

Index to
The History of
Lodge Kiama
1945

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Name	Given	Title/Office	Comments	Page
Flint	F.L.	Bro.	<p>“Coral Lea”, Foxground, name handwritten in ink</p> <p>The next member to join was Mr. George Adams who became famous throughout the length and breadth of this State, and in fact throughout all Australia. He was then proprietor of the Steam Packet Hotel, afterwards called the Brighton. He established Adam's Hotel in Sydney, and the world famous Tatterall's Sweeps.</p>	Inside Front Cover
Adams	George	Lodge Samaritan	<p>The very first matter of a controversial nature...in the new Lodge was brought forward by Bro. Howell-Price in attempting to ban intoxicating liquors... This was not agreed to, and after some acrimonious discussion Bro. Price indignantly left the room, stating that that his duty in the matter was “abundantly clear.” This led to a stern lecture from Wor. Master Craig, in the Chair, on the duties of members and their hasty actions which caused annoyance to other members. This immediately brought further response from others present, who, like Bro. Price, were members of Temperance Societies...Bro. Price re-entered the Lodge...[after discussion at subsequent meetings, in March 1890 certain concessions in regard to the use of alcohol the use of Alcohol were made]...the whole situation led to the resignation of a number of the Brethren...Despite all this, however, Bro. Price, after apologising to the members of the Lodge for his actions and utterances, continued to attend, and, apparently, became reconciled to the situation.</p>	6
Alcohol	Use of	Lodge Kiama.		14 & 15

		...1940, when again an attempt was made to restrict the use of liquor in the South. A motion was tabled to have this discontinued for the duration of the war. The outcome was a compromise, in which the onus of practising economy in this respect was placed upon the Masters and Wardens.	39
Alcohol		Post 1910: ...the truly revolutionary idea of Bro. George Prott, who suggested obtaining a Liquor license for the S. as a further means of augmenting revenue. Nothing further seems to have been heard of this enterprising idea.	20
Alcohol		A rather obscure entry in November 1891, mentions enquiries as to purchasing Lodge furniture from a Lodge at Kangaroo Valley, and later this is followed by an invitation from the Master of Lodge "Silver Oak," Kangaroo Valley, No. 216, to attend the opening ceremonies in connection with the Lodge...Bro. Frank Alexander, father of Wor. Bro. O.J. Alexander, for a long time Secretary of Kiama, was initiated in Lodge "Silver Oak."	17
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Alexander	O.J.	Wor. Bro.	In 1940 we welcomed the return to our ranks of Wor. Bro. O.J. Alexander, who had for many years filled the position of Secretary, but who had resigned some years previously. He was re-elected Secretary and invested in July, 1941, and in October, 1942, generously donated a new Past Masters' Board to the Lodge, and which was unveiled by Ver. Wor. Bro. Jonas Price.	40
Anderson	C.	Builder	Temperance Hall: Following the laying of the foundation stone, tenders were called and accepted for the erection of the walls, but it was not until 1877 that work was commenced on this portion, James Dinning being again the successful tenderer. At the same time a price was agreed upon for the building of the floors and walls and finishing generally. For this work there were three tenderers – A. Ettinghausen at £363, C. Anderson at £358/10/-, and Donald Finlayson £345. Finlayson's price was accepted, a condition being that the work was to be completed within thirteen weeks of the completion of the walls, and for which a time period of six weeks was allowed.	32
Anderson	W.	S.D.	Foundation Officer Lodge Samaritan, No. 294 I.C.: 5 th July, 1871	3

Anscombe	A.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1902-03	44
Ashe	Dr.	Bro.: S.W.	February 1889, One of the first Officers of Lodge Kiama.	13
Ashe	Wm.	Bro., S.W.	Foundation Officer Lodge Kiama, No. 35: 1888	3
Australian Social Mother Lodge			<i>Records show that there were ten (10) Lodges working under that Constitution [Irish] and "Australian Social Mother" (now No. 1 Antiquity) and "Leinster Marine" (now No. 2) may perhaps lay claim to be the oldest. These early Lodges were opened by dispensation – pending the arrival of warrants from Ireland – approximately one hundred years ago [c. 1845].</i>	25
Band		Kiama Town	Temperance Hall Foundation Stone Laying 16 th March 1876: <i>The ceremony...enlivened by the Kiama Town band, under the leadership of Bandmaster Tyter, who was the Postmaster in Kiama at that time.</i>	31
Banfield	J.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1910-11	44
Banfield	J.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1901-02	44

Barton	H.M.	Bro.	<p>Lodge Kiama has been worthily represented in the fighting forces of this war in the persons of; - Ver. Wor. J.B.J. Price, Bro. W.A. Carter (at present a Prisoner of War), Bro. N.H. Tully, Bro. H.W. Davies, Bro. H.M.. Barton, Bro. A.S.C. McGregor, Bro. H. Bush, Bro. C.W. Griffiths, Bro. D.M. Steele, bro. C.S. Cocks, Bro. A.E. Motley, Bro. H.L. King, Bro. R.R. Bush, Bro. F. Tieck (Volunteer defence Corps. Wor. Bro. Barton also saw service in the Home Forces and carried out the duties of Master during his period of service.</p>	41
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Barton	J.J.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	<p>1941-42</p>	44
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Bazaar	Temperance Society	Following the opening [of the Temperance Hall] in April a Bazaar lasting three days was held in aid of the funds of the Society in the hope that the entire indebtedness might be wiped off in one fell swoop. This failed in its objective (£120), though there was the "GRAND ATTRACTION OF AN EXHIBIT OF MINIATURE FGOLD FISH, TOGETHER WITH A MICROSCOPE," which had been brought from Sydney at "CONSIDERABLE EXPENSE" by Dr. Tarrant, vide the "Independent."	34
Benevolent Board		May 1943: ...we lost our oldest member, Ver. Wor. Bro. Jonas Price, who had been a Mason and member of Kiama for over 40 years. During this long period he served a term as District Inspector of Workings and was for 25 years a member of the Board of Benevolence. At the October meeting following his demise, his portrait, presented to the Lodge by his nephews, Ver. Wor. J.B.J. Price and Wor. Bro. Charles price, was unveiled with appropriate ceremony by Ver. Wor. Bro. Theo Grey.	42
Berry	Royal Arch Masons	1923: ...the first Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons was formed in Kiama, the members of which used our Temple as their meeting place, but the Chapter was short lived, and was ultimately absorbed by the Berry Chapter.	21

Bibb	John	Secretary	Foundation Officer Lodge Samaritan, No. 294 I.C.: 5 th July, 1871	3
Bidwell	John	Ver. Wor. Bro., Grand Chaplain	1939: ...a Masonic Church Service was held at the Church of the Resurrection, Jamberoo, and conducted by Ver. Wor. Bro. John Bidwell, Grand Chaplain. This was the second Church Service in the life of the Lodge, and was to be followed by another at Christ Church, Kiama, during the mastership of Wor. Bro. Harold Lyons, the preacher on this occasion being Bro. The Rev. Walker, of Parramatta.	39
Black	John		<i>The names of the original Trustees of the Temperance Society hold interest to present-day members of our Lodge. These were: John Black, James Somerville (uncle of Bro. Geo. Somerville), Robert Marks (grand uncle of Wor. Bro. R.B. Marks), William Lewis, Robert Whitney, Benjamin Boniface, Christopher Cousins, Donald Finlayson, J.F. Holden, John Leatham, Lawrence Geoghegan, Thomas Cousins, W. Cornford (father of Wor. Bro. Cornford), and Thomas Fredericks...</i>	35
Bloomfield	H.O.	Bro., Steward	Kiama Lodge Office Bearer 1944-45	45
Bodey	C.R.	Bro., Steward	Kiama Lodge Office Bearer 1944-45	45
Boles	William	Bro., Lodge Samaritan	April 1883...was initiated, Wor. Bro. Colley again conferring the degree.	9
Bondfield	N.F.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1940-41	44

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Boniface	Miss	<i>In giving a description of the concert after the Dedication the Kiama "Independent" dealt very fulsomely with each item, paying particular attention to one singer, a Miss Boniface, who, said the paper, "Sang beautifully, and, it can be said that hers was the most POWERFUL voice heard there that evening."</i>	33
Boniface	Of London	<i>Another interesting old relic of Lodge Kiama is the set of Tracing boards. It seems as though they were portion of the original furnishings of Samaritan, but all trace of how they came to be in the possession of the Lodge has been lost. These Tracing Boards were painted in oils in the year 1826 by J. Bowring, of London, and are still in use.</i>	29
Bowring	J.		
Brade	G.H.	1927-28 Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	44

Brade	Wor. Bro.	21	<i>Once again Kiama Lodge experienced trouble when in 1926, interest had so waned that a motion was tabled "That this Lodge suspend operations for twelve (12) months." This was sponsored by Bro. Chapman and Wor. Bro. Brade, but vigorously opposed by Wor. Bro. Townend and several others. After considerable discussion extending over a period, the motion was withdrawn and the old Lodge took on a new lease of life.</i>
Breeze	N.	44	1921-22
Brewery	Kiama	5	<i>Hunt's Brewery, which stood where Mr. W.G. Walker's residence now is...</i>
Brey	Theo	44	1922-23
Brighton Hotel	Kiama	9	<i>August, 1885, saw a notable admission...Mr. John McCaffrey, proprietor of the Brighton Hotel, as it was then styled.</i>
Brighton Hotel	Lodge Samaritan	6	<i>The next member to join was Mr. George Adams who became famous throughout the length and breadth of this State, and in fact throughout all Australia. He was then proprietor of the Steam Packet Hotel, afterwards called the Brighton. He established Adam's Hotel in Sydney, and the world famous Tatterall's Sweeps.</i>

Brodie	John	<p>In the year 1840, John Brodie was granted a large portion of land comprising most of what is now the town of Kiama, and it was on part of this land that this present building [The Temple] now stands. A Temperance Society had been established in Kiama in the year 1868, but it was not until 1876 that a move was made towards providing for members with a suitable building for their meetings. At the time the only place in Kiama suitable for public meetings of any kind was the Court House, and the need for a more commodious public hall was sorely felt.</p>	30
Brown	T.B.	<p>Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.</p> <p>1919-20</p>	44
Brown's Hotel	Brownsville	<p>...advertisement...that appeared in 1855 in the "Empire" Newspaper, conducted by Sir Henry Parkes.... MASONIC. The Brethren of Lodges Illawarra, Unanimity and Concord, No. 903, of Wollongong, are invited to attend the Installation of the Officers of these Lodges at Bro. Brown's Hotel, at Brownsville, on 27/6/55 at 12 o'clock, to be followed by a grand banquet at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, to which the Brethren, their LADY FRIENDS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC ARE CORDIALLY INVITED. Signed: Bro. John Hukins, Jamberoo, Secretary, from whom tickets may be obtained, price 25/- each.</p>	16
Burling	W.	<p>Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.</p> <p>1914-15</p>	44

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Cadwell	James		Kiama Temperance Hall: The Dedication Ceremony was performed by the then leader of the Temperance Societies in the the Illawarra District, James Cadwell. As at the laying of the foundation stone, there was entertainment in plenty for those attending, this time 300 in number.	32
Caird	J.H.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Samaritan, No. 294, I.C.	1881-82	44

Carrington	Lord, Governor of N.S.W.	<i>The first united action of the two Lodges [Minnamurra and Samaritan] was to subscribe for an address to Lord Carrington, then Governor of New South Wales, and also Grand Master of the U.G.L. Of N.S.W., who was making his first visit to Kiama.</i>	13
Carson	J.T. Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1923-24	44
Carson	N.W. Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1926-27	44
Carter	W.A. Bro.	<i>Lodge Kiama has been worthily represented in the fighting forces of this war in the persons of, - Ver. Wor. J.B.J. Price, Bro. W.A. Carter (at present a Prisoner of War), Bro. N.H. Tully, Bro. H.W. Davies, Bro. H.M.. Barton, Bro. A.S.C. McGregor, Bro. H. Bush, Bro. C.W. Griffiths, Bro. D.M. Steele, bro. C.S. Cocks, Bro. A.E. Motley, Bro. H.L. King, Bro. R.R. Bush, Bro. F. Tieck (Volunteer defence Corps. Wor. Bro. Barton also saw service in the Home Forces and carried out the duties of Master during his period of service.</i>	41

June 19040, saw the passing of a much-loved Brother, Wor. Bro. Dobson Townend, whose remains were placed before the Temple Altar for the Lodge of Sorrow. Wor. Bro. Townend had given many years of faithful service to this Lodge, first occupying the Chair of King Solomon in the years 1915-16 and again in 1920-21. It was largely due to his efforts that the Lodge did not go into recess during the depression period. Wor. Bro. Townend was the first Master of this Lodge to instal his successor, which he did following a request from Most. Wor. Bro. William Thompson, Grand Master at that time. For many years this ceremony had been performed by Ver. Wor. Bro. C.M. Stevenson, and after his demise by officers of Grand Lodge. Since Wor. Bro. Towend's time this ceremony has been invariably carried out by the retiring Master.

Chair of King
Solomon

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Chapman

Bro.

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One rather curious by-law was that no visitor should partake of refreshment unless he paid the sum of One Shilling (1/-) to the Charity Box, or was specially invited by the W.M....

Charity Box
Childs

Lodge Samaritan
Bro., Chaplain

Rev. H.H.

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Christ Church	Kiama	39
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		<p>The first Masonic Church service to take place in Kiama, was held under the auspices of Lodge Minnamurra, at the Presbyterian Church, during the incumbency of the Rev. J. Wilson. The service was conducted by Bro. Rev. Glasson, of Lodge Minnamurra, assisted by Bro. Rev. Howell-Price, who was the Church of England Rector at the time.</p>
Church of England	Kiama	11
		<p>The first regular meeting of the combined Lodges took place in February, 1889, in the Church of England Sunday School Hall, the Court House being given up from that date, and it was in this new location that all meetings were then held until the present Temple was acquired. The number of this new Lodge now became 35 and the name "Kiama" was adopted.</p>
Church of England	Sunday School Hall	13
	Lodges Samaritan & Minnamurra	
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Church of the Resurrection	Jamberoo	39

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Cocks	Samuel	Photographer	8	A quaint instance of the phraseology of those days [c. 1879] is an entry: "Mr. Flodin, Photographer, was admitted as a member." Bro. Flodin occupied the premises now used by Mr. Samuel Cocks as a photographer.
Cocks	W.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Minnamurra, No. 641, S.C.	44	1887-88
Cocks	William	Wor. Bro., Chaplain	13	February 1889, One of the first Officers of Lodge Kiama.
Cocks	William	Lodge Minnamurra: W.M.	10	1887: The preliminary meeting was held at Tory's Hotel, and of those present, only one name holds any interest for the present day member – Bro. William Cocks – father of Messrs. Samuel and James Cocks, now in business in Manning Street, Kiama. The second meeting took place in the Methodist, or Wesleyan as it was then called, Sunday School Hall, when it was decided that Bro. William Cocks be the first Master, or Right Worshipful Master, as he is styled under the Scotch Constitution.
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Colley	H.R.	Bro., Organist	45	Kiama Lodge Office Bearer 1944-45
Colley	H.R.	Bro., Organist	41 & 42	...Bro. H.R. Colley, Organist, at the meeting in September, 1942, suggested that the organ then in use – vintage about 1800 or thereabouts – had outlived its usefulness and that another be purchased. Happily, an instrument which received the approval of Bro. Haigh, Grand Organist, was for sale, and this was secured for the sum of £315.

Colley	J.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Samaritan, No. 294, I.C.	1876-78	44
Colley	J.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Samaritan, No. 294, I.C.	1879-80	44
Colley	J.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Samaritan, No. 294, I.C.	1885-86	44
Colley	James	Wor. Bro., Lodge Samaritan	<i>During a long period of years practically all the Ritual work of the Lodge was performed by Wor. Bro. James Colley.</i>	7
Colley	James	Wor. Bro.	<i>Initiated to Lodge Kiama in September 1910. He gave many years of worthy help to the affairs of Lodge Kiama, and for his services was elected an Honorary member. He was the fourth on which such honour had been conferred apart from Wor. Bro. James Colley...Bro. Connell, V. Wor. Bro. Stevenson, and later Bro. Hunter, who was made a 'Life' member.</i>	20
Colley	James	Wor. Bro.	<i>Master (3 Times), Lodge Samaritan: sometime during the period prior to 1888</i>	6
Colley	James	Wor. Bro.	<i>The first Masonic funeral accorded by Kiama Masons was that given to Wor. Bro. James Colley, which took place on 2nd February, 1890.</i>	17
Colley		Wor. Bro., Lodge Samaritan	<i>In the year 1881...a member was to be balloted for, Wor. Bros. Colley and Frederick deplored this method of voting and made charges against the candidate in open Lodge.</i>	8

Colley	Wor. Bro., Lodge Samaritan	11 th December 1878, again elected Wor. Master. Shortly afterwards he left for Sydney to take up his residence there and Wor. Bro. Colley again took up the Chair.	8
Colley	Wor. Bro., Lodge Samaritan	April 1883...was initiated, Wor. Bro. Colley again conferring the degree.	9
Colley	Wor. Bro.	c. 1888: Just about this time the admission of Bro. John McCaffrey had its repercussions when his brother, Mr. Frank McCaffrey, was brought forward. Immediately objections were raised on the grounds of religion and led to endless, and at times, heated debate. Eventually his proposer Wor. Bro. C.W. Craig, withdrew his nomination.	12
Combined Meeting	Lodges Samaritan & Minnamurra	Bro. John McCaffrey, it might be noted, never took anything further than his first degree. This meeting also made history by creating the first Honorary member of any Lodge in Kiama – Wor. Bro. Colley.	12
Concord	Lodge	First Combined meeting held on 18 th August, 1888 ...advertisement...that appeared in 1855 in the "Empire" Newspaper, conducted by Sir Henry Parkes.... MASONIC. The Brethren of Lodges Illawarra, Unanimity and Concord, No. 903, of Wollongong, are invited to attend the Installation of the Officers of these Lodges at Bro. Brown's Hotel, at Brownsville, on 27/6/55 at 12 o'clock, to be followed by a grand banquet at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, to which the Brethren, their LADY FRIENDS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC ARE CORDIALLY INVITED. Signed: Bro. John Hukins, Jamberoo, Secretary, from whom tickets may be obtained, price 25/- each.	16

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Connell	Bro.	Lodge Kiama Organist: appointed 1910	20
Cope	J.		
	Bro.		
	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1918-19	44
Cope	Jno.	Foundation Officer Lodge Kiama, No. 35: 1888	3
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Coughran	Bro., Lodge Samaritan	<i>One rather curious extract from the minutes of June 1880...Lodge was opened at 1.0 p.m., at the residence of Bro. Coughran of the 'Royal Hotel' (This hotel stood where Wor. Bro. H. T. Moore's shop recently was), as the usual place was in course of preparation for the Annual Masonic Ball.</i>	7
Coughran	Bro., Lodge Samaritan	<i>20th July, 1878; received First Degree</i>	6
Court	Wollongong	<i>C. June 1880: ...was killed whilst driving to Wollongong to attend the sittings of the Court. It was about this time that the late Wor. Bro. C.W. Craig was initiated.</i>	7
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	Lodges Samaritan & Minnamurra		

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Craig	C.W.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1890-91	44
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Dinning	James	Builder	<i>Temperance Hall: Although the site of the new hall had not been purchased until 1876, a tender of Mr. James Dinning had been accepted in October 1875, for the foundations. The price was Thirty-eight Pounds (£38).</i>	32
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Ettinghausen A. Builder

1908: Martin Ettinghausen's tender of £140 accepted for construction of Kiama Lodge Temple. Final cost, inclusive of land, was £434/10/2.

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Ettinghausen Martin

Dedicated and Consecrated Lodge Samariatn, 1871

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Farnell J.S. Rt. Wor. Bro. Provincial Grand Master of N.S.W.

...	<i>it seems that Masonry was established in that centre [Parramatta] as early as 1836. The first Worshipful Master Of "Widow's Son" was James Squire Farnell, later to become the first Grand master of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales. "Widow's Son" altered its place of meeting to the Masonic hall, then in York Street, Sydney. This was about the year 1879. Previously the Lodge held its meetings at the Woolpack Inn at Parramatta.</i>	27
Farnell	James Squire W.M.	
Fees	Initiation	6
Fees	Monthly	6
	<i>Troublous times were ahead for the master and Wardens of Kiama for not submitting Grand Lodge returns nor paying fees, and they were cited to appear before the Board of G.P. To answer for their lapse, but managed to stave this off by finding the necessary cash. c. 1890</i>	17
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Finlayson	Donald	

Finlayson	Donald	Builder	32
First Masonic Funeral	Kiama		17
First Meeting	New Temple	Lodge Kiama.	19
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Fredericks	A.L.	Wor. Bro.		33
Fredericks	H.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Samaritan, No. 294, I.C.	1880-81	44
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Fredericks	Wor. Bro., Lodge Samaritan	<p>Proposed Kiama temple Improvements 1938: At this stage an offer was received from a Sydney architect, Bro. John P. Tate, to prepare estimates and supervise any alterations or improvements free of all cost to the Lodge. This generous offer was accepted...A preliminary estimate gave the probable cost as £150, and tenders...were called and three were received: - J.H. JARRETT, £186/7/- J. KENNEDY, £314 F.C. FRIPP, £305/8/- The tender of J.H. Jarrett, who was a member of the Lodge, was accepted.</p> <p>Foundation Officer Lodge Samaritan, No. 294 I.C.: 5th July, 1871</p> <p>1/7/1909: ...the unveiling of a memorial tablet in memory of the late V. Wor. Bro. C.M. Stevenson, who died shortly after the first meeting in the new Temple. The Lodge of Sorrow held for this V.W. Brother was remarkable for a new feature on such occasions, when the coffin was placed in the Lodge Room during the ceremony.</p>	8
Fripp	F.C.	Builder	38
Fuller	T.J.	J.D.	3
Funeral Rites			19

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Geoghegan	William	<p>The land on which this Temple now stands was then owned by William Geoghegan, a member of the temperance Society styled the "Sons of Temperance."</p>	30
Geoghegan	William	<p>Kiama was growing rapidly and the Court House was often overtaxed, so, early in 1876, this site was purchased from William Geoghegan for the sum of Fifty Pounds (£50), and on March 16th of that year the foundation stone was laid with much ceremony by Dr. Harman J. Tarrant, in the presence of some Two Hundred (200) townsfolk and visitors from the surrounding districts.</p>	31
Geoghegan		<p>One curious fact that comes to light in connection with the "Sons of Temperance" and their acquisition of this property [the Hall] is that, although they purchased the land in 1876 from Geoghegan, the title deeds were not made out until December, 1880.</p>	35

Gladdon	Bro. Rev.	<i>The first Masonic Church service to take place in Kiama, was held under the auspices of Lodge Minnamurra, at the Presbyterian Church, during the incumbency of the Rev. J. Wilson. The service was conducted by Bro. Rev. Glasson, of Lodge Minnamurra, assisted by Bro. Rev. Howell-Price, who was the Church of England Rector at the time.</i>	11
Golden Jubilee		<i>...in 1939... Kiama celebrated its Golden Jubilee with fitting ceremony on the 4th February at a special meeting, which was attended by the Pro. Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. Maguire, and his Grand Officers.</i>	37
Graham	Lodge Kiama		45
Grand Lodge for N.S.W.	J.R.R.	Kiama Lodge Office Bearer 1944-45	
	Bro., Steward	Formed 1877	7
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Grand Lodge of N.S.W. G.W. Wor. Bro., I.P.M. Kiama Lodge Office Bearer 1944-45 27 & 28 45

Greenwood G.W. Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W. 1943-44 44

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Grey	Theo	Wor. Bro.	<p>There were several times when it seemed almost impossible to carry on, so apathetic were the Brethren, and it was only the devoted interest of a few staunch members which carried things through until in 1922, when under the the second mastership of Wor. Bro. Theo. Grey, a decided change for the better took place. In this year the final instalment was paid off the building, initiation fees were raised to their present level, and a movement started with the object of making additions to the Temple.</p>	21
Grey	Theo	Ver. Wor. Bro.	<p>A noticeable influx of members took place during the mastership of Wor. Bro. Harold Lyons. At the commencement of Wor. Bro. Lyon's occupancy of the Chair, the membership totalled 78. This was increased to 109, comprised of 19 Initiates and 12 Affiliates, a total only once before approached. This was during the Mastership of Ver. Wor. Bro. Theo. Grey in 1922-23, when 17 were initiated. Footnote: At march, 1945, date of publication of this history, the membership of the Lodge stands at 140.</p>	42
Grey	Theo	Ver. Wor. Bro.	<p>Proposed Kiama Temple Improvements 1938: At the time there were only two Trustees, and no one seemed quite clear as to who had the power of filling the vacancy, the Trustees or the Lodge, until some time later, when the then existing Trustees, Ver. Wor. Bros. Jonas Price and Theo. Grey, exercised their authority and appointed Ver. Wor. Bro. J.B.J. Price to fill the vacant position. The deeds of Trusteeship were then, for the first time, handed to the Lodge for safe custody.</p>	37 & 38
Grey	Theo	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1911-12	44

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Haigh		Bro., Grand Organist	...Bro. H.R. Colley, Organist, at the meeting in September, 1942, suggested that the organ then in use – vintage about 1800 or thereabouts – had outlived its usefulness and that another be purchased. Happily, an instrument which received the approval of Bro. Haigh, Grand Organist, was for sale, and this was secured for the sum of £315.	41 & 42
Harper	N.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Samaritan, No. 294, I.C.	1882-83	44
Harper	Neil	Wor. Bro.	Master, Lodge Samaritan: sometime during the period prior to 1888	6
Hay	G.W.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1912-14	44
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Hill End	D.N.	Kiama Lodge Office Bearer 1944-45	45
Hindmarsh	Bro., Steward	Nephew of Richard Holden...now carrying on a butchering business in Kiama.	5
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Honorary Membership	First		

Hospital	Kiama	9
		<p>...1887, the Masons of Kiama, made their first public appearance in regalia, the occasion being the laying of the Foundation Stone of the first Hospital in Kiama.</p> <p>The next member to join was Mr. George Adams who became famous throughout the length and breadth of this State, and in fact throughout all Australia. He was then proprietor of the Steam Packet Hotel, afterwards called the Brighton. He established Adam's Hotel in Sydney, and the world famous Tatterall's Sweeps.</p>
Hotels	Lodge Samaritan	6
Howell-Price	Rev. Lodge Minnamurra	10
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Howell-Price	Bro. Rev.	11

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Hukins Bro. John
Hunt George Initiate

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Hunt	James	February 1889, One of the first Officers of Lodge Kiama.	13
Hunt	James	...was a brother of... George Hunt and proprietor of the Hotel at Jamberoo.	13
Hunt	James	Foundation Officer Lodge Kiama, No. 35: 1888	3
Hunt	W.	1897-99	44
Hunter	W.A.	Proposed Kiama Temple Improvements 1938: It was suggested: "THAT the Treasurer be empowered and should assume the authority of one of the deceased Trustees, Bro. W.A. Hunter, to operate with the Trustees for the purpose of legalising expenditure on any Improvements."	37
Hunter	Bro.	Appointed trustee of the Lodge, 1908	19
Hunter	Bro.	Initiated to Lodge Kiama in September 1910. He gave many years of worthy help to the affairs of Lodge Kiama, and for his services was elected an Honorary member. He was the fourth on which such honour had been conferred apart from Wor. Bro. James Colley...Bro. Connell, V. Wor. Bro. Stevenson, and later Bro. Hunter, who was made a 'Life' member.	20
Illawarra	Lodge	In 1878 there was a Lodge at Robertson and one at Wollongong, this latter called "Star of the South," No. 6. This Lodge afterwards became Lodge Illawarra.	16

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Illawarra Mercury	Wollongong Newspaper	31
Irish Lodges	N.S.W.	25
Irwin	R.S.	44
Jamberoo Hotel	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	13
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Jarrett	J.H.	Builder	
Jarrett	K.	Bro., Steward	45
Jarrett	S.	Bro., S.W.	45
Johnson		Lodge Minnamurra: Bro.	11
		...Minutes of 1 st December [1887] : "A conversation ensued respecting the Brethren to be raised [third degree], and resulted in the R.W.M. Choosing Bros. Stevenson and Tourney and Johnson."	
Johnston	J.C.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	44
		1895-96	
		A rather obscure entry in November 1891, mentions enquiries as to purchasing Lodge furniture from a Lodge at Kangaroo Valley, and later this is followed by an invitation from the Master of Lodge "Silver Oak," Kangaroo Valley, No. 216, to attend the opening ceremonies in connection with the Lodge...Bro. Frank Alexander, father of Wor. Bro. O.J. Alexander, for a long time Secretary of Kiama, was initiated in Lodge "Silver Oak."	17
Kangaroo Valley			

Kelly	W.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1904-05	44
Kelly	William	Bro., I.G.	Foundation Officer Lodge Kiama, No. 35: 1888	3
			Site of Lodge Kiama Temple...in May, 1896, when under the the Mastership of Wor. Bro. William Kelly, it was decided to make an offer of £200 for the present property. There had been several offers of land, one of which was in Terralong Street, near the Oddfellows Hall, and another in Barney Street. Plans and estimates were even obtained from the Grand Architect of the day giving the estimated cost at £600, but this was thought too big a burden to take on their shoulders.	18
Kelly	William	Wor. Bro.	February 1889, One of the first Officers of Lodge Kiama.	13
Kelly	William	Bro., I.G. Lodge Minnamurra	Ballot and Initiation: 1887	10
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Kennedy	J.	Builder		
			1937-38	44
		Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.		
Kennedy	W.H.			

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Kiama Temperance Society			34
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Kiddle	Ver. Wor. Bro., Wollongong.		29

King	C.W.	Wor. Bro.	c.1939 Temple renovations: <i>Much credit must be accorded to Wor. Bro. C.W. King for his enthusiasm and perseverance in this work, as it was during his second year as master we saw these renovations carried to completion.</i>	38
King	C.W.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1938-39	44
King	C.W.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1939-40	44
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Ladies	Evidently the banquets of those days were mixed affairs, and this practice continued until February, 1890.	16
Ladies	Lodge Kiama. 1909: On the 25 th November, of this year, the first official 'Ladies' Night,' as we now know it, was held, when the lady friends of members were entertained at supper after the conclusion of the meeting.	19 & 20
Lawsuit	Parramatta ...No. 278, "The Widow's Son," at Parramatta, made Masonic history by staging the only law suit ever brought before the Courts of New South Wales involving Freemasonry. The Lodge was established in 1862.	27

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Lawsuit Parramatta

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Lodge Abercorn	Nowra		<p><i>The Craft had been gradually spreading, and on 29th March [1889 ?], members of Lodge Kiama attended the laying of the Foundation Stone of the Temple for Lodge Abercorn at Nowra, the new Temple being dedicated and consecrated in October of the same year.</i></p>	16
Lodge Abercorn	Nowra		<p><i>1879 ? : In the minutes of November... "it is agreed that this Lodge present the Brethren of the New Lodge at Nowra with a Dispensation and New Warrant on the occasion of their new Lodge being formed." This was the foundation of Lodge 'Abercorn' as we now know it."</i></p>	8
Lodge Fidelity			<p><i>...appears to have good reason to claim the credit of being the first Lodge in Australia, as there existed some years ago a record of Freemasonry which stated that a meeting of Fidelity was held at Newcastle early in the 19th Century. Owing to some dispute, it is on record that an early Past Master in a fit of temper destroyed all Lodge records prior to 1843. A truly Irish touch.after the erection of the Provincial Grand Lodge of the Irish Constitution in New South Wales, in 1857, Lodge Fidelity had a large share in the honours of office...</i></p>	26

Lodge Kiama	Formation of	Lodges Samaritan & Minnamurra	13
Lodge Kiama		...to us the most important, was our own Lodge, "Lodge Samaritan," No. 294. Thus Lodge Kiama is one of the few of the original Irish Lodges to function uninterrupted since its inception in 1871. Its name was changed to "Kiama" at the amalgamation.	29 & 30
Lodge Kiama		Another Irish Lodge was at St. Leonards, called "Samaritan." No reliable information of this Lodge can be found, except that it still functions under its original name and under the jurisdiction of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales. "Samaritan" also retains the original Irish Warrant and prizes it as an interesting historical document. It had been thought that Lodge Kiama was the only one of the Irish Lodges to retain its original warrant.	28 & 29
Lodge Kiama		Another interesting old relic of Lodge Kiama is the set of Tracing boards. It seems as though they were portion of the original furnishings of Samaritan, but all trace of how they came to be in the possession of the Lodge has been lost. These Tracing Boards were painted in oils in the year 1826 by J. Bowring, of London, and are still in use.	29

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Lodge Kiama

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Lodge of Fidelity, No. 267

Sydney

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17/1909: ...the unveiling of a memorial tablet in memory of the late V. Wor. Bro. C.M. Stevenson, who died shortly after the first meeting in the new Temple. The Lodge of Sorrow held for this V.W. Brother was remarkable for a new feature on such occasions, when the coffin was placed in the Lodge Room during the ceremony.

Lodge of Sorrow

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June 19040, saw the passing of a much-loved Brother, Wor. Bro. Dobson Townend, whose remains were placed before the Temple Altar for the Lodge of Sorrow. Wor. Bro. Townend had given many years of faithful service to this Lodge, first occupying the Chair of King Solomon in the years 1915-16 and again in 1920-21. It was largely due to his efforts that the Lodge did not go into recess during the depression period. Wor. Bro. Townend was the first Master of this Lodge to instal his successor, which he did following a request from Most. Wor. Bro. William Thompson, Grand Master at that time. For many years this ceremony had been performed by Ver. Wor. Bro. C.M. Stevenson, and after his demise by officers of Grand Lodge. Since Wor. Bro. Towend's time this ceremony has been invariably carried out by the retiring Master.

Lodge of
Sorrow

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On the union of the various constitutions, Lodge Parramatta joined up and was allotted Number 64. The warrant then granted was surrendered in 1895.

Lodge
Parramatta,
No. 14

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<p>Lodge Parramatta, No. 14</p>		John	S.W.	Foundation Officer Lodge Samaritan, No. 294 I.C.: 5 th July, 1871	3
<p>Lukins</p>		Harold	Wor. Bro.	1939: ...a Masonic Church Service was held at the Church of the Resurrection, Jamberoo, and conducted by Ver. Wor. Bro. John Bidwell, Grand Chaplain. This was the second Church Service in the life of the Lodge, and was to be followed by another at Christ Church, Kiama, during the mastership of Wor. Bro. Harold Lyons, the preacher on this occasion being Bro. The Rev. Walker, of Parramatta.	39
<p>Lyons</p>		Harold	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1942-43	44

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Maguire		Most. Wor. Bro.	...in 1939... Kiama celebrated its Golden Jubilee with fitting ceremony on the 4 th February at a special meeting, which was attended by the Pro. Grand Master, Most Wor. Bro. Maguire, and his Grand Officers.	37
Marks	B.	Wor. Bro.	It is interesting to note that just prior to this [Amalgamation of Lodges Minnamurra and Samaritan], Mr. E.J. Marks of Jamberoo, father of Wor. Bro. B. Marks, was elected, and initiated in January, 1889.	13
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Marks	Mr.		...shortly after the opening [of the Temperance Hall], and following the Bazaar, the Independent took the opportunity to refute Mr. Mark's remarks anent the sobriety, or rather lack of same, of the people of Kiama, and questioning the need for such an institution, "CONSIDERING THE WELL-KNOWN SOBER HABITS OF THE KIAMA TOWNSFOLK..."	36

Marks	R.B.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1935-36	44
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Marks	Samuel	Temperance Hall Dedication Ceremony: 22/4/1878	Tea was followed by the seemingly inevitable concert, which was presided over by Mr. Samuel Marks...	33

Masonic Ball	Kiama	7
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Masonic Church Service		39
May	W.	<p>1883-85</p> <p><i>April 1883...The Chair was taken by Senior Warden, Bro. William May, who was installed as Master at the following Installation.</i></p>
May	William	9
McCaffrey	Frank	<p>c. 1888: <i>Just about this time the admission of Bro. John McCaffrey had its repercussions when his brother, Mr. Frank McCaffrey, was brought forward. Immediately objections were raised on the grounds of religion and led to endless, and at times, heated debate. Eventually his proposer Wor. Bro. C.W. Craig, withdrew his nomination. Bro. John McCaffrey, it might be noted, never took anything further than his first degree. This meeting also made history by creating the first Honorary member of any Lodge in Kiama – Wor. Bro. Colley.</i></p>

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McCaffrey	John	Bro.	<i>August, 1885, saw a notable admission...Mr. John McCaffrey, proprietor of the Brighton Hotel, as it was then styled.</i>	9
McCaffrey	John	Lodge Samaritan	<i>Lodge Kiama has been worthily represented in the fighting forces of this war in the persons of; - Ver. Wor. J.B.J. Price, Bro. W.A. Carter (at present a Prisoner of War), Bro. N.H. Tully, Bro. H.W. Davies, Bro. H.M.. Barton, Bro. A.S.C. McGregor, Bro. H. Bush, Bro. C.W. Griffiths, Bro. D.M. Steele, bro. C.S. Cocks, Bro. A.E. Motley, Bro. H.L. King, Bro. R.R. Bush, Bro. F. Tieck (Volunteer defence Corps. Wor. Bro. Barton also saw service in the Home Forces and carried out the duties of Master during his period of service.</i>	41
McGregor	A.S.C.	Bro.		
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Sunday
School Hall

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Kiama

Minnamurra
Lodge

Missingham	J.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1900-01	44
Moore	H.T.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1931-32	44
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Morton	H.G.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Samaritan, No. 294, I.C.	1874-76	44
Morton	Harry	Wor. Bro.	Master, Lodge Samaritan: sometime during the period prior to 1888	6
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Newspaper	Kiama	7
No. 1 Antiquity Lodge		25
No. 150	Richmond	30
No. 1979, E.C. Lodge	Sydney	25

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No. 303	Richmond	On the union of the various constitutions, Lodge Parramatta joined up and was allotted Number 64. The warrant then granted was surrendered in 1895.	30
No. 64	Parramatta		28

No. 903 Lodge Wollongong	16	
No. 95	Parramatta	28
Nowra	Lodge Abercorn	8
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1879 ? : In the minutes of November... "It is agreed that this Lodge present the Brethren of the New Lodge at Nowra with a Dispensation and New Warrant on the occasion of their new Lodge being formed." This was the foundation of Lodge 'Abercorn' as we now know it."

The Craft had been gradually spreading, and on 29th March [1889 ?], members of Lodge Kiama attended the laying of the Foundation Stone of the Temple for Lodge Abercorn at Nowra, the new Temple being dedicated and consecrated in October of the same year.

Oddfellows Hall	Kiama	18
		<p>Site of Lodge Kiama Temple...in May, 1896, when under the the <i>Mastership of Wor. Bro. William Kelly</i>, it was decided to make an offer of £200 for the present property. There had been several offers of land, one of which was in Terralong Street, near the <i>Oddfellows Hall</i>, and another in Barney Street. Plans and estimates were even obtained from the <i>Grand Architect of the day</i> giving the estimated cost at £600, but this was thought too big a burden to take on their shoulders.</p> <p>As far as can be gathered, the "Sons of temperance" did not function for very long as such. After changing the name to the "Kiama Temperance Society" their affairs steadily declined until, some years after, the opening of the <i>Oddfellows Hall</i> in 1890 put "finis" to the <i>Temperance Hall</i> as a venue of public entertainments.</p>
Oddfellows Hall	Kiama	34
		<p>Until the advent of the <i>Oddfellows hall</i>, the <i>Temperance Hall</i>, as it was popularly styled, was the scene of many and varied entertainments, meetings, and concerts, and was also the headquarters for the shows of the <i>Kiama Poultry Society</i> for many years.</p>
Oddfellows Hall	Kiama	34
		<p>Kiama Lodge Temple: At the south-eastern corner of the stage was a triangular platform upon which stood a concert grand piano. This instrument was later acquired by the <i>Oddfellows</i>, and for many years did duty in the <i>Oddfellows Hall</i>...</p>
Oddfellows Hall	Kiama	36

...Bro. H.R. Colley, Organist, at the meeting in September, 1942, suggested that the organ then in use – vintage about 1800 or thereabouts – had outlived its usefulness and that another be purchased. Happily, an instrument which received the approval of Bro. Haigh, Grand Organist, was for sale, and this was secured for the sum of £315. 41 & 42

Organ		Lodge Kiama.		
		Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.		44
Palin	F.E.			44
Palin	F.E.	Wor. Bro., W.M.	Kiama Lodge Office Bearer 1944-45	45
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Parke	Henry	Sir		
		Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.		44
Parsons	I.L.		1934-35	
			A quaint instance of the phraseology of those days [c. 1879] is an entry: "Mr. Flodin, Photographer, was admitted as a member." Bro. Flodin occupied the premises now used by Mr. Samuel Cocks as a photographer.	8
Photographers	Kiama			

Pike	James	Lodge Minnamurra	Ballot and Initiation: 1887	10
Postmaster	Kiama		Temperance Hall Foundation Stone Laying 16 th March 1876: <i>The ceremony... enlivened by the Kiama Town band, under the leadership of Bandmaster Tyter, who was the Postmaster in Kiama at that time.</i>	31
Poultry Society	Kiama		<i>Until the advent of the Oddfellows hall, the Temperance Hall, as it was popularly styled, was the scene of many and varied entertainments, meetings, and concerts, and was also the headquarters for the shows of the Kiama Poultry Society for many years.</i>	34
Presbyterian Church	Kiama		<i>The first Masonic Church service to take place in Kiama, was held under the auspices of Lodge Minnamurra, at the Presbyterian Church, during the incumbency of the Rev. J. Wilson. The service was conducted by Bro. Rev. Glasson, of Lodge Minnamurra, assisted by Bro. Rev. Howell-Price, who was the Church of England Rector at the time.</i>	11
Price	C.T.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1916-17	44
Price	Charles	Wor. Bro.	<i>May 1943: ...we lost our oldest member, Ver. Wor. Bro. Jonas Price, who had been a Mason and member of Kiama for over 40 years. During this long period he served a term as District Inspector of Workings and was for 25 years a member of the Board of Benevolence. At the October meeting following his demise, his portrait, presented to the Lodge by his nephews, Ver. Wor. J.B.J. Price and Wor. Bro. Charles price, was unveiled with appropriate ceremony by Ver. Wor. Bro. Theo Grey.</i>	42

Price	J.	1907-08	44
		Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	
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Price	J.B.J.	Ver. Wor. Bro.	42
		Lodge Kiama has been worthily represented in the fighting forces of this war in the persons of; - Ver. Wor. J.B.J. Price, Bro. W.A. Carter (at present a Prisoner of War), Bro. N.H. Tully, Bro. H.W. Davies, Bro. H.M.. Barton, Bro. A.S.C. McGregor, Bro. H. Bush, Bro. C.W. Griffiths, Bro. D.M. Steele, bro. C.S. Cocks, Bro. A.E. Motley, Bro. H.L. King, Bro. R.R. Bush, Bro. F. Tieck (Volunteer defence Corps. Wor. Bro. Barton also saw service in the Home Forces and carried out the duties of Master during his period of service.	
Price	J.B.J.	Ver. Wor. Bro.	41
		Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	
Price	J.B.J.	1929-30	44

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Price J.B.J. Ver. Wor. Bro.

Kiama Lodge Temple: In January, 1907, the idea was apparently finally abandoned after many discussions, but in December of the same year, the year in which V. Wor. Bro. Jonas Price, P.D.G.I.W., had been installed as Master for the first time, a motion was tabled to deal with the matter. After various delays, in March following, an offer of £200 was again submitted to the owners of the Collins Street property, incidentally the defunct Temperance Society of Kiama, which was accepted by the trustees of that Society. Appointed trustee of the Lodge, 1908

Price Jonas V. Wor. Bro. 18
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Price	Jonas	Ver. Wor. Bro.	<p>In 1940 we welcomed the return to our ranks of Wor. Bro. O.J. Alexander, who had for many years filled the position of Secretary, but who had resigned some years previously. He was re-elected Secretary and invested in July, 1941, and in October, 1942, generously donated a new Past Masters' Board to the Lodge, and which was unveiled by Ver. Wor. Bro. Jonas Price.</p>	40
Price	Jonas	Ver. Wor. Bro.	<p>May 1943: ...we lost our oldest member, Ver. Wor. Bro. Jonas Price, who had been a Mason and member of Kiama for over 40 years. During this long period he served a term as District Inspector of Workings and was for 25 years a member of the Board of Benevolence. At the October meeting following his demise, his portrait, presented to the Lodge by his nephews, Ver. Wor. J.B.J. Price and Wor. Bro. Charles price, was unveiled with appropriate ceremony by Ver. Wor. Bro. Theo Grey.</p>	42
Price	George	Wor. Bro.	<p>Presented a new W. Master's Chair to the Lodge as a gift from V. Wor. Bro. Stevenson at the first meeting held in the new temple, on 2/2/1909.</p>	19
Prott	George	Bro., J.D.	<p>Foundation Officer Lodge Kiama, No. 35: 1888</p>	3
Prott	George	Bro., J.D.	<p>February 1889, One of the first Officers of Lodge Kiama.</p>	13
Prott	George	Bro.	<p>Post 1910: ...the truly revolutionary idea of Bro. George Prott, who suggested obtaining a Liquor license for the S. as a further means of augmenting revenue. Nothing further seems to have been heard of this enterprising idea.</p>	20
Prott	Phillip	Bro.	<p>c. 1910: ...entertained the members with "Selections performed in excellent style upon the harmonium, together with the singing of three hymns by the Brother, which elicited much appreciation."</p>	20

Pryor	K.M.	Bro., Steward	Kiama Lodge Office Bearer 1944-45	45
Quarry Reid	Kiama F.	Lodge Minnamurra Bro., J.W.	<i>The first Senior Deacon...known later as the proprietor of Salmond's Quarries.</i> Kiama Lodge Office Bearer 1944-45	10 45

c. 1888: *Just about this time the admission of Bro. John McCaffrey had its repercussions when his brother, Mr. Frank McCaffrey, was brought forward. Immediately objections were raised on the grounds of religion and led to endless, and at times, heated debate. Eventually his proposer Wor. Bro. C.W. Craig, withdrew his nomination. Bro. John McCaffrey, it might be noted, never took anything further than his first degree. This meeting also made history by creating the first Honorary member of any Lodge in Kiama – Wor. Bro. Colley.* 12

Religious
Intolerance

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Resurgo
Lodge

1843: This Lodge seems to have been brought into existence by an Imperial regiment stationed in the Hawkesbury District, but there are no records to connect this with the Lodge under review. ...finally it became "Richard Coley," No. 152, under the constitution of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales. The name "Richard Coley" was adopted as a means of honouring a very old and respected member of the Lodge.

Richard Coley
Lodge, No.
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Richardson	D.G.	Bro., Secretary	Foundation Officer Lodge Kiama, No. 35: 1888	26 3
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Richardson	Bro., Secretary	February 1889, One of the first Officers of Lodge Kiama. School Teacher at Kiama.	13
Richmond		<i>The remaining two Lodges under the Irish Constitution calling for comment were 296 at Hill End, now non-existent, and 303, "Duke of Connaught," at Richmond.</i> <i>The last named Lodge preserved its original name when amalgamation took place, and is now No. 150, New South Wales Constitution.</i>	30
Robb	Worshipful Master: Lodge Samaritan, No. 294, I.C.	1888	44
Robb	Wor. Bro.	Master, Lodge Samaritan: sometime during the period prior to 1888	6
Robb	Wor. Bro.	<i>...matters financial in Samaritan were rather in the doldrums, and under the Mastership of Wor. Bro. Hugh Robb strenuous efforts had been made to right things.</i>	12
Robb	M.	<i>...the R.W.M. Of Lodge Minnamurra entered the Lodge (Samaritan) one evening, and in the course of a long address, expressed the hope that the members of Samaritan would now see their way clear to fraternise with the membership of Minnamurra, to which Wor. Bro. M. Robb replied: "It would give him the greatest pleasure to ALLOW any of his members to visit Lodge Minnamurra and hoped soon to see members of Minnamurra visiting Samaritan."</i>	12 & 13
Robertson		<i>In 1878 there was a Lodge at Robertson and one at Wollongong, this latter called "Star of the South," No. 6. This Lodge afterwards became Lodge Illawarra.</i>	16
Rosbach	Secretary, Lodge Samaritan	1888	6

Royal Arch Masons	Kiama	1923: ...the first Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons was formed in Kiama, the members of which used our Temple as their meeting place, but the Chapter was short lived, and was ultimately absorbed by the Berry Chapter.	21
Royal Hotel	Kiama	After a visit from the W.M. Of Lodge Samaritan, [it was] decided to sign the articles of union with the U.G.L. Of N.S. Wales. It is significant that after this visit we find the Secretary of Samaritan concluding his minutes with: "Lodge closed in Peace and UNITY." Three members of Minnamurra, however, refused to sign. These were Bros. Syme of Jamberoo, Tourney and Russell. This Bro. Russell was the proprietor of the Royal Hotel, and for a long period caterer to the Lodges in Kiama.	11 & 12
Royal Hotel Russell	Kiama George	One rather curious extract from the minutes of June 1880...Lodge was opened at 1.0 p.m., at the residence of Bro. Coughran of the 'Royal Hotel' (This hotel stood where Wor. Bro. H. T. Moore's shop recently was), as the usual place was in course of preparation for the Annual Masonic Ball.	7
Russell	Bro., J.W. Bro., J.W.	Foundation Officer Lodge Kiama, No. 35: 1888 February 1889, One of the first Officers of Lodge Kiama.	3 13

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Ryan	Keiran	Kiama	
Salmon	Duncan	Wor. Bro. W.M.	
Salmon	D.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Minnamurra, No. 641, S.C.	1888 44
Salmon	Duncan	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1889-90 44
Salmond	Duncan	Lodge Minnamurra	The first Senior Deacon...known later as the proprietor of Salmond's Quarries. 10
Salmond	Duncan	W.M.	February 1889, One of the first Officers of Lodge Kiama. 13

Samaritan Lodge	Kiama	<p>Another interesting old relic of Lodge Kiama is the set of Tracing boards. It seems as though they were portion of the original furnishings of Samaritan, but all trace of how they came to be in the possession of the Lodge has been lost. These Tracing Boards were painted in oils in the year 1826 by J. Bowring, of London, and are still in use.</p> <p>...to us the most important, was our own Lodge, "Lodge Samaritan," No. 294. Thus Lodge Kiama is one of the few of the original Irish Lodges to function uninterrupted since its inception in 1871. Its name was changed to "Kiama" at the amalgamation.</p>	29
Samaritan Lodge	Kiama	<p>Another Irish Lodge was at St. Leonards, called "Samaritan." No reliable information of this Lodge can be found, except that it still functions under its original name and under the jurisdiction of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales.</p> <p>"Samaritan" also retains the original Irish Warrant and prizes it as an interesting historical document. It had been thought that Lodge Kiama was the only one of the Irish Lodges to retain its original warrant.</p>	29 & 30
Samaritan Lodge School Teacher	St. Leonards Kiama	<p>February 1889, Bro. Richardson, Secretary, one of the first Officers of Lodge Kiama.</p> <p>The first Masonic Church service to take place in Kiama, was held under the auspices of Lodge Minnamurra, at the Presbyterian Church, during the incumbency of the Rev. J. Wilson. The service was conducted by Bro. Rev. Glasson, of Lodge Minnamurra, assisted by Bro. Rev. Howell-Price, who was the Church of England Rector at the time.</p>	13 28 & 29
Service	Church	Lodge Minnamurra	11

Shoalhaven News	Nowra	Newspaper	Temperance Hall Foundation Stone Laying 16th March 1876: ...copies of the "Sydney Morning Herald," "The Kiama Independent," "The Illawarra Mercury," and the "Shoalhaven News" were deposited beneath the foundation stone in a suitable casket. It would be interesting to know just exactly where the stone is now, as there is nothing to mark the spot.	31
Silver Oak, No. 216	Kangaroo Valley		A rather obscure entry in November 1891, mentions enquiries as to purchasing Lodge furniture from a Lodge at Kangaroo Valley, and later this is followed by an invitation from the Master of Lodge "Silver Oak," Kangaroo Valley, No. 216, to attend the opening ceremonies in connection with the Lodge...Bro. Frank Alexander, father of Wor. Bro. O.J. Alexander, for a long time Secretary of Kiama, was initiated in Lodge "Silver Oak."	17
Slinn	A.G.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1903-04	44
Slinn	A.G.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1909-10	44
Slinn	F.G.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1899-1900	44
Slinn		Bro.	Installation as Master 1/7/1909.	19
Smith	Frank	Rt. Wor. Bro.	The dedication of the Lodge room was performed on Thursday, 1 st July [1909], by Rt. Wor. Bro. Frank Smith, S.G.W....	19

Somerville George Lodge Minnamurra: Bro. Ballot and Initiation: 1887 10

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		<p>...shortly after the opening [of the Temperance Hall], and following the Bazaar, the Independent took the opportunity to refute Mr. Mark's remarks anent the sobriety, or rather lack of same, of the people of Kiama, and questioning the need for such an institution, "CONSIDERING THE WELL-KNOWN SOBER HABITS OF THE KIAMA TOWNSFOLK...</p> <p>Here it might be mentioned that Mr. Thomas Fredericks, father of Wor. Bro. A.L. Fredericks, of this Lodge, was, with James Sommerville and others, a guarantor of the funds of the [Temperance] Society. In the final debacle which ultimately overtook the "Sons of Temperance" in Kiama, the other guarantors ceded their interests to James Sommerville.</p> <p>The land on which this Temple now stands was then owned by William Geoghegan, a member of the temperance Society styled the "Sons of Temperance."</p> <p>There was also another Lodge at St. Leonards, No. 290, founded in 1866, but allowed to become extinct.</p> <p>Another Irish Lodge was at St. Leonards, called "Samaritan." No reliable information of this Lodge can be found, except that it still functions under its original name and under the jurisdiction of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales.</p> <p>"Samaritan" also retains the original Irish Warrant and prizes it as an interesting historical document. It had been thought that Lodge Kiama was the only one of the Irish Lodges to retain its original warrant.</p>
Sons of Temperance	Kiama	33
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St. Leonards		29
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Star of the South, No. 6 Lodge				
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Steam Packet Hotel	Lodge Samaritan			6
Steele	D.M.	Bro.		41

In 1878 there was a Lodge at Robertson and one at Wollongong, this latter called "Star of the South," No. 6. This Lodge afterwards became Lodge Illawarra.

The next member to join was Mr. George Adams who became famous throughout the length and breadth of this State, and in fact throughout all Australia. He was then proprietor of the Steam Packet Hotel, afterwards called the Brighton. He established Adam's Hotel in Sydney, and the world famous Tatterall's Sweeps.

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Stevenson	C.M.	Ver. Wor. Bro.	<p>June 19040, saw the passing of a much-loved Brother, Wor. Bro. Dobson Townend, whose remains were placed before the Temple Altar for the Lodge of Sorrow. Wor. Bro. Townend had given many years of faithful service to this Lodge, first occupying the Chair of King Solomon in the years 1915-16 and again in 1920-21. It was largely due to his efforts that the Lodge did not go into recess during the depression period. Wor. Bro. Townend was the first Master of this Lodge to instal his successor, which he did following a request from Most. Wor. Bro. William Thompson, Grand Master at that time. For many years this ceremony had been performed by Ver. Wor. Bro. C.M. Stevenson, and after his demise by officers of Grand Lodge. Since Wor. Bro. Towend's time this ceremony has been invariably carried out by the retiring Master.</p>	39 & 40
Stevenson	C.M.	V. Wor. Bro.	<p>17/1909: ...the unveiling of a memorial tablet in memory of the late V. Wor. Bro. C.M. Stevenson, who died shortly after the first meeting in the new Temple. The Lodge of Sorrow held for this V.W. Brother was remarkable for a new feature on such occasions, when the coffin was placed in the Lodge Room during the ceremony.</p>	19
Stevenson	C.M.	Bro., S.D.	<p>Foundation Officer Lodge Kiama, No. 35: 1888</p>	3
Stevenson	C.M.	Bro., S.D.	<p>February 1889, One of the first Officers of Lodge Kiama.</p>	13
Stevenson	C.M.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	<p>1905-06</p>	44
Stevenson	C.M.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	<p>1891-93</p>	44

Stevenson	C.M.	Lodge Minnamurra	Ballot and Initiation: 1887	10
Stevenson	C.M.	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W.	1894-95	44
Stevenson	C.M.	Wor. Bro.	Appointed trustee of the Lodge, 1908	19
Stevenson		V. Wor. Bro.	Presented a new W. Master's Chair to the Lodge as a gift from V. Wor. Bro. Stevenson at the first meeting held in the new temple, on 2/2/1909.	19
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Temple Terry	Dr. Caleb Lodge Minnamurra	<p>1908: Martin Ettinghausen's tender of £140 accepted for construction of Kiama Lodge Temple. Final cost, inclusive of land, was £434/10/2. Ballot and Initiation: 1887</p>	19 10
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Tracing Boards			<p>Another interesting old relic of Lodge Kiama is the set of Tracing boards. It seems as though they were portion of the original furnishings of Samaritan, but all trace of how they came to be in the possession of the Lodge has been lost. These Tracing Boards were painted in oils in the year 1826 by J. Bowring, of London, and are still in use.</p>	29
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Warnock	S.	Bro., I.G.	Kiama Lodge Office Bearer 1944-45	45
			1887: <i>The preliminary meeting was held at Tory's Hotel, and of those present, only one name holds any interest for the present day member – Bro. William Cocks – father of Messrs. Samuel and James Cocks, now in business in Manning Street, Kiama. The second meeting took place in the Methodist, or Wesleyan as it was then called, Sunday School Hall, when it was decided that Bro. William Cocks be the first Master, or Right Worshipful Master, as he is styled under the Scotch Constitution.</i>	10
Wesleyan Westley	Sunday School Hall J.	Bro., Tyler	Foundation Officer Lodge Kiama, No. 35: 1888	3
Westley		Bro., Tyler	February 1889, One of the first Officers of Lodge Kiama.	13
Weston	Joseph	Bro., Lodge Samaritan	1800's: <i>It was about this time also that Bro. Joseph Weston, founder of the Kiama "Independent," was first elected Treasurer, which position he held for many years; in fact, right up to, and long after the amalgamation took place.</i>	7

Whitney	Robert	<p>The names of the original Trustees of the Temperance Society hold interest to present-day members of our Lodge. These were; John Black, James Somerville (uncle of Bro. Geo. Somerville), Robert Marks (grand uncle of Wor. Bro. R.B. Marks), William Lewis, Robert Whitney, Benjamin Boniface, Christopher Cousins, Donald Finlayson, J.F. Holden, John Leatham, Lawrence Geoghegan, Thomas Cousins, W. Cornford (father of Wor. Bro. Cornford), and Thomas Fredericks...</p> <p>The first Masonic Church service to take place in Kiama, was held under the auspices of Lodge Minnamurra, at the Presbyterian Church, during the incumbency of the Rev. J. Wilson. The service was conducted by Bro. Rev. Glasson, of Lodge Minnamurra, assisted by Bro. Rev. Howell-Price, who was the Church of England Rector at the time.</p>	35
Wilson	J. Rev.	<p>1843: This Lodge seems to have been brought into existence by an Imperial regiment stationed in the Hawkesbury District, but there are no records to connect this with the Lodge under review. ...finally it became "Richard Coley," No. 152, under the constitution of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales. The name "Richard Coley" was adopted as a means of honouring a very old and respected member of the Lodge.</p> <p>C. June 1880: ...was killed whilst driving to Wollongong to attend the sittings of the Court. It was about this time that the late Wor. Bro. C.W. Craig was initiated.</p>	11
Windsor Social Lodge, No. 275	Hawkesbury		26
Wollongong	Court		7

		<p>...advertisement...that appeared in 1855 in the "Empire" Newspaper, conducted by Sir Henry Parkes.... MASONIC. The Brethren of Lodges Illawarra, Unanimity and Concord, No. 903, of Wollongong, are invited to attend the Installation of the Officers of these Lodges at Bro. Brown's Hotel, at Brownsville, on 27/6/55 at 12 o'clock, to be followed by a grand banquet at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, to which the Brethren, their LADY FRIENDS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC ARE CORDIALLY INVITED. Signed: Bro. John Hukins, Jamberoo, Secretary, from whom tickets may be obtained, price 25/- each.</p>	16
Wollongong	Lodge No. 903	<p>In 1878 there was a Lodge at Robertson and one at Wollongong, this latter called "Star of the South," No. 6. This Lodge afterwards became Lodge Illawarra.</p>	16
Wood	F.G.S.	1930-31	44
Woods	Worshipful Master: Lodge Kiama, No. 35, U.G.L., N.S.W. Bro., Lodge Samaritan	20th July, 1878; received First Degree	6

It was in 1877 that the court case...eventuated, and arose from a schism amongst the members concerning the change-over to the Grand lodge of New South Wales.

A majority, with the Worshipful Master, approved of the change, but a small minority, headed by the immediate Past Master, decided to carry on as formerly. The latter went to the Woolpack Inn and took away the furniture and a Harmonium, which became the subject of the law-suit.....The majority then linked with up with the Grand Lodge of New south Wales as "Lodge Parramatta," No. 14, and the minority, true to their convictions, transferred to Sydney, and from then all trace of them has been lost.

Woolpack Inn Parramatta

...it seems that Masonry was established in that centre [Parramatta] as early as 1836. The first Worshipful Master Of "Widow's Son" was James Squire Farnell, later to become the first Grand master of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales. "Widow's Son" altered its place of meeting to the Masonic hall, then in York Street, Sydney. This was about the year 1879. Previously the Lodge held its meetings at the Woolpack Inn at Parramatta.

Woolpack Inn Parramatta

Deeming it fitting that this Lodge should afford some help financially to our country in its war effort, the proposal was made in August, 1940, to invest in War Loans. This was not practicable at the time, but in the present year [1945] two such investments of £100 each were made from the funds of the Lodge.

WWII

Lodge Kiama has been worthily represented in the fighting forces of this war in the persons of: - *Ver. Wor. J.B.J. Price, Bro. W.A. Carter (at present a Prisoner of War), Bro. N.H. Tully, Bro. H.W. Davies, Bro. H.M.. Barton, Bro. A.S.C. McGregor, Bro. H. Bush, Bro. C.W. Griffiths, Bro. D.M. Steele, Bro. C.S. Cocks, Bro. A.E. Motley, Bro. H.L. King, Bro. R.R. Bush, Bro. F. Tieck (Volunteer defence Corps.*

Wor. Bro. Barton also saw service in the Home Forces and carried out the duties of Master during his period of service.