

Assistant Provincial Grand Master Worshipful Bro. David William Alexander, PGStB

Personal

A Lancastrian by birth, David was born in Preston on 28th April 1949; however his father's career with British Telecom, took the family south and eastwards via Blackburn, Cambridge, London, finally settling in Ramsgate. Having been educated in one of the Cambridgeshire Village Colleges, David became a career soldier, initially with the Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineers and subsequently with The Royal Army Educational Corps. On the completion of 25 years service, David retired from the Regular Army and set out on a second career as a School Master, whilst continuing to hold his commission with the Territorial Army in the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. As a boarding school master he initially taught Mathematics and Science subjects before finally focusing on Computing and Information Technology. He is a Fellow of the Institution of Engineering & Technology.

David has two daughters and for the moment, three grandchildren. He is married to Joan with whom he has recently settled back into the family home in the West Cliff area of Ramsgate.

Outside Freemasonry

David's interests include clay pigeon shooting, horse and motor-cycle riding; he also has a passion for art of the Impressionist period and music of the Baroque period. Whilst serving with the Army, David played Rugby to Regimental representative standard and on one occasion was selected to represent the Army v RAF (it was a bloodbath but David's team prevailed!) In his time he has enjoyed competitive shooting and an enthusiasm for sub-aqua diving.

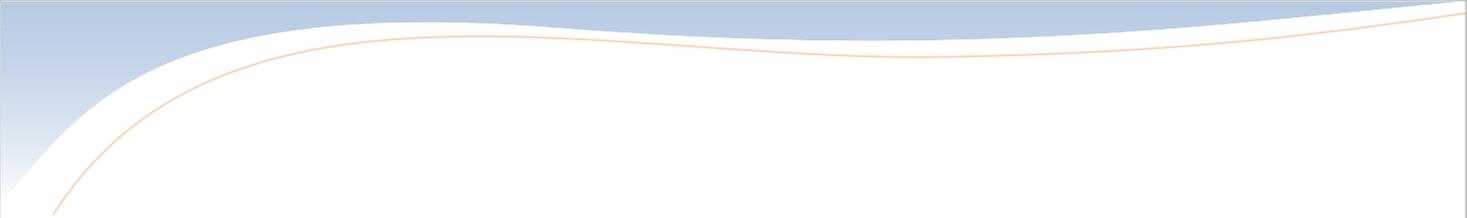
Masonic

In 1976, David was initiated into Lord Kitchener Lodge No 3402 which is based in Cyprus. As a career soldier, moving around every 6 months to 3 years, David's Masonic progression was sporadic to say the least and could be best described as moribund or mercurial depending on the particular Lodge's situation in the area to which he was next posted. However, having settled in Dover and being the founding Senior Warden of The White Rose Lodge No 9308, David eventually progressed through the Chair in 1990. In addition to his membership of Lord Kitchener and White Rose Lodge he is also a member of East Kent Masters Lodge and East Kent Scriveners Lodge. David was appointed to Provincial rank within East Kent as active Junior Deacon, promoted to PPrDGSwdB prior to appointment to the office of Provincial DGDC. In 2009 he was appointed in Grand Rank as **Past Grand Standard Bearer**.

He served as Provincial Grand Secretary from 2014 until his appointment as Assistant Provincial Grand Master in 2017.

Other Masonic Orders and Degrees

David was Exalted into the Holy Royal Arch in London in the Gothic Chapter No 5525, prior to joining the Corinthian Chapter No 1208 in Dover. He served as MEZ in 2001 and subsequently for nine years as Scribe E. David is also a member of East Kent First Principals Chapter. He was appointed to Provincial Grand rank during 2007 as AGSoj and



promoted to Provincial Grand Scribe E in May 2014. He was honoured by appointment to Supreme Grand Chapter Rank as Active Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies in May 2014.