Bath and Wells Pathways



Not sure what to ring next? Looking to introduce variety into what you ring? Looking for a challenge? Looking to know how to progress successfully from what you are ringing now? Try a Bath and Wells Pathway.

The Bath and Wells Pathways have been written for you.

If you have just learnt to ring a bell on your own, the orange pathway is for you. It will take you through ringing quickly and slowly, ringing rounds, making places and dodging, ringing call changes, leading, and beginning to raise and lower your bell.

If you are just about to begin plain hunting – the green pathway is the one for you. It will take you through ringing plain hunt on 5 on several different bells, knowing the place that you are in when ringing call changes, counting places when plain hunting, covering to plain hunt on 5, ropesight, ringing the treble to doubles methods, and ringing a bell up and down on your own.

If you are just about to begin ringing Plain Bob Doubles – the purple pathway is for you. It will take you through learning the four pieces of work that make up Plain Bob Doubles – making 2nds, long 5ths, dodging 34 down and 34 up. Then ringing the Plain Course; ringing as the Observation Bell; and ringing the Plain Course and as the Observation Bell on another bell. Learning to run in, run out and make the bob and then ring a touch including all of these follows. Learning to begin calling call changes and ringing a bell up and down in peal are included as well as learning a second method – Reverse Canterbury. Here you will learn to make places in 4ths and 3rds on the way down and 3rds and 4ths on the way up. Then ring the Plain Course, ring as the Observation Bell, learn to run in, run out and make the bob, ring a touch including all of these, and then ring the method on another bell.

It is intended that you follow the steps in order as they are progressive and should help you to be successful. However, if you are working on a task which is really stand-alone, such as raising or lowering, or on a really difficult task, it is fine to continue working on the tasks following this one while you complete this stand-alone or difficult task. It is also fine to be working on two or more tasks at the same time, particularly on the orange pathway. Work at your own speed. Your aim should



be to be able to ring each task really well, as this will enable you to be successful more quickly with the following tasks.