



NEWS FROM THE BOYS' BRIGADE IN THE NORTH WEST

AUTUMN 2024

DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING



The 110th Annual General Meeting of the District Council was held in the Centenary Hall, District Activity Centre on Saturday 5th October 2024. The meeting was preceded with a splendid 3 course lunch which was enjoyed by 30 members attending. Following the statuary business an Open Forum was held on the subject the "District in the future, the District has no future", this led to a lively discussion.

Next years Annual Meeting will be held at the Training Centre on Saturday 4th October 2025













PRESIDENT'S BADGE AWARDS

The under mentioned members attained their President's 10th Southport (Southport Methodist Church)

Badge during the session 2023 -2024 10th Liverpool (Christ Church, Anfield)

David Fleetwood

3rd Trafford (Sevenways Methodist, Trafford)

David Neville Callum Cowell **Haydn Taylor-Jones**

Jack Henry

Thomas Stockton

1st Rainford (All Saints Parish Church, Rainford)

Evie Boyle Izzy Sherwood Nathan Stoba Maison Murry Jenni Powell Calista Scrimgeour Sally Caudwell Samantha Ashcroft

35th Liverpool (All Saints Parish Church, Liverpool)

Alexander Loughlin Matthew Loughlin Harry Hutcheon Zac Hutcheon **Jack Carter** Gideon Swai

1st Bromborough (Bromborough Methodist Church)

Thomas Warren

Matthew Evans Lily Kissane Chloe Barraclough Kaleb Barclay Olivia Sucksmith

Ben Simpkin-Watkinson

Laura Evans

Connor Benson-O'Neill Luke Benson-O'Neill

1st Ormskirk (URC/ Methodist Church)

Harry Graham **Kyle Molyneux**

8th Wigan (St Peter's Parish Church, Childwell)

Owen Davis James Baker

1st Burnley (Greenbrock Methodist Church, Burnley)

Patrick Kimber **Rhys Fairclough**

5th Manchester (Christ Church URC, Parrswood)

Josh Hobson Callum Cheshire

Oswaldtwistle (Ryhdings 1st Methodist Church,

Oswaldtwistle) Eden Rumble



WORKING TOWARDS THE KING'S BADGE

Some 28 members from the following Companies participated in a Skills for the King's Badge Course held at the District Training Centre during the weekend 2nd/3rd November 2024.

1st Burnley (Greenbank Methodist), 35th Liverpool (All Saints Parish Childwall) 5th Manchester (Parrswood URC) 1st Rainford (All Saints Parish Church) 1st Roby (St. Bartholomew's Parish) 10th Southport (Marshside Methodist)

The course staff included Jess Best, Neil Meadow, Hannah Griffiths, Mick Southern, Ian Parrish and Tom Yates.







REMEMBRANCE

The 14th Bolton (Trinity Methodist) Manned a Poppy stall in Morrison's and laid a wreath at the Civic Ceremony in Le Mans Square.



The 3rd Trafford (Sevenways Methodist) combined with the 5th Manchester (Cornerstone URC Didsbury) to provide a Band Ceremonial Buglers and Colour Party for the Borough of Stretford Civic service.







DISTRICT CALENDAR 2025

2025		
11th January	District Executive	Treales
8th/9th February	Youth Leader Training	Treales
1st March	District Executive	Treales
4th/6th March	*Young Leaders Weekend	Treales
23rd/26th May	*Unite Camp	Well End Centre
7th June	District Executive	Treales
21st June	District Picnic & Funday	Treales
* NATIONAL OR REGIONAL EVENTS		

PRAYER TOPICS

Jim and Audrey Lloyd Brian Taylor

1ST RAINFORD ENROLMENT

The Annual Enrolment Service of the 1st Rainford BB/GA was an impressive occasion in All Saints Parish Church with 60 members attending clearly witnessing to the wider congregation and community that the BB/GA is a definite part of the Church.





OBITUARIES

EDNA LOCKETT (AGE 90)

When Edna a Girls' Brigade Officer fell in love with the Church Organist and BB Officer neither could have imagined that this would lead to a life of meeting the great and good and travelling miles around the United Kingdom and the R of I in the service of the Brigade, throughout it all Edna remained rooted in the local Church and family life. Condolences have been expressed to her children John and Alison and the extended family.

RAYMOND MOSS (AGE 62)

We regret to report the sudden passing of Raymond who after service as a Boy in the 1st Bryn (St Peter's Parish Church) became Company Captain a position he held at the time of his passing. Raymond was one of several "Lockett" prodigies from the 1st Bryn serving until retirement in HM Judicial service as a Court Clerk

He was particularly proud to have been invited to attend Buckingham Palace at King Charles's first Garden Party. Ray was a bachelor and leaves two brothers Stephen and Philip to whom we extend our sympathy.



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