



Newsletter

April

2013

Whit Sunday

Youth Sunday will now be on Whit Sunday - 19th May. Meet in Church at 9:50 in uniform, we will hold our Whit parade after the Service. There will be a Sunday School as usual on the 12th.

Regimental Parade.

Sunday 12th May, all members will be parading to St Ann's Church, in St Ann's Square Manchester while the Cathedral is out of commission. Meet in Fennel Street as usual at 1:45pm, the Parade leaves at 2pm and we should be back at Fennel St by 3:45pm. All sections are invited to parade. Martins are very welcome, measures are in place for their security and safety.

Regimental 5-a-side Football and Netball.

Saturday 27th April 1:30pm at Matthew Moss school.

This year we will not be holding a Battalion Football competition. In recent years there has not been enough entries to warrant the cost of booking a venue so we are inviting all those who wish to play to meet at Matthew Moss school where we will select teams on the day. Everyone will get a game. Bring trainers, kit and Shin-pads. Meet at Matthew Moss School, Rochdale at 1:30pm BUT you must let your leader know by Wednesday 24th April that you are going so we can get the teams sorted for the start of the event.

The football competition is also for girls who are also invited to take part in the Netball competition which is running at the same venue.

Disney on Ice.

Holy Trinity Shaw are running their annual trip to see "Disney on Ice" at the MEN Arena on Friday 18th October. It is called

"Dare to Dream - featuring favourite Disney Princesses.

They have booked tickets for the show and will get advance tickets for the Trams to get there and back. The show starts at 7pm and ends about 9:15pm. If you want to go, the cost is £20 each which includes tram fare. Let Sue or John know, and pay your £20 asap.

Thank you.

Bonus Ball Club update.

Winners of our £20 weekly draw since the last Newsletter:

16-Mar-13	19	Simon Colebrook
23-Mar-13	31	Clare Kelly
30-Mar-13	33	Margaret Holme
06-Apr-13	36	Sharon Morrow
13-Apr-13	6	Dawn Sefton
13-Apr-13	6	Ruth Hicklin

*The £100 Easter Prize
was drawn on Wednesday
27th March 2013.*

*The winner was
Michael Halley
with number 2.*

THANK YOU, for your support!

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.

Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Practice Expedition

Our Practice expedition over the Easter holidays was affected by the very cold weather. With night time temperatures being well below freezing we decided to "camp" overnight in the Church Hall. Well done to all parents for keeping it secret from the campers. It wasn't quite the same but I think they enjoyed themselves. (They haven't stopped talking about it yet!).

Qualifying Expeditions.

Dates need to be fixed when everyone is available.

Teddy Bears picnic and treasure hunt.

For all Martins and Yteam - join the fun at **Park Bridge Country Park**, off Ashton Road near Smokies. Sunday 28th April.
Meet at 2pm.

Band Notes.

Band Practice dates:

Friday 19th April, 26th April & 3rd May Normal Band Practices

Sunday 5th May 12 - 4pm after return from National Band

Please bring your lunch so we can start right after Church.

Friday 10th May & 17th May

Normal Band Practices

Saturday 18th - National Band Competition.

at Hinckley, Leicester.

We want to run a coach to the competition again but we will need to fill the coach to make it worthwhile. We have been asked to play at the Longridge Field Day see below. We will be paid and this will offset the cost of the coach. We will be charging £5 per seat on the coach.

8th June - Longridge Field Day - Carnival and display.

The band are playing in the carnival and then giving a Display on the field - The local Brigade have said we can get changed in their Church Hall and they will provide us with lunch.

7th July - Hollinwood Carnival for St Margaret's.

Meet at Church for start of service, we will go down to St Margarets for 11am start.

Don't forget,

Regimental Parade on Sunday 12th May & Whit Sunday 19th May.

The Band celebrated Comic Relief by holding their Friday night Band Practice in FANCY Dress. Everyone paid £1 or £5 if not in fancy dress. They raised £40 for Red Nose Day

Thanks from Brigade Council to Lorraine Brookes, Rebecca Rees and Olivia Walker for serving refreshments and lunch when they had their meeting at St Marks on March 16th.

St Marks were represented by Alastair and Thomas Kelly at the

Martins Team Games at St Peter's Church, Ashton.

They enjoyed the games and their team came 3rd.

Scottish Outdoor Activity week.

Booking forms are available for our annual Regimental Camp in Scotland. See John for brochures and Booking forms.
£300 all inclusive or £290 if you're under 15)

Dates for your diaries

April

- 23rd Regimental Camp Meeting at St James Gorton at 7:30pm.
- 27th Regimental Football and Netball at Matthew Moss 2pm
- 28th Teddy Bears Picnic at Park Bridge Country Park - 2pm.

May

- 4th & 5th National Band Weekend
- 5th Band Practice afternoon 12 - 4pm
- 8th & 10th Uniform Nights**
- 11th Core Skills Course part 2 at Boothstown.
- 12th NO - Parade Sunday moved to Whit Sunday
- 12th Regimental Parade at St Ann's Manchester meet 1:45pm
- 17th Regimental Team Games at St James East Crompton
- 18th National Band Competition at Hinckley, Leicester
- 19th Parade Sunday and Whit Parade
- 24th Brigade closes for Half Term
- 28th Regimental Camp Meeting at St James Gorton at 7:30pm.

June

- 1st & 2nd National Band Weekend
- 1st National Band Concert at York
- 5th Return to Brigade
- 5th & 7th Uniform Nights**
- 8th National Football and Netball at Matthew Moss 12 - 4pm
- 8th Band playing at Longridge Field Day
- 9th Parade Sunday**
- 9th Martins Fun Day at Stalyhill Junior School
- 11th Regimental Commanders meeting

Future Dates

- 24th to 28th June Brigade week - Details to follow.
- 30th June Battalion Parade at Holy Trinity Shaw**
- July 27th - August 3rd
Outdoor Activity week in Scotland.
- Commanding Officer : Susan Corbishley (0161 633 2266)