



ANNUAL REVIEW 2018

REINFORCING OUR
LINKS WITH INDUSTRY

THE
WORSHIPFUL
COMPANY
OF PLUMBERS

WELCOME TO THE NEW MASTER

DAME FIONA WOOLF DBE DL

When I joined the company 10 or more years ago I was a director of what is now Affinity Water, I was told several times from within and without that it was noted for being a “friendly” company.

After sitting on the Court and observing exceptional Masters, not the least Brian Wadsworth and Robert Burgon with whom I have worked more closely as Warden, I would characterise this Company as a people company. I have been inspired

by their knowledge of people in the Livery and the industry and the need to create opportunities for the Livery to get involved in all aspects of a member-focused organisation that, itself, focuses on the people in the industry and people in society, particularly the young.

One of the biggest issues facing people in society and our young is climate change. After the Paris Agreement, everyone gets it, particularly the Plumbers who have been worrying about water resources for ever. I plan to make the most of my opportunity, as Master, to demonstrate that the Plumbers are both friendly and useful — indeed, critically important as we heard from Court Assistant Mala Rao in her lecture to us last year!

Our Annual Lecture in 2019 will demonstrate that we are on the case. It will be given by Emma Howard Boyd, the chair of the Environment Agency who will talk on the subject of “Too Much, Too Little: Too Hot, Too Cold!” — extreme weather and what we need to do.

Continuing what is fast becoming a tradition, we will be marking World Plumbing Day on 11 March 2019 with an event later in the month at our Plumbers’ Apprentice statue in Cannon Street station to honour and meet our outstanding apprentices.

Talking of our young, the Livery will have an opportunity to get to know both the sea cadets with whom the Company has a liaison and plumbers’ apprentices on 30 April 2019 and to hear how they view the world. It is important that we all take every opportunity to promote plumbing to young people.

I have been promoting STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) to young people for years and I think that the plumbing industry is an exponent of all that — after all, we talk of plumbing and heating engineers. As a result of this, I was appointed a Trustee of The Science Museum — a group of five museums around the country that uses amazing soft power and influence in STEM. No point in being a Trustee if you can’t ask to show your Livery company what it looks like on the inside! We will have significant encounters with it in York from 21st–23rd June 2019 — the National Railway Museum is part of it, be inspired by its Director at our Annual Banquet and in September 2019, enjoy a curated tour of a brand new gallery called “London: Science City” that is particularly relevant to us.

Let me thank everyone who has worked to make the Company both friendly and fit for the future — it holds many opportunities for us.

Dame Fiona Woolf DBE, DL
Master 2018/19



The Master Plumber and her husband at the Installation Ceremony at Vintners’ Hall

REFLECTIONS ON A MASTER'S YEAR

ROBERT BURGON

Although I have been a Liveryman for some time, it wasn't until after my Installation as Master Plumber in October 2017 that I fully appreciated the significance of the role and the honour which had been bestowed on me.

It has been an amazing and fascinating year. I have always been proud of the Company's 653-year history and during the year I was given many opportunities to share that history with people that I met on the City and Livery circuit- it is hard to believe that many people think of plumbing as dating back only to the mid- 19th century (when effective water supply and sanitation began to make a positive difference to public health).

Having started the year with the aim of seeing greater engagement in the life and work of the Company, I was delighted to see good attendances at our principal functions such as the Annual Banquet and the Annual Lecture (which was so powerfully delivered by our Court Assistant, Professor Mala Rao). It is also encouraging to see more Liverymen agreeing to participate in our Committees. Any membership organisation relies on both membership recruitment and retention and it is good to note the number of new Liverymen who have joined us over the last year and the healthy pipeline of applications currently under consideration.

While it is difficult to pinpoint the highlights of such a full year, it was a real honour to attend the historic installation in St Paul's Cathedral of Dame Sarah Mullally as the first female Bishop of London. I was thrilled to be asked to open the new Craft Leadwork demonstration facility at the Museum of Working Life in Arundel and it was a privilege to attend the Charity Cricket Match at the Royal Household Cricket Club which raised an impressive amount for the Charitable and Educational Trust. Sheila and I attended a

Drumhead Ceremony at the Royal Hospital Chelsea marking the start of the last 100 days of World War I. We were pleased to welcome a group of 50 to our Master's Weekend in Edinburgh in September and to see many Liverymen and guests at other social visits arranged during the year, including the behind the scenes tours of Wimbledon and Changing the Guard at Wellington Barracks and the two-day visit to Bridgnorth in May. The hard work of our Stewards in organising events like this so ably led by Senior Steward, Ian Smith, is much appreciated.

An unplanned during the year activity arose from the resignation of our former Clerk and the process of recruiting a replacement- we look forward to welcoming Adrian Mumford in that role from January 2019 and our sincere thanks are due to Court Assistant Air Commodore Paul Nash who graciously came out of retirement to take up the post of Acting Clerk during the vacancy. I am also grateful for the support which the office team of Sharon, Debbie and Peter (our Beadle) provided to me throughout the year.

My year as Master has confirmed to me that the Plumbers' Company is highly regarded in City and Livery circles and has a real relevance today and into the future. It has been a pleasure to have had the opportunity to serve as Master- an experience which we will never forget.

Reflections of Sheila Burgon 2018 Mistress Plumber

My twelve months as Mistress offered me a year of exciting opportunities to meet new people, visit historical and modern buildings, dine at a selection of beautiful Livery Halls and generally enjoy life in London by going to theatres, concerts, churches and museums to name but a few.

Having spent my working life in education, one of the highlights for me was the visit to Treloar's School in Alton, Hampshire with the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs. We so often take our health and mobility for granted and this visit proved to be a humbling experience



The Immediate Past Master and Mistress Plumber, Robert and Sheila Burgon

as I talked to pupils and staff, where 98% of the 2–25 year olds are wheelchair bound. This was also an inspiring day as the staff are highly motivated towards making the school a stimulating, learning environment for all abilities.

I especially enjoyed the tour of the Lloyds Building, where a mix of old and modern architecture come together to make a workplace suitable for the 21st Century.

I loved the opportunity to relax at the coffee shop at The Royal Hospital Chelsea where I often met two special In Pensioners who shared many interesting stories with me!

Getting to know so many of you at our functions, social outings and Master's Weekend was a privilege and I hope I can build upon the friendships made in the coming years.

It has been an honour to represent you and I have greatly appreciated your support and kindness. Thank you!

OUR CHARITABLE WORK

Our charitable work strives to change lives for the better.

Our charitable activities concentrate on plumbing related projects, helping trainee plumbers and supporting historic Lead craft work.

We also cooperate with other charities in supporting plumbing and sanitary projects in other countries.

In recognition of being in the City of London it also supports the Lord Mayor's charities and educational activities within or related to the City.

The Plumbing Museum and Workshop

The Charity actively supports our historic plumbing museum and our workshop with a Lead craft demonstration facility.

This year the Charity provided financial support for the successful relocation of the Lead Craft Workshop from Singleton to the Amberley Working Museum near Arundel in Sussex. The Museum is a significant education centre and attracts over 50,000 visitors every year.

As part of this move the Plumbing Museum and Workshop Trust upgraded the facility by providing a new furnace, renewing the ventilation and safety equipment and improving the viewing arrangements for the public.

The Master officially opened the Lead Craft Workshop on Sunday 7th October 2018 at a special day where over 50 members of the Livery and their guests enjoyed the live demonstrations of Lead craft together with the wider facilities at the Amberley Working Museum.

All our volunteers at the workshop are now gearing up to work in the new facility and to continue to make many items in Lead which will be available to members of the Livery and the general public in return for a donation to the Charity to support the ongoing operations.



The Master pouring lead with the assistance of Liveryman Peter Cheesman



Charity Cricket Match

As part of our fundraising activities the Company organised a charity cricket match against the Royal Household on 10th July 2018. It was an amazing day with over 200 guests attending the match and enjoying beautiful weather with lunch in the marquee and cricket pavilion in the grounds of Windsor Castle. A silent and live auction took place during the lunch.

By co-incidence on that day, the RAF flypast took place over Buckingham Palace to mark their centenary and so we have the added bonus of some of these aircraft flying over Windsor Castle, including the Red Arrows.

The game, which followed a T20 format, began after lunch with the Plumbers XI beating the Royal Household by 101 runs!

In total £22,350 was raised from the cricket match for our Charity!

This was an excellent Company event, due almost entirely to the organisation of Past Master Nick Gale and his wife Debbie, to whom the Company owes much thanks.

Photographs courtesy of Maureen McLean Photography.



The organisers of the cricket match Nick and Debbie Gale, awarding a prize to James Rosewarne, the captain of the Plumbers' XI.

Village by Village

We continue to support the work of the charity 'Village by Village' who work with children and their families in poor, rural communities in Ghana.

By providing inexpensive sanitation facilities and importantly, education in basic hygiene, 'Village by Village' dramatically reduces child mortality.

Our Company sponsors a village based project, extending this life-saving programme to another 200 or 300 children and their families.

Not only are drinking water and sewage facilities built but also essential training on the maintenance of the facilities and education on basic hygiene is provided.

The Plumbers are proud to partake in this exciting and worthwhile work — the hygiene and sanitation focus of this programme makes it a brilliant 'fit' for our charitable activities.



Village by Village working in Apau Wawse, Ghana

THE YEAR IN PICTURES



Bridgnorth Castle Railway — On 15th May Steward Malvern Tipping welcomed the Livery and their guests to the Bridgnorth Castle Railway of which he is a Director. This funicular railway links the Low Town of Bridgnorth, adjacent to the River Severn, with the High Town, adjacent to the ruins of Bridgnorth Castle. The Mayor of Bridgnorth, Ron Whittle OBE and the Master of the Gild of Bridgnorth Freemen joined us for lunch.

Jailed and Bailed — The Master was summoned to appear at The Old Bailey on 6th July together with over 20 other Livery Company Masters. Thankfully, from donations, they all raised the requisite bail money in aid of the British Red Cross and were released after a good lunch. Over £38,000 was raised for the charity.



Horners' Golf trophy — A great success for the very active Plumbers' Company Golf Society was at the Annual Horners' Trophy Competition on 13 June. This event has been developed into a prestigious Pan-Livery Competition, with 17 teams competing in 2018.



Master's weekend in Edinburgh — Members of the Livery enjoying a visit to the Falkirk Wheel at the Master's Weekend in Edinburgh on 15th September. The Falkirk Wheel, an amazing piece of 21st century engineering, which takes canal boats up and down linking two canals which were previously served by no fewer than 11 locks.



Chris Northey awarded a Fellowship of the City and Guilds of London Institute — On 15 July Liveryman Christopher Northey, who won the Plumbers Gold Medal Award back in 1992, was granted a Fellowship of The City and Guilds of London Institute for his outstanding contribution to the engineering sector and his promotion of vocational education.



Visit to Fillières — On 11th November 2018, Past Master Rodney Cartwright and Court Assistant and Acting Clerk Air Commodore Paul Nash and their wives travelled to France to remember Liveryman Captain Aubrey Hill who died on active service 100 years ago. He is buried in the British Military Cemetery at Fillières.

Summer Festival — Salters' Hall — The garden of Salters' Hall, which includes part of the Roman Wall, provided a wonderful backdrop to the Summer Festival pre-dinner drinks reception on 3rd July. The warm evening, thanks to the long hot summer, was greatly enjoyed by the Liverymen and their guests.





Pancake Race — The Plumbers' team at the annual pancake race on Shrove Tuesday in Guildhall Yard with Steward Damon Reynolds, the Mistress Plumber, the Master and Assistant Janet Rivers.



Annual lecture — Assistant Platt with his table of graduate colleagues enjoying the drinks reception at our 34th Annual Lecture on 21st May.

Music Museum — On 8th March the Master demonstrated his skills as an organist on the Wurlitzer at the Company's visit to the Music Museum at Kew Bridge.



Award for Excellence in Copper Teaching — The Master presenting the 2018 award for Excellence in Copper Pipework Teaching to Rob Woodger of Exeter College at the dinner following the Annual Lecture.



Brigantes Carol Service — On 8th December Past Masters Nick Gale, Steve Hodkinson and Erica Stary and their partners attended the Brigantes Christmas carol concert and dinner in Chester Cathedral. The Brigantes are City of London Liverymen in the North.



Changing the Guard — Members of the Livery and their guests visited Wellington Barracks on 11 July to see what happens behind the scenes at the changing of the guard. After watching the guards get ready they return to the Mess for a dressing-up opportunity with several members of the group having the chance to wear dress uniforms and the bearskins!

Past Consorts' Lunch — In keeping with tradition 15 past Consorts enjoyed lunch together at Innholders' Hall on 21st November preceded by a champagne reception. Past Master Erica Stary welcomed them to a superb lunch prepared by the Michelin-starred chef, Herbert Berger.



OUR WORK IN 2018

Freedom and Livery Committee

The Freedom and Livery Committee comprises entirely of Court members and is always chaired by a Past Master. It focuses on the longer-term strategy of the Company, its health, standards, protocols and communications.

During the year the Freedom and Livery Committee, in compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation, prepared the new Privacy Notice. A great deal of work has gone into ensuring that the Company will only use the information that it collects about our Liverymen lawfully and will keep it secure.

Work on the Company's new website and the associated office event booking and notification systems has continued and its launch will now be timed to follow the appointment of the new Clerk. This much improved website will begin rollout in the spring of 2019 supported by the latest technology.

The Court membership and succession continues to be managed ensuring a smooth transition through the offices of Assistants, Wardens and Master with the guidelines for all office holders brought up to date.

The work of the Court and the Committees all carry some risk, however small, to the good operations of the Company and during this year Freedom and Livery has introduced a process of Risk Management. This is good practice for any organisation but is a requirement for our charitable activities.

This year the badges worn by certain members of the Livery to show their appointment have been upgraded by replacing the coloured felt with enamel.

After 10 years of service our Company Curator, Liveryman Andrew Hunter-Blair, retired this year. It was decided that the role should be combined with that of the Company Archivist and the Company is delighted that this combined role will be carried out by Liveryman David Hannam.

Past Master Geoff Marsh

It isn't often that the Company has been able to recognise 40 years of dedicated service to its Court. On 10th April 2018 a lunch was organised to celebrate the service which Past Master Geoff Marsh has given to the Court before taking Emeritus Past Master status. It was a real honour for the Master to pay tribute to him and his wife, Ann and present him with an illuminated certificate not only recognising his long membership of the Company but also a lifetime of service to the plumbing industry.



The Master presenting Andrew Hunter-Blair with a miniature silver Plumbers' Company ladle.

Our Company Curator retires

During the past 10 years, Liveryman Andrew Hunter-Blair has been the Company Curator. Among the tasks required of our Curator are maintaining a catalogue of our treasures, researching their history, liaising with Guildhall, Livery Companies and others on matters appertaining to the treasures and planning, organising, and presenting exhibitions of the Treasures as required by the Company. Andrew has arranged the display of our treasures on two occasions during his tenure of office.

At the Court Lunch on 24th April, the Master thanked Andrew for his hard work and presented him with a miniature silver Plumbers Company ladle.

Membership Committee

Membership growth is fundamental to the Company's future sustainability.

The Company was pleased to clothe 16 new Liverymen during 2018. An active recruitment campaign is under way with a view to increasing the size of the Livery over the next few years. This is paying dividends with a very strong pipeline of potential new members for 2019.

The recruitment of new members and the retention, engagement and development of the existing membership is a priority for the Company going forward though such events as 'Induction Course' for new members.

A better understanding of the constituent parts of Livery and their demographics is key to the Company in order to tailor events and communicate effectively.

The Corporate Membership category continues to build strong membership. This is open to companies involved in or with the plumbing industry in the UK and overseas.

Corporate Membership enables a member company's senior executives to participate fully in most of the Plumbers' many activities. The Plumbers' Company is the catalyst that is bringing the whole plumbing industry together: manufacturers, merchants, contractors, designers, academics and the suppliers to the industry.

With it's our own significant social calendar the Corporate Members have ready-made events in some of the best venues in the City of London. On Thursday 11th October the top floor of the Gherkin was the venue for our autumn lunch. With over 50 attending the lunch many were able point out buildings in the City on which they have worked. The guest speakers after lunch were Architect Will Poole-Wilson and energy and sustainability specialist Paul Scriven. Their theme "Wellness Matters" illustrated the importance of ensuring physical and mental well-being when designing buildings. Corporate Ambassadors also attended including representatives from such organisations as AECOM, Brookfield, BT, Gardiner and Theobald, Hurley Palmer Flatt, Land Securities and Multiplex.

The Worshipful Company of Plumbers Corporate Members 2018

21 Construction

3Eflow AB

BPEC (Training) Ltd

Briggs and Forrester

Essex Services Group PLC

Gratte Brothers Group Ltd

John Guest Ltd

Lorne Stewart Group

Michael J Lonsdale Limited

Monument Tools

Parker Bromley Ltd

Phoenix ME Ltd

Skanska Rashleight

Weatherfoil Ltd

T Clarke plc



Our Corporate Members enjoyed spectacular views from the top of the Gherkin during their autumn lunch

Technical Committee



The Master, Assistant Professor Mala Rao and Assistant Richard Soper (Chairman of Technical Committee) before the lecture at the Royal College of Physicians

Company Lecture 2018

Our 34th Annual Lecture was held on 21st May 2018 at the Royal College of Physicians and was entitled “Good morning do you wish to see a doctor or a plumber?”

It was presented by our Court Assistant Professor Mala Rao and outlined her concern for and understanding of the health impacts of climate change and environmental degradation over the past few decades.

As an NHS public health physician by background she demonstrated her deep commitment to health and social equality, championing access to safe water and sanitation and for raising awareness of the impacts of climate change on health, especially the health of women and children.

Mala is committed to making public health everybody's business, she has actively supported the water and sanitation professions and industry to recognise and

strengthen their roles in health improvement through tackling the global challenges of water scarcity, water quality, extreme weather events and water conservation. This year Mala was made an Honorary Fellow of the Society of Public Health Engineers.

The Company Lecture continues to be one of the principal events in the annual calendar.

WaterSafe

Past Master Chris Sneath, Chairman of WaterSafe describes 2018 as a year of consolidation, plus items such as reaching a target of 10,000 hits on the website, advice on the installation of RPZ valves (a backflow preventer to stop siphonage) and the formation of a water company practitioners' group to support the work of WaterSafe and its Board.

There has also been an increasing desire through its newly formed steering group to achieve industry support to seek a much needed “Licence to Practice” for the plumbing sector.

One of the main objectives of moving this forward is to clarify the level of evidence needed to review the implications and

causes of poor practice, to recognise the importance of consumers and to make recommendations on what is needed to drive improvements in the level of competence of those involved in the plumbing and heating industry.

The industry at large

The Company continues to forge relationships with industry through the CIPHE, SNIPEF, BPEC and the All Party Parliamentary Water Group.

Amberley Museum

The Company is fully committed to its foundation craft of leadwork, conservation and heritage. 2018 was a busy period with the relocation the Plumbing Museum and Workshop Trust's Lead craft workshop from Singleton to Amberley Museum & Heritage Centre. The demonstration facility was officially opened by the Master in October 2018.

Blists Hill

The Company has a strong interest in maintaining a relationship with manning the Plumber's Workshop at Ironbridge Heritage Museum and to assist with demonstrations.

Education Committee

The revised bursary application form and promotional leaflet proved to be successful with colleges and training centres. A review of the criteria for the Gold and Silver Awards which will be awarded in consecutive years was completed.

Promotion and support

The WCoP & Education Committee's activities have been promoted during 28 college visits, through social media and within CIPHE's ETM magazine. The EC also supports the work undertaken by the APHC, CIPHE and industry employers in developing the Plumbing & Domestic Heating Technician Apprenticeship (Trailblazer).

Apprenticeships

In March the Committee received presentations from Neil Weller, Piers Ronan (both from TB&A) regarding the



Successful students receiving their Bursaries at a ceremony at the Plumbers' Statue at Cannon Street Station

overwhelming value of apprenticeships to the trade including the importance of knowledge transfer from experienced engineers and technicians to the next generation. Paul Johnson (BPEC) gave an insight into the Government's 'T' Level training programmes.

Corporate Members Outstanding Achievement Awards

Following the Annual Lecture on 21st May the inaugural Corporate Member Outstanding Achievement Awards were presented jointly to Graham Chambers, Public Health Supervisor with Briggs and Forrester and George Thomson, Chairman of BPEC (Training) Ltd and Past President of SNIPEF.

Johanna Davey and Tom Wood, employed by Briggs & Forrester, were both Highly Commended.

For the first time we were over subscribed with nominations for Bursaries. Successful students received a voucher for £1000 each on 13th March at the ceremony that took place at the Plumbers' Statue. The vouchers were kindly sponsored by Monument Tools limited. All recipients are studying for Level 3 qualifications which will enable them to practise the Art and Mystery of plumbing and to begin their careers in plumbing and heating.

Silver Medal

Rebecca Russell was the worthy recipient of the Silver Medal which was presented to her on 16th October along with a cheque for £300.



Rebecca Russell receiving her Plumbers' Silver Medal from the Master

NEW MEMBERS 2018



January Court — left to right: Adam Cooke, Kim van Rooyen, Rennie Dalrymple, John Davies, Master, Bradley Ellis, Gary Lester.



July Court — left to right: Charles van Oppen, Master



April Court — left to right: Graeme Rees, David Harper, Master, Steven Tamcken, Michael MacTavish.



October Court — left to right: David Reynolds, Mark Nevitt, Master, Paul McDermott, Jonathan Eaglesham, Jason Karr

Appointment of our new Clerk

Adrian Mumford MA, MMus, FCIS, ARCM, FLCM has been appointed as our next Clerk. Adrian has accepted the appointment and will take up his duties on 2nd January 2019.

Adrian lives in Teddington and his early career included internal auditing and project accountant roles. Between 1997 and 2017

he was the Chief Executive (Diocesan Secretary) of the Church of England's Diocese in Europe. This involved heading a small Westminster office, which provided a range of high-quality services to support the operation and governance of the diocese. In his spare time, Adrian is a church organist and he is a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Musicians.



Adrian Mumford



Martin Shouler

New Court Assistant: Liveryman Martin Shouler BSc MSc FCIPHE FSPHE

Martin Shouler is an Associate Director at Arup, a multinational professional services firm headquartered in London which provides engineering, design, planning, project management and consulting services for all aspects of the built environment.

Martin has extensive experience in the field of Environmental Services Engineering, having been involved in a wide range of major projects, in design,

research and consultancy across the world. Particular expertise includes water supply, sanitation, sewerage, water conservation and efficiency, water quality, water treatment, wastewater engineering, and infrastructure services. In addition, he has a keen interest in sustainability particularly related to minimising water use and energy associated with its use.

Martin has been a Liveryman since 2006 and a member of our Technical Committee since 2010. He is our liaison member for our affiliated Richmond Sea Cadet Unit and an officer in the Royal Naval Reserve.

IN THE NEWS 2018

I was asked to return as acting Clerk in May 2018 and have been holding the fort until our new permanent replacement Adrian Mumford joins us in January 2019.

Adrian is the former secretary to the Anglican Diocese of Europe and is a member of the Musicians' Company. We very much look forward to welcoming him as our new Clerk.

This has been a fun and very busy seven months back in my old role and I have enjoyed organizing and attending many familiar events in our calendar. This has meant that the planned introduction of the new website and event booking system has had to be put on hold until Adrian has taken over and has his feet firmly under the table. It will be up and running as soon as possible in the New Year and should allow you to see and book all our events on-line.

The highlight for me in 2018 was representing the Company on Remembrance



Sunday at the British Cemetery in Fillièvres, France to remember our only casualty from WW1 and WW2, Captain Aubrey Hill, RAF who died on 24th October 2018 and is buried there. A small cemetery of only 100 graves, it was set up opposite a wartime field clearing hospital, from where most of the casualties came. In this the 100th Anniversary of the end of World War 1 and the Centenary of the formation of the Royal Air Force, it was a particularly proud moment for me. Past Master Rodney Cartwright and our wives accompanied me and we could not have been made to feel more welcome.

**Air Commodore Paul Nash OBE,
Acting Clerk**

Recognising the Stewards

The Plumbers' Company is unique in being served by Stewards. The seven Stewards of the Company, led by the Upper Warden, form the Social Committee and organise social events as well as ensuring that all functions of the Company run smoothly. Stewards serve for a seven-year period and the Company wished to recognise the work of the Stewards in a more formal way.

It was decided to present an illuminated certificate to the retiring Senior Steward at the Ladle Dinner. As this was the first such presentation certificates were also presented to all past Stewards. The Immediate Past Master, Robert Burgon, made the presentations to twelve past stewards.



OBITUARIES

This year sadly we said farewell to four members

Past Master John Lawrence-Mills

John passed away quite unexpectedly on 30th July 2018 just before his 90th birthday. He had been a Liveryman since 1978 and served as Master from 1992 to 1993. A memorial service will be held with the family on a date to be set in the New Year. Sadly we must also report the death of John's wife, Rowena, on 16th December 2018.



Past Master John and Rowena Lawrence-Mills

Liveryman Richard Murdock

Richard became a member of the Livery in 1980 and had been an active member at the Singleton Museum and Workshop for many years as a leading volunteer until ill health forced his retirement a few years ago. Richard also worked as the Senior Technical Office for the Lead Development Association. In recognition of his outstanding contribution to plumbing, Richard was awarded the Company's highest award, the St Michael Medallion in 1996.



Liveryman Richard Murdock

Liveryman James Simpson

James joined the company in 1999, but had not been an active member for a number of years. We were informed in June by his brother that he had died on 22nd February 2018.

Liveryman Cliff Brown

Cliff passed away in hospital on 1 December 2018 aged 84 years. He became a Liveryman in 2005 and had been a colleague of Upper Warden Dr Peter Rumley.



THE COURT OF THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF PLUMBERS 2018

MASTER
DAME FIONA WOOLF DBE DL

UPPER WARDEN
DR PETER RUMLEY

RENTER WARDEN
NICK JONES

IMMEDIATE PAST MASTER
ROBERT BURGON

PAST MASTER
DAVID THOMSON

PAST MASTER
JOHN RAE

PAST MASTER (EMERITUS)
PETER STEER

PAST MASTER (EMERITUS)
GEOFF MARSH MBE

PAST MASTER (EMERITUS)
GEORGE BANKS

PAST MASTER
CHARLES SMITH

PAST MASTER
PETER BRUNNER

PAST MASTER
EDWARD HOPKINSON

PAST MASTER (EMERITUS)
JOHN MAYFIELD

PAST MASTER (EMERITUS)
ALEC MOIR

PAST MASTER (EMERITUS)
MICHAEL SWALLOW

PAST MASTER (EMERITUS)
MIKE SAMUEL

PAST MASTER
JOHN LOCKYER

PAST MASTER
DAVID ALEXANDER

PAST MASTER
PROF RODNEY CARTWRIGHT

PAST MASTER
DAVID HAMILTON

PAST MASTER
CHRIS SNEATH MBE

PAST MASTER
LT COL ANTONY PATERSON-FOX

PAST MASTER
CHARLES YUILL

PAST MASTER
NICK GALE

PAST MASTER
STEPHEN HODKINSON

PAST MASTER
ERICA STARY

PAST MASTER
BRIAN WADSWORTH

ASSISTANT
AIR CDRE PAUL NASH OBE

ASSISTANT
DAVID ADAMS

ASSISTANT
PAUL FLATT

ASSISTANT
CHARLES BROOKS

ASSISTANT
RICHARD SOPER CBE

ASSISTANT
SANDRA RAINE

ASSISTANT
PROF MALA RAO OBE

ASSISTANT
JANET RIVERS

ASSISTANT
MARTIN SHOULER

ACTING CLERK
AIR CDRE PAUL NASH OBE

The Company thanks Michael O'Sullivan and Professor Rodney Cartwright for providing many of the photographs in this Annual Review.



The Worshipful Company of Plumbers

Carpenters' Hall, 1 Throgmorton Avenue
London EC2N 2JJ

T: +44 (0)20 7628 8880

e-mail: clerk@plumberscompany.org.uk

www.plumberscompany.org.uk