## MAIDSTONE DISTRICT STRIKING COMPETITION East Sutton – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2016

## **Judge's Comments**

## **Call Changes**

Team 1 (Marden 89.5% - Placed 2nd)

Generally good ringing, though some untidy changes and the striking was a little rushed follwing the treble.

Team 2 (Wrotham: 88.2% - Placed 4th)

Had a tendency to "cartwheel". there were some uneven changes. A good spell of ringing later in the piece, though finished with some more unevenness.

Team 3 (Staplehurst: 88.9% - Placed 3rd)

Generally the back strokes were a bit slow when following the treble, probably because they were unfamiliar bells. Some uneven changes, but some good ringing in parts.

Team 4 (The Suttons: 93.4% - Placed 1st)

Some nice ringing in whole pull hunting. A few trips and blemishes, but overall a nice performance.

Team 5 (Lenham 'A': 58.3% - Placed 6th)

Tried hard and kept going to the end despite some heavy crashes. The front bells had a tendency to run away from the back ones, which made striking very difficult. A valiant effort.

Team 6 (Lenham '1': 81.7% - Placed 5th)

The backstrokes were a bit quick when following the treble, which made the striking uneven. But some nice ringing in places. A good effort.

## **Method**

Team 1 (Staplehurst: 88.3% - Placed 1st)

No trips or clashes, just a few striking errors. Some good ringing which was nice to listen to.

Team 2 (Wrotham: 57.2% - Placed 3rd)

Had a sticky patch in the middle which had quite a few clashes. But finished stronger with some nice ringing.

Team 3 (Marden: 69.2% - Placed 2nd)

Some uneven striking throughout with a few clashes. But finished well which made a good impression.

Below are some pictures of the successful bands



The Suttons – Call Change Winners 2016



Staplehurst – Method Competition Winners 2016



James Davies receiving the trophy on behalf of Lenham for the band with the most ringers competing in a striking competition for the first time



The Lenham bands