

THE BOYS' BRIGADE
INTERNATIONAL CAMP 1986



CAPTAINS' NEWSLETTER 1

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"CONCEPT OF CAMP" AND THE "ROLE OF THE COMPANY CAPTAIN"

The Camp will be divided into a number of Companies which will be made up of 42 Boys and 8 Officers. Each Company will have its own Captain who will appoint his own staff selected from that part of Scotland in which he serves the Brigade. The Captain will receive guidance from the Camp Committee concerning the broad principals on which the Camp will be run but at the same time will be responsible for the day to day organisation of his own Company.

As part of the Concept of the Camp, it is intended that each unit of about 50 Officers and Boys (and girls) should function as a discrete entity - almost like a "Company Camp" although certain facilities will be arranged or provided centrally. It is intended that the Company Captain should see himself as being in charge of such a unit, co-ordinating the work of the Officers, controlling the routine of his Company and arranging the programme of activities for his Boys, all within the central Camp framework.

The Company Captain will appoint the staff to be attached to his Company including a Quartermaster, Programme Officer and other Officers, whose responsibility will be primarily the welfare of the Boys in their Company. It is hoped that he will consider Officers from outwith his own Battalion when making these appointments. Other Officers who wish to attend the Camp will be allocated to individual Companies and it is expected that the Company Captain will make full use of their abilities. Staff who have a "central" function to perform will also be attached to individual Camp Companies.

Although certain timings such as "Reveille", "Lights Out" and "Meals" will be on an "all Camp" basis, within the general framework the Company Captain will have the discretion to arrange the activities of his Company to fit in with his own daily routine.

The menu for meals at the Camp and the supply of food (and canteen goods) will be the responsibility of the Camp Quartermaster. Similarly, the Camp Activities will be arranged by the Camp Programme Officer and each Company Programme Officer will liaise with him to ensure the availability and book the use of the activities which his Company wish to take part in on a particular day.

Certain essential Camp functions and activities will take place during the Camp and each Company Captain must ensure that his programme will accommodate these.

The success of the Camp as a whole will therefore very much depend upon the ability of each Company Captain to realise the full potential of the Officers under him; upon his ability to organise his "Company"; and especially upon his ability to develop an "esprit de corps" with his Boys in order that each Camper can make the most of his stay at Ayr and a friendly, healthy rivalry can be engendered between the Camp Companies.

ADMINISTRATION

- (a) A Publicity Brochure along with a Giro slip have already been circulated to all Companies in the United Kingdom and Ireland, to the various Boys' Brigade Secretaries throughout the World, as well as to Kindred Organisations.
- (b) Companies were asked to pay into their local Bank a deposit of £5.00 per Boy wishing to attend by using and completing the Giro Slip both front and back.
- (c) A deposit at this stage will guarantee a place.

- (d) A further circulation to Companies in the United Kingdom of Publicity Brochure and Giro will be sent out at the beginning of September 1985 informing Companies that the Camp Fee is £78.00 and that the closing date by which final registrations will be accepted is 17 October 1985.
- (e) Further deposits would be paid as follows:-
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| First deposit | - | 17 October 1985 | - | £5.00 |
| Second deposit | - | 1 February 1986 | - | £35.00 |
| Final deposit | - | 8 April 1986 | - | £38.00 |

Captains are asked to publicise the Camp at all BB Meetings which they attend in the future.

The Quartermaster circulated the following 2 papers (Attached):-

- (a) Items required for 1 Company which would be provided - CCN/QM/1
 (b) Plan of the individual Company Site - CCN/QM/2

The canvas would be erected by an Advance Party from 21 July 1986.

The Programme Officer circulated 2 papers (Attached)

- (a) Camp Format and Concept - CCN/PO/1
 (b) Possible Programme - CCN/PO/2

Individual Campers will be allocated to the various Activities on a daily basis.

The Support Services Officer's responsibilities are:

- (a) Security
 (b) Transport
 (c) Communications
 (d) Insurance

Further information regarding the above appears on paper CCN/SSO/1 (attached) "Support Services - Notes for Company Commanders".

The finances of the Camp will be controlled as follows:

- (a) All Departmental Heads have already produced their Budget
 (b) Strict control on Bank transactions would be exercised and a three part pay-in-slip which would be used.
 (c) Order Pads with three part vouchers and numbered would be produced.
 (d) Camp Fee will be £78.00 per Camper
 (e) Scottish Computer Services will be used for Registrations.

Three additional points were made:-

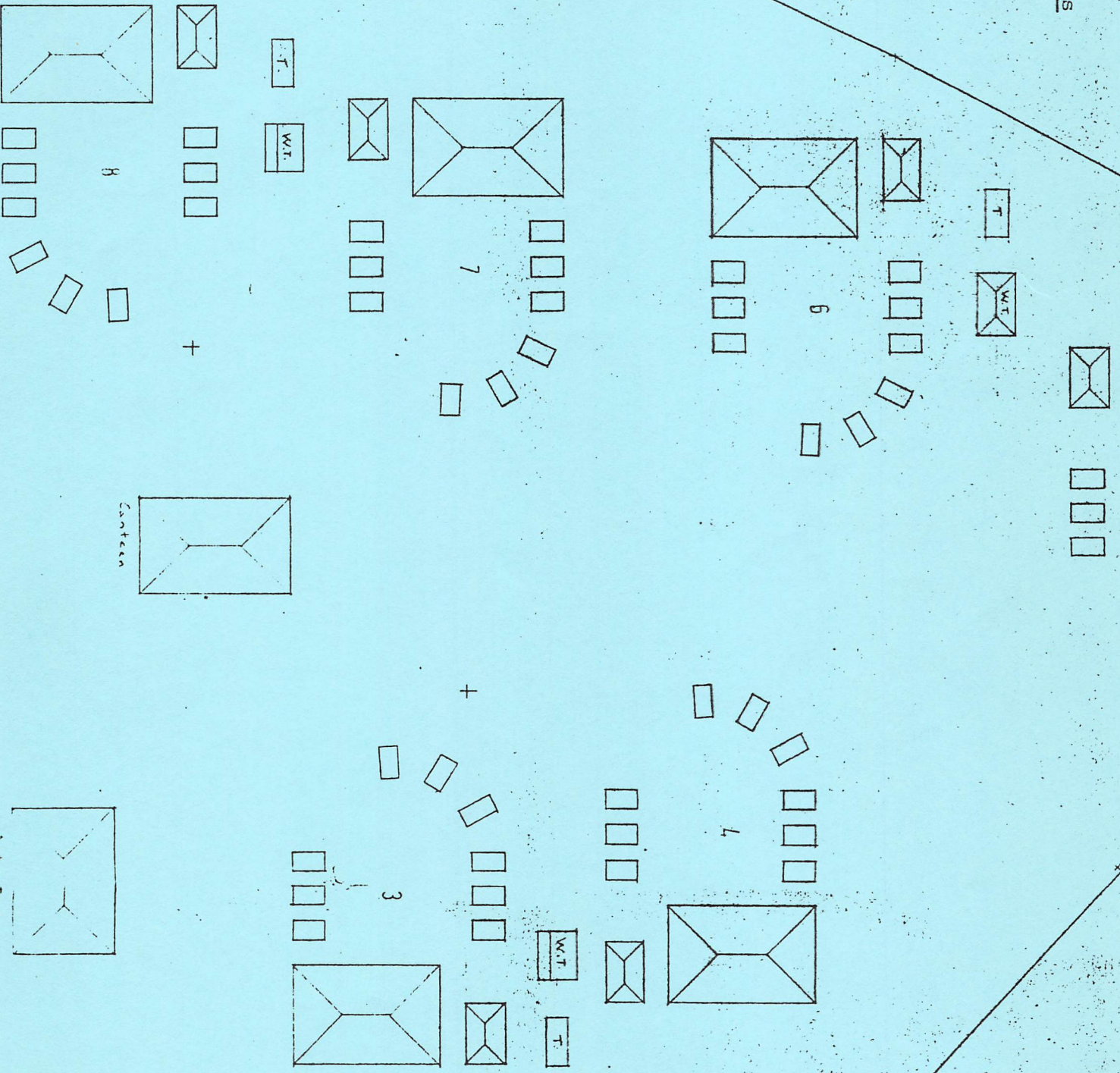
- (a) The Camp Chaplain will be Rev Douglas Lamb, Chaplain 1 Dalry Company and Company Captains are encouraged to appoint their individual Chaplains as soon as possible.
 (b) The Camp Medical Officer will be Dr. D I Pinkerton and the St Andrews Ambulance Association will cover the Camp for First Aid and their Caravan will be on site.
 (c) The Staff for each Camp Company will be expected to cover the following responsibilities either individually or doubling up:
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| i. Captain | vi. Camp Bank |
| ii. Chaplain | vii. Administration |
| iii. Quartermaster | viii. Security |
| iv. Cook | ix. First Aid |
| v. Programme Officer | |

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

1. The Company Cook will not require to pay the Camp Fee.
2. Canteens will be operated by the central Quartermaster and be staffed by Ayr Battalion Officers on a daily basis.
3. Company Captains will appoint Ministers to be their Chaplains.
4. Companies will have additional Staff placed with them from outside Scotland, Kindred Organisations and Overseas.
5. The Company Programme Officers, will be responsible for Morning Activity in their individual Companies.
6. Any girls coming to Camp will have separate sleeping accommodation but will be allocated to Companies for Activities etc.
7. 'A Lollipop Person' will be appointed for Main Road Crossings.
8. Meal Times will be common to all Companies.
9. Early Lunch and late High Tea would benefit the Camp Programme.
10. Reveille and Lights Out will be standard throughout the Camp.
11. There will be provision for a Staff Car Park in an adjacent field.
12. There will be a Camp Uniform.
13. Insurance detail will be printed in the Camp Brochure.
14. Campers will be allocated to Companies centrally and allocated to Tents by Company Captains.
15. There will be a rota and times provided by the Security Officer which will require to be adhered to by Company Security Men.
16. There will be no Visitors Day as such. Visitors will be encouraged to come to a Camp Sports Meeting which is to be arranged.
17. First Aid Kits will be provided for each Company.

The next Meeting of Company Captains will be held on Sunday 17 November 1985 at Carronvale at 2.00 pm.

Plan of 5 Companies



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PROGRAMME COMMITTEE

Camp Format and Concept - To be run as individual Company Camp Units, for morning activities, administration associated with afternoon activities, and all catering.

Format { Tent Inspection and Morning Prayers
Choice of Afternoon Activities
Inter Tent Sports (within each Company)
Lunch
Afternoon Activities
Tea
Free or In Camp Activities
Evening Entertainment (9.30pm onwards)
Evening Prayers

Morning - Inter Tent Activities { Football
Hockey
Volleyball
Bowls

Afternoon - Interest Activities

Sport Orientated

Ayr Baths
Magnum Centre, Irvine
Golf Courses
Pony Treking
Hill Walking (afternoon and evening)
Canoeing
Sailing
Fishing
Dam Park

Interest Orientated

Motor Boat trips
Curling
Ice Rink
Archery
Culzean Castle
Burns Trail
Visits to - S.A.L.
Johnnie Walkers
HMS Gannett
Airport & Concorde
Ayr United FC
Hunterston
Railway Preservation Society
Pit

Restricted free choice, ie. each Company would be allocated a set number of places for each activity each day. Companies would then rotate which tent has first choice each day. All Company choices collated in Central HQ and bus lists issued for Lunchtime.

Afternoon choices to be covered in the cost of Camp.

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Programme Committee

Possible Programme

Day	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Saturday	A R R I V A L		
Sunday	Mass in-camp Service	Mass <u>Company</u> Activities	Songs of Praise?
Monday	Inter Tent Sports 1.	Interest Choice 1. (3 Camps-Swimming visit)	
Tuesday	Inter Tent Sports 2.	Interest Choice 2 (3 Camps-Swimming Visit)	
Wednesday	Waverley	Waverley	Waverley
Thursday	Inter Tent Sports 3.	Interest Choice 3. (3 Camps-Swimming Visit)	
Friday	Inter Tent Sports 4.	Interest Choice 4. (3 Camps-Swimming Visit) (Optional Paying Tours - Paying Tours)	
Saturday	Sports Day	Sports Day	
Sunday	Public Service	Inter Village Activities	
Monday	Inter Tent Sports 5.	Shopping (Optional Paying Tours)	Bar-B-Q
Tuesday	D I S P E R S A L		

General Comments

1. Each Company should have no more than 8 Boy Tents (otherwise sports programme will not work)
2. Each Company Commander to provide for his Company a Wet Weather Pack - containing draughts, chess, dominoes etc.
3. Paying Tours each Company would get 4 places + a reserve list for each Tour.

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SUPPORT SERVICES - Notes for Company Commanders

TRANSPORT

Arrival: Shuttle services available from Railway and Bus Stations to Camp. Possible service from Airports for overseas visitors.

Hospitality: Available for those arriving before 8.00 am, but this is NOT to be encouraged.

Day Staff: Parking will be available, but if transport required it must be requested before the Camp.

Activities: Transport is available for all general Camp Activities. There is NO transport available for Company Activities.

Tours: These will be operated directly by the Tour Operators.

Travel Agent: This will be available for overseas visitors wanting advice on planning the rest of their stay in the UK. It is not being offered as a general travel home advice centre.

Departure: Transport will be available to the Railway and Bus Stations when the Camp has been struck. Individual transport requirements must be ascertained and advised at the start of the Camp.

SECURITY

(Dick Bryson, Inverness Battalion)

Companies: Each Commander will appoint a Security Officer who will -
i) be responsible to the Commander for internal Company Security eg. lost property, late passes, as defined by the Commander.
ii) be responsible to the Camp Security Officer for general duties on a 4 hour shift system.

Security Staff: There will be a permanent Security Staff in addition made up of 16 BB Officers who will not be attached to Companies. We would be glad to hear of anyone who wishes to be considered for the permanent Security Staff.

Visitors: Visitors must be "claimed" at the gate and returned there. The "claimant" will be responsible for their conduct in the Camp.

Late Passes: Security to be advised of names at tea-time, and will return defaulters to the Company Commander.

Camp Uniform: This must be worn outside the Camp, and Security will not allow anyone out without uniform.

COMMUNICATIONS

Internal: A telephone link will be provided with Admin for each Company.

External: Public coin boxes will be available, and there will be two postal deliveries/uplifts.

Newspaper: A daily newspaper/information sheet will be issued.

INSURANCE

(Arthur Priestly, Mid Scottish District)

Personal property of any description must be insured by the owner.
Accident cover and liability cover will be provided in terms of the extended Brigade Scheme.