

Derbyshire Bob Doubles



Purpose

Derbyshire Bob is a doubles method, where the ringer of the 5 rings a pattern of places in 4-5. There are clear treble signposts and an opportunity to practise dodges and places made *wrong* which may be a new skill. The working bells ring a cats' ears pattern at the back.

Ringing Derbyshire Bob Doubles

The treble plain hunts.

The 2, 3 and 4 ring:

- Plain hunt on the front three.
- If you pass the treble in 2-3 when making thirds and back, the next work is to hunt to the back, and make cats' ears – point in 4-5, two blows in fourths, point in 4-5 and hunt back to lead.

Fifth place bell is the slow course bell, ringing a repeated pattern of dodges and places in 4-5:

- Point in fourths
- Whole pull wrong in fifths (2 blows)
- Whole pull wrong in fourths (2 blows) – under the treble
- Whole pull wrong in fifths (2 blows)
- Point in fourths
- Whole pull right in fifths 5

There are always two blows in fourth place under the treble, and two blows in fifths either side.

Jargon

Wrong dodges and places are when the first blow is made at backstroke and the second blow at handstroke. Making wrong places or dodging wrong can feel strange.