



# October 2018 Company News

## Welcome to Brigade our new Martins.

It's been a busy start to the year with an influx of 7 new Martins members - ALL Lads! So if there are any girls out there who want to join, Lisa would love to see you.

We welcome Ethan and Finley Beverley, Robert and William McLean, Daniel Morris, Jake Glenn and Nicolas Corbishley.

We hope you all enjoy your time in Brigade

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## **Harvest Festival.**

Our next Parade Sunday, on 14<sup>th</sup> **October 2018**, will be our Harvest Festival. Church are asking for tinned or dried foods, coffee, tea etc which will be sent to The Booth Centre or Lifeshare, two charities that look after the homeless in Manchester .

Cash donations will go to Christian Aid.

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Our Seniors will be collecting tined food for the Oldham Food bank up to Christmas if anyone wishes to donate toward that too.

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## **Regimental Parade.**

Is on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October at St Ann's Church in Manchester. We need all members from Martins to leaders on Parade. We are being joined on Parade by Bishop Mark Davies who will have confirmed many of you.

Apologies to National Band members who will need to return early to join the parade. We do try to avoid clashes of dates but both events were organised at the same time and couldn't then be altered.



## **Band Notes!**

On Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018 our band competed at the National Music and Drill Competition at the Hermitage Leisure Centre, near Leicester. After a very disjointed build up we final had a full band practice just the night before when it all came together!

Our performance in the Marching Band Competition went better than we could have hoped and received praise from parents and other leaders who saw it. When it came to the results we were please that we were graded

**Silver standard in every section of the judging.**

But then the surprises.

Silver Winners:

- Drill and Deportment Trophy,
- Display Trophy and
- General Musical effect.

Other notable results:

- Drum Section Second Joint with St Mary's Beverley.
- Third in the Inspection.

In the solo competition, Isabelle Keiran came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Wind competition.

A fantastic day, great performance, well done Band!

Back to work now, band Practices from 7pm

**We need new members for our band.**

**Come and learn to play - we have many spare instruments.**

**See John or Lindsay.**

For your diaries:

- 28<sup>th</sup> October - Regimental Parade - St Ann's Manchester
- 9<sup>th</sup> November - Festival of Remembrance at QE Hall (Friday)
- 11<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Sunday in Church by 10:15.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> December - Carols at HNC Christmas Festival.
- Church Carol service not yet fixed.
- 21<sup>st</sup> December - Carol Singing round the parish.

## Bonus Ball Club update.

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

25-Aug-18	48	No winner
01-Sep-18	50	No winner
08-Sep-18	48	No winner
15-Sep-18	44	Emma Mitchell
22-Sep-18	36	No winner
29-Sep-18	27	Barbara Geldart
29-Sep-18	27	Phil McLean

**We do have a few spare numbers at the moment if you would like to join us in time for the**

**Christmas £100 bonus draw on**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018.**

***THANK YOU ALL, for your support!***

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If you want to help support Brigade, financially, join our Bonus Ball club for £1 per number per week.

Application forms from Sue or John

## Leader training

The Regimental Skills training day is being held at St Marks again on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2019.

If you need training of any sort please see John now!

- All members over 18 now need to undertake a Safeguarding course.
- We need a First aider at every meeting.
- To go camping you need Taking Groups away!

A few ideas!

## Our Martins need help!

Can you spare any time on Friday evenings to help at our Martins section for 5 to 7 years old. They meet from 6:30pm to 7:45pm and we have a rota of helpers

See John or Peter.

## D of E Gold Expeditions.

Over the half term break two of our leaders, Sarah Fitton and Heather Dennis, will be undertaking their Gold Award Qualifying Expedition. They will be walking and camping in the Yorkshire days at the start of November.

Please hold them in your prayers.

As with their Practice they will be with Jess and Nathan from St Andrews Company at Bebington on the Wirral and Abi and Bradley from St James Gorton.

**Good luck to all of you.**

## National Band.

The National Band of the Church Lads' and Church Girls' Brigade is still recruiting musicians. They meet at Raywell Park about 6 times a year. If anyone is still interested in joining the band, speak to the National Band Adjutant, Lindsay Maclure for more information.

Lindsay Maclure on 07871572635 or linzmac@hotmail.co.uk

# Dates for your diaries

## October

- 13<sup>th</sup> Brigade Council meeting
- 14<sup>th</sup> **Parade Sunday - Harvest Festival**
- 26<sup>th</sup> Brigade closes for Half term
- 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> National Band Training weekend
- 28<sup>th</sup> Regimental Parade at St Ann's Manchester with Bishop Mark
- 31<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov Gold D of E Award Qualifying Expedition

## November

- 6<sup>th</sup> Regimental Commanders meeting
- 7<sup>th</sup> Back to Brigade
- 9<sup>th</sup> Festival of Remembrance at QE Hall Oldham.
- 11<sup>th</sup> **Parade Sunday - Remembrance Sunday**

## December

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Heyside Christmas Festival
- 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> National Band Training Weekend
- 8<sup>th</sup> Church Christmas Fair
- 11<sup>th</sup> Regimental Commanders meeting
- 19<sup>th</sup> Brigade closes for Christmas
- 21<sup>st</sup> Carol singing round the parish

## January 2019

- 9<sup>th</sup> Back to Brigade
- 13<sup>th</sup> **Parade Sunday**

## February

- 10<sup>th</sup> **Parade Sunday**
- 15<sup>th</sup> Brigade closes for Half term
- 15<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> National Band Training Weekend - Raywell Park Scout Centre
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Manchester Regimental Skills Training Day
- 27<sup>th</sup> Back to Brigade

## March

- 10<sup>th</sup> **Parade Sunday**