

Knights of St. Andrew

Handbook



We extend to you, a new member, a very warm and cordial welcome into the Clan of the Scottish Knights of St. Andrew.

This Clan Booklet belongs to:

Knight/ **S**quire:

Valley of: Colorado Springs

In the Orient of: Southern Colorado

Phone:

The hand of Fraternal friendship and goodwill is extended to each of you as you as new members in the Scottish Knights of St. Andrew Clan.

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Vision, Mission and Values

The following Vision, Mission, and Values statements were proposed and agreed upon as the overall objectives of the Knights of St. Andrew Clan.

Vision

The vision of the Knights of St. Andrew is to be a fellowship, social and service group assisting in various Stated Meetings and reunions.

Mission

The Knights of St. Andrew are under the immediate supervision of the Executive Committee of the Scottish Rite Scottish Rite Bodies and will provide services where they are needed and asked for. This may include aiding the Tyler, acting as Greeters, providing escort services to dignitaries or at special events, serving as guides, assisting at the Scottish Rite Reunions, helping present the Colors, and any other duties when called upon.

Values

Fun

Social

Devotion

Fellowship

Service

Helpfulness

Family

Unique

Knowledge

History

History of the Knights of St. Andrew

This is one explanation of the origin of the Knights of St. Andrew. The origins of the Order date back to the period of 1220-1232 AD, when a Confraternity was established in the City of Acre, of the then Crusader Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem (occupying the same territory as the modern state of Israel) to protect pilgrims and merchants. This Confraternity, consisting of burgesses and knights of largely French heritage, met in the City's Castle and chose the Holy Apostle, St. Andrew, as their Patron. They constituted themselves as a Crusading Order of Knights with the object of resisting tyranny and protecting public safety. During the turmoil of the Sixth Crusade, these worthies of the Order defended the poor, the sick and the weak from adversaries. In the best tradition of the Military and Religious Orders of the time, they founded their lives on prayer, charity, service and protection. About this time, possession of Acre was being contested by the Holy Roman Emperor, Frederick II operating from his base in Sicily. Through his marriage to Yolande, daughter of John of Brienne, a leading Crusader, the Emperor had become embroiled in the affairs of the Crusader states. The Emperor sent a fleet of ships against Acre in 1227, whereupon the Knights and Officers of St. Andrew of Jerusalem appealed to Pope Gregory IX, who excommunicated the Emperor for this action. During the subsequent negotiations with the Muslims by the Emperor Frederick, the Knights of St. Andrew remained aloof. Though some progress for the Crusaders appeared at first to have been made, their adherence to treaty commitments made at that time eventually enabled an army of Turks in pay of the Sultan of Egypt, to crush the remaining Crusader enclaves by about 1244. It was at about this juncture that the existing historical records of the Knights of St. Andrew were lost. It is speculated that the records may have been transported to the Byzantium in hope of safekeeping, only to be lost yet again when the city fell to the Turks in 1453.

Uniform

All Knights/ Squires performing in any type of presentation must be dressed in the appropriate/adoptive Unit Uniform. Any Changes in the uniform are to be made in formal writing and presented to the brethren for vote or by order of the Venerable Master/ SGIG.

The uniform for Squires will be the same as that of the Knights.

*Only uniform exceptions will be made on case by case basis and approved by the Venerable Master for working purposes only.

Knights Uniform

- ◆ Black Jacket/ Blazer
- ◆ Black Shoes
- ◆ Black Socks
- ◆ White Button-up Shirt
- ◆ Tie: Black preferable
- ◆ Consistory Headgear (Pill Cap) * Not to be worn outside of the consistory building.
- ◆ Glen Gary (plain black)



* Not to be worn inside consistory building unless on official business or during Knights of St. Andrew meetings.

❖ Knights of St. Andrew bonnet badge and feathers distinguishing office adorned on Glengarry.

- I. **Chieftain:** 3 Gold Feathers* Golden Regalia Bonnet Badge
- II. **1st Vice-Chieftain:** 2 Gold Feathers* Golden Regalia Bonnet Badge
- III. **2nd Vice-Chieftain:** 2 Gold Feathers* Golden Regalia Bonnet Badge
- IV. **Secretary:** 2 Gold Feathers* Golden Regalia Bonnet Badge
- V. **Treasurer:** 2 Gold Feathers* Golden Regalia Bonnet Badge
- VI. **All Barons (honorary):** 1 Red + 2 Gold Feather* Silver Regalia Bonnet Badge
- VII. **All General Membership** 2 White Feathers* Silver Regalia Bonnet Badge

VIII. **Past Venerable Masters:** 3 Gold Feathers* Golden Regalia Bonnet Badge w/o crown and lion.



❖ Name badge Gold (yellow)

❖ Sash

- I. Sash will be Night Watch in color.
- II. Sash will be adorned with 32⁰ double headed eagle with wings down.
- III. All officers will wear the grouse foot pin signifying office.
- IV. All general members will wear either ***Thistle Badge*** or ***Square And Compass With Sword***
(Item available for purchase on line)

Rules / Regulations

The following rules and/or regulations were proposed and agreed upon to govern the Knights of Saint Andrew Clan.

Membership

Active:

Only those who started in the Clan as 32nd Degree Masons and were honored while a member of the Clan are privileged to wear the Glengarry Bonnet and cock feathers.

32nd Degree:

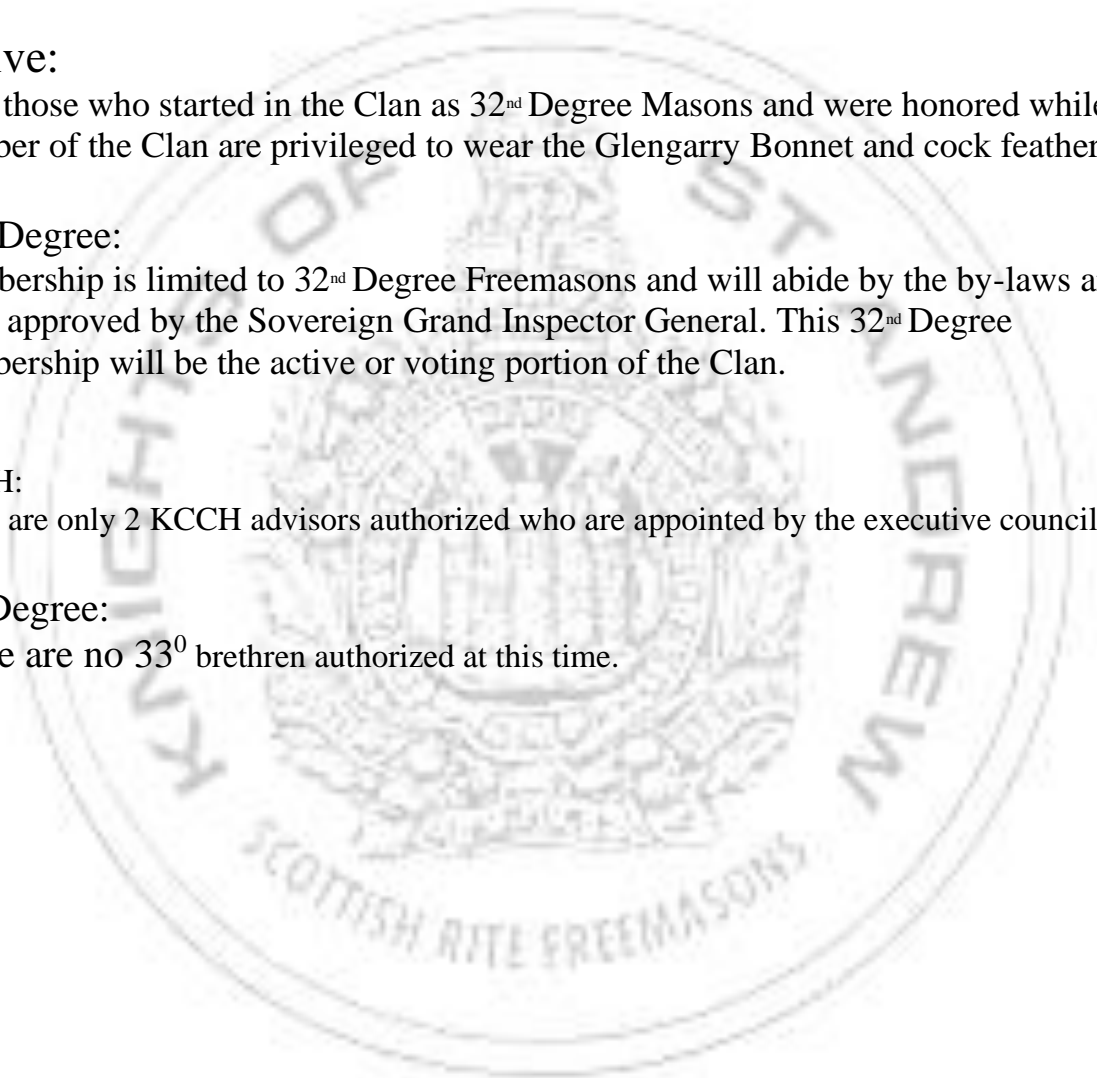
Membership is limited to 32nd Degree Freemasons and will abide by the by-laws and those approved by the Sovereign Grand Inspector General. This 32nd Degree membership will be the active or voting portion of the Clan.

KCCH:

There are only 2 KCCH advisors authorized who are appointed by the executive council.

33rd Degree:

There are no 33⁰ brethren authorized at this time.



Organization

Officers:

Officers will be elected at the last of the Clan's meeting which will be the November meeting. The October stated meeting will be used to nominate potential officers. Elected officers will serve for one calendar year and may not serve in the same office for more than two consecutive years.

Venerable Master: (Elected)

The Venerable Master is the head of the Clan. His responsibility is to plan activities and lead the Clan in its endeavors.

Prelate: (Elected)

The Prelate (Senior Warden) is the senior to the Venerable Master. Their main responsibility is to assist the Venerable Master in planning and coordinating Clan activities. In charge of organizing all public feasts.

Prior: (Elected)

The Prior (Junior Warden) is the junior advisor to the Venerable master. Their main responsibility is to assist the Prelate in all undertakings ordered by the Venerable Master. Also in the safeguarding in the Honor of the order.

Scribe: (Appointed)

The Scribe (secretary) of the KSA shall take minutes of each of the Clan meetings and hand out copies of such minutes at the next meeting. Responsible for all moneys due to the order and requisition of.

Sargent of Arms: (Appointed)

The Sargent of arms (Tyler) is responsible for the safeguarding, care, and display of the organizational Colors. He is also responsible for the selection, training, and performance of the Color bearers and Color guards.

Knight:

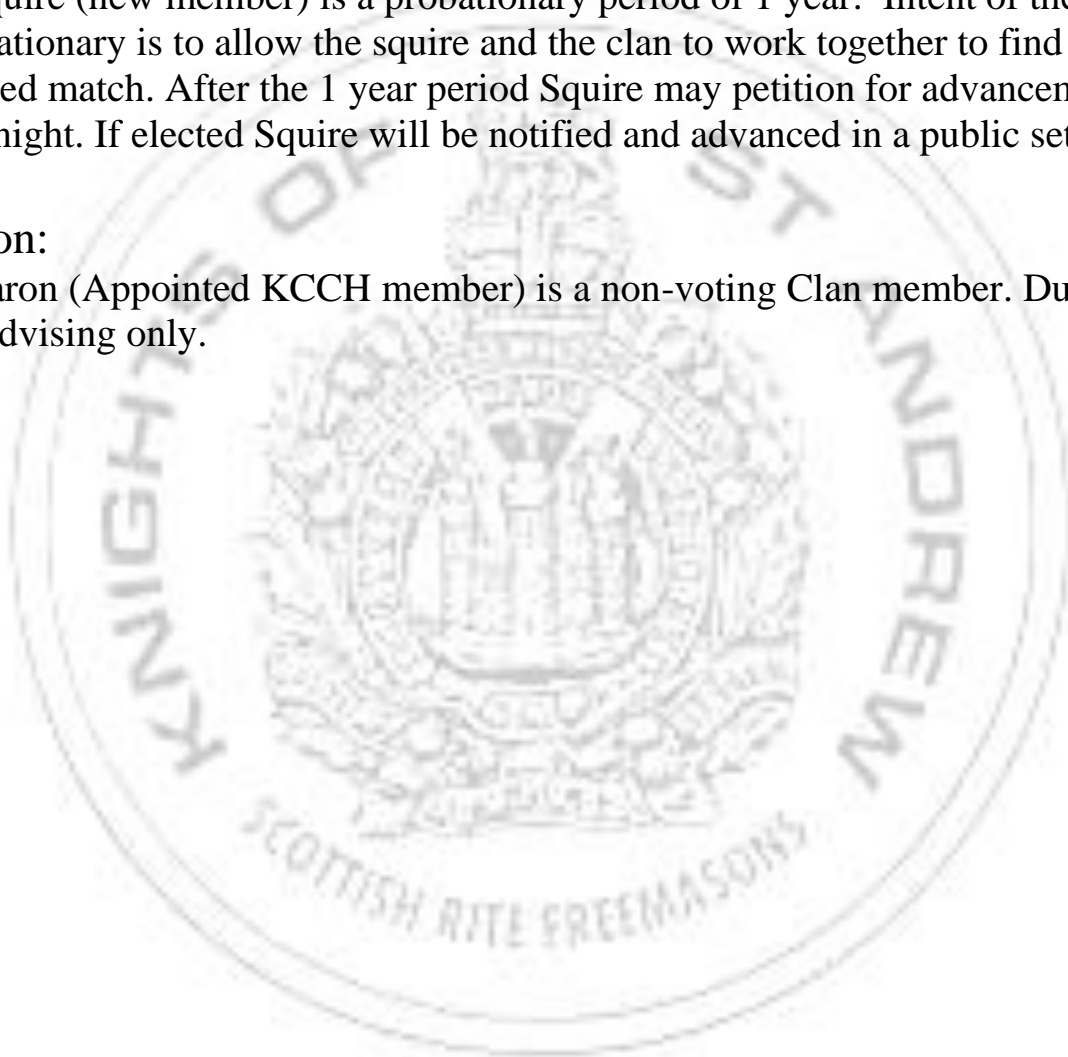
A Knight (member) has served for the term of 1 year as a squire, and sought full membership to the clan. Clan will put all advancement membership to a ballot.

Squire:

A Squire (new member) is a probationary period of 1 year. Intent of the probationary is to allow the squire and the clan to work together to find a desired match. After the 1 year period Squire may petition for advancement to Knight. If elected Squire will be notified and advanced in a public setting.

Baron:

A Baron (Appointed KCCH member) is a non-voting Clan member. Duties are advising only.



Meetings

The KSA will attend all regular stated Scottish Rite meetings which are held the first Wednesday of every month.

KSA meetings will be held even months will be on the 4th Wednesday from 6-8pm. Meetings in the odd months will be on 4th Sunday 2-5.

All meetings of KSA will be held at Colorado Springs Masonic Center.

Dues and Fees

While standing as a “Squire”, there will be no fee.

Fees for New Members of the Knights shall consist of \$100 which includes fees for clothing and must accompany the petition in full prior to his initiation.

The Knights of St. Andrew will not charge any Annual Dues for the organization.

