

# Roundup



NEWSLETTER OF THE MANCHESTER REGIMENT OF THE CHURCH LADS' AND CHURCH GIRLS' BRIGADE

## Regimental Parade

Sunday, October 28, 2018 at St Ann's Church

We gather as a Regiment for our main event of the year, we will be meeting in Manchester on Sunday, October 28th to Parade from Manchester Cathedral to St Ann's Church. Parade Orders went out in September to CO's and Correspondents so every Company should know about the Parade. We meet at 1:45 in Cathedral Gardens and the parade will set off at 2pm prompt. Our guest this year will be the Bishop of Middleton, the Rt Reverend Mark Davies. Many of you will have been Confirmed by Bishop Mark so please come and give him your support now.



Peter Davies said: "I love Regimental Parade, seeing all my friends from other companies is brilliant!" The same goes for me, and if you went to Regimental Camp it's a chance for you to catch up with friends you made there too. It also confirms what I said in my notices last year, we are a family, the Brigade family and we need to meet, join together and build on our individual skills, together. We are so fortunate to be able to parade with three bands. The only down side of that is, if we don't get the numbers to fill the parade the band end up overlapping each other with sound. Not everyone in Brigade is so fortunate. Over on the Wirral, St Andrew's Bebbington Company celebrated the fact that they have been in existence, continuously, for 125 years. That means that they opened their doors within two years of our organisation coming to being. They haven't got a band and couldn't find one to parade with on that day last weekend. So, please realise how fortunate we are and join us on Parade on the 28th October.

For many younger members they will not have experienced anything like that before, please encourage them to come down and join us.

We have some fantastic support from some very influential guests who we managed to impress last year and said some wonderful things about you, our members and leaders. This year let's make our Regimental Parade something special and show Bishop Mark what a fantastic organisation we are!

See you in Manchester on October 28th!

## Band Notes

Congratulations to Christchurch Ashton-under-Lyne. On Saturday, October 6 they won the BYBA Contest class Championship. There have been many reports and video's of their performances over recent weeks and they are a testimony to the time and dedication of them all and especially their leaders, parents and supporters. In the end the result was decided by fractions of a point but they are now promoted to the Championship Section of BYBA next year. Well done to you all and good luck next year. Keep flying the flag for the CL&CGB.

Congratulations also to St Mark's

Heyside who once again entered the CL&CGB National Music and Drill Competition in September. After a difficult period over the summer holidays, trying to get the band together, it all gelled on the Friday before the competition and, as they say, it was alright on the night! They were graded Silver in all sections of the competition, winning the best Silver Drill and Deportment, Display and General Musical Effect. They also came third overall in the inspection and the Drum section came second. Overall in the Silver section the Band came second a very satisfying result, well done.

## Colonel's Comment

Since our Last Roundup, things have moved on within the Brigade's national structure. In order to provide a workable, achievable budget, Brigade Council, took the difficult decision to make the Chief Executive Officer's position redundant. That has meant that Audrey Simm has left the organisation. The Staff and Finance Committee that oversees the Brigade have taken responsibility for some of Audrey's roles with other Brigade Council members also helping out. The resultant cost savings will not be felt in this financial year so Brigade Council have retained the increase in Capitation fees for this year but the subsequent increases in 2019 and 2020 will be reviewed next year.

Regarding my position as Commanding Officer, I am remaining in the short term, while there is so much uncertainty at National level but I have recruited Stephen Whitelegg as my Regimental Adjutant to gain experience with Regimental Staff. Stephen has taken on the organisation of the Regimental Parade and will be expanding his duties as time permits. I am grateful that Stephen is willing to get involved in this way and hope that he will be able to step up to CO in due course. In a similar vein, we need other young leaders to step up to fill the other roles needed at Battalion and Regimental level. Ask yourself if that is something you would be willing to undertake.

The Brigade's National Band is open to all musicians from the Brigade, they rehearse at Raywell Park at Beverly now which is much more accessible to us in Manchester.

They currently number about 60 musicians and among their programme for this year they will be hosting a concert and are planning a short tour. Have you considered joining them? It is a fantastic experience for our young people.

For more information speak to, or contact Lindsay from St Mark's who is the Bands Adjutant now, on [linzmac@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:linzmac@hotmail.co.uk)



# Manchester Regimental Camp 2018

What a week! I think the consensus will be, upon reflection, that this year's camp was one of the best in recent years. Despite worries about funding and drawing back on some of the outsourced activities all levels on camp seemed to enjoy the whole experience. From the younger, first timers, to the oldest leaders, everyone got on great and I for one loved every minute of it.

From a Commanding Officer's viewpoint, the staff, and sometimes it looks like we have a lot of staff, were magnificent, hardly stopping to draw breath from one day to the next. It was a team effort, and as we made known to the members, it all starts again now for next year. There is a small group who provide the driving force and a larger group who support them and share the load on camp but when you experience the imagination and initiative that goes into some of the activities, year after year they are an incredible group. I am proud of what they all deliver in Scotland and if you or your members want to have a week of Fun, Faith and Fellowship then make your plans to join them on camp next year.

In real terms, when you compare the week of 24/7 activities and care, transport to and from Scotland and all food (and

it's good food) the all inclusive cost, this year of £330 is very good value. Compare it to a week of activities during the school holidays, 5 days 9 to 5 without food or transport could cost you £130 or a school trip of 3 days costing £250 we will do everything we can to keep the cost down but start saving now and join us next year.

In order to keep the cost at it's present level the existing members and staff have resorted to Bag Packing at local supermarkets. At Morrison's in Openshaw on August 17-19 the team raised over £1,100 towards next year's camp.





# General news...

## National Memorial Arboretum

On Saturday, November 10, 2018 we will be meeting once again for our Annual Service of Remembrance at the National Memorial Arboretum. If you've not been before, join those who travel to the Arboretum for a very moving service in the Millennium Chapel and afterwards in the Brigade's Memorial Garden, to lay wreathes and the sounding of the Last Post. This year the service starts at 2pm.

## Regimental Sports & Social Events

We are looking to the Battalions to let us all know when they have an event which they are prepared to share with others. Perhaps you're organising an event that others would enjoy. Boost your numbers by inviting the rest of the Regiment. It's great to get together and much more fun if you get a good turnout!

So far we have:

- Central Battalion – 10 pin Bowling night on October 18th at Ashton's Hollywood Bowl. Starting at 7:30pm. You need to speak to Sylvia Tinsley and book your own lanes.
- Central Battalion Sports – July 20th, 2019 at Resurrection.
- Regimental Teddy Bears Picnic – Our afternoon in Park Bridge Heritage Centre on Sunday, June 23rd, 2019.

## Duke of Edinburgh's Award Expeditions

There are many Companies in the Regiment who undertake the Award, the main obstacle is getting sufficient numbers together, available at the same time, to undertake the expedition. If you are organising any dates please let everyone else know so they have the opportunity of joining together to make groups viable.

We held a joint Gold Practice Expedition between St Mark's Heyside and St Andrews Bebbington and St James Gorton had a joint Silver and Gold Practice with their own members in August.

All three Companies are joining together for a Gold Qualifying Expedition in the Yorkshire Dales at the end of October half-term. We wish Sarah Fittin, Heather Dennis, Jess Doig, Nathan Storm, Bradley Lee and Abi Whitelegg and their support and assessors good luck with the weather!

## Training Notes

Our Regimental Training Officer, Graham Procter is being trained to deliver First Aid for small groups, but we will still be using Chris Madeley for the Skills Training Day.

Also, so that we have the capability to deliver a face to face Safeguarding course, some of our Leaders have attended the Diocesan Train the Trainer course and will be able to deliver Safeguarding courses for Brigade and their local Church. In addition to Graham we thank Brian Mills, Michelle Walker and Karen Tyner for their commitment and dedication.

There will be a flyer shortly to inform everyone of the courses being offered in February.

## Lady Officers Caps

These are now available from NHQ and are good value at £32. Well done to Helen at NHQ for sourcing these.

## Prayer List

If you know of anyone who needs our prayers please let me know.

## Obituary

We would like to remember Ann Sefton who died in July this year. Ann was one of the founder leaders of the CGB Company at St Mark's Heyside in the 1970's and was a lifelong supporter of the Brigade. May she Rest in Peace.

# Diary Dates

## October 2018

- 18 Central Battalion at Hollywood Bowl, Ashton
- 20-21 Young Leaders and Sports Leaders final Weekend
- 26-28 Nat. Band Training Weekend - Raywell Park Scout C'tre
- 28 Regimental Parade at St Ann's Manchester with Bishop Mark Davies.

## November 2018

- 6 Regimental Commanders meeting including Sports and Social staff
- 9 St Marks Heyside at the Festival of Remembrance at QE Hall Oldham.
- 10 Remembrance Service at the Nat. Memorial Arboretum.
- 11 Remembrance Sunday
- 24 Brigade Council meeting

## December 2018

- 7-9 Nat. Band Training Weekend - Raywell Park Scout C'tre
- 11 Regimental Commanders meeting – including Training Staff

## February 2019

- 15-17 Nat. Band Training Weekend - Raywell Park Scout C'tre
- 23 Manchester Regimental Skills Training Day

## April 2019

- 5-7 Nat. Band Training Weekend - Raywell Park Scout C'tre
- 14 Palm Sunday

- 19 Good Friday
- 21 Easter Sunday
- 27 Brigade AGM

## May 2019

- 3-6 National Band Concert Weekend – St Marys Hinckley

## June 2019

- 9 Whit Sunday
- 14-16 CLCGB band at Heritage Day Royal Military Academy Sandhurst
- 25 Teddy Bears Picnic at Park Bridge Heritage Centre.

## July 2019

- 12-14 Denham Commemoration Trip
- 20 Central Battalion Sports at Resurrection.
- 27 Regimental Camp 2019 (TBC)

Roundup submissions by last Friday in the month by email to [johnncorbishley@btinternet.com](mailto:johnncorbishley@btinternet.com)

Please submit photos attached separately on emails – not in Word Documents

This publication is for EVERY member, leader and supporter of the Brigade – so please pass it on

# Harry Potter



At the end of June 2018, Holy Trinity Shaw took a group down to London on an organised overnight trip. On the Saturday we were taken on a guided tour of London, visiting Buckingham Palace, Trafalgar Square, Downing Street and St James Park to name but a few. We spent the afternoon walking around these amazing sights, starting at Primrose Hill and ending up in Leicester Square visiting the Lego Shop and the M and M Shop before walking across to Pizza Hut for our evening meal. Our coach driver then drove our group over to our hotel at Heathrow where we spent a lovely night before setting off again the next day.

Once on the coach again we were taken across to Harry Potter Studios, which was amazing. The group were overwhelmed by the intricacy of the details on the tour and how many of the sets were included in the tour. Our members had fun running through the wall at platform 9  $\frac{3}{4}$ , going on the Hogwarts Express, commanding a broomstick, going on the Knight Bus and much more!

Everyone had a fantastic time, and we have included some of our photos from outside the tour, Primrose Hill and the Changing of the Guard.



Next year we are running a trip to Legoland Windsor and Cadburys World from Saturday, June 29-Sunday, June 30.

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