1922-2016), OBE Boxing.

Famous Australian Freemasons; Sport

- Sir Hubert Opperman, OBE (1904-1996) world's fastest bicyclist in 1930s; Government Minister; High Commissioner to Malta. Initiated into Stonnington Lodge No 368 UGLV on 23 Dec 1925.
- Bill Ponsford MBE (1900-1991), test cricketer.
- John Treloar (1928-) one of the fastest sprinters in the world of his time, winner of three track sprint gold medals at the Auckland 1950 Empire Games. Initiated at Lodge Frank McDowell No 362 on 4 March 1948.
Walter Albert Lindrum CBE (1898 - 1960) 553 professional billiards player. Initiated Crimea Lodge No 432 8 Oct 1934554 555

Jack Plummer, sprinter, Australian 1500m track champion and also at Auckland 1950 Empire Games 556

Ray Land, who competed in sprints and relays at Melbourne 1956 557

Vic Patrick (1920-2006) 558"the best Australian boxer never to have won a world title"559. Australian Lightweight Title in 1941. 560Initiated at Lodge Fellowship No 623 on 28 Jan 1942561

Mickey (Roy) Tollis, (1927 – 2007), boxer562 563

Jimmy Hill, boxer564 565 566

Henry Messenger (1883-1959), Rugby player. Initiated at Lodge Thespian No 265 in 1915 567

William John Truscott 'Nipper' (1886-1966), footballer568 inducted into the Sport Australia Hall of Fame in 1985 and the Australian Football Hall of Fame in 1996 569

Deverick John (Mick) Cronin (1911-1979), Australian Rules footballer and commentator. 570

William Hender Hellings, swimmer one of the founders of the NSW Swimming Association 571

John Hill (b1925?), member Victorian Boxing Hall of Fame, 50 Year Jewel holder. 572

Edgar Laurence (Dunc) Grey (1906-1996), Olympic cyclist 573 574


William (Bill) M Lawry AM (1937- ) cricket 579 580 initiated Manangatang lodge 705 UGLV in 1962 581

Wally Grout (1927-1968), test cricketer. 582 583 584

Charles George "Charlie" Macartney (1886 – 1958) cricket 585 586, known as "The Governor-General" 587

Stanley Rupert Rowley (1876-1924), Olympic Sprinter Paris 1900, member Lodge Austral 588

Leo Ejner Jensen (1912-1978), wrestler and physiotherapist. Australian Heavy Weight Champion 1952 589


Glyn de Villiers Bosisto MBE (1899-1990). Lawn Bowls, “created so many records that he was dubbed the (Sir Donald) 'Bradman of bowls" 591

Famous Australian Freemasons; Military Men – Victoria Cross Recipients

Lord Gowrie, Sir Alexander Gore Arkwright Hore-Ruthven VC DSO with Bar (1872-1955) Victoria Cross Winner, and Australia's longest serving Governor-General (see Governor General Section above)

Lt William Dunstan VC (1895–1957), Victoria Cross Winner. Victorian Naval and Military Lodge. 592 593 594

John Hutton Bisbee VC (1869-1930), first Australian soldier to be awarded the Victoria Cross (in Boer War, South Africa). Initiated Lodge Bulwer No 1068 England on 6 Jan 1917 595 596

Lt Neville R Howse VC (1863-1930), Australia's first Victoria Cross Winner and only medical member of the Australian Forces to be awarded the VC. Initiated Lodge Ophir on 29 Aug 1901 597 598 599

Captain Albert Jacka, VC, MC with Bar (1893-1932) 600 Australia’s first WW1 VC 601 602 603

John Hurst Edmondson (1914-1941) Victoria Cross Winner. Initiated into Lodge Liverpool No 197 on 3 April 1935. 604 605 606 first Australian VC of WW2 607 608 609 610

Walter (Walley) Brown VC (1885-1942) Victoria Cross Winner. Initiated Lodge Godeldrie No 558 on 7 April 1931.


Blair A Wark VC (1894-1941) Victoria Cross Winner. Initiated at Lodge Lane Cove No 338 on 8 Nov 1921.

James Gorman VC (1834-1882) Victoria Cross Winner initiated at The Leinster Marine Lodge of Australia in 1878.

John Woods Whittle VC (1882-1946) Victoria Cross Winner. Initiated at Lodge Sydney St Andrew no 7 on 1 Nov 1923.


Hugo Throssell VC (1884-1933) Victoria Cross Winner. Initiated at Lodge Bulwer No 1068 England on 15 June 1917.


Corporal Cameron Baird VC MG (1981-2013) , Initiated 23 Sept 2006 Lodge Thespian No. 256 ULG NSW & ACT.

Col Dr Sir Weary Dunlop AC, CMG, OBE (1907-1993), War Hero & Doctor WW2 Japanese POW, Changi Railway - saved hundreds including Sir William Clavel (author of Shogun). Initiated in Lodge Liberation, No 674 in 1954 UGLV.


Sir Frederick Rudolph William Scherger KBE, CB, DSO, AFC (1904-1984), air force officer, airline commissioner and company chairman. Australians highest known Military ranking Freemason. He served as Chief of the Air Staff, the RAAF's highest-ranking position (1957 – 1961) and as Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff Committee (1961 -1966), forerunner of the role of Australia's Chief of the Defense Force. He was the first RAAF officer to hold the rank of Air Chief Marshal (the equivalent of 4 Stars). MMM of Werribee Mark Lodge No.98 (Craft Lodge currently unknown – was WM Adastral Lodge No. 397, 1939-1945), 80 years as a Freemason.

Jack Lockett OAM (1891-2002) was Australia's oldest man and oldest war veteran when he died at the age of 111 and was honoured with a State Funeral in Victoria.

between February and September 1918, and was the leading A.F.C. ace. United States of America Medal of Freedom with bronze palm, for meritorious wartime service


- Major-General Frank E. Poke (?-2015). AO, RFD ED PDG. Bronze palm, for meritorious wartime service.


- Major-General R Kendall.


- Major-General RE Jackson.

- Major-General AG Wilson.


- Major-General Paul Alfred Cullen AC, CBE, DSO & Bar, ED (1909 – 2007). Deputy Adjutant General in France to AIF. Hawthorn City Councilor, Honorary Federal Treasurer of RSL.


- Major-General Paul Alfred Cullen AC, CBE, DSO & Bar, ED (1909 – 2007). Battalion Commander on the Kokoda Track, founder and first chairman of Austcare and a noted philanthropist.

- Allan Gordon Cameron DSO and Bar (1909-1960), bank officer and soldier was awarded the DSO with Bar in New Guinea.


- Lieutenant-General Sir Carl Jess CB, CMG, CBE, DSO (1884-1948).

- Lieutenant-General Sir Leslie Morshad KCB, KBE, CMG, DSO, ED (1889-1959), Commander Rats of Tobruk and New Guinea and Borneo Campaigns.

- Brigadier The Hon MWJ Boucher CMG, DSO, TD, MLA (1881-1937). led his Regiment, the 4th Australian Light Horse, in the Charge at Beersheba.


- Major-General EJ Milford CB, (1894-1972) Divisional Commander (5th & 7th) WW2, noon on 8 September 1945 Milford accepted the surrender of all Japanese troops in Borneo.

- Rear-Admiral Guy Griffiths AO, DSO, DSC, RAN. He was on the HMS Repulse, which was hit by a bomb and five torpedoes on December 10, 1941. It went down with the loss of 513 lives.

- Brigadier General Sir Walter Ramsay McNicoll DSO, KBE (1877-1947), schoolmaster, politician, soldier and administrator. MLA. Led the 6th Battalion in the landing at Anzac Cove on 25 April, and received one of the first awards of the Distinguished Service Order in the AIF administrator of the Mandated Territory of New Guinea in August (1934-1942).

- General John Jackson Paine (1864-1936) CBE. Soldier and solicitor Mayor of Windsor for 9 years.

- Lieutenant-General Sir Horace Robertson.
Lieutenant-General Sir Stanley George Savige KBE, CB, DSO, MC, ED (1890-1954) soldier and founder of Legacy. Landed Gallipoli 6 March 1915

Lieutenant-Colonel B.R. (Barry) Tinkler, MBE Australian Army Training Team Vietnam

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Harold Luxton, former Lord Mayor of Melbourne (1888-1957)

Lieutenant-Colonel George Francis Murphy CMG DSO with bar, (1883-1962) soldier, teacher and administrator. DSO with Bar foundation member of Sydney Legacy

Lieutenant-Colonel Walter Edmund Hutchinson Cass CMG (1876-1931), soldier and commandant. brigade major of the 2nd Brigade, AIF that took part in the landing at Anzac Cove but unit was transferred to Cape Helles to advance against the Turks at Krithia on 8 May. Battalion Commander.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Harold Stokes CBE (1899-1977), engineer, company director. in 1952-74 President of the Austin Hospital and chairman of the board of the Cancer Institute

Lieutenant-Colonel Dr Howard Kynaston Denham DSO (1883-1972), soldier and medical practitioner. Initiated 1911

Lieutenant-Colonel Dr Arthur Ross Clayton DSO (1876-1963), medical practitioner Mayor of the Moonta 1924-26 & 1939-40

Lieutenant-Colonel Herbert William Lloyd, CB, CMG, CVO, DSO (1883 - 1957) MLA

Lieutenant-Colonel Theodore Gordon Walker DSO (1900-1971), army officer and businessman. 24th Battalion Commander. POW

Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Hazell Elliott CMG, DSO and Bar CMG (1882-1956), soldier and clerk. Within hours of the landing at Gallipoli on 25 April took command of the 12th battalion following the wounding of other officers. Commanded in France and received the Légion d'honneur. Initiated 1911

Lieutenant-Colonel George Henry Dean (1859-1953), soldier, stock and station agent and grazier. July 1912 appointed to command the 8th Light Horse Brigade, 1915 as a Lt-Colonel commanded the 13th Light Horse Regiment which served, unmounted, at Gallipoli from early September

Lieutenant-Colonel William Charles Waite MC (1880-1973), soldier and auctioneer. Served in Boer War, WW1 &2 (home). Landed at Gallipoli on 25 April 1915 and served there until the evacuation in December, first commanding the 7th Field Artillery Battery and then the 8th, MC at Gallipoli. member of the Burnside Town Council for seventeen years. The Colonel Waite Memorial Oval at Kensington Gardens, Adelaide, honours his service to the council. At 90 he presided over the last memorial meeting of Boer War veterans. Especially well known as Chief Marshal on Anzac Day in Adelaide; proudly mounted on a dapple-grey charger, he led the parade on twenty-nine occasions.

Lieutenant-Colonel Ernest Arthur Kendall CMG (1876-1938), veterinary surgeon. First Chair Victoria’s Milk Board

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Byrne Hart MC, CBE (1895-1989), soldier, accountant and company director. From January 1943 commanded the 2nd Australian Water Transport Group

Wing Commander William Lloyd Brill DSO, DFC with Bar (1916-1964), RAAF officer

Wing Commander Nick Leray-Meyer AM (?-), president RAAF Vietnam Veterans Association

Colonel Sir Thomas Charles (Tom) Eastick DSO, CMG, ED (1900-1988), engineer and army officer. Regiment Commander. RSL State president. Took the Japanese surrender at Kuching Borneo in 1945


Colonel James Lawson DSO (1884-1965) Led 'A' Squadron which led the Charge at Beersheeba 31 Oct 1917

Colonel Terrance (Terry) Raymond Bates (1934?- 2015).
Colonel James Campbell Stewart DSO with Bar, CMG (1884-1947), soldier and public servant, acting Battalion Commander Gallipoli 743, Brigade Commander France 744

Colonel Leslie Walker (?-?), member first South Australian Lodge, Hand of Friendship EC No.613 745 746 747 748 Walker Street Adelaide is named after him 749

Colonel Burford Sampson DSO (1882-1959), soldier and politician. Platoon commander at Gallipoli, MLC 750 751

Colonel D D Dawson VD (1876-1935) 752 promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel in the AIF in 1916 and given command of the 25th Battalion on Gallipoli 753, Anglican Church Leader 754 member of the General Synod of Australia & elected the first district president for Central Queensland of the Returned Sailors’ and Soldiers’ Imperial League of Australia 755 Member Rockhampton City Council 756

Colonel Clement James Cummings DSO (1908–1991), soldier, accountant, and sportsman. Battalion Commander. RSL’s Meritorious Service Medal (1990) 757 “One of Australia’s most distinguished field officers of World War II” 758 Colonel Cummings Drive, Buchans Point, Cairns is named after him. 759

Major Alexander Thomas Paterson MC (1886-1950), soldier and businessman. 760

Major William Adolphus (Bill) Chaffey (1915-1987), farmer and politician MLA. Served in Z’ Special Unit 1944-45 761 Initiated in 1940 762

Major John William Hamilton (?-1915) 763 Killed at Gallipoli 764 765

Major George Albert Eddy (1860-1900) 766 2IC 1st Australian Regiment KIA Battle Of Rensburg (Hobkirk’s Farm “Pink Hill”), 12 February 1900, Member Victorian Naval and Military Lodge 49 767

Major George Bland Humble (1839-1930), teacher and Fremantle town clerk 769 770

Brigadier Raymond Walter Tovell CBE, DSO and Bar, ED. (1890–1966) MP. Chief Patron of the Rats of Tobruk Association. MLA 771 772 773

Brigadier Arthur Harry Langham Godfrey MC, DSO and Bar (1896-1942), army officer and auctioneer. Battalion Commander. Served in WW1 & 2. Most senior AIF officer killed in action at El Alamein. 774 775 776


Brigadier Sir William Hall KBE DSO ED 778

Brigadier Sir George Hodges Knox KBE, CMG, ED, (1885- 1960) orchardist, soldier and politician, philanthropist MLA, whom the Shire of Knox, later to be known as the City of Knox was named after him. Member Peace and Loyalty UGLV 779 Battalion Commander of 23rd Battalion from August at Gallipoli. Speaker of the House.

Brigadier Keith V Rossi (Rtd) AM OBE RFD ED (1921-2016) 780 781 Served in WW2 in and, later, in Vietnam. Active in the RSL, Legacy and VVAA.

Captain John Edwin (Jack) McKeddie MC and Bar (1902-1980), army officer and stockbroker, aide-de-camp to Major General (Sir) Leslie Morshead in 1941 and served with him during the siege of Tobruk. 782

Captain James Croker Ferguson, J.P (1830?-1891), “ONE of the most expert riflemen in the colony” 783 784 785 786

Captain Robert Russell Fullarton (1829-1895), naval officer and public servant. Naval Commander (all Naval Reserves) 787 Melbourne Harbour Master 788

Bruce Ruxton (1926-2011), former President of Victorian RSL 789 790 791

Lieutenant William Sinclair MM MC (1887-1959), soldier, boxmaker and sales representative 792

John Alexander Watson DSO (1891-1980), grocer, insurance agent and army officer. Logistics officer during the siege at Tobruk 793
James Boag (c.1822-1890), brewer, founded “J. Boag & Son” in February 1883.
Thomas Mayne (1901-1995) developed the drink "Milo" still sold today. Initiated into Lodge King Edward No 189 UGLV.
Harry Melbourne (1901-1995) developed the drink "Milo" still sold today. Initiated into Lodge King Edward No 189 UGLV.
Frederick Peters (1836-1937) founded Peter's Ice-cream. Initiated into Terre Coupee Lodge No 204 Grand Lodge of Indiana on 27 Dec 1890.
Cecil Albert Gregory (1894-1974) Founder of "Gregory's Street Directory of Sydney and Suburbs". Initiated Lodge Arcadia No 177 UGLNSW on 12 May 1922.
Mervyn Richardson (1893-1972) invented the Victa Lawn Mower. Initiated Lodge Wentworth no 89 on 6 Feb 1945.
Joseph Best (1830-1887) and Henry Best (1832-1913), vignerons, founded the vineyard that today trades as “Seppelts Great Western Wines”.
Sir James Gilbert Hardy (1932- ) winemaker and businessman noted for his yachting achievements. Initiated Lodge City of Sydney 952 on 21 November 1962.
William Albert Flick (1890-1980), pest exterminator, founded W. A. Flick & Co., Australia's largest pest control company, and one that was among the largest in the world.
William Dymock (1861-1900), bookseller.
William Knox (1850-1913), businessman and politician. MLA, MLC. 1885 secretary Broken Hill Proprietary Co. Ltd “Generally regarded as the brains behind B.H.P.” Sat on board of Mount Lyell Mining and Railway Co. Ltd & BHP. President Melbourne Chamber of Commerce. Malvern Shire councilor & President. Declined a Knighthood.
Sir Alfred Henry Ashbolt (1870-1930), notable businessman fostered economic development, particularly in Tasmania. Consul for Russia in Tasmania until he resigned on the outbreak of the revolution. President Royal Hobart Golf Club.
John Crann (1848-1935), sugar refiner, one of the Cranns of Robert Cran & Co.
William James (Bill) Proud (1871-1931), jeweler founded “Prouds the Jewellers”.
Frank Whiddon (1877- 1947), With this brother, founded Whiddon Bros Ltd. Initiated into Lodge Neutral Bay No. 267. Grand Master UGLNSW 1945.
Henry Perdriau (1845-1935), pioneer rubber merchant and manufacturer. Director Dunlop-Perdriau Rubber Co. Ltd.
Sir George Victor Lansell (1883-1959), businessman, politician and philanthropist. Director of the Sandhurst Trustees' Co. MLC & Director of many companies like Bendigo Pottery Company Ltd.
Charles Andrew Ord MBE. (1905-1977), banker and stockbroker. Philanthropist. Co-founded Ord & Minnett, later acquired other businesses and developed into one of Australia's leading brokerage businesses. State Chair National Heart Foundation of Australia


William Holyman (1833-1919), master mariner and ship owner. In 1911 bought automobiles to carry mail from Launceston to Beauty Point, the first regular mail service by motor car in Tasmania

Thomas Swallow (1823-1890), businessman, manufacturer, mechanical inventor, member of the first municipal council Sandridge (Port Melbourne) (1860) and was Mayor for several terms before retiring in 1875. Major Volunteer Artillery SWALLOW ST Port Melbourne was named after him, noted for founding the Swallow & Ariel biscuit factory which at the time (1850's) was the 5th largest steam biscuit factory in the WORLD. Swallow's Landing & Swallow Rd & Swallow Street Cairns also named after him.

Sir Roderick William Miller CBE (1911-1971), company director, transport pioneer. Pioneered the coal trade with Japan (and later with Europe)

Joseph Taylor (Joe) Coffill (1841-1919), teamster, livery stable proprietor and funeral director. In 1912 Coffill merged with A. C. J. Wood to form the largest funeral-directing enterprise in Sydney.

John Vans Agnew Bruce (1822-1863), road and railway construction contractor. By 1857 was well known as one of the largest employers of labour in the colony.

Leo Susman (1832-1903), German Jew, Merchant & Freemason, one of Hobart's wealthiest shop-keepers. Initiated Tasmanian Union Lodge, presented with the first Past Master jewel ever given to a Past Master in Tasmania, 25 year chair (?-1898) Tasmanian Masonic Benevolence Fund.

Herbert Taylor (1885-1970), accountant and company director, conservative party organizer. President Melbourne Chamber of Commerce. Treasurer and President RACV. (check this he was life governor of freemason hospital but no mention of initiation.)

Thomas Alison Scott (1777?-1881), father of the Australian sugar and banana industries.

James McFarlane Lapsley PM (1856-1931), fire brigade officer & inventor. Invented Lapsley condenser. Grand Master WA SC 1906 to 1931. Lapsley Street Dunlop ACT is named in his honour for is invention.

James Freeland Leacock - inventor of the "ute" in 1929 application to register a convertible body for motor vehicles was submitted to the Patents Office on behalf of inventor James Freeland Leacock, and accepted in 1930. Leacock’s invention pre-dated the launch of the first official Australian ‘ute’ by five years.

Alfred Henry Massina (1834-1917), printer & publisher. Published Australian Journal. Funded Marcus Clarke visiting Tasmania (1869) to gather material for Term of His Natural Life which Australian Journal commenced serialized publication 1870. A. H. Massina & Co. installed Victoria's first linotype machine in 1894. It’s worth being proven; the machine was introduced to the Herald in 1895 Director ‘Herald’ and ‘Weekly Times’. Published Adam Lindsay Gordon's poems.
Famous Australian Freemasons; Architects & Builders

Famous Freemasons; Architects

- Sir Francis Howard Greenway (1777-1837), colonial era architect (also under convicts). His image was on the old Australian $10 note.
- John Petrie (1822-1992), architect, politician, first Mayor of Brisbane, active member of the first Masonic lodge in Queensland.
- Percy William Harrison (1864-1951) notable architect, President of WAIA from 1907-1909.
- Lieutenant-General Sir Talbot Hobbs KCB, KCMG, VD (1864-1938), soldier, notable architect, involved in many community organizations such as Surf Life-Saving, RSL, Boy Scouts and Rotary and Legacy. Pro Grand Master.
- William Charles Vahland (1828 – 1915) 900 City of Sandhurst councilor, Chairman and Managing director of the Bendigo Mutual Permanent Land and Building Society 901, Freemason and acclaimed architect, Bendigo’s Alexandra Fountain, Town Hall, Capital Theatre and the Anne Caudle Centre were all designed by Vahland who is credited with designing around 100 buildings and landmarks throughout the region. Initiated Golden Lodge of Bendigo in 1857.
- Thomas English (1819-1884), Gawler Mayor. MLC Colonial Architect.
- George Thomas Temple Poole (George Thomas Temple-Poole) (1856-1934), architect, Western Australian superintendent of public works. Thirty-four of the approximately 200 for which he was responsible had been classified by the National Trust of Australia by 1980 as 'essential to the heritage of Australia and must be preserved'; most important of these are Treasury Buildings & the Lands Department in Perth. Founder of the Western Australian Institute of Architects (1896), four times its President.
- Robert Flack Richards (c 1866-1938, 72 when he died), Hobart architect.
- Lange Leopold Powell (1886-1938), architect.
- Cuthbert Claude Mortier Whitley (1886-1942), architect and public servant played Australian Rules football with the Hawthorn Football Club in Melbourne and won several golf trophies in Canberra.
- Joel Eade (1823-1911), builder, architect and educationist, magistrate and Mayor of Collingwood in 1870-71. Life governor of the Melbourne Hospital. Mayor of Collingwood (1870-71) 920.

Famous Freemasons; Builders

- Clements Langford (1853-1930), master builder, Anglican lay leader. Built many buildings in Melbourne and Victoria, built spires at St Pauls Cathedral at cost, many conspicuous buildings, such as Scott's Hotel, Centre Way Arcade, Astor Theatre the Comedy Theatre, the Myer.
Emporium, the Colosseum at Prahran, and Ball and Welch’s building, were constructed under his direction.

- Ernest Alfred Watts (1893-1979), builder, built building in Bourke Street for G. J. Coles & Co. Pty Ltd, and additions to the National Gallery of Victoria. He built many large structures, including the Chevron Hotel (1934), the southern stand at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (1936) and the Hotel Australia (1939). Elected, unopposed, as president (1938-39) of the Master Builders Association of Victoria.

Famous Australian Freemasons; Artists

- Sir William Alexander Dargie CBE (1912-2003) artist, portrait painter, holds the current record for the most Archibald Prizes won (eight). Official artist during WW2. Initiated June 1951 Lodge Arboreal No 641 UGLV, received a 50 Year Jewel of Service in the Craft.
- Henry William Mobsby (1860-1933), artist, photographer and motion picture pioneer. took the first moving picture footage in Queensland in 1898 using Lumiere cinematograph, Member of the Lodge, Indooroopilly, No.155, United Grand Lodge of Queensland.
- Carl Magnus Oscar Friström (1856-1918), professional painter, President New Society of Artists.
- George Frederick Harris (1856 - 1924), artist.
- Henry William Mobsby (1860-1933), artist, photographer and motion picture pioneer.
- Harry Pelling Gill (1855-1916), painter, art curator and teacher. President (Royal) South Australian Society of Arts.
- Abraham Abrahams (1813-1892) Painter & prominent philanthropist.

Famous Australian Freemasons; Aviation

- Air Commodore Sir Charles Kingsford Smith (1897-1935), aviator who was first to cross the Pacific from the US to Brisbane in about 1928. He was a MM of a Brisbane lodge, and, as a matter of interest, it is his MM apron which is perambulated in the memorial service each Anzac Day in the Brisbane Memorial Masonic Centre. Initiated at Gascoyne Lodge on 9 April 1925.
- Lawrence Hargrave (1850-1915) aviation pioneer. Initiated at United Service Lodge of New South Wales No 937 English Const on 2 April 1877.
- Allan Robert Stanley Vickers, flying doctor, see the Medicine section.
- Lieutenant Dr George Pinnock Merz (1891-1915), as Dux, one of the first four to graduate as a military pilot in Australia in November 1914. First death of an Australian airman in war. Australia’s first military aviation medical officer. Member Victorian Naval and Military Lodge.

Famous Australian Freemasons; Chinese of the Ninetieth Century

While it is “unmasonic” to discriminate on race, it strongly appears that discrimination did occur, especially in the 1800's. Incidents such as the Lambing Flat Riot and Anti-Chinese legislation evidences this. Chinese Australian Freemasons of the Nineteenth Century are therefore of
particularly of interest. In the Twentieth Century, diversity is commonplace, especially after WW2. Please don't confuse “Chinese Masonic Society” with “Freemasonry” – these are often two different things and in the Chinese context “Masonic” is applied to varied organizations such as Tongs, Huis Triads, Kongsi, some being criminal, some fraternal, others co-operatives or political.

- Mei Quong Tart (Mei Guangda) (1850–1903), philanthropist, first Chinese Initiate in Australia in 1885, was one of Sydney’s most famous philanthropists and well-loved personalities.  
- Way Lee, Yet Soo War (c. 1853–1909) Chinese businessman & philanthropist, leading Chinese figure in Adelaide in the late nineteen century  
- William Robert George Lee was initiated on 18 August 1890  
- James Chuey  
- William Ah Ket (1876-1936), barrister & Chinese Community Leader. co-founder and president of the Sino-Australian Association, the first Australian-Chinese club. acting Consul-General for China in 1913-14 and in 1917

Famous Australian Freemasons: Convicts

(It is worth noting that Freemasons are generally be expelled from the Craft on serious conviction, while men with criminal convictions can find it difficult to become a Freemason.)

- Sir Henry Browne Hayes (1762-1832), convict transported to New South Wales for kidnapping Mary Pike, heiress to a fortune of £20,000 Attempted in 1803 to found a Masonic Lodge for which he incurred the displeasure of Governor King. It is doubtful if Hayes had a warrant to establish a lodge, though he claimed he did, but his meeting on 14 May 1803 is regarded as the foundation day of Freemasonry in Australia. The very first St Patrick’s Day ceremony held in New South Wales was on the 17th March 1810 at Sir Henry Browne Hayes’s Vaucluse home,  
- Richard Fitzgerald (1772-1840), convict, public servant and settler. One of the early proprietors of the Bank of New South Wales. “...one of the earliest Freemasons in the country and is said to have played a considerable part in establishing the craft in Sydney; this is supported by a strong tradition, but his name has not been found in early Masonic documents”  
- James Alexander Thomson (1805-1860), architect, engineer and building contractor. Emancipist transported for theft. Superintendent of the church building at Richmond Tasmania (St Luke’s 1834-37). Conditional pardon in Jan 1835 - immediately set up a business in Liverpool Street, not only as architect, engineer and surveyor, but also as valuer, estate agent, map printer and dealer in machinery. His spectacular buildings were few, unquestionably the most interesting and important work is the Hobart Synagogue (1843-45), the most comprehensive example of the Regency Egyptian style in Australia. Whatever his merits as architect, and they are relatively minor, Thomson provides a remarkable case of a former convict establishing himself as a successful businessman and was respected in many circles.
Dr William Bland (1789-1868), medical practitioner, surgeon, and politician. Sydney's first full-time private practitioner. Naval surgeon who was sent to Australia as a convict after killing a shipmate in a pistol duel. Philanthropist. MLA. First president of the Australian Medical Association formed in 1859. Accorded a state funeral.

Samuel Clayton (?-?, 1783?-1853?) portraitist, engraver, art teacher and silversmith, a Past Master of Lodge No.6, Dublin, The Master of Ceremonies at the earliest lodge in Australia and without whose guidance the new lodge might not have survived. Transported to NSW, reputedly for forgery, engraved the banknotes for the Bank of New South Wales when it opened its doors on 8 April 1817, also engraved the first banknotes for the Van Diemen’s Land Bank. Received his ticket of leave on 1 October 1824.

Francis Howard Greenway (1777-1837), colonial era architect (Aslo under architects). Greenway appeared on the old Australian Paper $10 note.

Famous Australian Freemasons; Females (irregular)

(Although “irregular” Freemasons, these women were almost certainly influenced by their membership in a Masonic Order.)

Edith Dircksey Cowan OBE (1861-1932) (Co-Freemason), social worker, first woman elected to Australian Parliament, women's activist, Member of St Cuthberts Lodge Perth Australia (Le Droit Humain) Foundation member Co-Freemasonry in WA (1916).

Bessie Mabel Rischbieth (née Earle) OBE (1874-1967) (Co-Freemason), was an influential and early Australian feminist and social activist.

Fanny Furner (1864–1938) (Co-Freemason) activist who worked to further the rights of women and children in the early 1900s in Sydney.

Famous Australian Freemasons; Medicine

Col Dr Sir Weary Dunlop is listed under “Military Men”

Dr Allan Robert Stanley Vickers CMG , MB, ChM (1901-1967), flying doctor

Dr George Bankin Bearham OBE (1899-) leading Melbourne surgeon, gynecologist and obstetrician. Past Grand Master. Initiated Clarke Lodge I June 1927.

Dr Walter Balls-Headley (1841{1842?}-1918), gynecologist, Grand Master Victoria in 1905-1907. Initiated Sir Isaac Newton Lodge 1161 14 June 1861.

Caleb Soul (1817-1894), druggist and chemist.


Dr Isaac Aaron (1804-1877), medical practitioner. Royal College of Surgeons. Editor Australian Medical Journal which he purchased in 1847.

Dr John Maund (1823-1858), physician and analytical chemist. He and Joseph Black were appointed founding editors of the Australian Medical Journal. Co-founded Melbourne’s Royal Women's Hospital.

Dr. Richard Thomas Tracy (1826-1874) One of original committee that first published in 1856 the Australian Medical Journal. With John Maund was co-founder in 1856 of the Melbourne Lying-in Hospital and Infirmary for Diseases of Women and Children (later the Royal Women's
Hospital). Performed the first successful ovariotomy in Victoria (1864) and quickly established an international reputation as a pioneer gynecological surgeon. Dr Handasyde Duncan (1811-1878), medical practitioner. An original member of the Medical Board of South Australia (1844), and served on it until his death; his name was third of the original seven on its medical register. Initiated 1853.

Dr Joseph Steigrad CBE (1902-1971), surgeon and soldier. Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, Military Hospital Commander. Jewish Community Leader.

Dr Arthur Richardson, (1844-1927) doctor pioneer in Kalgoorlie member Kalgoorlie Council, Temperance Advocate.

Dr William Hull Lewis (1806-1875) Doctor, surgeon and magistrate in Gawler. Dr John Harris (1754-1838), formerly surgeon of the New South Wales Corps; Early Sydney Settler.


Dr. Octavus (Octavius) Weld BA, MD (c1834-1901) Mt Barker Pioneer. Initiated Canada 1858 President of the Floricultural Society, as a mark of respect flags were flown at half-mast throughout the district at his death. A rose is named after him.

Sir Alexander Fleming (1881-1955) medicine was an Australian pharmacologist and pathologist who shared the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine in 1945 with Sir Ernst Boris Chain and Sir Howard Florey for his role in the making of penicillin. Initiated into Sancta Maria Lodge No. 2682, London in 1909.

Famous Australian Freemasons; Other Politicians

Sir George Strickland Kingston (1807–1880) engineer and politician, First speaker South Australian House of Assembly. Kingston Terrace Adelaide is named after him.

George David Langridge (1829-1891) Victorian politician and public figure. Acting Premier of Victoria. His public meetings at Collingwood were gala occasions: He never lost the common touch, and artisans and labourers mourned his death in impressive numbers.


Herbert James Mockford Payne (1866-1944), draper and politician MLA Member Royal Commission into Wages and Wage Earners (1906–07), Gov Minister noted for his introduction in the Senate in July 1924 of a measure for compulsory voting in Commonwealth elections, becoming only the second private senator’s bill since 1901 to carry Parliament. This was the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1924.

Arthur Hardy (1817-1909), pastoralist, barrister, and quarry-owner, Crown Prosecutor, MLA. He built the colony's first country Mechanics' Institute. First District Grand Master of the English Freemasons in South Australia 1867-84 accountant, parliamentarian and public servant. MLA. Commissioner of audit. Established audit officials as a distinct branch of the civil service. First President Public Service Association.

John Sutherland (1816-1889), builder and politician. MLA, MLC. Mayor of Sydney 1861.

Sir Henry Briggs (1844-1919), headmaster and politician, Federationalist. President of the Legislative Council.  
Sir John Quick (1852-1932) Federationalist, lawyer politician and member Sandhurst for 9 years. Member first Parliament of Australia.  
Joseph Wearne (1832-1884), flour-miller and politician. MLA, Orangeman, Temperance Advocate.  
William Dartnell Johnson (1870-1948), carpenter and politician. MLA. Labor Party Leader. One of the first State parliamentarians to oppose conscription and consequently lost his seat at the 1917 election. Speaker and Chair Parliamentary Party.  
David Robert Hall (1874-1945), lawyer and politician. Solicitor-General, Attorney-General, MLA MLC.  
Sir Edwin Thomas Smith KCMG, (1830-1919) brewer, philanthropist and politician, Mayor of Kensington and Norwood in 1867-70 and 1871-73, member of each house of Parliament (MLA, MLC) initiated East Torrens Lodge of Faith No.408 I.C. (later the Lodge of Faith No.9) Sir Edwin Smith Avenue, Adelaide is named after him.  
William Francis Schey (1857-1913), union leader, Orangeman, politician and public servant, MLA.  
Vincent Pyke (1827-1894), politician, public servant, magistrate and writer, MLA, MLC.  
John Wheeler (1853-1915), accountant, Orangeman and politician.  
Stanley R. Whitford (1878-1959), politician, unionist, anti-conscriptionist.  
Henry Roberts Williams (1848-1935), mining director and politician MLA, miners rights.  
John Arthur Wright (1841-1920), politician, engineer and railway commissioner.  
Thomas (Tom) Armstrong (1885-1955), businessman and politician.  
Leslie Frank Louis (Les) Diplock (1899-1983), schoolteacher and politician, member of the DLP.  
Aubrey Slessar (?-1972) served 3 terms in QLD parliament.  
George Kerr (1853-1930), blacksmith, politician and grazier. MLA. Leader of the Parliamentary Labor Party & Minister for Railways.  
Andrew Hendry Ross (1829-1910), medical practitioner and politician. MLA.  
John Riddoch (1827-1901), pastoralists parliamentarian MLA.  
George Riddoch (1842-1919) pastoralist parliamentarian MLA.  
George Graham (1838-1922), farmer and politician, MLA, First President of the Shepparton Shire Council. Minister of several federal departments.  
Alfred Elliot Chandler (1873-1935) nurseryman, MLC, one of the first three initiates at Peace and Loyalty UGLV and the Chandler Highway is named after him. With father's backing began 47-acre Everson Nursery 1895 in area which he later named Boronia, specialized in daffodils and boronia;  
Sir Herbert Horace (Bert) Olney (1875-1957), manufacturer, politician and philanthropist. Chair of: Victorian Hospital and Charities Board, Dental Hospital of Melbourne, Zoological Board of Victoria, Yarra Bend National Park Trust and chair of the Rhyll and Phillip Island Koala Reserve trusts. In 1942, when knighted, he was a member of twenty-five committees, being president, chairman or convener of twelve of them. MLC.  
Frank Augustus Chaffey (1888-1940), farmer and politician. MLA. Colonial Secretary.  
Walter Peden Joyce Skelton (1883-1979), railway officer and politician, unionist, prohibitionist MLA. Founded & Presided over the Protestant Independent Labour Party.
Edward Fitzgerald Russell (1867-1943), trade unionist, Port Melbourne Mayor, president of the Trades Hall Council, Melbourne

James Tolmie (1862-1939), newspaper proprietor and politician, MLA

George Hugh Alexander Mackay (1872-1961), politician and Speaker of the House of Representatives, MLA


Emanuel Steinfeld (1828-1893), furniture manufacturer and retailer, politician, MLC, President Chamber of Manufactures. Mayor Ballarat East Council. Friend of Redmond Barry

Albert Edwin Elworthy Lee Tucker (1843-1902), parliamentarian, police magistrate. Mayor Fitzroy Council. MLA. Chairman Royal Commission (1878) on closed roads and member of the 1878 commission of inquiry into crown land, Royal Commissions on the Mildura settlement in 1896 and on state forests and timber reserves in 1897, director of the Melbourne Permanent Mutual Benefit Building Society. Founding member (1871) of the Australian Natives' Association.


Sir Reginald Victor Wilson (1877-1957), businessman and politician, MLC. Member of the Royal Commission inquiring into Cockatoo Island dockyard (1921). President Motion Picture Distributors' Association (1927-39). senior vice-chairman (1938-57) of the Royal North Shore Hospital board, a member (1938-46) of the National Health Research Council and chairman (1939-57) of National Press Pty Ltd

Keith Dodgshun (1893-1971), farmer and politician. Karkarooc Shire Council, MLA. Deputy Leader County Party, Deputy Victorian Premier

Sir David Storey (1856-1924), businessman and politician. Defeated fellow mason Edmund Barton in Randwick 1920 election. MLA, MLC. President Ulster Association of New South Wales

Tom Cleave Stott CBE (1899-1976), wheat-farmer and politician. MLA sat in parliament for an unbroken thirty-seven years. Speaker, post 1962 held balance of power.

William Byrnes (1809-1891), MLC. At his death on 25 October 1891 at Parramatta he had the distinction of being both the oldest member of the Legislative Council and the oldest Freemason in the colony.

Edwin Joseph Mackrell (1878-1965), politician MLA

Andrew Tennant (1835-1913), pastoralist and politician, MLA MLC


Samuel Edward Lees (1843-1916), printer and politician MLA MLC

George Cann (1871-1947), politician. President of the Western Miners' Association. MLA

Edward Alfred Anstey (1858-1952), builder and politician, pro-conscriptionalist. He resigned from the A. L. P. in 1916 over conscription, became a foundation member of the National (Labor) Party.

Robert Fowler (1840-1906), pottery manufacturer and politician, philanthropist. Member 1886 to the Royal Commission on intoxicating drink, chairman of his district Public School Board. Director of Sydney Hospital and the Benevolent Asylum and a Governor of the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital for twenty-four years MLA MLC. Mayor of Sydney.

Robert Hollis (1851-1937), engine driver, trade union leader and politician. Director of Royal Prince Alfred Hospital in 1913-33. Member of Australian Socialist League (1894). Mayor of Launceston. MLA (NSW)

Richard Cleburne (1799-1864), merchant, politician, anti-transportationalist. MLC

James Fletcher (1834-1891). Coal Miner and mine owner, newspaper owner & politician, First president Miners' Union (1861), First Mayor of Wallsend. In 1876, he became proprietor of the Newcastle Morning Herald and Miners' Advocate. "The Largest Funeral Newcastle Had Ever Seen, 25,000 People Lined the Streets" MLA

Frederick William Coneybeer (1859-1950), trade unionist and politician, Speaker of the House. minister of education MLA

John Gibson Farleigh (1861-1949), manufacturer and politician, Orangeman. MLC

Sir John Cowan (1866-1953), grazier and politician. MLC. Government whip for twenty years, and when he retired in 1944 had the longest continuous service of any member in both Houses. Member Mobilong District Council for 20 years, and its chairman for 15 years. Government Minister

John Estell (1861-1928), coalminer and politician, Labor Party Whip 1904-1913, anti-conscriptionist, minister for railways, trade unionist, alderman on the Plattsburg Municipal Council in 1887-1900 and Mayor in 1891, 1897 and 1899, President of Wallsend and Plattsburg Fire Brigade, patron and president of Plattsburg Mechanics' Institute and a member of the committee of management of the Wallsend Mining District Hospital. MLA MLC

William James Beckett CBE (1870-1965), politician. MLA MLC

Thomas Henry Brooker (1850-1927), salesman, wood-merchant and politician. Mayor of Hindmarsh (1891) MLA

Theodor Johannes Scherk (1836-1923), teacher, agent and politician. President of the German Club Adelaide first honorary member of the United Daughters of Australia. MLA

Joseph Henry Lewis Turley (Henry Turley) (1859-1929), anti-conscriptionist, Trade Union Official, MLC, MLA

George Robert (Bob) Nichols (1809-1857), lawyer and politician. MLA MLC. First native-born Australian admitted as a solicitor in New South Wales. Owned the Australian newspaper. Auditor General


James Russell (1829-1889). Merchant and Politician. In 1871-78 and 1882-89 Russell served as a Ballarat East Councilor & Mayor in 1874-75 and 1886-87. Former Mayor of Sebastopol. MLA Orangemen

Dr Andrew Ross MD (1829-1910). Doctor and surgeon. Mayor of Molong. First and only member for Molong for 25 years until seat abolished. Magistrate & MLA

Sir George Ritchie KCMG (1864-1944), river trader and politician, MLA, MLC. During his parliamentary career he held every ministerial position and was a minister in both Houses, a feat rarely equaled. "One of the earliest pioneers of the River Murray". Mayor of Goolwa & Adelaide Alderman, Acting Premier


- Robert Steel Byrnes MBE (1899-1979), Presbyterian administrator, poet and writer.

- Nathaniel Barclay DCM (1894-1962), soldier settler and politician, ex-servicemen leader. MLA.

- Barkley Square Red Cliffs, Victoria is named for him.

- Joseph Vardon (1843-1913), printer and politician, Temperance Advocate. Mayor of Hindmarsh in 1888-9 MLC.

- Edward Charles Vardon (1866–1937) Printer and Politician. MLA MLC (son of Joseph Vardon (1843-1913)).


- James Park Dawson Laurie (aka “Park Laurie”) (1846-1928) MLA. Founder Mt Gambier Lodge.

- Ephraim Henry Coombe (1858-1917), journalist and politician, MLA. South Australian town of Coombe is named after him.


- Cecil Thompson (‘Charlie’) Oliver AM (1901-1990), Trade Union Official, politician, MLA. ALP State President, NSW Secretary AWU. Initiated 1962.

- Thomas Davies Mutch (1885-1958), journalist, socialist, Trade Union Official, reformer, politician and historian. MLA.


- James Tobias (Toby) Ryan (1818-1899), butcher, pastoralist, politician and sportsman. MLA.

- First Master of Queen's Lodge 982 EC in Penrith NSW.

- Sir Maurice Charles O'Connell, (1812-1879), soldier, public servant and politician President and member MLC. First provincial Grand Master of the Irish Constitution, in Queensland, Queensland Pioneer O'Connell Town (now Newtown NSW) is named for him or his wife.

- Sir Frederick Palgrave Barlee KCMG (1827-1884), WA Colonial Secretary 1855-77 Magistrate, & MLC. first president of the Working Men's Association in 1864; Lieutenant-Governor of the British Honduras from 1877-1882; Administrator of Trinidad in 1884.

- Sir Gilbert Lawrence Chandler OMG, KBE, (1903-1974) MLC who was founder and president of the Angliss Hospital for 35 years.

- Sir Asher Alexander Joel KBE AO (1912-1998), businessman & politician MLC.

- George Francis Freudenstein, (1921-2007). MLA.


- William Thompson Masonic School named after him.

- Tom Cleave Stott CBE (1899-1976), wheat farmer and politician. Helped form Farmers Protection Association in 1929, General Secretary Australian Wheatgrowers' Federation. Sat in parliament for an unbroken thirty-seven years. Post 1962 election, held the balance of power in the House of Assembly and was elected Speaker. Stott Highway was named in 2008 in his honour.


Famous Australian Freemasons; Religious Leaders

- Charles Edward Camidge (1837-1911), Anglican Bishop
- Dr Harrington Clare Lees (1870-1929), Anglican Archbishop of Melbourne, foundation member of the Old Melburnians' Masonic Lodge.
- Rev HG Cranswick, Bishop of Gippsland
- Henry Lowther Clarke (1850-1926), Anglican Archbishop of Melbourne, Foundation member of the Old Melburnians' Masonic Lodge.
- Charles L Riley (1855-1930 or 1854-1929?) Archbishop of Perth. He served as Chaplain General of the Australian army units during WW1. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia. "his spiritual influence in the development of the Australian lodges still exists."
- Moses Rintel (1823-1880) Jewish minister & philanthropist, first Rabbi of Melbourne.
- Rabbi Raymond Apple AO RFD (1935-) The Great Synagogue Sydney. "retired in 2005 after many years as Australia’s highest-profile Rabbi."
- Christopher Thomas Frow Goy MBE (1897-1982) Moderator Presbyterian Church in Victoria 1956-?
- Chap Archdeacon GE Lambie, Past Grand Chaplain.
- Rabbi Jacob Danglow CMG OBE VD (1880-1962), Melbourne Hebrew Congregation, Army Chaplain.
- Rev T.J. Riddle, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- George C. Barber President-General of Methodist Church of Australia (1948-51).
- Rabbi Dr Joseph Abrahams M.A. (1855 ?–1938?) Worshipful Master of the Lodge of Australia Felix (1908) and Grand Chaplain of UGLV (1910), Chief Rabbi Melbourne Hebrew Congregation.
- Joseph Hunter Goble (1863–1932) "one of the best known Baptist Ministers in Australia."
- Walter Albiston (1889-1965), Congregational minister. Secretary of the Congregational Union of Victoria. Secretary then President of the Congregational Union of Australia and New Zealand.
- Thomas Parking (Tom) Willason (1882?-1939), Methodist Minister.
- William Marcus Dill Macky (1849-1913), Presbyterian minister, Orangeman. “... a controversial and militant Protestant, with an impeccable Irish Protestant lineage.” Founder and First
President Protestant Defense Association. Editor “Watchman” (1902-1904) selling 20,000 copies per week.


- Isack Morris (1881-1951), notable Rabbi.


**Famous Australian Freemasons; The Law**


- Justice Jeffrey Hart Bent (1781-1852), Judge of the Supreme Court of Civil Judicature in NSW. Initiated Kent Lodge - 28 Feb 1907.


- Justice Hayden Erskine Starke KCMG (1871 – 1958), High Court Judge. Not to be confused with his son John Erskine Starke (1913 - 1994) – both Judges. H.E. Starke “Between 1903 (when the High Court was created) and 1920, he appeared before the court 211 times, more than any other justice of the court”.

Charles Edward de Boos (1819-1900) journalist and police magistrate, mining warden and in 1881 presented with a gold medal 'as a mark of esteem' by Chinese miners in the Braidwood district.


Chief Justice Thomas Slaney Poole (1873-1927) Grand Master South Australia. Presented with a gold medal 'as a mark of esteem' by Chinese miners in the Braidwood district in 1881.

Sir Geoffrey Sandford Reed (1892-1970), Supreme Court Judge and foundation director-general of the Australian Security Intelligence Organization (ASIO). Chaired three Royal Commissions. (Another one conspiracy theorists will love).


Sir Wilfred Kelsham Fullagar KBE (1892-1961), High Court Judge. Initiated Eros Lodge 7 April 1934.

Chief Justice Thomas Slaney Poole (1873-1927) Grand Master South Australia.

Justice Arthur Piper (1865-1936), Judge Supreme Court South Australia, Grand Master South Australia Freemasons.


Francis Erich (Frank) Bischof (1904-1979), Police Commissioner QLD.


Clive William Harris (1918-) County Court Judge, Chairman Workers Compensation Board. 24 Grand Master of UGLV. Initiated East Camberwell Lodge 19 Dec 1946.

Frederick Charles Standish (1824-?) District Grand Master Victoria EC (1861-?) Assistant Commissioner Goldfields (1854-?) Chinese Protector (1858-?) Chief Commissioner of Police for Victoria (1858-1880) Chief Commissioner during the hunt for the Kelly Gang. Credited with creating the Melbourne Cup Horse Race.


Robert Cleghorn MacKenzie, Goldfield Warden Victoria First President Maldon Hospital.

Eustace Beardoe Grundy KC (1849-1938) Lawyer, Pro Grand Master South Australia, initiated Mt Gambier Lodge 1207 EC.

Sir George Coutts Ligertwood (1888-1967), judge, Chancellor of the University of Adelaide.


Justice William Alfred Wearing (1816-1875), Supreme Court Judge & QC.

George John Crawford (1812-1852), judge. first to wear a judicial wig in the SA colony.
John McLerie (1809-1874), soldier and police officer. 1850 superintendent of Sydney Police. By 1874, mainly because of his efforts, the police had gained public confidence by controlling most bush ranging. Founder of the Society for the Relief of Destitute Children.

Chief Justice Harold Bayard Piper (1894-1953), judge and company director. Chaired two Royal Commissions, one into betting the other on lotteries. Chairman Australian Red Cross Society.

Honourable Francis Stewart Boyce KC (1872-1940), barrister and politician, Supreme Court Judge, Attorney-General. Temperance Advocate MLC.

Peter Brett (1918-1975), Professor of Jurisprudence.

Justice Richard Bullock Andrews QC (1823-1884), Supreme Court Judge and Attorney-General. MLA. Prominent SA Colonist.

Edward Castres Gwynne (1811-1888), Supreme Court Judge MLC.

Justice Charles Edward Chubb QC (1845-1930), Supreme Court Judge, attorney-general, crown prosecutor, and politician, MLA.

William Henry Moore (1788?-1854), Solicitor of the Crown.

Chief Justice Sir Archibald Paull Burt KB (1810-1879), Chief Justice & Judge (Laid Foundation Stone 1866 in WA).

Justice Sir Ernest Fisk (1886-1965) radio pioneer. Initiated into Freemasonry at St John Lodge No 579, UGLE on 28 April 1910.

Alfred Carson OBE (1859-1944), journalist and social worker. founder of the Infant Health Association, president of the Silver Chain District Nursing Association for thirty years, and chairman of the Bush Nursing Society. Alfred Carson Lodge 267 is named after him.

Herbert Brayley Collett (1877-1947), librarian, soldier and politician. Patron of the Totally and Permanently Disabled Soldiers' Association of Australia.

David Isaac Freedman (1874–1939) Politician & chaplain in the AIF, he served on Gallipoli, in Egypt and France throughout which he wrote to the family of every Jewish soldier he met. Two thousand mourners attended his burial in Karrakatta cemetery.

Arthur Rudolph Bailey (1863-1938), pharmacist was a driving force behind the Pure Foods Act.

G. E. Hudson (1862-1926, Chairman of Tariff Board, Chief Surveyor Victoria.

Notable Australian Freemasons; Still more..

Adolphus Appleroth (1886-1952) wrote the famous jingle "I like aeroplane Jelly". Initiated at Lodge Vaucluse 15 March 1928.

Hugh Webster, once Professor of Physics at Uni Qld and for a time Australia's Science Rep to the United Nations. Hugh worked with Rutherford and actually 'split the atom' shortly before him, Rutherford got into print while Hugh cautiously checked and rechecked his results.

John Hosking (1806-1882), first Mayor of Sydney initiated Lodge of Australia.

Frederick Thomas Hickford (1862-1929) Politician, Mayor of Brunswick, President Metropolitan Fire Brigade, Chairman Tramways Trust, 9th Grand Master UGLV.

Sir Albert John Gould (1847-1936), lawyer and politician. Minister for Justice under Sir Henry Parkes (1889-91) and (Sir) George Reid (1894-98).


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- A Blashki (?-1938), prominent business man, founded the Jewish Aid society, “Past Grand Master Victorian Grand Lodge”.


- James Ernest Ogden (1868-1932), miner, unionist and politician.

- Frederick John Ludowici (1873-1969), businessman and conservationist.

- John Paul Sennitt (1851-1922), Local Councillor South Melbourne City Council, JP, Engineer, and Ice-cream manufacturer, 1630. Initiator of Collingwood Lodge.


- Sir Andrew Clarke (1824-1902), military engineer, politician and public servant. Surveyor-General, 1633. Initiator of Lodge Happiness.

- Ernest Henry Farrar (1879-1952), trade unionist and politician. MLC.


- T.S. Burston (?-1928, 71 when he died), three times Mayor of Toowoomba, Past Grand Master.


- William Dixon Campbell Denovan (1829-1906), miner, reformer, politician and public servant.

- Hubert Leslie Primrose (1880-1942), solicitor and politician, member of New Guard, “On 19 March 1932, after another senior New Guardman, Francis de Groot, had unofficially 'opened' the southern approaches of the Sydney Harbour Bridge, on the northern side, Primrose, as North Sydney's Mayor, ceremoniously slashed another ribbon”.

- Major Dr John Connell AM (1913-2016), engineer business man, founder of Aurecon, Melbourne City Train Loop, Grand Master UGLV, 1986-89, 1661.


- Sir John (Jack) Frew (1912–1985), OBE, Medicine, 1677. On the Burma-Thailand Railway, teacher, Melbourne University, “one of the last giants in general medicine”.

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Sir John Winthrop Hackett KCMG (1848-1916), politician, principal proprietor of the West Australian Newspaper\(^{1696}\) Grand Master of Grand Lodge of Freemasons of Western Australia in 1901-03\(^{1697}\) Father of the Fed. House Parliament 1906—16.\(^{1698}\)

Joseph Henry Abbott (1830-1904), businessman, civic leader and politician. Member of the Royal Commission on Law reform which began in 1897\(^{1699}\)

Sir Manuel Hornibrook (1893-1970), eminent civic construction engineer, Prince Albert Lodge No 248 UGLQLD\(^{1700}\)

Sir Henry Weedon (1859-1921), philanthropist and politician, Melbourne’s Lord Mayor 1905-1908\(^{1702}\) 1907-1908. Chair Tramways Trust\(^{1705}\) Initiated Duke of Manchester Lodge 13 March 1885\(^{1706}\)

William Warren Kerr CMC CBE (1864-1949) 13th Grand Master UGLV 1932-1935\(^{1707}\) 1708 1709 1710 1711 1712 President of both Victorian and Australian Chamber of Commerce\(^{1713}\) 1714 1715 Prince Albert Lodge No 248 UGLQLD\(^{1716}\) founding council-member of Swinburne Technical College 1908\(^{1717}\) 1718 May of Kew 1907\(^{1719}\) 1720 1721 1722. Initiated Austral-Temple Lodge 11 Nov 1908\(^{1723}\)

Alexander Corrie (1886 -1941) One of founders of Launceston Stock Exchange & first President and one of the founders of the Brisbane Stock Exchange, first QLD Grand Master\(^{1724}\) 1725 1726 1727

Richard Arnold Rowe (1890-1960) 18th Grand Master of UGLV 1947-1951\(^{1728}\) 1729. Chairman Melbourne Stock Exchange and also Associated Stock Exchangers of Australia\(^{1730}\) 1731. President RACV\(^{1732}\) Initiated Rechab Lodge 14 May 1917\(^{1733}\)

Edward Hargraves (1816–1891) – discoverer of gold in Australia\(^{1734}\) 1735

Sir William Brunton KCB (1867-1938)\(^{1736}\) Lord Mayor Melbourne 1923-1926\(^{1737}\) 1738 Foundation Chairman of Freemasons Hospital.\(^{1739}\) Initiated Victorian Naval and Military Lodge 1905\(^{1740}\)

Phillip Cohen (1852-?) Chief Clerk Dept of Mines Victoria for 22 years\(^{1741}\). Initiated Duke of Sussex Oct 1878\(^{1742}\)

William Henry(?-1903), owned the “South Melbourne Citizen’s Newspaper”\(^{1743}\)

Sir Thomas Hiley, QLD Treasurer, Prince Albert Lodge No 248 UGLQLD\(^{1744}\)

Angell Ellis (1831–1916), foundation Editor “Victorian Craftsman”\(^{1745}\) 1746. President Melbourne Stock Exchange and also Associated Stock Exchangers of Australia\(^{1747}\) 1748 1749

Frank Ernest Pettifer (1873-1946) 17th Grand Master of UGLV 1945-1946\(^{1750}\) 1751 President Braille Writers Association\(^{1752}\) Initiated Austral-Temple Lodge 8 Dec 1920\(^{1753}\)

William Player Bice (1855-1933) 11th Grand Master UGLV 1926-1927\(^{1754}\) 1755 1756 1757. Initiated Earl of Carnarvon 26 Oct 1886\(^{1758}\) Of particular note for effectively banning public wearing of regalia and putting temples “off limits to the general community”\(^{1759}\). His name is on Gipps St Foundation Stone\(^{1760}\)

Charles Roger Darvall CBE Kt(1906-) State Electricity Commissioner 22 Grand Master UGLV 1968-1970\(^{1761}\) 1762. Initiated Wimmera Lodge 20 Oct 1944\(^{1763}\)

Sydney Lance Townsend Kt. (1912-1983) Dean of Medicine Melbourne University\(^{1764}\) 1765. 23rd Grand Master UGLV 1970-1972 Initiated 24 Sept 1948 Philatelic Lodge\(^{1766}\)

James W Jackobs, Secretary of the Royal Freemasons Homes 1947-1967\(^{1767}\)

Christopher Robert Barnes James (1899-) 26th Grand Master UGLV Initiated 7 Feb 1945 into City of Kew Lodge\(^{1768}\)

Francis Arthur Macarthur-Onslow (1879-1938), three times Mayor of Camden\(^{1769}\) 1770, Queen’s Medal with five clasps.\(^{1771}\)

Reginald Edward Gregory MBE(1911 -) honorary Secretary Girl Guide Association, 27th Grand Master UGLV 1978-1986\(^{1772}\)

Henry John Nathan (1927-) 29th Grand Master UGLV 1982-1984 Initiated Lodge Fraternal 1948\(^{1773}\) 1774 1775 1776 1777

John William Connell OA (1913-) 31st Grand Master UGLV 1986-1989 Initiated 27 Sept 1946 Francis Ormond Lodge\(^{1778}\) 1779
George Brunswick Smythe, Magistrate, first Master of a Lodge in Victoria, Australia Felix 1839 Bunswick Street Fitzroy Melbourne is named after him. 1785 Initiated St. Mary’s Lodge No. 76, London in 1835

John Stephenson, “Father of Freemasonry..” (in Victoria), Assistant Editor ‘Port Philip Gazette’

Henry Melville (1799-1873), journalist, publisher and author

William Herbert Green OBE (1878-1968) businessman, philanthropist, politician Mayor of Townsville, Foundation District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of North Queensland 1791 1792 1793 1794

David Davies(?-?), politician, owner “South Wales Daily Post”

William Edwin Black, (? - 1884) assisted Col Light layout Adelaide Streets. “To him (Black) belongs the distinction of being the father of the first white boy born in South Australia.”

Prof George Ingle Finch, MBE, DSc, (1888-1970), chemist and mountaineer, Fellow of the Royal Society Initiated, aged 40 Hampstead L. No. 2408 EC

Frederick Thomas Wimble (1846-1936) , politician, ink-maker, type-founder and printers’ furnisher, founding editor Cairns Post, Lodge Austral, No. 194, UGLNSW

Ray Campbell, National Commodore of the Australian Volunteer Coastguard, initiated Lodge of Confidence in 1977

Reginald John Burchell (1913-1922) MC, politician

Anthony Raymond 'Tony' Lauer, APM, JP (1935- ) was the Police Commissioner of the New South Wales Police from 1991 until 1996.

Bruce Skeggs OAM, KSJ (1932 -2013) Journalist, trotting commentator, publisher, Mayor, state MP

Francis (Frank) Clune OBE (1893-1971), author

Henry Condell (1797 - 1871) First Mayor of Melbourne

Harold Coates OBE (1917-2002) NSW politician Grand Master NSW

Maurice Herman Kellerman OBE (1902-2000) NSW Board of Jewish Education Initiated Lodge Apsley

Robert Dunbar Scott, (? – 7 March 1898) Surveyor Laid out the township of Camperdown

Gordon Lewis, Radio

David Tree and “Sam the koala” became an international iconic image of the Black Saturday 2009 fires in Victoria; Australia’s worst bushfire disaster. David was photographed in his CFA uniform holding Sam’s “hand” and giving her water from a water bottle. The photo (and a video) were taken about a week before Black Saturday while trying to get the Delburn Fire complex under control. That fire burnt 60000 hectares and destroyed thirty homes and was still burning out of control a week later when the Kinglake fire complex started.”

Charles Richmond John Glover (1870-1936) philanthropist, director or governor of several organizations including Municipal Tramways Trust, Bank of Adelaide, Adelaide Children’s Hospital, National Parks Board and St John Ambulance Association. Mayor of Adelaide (the first to be called Lord Mayor) in 1917, Grand Secretary in the early 1900s, Glover Avenue in Adelaide is named after him.

John Daniels, (1818 - 1887). Colonist; sergeant in a regiment in charge of convicts at Norfolk Island; a prominent Freemason

Bill Mason (1972- ?) is not a Freemason but a famous jewel thief, we add him here to amuse ourselves with people who reproduce our list from lodgdevotion.net and represent it as their own. Bill was Initiated into our list on 12 March 2015

W Oldham (1811- 1883) Magistrate, founder of Kapunda, “Protector of Aborigines, and in that capacity compiled a grammar of the Adelaide aboriginal tongue.” Organized the military volunteer Mines Rifle Company.
William Lawes Ware (1847 – 1921?), Auditor for the City of Adelaide 1878 -1885(?). Connected with J. E. Seppelt (father of B. Seppelt), of Seppeltsfield, and through that connection was instrumental in building up one of the largest wine businesses in the Australias. Founder of Irish Const in Colony and central in construction of Alfred Masonic Hall Waymouth-street, Chairman of their Trustees for the same.

James Elliott (? - 1883) J.P., co-founder, editor and part proprietor of the Kapunda Herald. Chairman of the Hospital Board, Vice-President of the Institute, member of the School Board of Advice, the Horticultural Society, and Dutton Park Committees, and Director of the Marble and Building Company, all of Kapunda. Founder of Dutton Park and the Kapunda Hospital.

James Scandrett (- 1903) co-founder Kapunda Herald

Henry Edward Downer (1836–1905), member of parliament and Attorney-General Deputy District Grand Master under the English constitution.

Fred Johns, (1868-1932), Biographer. In 1906 he published his Johns's Notable Australians

William Henry Gray (1808-1896), pioneer, a founder of the Reedbeds Mounted Rifle Company (1859). In 1889 WH Gray, gave large area of land west of Adelaide (now Adelaide Airport) to the Grand Lodge of South Australia for Masonic Homes. These were not built, the land being purchased by the Government about 1906 for the Glenelg Sewerage Treatment Works, but the capital sum formed the foundation sum of the present day Masonic Homes. Gray Street in the West End of Adelaide named after him, he also owned land in the Darwin NT region where a suburb is named for him.

Henry Richard Mildred (1795-1877). Lawyer, politician, Pro Grand Master EC in South Australia. In 1851 he presided as ProGM at the stone laying of the German-British Hospital in Carrington Street. Member of the House of Assembly 1857-1865 and a Legislative Councilor 1866-1873. Mildred Road in North Adelaide was named after him.

Sir Lewis Cohen (1849-1933) many times Mayor and Lord Mayor Adelaide. Sir Lewis Cohen Avenue, Adelaide, named after him.


Charles Kenworthy, intermediary for the Americans taken at the storming of the Eureka Stockade. He helped organise the release of American miner Charles Ferguson.

Emmanuel Steinfeld, Mayer Ballarat East Council (1866-69).

Robert Gouger (1802-1846), “First Colonial Secretary” (South Australia) was one of the founders of South Australia.” Gouger St Adelaide is named after him.

Francis Lochée (1811-1893) JP, lawyer, editor and banker. “Governor John Hutt became a close friend and persuaded him to become the first Freemason initiated in the colony”. Proprietor, editor and publisher – the Inquirer.


Norman Selfe (1839–1911) engineer, naval architect, inventor, urban planner and outspoken advocate of technical education, the Sydney suburb of Normanhurst was named for him.

Thomas Gilbert (1789-1873), pioneer, First South Australian Post Master, initiated Lodge of Friendship in 1834. Gilbert Street in Adelaide and the River Gilbert were named after him.

Alexander Boden AO, industrialist, author, philanthropist. Fellow Australian Academy of Science.

Sir Herbert Lethington Maitland (1868–1923) surgeon and sportsman.

John Samuel Shearston (1853-1916), seamen's missionary.

Rev Solomon Mark Solomon (?-1941), Scouting, The Victorian Zionist League (conspiracy theorists will love that one).

Octavius Charles Beale (1850-1930), piano manufacturer and a philanthropist.
Frederick William Neitenstein (1850-1921), prison reformer 1929 1930 1931 1932 1933
Leonard Burnie (Len) Harris (1890-1964), newspaper publisher and printer 1934
Frederick John Prichard (1851-1920), journalist 1935
Lionel George Logue (1880-1953), speech therapist 1936 – made Famous by the movie – the Kings Speech. 1937 1938
William Ramsay Young DCM, MM (1894-1965), soldier and butcher. 1942
Walter Albert Selle CBE (1883-1968), schoolteacher and university registrar 1943
Michel Francois (Frank) Albert (1874-1962) 1944, music publisher, radio station & cinema owner. Director of the Australian Broadcasting Co. Ltd. Founding secretary in 1927-35 and president in 1936-37 of the Geographical Society of New South Wales. early member of the Royal Automobile Club of Australia and a founder and commodore of the Motor Boat Club (Royal Motor Yacht Club) 1945
Sir Walter Thomas Merriman (1882-1972), sheep breeder 1946
James Richard Collins CBE (1869-1934) secretary to the Treasury and commissioner of war. His signature appeared on paper money issued in Australia 1910 to 1926. represented Australia on the Pacific Cable Board (1926-30), on Reparations Conference at The Hague (1929-30) and Lausanne (1932) and as leader of the delegation to the Assembly of the League of Nations in 1931 1947
George Henry Thorn (1840-1905), politician MLC. Managed his father's (George Thorn (1806-1876), soldier, businessman and politician ) properties on the Darling Downs. 1948
John Macintosh (1821-1911) 1949, ironmonger, alderman, magistrate, and politician. MLA MLC 1950 1951
Arthur Ashworth Aspinall (1846-1929), Presbyterian clergyman and school principal 1952
William Phelan (1915-1973), businessman and politician. Mayor of Maryborough 1954/5 1953
James H Porter (-1940) 1954, Fremantle printer 1955
Georg Heinrich Friedrich Ulrich (1830-1900), (aka George Henry Frederick aka George Favorke) geologist and mineralogist. Goldminer. Fellow Geological Society of London, original member of the Australian Institute of Mining Engineers 1956 Mining Lecturer University of Melbourne. 1957
Sir William John Sowden (1858-1943), journalist and newspaper editor. First SA State President of the Returned Sailors’ and Soldiers’ Imperial League of Australia 1962 1963 Founded 4 lodges, Master of three 1964
Asdruebal James Keast CBE (1892-1980), mining engineer & company director. 1965
Sir Raymond Douglas (Bob) Huish CBE (1898-1970), ex-servicemen’s leader and businessman. President Returned Sailors’ and Soldiers’ Imperial League of Australia 1966
Arthur John Carter (1847-1917), businessman, Vice-Consul for Sweden and Norway, consular agent for France in 1902 and Consul for Norway in 1906. Received the Norwegian Order of St Olav. Five terms as President Brisbane Chamber of Commerce, MLC, leader of the Federation League 1967
Ernest Lund Mitchell (1876-1959), photographer and farmer, official photographer to the governor of Western Australia. Initiated 1900 Lodge Cambrian No.10 1969
Francesco Sceusa (1851-1919), socialist, foundation member of the (Royal) Geographical Society of Australasia (1883), President Italian Working Men's Benefit Society, founded the first Italian newspaper in Australia (1885), the Italo-Australiano, A founder of the Australian Socialist League in 1890 1970
Avrum (Tim) Einihovici (1895-1988), medical practitioner and Esperantist 1971
Thomas Worsnop (1821-1898), town clerk and author. Wrote History of the City of Adelaide (1878); 'The Historical Record of South Australia 1512-1854'. In 1897 he published The

- Hugo Flecker (1884-1957), medical practitioner, radiotherapist, toxicologist and natural historian. Flecker Botanic Gardens, Cairns, are named in his honour. 1974


- Harry Samuel Taylor (1873-1932), newspaper owner 1976


- Leslie Cecil Joshua Nott OBE (1895-1963), comptroller-general of prisons 1989

- Robert Ross Haverfield (1819-1889), grazier, newspaper proprietor and editor. With A. M. Lloyd he produced an issue of the Bendigo Advertiser and Sandhurst Commercial Circular, the first newspaper published on the Victorian goldfield, appointed (1861) secretary to the Royal Commission on Burke and Wills 1990

- Charles Tucker (1857-1928), customs agent, politician and pastoralist, MLA. After South Australia's longest criminal trial (97 witnesses, about 8000 exhibits over 31 days) in 1907, as customs agent for John Martin & Co. Ltd, Tucker was found guilty of having defrauded the Customs Department during the 1890s of duties payable on goods imported by the firm 1991


- Charles Edward Jeanneret (1834-1898), steamboat-owner and politician. MLA. His Hints for the Preservation of the Teeth (1830) was the first dental publication in Sydney. Mayor Hunter's Hill three times. 1999

- James Graham (1819-1898), merchant, agent and politician. Company Director, MLC. Consul for Sardinia in 1859 and later for United Italy. Early member of the Melbourne Club and its president in 1865, a founding member of the Old Colonists' Association. One of Victoria's most prominent men of commerce. 2000


- Otto Georg Hermann Dittmar Krome (1863-1917), educationist. In 1894 Krome and Thomas Palmer leased Melbourne Teachers' College, Carlton, from the Education Department and opened University High School, a private, co-educational secondary school which quickly became one of the largest and most successful in Melbourne. Headmaster of Wesley College (1897), Methodist Ladies' College, Kew (1906) 2003 2004

- David John McClelland (1873-1962), engineer, S.E.C. commissioner (1932-41), Chaired Royal Commission on State Rivers (1936). Member of a Royal Commission into Tasmanian Hydro-Electric Commission (1940-41). Supervised construction of new stands in the 1930s and 1950s at the MCG and regrading the ground for the 1956 Olympic Games 2005

- Alexander Bain Moncrieff CMG (1845-1928), engineer, chairman Supply and Tender Board (1895-99); President Institution of Surveyors in 1901; Chairman Municipal Tramways Trust in
1907-22; and, from 1909, railways commissioner. Elected to the British Institution of Civil Engineers, London, in 1888 and the American Society of Civil Engineers in 1894. 

James Morgan (1816-1878), MLA newspaper proprietor and politician. 

Charles Nettleton (1826-1902), photographer. Systematically recorded Melbourne’s growth from a small town to a metropolis, photographed the first Australian steam train when the private Melbourne-Sandridge (Port Melbourne) line was opened 1854. Police photographer for 25+ years and photographed Ned Kelly. Official Royal photographer in Australia. Member of the Collingwood Lodge. 


Alexander Morton (1854-1907), museum director and naturalist. 

Charles Ferris Lewis (1828-1900), 'the Father of St Arnaud'. 

Robert Adam Ritchie (1836-1891), manufacturer and politician, MLA. 

John William Israel (1850-1926), Auditor General of Tasmania, first Commonwealth Auditor General. 1897 First President of the Board of Benevolence Tasmania. Founding President of the Civil Service Association in 1897. 

Christy Kosmas Freeleagus (1889-1957), businessman and honorary Consul to Greece. Greek Community Leader, Silver Cross of George I (1941), gold cross 1951. 

Alfred Harris (1870-1944), journalist, newspaper owner and editor. Jewish anti-Zionist, edited and printed first issue of the Hebrew Standard of Australasia. 

Alfred Edward Gerard (1877-1950), merchant and Aboriginal welfare worker, Methodist Layman. 

George Samuel Hutton (1848-1913), local councilor, Initiated 1871, 1889 Provincial Grand Master of Queensland under the Irish constitution. The first building of the Freemasons’ Homes at Sandgate was named Hutton. Mayor Hamilton Town Council in 1905-06 and foundation member of the Brisbane Club. 

Simon Bouda (?-?), journalist and television producer. 

Thomas Walker Fowler (1859-1928), civil engineer, surveying & civil engineering lecturer, Royal Commission member, engineer-in-chief of Tasmania and permanent head of the Public Works Department. Chairman of the Municipal Surveyors' Board of Victoria. 

Malcolm John Leggoe Uren (1900-1973) OBE, journalist & intelligence officer. 

Abraham (‘Izzy’) Orloff (1891-1981), photographer. Many photos of Perth and Fremantle in the early 20th century were taken by him. 

Josiah Eustace Dodd (1856-1952), organ builder. The organs at St Mary's Cathedral, Perth (1910), St John's Cathedral, Napier, New Zealand (1910), Patterson Street Methodist Church, Launceston, Tasmania (1912), St Carthage's Cathedral, Lismore, New South Wales (1912) and St Joseph's Church, Malvern, Victoria (1917) were good examples of his larger instruments. 

William Berry (1857-1928), marine engineer, Methodist lay leader, Trade Union Official. Chairman for 30 years of Victorian Trotting Association. President of the Ascot Racing Club President of the Ascot Racing Club, in 1948 the association became the Melbourne Racing Club and he was its chairman in 1949-50. He also served for 19 years as a trustee of the Victoria Amateur Turf Club, which controlled the Caulfield Racecourse Reserve. 

John Bryant Stokes (1925-1979), public servant, first President Western Districts Rugby Union Football Club. Initiated in 1951 into Lodge Canberra. 


William Lushington Goodwin (1798?-1862), journalist, master of the convict transport Kains, politician, newspaper owner and editor. 

Othman Frank Blakey (1897-1952), engineer, leader in the application of techniques such as welded steel framework and reinforced concrete, President Institution of Engineers.
Edward Campbell CBE (1883-1944), businessman and Melbourne Lord Mayor (1937), Philanthropist. Foundation member of the Wesley Collegians’ Lodge and of the Victorian Engineers’ Lodge No. 411. Life governor of the Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind.

Henry Deane Walsh (1853-1921), engineer, St John Ambulance Association Treasurer.

Robert George Cameron (1886-1960), educationist.


Bertie Richard (Bert) Milliner (1911-1975), politician and trade unionist, MLC.

Henry Macdermott (1798-1848), Wine and Spirit Merchant. Mayor of Sydney 1845. Radical Political Activist.

George Fuller Godfrey CBE (1904-1989), journalist and union official. President of the Australian Journalists Association & witness to Japanese Sub attack in Sydney Harbour?


William George Inglis Hayman (1897-1968), electrical engineer and educationist. Hayman Road in Perth is named after him.

Thomas Ross (1866-1936), glassmaker. Mayor of Waterloo.


Wall H Tew (1915-2007), OBE, JP who was the last Shire President, first Mayor of Knox (position held four times). Wally was involved in the procurement of the Knox Historical Society building, Amberdles Homestead, the inception of the Knox War Memorial and the establishment of Amaroo Hostel;


John Lazar (1801/3?-1879), actor. Mayor of Adelaide from 1855 to 1858. A portrait in oils is in the Freemasons’ Hall, Adelaide. District Grand Master. Later town clerk of Hokitika NZ.

Nicholas George Sparks (1857-1930), fire brigade officer, Kings Police Medal.

John Michael Finnerty (1853-1913), mining warden and magistrate.

John Thomas Smith (1816-1879), publican, philanthropist, politician and landowner. Won Bourke Ward on the first Melbourne Town Council in Dec 1842 remaining a councillor for the rest of his life, seven times Mayor of Melbourne between 1851 and 1864. Built the Queen’s Theatre Royal, Melbourne’s first theatre. MLA, MLC. First Freemason initiated in Victoria. Smith St Collingwood is named in his honour.

Edwin Buckland (1871-1959), Huntly Shire Councilor ‘the best known personality in Bendigo and the North’.

James Shaw (1846-1910), Builder & investor, First Mayor of Coolgardie, Mayor of Adelaide (1888).

Alexander Kennedy Smith (1824-1881), engineer. He built gas works at Ballarat, Castlemaine, Sandhurst, Melbourne and Newcastle. Provided plans and specifications for many gas supplies in Australia and abroad, including Sydney, Shanghai, Yokohama, Auckland, Dunedin and Nelson, and for Victorian towns such as Portland, Warrnambool and Stawell. Designed the Sydney and the Coliban water-supplies and was engineer to the South Yarra Waterworks in the
1860s. Major in the Victorian Volunteer Artillery Regiment. Melbourne City Council and was Mayor in 1875-76. MLA Provincial Grand Master SC


- Robert Campbell (1804-1859) MLA, MLC “five or six thousand colonists” attended his funeral in Parramatta, first Provincial Grand Master under the Scottish Constitution in Australia (1856). anti-transportationist

- Anton William Rutherford Vroland (1874-1957), educationist., text book author. President Victorian State Schools Teachers' Union, helped form Victorian Teachers' Union

- David Allen (1780-1852), Deputy Commissary General, arrived Sydney 1813. A man of poor reputation.

- Cpl William Blizzard (c1784-1832) [spelt as Blizard in the Lodge register] was master of No. 218 as from the 24th December, 1820. He enlisted in 1793 at St Vincent in the West Indies having taken his discharge. He was also the foundation Tyler of the Lodge of Australia No. 820, English Constitution, on the 6th April, 1829.

- Sebastian Hodge, ("Bass" HODGE) (1833-1889) Bandsman (11th Regiment), clarinettist, saxophone player, publican Born 1833 In Australia with 11th Regiment, January 1846-September 1857 Returned to Sydney, January 1862 Died Sydney, 21 April 1889, aged 56 (Not to be confused with Sebastian "Bass" Hodge of Bathurst (a cousin)) United Service Lodge No 24 NSW

- Frank (Francis) Howson (1817- 1869) Baritone vocalist, conductor, arranger. Born London, arrived Hobart, 28 January 1842 (per Sydney, from the Downs, 3 October 1841) Departed Newcastle, 10 April 1866 (per Japan, for San Francisco) Died Omaha, USA, 16 September 1869, aged 52

- James Brackenrig (1758?-1844?) Foundation Senior Deacon at The Australian Social Lodge No. 260 Private in the NSW Corps who arrived in the colony aboard the ship 'Neptune' (second Fleet).

- William Chapman (1820-1887), musician and composer

- George Bennett (c1817-1854) Singer, pianist, organist, concert presenter, composer. Born UK Arrived Adelaide, South Australia 1839 Died Adelaide, 22 September 1854, aged 37

- Capt John Piper (1773-1851) Norfolk Island commander 1804-1810 Point Piper is named for him, arrived in Sydney in 1792 & one of the wealthiest individuals in early Sydney.

- Edward Coulson (1844-1936) Initiaed in 1874 in Lodge of St John in Wangarrata. First Grand Master of United Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Victoria for 38 years. Member Collingwood Council, Mayor of Collingwood (1907&1908) on the board Queens Memorial Infectious Diseases Hospital, Chair of Sailors Homes for 17 years. Member Melbourne Tramways Trust for 15 years.

- Arthur King (1908) prominent musician & conductor on the Goldfields. Kalgoorlie Masonic Lodge 24

- Frank Shann MA (1882-1943), headmaster Trinity College in Kew Melbourne. Past Master at Trinity Grammarians Lodge President of the Headmasters of the Associated Grammar Schools (1924, 1931 and 1938), and of the Headmasters' Conference of Australia

- Michael Schiavello (1975- )Australian sports commentator. Initiated in 2009 in Balwyn-Deepdene Lodge No. 275 UGLV

- Thomas E Spencer (1845-1911) Poet, writer of humorous ballads, building contractor, industrial arbitrator. Among his more popular works are 'How McDougall Topped the Score' and 'Why Doherty Died'
Alan Humphrey Croxford (1922-1985), barrister, cattle-breeder and works administrator. Poor services & planning on outer suburban fringes of Melbourne drew him into politics. In 1961 he was elected to Doncaster and Templestowe Shire Council. As councilor & chairman (1961-66) of the Warrandyte Waterworks Trust, appointed council’s delegate to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works. Chair Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works 1966-82 (MMBW). Initiated in 1943, possibly in Chatham Lodge where he later was Master.  

Suggested names needing further research.

Possible: William Hance, Organist, organ keeper, organ builder, Arrived Hobart, 26 September 1823 (per Mariner) Died Hobart, 10 October 1842, aged 50 In 1832 he was building an organ for one of Hobart's Masonic lodges, the first documented instance of an organ being built in the colonies  

James Stuart [Stewart], Foundation Senior Warden at The Australian Social Lodge No. 260  

Henry (de) Burgh, (1841-1869?) Amateur vocalist, pianist, composer  

Captain Frank Reid Tubb MC. Frank Tubb also served in the 7th Battalion, being awarded a Military Cross in fighting around Pozieres in August 1916. See also P00735.014. (AWM)  

Brother Drummond as Senior Tyler  

Brother Hetherington as Junior Tyler  

Mr St John Caws, first secretary of the Musical Society of Victoria, of which he was one of the founders Lodge Judah No. 20  

Samuel Kaye, Singing-master, Professor of Music, organist, music seller, organ builder, arranger, music publisher, Active Melbourne, by 1860 Departed Melbourne, after July 1876. Music for the Masonic Order, being Ritual No 1 selected and arranged by Bro. Samuel Kaye  

Mathew Bacon (?-?) The Foundation Master NSW. Officer of the 48th [Northamptonshire] Regiment of Foot, Initiated under Irish travel warrant, No.218  

William Hague (1864-1924), storekeeper and politician MLA Chair Angaston District Council  

Lewis Ormaby Martin (1870-1944) Lawyer & MLA, Mayor of Taree, legal advisor to Manning Shire Council, WM of Lodge Manning 1901-2  

William Samuel Foxall (c1848-1914) Goulburn businessman  

Edward Knight (?-1875) Chief Magistrate, Foundation Councilor and Mayor City of Geelong.  

Rev Dr John Edward Bromby (1809-1889), clergyman, schoolmaster and public lecturer, woman’s rights  

Captain Philip Leigh (c1813 - 1886) One of the earliest initiates at Australia Felix EC, Master of the same in 1851 took part in the Masonic demonstrations at the opening of Prince's Bridge Melbourne  

William James (1854-1897), Bendigo Councilor.  

Judge Hugh Montomerie Hamilton (1854-1930), Past Grandmaster of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, one of the first to bring golf clubs into New South Wales, and, when he took part In the Murchison expedition in the New Zealand Alps. As a result of the part he played in that expedition, the second highest mountain in Australasia, Mount Hamilton, near Mount Cook, is named after him.  

Possible Major John Hamilton, DSO, B.E., A.M.I.C.E.  

W R Fitzsimmons (c1871-1926) MLA & President Kuring-gai Shire Council  

David Mack (1859-1925) well known Courser and Judge of Coursing. PM of St. Andrew's and St. George's Lodges.  

H. L. Binney, JP (-1925), Member Mobilong Council, President Murray River Rowing Club, Vice President South Australian Rowing Association, “He accompanied the Olympic eight to
Paris at his own expense, and rendered valuable assistance to the crew when it was in training.”

Possible; H N Edwards (c1832-1915) Twenty Years a councilor of Port Melbourne, all flags at half mast on his death in Port Melbourne

A J White, JP (1835-1934) President Glouster Council

Thomas Bragg (1856-1921) innovative farmer & Dubbo Pioneer

Bob Jones (1952-) Racing Car Driver & Businessman, Grand Master of Victoria, V8s at Sandown and Bathurst represented Victoria in basketball and played for Williamstown in the VFA and South Melbourne under-19s in the VFL

Frederick George Usher (1863-1941), one of the Founders of the Freemasons Hospital. Past Master Citizens Masonic Lodge and its treasurer for 31 years

Oswald Robinson Snowball (1859-1928), solicitor and politician, MLA Speaker of the House of Assembly pro-conscriptionalist, Temperance Advocate, Orangeman

Aaron Treve "Tommy" Woodcock (1905-1985), horseracing, Australian handler of the racehorse Phar Lap

Nicholas Weekes (c1833-1887) Prominent Freemason and Grand Secretary

George Adam Kempton MP

Edmund Birch (1831-?) pharmacist and MLC WA

Clayton Turner Mason (1847-1911) Engineer, MLC WA

Joseph Taylor Monger (1834-1891) Miller and storekeeper, MLC WA

Edward Newnam (1832-1872) Merchant and MLC WA

Josceline George Herbert Amherst (1846-1900), MLC WA

George William Barnard (1873-1941) storekeeper MLA WA

Edward Charles Barnett (1854-1922) merchant MLA WA

Harry Edward Bolton (1870-1956) engine driver, MLA WA

Frank Tyndall Broun (1876-1930) farmer, MLA WA

Henry James Brown (1865-1933) farmer, MLA WA

Daniel Keen Congdon (c1836-1838 – 1907) Merchant MLA WA, Mayor of Fremantle, Mayor of Nth Fremantle

James Thomas Franklin (1854-1940) builder and contractor, MLC WA

Edgar Henry Harris (1875-1934 ) MLC, WA

Albert Young Hassell (1841-1918) pastoralist, explorer, Vice-Consul Norway, MLC WA

William Dartnell Johnston (1870-1948) carpenter & director, MLA

George Adam Kempton (1871-1945) dentist, MLC WA

Ernest Charles Bavage Locke (1856-1937) grazier, MLA WA, Founder Tattersalls Club

Charles McDowall (c1862-1916) auctioneer MLA Mayor of Coolgardie 1904-06.

William Joseph Mann (1875-1951) newspaper owner and editor, MLA

Griffin Cant Money (1865-1958) notable solicitor and pastoralist, MLA WA

Richard William Price MBE (1869-1937) journalist, Unionist, 2nd Lt WW1, MLA WA

John Scaddan CMG (1876-1934) mine-engine driver, MLA. Known as “Happy Jack”

John Stewart (1868-1927) merchant MLA WA

Sydney Stubbs CMG (1861-1953) merchant and farmer. Mayor of Claremont 1901-03; Mayor of Perth 1906-07. MLC, MLA

John Howard Taylor (1861-1925) stockbroker, won Queen’s Cup at Royal Cork Regatta in 1899; MLC Member Federal Convention 1897.

Col Evan Alexander Wisdom CMG DSO (1869-1945) Soldier, one of first to receive a commission (Lieut 1 Oct 1901) after Commonwealth took over Defence Dept, in command of Cannington Mounted Infantry. (Staff Officer to General White at evacuation of Anzac) then served in France. Mayor of Claremont 1908-12. Administrator of Mandated Territory of ex-German New Guinea 1921-1932. MLA

Frederick James Withers (1881-1963) Mayor of Bunbury 1951-55. MLA
James William Wright (1854-1917) Architect and civil engineer. Founder WA Architects’ Assoc. MLC 2241
John Arthur Wright (1841-1920) Engineer. MLA WA 2242
Herbert John Yelland (1878-1962) Farmer MLC WA 2243

Suggested names needing further evidence, without further evidence currently being found.
The names below are in red test to help distinguish them as being names needing further evidence before being placed in the main list.

- George Furphy Industry
- Alan Davidson, cricket 2244. Two candidates, Alan Davidson, (1897-1962) or Alan Keith Davidson AM MBE (1929–)
- Sir Eric Pearce (1905-1997), broadcaster, entertainer
- Edward Henty 1810–1878, pioneer farmer, first permanent settler in Port Phillip District
- Sir Henry Somer (Harry) Gullett KCMG (1878-1940), farmer, journalist, historian and Cabinet Minister MLA. Official WW1 Correspondent on the Western Front. OR Henry (Harry) Gullett (1837-1914), journalist and politician (or both)
- Sonny Johns Rupanyup 2014 Citizen of the Year 2245
- Sidney Philip (Sid aka “Patto”) Patterson (1927-1999) cycling
- Charles Heath (1867-1948 ?), Prominent local architect, designed the red brick lodge in Davies Street, Brunswick, which was built by fellow mason W.H. Cooper in 1923 2246 2247 May have designed Cobury soldier's memorial and Town Hall.
- John Brian “Jack” Iverson (1915 – 1973) cricket
- Sir (William) Ian Clunies Ross (1899 – 1959)- science. His Image was on the $50 Australian Bank Note. 1973 until 1992
- Jack Thompson jockey
- Dr. Harvey Eustace Astles First President of the Melbourne Savage Club 2248
- William Archibald Borthwick (1924– 2001) MLA was Minister of Lands, Soldier Settlement, Health and Deputy Victorian Premier 2249
- Nicholas Bayly (1770? (1769?)-1823?) ex Lt NSW Corp 2250 2251 2252
- Sir Arthur Dean KC (1893-1970) Justice of the Supreme Court Victoria 2253 Chairman of the council of the Presbyterian Ladies' College(1945-58), he oversaw its move from East Melbourne to Burwood. Lecturer and later chancellor of Melbourne University (1954-66)
- George Avery, Olympics
- Bob Haynes commentator 2254
- Walter Burley Griffin 2255 2256
- Sir Kenneth Luke (1896-1971) football administration
- Dick French, cricket umpire 2257
- Thomas Henry Bath, CBE (1875 – 1956) politician, trade unionist, newspaper editor, writer, and cooperativist. MLA 2258
- John Harry Grainger (1854-1917), architect
- George Percy Grainger (1882-1961), musician
- William (Billy) Guyatt 2260
- John Angus Laird (J.A. Laird,) (1862-?? ) Architect 2262. The architectural firm of Laird and Buchan (originally known as Laird and Barlow) was prolific in Geelong and district in the late 19th and 20th centuries. 2263

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Frederick Band (1859 - ?) Jeweler member of the Unity and Prudence Lodge

Sir John William Castine (1846-1939), Politician

Albert Molineux (1832-1908), farmer, editor and promoter of agriculture, instigator of the Central Agricultural Bureau

William Copley (1845-1925), farmer and politician, Government Minister MLA MLC


Gordon Watt, Chief Inspector

Matthew "Matt" Singleton (1927-). Government Minister Joined 1953 60 year Jewell Holder

Earl Ronald Owen AO (1934 – 2014) microsurgeon pioneer, co-led the first successful hand transplant

Sir Andrew Bruce Small (1895–1980) cycling, developed Malvern Star into a household name, Mayor of the City of the Gold Coast, MLA

Lionel Rose Former multiple world boxing champion

Robert “Bobby” Baddeley Simpson (1936-) AO cricket

William (Billy) Lloyd Murdoch (1854 –1911), cricket, Australian Second Test Captain in 1882

James Hardie, businessman founder Hardie Industries

Albert "Tibby" Cotter (1883–1917) cricket

Sir Alexander Hamilton Sea Lord. He commanded the Australian navy from 1918-20. This may be Sir Louis Henry Keppel Hamilton KCB, DSO, RN (31 December 1890 – 27 June 1957) During his early career he was generally known as L. H. Keppel Hamilton. I am starting to suspect Denslow was in error with this entry or used an incorrect descriptor.

Neville Wran (1926-2014) Premier NSW

Charles George "Charlie" Macartney (1886 –1958) Australian cricketer who played in 35 Tests between 1907 and 1926. He was known as "The Governor-General"

Alan McGilvray AM MBE (1909 –1996) cricket

Ian Craig, Captained Australian Cricket team

Les Slee, axeman

Canon Farr MA looks to be George Henry Farr (1819-1904), Anglican clergyman and schoolmaster

Victor Trumper (1877- 1915) , cricket

Lou Richards, football

Harry Beitzel, football

Ron Barassi, Victorian Rules Football legend.

Bob Pratt (1912-2001), football

Brighton Diggins football

Sid Sewell

Richard Sylvannus "Dick" Reynolds (1915-2002) Essendon Football Club

Howard Okey (12 February 1906 - 3 March 1985)

Mr. J. W. Tolmie, Gippsland Pioneer

Robert Campbell (1804-1859), politician, philanthropist, anti-transportationist, merchant, First Provincial Scottish Grand Master of the Province of Australia (1856)

Sir Howard Florey, medicine (1898 –1968) was an Australian pharmacologist and pathologist who shared the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine in 1945 with Sir Ernst Boris Chain and Sir Alexander Fleming for his role in the making of penicillin.

Colonel Lawrence (Laurie) James Newell AM CSTJ QPM ED, (1920-2011), Deputy Police Commissioner, soldier, Chair CFA (VIC) 1978-?, Community Leader. commanded the search for Prime Minister Harold Holt

Stuart Laing Mock (1936-2012), local sportsman and served on the Rodney Shire Council (1973-83; president 1977-78)
Neil Roberts football

John Trevor Patten, known professionally as Johnny Jarrett (1936-), boxer claimed as first Australian Aboriginal Freemason

Arch Oliver (1920-2004) professor of Civil and Mechanical University of Tasmania, helped found the school of Engineering at UTAS

Beaumont Arnold Moulden (1849-1926) lawyer and politician, SA MLA the Palmerton suburb of Moulden is named after him

Harold Hubert Salisbury (1915–1991) , South Australian Police Commissioner

Thomas William Blake, JP, Councilor (1938-1950) and Mayor of Preston, 1945/1946

James Page, originator of the Volunteer Movement when war with Russia Declared 1854

James Larra (James Lara) (1749-1839), Jewish emancipist and merchant “certainly the most prominent Jew in the earliest years of the colony” On 12 December 1787, aged 38, he was sentenced to death at the Old Bailey for having stolen a tankard worth £5. The sentence was commuted to transportation, and he arrived with the Second Fleet in June 1790 in the Scarborough. Opened one of the first legal pubs in Australia “The Freemasons Arms”

William Kerr (1812-1859), journalist, founded the Melbourne Argus Kerr Street, Fitzroy is named after him. Could this be William Warren Kerr (1864-1949), Xhairman of the State Savings Bank of Victoria, president of the Melbourne Chamber of Commerce in 1916. chairman of the Royal Commission on taxation. It was he who was mainly responsible for amalgamation of State and Federal taxation systems. Mayor of Kew

J.F.Taylor (?-?) member first South Australian Lodge, Hand of Friendship EC No.613. A street in Adelaide is named after him

Daniel Wakefield (?-?) member first South Australian Lodge, Hand of Friendship EC No.613. A street in Adelaide is named after him

G F Angas, one of the Fathers and Founders of South Australia. Less likely to be George French Angas (1822-1886), naturalist and painter but more likely to be George Fife Angas (1789-1879), merchant, banker, landowner and philanthropist. MLC Angastown SA is named after him, he donated land to several public institutions including building the freemasons hall.

Archibald Cooke, first initiate in South Australia on 25 March 1856. Possibly the same man “Archibald Cooke, an early pastoralist. He died at Strathalbyn in 1883” Frederick Foote Turner (?-1908) Attorney-General, Commissioner of Trade.

George Reibey & James Reibey, sons of Mary Reibey, now pictured on the $20 note and closely associated with the establishment of Australia’s first bank. Both initiated in The Lodge of Australia

Rev. F Poole, M.A.

Rev. Frederic Slaney Poole

Bob Skilton football

Sir William Angliss (1865-1957), food industry (Check issue 122 Vic freemason)

Albert Lachlan (1877-1955) journalist, attended the opening of the first Federal parliament, was one of the earliest members of the parliamentary press gallery

Ferdinand Henry Wright (?-?) served as a Captain with the 14th Infantry Battalion. After landing on Gallipoli on Anzac Day 1915 he was seriously wounded and invalided home to Australia. 1921 to 1951 Wright was Consul for the Netherlands in Victoria

Rev J H Raverty, Anglican Church Leader, Grand Chaplain.

Graham Vivian “Polly” Farmer MBE (1935-), footballer

Henry Curtis (John Henry Benedict) (Revd. J. H. A.; Henry Anselm CURTIS, O.S.B.; OSB; J. H. B. CURTIS) (1829-1909) Singer, ”leader of Gregorian chanting”, singing master, Benedictine monk. A Headmaster of Lyndhurst College, around 1863-64 he entered sexual relationship with the college housekeeper that lasted 8 months, and ended with him renouncing his vows and eloping with the woman to Melbourne. There, as J. H. B. Curtis, he became a
highly respected citizen, and prominent freemason, and secretary of The Athenaeum Club. Note, he is mentioned here as an Oddfellow and here a Druid.

- John Abbott (c1868-1936), President Dandenong Shire Council, member 1910-22. Foundation member Australian Natives’ Association. “Brought electric light to Dandenong”
- John Allan Edmonds (1884-1949) President Boorowa Council.
- William (Bill) Berry, Mayor of Brighton Liberal Candidate 1914 election.
- James Stephens (Stevens), Trade Unionist, Champion of the 8 hour day, Melbourne Lodge of the Operative Mason or Victorian Operative Masons' Society later Friendly Society of Operative Stonemasons (These all appear to be Unions rather than Speculative Masonic Lodges).

**Sometimes Claimed, Unlikely to be Freemasons**

- Henry Lawson (1867-1922), Australian poet and author. Possibly a member of the “Knights of Labor secret society” – but no evidence he was a Freemason. He was erroneously included in early versions of this list.
- James Cook (1728-1779) English explorer (Editors note – UGLE has never been able to substantiate his membership nor has any other Grand Lodge, likewise no subordinate lodge has ever been able to evidence his initiation)
- George Syme KBE (1873-1942) Managing Editor of "The Age" and "The Leader" newspapers from 1908 until 1942.
- Robert James Lee “Bob” Hawk (1929-) , former Australian Prime Minister. Indeed, if a PM or Premier is not in our list it is because I have no reliably evidence that they were initiated as a Freemason… give me a reliable source and I will include them as per the usual methods for this list. Please don’t email me unless you have a reliable source for a PM or Premier.

**Observations**

- The Royal Woman’s Hospital (Melbourne Lying-in Hospital and Infirmary for Diseases of Women and Children) has two Freemasons as the Founders - this might be a good area of research.
- The Australian Medical Journals co-founding editors were Freemasons and a subsequent purchaser was a Freemason – this might be worth looking into.
- Several of Australia’s first members of parliament were Freemasons – that would be worth looking into.
- Two out of three early owners of “The Australian” newspaper were Freemasons. [Link](http://adb.anu.edu.au/biographies/search/?query=rele:%22286%22&re=true&rpp=200)
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For several years now, my methodology has been to think of a famous or notable Australian, then use Google to Boolean search for a reliable source confirming membership. Both as a Freemason and with an interest in History, I often stumble across new names

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A Note on Bias

My goal is to try to present a reliable and researchable list which survives scrutiny. I think I am doing a reasonably good job, but it must be said that due to the methodology, being to research these names via the internet, it is possible the list has developed a bias towards those already noted on the web as Freemasons. That said, there are several important men listed who have been discovered via my own research of books, periodicals and lodge records. The best example of which is Air Chief Marshall Frederick Rudolph William Scherger, who was reported to me as a Freemason, was not listed on the web as one, but research showed him to be a member.

A Note on punctuation and Masonic Titles.

Firstly, apologies for removing as many full stops from the list as possible, hence C.B.E becomes CBE. This was done to make the list more readable.

Also, “Masonic ranks” have generally not been added with the exception of Grand Masters, and even then, appellations have been omitted, again to make the list more readable.

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