

## **Brighton - Domini XXIV**

Domini XXIV (Past Masters 2024-2025) made their way to Brighton for their first weekend away. The Doubletree by Hilton Brighton Metropole proved to be the perfect location for our Immersive dinner.

It is challenging to offer Past Masters a unique experience; but, Domini President, PM Glover Clive Grimley and his Consort Catherine with the assistance of PM Tobacco Maker Elise Rasmussen and PM Insurer Claire Burrell managed to organise a very enjoyable and memorable away weekend. Both Friday and Saturday night succeeded, in completely different ways!

No one knew what to expect for Friday night's dinner when PM Elise Rasmussen called people into a dimly lit room table by table. Then the magic started - Projector screens above each table shone an animated story of Le Petit Chef that told the story of the fine dinner that was being served to the group. Everyone's face lit up as their meal was magically presented with fairy dust and sparkle!

Saturday was a walking tour through Brighton with two different guides sharing their knowledge, expertise and insider information and showing interesting and electric parts of Brighton and then free time until the dinner. Elise, Claire, Clive, Catherine and PM Information Technologists Kerri Mansfield were otherwise engaged busily preparing for the evening.

Dinner was at the iconic Royal Pavilion, a grade 1 listed former royal residence. A pre dinner Champagne Reception was followed by a tour of the Pavilion which is stunning both outside and inside; even more so inside! It mixes Regency grandeur with Indian architecture and Chinese interiors. A spectacular tour followed by a sumptuous three course dinner. Great to see the former Lord Mayor Alderman Professor Michael Mainelli and Lady Mayoress Elisabeth Mainelli who joined us on the Saturday for dinner.

Sunday, after a leisurely breakfast everyone bid each other farewell and safe travels. Delighted to see so many fellow Domini XXIV - over 60 of the group attending too many to name them all here but image of table plan attached. It proved to be a most successful launch of what is no doubt going to be a very active and sociable PMA.

Thank you to Domini XXIV President IPM Clive Grimley and Consort Catherine for organising the weekend away and to Claire, Elsie, Kerri and Mark for their input and assistance.



















