



October 2023 Brigade News

Back on Parade!

Moral of the story - "Be careful what you wish for!"

In September we embarked on our first Parade for 3 years. Supported by parents and leaders, our small number set off to show our presence to our neighbours in Heyside. One of the parents (Alison) thought we should have some placards to show who we were.

By the time we paraded in October Steph had made some for the parents to advertise who we were to the watching public.

Thanks to our small number of band members for leading us, I know it's a struggle at the moment but it will get easier and better.

Our November Parade is **Remembrance Sunday**, 12th November 2023. Please try to be on parade to remember all the thousands of Brigade members who died in past wars and those who earned 22 VC's. See the band notes for other Remembrance events you may wish to join us at.

**We have room to take new members in all sections.
Anyone from Reception class upwards can join us.
Tell your friends about Brigade.**



Bonus Ball Club update.

Winners of our £20 weekly draw.

19-Aug-23 8 Perry Gunn
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26-Aug-23 43 Richard Walker
02-Sep-23 16 Tammy Robertson
09-Sep-23 56 No Winner
16-Sep-23 50 No Winner
23-Sep-23 13 Richard Gregg
23-Sep-23 13 Peter Corbishley
30-Sep-23 52 No Winner
07-Oct-23 26 Lindsay Maclure
14-Oct-23 48 No Winner
21-Oct-23 6 Robbie O'Brien
21-Oct-23 6 Michael Sefton

We have quite a few spare numbers if anyone wants to join.

**The Christmas £100 winner
will be drawn on
Wednesday 20th December 2023.**



A RACE NIGHT.

Join in the fun of a Family Race night. Races for all ages. Own your own horse or just ride in the St Ledger.

The horses are in training, are you ready to face the challenge?

Saturday 2nd December 2023

Starts at 7pm with the

1st Race at 7:30pm.

Free to enter, 50p stake.

Bring your own drinks.

Regimental Jamboree.

Sadly, our planned Jamboree in September was cancelled at the last minute because so few members were confirmed to be attending. We had 3 leaders and 1 member due to attend amongst the total of just over 20. In future if we do have events planned it would be good to support them better and let us know that you are going so we can feedback accurate information to organisers.

Heyside Pre-schools Scarecrow Trail.

Brigade and Sunday school have supported the scarecrow trail with our Hansel and Gretel Scarecrows out side Church. With Church & Mums & Toddlers we helped to raise £40 for Pre--school.



Band

Band dates for your diaries

Band members, please note these arrangements.

4th November 2023

Our band members are joining with others from the Manchester Regiment to entertain visitors to the **National Memorial Arboretum for the CL&CGB's Service of Remembrance**. We have a Free coach going from Hey-side at 10am and it is free for all members. It is hoped that as many members as possible will join us for the service.

We will be playing in uniform and we can get changed there or travel in uniform. Remember all your uniform parts and your instruments and music. If there is room left on the coach then spectators are welcome to join us.

10th November 2023

Again we will be joined by others from the Manchester Regiment to play at the **Festival of Remembrance at the Queen Elizabeth Hall in Oldham**. The event is very high profile and a great evening. Tickets are available at £5 per person and John will collect them for anyone wishing to go. Band members can stay for all the evening or head home after we have played usually by 8:30pm.

12th November 2023

Our own **Act of Remembrance at Church** will follow our Parade Service in Church. The band will be playing in Church then for the outdoor service around the memorial. We will lead the singing, play the last post and reveille.

10th December 2023

The combined band from Manchester Regiment will be joining us to play at our Carol Service in Church at 6:00pm. This will be our own St Mark's Carol Service which this year has invited the Brigade from all over Manchester to join us. We will start practicing for this after all the Remembrance events!

Dates for your Diaries

November

- 1st **Brigade re-opens after Half Term.**
- 4th CL&CGB National Remembrance Service at the National Memorial Arboretum. Coach leaves at 10am
- 10th Festival of Remembrance at the Queen Elizabeth Hall in Oldham - Tickets are £5. (Band are free)
- 12th **Remembrance Sunday**
Company Parade Service in Church at 09:30am.
Act of Remembrance at 10:45am

December

- 1st – 3rd National Band Weekend at Raywell Park
- 2nd **Race Night** - A fun Social evening for all the family.
- 6th **St Nicholas Service.** 7pm in the Lower hall.
Bring gifts of Chocolates, Biscuits, Hats, Gloves or Socks etc. for St Nicholas to take to the homeless.
- 10th **Christmas Carol Service at St Mark's** at 6pm
This is for Church and the Manchester Regiment.
- 15th **Brigade Closes for Christmas.**
- 20th Christmas Bonus Ball £100 draw
Carol Singing round the Parish to raise funds for Martin House. Meet at 7pm. Finish by 9pm.

January 2024

- 3rd **Back to Brigade.**
- 14th **Company Parade Service in Church.**

Late news: Our Sponsored Guide dog, Comet, has been living with and assisting James for the last 6 months. We have a new puppy called Sage. Her picture is on the notice board.

New Members to Brigade

We would like to welcome our new members to Brigade:

In Martins – **Jaxon O'Neill** & in the Yteam - **Elaina Astley.**

Also, **Alija Sarac-Ashworth** has joined us as a helper with the Martins.

Welcome back, **Ernie Holt** to the Yteam and Seniors.

We hope you all enjoy your time in Brigade.

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