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Boys'  
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**HANDBOOK FOR BOYS**

**Company Section**





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## **THE OBJECT**

The advancement of Christ's Kingdom among Boys,  
and the promotion of habits of  
Obedience, Reverence, Discipline, Self-respect,  
and all that tends towards  
a true Christian Manliness.

## **THE MOTTO**

**"Sure and Stedfast"**

derived from verse 19, Chapter 6 of the  
Book of Hebrews

*"which hope we have as an anchor of the soul,  
both sure and stedfast"*

Our Patron presents the Queen's Badge



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**From The Lord Bruce, J.P., D.L.**  
*Brigade President*



This Book has been specially prepared for you. No book is of any use unless it is read and you should read it carefully and plan your time in The Boys' Brigade.

I hope that every Boy who reads these words will aim at gaining the Queen's Badge before he leaves. This means making the most of your service in the Brigade. A Record of Service Chart has been included, and this will enable you to record your progress towards your target.

I wish you every success in your efforts.

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## History of The Boys' Brigade

*1883* On 4th October, The Boys' Brigade was founded by William Alexander Smith at the Free College Church Mission, North Woodside Road, Glasgow.

*1886* First B.B. camp was held at Tighnabruaich. There followed fast growth of the movement throughout Britain and overseas.

*1890 to 1902.* Foundation of similar movements for both Boys and Girls, including The Boys' Life Brigade in 1899.

*1908* Foundation of the Boy Scout movement. The original "Scouting for Boys" was written for The Boys' Brigade and published in The Boys' Brigade Gazette.

*1909* William Alexander Smith knighted.

*1913* Inauguration of the King's Badge.

*1914* 10th May. Death of the Founder.

*1917* Commencement of The Boy Reserves, followed by The Lifeboys in 1921.

*1921* Commencement of B.B. Week.

*1926* Union of The Boys' Brigade and The Boys' Life Brigade under the name of The Boys' Brigade: and the Boy Reserves and the Lifeboys under the name of The Life Boys.

*1933* Jubilee Celebrations, Glasgow.

*1945* Scottish National B.B. Training Centre, Carronvale, opened.

1949 National Training Centre for England and Wales, Felden Lodge, Hemel Hempstead, opened.

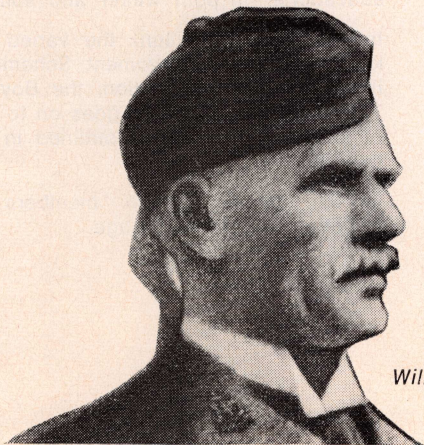
1953 Commencement of Stedfast Magazine.

1954 First International B.B. camp on the playing fields of Eton.

1963 Formation of B.B. World Conference.

1966 Organisation of the B.B. on a three-section basis, with The Life Boys becoming the Junior Section.

Opening of Brigade House, Parsons Green, London, which, shared with The Girls' Brigade, became the International Headquarters of the B.B.



*Sir  
William Smith*

## The Object and Method

The Object of The Boys' Brigade is laid down in the Constitution as follows:

*The advancement of Christ's Kingdom among Boys, and the promotion of habits of Obedience, Reverence, Discipline, Self-Respect, and all that tends towards a true Christian Manliness.*

Every Company is part of a Church or Christian organisation, and the Brigade seeks through many activities to win Boys to the service of Christ and His Church.

The foundation of The Boys' Brigade is on religion and discipline, usually interpreted through Bible Class (or other form of Christian Education) and Drill. On this foundation, however, each Company builds a programme of activities, physical and educational, in both winter and summer.

In the Junior Section, the varied programme is known as the Achievement Scheme. On coming into the Company Section, the Boy first gains his Target Awards, and then goes on to the programme of activities and awards outlined in later pages of this book.

In the Senior Section, members take part in activities suited to their age.

## Ranks

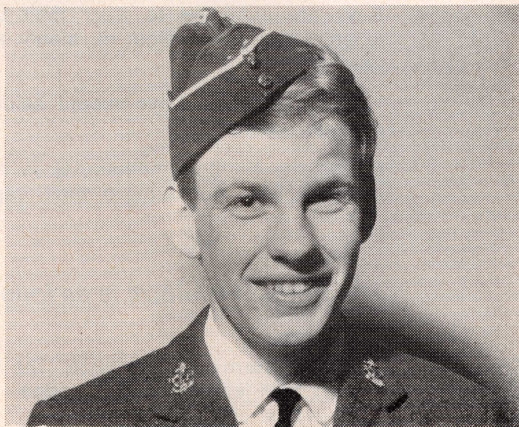
The Officer in charge of the whole Company—all three sections—is known as the Captain.

All other Officers who have taken their basic training, are known as Lieutenants. Before completing training, their rank is that of Warrant Officer.

Officers are appointed on the nomination of the Church. Each Company has a Chaplain (usually the minister of the Church), who is also an Officer.

Boys in the Company Section are known as Privates, and they may be promoted to Lance-Corporal, Corporal and Sergeant (see later pages). Young men wishing to give service in the Company but who are not of age for Officership may be appointed Staff-Sergeants.

In the Junior Section, women may be appointed Lieutenants, Warrant Officers and Staff-Sergeants.



*A Senior*

## Uniform

The Boys of the original Company, during the first year, wore, as uniform, a rosette. Then the Forage Cap, popularly known as the pill-box, with belt and haversack, were introduced.

Boys of the original Boys' Life Brigade wore a field-service cap, with red piping, and full uniform.

Following the amalgamation of the two movements in 1926, the braid was changed from red to white, but the two types of headgear were retained, and have been so used for over forty years.

On many occasions, the unification of uniform has been proposed, and even specimens produced, but no agreement as to a suitable pattern has been reached. At the time of publication, a committee is considering the whole question of uniform.

Boys are expected to wear their uniform as and when ordered, to wear it clean and to wear it correctly.

When in uniform, Boys should salute Officers and address them as "Sir".

During the National Anthem, Boys should stand to attention, but not remove their caps, nor salute.

### *The Present Uniform is as follows:*

#### *Junior Section*

- Naval pattern hat with ribbon "The Boys' Brigade".
- Navy blue jersey with B.B. badge.
- Navy blue shorts.
- Black stockings with two saxe blue rings.

### *Company Section*

White haversack worn over the right shoulder, slings passing under belt on the left, with pouch resting on left hip, top edge in line with lower edge of belt, not more to front than back: haversack to be washed, starched and ironed, and metal parts polished.

Belt worn fairly tightly round the waist, buckle in centre, belt runners separated; looseness of coat in neat folds at back: both metal and leather of belt to be polished.

Forage cap worn on right side of head (seam of cap and buckle of chinstrap to right) not more to back than front: chin strap round point of chin, with loose end cut off in shape of a V.

Field service cap, on right side of head one inch above right ear and two finger breadths above right eyebrow.

Cap braid to be whitened, metal badge and numeral polished, and cloth brushed.

### *Senior Section*

A Staff-Sergeant's cap with a special crest.

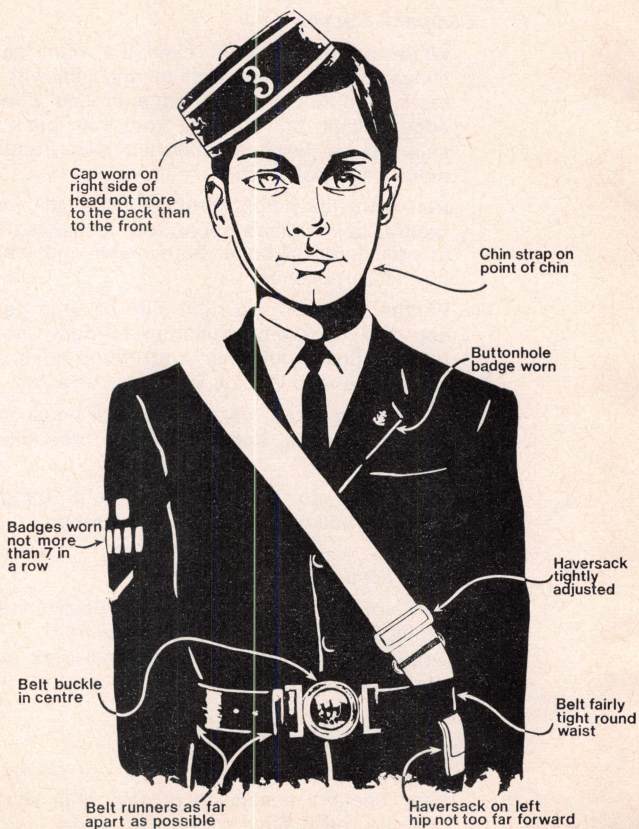
Collar badges to match the cap badge.

Ordinary clothing, but preferably a dark suit with a white shirt and black tie.

### *Full Uniform*

There is an alternative full uniform for the Company Section, consisting of navy blue shirt, royal blue tie, navy blue shorts (or longs), stockings with white rings, Brigade shoulder title, white lanyard: together with cap, belt and haversack.

## How to wear your Uniform



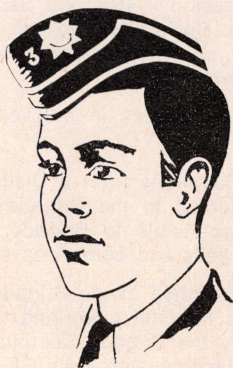


## The right angle for the Sergeant's Peaked Cap

Cap worn square  
on the head



## The B Uniform Cap



Cap on right side of  
head one inch above  
right ear and two  
finger-breadths  
above right eyebrow

*(For Full Uniform these regulations also apply)*

## Organisation

*The Boys' Brigade divides into Districts  
Districts divide into Battalions  
Battalions divide into Companies*

The basic unit of the Brigade is the Company, which is part of the local Church. Each Company has a name, such as 1st Belfast, 100th London, 200th Glasgow.

*The Company may be divided into three Sections:*

Junior Section	ages 8 to 12
Company Section	ages 11 to 17
Senior Section	ages 16 to 19

Where there is no Senior Section, Boys may be retained in the Company Section to the age of 18. All Boys attain the status of Senior on their 16th birthday.

The Brigade session is from 1st September to 31st August, and a Boy's age (for all B.B. purposes except joining and promotion) is that which he attains during the session.

A number of Companies in a given area forms a Battalion.

A number of Battalions form a District, from which Officers are elected to the Brigade Executive, this body being responsible to Brigade Council, which meets once a year and comprises every Officer.

General administration of the Brigade is carried out by the Brigade Executive, working through full-time staff headed by the Brigade Secretary, at offices in London and Glasgow, with Field Officers in Districts in England and Wales. Some Battalions and Districts also employ full-time staff.

## **The Work of a Company**

### *Junior Section*

Activities are based on the Achievement Scheme, in which Boys may gain six awards of different colours, to be worn in uniform. Boys gaining the Gold Achievement Award receive a Gold Service badge on being promoted to the Company Section. Junior Section Boys attend Sunday School or Family Church.

### *Company Section*

The basis of the Company programme of activities is the Company Parade night, and the whole strength and discipline of the Company depend on it. This consists of Fall in, Roll Call, Worship, Inspection and Drill, lasting from "Fall in" until "Dismiss" and quite independent of any other Company activities which may be taking place before or after, on the same evening. Apart from this, there is the widest possible selection of physical, social and educational activities which are open to Companies. Whereas the Parade night is compulsory, all other activities are optional, and vary widely from Company to Company, both in scope and in number. Many Companies run sporting and club activities for their members. Overriding all in importance, is the Boy's attendance at Bible Class or other form of Christian Education.

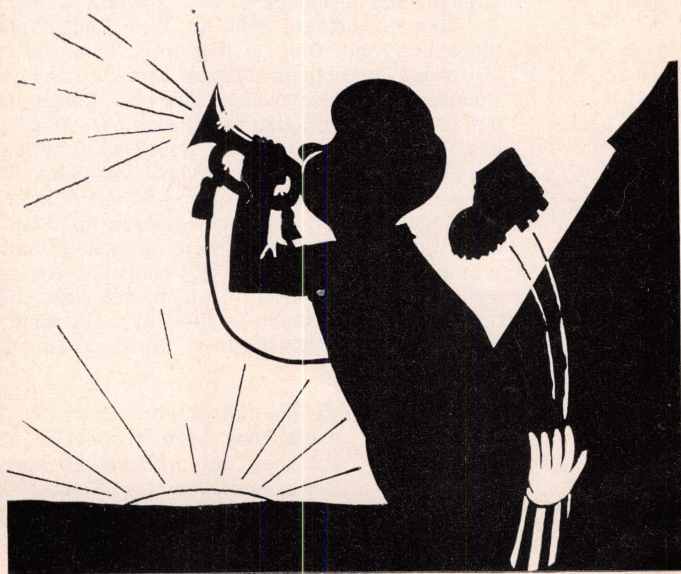
### *Senior Section*

Normally Seniors do not attend Company Drill Parade night, unless they have a specific job to do, in which case they will probably be carrying Staff-Sergeant rank. Some of the Seniors' programme should be exclusively for them, while in other activities, such as band or football, they may combine with the Company Section.

## Camp

The climax of the B.B. year is Company Camp. This is the best kind of B.B. holiday that any Boy could wish for, and every Boy should determine that he will be there. Most Companies open their Camp Fund right through the session, so that money can be saved regularly each week.

In addition to the "traditional" B.B. Camp, most Companies take part in lightweight camping, in which Boys are trained to provide for themselves in the open air.



## The Place of the N.C.O.

*The minimum actual birthday ages at which Boys can be promoted are:*

Lance-Corporal	14
Corporal	15
Sergeant	16

N.C.O.'s are appointed to assist the Officers in running the Company, and the rank should never be regarded as a reward for services rendered. The fact that a Boy has collected a large number of badges is not necessarily a qualification for N.C.O. rank.

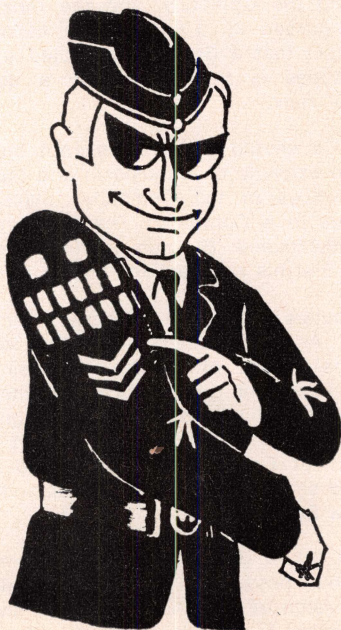
N.C.O.'s should at all times (not only on parade) set an example of enthusiasm and right-living to the other Boys of the Company. Slack N.C.O.'s are ruinous to a Company. The N.C.O. should be the best-disciplined Boy on parade, and should not think that his rank entitles him to do as he likes.

The duties of N.C.O.'s vary from Company to Company. As squad commanders they are responsible for the welfare of the Boys in their squad. Their most important duty is to retain the Boy, to visit his home, to observe early any sign of a lack of interest, and to give a full report to the squad Officer or Captain before it is too late. N.C.O.'s should show patience and understanding, especially to new Boys.

N.C.O.'s can give valuable service, especially with first-year Boys, as instructors, working under the supervision of an Officer. N.C.O.'s should find time to prepare their instruction carefully, however well they may think they know their subject.

*The Place of the N.C.O.—continued*

Many N.C.O.'s go on to serve as Officers in the movement. To encourage this, and through the generosity of the King George VI Leadership Training Memorial, the Brigade has an Officer Cadet scheme, open to young men aged 17 to 19. Full details can be obtained from Company Captains.



## Membership

A duty of membership is the regular attendance at Company Parade night, at Bible Class (or other form of Christian Education) and at any activity for which a Boy has enrolled. Each Boy should aim to serve through to the age limit, and to take part in as much B.B. activity as is consistent with duty to home, school and further education.

If moving to another town, or another country, Boys should ask their Captain to put them in touch with a Company near their new home.

Most Boys, at some stage in their B.B. careers, think they want to leave, possibly as the result of a difference of opinion with an Officer or another Boy, or for some other pursuit that seems at the time more attractive. If that point comes, Boys should give themselves time to think, and then, if still unhappy, go to their Captain to talk it over, before making a final decision. Many Boys who leave before the age limit, regret it afterwards.

After leaving at the age limit, ex-members are encouraged to keep in touch with the movement. If going to a University, there is likely to be a Stedfast Club for all who are interested in the B.B.

Boys during their membership are able to keep in touch with the wider Brigade throughout the world, by means of the Boys' magazine, Stedfast Magazine, which should be made available in every Company.

## An International Organisation

"What an ingenious and wonderful idea is this organisation for Boys! Let's tell our neighbours: let's tell the nation: let's tell the world!"—so said the early members of the B.B., and thus the tiny trickle which started in Glasgow in 1883 became the fast-flowing stream touching every corner of this country and the mighty river which circled the world. In many different ways the B.B. took root in countries all over the world, and in recent years it has been in places outside the British Isles that we have seen the Brigade's greatest advances . . .

in **Africa**—which can boast of having the largest B.B. unit overseas (500 Companies in Nigeria), and where the B.B. is at the service of the Church in another eleven countries.

in **South East Asia**—where the historic Singapore Battalion still goes strong and the work continues to develop in Malaysia and Hong Kong.

in **Australia and New Zealand**—where the B.B. is strong and the standard of Company work very high.

in the magical islands of the **Pacific**—where the work is growing rapidly with the help of the B.B. in Australia and New Zealand.

in **Canada**—a land with a promising future for the B.B.

in the sun-drenched **Caribbean**—where Companies exist on most of the major islands.

in the island outposts of **Bermuda, Falkland Islands and Mauritius.**



So much accomplished—so much still to be done! Please seize every opportunity to learn more about the fascinating world of the B.B. International and support it through the International Extension Fund?

The International Extension Fund is concerned purely with B.B. extension overseas, but the Brigade's duty to the Church in the world does not end there. The needs of the wider work of the Church are frequently brought to notice, and Officers and Boys are encouraged to contribute to this through the B.B. Missionary Auxiliary of their particular denomination. All Bible Class offerings ought to be directed to this end.

And why should this be a matter of concern? Simply because Christ once said "Go forth to every part of the world and proclaim the Good News to the whole creation".



## Money

Nothing can go very far without money, and that is specially true of a B.B. Company, where the cost of equipment—band instruments, football kit, even the necessary roll books and record cards—is such that every Company has to take very seriously the problem of raising the necessary funds.

The best opportunity for every member to help, occurs in B.B. Week, when everyone is encouraged to ask his friends and relations for money to support his own Company (a new scheme). Each year, over £150,000 is raised by this method, and that is only possible if every Boy gives "number one priority" to B.B. Week, as well as giving generously himself.

Another important source of income is from members' subscriptions, which vary in each Company. Subscriptions should be paid regularly.

Many useful and attractive articles are obtainable from the Supplies Department at Brigade Headquarters and local depots. Profits from this department provide great help to national funds. An illustrated price list is available in each Company.

Boys are encouraged to use their money wisely, and to save money for worthwhile projects, perhaps camp or a new bicycle, rather than fritter money away day by day.

Boys are also encouraged to contribute weekly through Bible Class or Church to the work of the Church in other lands, both through the Church's own Missionary project, and through the Brigade's International Extension Fund.

## Standards of Living

The B.B. is judged by the outside public by what they see of its members.

The untidy Boy, slouching down the street with a cigarette drooping from his mouth, does more harm to the B.B. image than many realise.

Every Boy should set himself the highest standard of physical fitness, and seek all opportunity to improve this.

Standards of living in such matters as smoking, drinking, gambling and language are largely matters for individual decision. The maxim of every B.B. Boy should be "If in doubt, don't!" B.B. Boys should not allow the smoking habit to grip them: should remember the dangers of alcohol and of gambling, as evidenced in all the courts of every land: should determine that their conversation will at all times be clean and wholesome. Cleanliness of living, in all its aspects, can only result in a better life for the individual and through him, a better community and a better country.

## The Christian Life

But the foundation and Object of the Brigade are based on something far higher than just normal standards of living.

Every Company is part of a Church, which appoints as Officers practising Christians, whose aim in working in the B.B. is to win the Boys for Christ and the Church.

For many Boys joining the movement, this will be unfamiliar.

Boys are encouraged to pray: if in difficulty, Officers will advise on the many helpful books that are available. A prayer for The Boys' Brigade appears on next page.

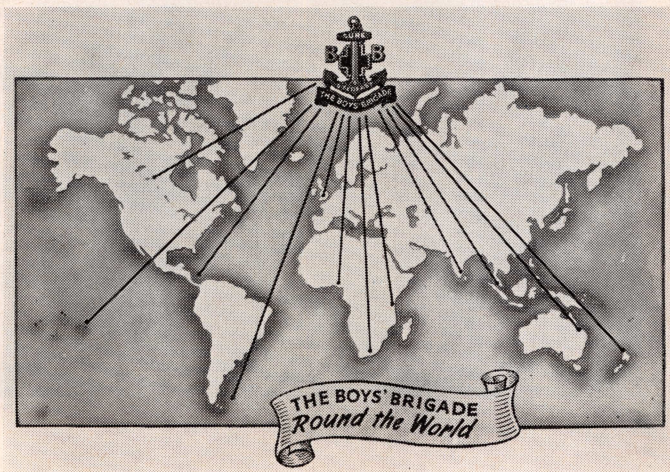
Boys are encouraged to read the Bible, preferably in a modern version, for this is the text book on which the Christian faith is based.

Boys are encouraged to attend Church regularly. The worship may at first be difficult to understand and appreciate, but with persistence, the Boy will find it to be real and helpful to his spiritual life.

At some point towards the end of his Company life, the Boy should think seriously about joining the Church. He should discuss this with his Chaplain and Captain, who will be able to talk with him about the privilege and responsibility of being a member of the Christian Church.

## A Prayer for The Boys' Brigade

Bless, O God, The Boys' Brigade, and give to it greater power to advance Thy Kingdom throughout the world. Grant in Thy mercy that every member, past and present, may prove steadfast in his fight against evil, and true in his allegiance to Thee. Help us in times of temptation: make us strong where we are weak: give us courage in difficulty: faithfulness in duty: loyalty in friendship: and finally by Thy mercy, bring us into Thine everlasting Kingdom, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.





AWARDEES



ATHLETICS



JUNIOR SECTION SERVICE



QUEEN'S BADGE



TARGET SHOOTING



BANDMAN'S



BADGER



CRAFTS



DRUGGING



COMMUNICATIONS



CHILDMINDER



FIRST AID



LIFE SAVING



PHYSICAL RECREATION



SAFETY



SAILING



SPORTSMAN'S



PRESIDENT'S BADGE



SWINDON



STEWARDSHIP



COMPANY SECTION SERVICE



CAMPING



CHILDREN EDUCATION



DRILL



EXPEDITION



HORFISK



NATURALIST'S



ROVER'S

# B.B. AWARDS

## COMPANY SECTION

**SPORTSMAN'S COLOURS**

Worn only in uniform and on track suits, shorts, vests or other informal dress.

ARCHERY	BADGER	BOYS' OWN	BOY SCOUTS	CYCLING
FOOTBALL	HORSE	RUGBY	SWINDON	TENNIS
TABLE TENNIS	VOLLEYBALL	WRESTLING	X OF 100	Y OF 100

Outline conditions for all awards are printed in the Handbook for Boys 1988 edition

Sportsman's Colours are not worn in uniform but on track suits, shorts, vests or other informal dress

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD  
ARMY BADGE

## Company Section Awards Structure

The awards which may be gained in the Company Section come under the following headings:—

### A. *Target Awards*

For Boys in their first session, and based on regular attendance for a period of time and knowledge of all the various parts of their training programme.

### B. *Specialised Awards*

Primarily intended for Boys in their second session onwards. Twenty-three different awards are available, and each one is designed on a three stage basis. A bronze badge is presented at the completion of the first stage, and silver and gold inserts are added at the completion of the second and third stages.

### C. *Service Awards*

A Junior Section Service Badge (silver or gold) for those who have served for two years in a Junior Section, or who have gained a gold award in the Achievement Scheme.

A Company Section Service Badge, with appropriate inserts showing the number of year's regular and loyal service in the Company Section.

### D. *Special Awards*

Two are available:—

*The President's Badge*, requiring all round proficiency, the gaining of certain specialised awards and loyal service over at least three years.

*Company Section Awards Structure—continued*

*The Queen's Badge*, the highest award that can be gained by a B.B. Boy, requiring the holding of the President's Badge, and a further two years' service, involving leadership and responsibility, followed by satisfactory attendance at a special Queen's Badge Completion Course.



**N.B.**

**The following is only an outline  
of the requirements for each award.**

**Your Company Captain will be able to tell you  
the complete regulations  
which apply in each case.**

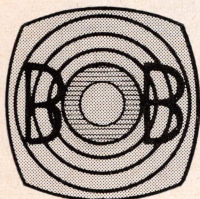


## A. TARGET AWARDS

Open to Boys as soon as they join, and for their first full session in the Company Section.

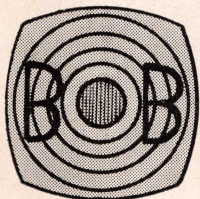
For each award, at least three months regular attendance is required, together with a knowledge of the various training undertaken, including the following:—

### Target 1



- B.B. Knowledge
- Uniform
- Elementary Drill
- Christian Education
- Hygiene and common accidents
- Educational interest
- Physical activity

### Target 2



- B.B. Knowledge
- Squad Drill
- Christian Education
- Service
- Educational interest
- Physical activity

## B. SPECIALISED AWARDS

### 1. Arts, Crafts and Hobbies Awards

For each award, at least three months work is required, at courses arranged by the Company, and only one award under each heading (i.e. Arts, Crafts or Hobbies) may be gained in any one session.



#### (A) Arts Badge *Mask*

An art (e.g. painting, sculpture, montage), drama and mime, musical activity or appreciation (other than B.B. bands) or creative writing.



#### (B) Crafts Badge *Hammer*

Activities such as basketry, woodwork, marquetry, metal work, model making, printing, cookery, motor mechanics, or radio construction.



#### (C) Hobbies Badge *Electronic symbol*

Hobbies such as reading, languages, collecting, brass rubbing or railway knowledge.

## 2. Athletics Badge



**Athletics Badge** *Abbreviated symbol of the Olympic Games*

*1st Stage* gain the appropriate standard in any THREE events shown below.

*2nd Stage* gain the appropriate standard in any TWO events shown below.

*3rd Stage* gain the appropriate standard in any ONE event shown below.

### 1st Stage

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100 yards	12.5 secs.
220 yards	28.5 secs.
440 yards	70 secs.
880 yards	2 mins. 40 secs.
Mile	6 mins. 10 secs.
Hurdles	80 yds. @ 2' 9" 13.3 secs.
High Jump	4' 0"
Long Jump	14'
Triple Jump	30'
Pole Vault	6' 6"
Cricket Ball	156' (5½ oz. ball) 168' (4¾ oz. ball)
Javelin	90' (7' 2½")
Discus	85' (2 lb. 3¼ oz.)
Putting the Weight	32' (6 lb.)

*Athletics Badge—continued*

**2nd Stage**

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100 yards	11.8 secs.
220 yards	27.5 secs.
440 yards	64 secs.
880 yards	2 mins. 25 secs.
Mile	5 mins. 30 secs.
Hurdles	80 yds. @ 2' 9" 12.8 secs.
High Jump	4' 6"
Long Jump	16'
Triple Jump	32'
Pole Vault	7' 6"
Javelin	105' (7' 2½")
Discus	100' (2 lb. ¾ oz.)
Putting the Weight	34' (8 lb. 13 oz.)

**3rd Stage**

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100 yards	11.3 secs.
220 yards	26.0 secs.
440 yards	59 secs.
880 yards	2 mins. 15 secs.
Mile	4 mins. 55 secs.
Hurdles	110 yds. @ 3' 16.3 secs.
High Jump	5' 0"
Long Jump	18'
Triple Jump	36'
Pole Vault	8' 6"
Javelin	125' (7' 6½")
Discus	125' (3 lb. 5 oz.)
Putting the Weight	37' (10 lb.)

### 3. Band Awards

To gain each award, be a regular member of the band or B.B. class for at least six months, and also qualify as follows.



#### **A. Bugler's Badge** *Bugle mouthpiece*

*1st Stage* Play correctly Last Post or Retreat, Reveille, Fall In, First Dinner Call, Warning for Parade, Orderly Sergeants and two marches from the Bugle Band Handbook.

*2nd Stage* Play correctly Last Post and Retreat, five additional calls, and three exercises from pages 16-25 of the Handbook, and understand certain musical terms.

*3rd Stage* Read and play at sight, four different phrases of bugle music, and know how to care for and maintain a bugle.



#### **B. Drummer's Badge** *Stylised drum*

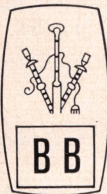
*1st Stage* Play correctly Long Roll (open and closed), four five-stroke or seven-stroke rolls. Paradiddle, and beatings for two marches.

*2nd Stage* Play correctly certain drum parts and selected exercises from the Handbook, Flams and Drags, and understand certain musical terms.

*3rd Stage* Read and play at sight, four different phrases of drum music, and know how to care for and maintain a drum.

(N.B. Special regulations apply to Bass and Tenor Drummers.)

*Band Awards—continued*



**C. Piper's Badge** *Bagpipes*

*1st Stage* Play correctly on a practice chanter, all doubling from low G to high A, two Quick Marches and a Slow March.

*2nd Stage* Play correctly two Quick Marches, two Strathspeys, and two Reels, answer seven out of ten questions on music theory and play correctly on a practice chanter, more advanced movements, i.e. Grips and Taorluaths.

*3rd Stage* Play correctly two Quick Marches, two Strathspeys, and two Reels, retune the drones, show more advanced knowledge of music theory, read and play at sight four different phrases of pipe music, and know how to care for and maintain a pipe.



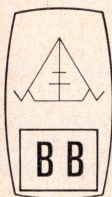
**D. Bandsman's Badge** *Lyre*

*1st Stage* Play correctly scales of C, F, Bb, G and D, and your own part of a march.

*2nd Stage* Know elementary music theory, play correctly one piece, and read and play at sight, a simple tune.

*3rd Stage* Know more advanced music theory, play correctly one piece, and read and play at sight, a more difficult tune.

## 4. Camping Badge



### **Camping Badge** *Stylised tent*

*1st Stage* Attend B.B. camps under canvas for at least fourteen days, and show knowledge in the various types of tent, and other items of equipment, tent craft, the Country Code, and personal health and hygiene. Also pass a practical test in pitching, striking and packing a tent.

*2nd Stage* Attend a further B.B. camp of at least seven consecutive days, and show knowledge in the various types of light-weight tents and equipment, pressure stoves, living under canvas, and simple first aid. Also participate in a two day static camp of at least 30 hours duration, including two nights under canvas.

*3rd Stage* Attend a further camp or camps of at least 7 days, and show knowledge in the essentials of a camp site and its layout, the care, maintenance and store of equipment, arrangements for sanitation, hygiene and safety, catering and menus. Also plan and actually organise a two day static camp including choosing the site, setting up the camp, catering arrangements, programme and striking camp.

## 5. Canoeing Badge



### Canoeing Badge *Paddles*

*1st Stage minimum* (Corresponding to British Canoe Union's Novice Test).

*B.B. age 14* Know the Water Safety Code, swim 50 yards in light clothing, and carry out a practical test in a single seater or double canoe.

*2nd Stage minimum* Swim 50 yards in light clothing and carry out a more advanced practical

*B.B. age 15* test in a single seater canoe.

*3rd Stage minimum* (Corresponding to British Canoe Union's Proficiency Test).

*B.B. age 16* Swim 50 yards in light clothing and 25 yards with a life jacket fully inflated. Tie correctly a reef knot, sheet bend, bowline, round turn and two half hitches and figure-of-eight knot. Carry out a more advanced practical test, know how to carry out running repairs, answer questions on canoe camping, and undertake a two day expedition.



## 6. Christian Education Badge



**Christian Education Badge** *Alpha and Omega, from the Greek letters—meaning Christ the First and Last*

*1st Stage* Show a general understanding of a particular passage of scripture studied, and carry out at least 6 hours practical service for others.

*2nd Stage* Show a general understanding of a particular passage of scripture studied, understand the application of the Christian faith to everyday life, and carry out at least a further 9 hours practical service.

*3rd Stage* Show a general understanding of a particular passage of scripture studied, with particular reference to community relationships, and carry out at least a further 12 hours practical service.

## 7. Communications Badge



### **Communications Badge** *Radio aerial*

*1st Stage* Show proficiency and knowledge in Morse Code (lamp 3 w.p.m.; buzzer 4 w.p.m.), Phonetic alphabet, simple codes, and the telephone receiver and transmitter.

*2nd Stage* Show proficiency and knowledge in Morse Code (lamp 4 w.p.m.; buzzer 6 w.p.m.), the use of message form and procedure, more advanced telecommunications, and at least 8 flags of the International Code.

*3rd Stage* Show knowledge in the training received in either Radio communications, Television communications, or Tape Recording.

## 8. Drill Badge



**Drill Badge** *Chess King, the only piece that can move in any direction, one square (i.e. one pace) at a time*

**1st Stage** Pass a written or oral examination on definitions, drill theory, words of command, Elementary Drill and Squad Drill.

**2nd Stage** Pass a written or oral examination on Advanced Drill.

**3rd Stage** Pass a practical examination, instructing a squad in Elementary and Squad Drill movements, and involving the duties of a Section Commander in Advanced Drill.



*Middlesex County Times*

## 9. Expedition Badge



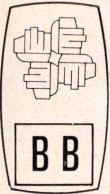
### **Expedition Badge** *Points of a compass*

*1st Stage* Pass a test in Casualty Code, packing a rucksack, simple cooking, elementary map reading, camp craft and the Country Code. Also undertake a 10 mile walk, and spend one night under canvas.

*2nd Stage* (Corresponding to The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Bronze stage). Pass a test in Casualty Code, safety precautions, map and compass, camp craft and cooking. Also undertake a 15-mile expedition in two days.

*3rd Stage* (Corresponding to The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Silver stage). Pass a test in Casualty Code, safety precautions, map and compass, camp craft and cooking. Also undertake a 30-mile expedition in three days.

## 10. First Aid Badge



**First Aid Badge** *Four-handed seat for transportation of injured persons*

*1st Stage* Show knowledge in Scope of First Aid, Breathing, Artificial Respiration, Wounds and Bleeding, Dressings and Bandages, Burns and Scalds, and Shock.

*2nd Stage* Show knowledge in the skeleton, injuries to bones and joints, Unconsciousness, miscellaneous conditions (including cramp, winding, foreign body in the eye, ear, nose and throat, insect stings, snake bites and blisters from rubbing), and transport of injured persons.

*3rd Stage* Show knowledge in Circulation of the Blood, Bleeding from special regions, Poisoning, Typical Incident, and Action in an Emergency.

## 11. Life Saving Badge



### **Life Saving Badge** *Stylised life belt*

*1st Stage* (Corresponding to the Royal Life Saving Society's Intermediate Certificate).  
*B.B. age 14*

Pass an oral and practical test including water work.

*2nd Stage* (Corresponding to the Royal Life Saving Society's Bronze Medallion).  
*B.B. age 15*

Pass a more advanced oral and practical test including water work.

*3rd Stage* (Corresponding to the Royal Life Saving Society's Award of Merit).  
*B.B. age 16*

Pass a more advanced oral and practical test, including water work.

## 12. Naturalist's Badge



### **Naturalist's Badge** *Horse-chestnut leaf*

*1st Stage* Be able to use a map and compass, know the Country Code, understand the structure of a typical plant and animal, undertake several visits to a local area, draw a sketch map of it, and make a small collection of specimens.

*2nd Stage* Maintain the visits to a local area, add to the collection, undertake an 8-mile walk, identify specimens, understand different soils and bedrocks, how habitats differ in their flora and fauna, and undertake a simple project.

*3rd Stage* Show knowledge in the training received in one specialised aspect of nature, e.g. astronomy, fishing, geology, botany.

### 13. Physical Recreation Badge



**Physical Recreation Badge** *Abstract form of movement.*

*1st Stage* Attend satisfactorily the Company P.R. night for one session, show satisfactory improvement, and achieve an appropriate standard of performance.

*2nd Stage* Attend satisfactorily the Company P.R. night for a further session, show satisfactory improvement, and achieve an appropriately higher standard of performance.

*3rd Stage* Attend satisfactorily the Company P.R. night for a further session, show satisfactory improvement, and achieve an appropriately higher standard of performance.



## 14. Safety Badge



**Safety Badge** *Safety symbol enclosing a fire*

*1st Stage* Show knowledge in road, home, fire and water safety.

*2nd Stage* Show more advanced knowledge in home, fire and water safety.

*3rd Stage* Show more advanced knowledge in road, home, fire and general safety.



*Bedfordshire Times*

## 15. Sailing Badge



### Sailing Badge Boat

*1st Stage minimum* Know the Water Safety Code, swim 50 yards in sailing clothes, fit a lifejacket, tie three knots, carry out capsized drill, know basic sailing terms, rig and unrig a dinghy, and secure and hoist a burgee. Also take a practical test in a sailing dinghy.  
*B.B. age 14*

*2nd Stage minimum* Understand the Rule of the Road and navigational lights, tie three more knots, make an eye splice, reef a dinghy, and recognise 4 dinghy classes. Also carry out a practical test in a sailing dinghy.  
*B.B. age 15*

*3rd Stage minimum* Carry out boat maintenance, be competent as a helmsman in rough weather, take down and shake out a reef under sail, make certain splices, understand different methods of boat construction, show general knowledge of the basic principles of meteorology, tides and navigation.  
*B.B. age 16*

## 16. Seamanship Badge



**Seamanship Badge** *Flags of International Code representing B.B.*

*1st Stage minimum*  
*B.B. age 14* Know the Water Safety Code, swim 50 yards in normal clothing, understand basic nautical terms, parts of a boat, buoys, navigation lights and soundings. Tie four knots. Also undertake a small practical test in a rowing boat.

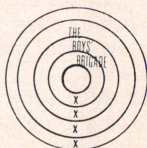
*2nd Stage minimum*  
*B.B. age 15* Understand parts of an anchor, rules of the road, basic chart and compass work, wind, weather and tides. Additional rope work. Carry out basic boat maintenance. Also carry out a practical test in a rowing or power boat.

*3rd Stage minimum*  
*B.B. age 16* Understand more advanced chart and compass work, Flags of the International Code, basic principles of meteorology and tides, additional rope work, and carry out normal boat maintenance. Also carry out at least a half-day cruise in a rowing or power boat.

## 17. Sportsman's Awards

### A. Sportsman's Colours

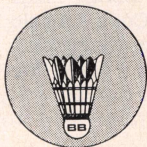
Official Colours (attractive cloth crests) may be gained as a result of participation for a period of at least three months in various sports, showing progress and knowledge of wider aspects of the sport. Not more than one Colour for each sport or game may be gained in any one session. Colours are available for the following sports:—



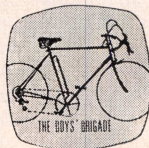
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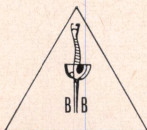
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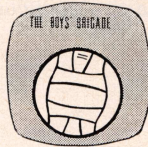
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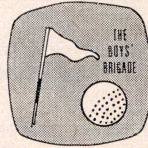
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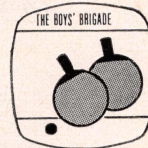
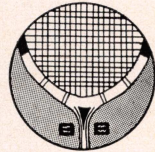


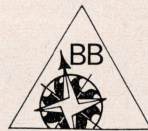
TABLE TENNIS



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LAWN TENNIS



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SPORTSMAN

(for sports not listed above)

*Sportsman's Awards—continued*



**B. Sportsman's Badge** *Laurel wreath*

*1st Stage* Hold three Sportsman's Colours in the same or different subjects.

*2nd Stage* Hold three further Sportsman's Colours in the same or different subjects.

*3rd Stage* Hold three further Sportsman's Colours in the same or different subjects.



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## 18. Swimming Awards



### A. Swimming Colour

An official cloth crest. Swim 100 yards, any style.



### B. Swimming Badge *Diver*

*1st Stage* Qualify in Section 1 as shown below.

*2nd Stage* Qualify in Section 1 and Section 2 as shown below.

*3rd Stage* Qualify in Section 1 and Section 2 as shown below.

**Section 1** Any *ONE* of the following:

#### 1st Stage

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100 yards free style	1 min. 40 secs.
100 yards butterfly stroke	2 mins.
100 yards breast stroke	2 mins. 5 secs.
100 yards back stroke	1 min. 55 secs.
$\frac{1}{4}$ mile	No time limit
Medley (25 yards back stroke, 25 yards breast stroke and 25 yards front crawl)	1 min. 27 secs.

## Swimming Awards—continued

### 2nd Stage

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100 yards free style	1 min. 30 secs.
100 yards butterfly stroke	1 min. 50 secs.
100 yards breast stroke	1 min. 55 secs.
100 yards back stroke	1 min. 45 secs.
$\frac{1}{4}$ mile	12 mins.
Medley (25 yards back stroke, 25 yards breast stroke and 25 yards front crawl)	1 min. 20 secs.

### 3rd Stage

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100 yards free style	1 min. 20 secs.
100 yards butterfly stroke	1 min. 40 secs.
100 yards breast stroke	1 min. 45 secs.
100 yards back stroke	1 min. 35 secs.
Medley (25 yards back stroke, 25 yards breast stroke and 25 yards front crawl)	1 min. 15 secs.

### Section 2 Personal Survival Tests

Personal survival tests corresponding to the Amateur Swimming Association's Awards, Bronze and Silver, involving entering the water wearing light clothing, swimming a certain distance, treading water, undressing in the water, etc.



## C. SERVICE AWARDS

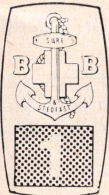


### 1. Junior Section Service Badge

**Silver Badge** Awarded, on promotion to the Company Section, to Boys with at least two sessions' service, with good conduct, in a Junior Section

*or*

**Gold Badge** Awarded, on promotion to the Company Section, to Boys who have gained the gold award in the Achievement Scheme whilst in a Junior Section.



### 2. Company Section Service Badge

This is one Badge with appropriate coloured and numbered inserts to show the years of service in the Company Section. To qualify, each session attend regularly the weekly Company Parade Night and Bible Class or other form of Christian Education for at least 8 months, and play a satisfactory part in the life of the Company.

## D. SPECIAL AWARDS



### 1. President's Badge

1. Be at least B.B. age 15.
2. Be recommended by the Company Captain as suitable.
3. Hold the Service Badge with at least the three year insert.
4. Hold at least the 2nd Stage of the Christian Education Badge.
5. Hold at least the 2nd Stage of the Drill Badge.
6. Hold at least one specialised award from each of the following groups, the minimum standards required for these being two badges at 2nd Stage and two others at 3rd Stage.

#### Group A

Arts, Crafts or Hobbies  
Bugler's, Drummer's, Piper's or Bandsman's  
Communications

#### Group B

Camping  
Expedition  
Naturalist's  
Canoeing, Sailing or Seamanship

**Group C**

First Aid  
Life Saving  
Safety

**Group D**

Athletics  
Swimming  
Physical Recreation  
Sportsman's



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## 2. Queen's Badge



This is the highest award that can be gained by a member of The Boys' Brigade. With the approval of Her Majesty the Queen, the following conditions have been laid down, and these must be fulfilled, *in the order shown* (1-4), before this award can be received. Those who hold it are known as Queen's Men.

1. Hold the President's Badge.
2. Continue membership of the Company for a further period of at least 2 years, during which time:
  - (a) Show loyalty to the Company, its Officers and Boys, and play as full a part as possible in the life of the Company.
  - (b) Accept an appropriate degree of leadership and responsibility in the Company.
  - (c) Attend satisfactorily at least one leadership training course on a particular aspect of Brigade work.
  - (d) At least once, spend a week away, preferably with your own Company, at Company Camp or similar B.B. event.
  - (e) Carry out a total of 36 hours practical service for others, outside the Company.
3. The Company Captain will then complete a full report on work and progress throughout this period and recommend the award of this Badge.
4. Finally, attend satisfactorily a special Queen's Badge Completion Course.

### 3. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award



The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme provides a useful overlap with and progression from our own B.B. Badge Structure. There are three Stages, each of which has a separate award.

**Bronze** for Boys aged 14 and over

**Silver** for Boys aged 15 and over

**Gold** for Boys aged 16 and over

Many of the activities undertaken in our own Badge structure may be continued in qualifying for an award, and your Company Captain will be able to give you full details from the official Leaders' Handbook of the Award Scheme.

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### 4. Awards for Gallantry



#### **Cross for Heroism**

The Cross may be awarded to any B.B. Boy who has performed a signal act of self-sacrifice for others, shown heroism in saving life or attempting to save life, or displayed marked courage in the face of danger.

#### **Diploma for Gallant Conduct**

Awarded to Boys who have shown gallant conduct in attempting to save life, or marked courage in the face of danger, unaccompanied, however, by the high degree of heroism which would merit the awarding of the Cross for Heroism.

## **Wearing of Awards**

### **1. Colours** *Sportsman's or Swimming*

Whilst official Brigade awards, these are not worn in uniform, but may be worn on track suits, swimming trunks, shirts or vests, shorts, anoraks, etc.

### **2. Badges**

All badges should be worn on armllets, positioned midway between the shoulder and elbow.

#### *Left Arm*

The following awards will be worn on the left arm:

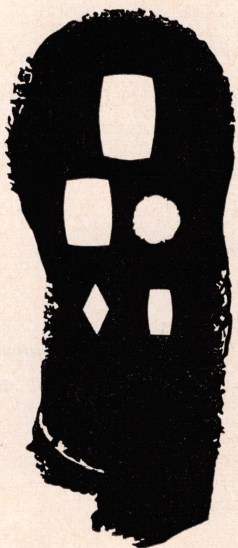
<i>Top Row.</i>	Queen's Badge
<i>Centre Row.</i>	President's Badge The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (silver or gold)
<i>Bottom Row.</i>	Junior Section Service Badge Company Section Service Badge

#### *Right Arm*

The following awards will be worn on the right arm:

<i>Top Row.</i>	Target awards
<i>Additional Rows.</i>	Specialised awards, worn in alphabetical order, not more than seven in a row.

## How to wear Badges



Left Arm

Right Arm



## PERSONAL RECORD OF SERVICE

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_

Service in Junior Section — From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Date Joined Company Section \_\_\_\_\_

Squad No. \_\_\_\_\_

Attendances	Sessions					
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Company Parade ..						
Bible Class or equivalent						
Camp .. .. .						
Collected for B.B. Week						
Promotions .. .						

Date of Confirmation  
 or Joining Church \_\_\_\_\_



## AWARDS GAINED

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