THE FREEMASONS



Join a Fraternal Association

Many brethren get much enjoyment by expanding their membership of Freemasonry to connect with brethren who share a common interest or industry involvement. In New Zealand there are a number of groups to which brethren can belong. If you have an interest to a group in the list below then make contact with the nominated person and get involved. It will add an extra dimension to your masonic experience.

- **AAFMF Allied Air Force Masonic Flight** The Secretary of the Flight can be contacted here: <u>AAFMF@freemasons.co.nz</u>
- Maori Brethren Association The Chairman of the Association can be contacted here: email: <u>maori.brethren@freemasons.co.nz</u>

Motorcycling – Widows Sons NZ – Contact <u>widows.sons@freemasons.co.nz</u>. An article on this group can be found at: <u>http://issuu.com/fmnz/docs/freemasons_magazine_issue_2-2012/31</u> and Facebook groups for both National & Wellington at: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/102145849851327/</u> and <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/1428672217441794/</u>.

- Naval Craftsmen Group The Secretary of the Group can be contacted here: <u>naval@freemasons.co.nz</u>. See also this article: <u>http://www.themasons.org.nz/october/NCG.html</u>
- NZEFMA NZ Expeditionary Force Masonic Association details and an application form are attached.
- Railway Craftsmen Association of NZ contact details can be found here: http://www.mastermason.com/railcraft/

Scouts – They have evolved their Association into a lodge being
The Baden Powell Lodge No 381 – originally based in Auckland they now meet in Wellington and consider themselves a 'national' lodge – contact details on the GLNZ website.

There are also several associations connected with various vocational groups - to make contact enquire to the Grand Lodge office.





Application Form for Membership

"The N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association" (Founded in France in 1916).

Established in 1917, in France, by N.Z. Freemasons of the 1st N.Z.E.F.M.A. The Association continued through the second World War with the 2nd N.Z.E.F.M.A. whose members, in 1946, decided to wind up its affairs, allowing its members to become part of the 1st N.Z.E.F. Masonic Association which, at that time, was still very active within New Zealand.

Today, and in 2014 The Association, which is centred in the Manawatu area, is still operating with a New Zealand wide membership of approximately 50 Brethren, living both locally and around N.Z. The original criteria for membership, which is still applicable today is -

"A Brother must have served in any Military conflict overseas during and since the Second World War for which a Campaign Service medal has been awarded to them."

This rule is also applicable to Brethren of the NZ Armed Police Force who also served overseas.

Note - He must also be a member of Freemasons Lodge, whether N.Z. Constituted or any other recognised Grand Lodge at the time of joining the Association...

This criteria has recently been reviewed and *effective from January 2013* the following and additional criteria is applicable,

"those Servicemen who were unable to serve abroad but were vital to the war, or any other and subsequent combat efforts, and who qualify under all other criteria may become an "Associate Member" of the Association"

The Association is actively involved in the following,

- An "Annual Re-union" of members and their wives or partners, usually in January each year.
- A Representative attendance at the annual ANZAC service held by a Lodge, or Lodges each year, with active participation.
- By invitation, attend a Lodge meeting and carry out a degree working or, A specially prepared presentation based on the history of the Association.

Any Brother interested and who believes he qualifies, please apply to -

The Secretary – W.Bro. A. R. Tim Brown. 53 Burn Street, Levin 5510. Tel. - (06)368 8655. Note - The current annual dues for membership, is \$10.

Please tear off this section below and return to – A.R. Brown, Secretary NZEFMA 53 Burn Street, Levin 5510.

"NEW ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCE MASONIC ASSOCIATION"

"Full" or "Associate" Membership" Application .

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