## **INTER-BRANCH STRIKING COMPETITION RULES** ("Pitman Trophy")

- 1. The teams which finish first and second in each Branch competition will represent that Branch. Should one band not be available, it will be in order for the Branch concerned to enter a replacement band.
- 2. All members of each band taking part must be Ringing or Life Members of the Association.
- 3. All bands competing must have a representative present when the draw to determine the order of ringing is made at the scheduled starting time.
- 4. Up to, but not exceeding, three minutes practice will be allowed prior to the actual test piece. When the band is ready to commence the test piece, the ringer of the treble will ring one whole pull to inform the judge(s) that the band is ready to commence the test piece.
- 5. The test piece for both the call change and method sections will be decided by the Association Master, taking into consideration the capabilities of the bands. The bands concerned will be notified of the test piece chosen at least two weeks before the competition.
- 6. The test piece for the method section will be preceded by and followed by not less than ten whole pulls in rounds, all of which will be judged.
- 7. It is the responsibility of the Association Master to select a judge or judges.