

Upton by Birkenhead Minimus

Purpose

Upton by Birkenhead Minimus introduces *treble bob hunting* for the treble.

The other three bells ring a backwork which has similarities to *Cambridge Surprise Minor*, and a frontwork which is similar to *Ipswich Surprise Minor*.

There are clear treble signposts.

The method is false (rows are repeated).

Ringing Upton by Birkenhead Minimus

The treble *treble bobs* – dodging in 1-2 and 3-4 on the way up and down.

The backwork consists of a triple dodge, lie, dodge (with the treble), thirds place (under the treble), another dodge (with the treble), lie, and finishes with a triple dodge.

The frontwork consists of a lead, a dodge, then two sets of places before dodging with the treble, making two blows in seconds place (over the treble), dodging with the treble again. It then begins the work of second place bell, by making two sets of places, dodges again, leads and hunts out.

On completion of the frontwork or backword, hunt to the back or front, passing the treble in 2-3.

Jargon

Treble bobbing, sometimes known as *treble bob hunting* describes the path of a bell that dodges once in every position, up and down.

Cambridge Surprise Minor and *Ipswich Surprise Minor* are methods rung on six bells which include elements of this method. The work on the front is similar to Ipswich, and the work at the back is similar to Cambridge.