

The Boys' Brigade

Drill Panel



DRILL EVENTS SCHEDULE – SESSION 2019-2020

Drill was one of the 'twin pillars' on which the Boys' Brigade was founded in 1883. Now, in the 21st Century, many still realise the value Drill can bring to a Company's programme. The events outlined in this booklet are in an attempt to encourage interest and participation. Should you wish any further information on any of the Competitions or events please feel free to contact the Battalion office.

This session's competitions

- Small Company Drill (Novice) Competition – aimed at Companies who haven't taken much part in Drill Competitions for a wee while, the requirements for this are a squad of between 3 and 5 Boys.
- Contest (Limited) Squad Drill Competition – aimed at Companies who would find difficulty entering a 'full' squad in a Drill Competition, the requirements for this are a squad of 6 Boys.
- Premier Squad Drill – open to all Companies in the Battalion, the requirements are a squad of 12 Boys.
- Championship Drill – run on the same evening as the 'Premier Squad Drill' this is a similar event requiring a squad of 12 Boys. The difference here is that the paper is 'unseen' and only issued to the participating Companies around 5 minutes before they 'take the floor'.
- Company Drill – this is the oldest Competition in the Battalion, and is open to all Companies. It is aimed at Companies who participate at a level of Drill considered to be 'expert' in the 21st Century! The requirement here is between 14 and 26 Boys comprising two Sections of Boys plus 2 Boys as Section Commanders.
- **NCO's Drill Competition** – this event enables NCOs or Senior Boys to participate in a Drill Competition where they 'take' the squad and it is their ability and clarity of Command which is judged.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Competition	Date	Venue
Premier (Squad) Drill	15 November 2019, 7.30pm	Moncreiff Parish Church, (HQ 4 th E.K.)
Championship Drill (unseen paper)	15 November 2019, 7.30pm	"
NCO'S Drill Competition	15 January 2020, 8.00pm	Clinarthill Parish Church (HQ 83 rd Glw)
Company Drill	13 March 2020, 7.30pm	King's Park Secondary School
Contest (Limited) Squad Drill	13 March 2020, 7.30pm	"
Small Company Drill (Novice)	13 March 2020, 7.30pm	"

ENTRY FORMS & ATTENDANCE For ease of reference Entry Forms for all competitions are provided on one sheet at the back of this booklet. You may choose to return this in whole at the one time, or else send in the appropriate sections by the required entry date. We will be sympathetic to late entries, but accommodation and timing considerations may mean that such entries may be refused. Please complete the details requested, including the name, address and telephone number of the contact person. If the contact details are the same for different sections of the required form you may simply write "as before". Entries should be returned to Battalion Headquarters. If, having registered, for any reason you are unable to attend please notify us as soon as possible.

SPECIAL DRILL EVENTS

Every Company is encouraged to submit the names of all Senior Boys who may be interested in participating in any of the following events.

Remembrance Parade George Square, Glasgow
(Sunday 10 November, morning)

Up to 20 Boys may parade as representatives of the Battalion at the Service of Remembrance held at the Cenotaph in George Square

Guard of Honour for the Lord High Commissioner,
Edinburgh (Sunday Morning – May)

Up to 20 Senior Boys may represent the Battalion, and form part of **The Boys' Brigade Guard of Honour for the Lord High Commissioner**. This event is one of the most prestigious and historic annual dates in Scotland's civic calendar.

Should you wish to nominate one or more Senior Boys in your Company for either of these special events, please contact the Battalion office.

DRILL COMPETITION RULES & NOTES

GENERAL NOTES

AGES & ELIGIBILITY FOR ENTRY

- 1 For all Drill Activity events the Company & Senior Section Battalion Age Regulations apply i.e. they are open to Boys in Primary 7 through to Secondary 6 (or equivalent if the Boy has left school). All Boys and Section Commanders must be Company Section Boys or Seniors. **Staff Sergeants may not participate as Boys in any Squad or Section except the NCOs' Drill Competition.**
- 2 The Squad or Company may be drilled by anyone of the rank of NCO or above.
- 3 A Company may enter two or more Squads in the Squad Drill, Championship Drill or Company Drill Competitions, but Boys are not transferable between Squads. A Company may enter two Squads of six Boys in the Limited Squad or two Squads of up to five Boys in Novice Class, as these competitions are aimed at the small Company. Boys are not transferable between Squads.
- 4 A Company with fewer than 15 NCOs and Boys on the roll by 31 October may enter the Squad Drill Competition with a reduced squad of no fewer than 10 members at no penalty. This should be intimated with the entry in order for verification of the roll.

JOINT ENTRIES

- 1 Some Companies may find it difficult to raise 6 or 12 Boys to make up a Drill Squad. Joint entries are permitted where Companies team up to form a single Squad. The Entry Form should state clearly the Companies involved, but please give a single contact name for communications.

ATTENDANCE & NON-ATTENDANCE

- 1 Please notify the Battalion office if you cannot attend. Non-attendance can cause a lot of disruptions and wasted effort.

DRILL BOOK & ADJUDICATION

- 1 The Drill movements to be performed are all taken from the current Drill Book. (1987 edition, 1994 reprint)
- 2 Adjudicators from outwith the Battalion MAY be used.

UNIFORM

- 1 The standard of uniform presented at events is important and marks will be allocated accordingly.
- 2 Boys and Officers taking part in Events should wear Uniform according to Brigade regulations. Officers should take particular care to check that uniform is worn correctly by Boys, and that ties are age appropriate.
- 3 Any Company wearing uniform not currently prescribed in Brigade Regulations will be awarded no uniform mark.
- 4 The squad will be marked on the correct wearing of uniform and awards, cleanliness, uniformity and the general smartness of the unit.

TROPHY ENGRAVING

Companies winning trophies are asked to note that they are responsible for the engraving, care and maintenance of all trophies.

NCOs DRILL COMPETITION

- 1 This competition aims to encourage Seniors and NCOs, including Staff Sergeants, to take an interest in Drill. All NCOs and Seniors are eligible. There will be no limitation to the number of NCOs or Seniors from a Company taking part. Both the overall winner and the Novice with the highest mark will receive a Trophy.
 - 2 The Competition paper is broken into four sections and the NCO or Senior should stand the Squad at ease at the end of each section.
 - 3 NCOs will be inspected for cleanliness of, and correct wearing of, uniform (Company medals will not be worn). Personal bearing will be assessed between entering and leaving the hall. On entering, the NCO or Senior should report to the Adjudicator. At the end he should again report to the Adjudicator before leaving the hall.
 - 4 **A 5% PENALTY OF THE TOTAL MARKS MAY BE INCURRED BY ANY NCO OR SENIOR NOT REPORTING TO THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE CENTRE BY THE TIME ADVISED.**
 - 5 **ALL NCOs or Seniors must be accompanied by an Officer or responsible adult. Any NCO or Senior appearing without an Officer/Adult WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE COMPETITION.**
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CONTEST (LIMITED) SQUAD DRILL COMPETITION – THE FRASER SHIELD

- 1 A Squad of 6 Boys drilling in two ranks is required, the second rank acting as the rear rank, and the Boys must comply with the age regulations above. Staff Sergeants are not permitted.
 - 2 Companies may enter up to TWO Squads only.
 - 3 Companies are encouraged to enter this competition only if they cannot raise numbers for the Squad Drill Competition or find the level of drill too advanced. Joint entries are encouraged in all competitions
 - 4 Companies participating in the Premier (Squad) Drill Competition may not also utilise the same Boys to enter this competition. **They are however permitted/encouraged to enter a squad of P7 'Target/Compass' Boys.**
 - 5 The Drill Movements to be performed do not present a high level of difficulty even to the newest of Companies tackling Squad Drill for the first time.
 - 6 Whilst we wish to encourage as big an entry as possible in all Drill Events, it is hoped that Companies would use this **Competition as a 'stepping-stone' to the Premier (Squad) Drill Competition.** Certainly it would be hoped that any Company winning this Competition 2 years running would not compete in it a third time.
 - 7 The Fraser Shield will be presented to the winning Squad.
 - 8 A 5% PENALTY OF THE TOTAL MARKS MAY BE INCURRED BY ANY COMPANY NOT REPORTING TO THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE CENTRE BY THE DUE TIME ADVISED.
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COMPANY DRILL COMPETITION – THE GARROWAY CUP

This is the oldest Competition in the Glasgow Battalion, open to every Company.

- 1 The requirement is a minimum company strength of 14 Boys, comprising two Sections of 6 Boys drilling in two ranks, plus 2 Boys as Section Commanders. If they wish, Companies may parade with larger numbers in each Section, up to a maximum of 12 Boys per Section. Companies who elect to have 12 Boys in each Section will DRILL IN THREES.
 - 2 Six Boys will be selected from the Squad for Inspection purposes. Companies may, if they so desire, have an NCO drill the Squad.
 - 3 If only one Company is entered in this competition, that Squad may perform, but must attain a minimum pass mark of 75% to win the Garroway Cup.
 - 4 Company Drill can be a refreshing change from Squad Drill and gives an opportunity for NCOs to take on a more important leadership role as Section Commanders.
 - 5 A 5% PENALTY OF THE TOTAL MARKS MAY BE INCURRED BY ANY COMPANY NOT REPORTING TO THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE CENTRE BY THE DUE TIME ADVISED.
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SMALL COMPANY (NOVICE) DRILL COMPETITION – THE AGNEW TROPHY

- 1 This competition is open to Companies with fewer than 10 Boys in the Company Section at the beginning of the Session (not at date of Entry Schedule) OR Companies who have not entered a Squad Drill Competition during the preceding Session.
- 2 A Squad of 3 to 5 Boys drilling in one rank is required. Staff Sergeants are not permitted.
- 3 Companies may enter up to TWO Squads only.
- 4 Please note the Drill Panel has reduced the number of Boys required for this competition to encourage smaller Sections. Companies may, if they so desire, have an NCO drill the Squad.
- 5 The Drill Movements to be performed do not present a high level of difficulty even to the newest of Companies tackling Drill for the first time.
- 6 Whilst we wish to encourage as big an entry as possible in all Drill Events, it is hoped that Companies would use this **Competition as a 'stepping-stone' to the Contest (Limited) Drill Competition.** Certainly it would be hoped that any Company winning this Competition 2 years running would not compete in it a third time.
- 7 The Agnew Trophy will be presented to the winning Squad.
- 8 Boys will be inspected for cleanliness of, and correct wearing of, uniform (Company medals should not be worn). Personal bearing will be assessed between entering and leaving the hall.
- 9 On entering, the Officer or NCO taking the squad should report to the Adjudicator. At the end he should again report to the Adjudicator before leaving the hall.
- 10 A 5% PENALTY OF THE TOTAL MARKS MAY BE INCURRED BY ANY COMPANY NOT REPORTING TO THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE CENTRE BY THE DUE TIME ADVISED.

NOTES FOR OFFICERS OR NCOs TAKING THE SQUAD

- 1 Stand to attention when giving commands
- 2 In a normal hall there is no need to shout commands loudly, but do give your commands as clearly as possible.
- 3 Try to watch the Squad all the time so that commands can be given in plenty of time and on the correct foot.
- 4 So that you can watch the Squad, it is best if you give the commands without looking at the paper.
- 5 A command list such as the one for this paper can look frightening but if each movement is considered separately, the paper can be broken down into manageable elements. It can help if you try to visualize the route which the Squad is required to take during a movement. You can then concentrate on giving the commands necessary to follow this route.

PREMIER SQUAD DRILL COMPETITION – THE BOWIE CUP

This is the Premier Squad Drill Competition of the Battalion, open to all Companies.

- 1 A Squad of 12 Boys drilling in threes is required. Staff Sergeants are not permitted to participate in the squad.
- 2 Companies with fewer than 15 NCOs or Boys on their roll at 31st October may enter a squad of a minimum of 10 Boys. Joint entries are encouraged. Companies wishing to perform under this rule should state this on the entry form.
- 3 Companies may enter more than one Squad, but no Boy may compete in more than one Squad.
- 4 Companies may, if they so desire, have an NCO drill the Squad.
- 5 The Bowie Cup will be presented to the winning Squad.
- 6 A 5% PENALTY OF THE TOTAL MARKS MAY BE INCURRED BY ANY COMPANY NOT REPORTING TO THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE CENTRE BY THE DUE TIME ADVISED.

CHAMPIONSHIP DRILL COMPETITION – THE FRAME TROPHY

This is an 'unseen paper' competition, open to all Companies.

- 1 A Squad of 12 Boys drilling in threes is required. Staff Sergeants are not permitted to participate in the squad.
- 2 Companies may enter more than one Squad, but no Boy may compete in more than one Squad.
- 3 Companies may, if they so desire, have an NCO drill the Squad.
- 4 This competition is based on Squad Drill, the Officer / NCO taking the squad only having sight of the paper a short time before they are due on the floor. The moves are relatively easy, but Boys will not have an opportunity to rehearse the moves and will therefore have to know their Drill.
- 5 The Frame Trophy will be presented to the winning Squad.
- 6 A 5% PENALTY OF THE TOTAL MARKS MAY BE INCURRED BY ANY COMPANY NOT REPORTING TO THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE CENTRE BY THE DUE TIME ADVISED.

NOTE: General Comments:

It helps Boys considerably if the Instructor is himself confident and gives all commands correctly as per the Drill Book. Make sure you are working to the most up to date edition of the 1987 Drill Book

During the Performance

The Adjudicator should at some point check on pace for length and timing.

QUICK TIME	120 paces per minute
SLOW TIME	60 paces per minute

ENTRIES FROM COMPANIES OUTWITH GLASGOW BATTALION

Entries for Competitions may be considered from Companies outwith Glasgow Battalion.

In such cases, a small charge of £10 per squad may be levied to cover administration and venue costs.

	DRILL MOVEMENTS	WORDS OF COMMAND	REF.
1	Falling in and Sizing	Squad, Marker take – POST. Tallest on the right, shortest on the left, in single rank – SIZE. Squad – NUMBER. Odd numbers, two paces step forward – MARCH. Number one stand fast, ranks right and left – TURN. Form Squad, Quick – MARCH. Dressing, right – DRESS	47 49
2	Stepping to side	Four paces left close - MARCH	44
3	Moving to a flank, wheeling and turning	Move to the right, right – TURN By the left quick – MARCH Change direction left, left WHEEL Change direction left, left WHEEL Move to the left, left TURN, by the right Squad – HALT (at top of hall)	51 53 51
4	Forming in slow time	Turn about, about – TURN Change direction right, right – FORM Slow – MARCH. For – WARD by the right Squad – HALT	52 56
5	Inclining on the march	Turn about, about – TURN Incline to the right, right – INCLINE Quick – MARCH Mark – TIME, Squad – HALT Incline to the right, right INCLINE	54
6	Wheeling	Squad will advance by the right, quick – MARCH Change direction right, right – WHEEL Change direction right, right – WHEEL	53
7	Forming squad from move to halt	At the halt on the right, form – SQUAD (at top of hall)	61
8	Changing from quick march to slow march on the move	Turn about, about – TURN By the right quick – MARCH Break into slow time, slow - MARCH Squad – HALT	38 60
9	Wheeling and forming squad from the move to the halt	Move to the left, left – TURN By the left, quick – MARCH Change direction left, left – WHEEL At the halt on the left form – SQUAD (at top of hall)	53 60
10	Stepping to side	Turn about, about – TURN Four paces right close – MARCH Stand at – EASE	43

Before entering the hall at the start of the Competition the Drill Officer should report to the Senior Adjudicator who will instruct them where the marker is to be placed. Thereafter the Squad will march in, in single file. On completion of the movements, the Drill Officer should again report to the Adjudicator who will give permission for the Squad to leave the floor.

A squad of 6 Boys will be formed in line, in two ranks, awaiting the entry of the NCO, the second rank acting as the rear rank. The squad should be stood at ease after each group of movements (and brought to attention at the start of the next group).

A	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Squad will advance by the right – quick march 2 Move to the right – right turn 3 Squad will retire – about turn, by the right. 4 Squad – halt 5 Turn to the right – right turn
B	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Turn about – about turn 2 Incline to the left – left incline 3 Salute to the left – Salute 4 Incline to the right – right incline 5 Change direction right – at the halt – right form. – Slow march
C	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Move to the right – right turn, by the right – quick march 2 Change direction right – right wheel 3 Change direction right – right wheel 4 On the right, form squad, - for-ward, by the left 5 Squad – halt, Turn about – about turn
D	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Move to the right – right turn 2 By the left, change direction left – left wheel, slow march 3 Incline to the left – left incline 4 Incline to the left – left incline 5 Move to the left – left turn 6 Break into quick time – quick march 7 Change direction left – left wheel, Squad halt 8 Turn to the left – left turn

GUIDANCE NOTES FOR NCOs TAKING PART IN THE COMPETITION

- 1 Stand to attention when giving commands
- 2 In a normal hall there is no need to shout commands loudly, but give your commands as clearly as possible.
- 3 Try to watch the Squad all the time so that commands can be given in plenty of time and on the correct foot.
- 4 So that you can watch the Squad, it is best if you give the commands without looking at the paper.
- 5 A command list such as the one for this paper can look frightening but if each movement is considered separately, the paper can be broken down into manageable elements. It can help if you try to visualize the route which the Squad is required to take during a movement. You can then concentrate on giving the commands necessary to follow this route.
- 6 Although every NCO will obviously be trying to win the Competition, it is intended to be enjoyable as well. Keep calm, enjoy yourself and good luck!

Seniors coming in first, second and third in this competition will be escorts to the Battalion Colours at the Annual **Parade of Queen's Men. They may also be invited to represent the Battalion at other prestigious Ceremonial Events.**

MOVE	OFFICERS WORD OF COMMAND	SECTION COMMANDERS' WORDS OF COMMAND	PAGE
1	COMPANY. Marker take POST. Tallest on the right, shortest on the left, in single rank SIZE. Into two Sections NUMBER. Numbers one, four paces step forward, numbers two, four paces step back MARCH. Dressing, without intervals, right DRESS. Company NUMBER. Odd numbers two paces step forward MARCH. Numbers one stand fast, ranks right and left TURN. Form Company, quick MARCH. Dressing, right DRESS. Section Commanders fall IN.		66/ 68
2	By the left, At the halt, into line, facing left, Sections left FORM. Slow MARCH. By the right	(Move to the left flank) (Move to the right flank)	80
3	Company will retire, about TURN By the left, slow MARCH		75
4	Move to the left, left TURN By the right.		76
5	By the left, Change direction left, left WHEEL	(Move to the left flank)	
6	Change direction left, left WHEEL		
7	By the right, At the halt, On the left, form line of sections	(Move to the right flank) No 2 Section – left WHEEL, right WHEEL, Section HALT No 1 Section – HALT	98
8	Move to the left, left TURN By the right, quick MARCH		76
9	Move to the left, left TURN By the right		76
10	By the left Into Column of threes facing left, Sections left WHEEL	(Move to the left flank)	100
11	Change direction left, left WHEEL		
12	Change direction left, left WHEEL		
13	Move to the left in Column of Sections	No1 Section left TURN By the right No2 Section left TURN By the right.	94
14	Company HALT		
15	At the halt, on the left, form line	No2 Section left TURN Quick MARCH. Right TURN Section HALT. Dressing, right DRESS	84
16	Turn about, about TURN		
17	Move to the right, right TURN By the left, slow MARCH		76
18	Change direction left, left WHEEL		
19	Move to the left, left TURN By the right		76
20	Company HALT		
21	Turn to the right, right TURN By the right	(Move to the right flank)	
22	At the halt, into Column of Sections, on the right, form SECTIONS, Quick MARCH		90
23	Turn about, about TURN		
24	Stand at EASE		

The Agnew Trophy

A squad of up to 5 Boys (minimum 3) will be formed in line, drilling in single rank will perform the drill movements described below to the Commands stated. Page references are to the 1987 Drill Book. The squad should be stood at ease after each group of movements (and brought to attention at the start of the next group).

	MOVEMENT	WORDS OF COMMAND	Page
1	Turning at the halt and dressing	Stand at-EASE, Atten-SHUN. Turn to the left, left-TURN. Turn about, about-TURN. Incline to the left, left in-cline Saluting to the front by numbers By numbers – ONE – TWO Incline to the left, left in-CLINE	30/31 33/34 32/34 49
2	Marching in column, wheeling and turning on the march	Move to the right, right-TURN By the front quick - MARCH Change direction right, tight-WHEEL Change direction right, tight-WHEEL Move to the right, right TURN	38 53
3	Marking time and halting	Mark - TIME Squad - HALT	37 37
4	Stepping to the side, turning to a flank and marching in a column	Three paces, right-close MARCH Move to the left, left-TURN Quick MARCH	43
	Wheeling and turning on the march	Change direction left, left-WHEEL Move to the left, left TURN (March width of the hall) Move to the left, left TURN Change direction left, left-WHEEL	53 34
5	Marking time, halting and turning into line	Squad Mark TIME Squad HALT Turn to the right, right-TURN Stand at- EASE	

If you are having difficulties with analysing the movements, please contact a member of the drill panel for advice and support.

The Fraser Shield

	DRILL MOVEMENTS	WORDS OF COMMAND	Page
1	Falling in and Sizing	Squad, Marker take – POST. Tallest on the right, shortest on the left, in single rank – SIZE. Squad – NUMBER. Odd numbers, two paces step forward – MARCH. Number one stand fast, ranks right and left – TURN. Form Squad, Quick – MARCH. Dressing, right DRESS	47/49
2	Moving to a flank, Advancing, changing direction, moving to a flank and halting	Move to the left, left – TURN Squad will advance , by the right, quick – MARCH. Change direction right, right WHEEL. Move to the right, right – TURN. Squad – HALT.	32 53 51 37
3	Turning at the halt, forming, retiring, halting	Turn about, about – TURN Change direction left, at the halt, left – FORM. Slow – MARCH Squad will advance, by the left, slow – MARCH Squad will retire, about – TURN. By the right Squad – HALT	33 60 52
4	Turning at the halt, forming, moving to a flank, Forming Squad in slow time	Turn about, about – TURN Change direction right, at the halt, right – FORM. Quick – MARCH Move to the left, left – TURN Squad will advance by the left, slow – MARCH At the halt on the left, form – SQUAD	60 59
5	Turning to a flank, wheeling, moving to a flank, halting.	Move to the left, left TURN. Quick – MARCH Change direction left, left WHEEL Change direction left, left WHEEL Move to the left, left TURN Squad – HALT Turn about, about TURN Stand at - EASE	51 53 41 33 31

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COMPANY SECTION DRILL COMPETITIONS

ENTRY FORMS

ENTRIES DUE: 29 February 2019

_____ COMPANY

Friday 13 March 2020

SMALL COMPANY (NOVICE) DRILL COMPETITION

Maximum 2 Squads
Please enter Squads

Contact: _____ (PRINT) Tel: _____ Tel: (day) _____

Address: _____

ENTRIES DUE: 29 February 2019

_____ COMPANY

Friday 13 March 2020

CONTEST (LIMITED) SQUAD DRILL COMPETITION

Maximum 2 Squads
Please enter Squads

Friday 13 March 2020

COMPANY DRILL COMPETITION

Please enter Coy

Contact: _____ (PRINT) Tel: _____ Tel: (day) _____

Address: _____

ENTRIES DUE: 6 January 2020

_____ COMPANY

Wednesday 15 January 2020

NCO's DRILL COMPETITION

Please enter the following NCOs

Rank	Name	Age	Rank	Name	Age

Contact: _____ (PRINT) Tel: _____ Tel: (day) _____

Address: _____

ENTRIES DUE: 1 November 2019

_____ COMPANY

Friday 15 November 2019

PREMIER (SQUAD) DRILL COMPETITION

Please enter Squads

Friday 15 November 2019

CHAMPIONSHIP DRILL COMPETITION

Please enter Squads

Contact: _____ (PRINT) Tel: _____ Tel: (day) _____

Address: _____