

COMPLETING THE COURSE

William Jackson	<i>1st Dearham (Cumbria) (St Mungo's Parish Church)</i>
Alex Ewing	<i>1st Dearham (Cumbria) (St Mungo's Parish Church)</i>
Elijah Cowley	<i>1st Dearham (Cumbria) (St Mungo's Parish Church)</i>
Mathew Warburton	<i>55th Manchester (Patricroft URC)</i>
Sophia Cook	<i>24th Oldham (South Chadderton Methodist)</i>
Lewis Ogden-Wilde	<i>24th Oldham (South Chadderton Methodist)</i>
Jacob West	<i>24th Oldham (South Chadderton Methodist)</i>
Edward Anchor	<i>24th Oldham (South Chadderton Methodist)</i>
James Meecham	<i>1st Oswaldtwistle (Rhydings Methodist)</i>
Katie Fairclough	<i>1st Rainford (All Saints Parish Church)</i>
Margaret Nichols	<i>1st Rainford (All Saints Parish Church)</i>
Harvey Burrows	<i>1st Rainford (All Saints Parish Church)</i>
Rachael Warburton	<i>1st Rainford (All Saints Parish Church)</i>
Charlie Murphy	<i>1st Rainford (All Saints Parish Church)</i>
Katie Wilkinson	<i>1st Rainford (All Saints Parish Church)</i>
Akaaljot Singh	<i>3rd Trafford (Sevenways Methodist)</i>
Bradley Humphrey	<i>3rd Trafford (Sevenways Methodist)</i>
Max Neville	<i>3rd Trafford (Sevenways Methodist)</i>
George Riddell	<i>3rd Trafford (Sevenways Methodist)</i>
Nicholas Bratsanos	<i>35th Liverpool (All Saints Parish Church)</i>
Fraser Mason	<i>35th Liverpool (All Saints Parish Church)</i>
Nathan Parry	<i>35th Liverpool (All Saints Parish Church)</i>
Luke Woodward	<i>35th Liverpool (All Saints Parish Church)</i>
Chloe Krupinski	<i>3rd Burnley (St Catherine's Parish Church)</i>
Zac Hill	<i>8th Wigan (St Peters Parish Church)</i>

During the weekend 21st/22nd February 2020 some 23 members from 9 Companies representing 6 Battalions took part in the Queen's Badge Completion Course. We congratulate them on achieving this prestigious award which will be formally presented to them by the Lord Lieutenant of Greater Manchester, Sir Warren Smith KCVO KStJ JP at a ceremony to be held at South Chadderton Methodist Church, Oldham on Sunday 17th May.

The staff team comprised Mick Southern (Leader), David Owens (District QB Co-ordinator), Ian Parrish, Bill McKay, Phil Richardson, Neil Meadow, Tom Yates and Jessica Best. A formal dinner was held on the Saturday evening at which The Rev. Nicola Langton-Miller, a member of the Brigade Christian Faith Group was the Guest of Honour.



HOLIDAY LEADERSHIP COURSE



The undermentioned Leaders successfully completed the course held at the Activity Centre on Saturday 30th November 2019

Jake Agar	1st Morecambe & Heysham
Heather Barclay	10th Southport
Joe Dixon	1st Haslington
Neil Meadows	2nd Wigan
Philip Metcalf	1st Morecambe & Heysham
Kay Owen	10th Southport
Mike Owen	10th Southport
Stephen Summer	2nd Wigan
Keith Traverse	1st Ormskirk

Course Leader was Ian Parrish BTO East Lancashire



TEN PIN BOWLING

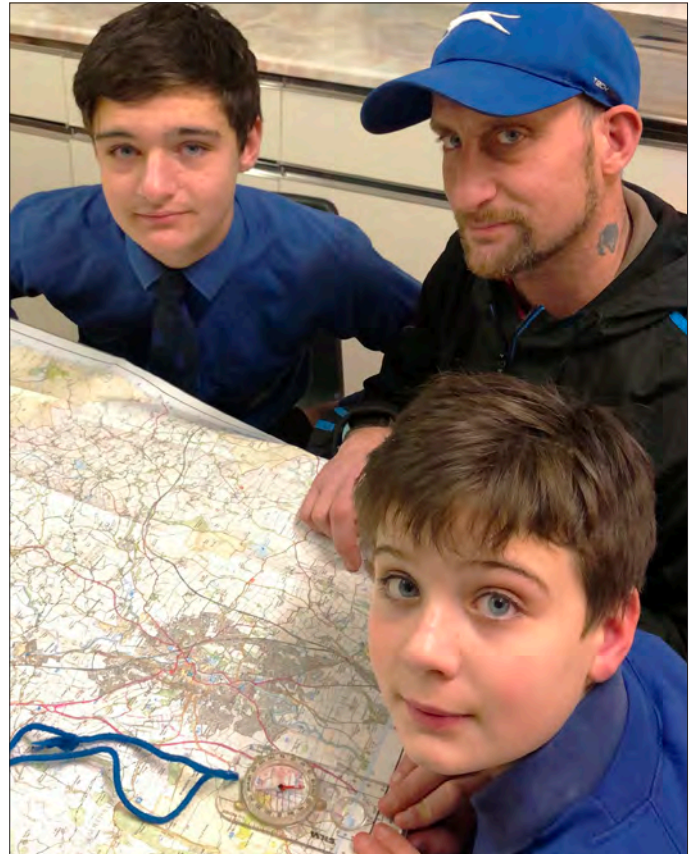
Eight teams from the following 5 Companies participated in the District Ten Pin Bowling Competition held at the MFA Bowl, Burnley On Saturday 18th January 2020. 1st Oswaldtwistle (Rhydings Methodist) 2 Teams. 1st Leyland (Turpin Green Methodist). 2nd Denton (Methodist Church) 3 Teams. 1st Morecambe & Heysham (Stanley Road Baptist). 8th Wigan (St Peters Parish Church).

1st - 2nd Denton • 2nd - 1st Oswaldtwistle • 3rd - 8th Wigan

All round a good competition



FOLLOWING WAINWRIGHT



Dale and Aaron Clark of the 1st Dearham Company have completed a three-year Lakeland adventure which has seen them climbing four times the height of Mount Everest.

They completed around 300 miles and set foot on the summit of all 214 Wainwright fells – climbing a total of 118,000 feet.

The fells are all those listed in the pictorial guides produced by fell walker, artist and author Alfred Wainwright and is a challenge which defeats many adult walkers.

Both boys have learned map and compass skills in BB sessions and said these had helped them on their hikes.

DR ROYDS FUND

Grants are available to members of the District undertaking overseas trips subject to certain conditions and purposes. Applications to the District Secretary.

DISTRICT CAMP 4TH / 6TH SEPTEMBER 2020



AT THE DISTRICT ACTIVITY CENTRE

MANS BEST FRIEND



Trinity Stedfast Band undertook their usual Christmas tour of supermarkets and local churches playing carols, when they visited Great Harwood Tesco, a trainee guide dog was fascinated by the music and the owner said how useful the experience was for the dog. Arising from this contact the Band decided to make the Accrington & District Association for the Blind their charity along with a contribution from the 1st Oswaldtwistle pancake night and the offertory from the East Lancashire Battalion Carol service, it was possible to present a cheque for £545 to the association.



ACCRINGTON WHO?

So goes the famous Milk Advert but members of the 1st Oswaldtwistle Company and their Churches Company of The Girls' Brigade certainly appreciated the hospitality of the Football Club when they visited the Wham Stadium on Saturday 19th January and took part in flag waving, a half time game of football, hot dogs to eat and special seats for the match against Southend United.



DISTRICT CALENDAR 2020

7th March	District Executive	Treales
14th March	Brigade Training Officers Update	Treales
18th April	Camp Craft	Treales
25th April	Building your Skills	Treales
17th May	Queen's Badge Presentation	Chadderton
6th June	District Executive	Treales
20th June	Family Fun Day	Treales
4th/6th Sept	District Camp	Treales
4th/6th Sept	Brigade Conference	Birmingham
12th Sept	District Executive	Treales
10th Oct	106th Annual General Meeting	Treales
10th Oct	"Refresh" Training Day	Treales
30th Oct/1st Nov	QB "Skills for Brigade Leadership"	Treales
27th/28th Nov	Regional Brigade Training Officers	Treales

* NATIONAL OR REGIONAL EVENTS

LEADERS IN TRAINING

Congratulations to the following Leaders on the successful completion of their Youth Leader Training Course held at the Activity Centre during the weekend 1st/2nd February 2020.

Adam Tinkler-Jones	1st Ormskirk (Emmanuel Meth/URC)
Sharon Caldwell	2nd Altrincham (Methodist Church)
Owen Charnock	2nd Wigan (St Mark's Parish Church)
Monica Wright	7th Liverpool (W Derby Meth Church)
Daniel Hodgeson	1st Skerton (St Cad's Parish Church)
Matthew Byrne	2nd Widnes (St Marys Parish Church)
Dan Caldwell	2nd Widnes (St Marys Parish Church)
Liam Heatley	2nd Widnes (St Marys Parish Church)
Paul Grice	2nd Widnes (St Marys Parish Church)

The staff team led by Dr. RCW Henderson MBE comprised The Rev'd Peter Thorn, David Owens, Mick Southern, Ian Parrish, Scott Barry-Godsell and Gareth Fitzpatrick.



NATIONAL 5 A SIDE FOOTBALL

The Regional final of the above Competition was hosted by the 16th Liverpool Company (Bethel Evangelical Church) at the Activity for All, Maguire Avenue, Bootle on Saturday 29th February 2020. Companies taking part were 7th Northampton, 35th Liverpool and 16th Liverpool. The 16th Liverpool will proceed to the National Final in Scotland for the second year in succession and we wish them better luck this time.



NATIONAL MASTER TEAMS

The 35th Liverpool (All Saints Childwall) took part in the England Regional Final of the BB Master Team competition held at Stapleford Methodist Church, Nottingham on Saturday 15th February 2020 and achieved third place.

HANDYMEN

Members of the 9th Southport (Ainsdale Methodist) led by their Captain David Barnes rendered a very valuable service to the District Training and Activity Centre by staying at the centre overnight to paint several Bedrooms in Centenary Hall.



If you feel able to offer such service or would like to train as a Relief Warden please contact m.haywood234@btinternet.com

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