



St Marks Heyside

January 2025 Brigade News

Wishing you all a Happy New Year!

We hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas and are looking forward to returning to Brigade this week.

We had quite a large influx of new members last term so we hope you have settled in well and are enjoying yourselves. If anyone does have any problems, please speak to your leaders or Sue or John, we're here to help and make Brigade fun for everyone.

As leaders, we really appreciate your presents at Christmas, thank you to everyone who thought of us.

We were very busy in the run up to Christmas. All your gifts went with St Nicholas to the Booth Centre in Manchester and were gratefully received by them. Our band and

singers collected over £400 for Martin House and our Christingle service collected £219 for the Children's society. Thank you all who contributed.

Commanding Officer : Sue Corbishley 0161 633 2266

Brigade re-opens

On Wednesday

8th January

and Friday

10th January 2025.

We hope you've had a great Christmas.

We are still collecting food for the Oldham Foodbank

Bonus Ball Club update.

Our Bonus Ball club provides for all the financial support we need to run Brigade. We don't need to fund raise for ourselves and can focus on helping others It's £1 per number per week and open to anyone over 16 years old. If you want to join speak to John.

Winners of our £20 weekly draw.

26-Oct-24	13	Richard Gregg
26-Oct-24	13	Peter Corbishley
02-Nov-24	34	Graham Lees
09-Nov-24	18	Susan Corbishley
09-Nov-24	18	Johnnie Hartley
16-Nov-24	41	John Corbishley
30-Nov-24	56	John Brook
30-Nov-24	17	John Brook
07-Dec-24	18	Susan Corbishley
07-Dec-24	18	Johnnie Hartley
14-Dec-24	3	Peter Corbishley
14-Dec-24	3	Linda Payton
21-Dec-24	8	Susan Corbishley
21-Dec-24	8	Perry Gunn
28-Dec-24	55	Alison McDonnell

**The Christmas £100 Draw
drawn on**

**18th December 2024
was won by Number 38
Sandra Prestidge.**

**Our Easter £100 draw will be
on Wednesday**

**16th April 2025.
Join now!**

You have to be in it to win it!

**Members please note:
On our Auditors advice we will be
asking you to sign for Winning
payments made in cash.**

Manchester Regimental Camp.

The planning has started for this years Camp, and it looks like places will be limited. We will have information our soon but please consider whether you wish to join us.

The cost is £350 for 6 or 7 days at Aberfoyle's Dounans Centre in the Queen Elizabeth forest of Scotland.

We have a week of activities and it's a great way to enjoy the outdoors and make new friends. Speak to anyone who went last year to hear what it's like. Anyone 10 years old or above can go.

Who's coming?

I think I might - John C

Duke of Edinburgh's award.

Update:

We have Maisie & Archie on Bronze, Thomas and Kieran on Silver Kieran has started working towards his Gold Award.

All our senior members can undertake their DofE award and we can accommodate others who might want to join us who can't afford to do their DofE with School.

Expedition plans:

During the Easter holidays we are planning to hold a Silver Qualifying Expedition and a Bronze Practice from **Monday 7th April to Wednesday 9th April 2025.** Please reserve these dates as other Companies are also involved.

Band

Again thanks to the band, we've been playing for our Parade services in Church. We still play with Tim on the organ

Band members played at the Festival of Remembrance at the Queen Elizabeth Hall in Oldham in November with our friends from **All Saints Heaton Norris** and the for our Parade service on **Remembrance Sunday**, and for our act of remembrance around the Memorial.

Before Christmas the band led us in Carol Singing round part of Heyside, collecting for Martin House. We had a fantastic turnout on such a cold drizzly night and thanks to everyone who took part we collected £400 on the night plus another £40 on line.

Band practices - I would like to encourage all our band members and anyone who is learning to join us on Fridays when we have much more time to teach and play together. We only have a short time on Wednesday. we are always open for new members at any time, and we are just in the process of starting lessons for some of our new members. We have plenty of instruments of all shapes and sizes if anyone wants to join us, lessons are free.

Wednesday - JTC members from 7:00 to 7:30pm before JTC
Yteam members from 7:30 to 7:45pm after Yteam

Friday - any learners from 6pm to 7pm
Full Band practice from 7:15pm to 8pm.

John C

"NEW" Members to Brigade:

It's been a great month for welcoming NEW members to Brigade, welcome to:

To the Yteam -

Mantos Miceika, Jade Clarke,
Rosie Nidid & Charlie Coyle-
Worrall.

**We hope you all enjoy your
time in Brigade.**

Confirmation.

Church are in the process of arranging for the Bishop to come to Confirm any members or parents who wish to be Confirmed. If anyone has not been Baptised and wishes to consider that, then we can also arrange that. We offer preparation classes after which you can make a decision ot continue if you wish. Speak to Sue if you want to consider this.

Dates for your Diaries

January 2025

- 8th Back to Brigade
12th **Parade Sunday, Service in Church at 09:20am.**
18th Manchester Regimental AGM for all leaders.

February

- 8th Brigade Council (via Zoom)
9th **Parade Sunday, Service in Church at 09:20am.**
14th Brigade closes for Half term
26th Back to Brigade

March

- 9th **Parade Sunday, Service in Church at 09:20am.**

April

- 4th Brigade closes for Easter
7th - 9th **DofE Expeditions Silver qualifying & Bronze Practice.**
16th Easter £100 Bonus Ball draw.
20th **Easter Sunday**
23rd Back to Brigade TBC
26th Brigade's National AGM at Leeds.

May

- 11th **Parade Sunday, Service in Church at 09:20am.**
23rd Brigade closed for Half Term

June

- 4th Back to Brigade TBC
8th **Parade Sunday, Service in Church at 09:20am.**

26th July – 1st Aug : Regimental Camp at Aberfoyle.

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