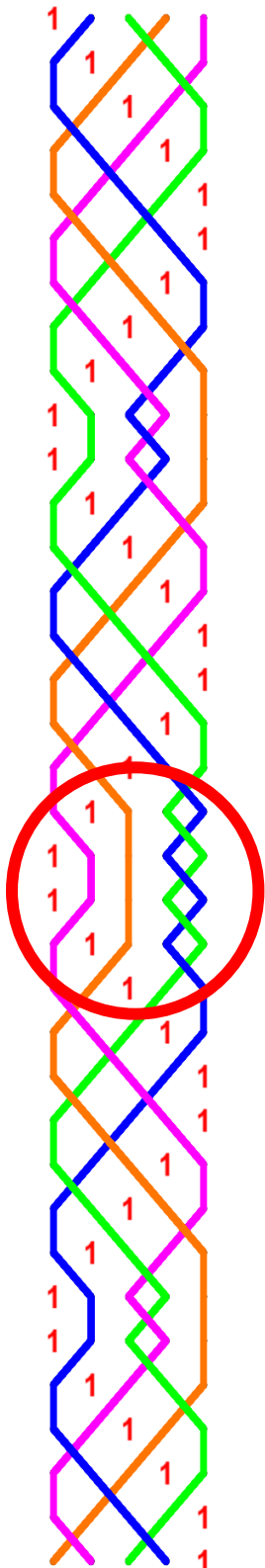


# April Day Doubles



## Purpose

April Day is a doubles variation.

It is Plain Bob Doubles, rung with Grandsire singles instead of bobs. It provides variety on a practice night and is an opportunity for ringers who are familiar with Plain Bob Doubles to learn Grandsire singles.

Ringling a variation helps to reinforce treble signposts. After the call, ringers pick up their next piece of Plain Bob Doubles work by noting where they pass the treble.

## Ringling April Day

The treble plain hunts.

The working bells ring Plain Bob Doubles.

At a single (circled on the diagram):

- The bell which was about to make seconds is unaffected.
- The bell which was about to dodge 3-4 up makes long thirds (four blows) and returns to the lead.
- The bell which was about to make long fifths double dodges 4-5 up.
- The bell which was about to dodge 3-4 down doubles dodges 4-5 down.
- At the following lead, the treble passing positions will indicate which piece of Plain Bob Doubles work each bell should do next.

## Tips

The second bell can never be called unaffected in April Day, so only three different extents are possible.

Calls are made at the handstroke (as in Grandsire Doubles) so that there is time for the affected bells to start their work.

## Jargon

A *variation* is when a base method is rung, but the native (usual) calls are replaced with something different, usually a call from another method.