



Provincial Priory Of Cheshire And North Wales

THE PROVINCIAL TRAVELLING CUP OF MEMORY

The Challenge

The Challenge is made immediately after the Collection of Alms, and is made by the current or a past Preceptor/Prior of the Challenging Preceptory/Priory accompanied by two or more Knights of that Preceptory/Priory (who preferably will be seated together and next to him).

Although the Summons may recite that the Preceptory/Priory is to Receive a Challenge for the Cup, the Eminent Preceptor/Prior does not announce this.

Upon Alms having been collected:
EP or **Mar.** Brother Knights, be seated.

The Challenging Preceptor/Prior then stands, draws his sword, salutes the EP (with the Sign of Crusader in a KT Meeting), and addresses him.

CP. Eminent Preceptor (*or* Eminent Prior), this Preceptory (*or* the Preceptory to which this Priory is attached) holds the Provincial Travelling Cup of Memory, and I demand of you that it be surrendered to the Knights of the Preceptory.

EP. By what authority do you make this impudent demand?

CP. Knights of the Cohort, to Order.

[The Knights accompanying the CP stand, draw their swords and bring them to the carry - they do **not** salute the EP.]

EP. I mean by what **lawful** authority do you make this demand?

CP. By the authority of the Right Eminent Provincial Prior - to whom **all** Knights of this Preceptory owe allegiance.

EP. We acknowledge the powerful aid by which you seek the Cup; do you, Brother Knight, vouch that the necessary conditions have been met in full?

CP. I do, Eminent Preceptor (*or* Eminent Prior).

EP. Then the Cup shall be delivered to you and your Cohort at the Festive Board - and we look forward to the **pleasure** of your company.

CP salutes EP (with S. of C. in KT Meeting), returns to the carry and directs the Cohort:

CP. Brother Knights, be seated.