

YOUNG MASON TAKES THE CHAIR

Neil Salter, Secretary of the Young Masons Forum, was installed as Worshipful Master of Caedmon Lodge No:6965 at Whitby. He received excellent support from a number of members of the forum who were there to see him take the chair.

Neil has been a member of the Lodge for almost ten years and has enjoyed his journey 'up the ladder'. He commented, "I was only 21 when I was initiated so I was a lot younger than the other members of the Lodge, but they were all so welcoming, just like all the brethren I've met in the Province. That said, sometimes it would be nice to attend some functions where there were some younger brethren and he went on to say that it was excellent that some members of the Forum travelled to witness him take the Chair of his Lodge.

The aim of the Young Masons Forum is to:-

“To promote the health of Freemasonry in the Province by engaging our younger brethren”

Still in its early stages, the Forum has been established and taking shape over the last year. In June several younger brethren (Any brother young at heart and yes there are a few!) from across the Province gathered in York for an inaugural conference to exchange ideas and discuss how brethren would like to see the Forum constituted. Since then the committee has announced a selection of social events taking place across the Province which all Young masons are invited to bring their friends (both Masonic and non-Masonic) and some of the events have been selected to include the wives, partners and families of the brethren.

Socials planned for 2010 are:-

January	Quiz Nights, Local group get togethers
March	Dinner Dance at Stokesley
Easter	Family day out at Beamish including picnic
June / July	Sponsored Cycle Ride non-stop from John O'Groats to Lands End or the Coast to Coast (route depending on volunteers)
October	Casino Night
December	Christmas Party

Lodge contacts are being appointed and they will have more details on these events.

If the “ YMF Poster “ hasn't appeared in your Lodge building yet, or you would like to offer your help then please email secretary@youngmasonsforum.co.uk.

If you would like further information on the forum then visit www.youngmasonsforum.co.uk.

