

### **Association 6-bell striking competition (method ringing)**

- 1) The competition will be open to one band from one tower in each District.
- 2) The tower to represent a District shall normally be that winning their District striking competition. If no District striking competition is held, or if the winning tower is not able to compete in the Association Competition, the District may nominate a tower to represent it.
- 3) The ringers taking part shall be members of The Kent County Association of Change Ringers and ring regularly at the tower they represent.
- 4) No ringer may represent more than one tower in the competition or take part in both the change ringing and call change competitions.
- 5) The test piece shall be 240 changes of Doubles or Minor in any method.
- 6) Up to 5 minutes of trial ringing shall be allowed and the bells shall then be set before the test piece is rung. Before commencing the test piece a signal shall be given to the judges of two whole pulls on 1-2.
- 7) A maximum of 20 whole pulls of rounds may be rung in the competitive ringing before going into changes, and these rounds will not be judged. Any excess rounds at the start, the 240 and the rounds at the end will be judged.
- 8) If the test piece fires out, the band may decide to withdraw, but they may if they wish start again. In that event, the faults incurred in the first attempt will be added to any which occur in the second attempt.
- 9) Two competent ringers, preferably not resident in Kent, shall be appointed as judges, and their decision shall be final.
- 10) Any question of doubt concerning the competition shall be settled by the Chairman of the Association or his appointed deputy.

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## **Association 6-bell call change striking competition**

***NOTE: Clauses 1-4 inclusive are suspended for the 2023 Call Change Competition which will be an OPEN competition for up to 10 bands comprised of KCACR members.***

- 1) The competition will be open to one band from one tower in each District.
- 2) The tower to represent a District shall normally be that winning their district call change striking competition. If no District call change striking competition is held, if the winning tower is not able or not eligible (see rule 4 below) to compete in the District Competition, the District may nominate a tower to represent it.
- 3) The ringers taking part shall be members of The Kent County Association of Change Ringers and ring regularly at the tower they represent.
- 4) No ringer may represent more than one tower in the competition or take part in both the change ringing and call change competitions.
- 5) The test piece shall be ten minutes of rounds and call changes on six bells with at least five working bells.
- 6) A (non-ringing) steward shall be responsible for timing the test piece and for indicating to the conductor when the bells may be set.
- 7) Up to 5 minutes of trial ringing shall be allowed and the bells shall then be set before the test piece is rung. Before commencing the test piece a signal shall be given to the judges of two whole pulls on 1-2.
- 8) The entire test piece shall be judged from the pull off to the bells being set. No faults will be incurred if any of the bells are not set.
- 9) Two competent ringers, preferably not resident in Kent, shall be appointed as judges, and their decision shall be final.
- 10) Any question of doubt concerning the competition shall be settled by the Chairman of the Association or his appointed deputy.

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