

FUN DAY RAIN OR SHINE



A period of heavy rainfall in the week prior to the Family Fun Day caused the organising committee to issue the dictum "Rain or Shine" we are proceeding with the 32nd Annual Fun Day, however this confidence was not backed by those organising transport from the far flung outposts of the District, so there were approximately 100 members taking part in a full programme of events, plus the now traditional demonstration by the HM Prison Service Sniffer Dog Team.



TROOPING THE COLOUR



Members of the 8th Trafford (Cornerstone Methodist Church) witnessed the Annual Trooping of the Colour as part of the celebrations for H.M. Queen's Birthday Celebrations along with approximately 100 other BB members in a special enclosure for Youth Organisations. Staying over in local Church enabled them to experience more of the Capital City.

KING GEORGE VI LEADERSHIP COURSE

The KGVI is a two week residential Youth Course over two years specifically designed for members aged 17 to 21 this years course took place a Felden Lodge from 27th July to 2nd August amongst the new entrants this year were Jack Franks 53rd Manchester (Emmanuel Community Church) and Callum O'Sullivan 5th Manchester (Christ Church URC).



PRESIDENTS MEN

Four members of the 35th Liverpool Company received their President's Badges and Certificates during the Morning Service at All Saints Parish Church Childwall from the Vicar and Company Chaplain Rev'd Andrew Colmer (Queensman 1985) currently we have 93 members with the Presidents Badge on roll and who could proceed to the Queen's Badge



Photo credits:

Kay Owen

SOUNDING BRASS

Following the closure of the 1st Rishton Company the Accrington District BB Band has been rebranded to Trinity Stedfast Brass operating from Trinity Methodist Church, Great Harwood.



THE BOYS' BRIGADE NORTH WEST DISTRICT

105th Annual General Meeting Of the District Council

will be held at
St Peters Pavillion, Wigan Road,
Hindley, Wigan. WN2 3DN

On Saturday 5th October 2019
Commencing at 2.00pm

(By kind invitation of the Wigan and District Battalion)
come and enjoy the fellowship.

Mick Southern

Andrew McCaldon

WE WENT DEN BUILDING

Members of the 10th Southport (Marshside Methodist) enjoyed a walk to Mere Sands Wood for Den Building



IN THE SHADOW OF ANFIELD

The 10th Liverpool Company celebrates it's Centenary this year having been formed in 1919 in the Parish of St Simon and St Judes Anfield Road. The Company continued throughout the Second World War but numbers were reduced through Boys being evacuated from Liverpool. In 1949 a celebration of the 30th Anniversary caused the Company to seek out former members for a reunion arising from this an Old Boys Association was formed with the Object "To foster the Christian Fellowship attained through Service in The Boys' Brigade" 70 years on this continues to this day some even meet once a month!

Throughout it's history the Company has been fortunate to maintain a strong dedicated staff enabling the Company to participate and be successful in competitions at all levels. Individuals have been prominent with two members taking part in the London Para Olympics and one as a Boxer in the 2016 Olympics.

St Simons and St Judes Church was pulled down in 1990 and the Company and Congregation were re-located to the new Christ Church facing the gates of Anfield Stadium.

There have only been five Captains throughout the history of the Company Reginald T Brisk (member of the Brigade Executive) Captain Carrathers, Peter Cuthell MBE (Battalion President) Cyril Lancaster and the present Captain David Holmes.

Displays and Shows have always had a place in the Company Programme, in 2019 the Company were honoured to have Mark Blundell Lord Lieutenant of Merseyside as Inspecting Officer. In October this year a Centenary Dinner will be in a function suite at Anfield Stadium.



DISTRICT CALENDAR 2018-19

27/29th Sept	District Camp	Treales
5th Oct	105th DISTRICT AGM	Wigan
11/13th Oct	QB Part 1	Treales
9th Nov	ANCHOR DAY	Treales
16th Nov	Brigade Training Officers Update	Treales
30th Nov	Holiday Leadership	Treales
* NATIONAL OR REGIONAL EVENTS		

OBITUARIES

DAVID SHORT (AGE 71)

David joined the 1st Congleton Company in 1996 as a Warrant Officer and rose to Company Captain in 2006, a position he held until the Company closed in 2012. He was a committed Christian worshipping at Wagg St Methodist during his BB years, later moving to Congleton New Life Church. He is survived by his wife, a son, a daughter and a grandson. He was an ardent hockey player and coach to youngsters all through his BB and working life.

His funeral was conducted by the New Life Church Pastor, and it really was a celebration of a life lived in Christ.

VISITORS TO THE CENTRE THIS YEAR INCLUDED THE MID ULSTER BATTALION



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