INTER-TOWER 6-BELL STRIKING COMPETITION
(For the J. P. Fidler Trophy)

The aim of this competition is to promote excellence in 6-bell striking and method ringing ability.

RULES

1. The competition is open to resident members of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers.
2. Each team shall represent one tower affiliated to the Guild of Devonshire ringers and shall consist of ringers who ring at that tower at least once a month on average.
3. Each team may include no more than two ringers who are ringing in more than one team.
4. No ringer may ring the same bell for more than one team.
5. No ringer may ring in more than two teams.
6. The Guild Secretary must be notified of entries before the advertised date and shall allocate the order of ringing.
7. Each team shall be allowed a practice that lasts for no more than five minutes. Contraventions will be penalised at the discretion of the judge(s).
8. The treble shall be sounded to indicate to the judge(s) that the test piece is about to start; all ringing after this shall be marked until the final bell has stood.
9. Each team shall ring at one attempt a test piece of 240 changes of Doubles or Minor in any recognised method(s) or principle(s); repeated plain courses are permitted other than in the principle Original.
10. In the case of a mechanical failure of the bells, the steward at the tower or else the judge(s) shall exercise reasonable discretion on how to proceed.
11. Failure to complete the test piece at one attempt shall result in disqualification from the competition.
12. The striking of each test piece shall be marked by the judge(s).
13. The trophy shall be awarded to the winning team by judge(s).
14. The decision of the judge(s) is final.