

# Summer 2023 Brigade News

# **Our Newsletter for Summer 2023**

We hope you are all having a wonderful summer, despite the July weather. If you've been away, we hope you all had a great time.

During the holidays we have had the Manchester Regimental Camp, which John and Maisie attended and both enjoyed immensely. Any member or leader over the age of 9 can attend, start saving now for next year, just £7 per week!

We've also had our DofE group out on expedition, well done to them. See inside for more detailed reports.

Remember to order your uniform before we start back so we can get them ready for when we return, Order form on emails and Facebook page.

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

# Bonus Ball Club update.

Winners of our £20 weekly draw.

03-Jun-23 17 No Winner

10-Jun-23 3 Peter Corbishley

10-Jun-23 3 Linda Payton

17-Jun-23 21 Lisa Haynes

24-Jun-23 31 Reg Prestidge

01-Jul-23 34 Graham Lees

08-Jul-23 14 Jean Chadwick

08-Jul-23 14 Denise Fitton

15-Jul-23 30 Corrie Tweedy-Conway

19-Jul-23 40 R Bramah (£100)

22-Jul-23 2 No Winner

29-Jul-23 25 Peter Corbishley

05-Aug-23 2 No Winner

12-Aug-23 44 Emma Mitchell

19-Aug-23 8 Sue Corbishley

19-Aug-23 8 Perry Gunn

26-Aug-23

26-Aug-23

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

The Summer £100 draw was drawn on Wednesday 19th July 2023 and it was won by

R & B Bramah

with No. 40

Bonus Ball new Members
– Stacey Butler.

# Attendance trophies and awards.

We are restarting our attendance awards. Trophies will be awarded to the member, in each section, with the most Company night + Church attendances + Parade attendances. If you attend St Marks, the Church and Sunday school register will count you. If you attend another Church or Sunday school, please, parents, tell the Section leader when paying subs.

# Members moving up

When we return in September the following members will be moving to the next section.

Yteam to JTC start at 7:30pm Lucy O'Connor, and Ruby Walker–Smith.

JTC to Seniors start at 8pm Maisie Warburton.



# Regimental camp preview.

Thanks to all the leaders who made our camp so special. This was the nice gentle waterfall the day before we went there "swimming"!

# Regimental Jamboree.

# Saturday 30th September 2023 10:30am to 1pm Westmorland Primary School, Westmorland Dr, Brinnington, Stockport, SK5 8HH.

This is a FREE EVENT. The site is completely gated with lockable gates. Therefore if everyone could be on site by 10:30 then we can lock the gates for security purposes. The site has been very kindly donated by a local Headmaster who is a friend of Josh Gaskell, the organiser.

Everyone is invited to attend and to bring family, and friends along who may be interested in joining the Brigade.

Proceedings will kick off at 10:30am with a few short words by a guest speaker and some music by bands from the regiment (uniform is not necessary - informal uniform optional, it would be great to have the Brigade badge as visible as possible). Then children will be set free to work around the field and complete various games and activities. Each Company is organising a couple of the games. They will include:

Egg and Spoon Race.

Sack Race

5 aside football

Bouncy castle

Hook a duck

Croquet

Hoopla

Soak the Senior Officer

Face painting

Pitch a Tent

Get a tune out of a Bugle

Refreshments and hot dogs will be available.

# **Dates for your Diaries**

#### September

6<sup>th</sup> Brigade re-opens after Summer

10th Company Parade Service in Church.

30th Manchester Regimental Jamboree -

10:30am to 1:00pm at Westmorland Primary School

Stockport SK5 8HH

#### <u>October</u>

1st Pet Service in Church at 3pm -

8<sup>th</sup> Harvest - Company Parade Service in Church.

20th Brigade closes for Half Term.

#### **November**

1st Brigade re-opens after Half Term.

4th National Remembrance Service at the

National Memorial Arboretum

12th Remembrance Sunday

Company Parade Service in Church.

#### **December**

10th Carol Service at St Mark's at 6pm

This is for Church and the Manchester Regiment.

20th Christmas Bonus Ball £100 draw

**Brigade Closes for Christmas.** 

22<sup>nd</sup> Carol Singing round the parish.

#### January 2024

3rd Back to Brigade.

14th Company Parade Service in Church.

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# **Duke of Edinburgh's Award.**

Congratulations to Georgia Greenhalgh, Kieran Corbishley and Thomas Haynes who have all completed their Bronze DofE



Award. They are all moving on to do their Silver. They have recently joined Lucy Haynes and Casey Greenhalgh to undertake their Silver Practice Expedition.

For Lucy and Casey it was their Qualifying expedition which now means they are close to finishing their Silver Award.

They set out from Watergrove Reservoir at Wardle on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2023, heading over to join the Rochdale canal at the Summit. Then down into Hollingworth Lake and on into Piethorne valley to camp for the 1<sup>st</sup> night. Day 2 saw than cover





over 11 miles including part of the Pennine way on a hot sunny day to arrive at Well-I-hole camp site in Greenfield very tired. Day 3 was easier, studying the disused railway to Stalybridge and the Huddersfield narrow canal back to finish in Greenfield. Their aim was to investigate the impact the Victorians had on the landscape. We're just awaiting the presentation now from Lucy and Casey.

Well done to you all.







# Manchester Regimental Camp 2023

Our annual camp was smaller than usual but that didn't stop us having a great time. We returned to the **Dounans Centre in Aberfoyle** for about the 30th year,

John was on the leadership team and Maisie attended for her first time. Apart from the usual competitions, games and a lot of fun the major activities were: Swimming in a waterfall pool (in full spate), Canoeing on Loch Chon, orienteering and Bushcraft plus a visit to Edinburgh and guesting at the Aberfoyle Gala with the local Pipe Band.

The leaders also came a creditable  $2^{nd}$  in the tug-o-war!

















# **Uniforms**

Please get your uniforms out and see if it still fits you.

If not return it with an order form and get it replaced. If you haven't got a uniform please order one as soon as possible so we can sort it out. We want to get everyone ready to be back on Parade on Sunday 13th September.

## **Uniform charges**

We have decided that we will not be charging full price for any uniform we issue. We normally charge about half price for uniform we recycle so we will charge everyone a flat £15 fee for a uniform. Uniform will be replaced when it is too small free of charge. You can still pay in instalments if you wish. Should you want to purchase NEW uniform then we will supply at cost price.

#### **Brassards**

We have brassards for everyone. You can fix your badges to these and put them on your arms. This means you can always keep your badges when you change uniforms.

# Regimental camp continued











#### **Band**

Any member of our Brigade (from Yteam and above) can learn to play an instrument, just ask your section leader or John.

On our September parade service we would like to get back to parading. We have a small band who have been working hard to be able to play for us. If you're in the band, or learning to play please try to be at Church on the 13th. September Also, any learners who can stay and want to stay for the full band practice from 7pm to 8pm on Fridays you are welcome to join us. This will allow us to spend more time teaching you, including marching and playing as well.

### Band dates for your diaries

Band members, please reserve these dates.

#### 4th November 2023

A combined Band from Manchester Regiment will be playing at the Annual Remembrance Service at the National Memorial Arboretum.

#### 10th November 2023

We will be joined by others from the Manchester Regiment to play at the Festival of Remembrance at the Queen Elizabeth Hall in Oldham, ticket details for spectators will be available shortly.

#### 12th November 2023

Our own Remembrance service at Church.

#### 10th December 2023

The combined band from Manchester Regiment will be playing at our Carol Service in Church at 6:pm.

## **New Members to Brigade**

We would like to welcome our new members to Brigade: In Martins – Alice Fox, Frankie Gray-Forshaw and Myles Butler.

# We hope you all enjoy your time in Brigade.

We have room for new members in all sections if you know anyone who might like to join us. Martins start in Reception class, Seniors from 13 years can do their Duke of Edinburgh's award for no additional money, (just subs)