

Marking Time

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Peter Johns Dep.P.G.M.

And Now for Something Completely Different!

As you have now probably realised, this was the title of a film which contained scenes from the Monty Python series on BBC, which included various sketches not really following on from each other and didn't make much sense! At the time it was described as alternative comedy and I think that is exactly where we are at the moment. That is, we are hoping that because of the vaccination rollout we will be able to resume with some sort of normality, but we are not yet sure whether that will be possible. So, we have to prepare ourselves to accept that might not be certain and restrictions still might have to be implemented in our daily routine which might also affect our Masonic life.

Technology is fast advancing. Social media at present acts as one of the leading sources of news and interactions. It poses a big threat to those traditional sources including TV, newspapers, radios and magazines. By the middle of this decade some of the traditional media sources especially printed newspapers will have little role to play, as online newspapers and social media will take over the market. Mobile phones will play an even greater role in the purchase of goods and monetary transactions. Electronic money might well start to replace paper money. Additionally, with the declining oil reserves across the world, coupled with the threat of climate change, the shift to electric cars is already happening. There will also probably be a major change in job trends.

So, in a way we can expect that we are "In for something completely different" one could call it progress, others might not entirely agree with that, but you can bet your bottom dollar there definitely will be change. John F Kennedy once said "Change is the Law of Life" and those who look only to the past or the present are certain to miss the future. I don't know about you but I certainly don't want to miss the future and because of this enforced lockdown I'm looking forward to be able to restructure my life after this dreadful period is over. I'm always reminded of the saying "There is light at the end of the tunnel" but over the past year at times it has felt that we couldn't find the entrance to the tunnel let alone find a light at the end of it. But now I think that there is real optimism that we are making progress in combating the virus, and at some stage we will be able to continue with our Masonic life. We are awaiting guidance from Mark Masons Hall, on the resumption of meetings, but that will not be with us until after the Government review of regulations expected on the 12th April, although it will probably be a slow start as we will have to adhere to whatever government restrictions or guidelines are still in place, we will have an opportunity to meet again but it will be up to all our individual members to make their minds up when they feel it is safe to return. Being realistic, our lodges will need help to return to pre-covid levels and that's here, we as members, have a considerable role to play; make no mistake it will need everyone's help to achieve, but I'm sure if we all put our minds and efforts into the task, our Lodges will become stronger and a more fit for purpose organisation. We know that at the moment it is difficult to attract new brethren to join us, but we do need to retain our present membership and that task needs the assistance of all lodge members to attain. (continued over)

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And Now for Something Completely Different! (continued)

I think it's essential to make sure we are in regular contact with those brethren who don't have internet skills who might feel they are left out with regards to communication. You don't have to be a mathematician to work out that if we lose just one member it then takes two new recruits to increase the membership of the Lodge. I'm not saying for one moment that some of us are not working hard and I congratulate those individuals from our Lodges who have worked tirelessly throughout these difficult times; your work, I can assure you is very much appreciated. On behalf of all of the Brethren, I also thank the Lodge Almoners for their excellent work. The word Almoner is derived from Ancient Greek. Another word for Almoner is a "Caring Officer", which I think is a better way to describe the office. The definition of caring is someone who shows kindness and concern for others, helps those in need and is affable to everyone they meet. Brethren let's all try to share the Caring Officers job and make sure when we meet again, we have not left anyone out and continue to value and nurture all our members.

Just a few weeks ago we lost W. Bro. Michael Boase, a well-respected and dedicated Mason who contributed to many Orders in Masonry especially the Mark and Royal Ark Mariner Degree. Mike had been in hospital since last March and unfortunately due to his illness and Covid his wife Joyce was only able to visit him once in that time and then only a few days before he died. Our thoughts and prayers are with Joyce and the family at this very sad time.

I'd also like to mention one of our Provincial Officers W. Bro. Geoff Grenfell who has his own particular battle with illness at the moment. Geoff is someone who despite his setbacks is a fantastic example to us all and I feel privileged to call him a friend and a Brother. I would also ask you to remember Very Worshipful Brother Keith Waters who is in hospital at the moment and our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family.

Our Provincial Grand Master announced recently that our Provincial meeting in May will be a Virtual Provincial Business Meeting and we will be honoured by the presence of our Assistant Grand Master Right Worshipful Brother Stephen Davison and the Grand Secretary Right Worshipful Brother Ryan Williams.

Our Provincial Grand Master very much hopes that you will be able to join the meeting and share their company as well.

I would like to leave you with these few words, some of them came from an Irish blessing and the others from my heart.

May the road rise to meet you

A smile always greet you

May our friendships be always true and strong

As the sun sets in the West

I wish you all the best

Please God, we will meet again before too long

Stay safe and well and I wish you and your family good health and happiness.

Regards

Peter



Mark Charity News



Cornwall Mark Benevolent Association

At a recent Virtual Business Meeting , the Provincial Grand Master was delighted to announce that another six members of our Province had been awarded charity collarettes by the Mark Benevolent Fund, marking their continued support of the fund.

The recipients were:-

Patron

W.Bro. Paul Nicholls

St Piran's Lodge No1367

Grand Patron

W.Bro. Robert Hawke

St Piran's Lodge No1367

W.Bro. Mike Pritchard

Trevaunance Lodge No1023

W.Bro. Phillip Lakin

Boscawen Lodge No101

Grand Patron Gold

R.W.Bro. Kevin Hicks

Boscawen Lodge No101

W.Bro. Colin Carter

Boscawen Lodge No101

Cornwall Mark Foundation

The annual meeting of the Cornwall Mark Foundation will be held on Monday 29th March, at 7.30pm. Nominations have been received on behalf of 17 charities and groups, from Lodge Charity Stewards.

Among the nominations received are :-

Biscuits at Christmas

Launched at Christmas 2020 providing a small biscuit parcel to all residents and staff of Care Homes around the Hayle area. It is hoped to extend to other areas within the Province with perhaps some cross funding between Mark and Craft lodges on a local basis

Truro Sea Cadets

Seeking funds for essential repairs at their meeting place. Run by the daughter and son of the late W. Bro. Peter Kennaugh who supported the cadets by raising funds at Breanick Craft and Love & Honour Mark Lodges.

Invictus Trust (Charity No 1193094)

Aims to raise awareness of adolescent mental health in Cornwall by supplying school talks, via their online portal, events and short films. They are now campaigning to extend Sowenna to cater for age groups 13-25.

Further news on the donations approved will appear in next months Newsletter

Spotlight on!

St Piran's Lodge No1367

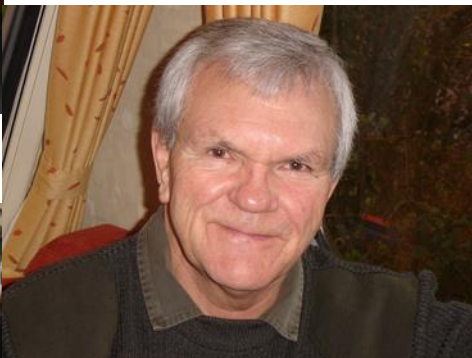
St Piran's Lodge, No. 1367, under the authority of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and Districts and Lodges Overseas and the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of Cornwall.
Date of Warrant 5th November 1969 and consecrated on 31st January 1970.

The Sponsoring Lodge for St Piran's No. 1367 was Fortitude No. 78. The first Master was W.Bro. J.W. Batchelor the then owner of the Ponsmere Hotel, Perranporth, where many happy Mark Provincial Balls were held over the years. A year following the consecration of St Piran's Lodge the annual Provincial Grand Lodge meeting was held under the banner of St Piran's, which happened again, on a further 4 occasions. According to Keystone Online St Piran's has a current membership of 22 and 4 of them have Grand Rank. Amongst the 8 Provincial Officers there are two Active Officers, who are the current Active Provincial Grand Senior Warden, W. Bro Graham Jose and the Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies, W. Bro Adrian Ashley Waters. The remaining membership consist of 2 Worshipful Brothers and 8 Brothers. 9 of the members were Advanced at St Piran's and the remaining 13 have all joined the lodge.

In every Mark lodge the most important assets are its members. When we visit lodges in any Order, we see old friends and new faces. We listen to their meetings and how they may differ from our own. We catch up with friends and learn about those we have not met before. 5 of the St Piran's Mark Men have taken the time to write a bit about themselves for you to read and enjoy:

W. Bro. John H Thomas, Worshipful Master

I was Worshipful Master of St. Piran's Mark Lodge No1367 in 2018/19 and then again in 2020/21. Because of the Covid suspension of meetings it appears that a third term has just begun. During the associated lockdowns, I've indulged in my passion of making wine, brewing beer and most importantly "drinking it". Not meeting over the last twelve months has bought it home to me and my wife how important Freemasonry in general really is. It has given us a wonderful social life and we have made some very good friends. Visiting many Mark lodges has also opened up to me new friendships. We at St. Piran's Mark pride ourselves in being a very happy and welcoming lodge who take the ceremonies seriously and then when the lodge is closed, we then relax and enjoy the rest of the evening, usually at the bar. It has been muted by some brethren that we should be called a "Drinking Lodge", can't understand why myself!!! It is a pleasure to be a member St. Piran's Mark, part of a good team and Freemasonry in general and I hope to be for many years to come. Feel free to take a look at some of my brews:



Spotlight on!

St Piran's Lodge No1637

Bro. Dave Nicholls (Steward)

It was the 18th of March 2018 that I was initiated into Craft Masonry, joining St Piran's Lodge in Perranporth and seizing the chance to get involved in any opportunity which presented itself. One such opportunity which was put to me was the idea of joining the St Piran's Mark Lodge, so in November 2019, I joined. As misfortune would have it, the only meeting I've attended at St Piran's Mark was my own Advancement (I've been to see another one in Penryn since), largely due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, and in part due to missing the February 2020 Installation meeting due to be in Snowdonia on holiday. The Snowdonia holiday was one built around walking, something which I truly love, and can be found doing most often around various places in Cornwall. My love stems from a young life spent outdoors, seizing the opportunity to undertake my Bronze, Silver, and Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award's, as well as attending the Outward Bound Centre in Fort William for 3 weeks, and then their Ullswater centre for a further week, undertaking an outdoor leadership qualification. Now, alongside my day job as a teacher, I am a qualified DofE assessor up to Gold level, so spend my free weekends (when we're allowed) supervising groups around various places in Cornwall, Devon and all the way up in the Lake District.

Cornwall provides us with some phenomenal areas of beauty, and in 2016 I took advantage of the Summer holiday which teachers are afforded, and walked from Newquay, back to Newquay, along the South West Coast Path. Setting out from our home in Newquay, I walked with my rucksack on my back, each day covering anywhere up to 20 miles of Coast Path, whilst taking in the stunning surroundings which sit on our doorstep. The stretch from Rock to Tintagel and then Tintagel onwards to Crackington Haven is particularly dramatic, with long climbs up steep slopes and rocky outcrops to negotiate, however the views it affords soon ease the pain in the legs and sore feet and show Cornwall in its most beautiful and dramatic light. Beyond Morwenstow, Marsland Mouth is reached, marking the point at which Cornwall leads into Devon, with a small sign marking the border as you wander down a path towards the bay. From there it's a right turn (to put it simply) to follow the footpath on to Launceston, and then beyond down the Tamar Valley – another wonderful walk which is well worth a visit, particularly the section around Tavistock.

Eventually, 18 days after walking out of the front door and having negotiated the South Coast and what remained of the North, I walked back around the corner from the main road towards our home. In those 18 days I covered around 364 miles, climbed the equivalent of 2 Mt Everest's in altitude gain, broke 1 tent, assisted 2 people in various states of distress, and consumed more Fruit Pastilles than any one man should consume in such a short space of time, however I made it.

This walk was before I had become a Mason, and so the monies which I raised were for other charities, however at some point in the near(ish) future, my plan is to complete the walk once again as a training walk, before undertaking a walk from Sword Beach in Normandy, to Berlin in Germany, retracing the route which my Grandfather (who was also a Mason) took during World War Two, hopefully with the aim of raising funds for the Masonic Charitable Foundation. For now though, particularly during the Covid-19 pandemic, my boots are set to one side, biding their time until the next opportunity comes around.



Spotlight on!

St Piran's Lodge No1367

W. Bro. Paul Nicholls – Secretary

I was Initiated into St Piran's Craft Lodge in 2009 and Advanced into St Piran's Mark Lodge in 2012. The Mark was my first Progressive Order, followed by Fortitude RAM in 2016 and Royal Cornubian Chapter in 2018.

I was Worshipful Master of St Piran's Mark in 2019/2020, (my first Chair) and I should currently be in the Chair of St Piran's Craft, but Covid has put paid to that until next year.

I've worked in the construction industry since I left school. I started out as an apprentice mason, (so you could say I've been an operative mason) and I've worked with brick and stone and have built a few arches with keystones in my time. I think this may be why I feel so 'in tune' with the Mark Degree.

During my year in the Chair of St Piran's, I set myself a target of visiting every Mark Lodge in the Province. It took a lot of planning - taking work, family commitments and attendance of other Lodges/Degrees into consideration, but I did it, and even managed a visit up to England – St John Lodge No 50 in Plymouth. I made a total of 51 visits during my year in the Chair, 24 of them to Installation meetings. Last year I was hoping to get to the Installations I missed while in the Chair, but Covid put paid to that as well.

While in the Chair, my main travelling companion was W.Bro. Adrian Waters, our Almoner, although I'm sure most people will know him as the whispering Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies. Adrian acted a guide to find some of the more 'hidden' lodge buildings, for example St Ives and Looe. There's never a dull moment while you're in his company, and I thoroughly enjoyed travelling with him, picking him up from deepest darkest Zelah on countless occasions. For some strange reason, the passenger side tyres of my car wore out very quickly though...

I Installed my successor (W. Bro. John Thomas) in February last year. I don't think at the time any of us could have imagined that we wouldn't meet again in person for well over a year. The first suspension of face-to-face meetings came into force on March 17th, 2020. I remember the date well, as we were due to meet that very evening. As I'd moved from the Masters Chair to the Secretaries table, I had to ring around the few of us who were going to attend the meeting to make sure they knew of the suspension, and also to cancel the pasties!

Since then, it feels like I've sent hundreds of emails (I'm sure the members would say it feels like thousands) but have yet to actually sit at the Secretaries table during a meeting. Last year, from what would have been our May meeting, I hosted fortnightly Zoom social meetings to try and keep everyone in touch. This year I'm hosting them monthly as there are now so many other Masonic events online which Brethren can join. We have recently held a Virtual Business Meeting on what would have been our Installation date, fortunately we're used to using Zoom! I'm sure I'm not alone in saying I can't wait to get back to our meetings, and also to get back out visiting. I'm also sure at some point, I'll be heading back into deepest darkest Zelah, fresh set of passenger side tyres on my car....

W. Bro. Nigel Newberry P.Prov.G.Stwd.

I joined the craft lodge at St Piran's in my 50's and was happy to be invited to join the local Mark Lodge, my ceremony of Advancement was performed by the Provincial Grand Master and his team. I will always remember entering a packed lodge ablaze with the colour of the banner and aprons of the distinguished guests.

At the end of my second year as Master of the Lodge I tragically lost my wife to pneumonia. My daughters live up country, as we say, so I was left very alone. My Masonic friends came to my rescue, with Mike Barnes persuasion and Adrian Waters help with transport I started to attend meetings which began the rebuilding of my life.

I was lucky to meet a lady who had gone through a similar experience and we became close and later married. She had connections in Cyprus and prior to the pandemic we were living over there for up to nine months a year and in Saltash for the rest.

In Cyprus I discovered that a neighbour Spencer Greenwood was a member of Apollo Craft Lodge and Kypros Mark. I joined both lodges.

I was honoured when offered the post of Provincial Grand Steward in Cornwall but also concerned as I knew I would only be in Cornwall for a few months that year. The Provincial office confirmed that I could still take this position. I'm just sorry I could not get to visit lodges here that year. (continued over)

Spotlight on!

St Piran's Lodge No1367

W. Bro. Nigel Newberry P.Prov.G.Stwd (continued).

I did attend all the Cyprus Lodges and presented the Deputy District Grand Master Eric Williams, an expat Cornishman, with a copy of our Mark History Book.

In late 2019 to try and stimulate growth in Mark members, the Cyprus District formed a demonstration team to perform an Advancement ceremony at each of the lodges, I was pleased to accept the role of Senior Warden and in February 2020 we performed a ceremony at St Paul's Lodge in Limassol.

It has been an honour to represent St Piran's and Cornwall.

Living in Saltash I am now able to walk to my local lodge and when we resume our Masonic lives I hope to join there.

The friendships formed through masonry have added to my life and help get me through dark times, I look forward to being able to renew old friendships and hopefully making new ones.



W.Bro Robert Hawke PGStB.

According to my mother, I had an interesting start to life, being born at 1.30am on the trolley going into Kandang Kerbau Maternity Hospital in Singapore. I believe the hospital was at one time the largest dedicated Maternity Hospital in the world!

Until the age of 8, I grew up in the gilded life of the Colony of Singapore, we only left as Singapore was going to join the Federated States of Malaya and my father was informed by the Prime Minister to be, Lee Kuan Yew, who my father knew well, that he would be required to take up Citizenship, which he was not prepared to do. The timing, 1959, coincided with my elder sister needing to go to upper school and there wasn't an English speaking one in Singapore at the time. The only upper school available was the American one, which only taught USA matters. Our mother refused to send either of us to boarding school back in England so home we came. Another coincidence was that my father had been "headhunted" by an Engineering Company in England.

The reason we were in Singapore was because my father had been posted there just before the surrender. He was in the Royal Corps of Signals as a despatch rider. With usual Army efficiency, when he arrived, all the motorbikes had been sent to India and replaced by lorries. My father being the only one who had actually driven a lorry, he had to teach all the despatch riders how to drive!

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Spotlight on!

St Piran's Lodge No1367

W.Bro Robert Hawke PGStB. (continued)

After the surrender to the Japanese, like all prisoners he was put to work, as all the service records were available to the Japanese, they found out he was a Laundry Machinery Engineer and sent him to work at the Singapore Steam Laundry. The laundry was being managed by a Dane, Mr Standing, and as then Denmark had been taken into Germany, the Japanese didn't bother him. Soon however, like many of the Allied Forces there, my father was told he would be sent to the Burma Railway. Mr Standing told him that if he survived, there was a job waiting for him.

Well, my father did survive the "Death Railway" and on repatriation to Southampton, he weighed less than 6 stone. At Southampton, he was turned away from the house of my Great Aunt (husband of a Navy Regular), as she didn't recognise him. He was able to write a diary of his life in the camps, which has since been transcribed (I have a readable copy) which is now in the Imperial War Museum. The diary was kept in several pieces by fellow prisoners in case of a search by the Japanese, the possession of one was a sentence of death. After the tropics, my father took a look at grey & cold England and with encouragement from my mother, left for Singapore. As he was considered part of the reconstruction team, he was flown out there by Sunderland flying boat. The trip lasted only a few days, rather than weeks at sea. Six months later, my mother followed (by sea). The final trip home was called the "long way". Via Hong Kong, Japan where we were treated like Royalty, but none of our guides would speak English, which was not a surprise as they had obviously been told not to hold a conversation with our father!

By the time we left, my father had become a Member of Sir Stamford Raffles Lodge No.7444 EC. My Godfather was a Scottish Mason, but the least said about that the better!

I became a Freemason on the 16th of March 1981 in Phoenix Lodge of Honor and Prudence No. 331, then meeting at St Mary's House in Truro, I'm now the Senior Past Master which seems odd! I became a Member of Royal Cornubian Chapter No. 331.

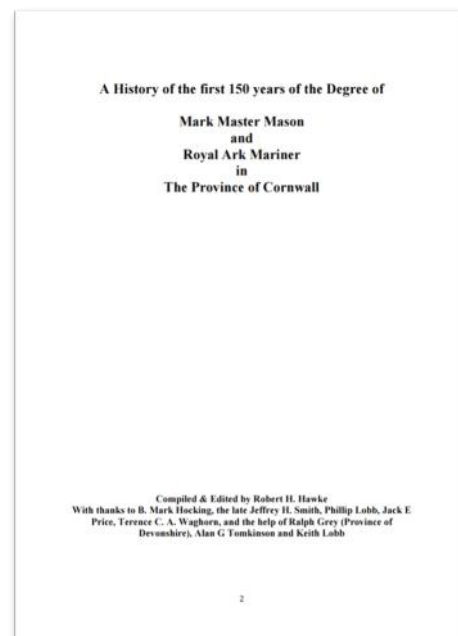
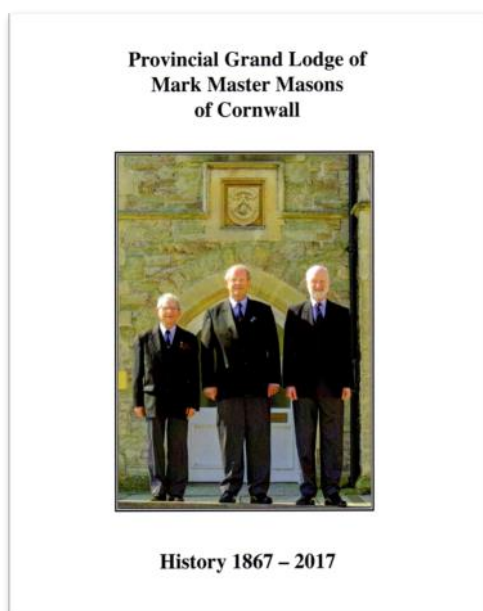
In 1984, I was the Founding Secretary of Cornish Ashlar Lodge No. 9446 the Masonic Study Lodge, now meeting at St Germans. I am now the Senior Past Master and only remaining Founder along with our Honorary Member, W. Bro. Ralph Olds.

I joined Restormel Preceptory of Knights Templar at Hayle in 1985 and later became a Founder of St John of Jerusalem No.611 in Newquay. I also was a member of Duchy Chapter No. 289 Rose Croix.

In the Mark, I became a member of Fortitude No. 78 in 1986, a joining member of St Piran's No. 1367, Fortitude Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners No. 78 in 2010. I am also in Lyver Ha Pluven Mark Lodge No. 1884 and Edwin Perry Morgan Lodge No. 1632. It took me a long time to "settle" into the Mark degree, but now it's my favourite along with Royal Ark Mariners.

I feel honoured to have edited and written the 150th History of the Mark Degree in Cornwall. It seemed a daunting task, but as I progressed it, I realised how exceptional the Degree is in Cornwall. I have made a lot of friends across the County, more so than in any other degree.

Interestingly, the only degree I have not been in the Chair of was Rose Croix, probably because my ritual skills are not that good!



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BOSCAWEN LODGE

OF MARK MASTER MASONS NO: 101

Of England and Wales and its Districts & Lodges Overseas

Date of Warrant – 18th April 1868

Centenary Warrant – 7th May 1968

SesquiCentenary Warrant – 18th May 2018

Keystone Lodge and Grand Patron Diamond Award for the
Mark Benevolent Fund

A BRIEF HISTORY OF OUR LODGE

Boscawen Lodge of Mark Master Masons (MMM) No: 101 was granted its warrant on the 18th April, 1868 and was the fifth Mark Lodge created in the Province of Cornwall.

Boscawen Lodge of MMM No: 101 held its first meeting and was Consecrated at Chacewater, Nr. Truro on the 6th May, 1868.

The Lodge being opened in due form by the Worshipful Master (Acting) Worshipful Brother T. Chirjwin (Prov.G.S.W.) called on Worshipful Brother HUGHAN the Provincial Grand Secretary, who had been deputed by the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales to read the Warrant, which having been done the Lodge formed into a Past Masters Board and Worshipful Brother Ninnis was duly installed as the first Worshipful Master of the Boscawen Lodge of Mark Master Masons No: 101.

Amazingly, membership of Boscawen Mark Lodge continued to grow even through the turmoil of both World War One & World War Two. Information taken from the Cornwall Masonic Directory 1953 - 1954 (As it was then called) shows the membership of the Lodge at Ninety-Seven members.

BOSCAWEN LODGE, No. 101, CHACEWATER AND ST. DAY.
Warranted 1868 No. of Members 97.
1st Tuesday in January, March, May, July, Sept., and Nov.
(Installation)

Past Master	When W.M.	Prov. Rank
W. Bro. W. J. T. Peters	1913	G.S.W. 1917
W. A. S. Lilly	1923	G.J.W. 1945
J. R. Eastborne	1931	G. Trow. 1941
E. I. Smith	1932	G.F.W. 1939
C. H. Baber	1933	G.J.D. 1936
A. Jago	1934	G.Sod.Br. 1937
W. H. Webster	1935	G.S.O. 1940
J. R. Macdonald	1936	G.A.D.C. 1939
E. C. Eale	1937	G.I.O. 1945
R. T. Dutton	1938	G. Asst. Sec. 1940
W. Vick	1939	G.S.O. 1940
P. E. Stephens	1940	G.S.W. 1952
A. Daint	1941	G.Sod.Br. 1944
J. E. Symons	1942	G.L.G. 1945
W. Keady	1943	G.Sod.Br. 1947
J. T. Simmons	1945	G.L.G. 1949
T. E. H. Jones	1946	G.Sod.Br. 1951
W. J. Cheyple	1947	G.Sod. 1952
W. J. Roberts	1948	
S. C. Bellingham	1949	
H. Shorland	1950	
W. J. B. Martin	1951	
E. Lawrence	1952	W.M.
Bro. L. J. Symons	1953	S.W.
W. J. Oliver	1954	T.W.
A. T. Smith	1955	M.O.
J. C. Dale	1956	S.O.
R. Hicks	1957	J.O.

W. Bro. E. L. Smith, Sec., Garth Lodge, Chacewater, Truro.

Image Left: Shows the Past Masters of the Lodge during 1953-1954 with membership sat at 97

When considering the economic effects World War Two had on the World, this was quite a remarkable size of membership. However, looking at Craft Lodges from the same time period, membership for some Craft Lodges exceeded Two hundred members, a staggering number, when compared to current Lodge memberships.

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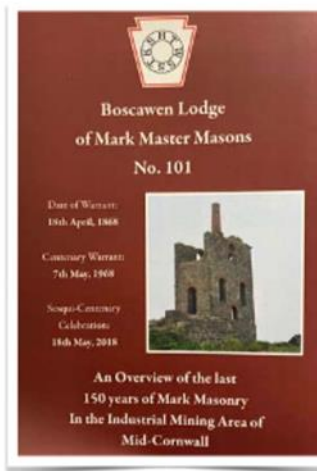
SESSQUICENTENARY YEAR 2018

During 2018 Boscawen Lodge of MMM No: 101 celebrated our 150th milestone year, with our Sesquicentenary Meeting.

Celebrations took place during our May meeting with a very large contingent of Brethren from all across Cornwall and beyond. The Lodge welcomed many distinguished Brethren and was honoured by the attendance of the Pro Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Raymond J. Smith.

The Sesquicentenary celebration was a great success for Boscawen Lodge and its members, thanks to the extensive planning and remarkable "Teamwork" involved. The Worshipful Master of the Lodge for 2017 - 2018 was Worshipful Brother Colin J Carter (P.G.J.D) and the Lodge Secretary, Worshipful Brother Alan C. Odgers (P.G.S.D). Worshipful Brother Alan completed extensive planning and worked extremely hard to produce a superb keepsake booklet of the Lodge history. This booklet and Tin Minted Mark Token certainly added to the success and enjoyment of the event.

Image right: Shows the Boscawen Lodge No: 101 Sesquicentenary Booklet created for the event



Worshipful Brother Alan is yet another Stalwart Freemason here in Cornwall, who continually helps mentor and support all Brethren, he was also the Provincial Grand Secretary for the Provincial Grand Lodge of Cornwall (Craft). In November 2018 the smooth transition to Lodge Secretary passed to myself, a very simple transition, thanks in particular, to Worshipful Brother Alan. Currently Worshipful Brother Alan is the Provincial Grand Almoner for Cornwall Mark Masons and continues to deliver a sterling service.

Copies of the Boscawen Lodge Sesquicentenary Booklet are available in a PDF version, **should any brother wish to peruse the history of our Lodge**. Please ping me an email to: boscawen101@pglccornwall.org.uk

OUR FOURTH ZOOM MEETING (2ND MARCH 2021)

Despite the arrival of the Covid-19 Virus, Boscawen Lodge has continued to remain a vibrant Lodge with an updated 'Ring around System' in place and a new WhatsApp group for the Brethren to converse. Modern Communications have proved to be very popular with the members of the Lodge and it is regularly updated with the latest information from around the Province.

Zoom Meetings were clearly the next step on the agenda for the Lodge and another new direction of communications for its members, to embrace. Once again, this has also proved a very popular new tool and has seen a steady increase in numbers, with each Zoom Meeting. Brethren who admitted they were nervous at first to join, now embrace the Zoom Meetings and enjoy chatting and catching up with their colleagues.

Tuesday the 2nd March witnessed our Fourth Zoom Meeting and what a meeting it was! Freemasons from the Craft, Mark and Holy Royal Arch were invited to attend, so as to listen and watch the renowned Stalwart Freemason, Very Worshipful Brother Tony Harvey P.G.J.O. who delivered one of his special talks on Freemasonry. The talk was called; **'The Historic links between the Craft, Mark and Holy Royal Arch'**

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MASONIC LECTURE PART 1

'THE HISTORIC LINKS BETWEEN THE CRAFT, MARK & HOLY ROYAL ARCH'

PRESENTED BY VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER TONY HARVEY P.G.J.O.



The Zoom Meeting was opened at 8.05pm by Boscawen Lodge Senior Warden and Master Elect, Brother Tom Sneddon. Tom welcomed all those Brethren who had booked and thanked each of them for their support and attendance.

This was followed by a very warm and sincere welcome from the Provincial Grand Master of Cornwall Mark Masons, Right Worshipful Brother Kevin John Hicks. The Provincial Grand Master welcomed all the visitors in attendance from across

Cornwall and individually named and welcomed each of our VIP guests in attendance from Canada and Scotland. The evening was at maximum capacity, waiting for the impending lecture by Very Worshipful Brother Tony Harvey P.G.J.O.

This meeting included a plethora of Right Worshipful Brethren, Very Worshipful Brethren, Grand Officers, Provincial Officers, Worshipful Brethren and Brethren. This also included Brethren from the Craft Degree and Companions from various Chapters from Cornwall and beyond.

The Boscawen Brethren were delighted to share their special evening with virtually every Mark Master Masons Lodge, here in Cornwall, represented.



Boscawen Lodge No: 101 - Zoom Meeting Update

Boscawen Lodge No101 Social Zoom No4

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Very Worshipful Brother Tony Harvey was welcomed & introduced to the Brethren. Tony delivered yet another thought provoking, interesting and compelling lecture on a subject he is extremely familiar with, especially when you consider he is a Grand Officer in all three degrees. The lecture presented on this occasion, was the first of two parts written by Tony and relates to the 'Historic links between the Craft, Mark & Holy Royal Arch.'

Once completed the lecture invoked a lengthy and lively question and answer session which Tony (with his immense Masonic knowledge) answered comprehensively and with ease. The Brethren were invited to post any questions they wished to ask via the Zoom Chat Room. Tony received numerous questions and all of these received appropriate answers. This included several questions asked by the Cornwall Mark Executive and the Right Worshipful Brethren from Scotland and Canada.

Following the lecture, the Zoom Meeting social agenda was completed with comments and updates from the Lodge Secretary, Treasurer, Almoner, Charity Steward and Director of Ceremonies. This was followed with a toast to Absent Brethren by the Boscawen Lodge Junior Warden, Brother Roger Blacklock.



The evening concluded with another free raffle prize draw, for those Brethren & Companions who attended. On this occasion, it was a large 1.5 Litre bottle of Bells Whisky. This was very kindly donated by Worshipful Brother Jonathon Bray (ProvAGDC). Worshipful Brother Jon won the bottle at a previous Boscawen Zoom Meeting he attended and very generously asked for it to be re-donated to the proceedings. Initially the draw was won by the Provincial Deputy Grand Secretary, Worshipful Brother Mike Pritchard (PGStwd) but Mike very generously agreed for it to be re-entered for another participant to win.

The very lucky and grateful recipient was Worshipful Graham R. L. Ball P.G.J.D. from St. Columba Lodge of MMM No: 700. Upon delivering the bottle, Worshipful Brother Graham commented; "I genuinely enjoyed Tuesday evening and can't believe I won the Whisky, I'll try a sample later."

Following the Zoom Meeting, feedback comments were requested which received an impressive response. 99% of the comments received, requested Part 2, of the Lecture. Brethren watch this space for the next Zoom Meeting hosted by Boscawen Lodge or **perhaps The Province or maybe another Mark Master Masons Lodge here in Cornwall!**



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A BRIEF HISTORY OF TONY HARVEY

Quite simply, Very Worshipful Brother Tony Harvey is the following; he is a Stalwart Freemason, Brother, Mentor, Wise Counsel, fountain of knowledge, but above all a very good friend.

Tony conceived and was the main author of the United Grand Lodge of England's (UGLE) Members' Pathway, which UGLE's Pro Grand Master has called a "game changer" and which has been described on social media as "one of the greatest innovations in Freemasonry in the last 100 years".

Tony has held a number of Masonic lectureships, including the Prestonian Lecture in 2012 with, "Scouting and Freemasonry: two parallel organisations?", which he has delivered in every Province in England & Wales, also in a number of overseas Districts and in Lodges in other jurisdictions around the world.

Tony's talks and articles combine historical analysis with an understanding of organisational development to promote a forward-thinking approach to Freemasonry, based on the evolution of our Lodge practices while retaining our fundamental meaning and purpose.



Worshipful Brother Tony Harvey is a Grand Officer in the Craft, Royal Arch and Mark Masonry and also in two other Orders within English Freemasonry.

Professionally, Tony is a coach, speaker and a consultant specialising in leadership, change and organisational development and has managed his own practice for the last twenty-five years. His published books and articles focus on his own model of personal and organisational change, the Success Cycle.

As well as holding degrees in psychology & education and in management, Tony is a Member of the Royal Historical Society and the British Psychological Society (MBPsS) and a Fellow of the Society for Education & Training (FSET), the Learning & Performance Institute (FLPI), the Institute of Leadership & Management (FLInstLM), the Chartered Institute of Personnel & Development (FCIPD), the Chartered Management Institute (FCMI) and of the Royal Society for the encouragement of Arts, manufactures and commerce (FRSA).

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

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Tony is also a Freeman of the City of London and a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Educators.

For further information please visit the following:
<https://prestonian2012.org.uk>

And Finally!!

We hope you have found something worthwhile and interesting in this edition of Marking Time.

A special thank you to all those who contributed articles and information.

So we need your support, have you got an item that would be of interest to others, your other hobby perhaps? Your work experiences? Do you do quizzes or cross-word puzzles, or Sudoku?

The ideas are endless!

Send your articles to our Provincial Secretary, whose details are at the bottom of the page!

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Provincial Virtual Business Meeting Advance Notice.

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 restrictions the 2021 Provincial Annual Meeting scheduled to have been held on Saturday 8th of May at the Atlantic Hotel has been abandoned.

A Virtual Business Meeting will take place on the 8th May Via Zoom, details of this meeting will be circulated to all members in the coming weeks and we look forward to you joining the Provincial Grand Master in giving a true Cornish Welcome to our guest of honour R.W.Bro. Stephen Davison the Assistant Grand Master.

Upcoming Zoom Meetings

Victory Lodge M.M.M. Virtual Business Meeting	Tuesday 16th March 7.00pm
Zetland Lodge M.M.M. Virtual Business Meeting	Wednesday 17th March 7.00pm
Trevaunance Lodge M.M.M. Social Zoom Meeting	Friday 19th March 7.00pm
Fortitude Lodge M.M.M. Virtual Business Meeting	Thursday 1st April 7.15pm
St Nicholas Lodge M.M.M. Virtual Business Meeting	Thursday 15th April 7.15pm
Sir Bevil Granville Lodge R.A.M. Virtual Business Meeting	Friday 16th April 7.30pm

Circulation of Newsletters

The newsletters are circulated to all members via email, and are posted on the Provincial website www.cornwallmark.com

All members, not on email will be receiving copies via Royal mail direct from the Province commencing with Edition 11, February 2021 .

Should any member not on email require a copy of one of the previous editions please contact the Provincial Secretary on 07580 363312.