

# Gipson Trophy 2018

This friendly striking competition started in 1994 with 18 teams from the Cambridge District entering over the years. The competition is designed to foster better links between bands, provide opportunity for ringers to visit other towers and enhance their practice nights with the potential for more advanced methods. It has also benefitted other ringers who act as judges, a role they may not have experienced before. One long-term benefit for the District is the increased awareness of good striking, culminating in the challenge for teams to ring to their full potential. **Due to pressure on everyone's time it is recognised that many towers are finding it increasingly difficult to raise a band for matches, especially the away venues. It is therefore hoped more towers will enter as combined teams. This has worked well in the last few years for Fen Ditton, Cherry Hinton, Chesterton and Great Wilbraham. The advantage of entering a tower team is that everyone is used to ringing with each other but combined teams can help with numbers on away fixtures.**

Participating teams have one home and one away match against each of the other teams between March and December. Scoring is based on 2 points for a 'win', and 1 point for a 'draw'.

## Arrangements

The host tower will be responsible for arranging the judge(s), whose decision will be final, however comments made after the competition should be constructive and encouraging. In the event of faults awarded by the judge(s) be within 10% of each other, or if the judge(s) deem the standard to be very similar then a draw can be given. Judge(s) should always bear in mind the friendly nature of this competition.

## Entry

**Please encourage your ringers to enter.** Please email or fill in the form below and return to Ann, address below, by 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018.

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We would like to enter a team for the Gipson Trophy 2018

Tower(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name, email and telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Practice night(s): Day(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Time(s) Start \_\_\_\_\_ End \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) and contact details of those willing to be approached as judges

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Please return by Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018 to: [jannsmith\\_2@hotmail.com](mailto:jannsmith_2@hotmail.com) or  
by post to: J Ann Smith, 16 Red Hill Close, Great Shelford, CB22 5JP (do not use this postal  
address after 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018)