

## Penultimus Doubles

Good for developing ropesight.
Useful in bands that can plain hunt but are unable to ring methods.

## May be used as a stepping stone between plain hunt and methods.

The treble hunts to 4ths place and back. That is to the penultimate place.

The other bells to hunt to 5ths place i.e. the ultimate place.

The bell that is taken from the lead by the treble rings 4 blows in 5ths place.

The treble moves through the coursing order each lead: consequently a little more ropesight is required than in plain hunt.

NB At the start the third has just been taken off the lead by the treble and therefore makes long 5ths in the first lead.

## The principle of Penultimus can also be rung as Minor or on any other number of bells.

## Churchyard Bob <br> (Flying Dutchman)



## Churchyard Bob is plain hunt with a Grandsire start.

The treble passes through the bells in the order 2-3-4-5.

This makes learning to count places very easy and could be used for a learner having difficulty acquiring this skill.

The 2nd only plain hunts.
The 3, 4 and 5 ring with Grandsire starts and then just continue to plain hunt.

It goes on for ever without coming round.
It is another way to practise plain hunt.
It adds a little variety and provides a little more of a challenge than normal plain hunt especially for those on the back three bells when few experienced ringers turn up on practice night.

It is also good for developing covering skills, as the bells come to the back in a different order to that in plain hunt.

## Slapton Slow Course

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This method can be used as a teaching method for a learner to develop the first steps in ropesight.

## Alternatively it can be used to provide a little more variety for the rest of the band when one learner is very inexperienced.

The second bell leads, rings 4 blows over a bell in seconds place, leads, makes 2 nds over the treble, leads and then rings 4 blows in seconds place over a different bell etc.

The treble plain hunts but always takes the two off the lead and is always taken off the lead by the 2 .
This means that only three bells rotate within the coursing order (as in Grandsire) reducing the amount of ropesight required by the treble to ring it compared to Plain Bob Doubles.

It provides a little more variety for the back bell ringers when few experienced ringers turn up at practice night.

## Reverse St Bartholomew's

## (Official name St Augustine Bob)



Reverse St Bartholomew's is Grandsire Doubles with a single rung at every lead (uncalled).

Ringers have to stay alert so as to put the singles in unprompted.

It helps to start to develop the skills for ringing Doubles variations.

The bob is a plain lead of Bob Doubles.

It is called at handstroke as in Grandsire Doubles.

Call 3 bobs for 120.
(The first bob cannot be called at the end of the plain course.)

## Reverse St Bartholomew's bob



## Cornwall Slow Course

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In this method the second alternately hunts to thirds place, makes thirds, hunts down to the front and makes seconds over the treble.

The treble plain hunts.
The back 3 bells ring the method.

The treble lies over the same bell at the back.
It takes the second off the lead which then in turn takes it off the lead.
This makes the ropesight for the treble very straightforward.

Useful for when few experienced ringers turn up for practice, to provide a little variety for the $3 / 4 / 5$.

Can be rung with 3 method ringers and two ringers who can hunt a little
or when a learner is just beginning to hunt to develop ropesight.


For a simple touch the conductor calls himself to make the single with the same bell twice.

## Bastow Little Bob Doubles

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|  | 12435 |
|  | 1485 |
|  | 4 5\%3 |
|  | 4)253 |
|  | 4583 |
|  | 5437 |
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|  | 5) 432 |
|  | 15342 |
|  | 13524 |
|  | 3) 24 |
|  | 3) 524 |
|  | 13254 |
|  | 12345 |

## Single



Can be rung with a very inexperienced band.

It is good practice for a ringer to gain ropesight and to practise the changes of speed between leading and making seconds.

The treble makes seconds and leads again etc.

The work is very simple for the working bells.
Dodge $3 / 4$ up, long fifths, dodge $3 / 4$ down, lead.

The plain course is very short just 16 changes.

Two singles will give 32 changes.
Call it when ringing long fifths at backstroke when the treble is in 2nds place.
Repeat when you are next ringing long fifths.

The bell leading makes 2nds and leads again.
The bell that has just dodged 3/4 down makes thirds then dodges 3/4 up immediately. The bells in 4/5 are unaffected.

## Barrow upon Humber Bob Doubles



