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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 events 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.

**Battalions Got Talent** - a chance for individuals or groups to show off the talents they have, taking place in the evening on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January. For full details talk to your section leaders.

Our next **Family Church Parade** is on Sunday 19th February at 10.30am. The attendance at the last parade was very disappointing; even if the boys need to leave before the end it is still good to see them.

**Battalion Church Parade, Sunday 11 March** – this is going to be at the 28<sup>th</sup> Company HQ in the Baptist Church in Westmount Road. Our local friends and we want to do our best to support. Watch out for the final arrangements.

Our **Mothering Sunday Family Parade Service** is on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30am. Always a good service for all the family.

**Family Swimming Event** – the Battalion is holding a family swimming event. This will be at Crook Log Swimming Pool, on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March 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.

**Battalion Display Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April** – all our boys will be taking part, two shows afternoon and evening, rehearsal in the morning, Anchors will only be at the afternoon show. Look out for the details in the New Year.

**Summer Camp 21<sup>st</sup> July to 28<sup>th</sup> July 2012, Dyrffren Ardudwy, North Wales.** - The site is one we have used before and is one of the favourite sites we use with both the boys and staff. It is on the coast within 10 minutes of the beach. The cost will be £140; please let us have a £20 deposit as soon as possible. All boys who are 11 years old by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012 can come.

As a reminder the boy's subscriptions are: -

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



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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.

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

- Jan.
- Wed 4 1<sup>st</sup> meeting back after the Christmas and New Year - all sections
- Sat 14 Battalion Badminton & Table Tennis Competitions – 9.30am (our HQ come along and support)
- Tues 17 Battalion Junior Section Games Competition – 7.00pm (meet at Church 6.30pm) venue is 14<sup>th</sup> HQ, Bexleyheath
- Sat 28 Battalions Got Talent – a chance for individuals or groups to show off the talents they have, ask your section leader for details.
- Feb.
- Sun. 19 Family Church Parade Service -10.30am (all members, families & supporters)
- Sat. 25 London District & Battalion Cross Country – Avery Hill Park, 3.00pm (meet at church 2.15pm)
- March
- Wed 7 Battalion Junior Figure Marching Competition - 7.00pm start, approximate finish 8.30pm (our HQ come along and support)
- Sun 11 Battalion Church Parade –taking place at Baptist Church, Westmount Road, 28<sup>th</sup> Company HQ.
- Tue 13 Battalion Basketball Competition – (meet at 7.00pm) 14<sup>th</sup> HQ, Christ Church, Bexleyheath
- Sun 18 Mother's Day Family Church Parade – 10.30am (all members, families & supporters)
- Sat 24 Battalion Fun Swim Night - all sections- competitions and fun for all. Meet 6.30pm at Church. Venue is Crook Log pool.
- April
- Sat 28 Battalion Display – all our boys will be taking part, two performances, book the date more details soon.

Thanks for your support.

Regards

Dave

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## Seniors Programme - January to April

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
<b>January</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Badminton & Snooker Competition
11 <sup>th</sup>	Table Tennis Competition
18 <sup>th</sup>	Battalion and London District PR Games Competition – our HQ
25 <sup>th</sup>	Football Competition
<b>February</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Short Mat Bowls Competition
8 <sup>th</sup>	Sporting Challenge
15 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming at Woolwich - meet at 6.30pm boys will require £5 includes food. Back at 9.15pm)
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Kurling Competition
29 <sup>th</sup>	Basketball Competition
<b>March</b>	
7 <sup>th</sup>	Visit Mini Golf (boys will require £5 back at 9.00pm)
14 <sup>th</sup>	National Top Team Challenge – our HQ
21 <sup>st</sup>	Volleyball Competition
28 <sup>th</sup>	Table Tennis Competition
<b>April</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup>	No meeting Easter Break
11 <sup>th</sup>	No meeting Easter Break
18 <sup>th</sup>	Football Competition
25 <sup>th</sup>	Quasar (meet at 7.00pm, boys will require £10)
<b>May</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	First meeting of Summer Session in Eltham Park South

**Saturday Football** – this session we have joined with the 28<sup>th</sup> Company in a combined football team. We play in the Bromley and West Kent Battalion League on some Saturday afternoons. See fixture list for details of games, dates, etc. Matches are played at Avery Hill Park.