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# The Boys' Brigade

## 22nd West Kent Company

Eltham Park Methodist Church,  
Westmount Road, Eltham, London, SE9.

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Dear Parents, Members and Supporters,

Following are some dates I would like you to book in your diaries, plus some other useful information.

It is always an inspiration to the boys when their parents come along to watch them in competitions or join them at the special events. Please do support your son.

#### Weekly Wednesday meeting times:-

Anchor Boys :-	6.00pm to 7.00pm
Juniors :-	6.30pm to 7.30pm
Seniors :-	7.30pm to 9.00pm (Badminton club for boys 12+ till 9.30pm)

The boy's subscriptions for this year are: -

Anchors	£1 per week
Juniors	£1 per week
Seniors	£40 per year, in future, to simplify the collection, we would appreciate £40 payment in advance for the Session, or alternatively, 2 payments of £20 in September and January.

Can I remind all members that they **have to attend Church Parades**; if boys are unable to, please make sure their section leaders know. Parents we need your support, please make sure your son attends.

This years **Battalion Church Parade** is on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, in the morning at Crayford Baptist Church the HQ of the 7<sup>th</sup> Company. Meeting time details in September.

Our **Harvest Festival Church Parade** is on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October (10.30am), always a great family service. Please support your son and come along.

**Enrolment Service and Awards Evening, Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November ( 5.30pm)**, this is an important event in our year for all the boys.

This is one of the few times when we expect all boys, Anchors, Juniors and Seniors to attend, no exceptions. The Church will be full of boys, parents, ex members, supporters and friends.

**Family Swimming Event** - on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November in the evening the Battalion is holding a family swimming event. This will be at Thamesmead Swimming Pool, starting at 7.00pm. The cost will be £2.00 per person payable on the door. This is open to all Parents and Boys from all sections. The Anchor boys will have the shallow learning pool to use, while the Juniors and Seniors will be in the larger pool with floats etc. There will be races and relays during the evening for Battalion trophies, under 14 and over 14. Please meet at the Church at 6.30pm.



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Our **Christmas fund raising Bazaar/Table Top Sale** run by the parents and friends is on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November, 11.00am to 2.00pm**, this will be a table top sale. We need your help following on from our successful summer sale. In particular things to sell on the Company table, plus sellers. Even an hour of your time would be great. Of course you are welcome to have a table of your own, phone Dave 07801 878501 to book, or come along and get some bargains. Look out for more details.

On **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December** we will have our **Christingle Parade Service (10.30am)**, this is a lovely family occasion, a great way to start the festive season. I hope we see you all there.

**Summer Camp 23<sup>rd</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> July 2011, Headlands Adventure Centre, New Forest**, - this is confirmed, the site which is in a great area to camp, has lots of activities for everyone to enjoy. The cost will be £140 and a £20 deposit payable is required.

Below are some dates for you diary, which I would ask you to book, some for the boys and where appropriate for our parents and supporters.

### DATES

#### Oct.

- |      |    |                                                                                                |
|------|----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sun. | 3  | Battalion Church Parade 7 <sup>th</sup> Company HQ, Crayford.                                  |
| Sun. | 10 | Harvest Festival Church Parade - 10.30am (all members, families & supporters)                  |
| Sat. | 16 | Battalion Junior Section Handball Competition – 9.00am at Church (at 14th Coy HQ, Bexleyheath) |

#### Nov.

- |      |    |                                                                                               |
|------|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sun. | 14 | Enrolment Service – service starts at 5.30pm (all members, families & supporters)             |
| Sat. | 20 | Battalion Fun Swim night - all sections- competitions and fun for all. Meet 6.30pm at Church. |
| Sat. | 27 | Our Christmas Bazaar/Table Top Sale. Opens at 11.00am                                         |

#### Dec.

- |      |    |                                                                                        |
|------|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon  | 6  | Battalion Snooker Competition – Seniors - 7.00pm (Erith Snooker Hall). Meet at 6.30pm. |
| Sun. | 12 | Christingle Parade Service -10.30am (all members, families & supporters)               |

Thanks for your support.

Regards

Dave

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### Seniors Programme - September to December

Wednesday Evenings: - normal meeting times unless stated in table below.

- 7.30pm Parade, Inspection and Drill- **in full uniform** (no uniform when going out, wear BB polo shirt)
- 7.45pm Opening games
- 8.00pm Main activity
- 9.00pm Finish of Evening - Badminton Club Starts (boys over 12)
- 9.30pm Badminton Club finish

Wednesday Programme of activities: -

	Boys 11 & Over – Main Activity
September	
8 <sup>th</sup>	First meeting – Barbecue and games evening (no uniform)
15 <sup>th</sup>	Kayaking at Thamesmead (meet at 6.00pm, back at 8.30pm) * <b>see note below</b>
22 <sup>rd</sup>	Table Tennis Competition
29 <sup>th</sup>	Battalion Ten Pin Bowling Competition at Bexleyheath (meet at 7.00pm, back at 9.30pm – boys require £8 includes a drink & food)
October	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Football Competition
13 <sup>th</sup>	Sporting Challenge
20 <sup>th</sup>	Short Mat Bowls Competition
27 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming at Woolwich (meet at 6.30pm, boys will require £4 includes food. Back at 9.15pm)
November	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Practice Volleyball
10 <sup>th</sup>	Battalion Volleyball Competition at Blackheath (meet at 7.00pm, back at 9.45pm)
17 <sup>th</sup>	Badminton Competition & Snooker Competition
24 <sup>th</sup>	Visit Mini Golf (boys will require £5 back at 9.30pm)
December	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Sporting Challenge
8 <sup>th</sup>	Football Competition
15 <sup>th</sup>	Quasar (back at 9.30pm boys will require £10)
22 <sup>nd</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup>	No Meeting

**\* for Kayaking boys must bring a complete change of clothes. Non or not very strong swimmers will be OK as full safety equipment is provided and fully trained staff are taking this session**

**Saturday Football** – this session we will be joining with the 28<sup>th</sup> Company in a combined football team. We will be playing in the Bromley and West Kent Battalion League on some Saturday afternoons. See fixture list for details of games, dates, etc.

Boys should meet at our hall at 1.00pm with boots, shorts and socks, the shirts will be provided.