

April 2016 Company News

Subscriptions.

Parents are reminded that Subs are due for every week we meet so that we can meet our financial commitments. Weekly subs enable us to pay our fees to National Headquarters which then means that our leaders, and more importantly, your Children, are insured for the activities they undertake at Brigade. It covers everything that we do, on Company nights, parades, at camps and at sports events. If your subs are not up to date you risk not being insured as insurers will request proof that members are current and paid up from our registers. Our subs have not increased since 2004.

Subs, and the Bonus Ball club, then allow us to run Brigade, concentrating on the activities we do rather than constantly be looking to fund raise. It also allows us to undertake and provide equipment for activities, like the Duke of Edinburgh's Award in the Seniors, and band, without charging.

125th Anniversary Medal - Design a Badge and Medal

With the Church Lads' and Church Girls' Brigade 125th anniversary on our doorstep, we would like our members and leaders to take part in the design of a badge (members) or medal (leaders) to commemorate this occasion. The winning design will be produced and distributed to all members and leaders registered on BMS. Lets celebrate and honour this 125 years of community work and engagement. Entries should be posted or e-mailed to National Headquarters before the closing date on 30th June 2016.

Band Notes!

National Band in Concert

The National Band of the CL&CGB will be giving their annual Concert at Crompton House School in Shaw on Saturday 30th April at 7:30pm. Tickets are £5 and can be reserved through John Corbishley.



National Music Competition

Our band and members will once again be entering the National Band Competition at Hinckley near Leicester on Saturday 14th May 2016. We will be running a coach and there will be seats available for anyone who want to come and watch. The coach will depart early on Saturday morning to allow us time to prepare the band members when we get there. Seats on the coach for adults, not in the band will be £5 each. As well as the full band entering the Open Age section we have members in the Solo and Ensemble Competitions as well. It's a great day out and your support will be welcome.

Whit Sunday

The following day is Whit Sunday when we will lead the Church around the parish. There quite a few of our members who are in the middle of exams who cannot attend both days, so we need everyone who is available to be on parade on Whit Sunday.

Longridge Carnival and Field Day.

With so many members unavailable we will not be able to take the band to Longridge. I know how much we enjoy the day but for this year we cannot commit to it.

Bonus Ball Club update.

Winners of our £20 weekly draw since the last Newsletter: 14-Nov-15 11 Emma Mitchell 14-Nov-15 11 Jean Chadwick 21-Nov-15 18 Susan Corbishley 21-Nov-15 18 Johnnie Hartley 28-Nov-15 18 Susan Corbishley 28-Nov-15 18 Johnnie Hartley 05-Dec-15 23 Brenda Knight 05-Dec-15 23 Daniel Corbishlev 12-Dec-15 23 Brenda Knight 12-Dec-15 23 Daniel Corbishley 19-Dec-15 42 Carole Colebrook 26-Dec-15 20 Denise Chapman 26-Dec-15 20 R Bramah 02-Jan-16 52 Phil McLean 09-Jan-16 48 Joanne Lewis Rvan 16-Jan-16 38 Sandra Prestidge 23-Jan-16 24 Ernie Holt 23-Jan-16 24 Mark Ford 30-Jan-16 42 Carole Colebrook 06-Feb-16 50 No Winner 13-Feb-16 36 Sharon Morrow 20-Feb-16 42 Carole Colebrook 27-Feb-16 55 No Winner 05-Mar-16 47 Margaret Holme 12-Mar-16 1 Perry Gunn 19-Mar-16 22 Denise Fitton 26-Mar-16 28 No Winner

Our VERY LUCKY bonus draw winners were:

At Christmas on Wednesday 23-Dec-15 **No. 32 Richard Walker and Helen Firth** (was Corbishley) and At Easter on Wednesday 23-Mar-16

No. 43 Richard Walker <u>New Members in Brigade</u> Over the past few months we have welcomed the following new members. We hope you all enjoy your time with the Brigade.

Martins : Archie Robertson, Alfie McMutrie, Olivia Mayers, and Oliver Pratt. Yteam : Chloe Stott and Anneliese

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<u>D of E Award Expedition</u> <u>practices.</u>

We are planning an Expedition Practice in the Summer Half term. It is open to all members and will take place from Tuesday 31^{st} May to Thursday 2^{nd} June. We will decide on the location when we know who is attending. We are hoping to accommodate Bronze Silver and Gold expeditions.

THANK YOU ALL, for your support!

In addition, our next Bonus Ball £100 draw will be on Wednesday 13th July 2016, the Wednesday before we break up for summer.

If you want to help support Brigade, financially, join our Bonus Ball club for £1 per number per week. We do have some spare numbers. See John or Sue for an application form.

Dates for your diaries

April

- 6th Back to Brigade
- 8th to 10th National Band Weekend
- 10th Parade Sunday
- 19th Regimental Commanders Meeting
- 23rd Midlands Skills Training Day
- 24th Martins Team Games (Prov)
- 30th to 2nd May National Band Concert Weekend

May

- 6th Regimental Yteam Games (Prov)
- 7th Brigade AGM.
- 8th Parade Sunday
- 14th National Band Competition
- 15th Whit Sunday
- 27th Brigade Closes for Half term
- 31st 2nd June DofE Expedition practices.

June

- 4th Regimental Football and Netball (Prov)
- 7th Regimental Commanders Meeting
- 8th Back to Brigade
- 11th Heyside Sports.
- 12th Parade Sunday & Patrons Lunch
- 18th National Football and Netball at Matthew Moss
- 19th Battalion Parade Possibly
- $20^{th} 26^{th}$ Brigade Week