

UPDATE



AUTUMN 2023

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MONOPOLY CHALLENGE

**THE BOYS'
BRIGADE**
> the adventure begins here

GLASGOW
30 September 2023

URGENT



PANTO

Places are still available for the Under 11's Pantomime at Clincarthill Church on Saturday 25th November. The performance starts at 2pm with a 3pm finish so it's ideal for our younger members.

Delivered by Hopscotch Theatre Group, the performance of Cinderella will be entertaining.

TRAINING

Details of upcoming courses for Young People and Leaders can be found on our new training portal.

<https://bit.ly/BBGlasgowTraining>



140TH ANNIVERSARY

11 teams from 7 Glasgow Battalion Companies teamed up with hundreds of young people and leaders from nearby and far-off Battalions to tackle a Monopoly Challenge. Armed with a list of 32 locations and 11 bonus tasks, they set out to conquer the board. In the end, 4th/5th Kilmarnock took 1st place with 125th Glw A, 246th Glw, and 2nd East Kilbride C the highest placed Glasgow teams.

Don't worry if you missed out on the fun! Another date is planned to give everyone a shot at the challenge.

LEADERS

Please check Online Brigade Manager (OBM) regularly to ensure that your registration with Brigade is active and your details are up to date.

Captain's/Leaders-in-Charge and Company Correspondents should ensure that only registered volunteers who have completed the full registration process are involved with Boys' Brigade work.



Celebrating 140 years of The Boys' Brigade in Glasgow 1883 - 2023



It's been great to see through social media channels the wide range of programme activities linked to the anniversary celebrations recognising the formation of the 1st Glasgow Company. Here's some from the Monopoly challenge



79th Glasgow at St Enoch Subway



135th Glasgow at Riverside Museum



94th Glasgow with a Mounted Soldier/Celebrity!



2nd East Kilbride with a Policeman



125th Glasgow at the Police Museum



83rd Glasgow at the clock near the Concert hall - 1:40pm!



Multiple Group 1:40pm Bonus Task!



246th Glasgow at the Shell in Central Station

*Meet me at the Shell the Shell
 Meet me twice yearly
 I'll tell you the tale of a real Glasgow bell
 At the Central by the Shell
 I'll take you out to a picture show
 I'll hold your hands and I'll let you go
 If you meet me at the Shell the Shell
 At the Central by the Shell*

October 2023



Company & Seniors Chess

Our Chess competition for Company & Seniors ages takes place on Tuesday 24th October, 7.45pm for an 8pm start at Clincarthill Parish Church, 1220 Cathcart Road, G42 9EU. This is an individual event. Entries by 3.30pm on 24th.



Anchors Lego Morning

We currently have a few places left for our Anchors Lego morning on 28th October, 10am - 11.30am, it's £5 each. We have another on 17th February, there's still plenty of space for that one.



Juniors Underground Challenge

Our Juniors Underground Challenge has been re-arranged for Saturday 28th October, check-in will be between 12.15pm and 12.45pm. It's a Treasure Hunt type activity with questions to answer and photographs to take at or close to stations around the Subway. Once you start you have 1 hour and 40 minutes to do as many challenges as possible, which means teams should be finishing between 2pm and 2.30pm.

Virtual Musician - A new event for 2023/2024

Children and young people across all sections are invited to record a video of them playing an instrument or singing. Videos should be no longer than 3 minutes and for solo voice entries, a young person may accompany themselves by playing an instrument, or an accompanist or accompaniment is permitted. The recording may take place either in BB or in the young person's home and submitted by email to virtualmusician@bbglasgow.org.uk entries by 11 December.

Each age group will be its own category.

October & November 2023



Building Your Skills (for President's Badge)

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Saturday 28th October, 1pm - 4pm at Clincarthill Church, £8 per person. Young People (in S3 or older) should attend a Building Your Skills course as part of the work towards their President's Badge, we run this course several times during the session, pick the date / venue that suits.



Youth Leader Training

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Open to any BBUK Leaders who have fully completed the registration process. Safeguarding and Managing Risk e-learning modules must be completed prior to attending the training course.

Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th November, the venue is Robroyston Parish Church, cost £25 per person. Participants should bring their own lunch. Tea and coffee will be available.

Saturday 4th November 9:45 am to 5:45pm covers Modules 1: Introduction to BB, Module 6: Equal Opportunities, Module 2: Working with Under 11's OR Module 3: Working with Over 11's, Module 4: Safeguarding (recognised by the Church of Scotland)

- Module 4 will start at 3:15pm and can be attended by Leaders who need this for Church of Scotland congregational purposes.

Sunday 5th November 1:45pm to 7pm covers Module 5: Managing Risk, Module 7: Programme Planning & Delivery and Module 8: Sharing Faith



Juniors Unihoc

Our Juniors Unihoc takes place on Saturday 11th November, 2pm - 4pm at Clincarthill Church, this competition is open to all Junior Sections. Teams are of up to 6 players within the P4-P6 age range, four players will play in any single game, you may switch players between games. Sections may enter more than one team but cannot share players between teams. Entries by 8th November.

November 2023



Remembrance Sunday

For a number of years Glasgow Battalion have coordinated the Guard of Honour for the VIP group as they move from Glasgow City Chambers to the Cenotaph in George Square prior to the start of the annual Remembrance commemoration.

The young people from Glasgow Battalion are supported by members of the Girls' Brigade, Girlguiding and the Scouts and we usually have around 16 - 20 members of the Boys' Brigade involved in this part of the event.

This year we have been asked to take on an additional responsibility to provide the wreath-bearers for a number of 'Very VIP's' who lay a wreath at the Cenotaph. This includes the representatives of the Scottish Government, the UK Government, the Sheriff Principal of Glasgow and Strathkelvin, and the Chairman of the local Royal British Legion of Scotland.



Battalion Council

Meeting of The Battalion Council being held at Colston Wellpark Parish Church on Wednesday 15th November at 7.30 pm.

All Leaders and Young Persons serving within Companies of the Battalion together with those additional persons who are members of any Committee/Team or District Council formed by Glasgow Battalion Rules and who hold a current registration with the Brigade are invited to attend.

Bookings due for the Juniors Carronvale residential



We are holding an overnight residential for Junior Sections on Saturday 13th - Sunday 14th January. Participants will have the opportunity to take part in a wide range of activities - games, crafts, puzzles and a sleep!

The cost is £30 and covers lunch, dinner & supper on Saturday through to breakfast and lunch on Sunday afternoon when the event finishes.

Ideally for sections who might not normally be able to offer a residential experience.

November 2023



Skills for Queen's Badge

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Saturday 18th November, 9.45am - 1pm, venue tbc, £8 per person. Young People should attend a Skills for Queen's Badge course at the start of their QB work, we run this course three times during the session.

Juniors Science Centre Sleepover

This event, organised by BB Scotland, takes place Friday 24th - Saturday 25th November at Glasgow Science Centre. The cost is £20 per Junior, full details and entry information were in their e-BB News email update on 18th August.



Anchors & Juniors Panto

The Anchors and Juniors Pantomime is Saturday 25th November, arrive for a 2pm start at Clincarthill Church, it's £7 per ticket. Hopscotch Theatre are coming along to put on Cinderella, their pantos have always been popular, it lasts about 55 minutes. To book visit our cademy site or contact the Battalion office.



Company & Seniors Badminton

Our Company and Seniors Badminton Championships are due to take place on the evening of Monday 27th November. Venue to be confirmed.



December 2023



Championship & Premier Squad Drill Competitions

Friday 1st December, open to all Companies in the Battalion, the requirement is a squad of 12. Premier is a drill paper your squad can practice in advance, Championship is unseen, you receive it a few minutes before you take the floor.

Virtual Quiz

Join with other Company Sections from around the Battalion on Friday 8th December on Zoom for our Virtual Quiz.



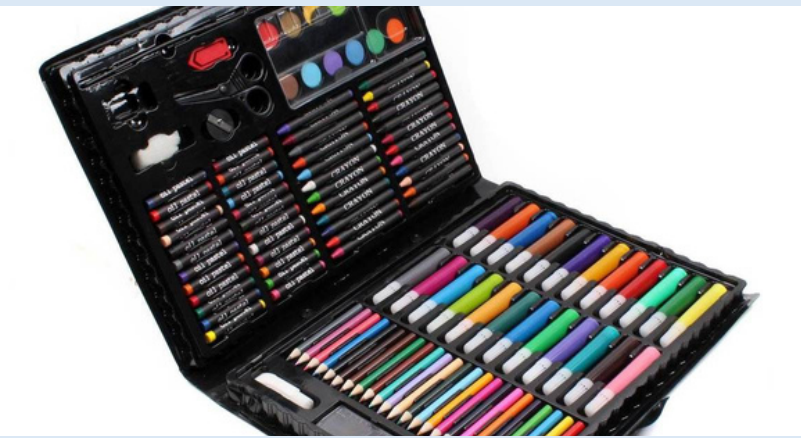
Virtual Musician Entries Due

Entries for our Virtual Musician Competition are due by 11th December.



Anchors Christmas Colouring Competition

Entries for the Anchors Christmas Colouring Competition are due by Monday 18th December. Paper entries can be posted or handed into the Battalion office, or you can scan / photograph and email them in to artcomps@bbglasgow.org.uk



Ibrox Parish Church Renovations

Ongoing work since July has seen a number of improvements to the Sanctuary/Halls space, entry way/vestibule and kitchen at our Battalion HQ location. With the 'old church' now closed, the 'stage hall' which has been the main worshipping space since 2019 is being fully refurbished (the stage has been removed creating space for the Foodbank), a cafe/meeting room space has replaced the 'small hall/corridor' area and there are also plans to install new lighting in the Games Hall.

It is likely to be January before this is completed and should enable Battalion activity and training events to return.

