**PROCLAMATION.**

The Presiding Officer enters with the Provincial Team and is offered the Gavel.

The agenda would read as normal, i.e.. Minutes, matters arising etc. Salutations to the Presiding Officer and others present.

Item ?? "To Proclaim W. Bro......... Worshipful Master of this the (lodge name and number) in the register of the United Grand Lodge of England, until the next regular period of election within this Lodge and until a successor has be duly elected and installed in his stead."

**This Proclamation is done by the Lodge DC.**

The Worshipful Master is saluted with 3 EA's signs led by the Lodge DC.

Item?? The Worshipful Master will appoint and invest his Officers. Some changes can be admitted here if the Lodge desires.

Officers who are being re-appointed, i.e.. Chaplain, Secretary, DC, Almoner etc can keep their collars on and be re-appointed en bloc OR be brought to the Pedestal still wearing their collar to shake the WM's hand. This does NOT apply to the Treasurer as he is elected annually and invested.

The Lodge remains in the first degree throughout the ceremony.

The address to the WM is a shortened version.

The address to the Wardens is shortened if they are the same Wardens, but normal address if there is a new Warden.

The address to the Brethren is normal.

The Gavel is **not** offered for a second time.

This clearly is a shorter ceremony and allowance should be made in the timings, i.e. start later than normal.