## 2018 Peal Report

There were twelve peals rung for the TDGR during 2018 rung at ten different locations. This is an increase on 2017 (8) but still significantly less than 2016 (19).

The peals were rung by 22 resident members augmented by a further 27 from outside the Guild. John Davis and David Ralls were the leading peal ringers for the Guild with 7 each and John Pladdys was the leading conductor with 3.

Congratulations to Tracey Hillman who rang her first peal the first attempt at St Dominick.

The first peals were rung on the new bells at St Winnow (by a visiting band) and on the Bradoc mini-ring. The 100<sup>th</sup> Peal on the bells was rung at Penzance making this only the third tower in Cornwall to reach this total, the other two being Carbis Bay and Truro Cathedral which have now had 220 and 117 peals rung respectively.

There were a further 34 peals rung in Cornwall by visiting bands in 2018.

Three peals were rung at Helston in 2018, the first peals on the bells since 1985 and a peal at Mullion was the first since 1977. There are a further seven ringable towers in Cornwall that have been peal-less for a longer period than this.

Following the seven dwarf themed peal in 2017, the same band rang a peal on 'Star Wars Day' in suitably named methods. We look forward to the next instalment.

In the five year period 2014-2018 there have been 239 Peals rung in Cornwall, of these 109 Peals were rung for the TDGR.

Ringing in these 109 TDGR peals have been only 52 resident members; half (55) of these peals have been of Stedman with predominantly visiting ringers.

Whilst peal ringing in Cornwall is not a popular activity, it still represents the Gold Standard of the exercise and it would be good to see more people having a go or coming back to it after a few years.

St Dominick St Dominica Cornwall 04-Mar-18 2h 32

5040 Doubles (3m/4v)

[720 each: Clifford's Pleasure, Southrepps, April Day, Kennington, Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob]

1 Tracey Hillman

2 Philip J Morse

3 Matthew W Thewsey

4 Richard M Warwick

5 Owen J Borlase (C)

6 Kevan J Borlase

First peal at first attempt: 1. Rung open to celebrate the lives of Ron Johns (St Mellion/St Dominic) and Amy Cloake (Landulph), much loved and respected ringers within the Benefice. Also Thomas George Hillman (Launceston, St Mary), Grandfather of Tracey.

Gorran St Goranus Cornwall 07-Apr-18 3h 17

5040 Humberside Surprise Royal

Composed A J Cox

1 Mervyn A Arscott

2 Paul V W Feast

3 Penny J Salisbury

4 Christopher Davis

5 Hilary A Beresford

6 Donald B Carter

7 Peter G Brown

8 David Ralls

9 Ian V J Smith

10 Fergus M S Stracey (C)

In memoriam of Richard Bowden

Stithians St Stedyana Cornwall 04-May-18 2h 39

5040 Surprise Minor (Star Wars The Original Trilogy)

7 extents - 3 of Star Wars, 2 of Return of the

Jedi, 2 of The Empire Stikes Back 1 Debbie "Princess Leia" Spittle

2 Peter A " Yoda" Sharp3 Martin "Han Solo" Spittle

4 A C John "Luke Skywalker" Davis 5 David "Obi-Wan Kenobi" Ralls

6 Norman R "Chewbacca" Mattingley (C)
Dave would like to thank the band for
entertaining another of his ideas as Snow
White and the Dwarfs returned to Stithians on
May 4th.

....to be continued...

Penzance

St Mary the Virgin

Cornwall 23-Jun-18 3h 8

5120 Wembley Surprise Major Composed H G Cashmore

1 Claire Sowden2 Ruth E Reeves3 Samuel R Nankervis

4 David Ralls
5 A C John Davis
6 Christopher J Venn
7 Jonathan Young (C)
8 David J Mattingley

Rung for the Golowan Festival. 100th Peal on the bells.

St Dennis St Denys Cornwall 06-Jul-18 2h 37

5040 Stedman Triples Arranged by John Pladdys

1 Peter G C Ellis
2 Robert J Perry
3 Adam R Crocker
4 John Pladdys (C)
5 Ian V J Smith
6 William P Carew
7 Robert J Crocker
8 Paul V W Feast

Hugh Town 5 Harbour View Isles of Scilly 10-Aug-18 2h 20

5040 Treble Dodging Minor (2m)

4 extents Cambridge S, 3 extents Kent TB.

1-2 Thomas J Hinks (C) 3-4 David J Mattingley 5-6 Norman R Mattingley First peal at the address.

Mullion St Mellanus Cornwall 21-Aug-18 2h 43

5040 Surprise Minor (7 Methods)

London, Norwich, York, Ipswich, Beverley,

1 T Neil Hitchens
2 Christopher J Venn
3 Martin C Spittle
4 Robert J Perry
5 David Ralls

Surfleet, Cambridge.

6 A C John Davis (C)

Wedding Anniversary Compliment to Neil and

Jane Hitchens for today.

First of Surprise Minor on the bells, and first peal since 1977 in the tower.

Bradoc

The St Mary Bradoc and St Winnow Mini Ring

Cornwall 26-Aug-18 2h 5

5088 Yorkshire Surprise Major Composed Robert D S Brown

1 Richard B Dorrington
2 Lesley A Knipe
3 Peter M C Richards

4 Jeffrey Knipe 5 Barrie Hendry 6 James Kirkcaldy 7 John A Foster

8 Robert D S Brown (C) 1st Peal on the bells

St Winnow St Winnow Cornwall 06-Oct-18 2h 39

5055 Stedman Caters Composed John Pladdys

1 Peter G C Ellis
2 A C John Davis
3 David Ralls
4 James Kirkcaldy
5 John Pladdys (C)
6 Matthew W Thewsey
7 Fergus M S Stracey
8 Adam R Crocker
9 Robert J Crocker
10 William P Carew

First peal of Caters on the bells. First peal of

Stedman-6.

Compliment to Jesse and Claire Dallas, ringers at this tower, on the birth of Sophie Anne.

Stithians St Stedyana Cornwall 06-Nov-18 2h 56

5040 Norman's Delight Minor

3x720, 2x1440 1 Debbie Spittle 2 Ruth E Reeves 3 Martin C Spittle 4 T Neil Hitchens 5 A C John Davis 6 David Ralls (C)

With the best wishes of the band to Norman R Mattingley on the eve of his 70th birthday.

First peal in the method

Helston St Michael Cornwall 12-Nov-18 3h 1

5152 Yorkshire Surprise Major

Composed A J Cox 1 Robert D S Brown 2 David Ralls

3 Pauline McKenzie 4 A C John Davis 5 John A Foster 6 David Hird 7 Peter J Sawyer

8 Michael E C Mears (C) in memory of Steve Bateman

Penzance

St Mary the Virgin

Cornwall 24-Nov-18 3h 5

5040 Stedman Triples

Arranged by John Pladdys (No 5)

1 A C John Davis 2 John Pladdys (C) 3 John H Napper 4 Ian V J Smith

5 Matthew W Thewsey

6 Robert J Perry
7 Fergus M S Stracey
8 Michael F Royalton-Kisch
On Western Branch Dinner Day