



The Master Fruiterer: John Robert Warner

Installed as Master on 25th January 2018
The Feast of the Conversion of St Paul

John Warner was born in Harrow in 1948 and went to Quainton Hall School, Merchant Taylors' School (Northwood) and the University of Aston in Birmingham. He graduated in 1970 with an Honours Degree in Civil Engineering. He became a Chartered Civil Engineer at the age of 25 and was a member of the Institution of Civil Engineers and the American Society of Civil Engineers until his retirement in 2008.

After graduating he joined Costain Construction and very shortly afterwards he transferred to Costain's International Division. Since leaving them he has worked for various Consulting Engineering practices, other contractors and specialist sub-contractors, mainly on a freelance basis. He summarises his career as: Seychelles to Southampton, Libya to London and Oman to Oxford, high rise to deep basements, runways to barrack blocks and social housing to Mansion House!

It gave him great pleasure to obtain the Freedom of the Fruiterers' Company in 2010 and he was Clothed with the Livery in the same year. He spent time on the Fruiterers' Company Membership and Communication Committee before being appointed an Honorary Assistant to the Court in 2013.

Within the City, he is involved in wider Livery charity work and since 2017 he has been a member of the Lord Mayor's Big Curry Lunch Committee. He is also a member of the Walbrook and Cripplegate Ward Clubs.

He is married to Mavis, one of the first women to become eligible to become a Member of the London Stock Exchange. She is a Liveryman and Hon. Archivist of the Worshipful Company of Makers of Playing Cards. They celebrated their Ruby wedding anniversary in 2013. They spend their leisure time pursuing their joint charitable interests, their fascination with travel and engaging with other cultures, gardening, attending live opera performances at home and abroad, photography and furthering the objectives of their respective Livery Companies and Ward Clubs.

There are no special dietary requirements.