

Calling Extents of Doubles

Principles:

1 Bell hunts

Another bell is half/staggered hunt

3 remaining bells can be called extreme bells - they work slowly round the clock (up or down), producing an extent on 3.

Rules: to help calling

1) Hunt bell hunts to back or front. Each time it gets there, hunt the half hunt bell.

2a) If when hunt bell gets to 5th, half hunt is in 4th, swap bells in first & 2nd places. Continue hunting hunt bell.

2b) Or If when hunt gets to 5th, half hunt in lead, then swap bells in 3rd & 4th places.

3) Continue hunting hunt bell.

Example - Hunt bell is 1. Half hunt is 2. Extremes are 3 4 5

Row number Row

0	12345	
1	21345	
2	23145	
3	23415	
4	23451	hunt bell in 5 th , half hunt in lead so swap 3 rd and 4 th places
5	23541	hunt the hunt bell (treble)
6	23514	
7	23154	
8	21354	
9	12354	see staggered hunt bell now starts to hunt every 5 th call
10	13254	
	continue hunting the hunt bell (treble)
19	32541	
20	35241	
	
24	13524	
25	13542	
	
29	35421	hunt bell in 5th place, half hunt in 4th place
30	53421	so swap 1st and 2nd place bells
	continue hunting the hunt bell (treble)
	etc	

Note, when the treble moves to the back, then check if half hunt bell is in 4th place or lead, if so then swap extreme bells, if not then continue hunting the half hunt bell.

The tricky bit can be remembering which way the half hunt bell is going. This can be worked out by the positions of the extreme bells....

In this example the extreme bells are moving 'round the clock' downwards. ie 345 > 354 > 534 > 543 etc so if the extreme bell you are moving is between the other extreme bells, the half hunt bell must be going up & when it gets to 4th place and the treble comes to the back, swap the extreme bells in 1st and 2nd place (as per rule 2a). (You could also use your feet to indicate which way the half hunt bell is moving - Right foot forward for going in, Left for going out.)

In the table below

The >(up) or <(down) indicates the direction of movement of the hunt and half hunt bell initially.

If either is treble or 5th there is no option.

() indicates take care, extreme bell call before half hunt starts)

Sometimes the hunt bell moves at the first call, sometimes the half hunt bell.

This is to be sure the extreme bell calls are when the treble gets to the back rather than the lead.

Call Change Doubles 120s' names (grouped by Hunt Bell)

Treble is hunt bell	Other number is that of half hunt bell	
1> (5)<	Reverse Peal No 1 Doubles (ie first call treble to the back, then call extreme bell change, treble to front then 5 moves down)	
5< 1>	Peal No 1 (ie 4 to 5 is first call then hunt the treble.)	
1> (2)>	Ron's	
2> 1>	Betjeman's	
3< 1>	Joyous	
1> 3>	Baptism	
4> 1>	I'll be back	4th is hunt bell
		4> 2> Retirement
2nd is hunt bell		4< 1> Yewcroft 4th hunt
2< 3<	First & Last	4< 2< Swing Low
2> 3>	Open Day	4< 3> June
2> 4<	Hymns of Praise	4> 5< Roll up
2< 4>	Epiphany	
2> 5()<	Whyatt	5th is hunt bell
3rd is hunt bell		2> 5< Advent
1> 3>	All In white	5< 2< Wedding
3< 1>	St Dominick's 3rd hunt	5< 3> St Indract
3> 2>	Darce	3< 5< Reverse St Indract
3< 4>	Rosedale 3rd hunt	5< 4< Eve
3> (5)<	Chimehammer	
		(5)< 4< St Leonards
		start by swapping 1 to 2, then hunt 5, 4 is half hunt.

More possibilities:

Of course, you can change the extreme bells when the treble is leading instead of at the back. (Modify rules 2a & 2b.)

3> (1)> HRH Instead of moving the Extreme bells when the hunt bell (3) is in 5ths,
this start relies on calling extreme bells when the hunt bell is leading.

5< (1)> 5th hunt another example, 5th goes to the front and the extreme bells are called.

Yet more possibilities:

You will see the extreme bells are called round the clock either up or down depending on which way the half hunt bell initially moves. You can also call the extreme bells the other way round the clock as long as you remain consistent throughout the extent.

(This could also be done by modifying rules 2a and 2b.)

As is always best practice, write it out first so you know what to expect.

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