

Rod was born and educated in Sunderland, as a career, having over 40 years' experience in the print industry, just retiring in November 2023. Happily married to Karen for 32 years. They have a daughter, Lauren, a Solicitor based in Manchester. Rod was initiated into Quest Lodge in 2003 and served as their Worshipful Master in 2010 and 2011, he received his first Provincial honour in 2011 of Past Provincial Grand Steward, then Past Provincial Grand Registrar in 2017 and promoted to Past Provincial Junior Grand Warden in 2022. He is a member of Unity Chapter No.661, and a Founder Anglers Lodge No10049.

Having served the Province as a Past Provincial Grand Steward, and part of the Communications team for over a decade, as an Area Comms officer for the East and latterly in the role of as Publications and Branding Manager.

A keen angler in his spare time, 'Rod' was part of the setting up of the Durham Branch of the Masonic Fishing Charity in 2017. In 2024, Rod was made Deputy Chairman of the Durham Branch as well as being put in charge of social media for the national Charity.