

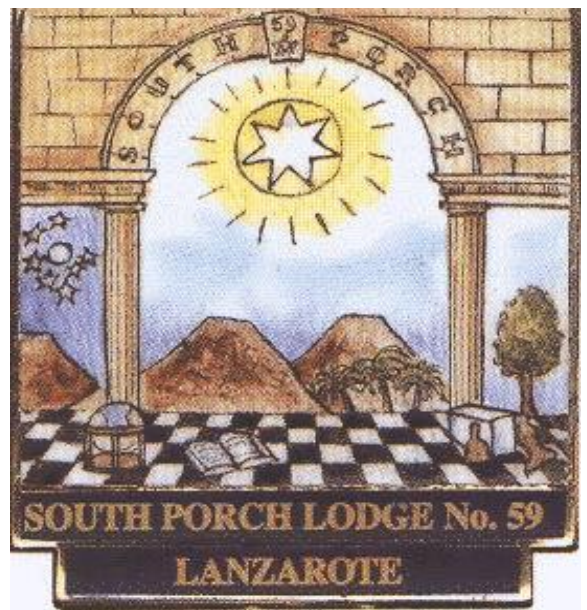


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It's a small world.

Whilst idling away and relaxing in the sunshine on a recent trip to Lanzarote the thought crossed my mind, as we are 'universally spread over the habitable globe', do any Lodges meet here? Armed with my i-pad I began to research. As expected, yes they do! South Porch Lodge No. 59, consecrated in 1992 together with Timanfaya Chapter, Mount Cardo of Royal Ark Mariners, Lanzarote Mark Lodge & Atlantida Lodge meet regularly on the island. And who should I spot whilst exploring their website? None other than our much loved and respected but sadly missed Brian 'Ratty' Ratcliffe.



I quote from the meeting held in February 2014 : 'W/Bro. Tony Dennis (a very regular visitor to the Lodge) addressed the Lodge, with what could be a eulogy for W/Bro. Brian Ratcliff who passed away in December 2013. Brother Tony reminded the Lodge of W/Bro. Brian's achievements; most of us were unaware of the brilliance which he accomplished in his personal life as well as in his Masonic career, one phrase "a quiet man but extremely clever", Brian will be sadly missed...' I think we can agree on that!



It is indeed a small world! You never know what you will discover on your holidays!