

## QUEEN'S BADGE Record Book

### THE QUEEN'S BADGE

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Address\_\_\_\_\_\_
Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_\_
Company\_\_\_\_\_



## From The Rt. Hon. The Viscount Thurso of Ulbster, JP, Brigade President

I congratulate you on gaining your President's Badge and confidently expect that you will carry on and work for the Queen's Badge.

For some years you have been gaining knowledge, friendship and useful experience in your BB Company, and you now have the opportunity of putting back into the Brigade and the wider community, something of what you have received.

This book has been prepared to help you to record your progress as you seek to gain the highest award in The Boys' Brigade —

### THE QUEEN'S BADGE

I am sure that you will find great pleasure in discovering, and satisfaction in undertaking, the activities which will make up your service to the community and I wish you every success in your efforts.

Thurso.

#### Step by step President's Badge to Queen's Badge

- On completion of his President's Badge, the candidate's Captain submits
  the Application Form and fee to Carronvale (Scotland), Belfast (Ireland) or
  the District Queen's Badge Co-ordinators (England & Wales).
  The candidate's service towards the Queen's Badge commences from the
  date of approval.
- The President's Badge is sent to the Company Captain (to be presented at the Captain's discretion) together with the Queen's Badge Record Book. The Queen's Badge Adviser receives a Record Card, identifying a potential Queen's Man and his starting date.
- The Captain gives the Record Book to the candidate to be studied, and arranges a meeting in the near future to discuss the contents of the book, and a possible programme of activities, lasting for at least one year.
- The Adviser contacts the Captain and candidate within four weeks to arrange a Candidate's Conference. (If not, the Captain or Candidate should contact the Adviser.)
- A Candidate's Conference is held and a programme of work is agreed and entered in the Record Book. (The Conference will be conducted in line with the procedures laid down in the Advisers' Notes).
- The Captain and Adviser support and encourage the Candidate over the next twelve months, especially where the intended programme of work has to be altered.
- On completion of the final stage ('Get Working') and not less than 12 months after the date of registration for the Queen's Badge, the Captain completes his recommendation on the Candidate, and submits the completed Record Book (with the appropriate fee) to as in 1. above.
- The Course Organiser accepts the application, and conveys the course details, retaining the Record Book as background information for the course staff.
- The Candidate attends a Queen's Badge Completion Course (run in accordance with the procedures laid down in the Course Organisers' Notes), receives the Record Book with endorsement by the Course Organiser.
- 10. The Candidate hands the Record Book to his Captain.
- 11. The Captain submits the completed Record Book, together with a Form and appropriate fee payable to The Boys' Brigade to as in 1. above.
- 12. The Queen's Badge and completed Record Book will be returned to the Captain, and a special ceremony should be arranged for the presentation of the award.
- Notes: (a) The onus is on Captains to apply for the President's Badge at the earliest possible date, because the Queen's Badge programme cannot be completed in one session.
  - (b) Captains are encouraged to maintain the highest possible standard of performance consistent with the Candidate's abilities.
  - (c) When awarding the Queen's Badge, the dignitary presenting the Award could be given an opportunity to read the Record Book, and highlights from it read out to emphasise the considerable effort which it takes to become a Queen's Man.

#### **GET IT RIGHT**

Welcome to the Queen's Badge programme. As a Senior in The Boys' Brigade your work for this major award is probably going to be the biggest part of your service in the BB for at least the next year and probably longer.

This booklet is designed to give you the information you will need for completing the programme. It also leaves space for you to record the work you have done. Your record may make use of photographs, letters, press cuttings or your own words. You can add as many extra pages to this booklet as you need in order to show what you did.

Working towards the Queen's Badge is a project with a number of parts. These parts consist of what you should do, namely:

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You cannot complete all the parts in less than a year and they may take you longer than that. Don't rush your work since taking your time means a better job and greater satisfaction. But don't hang about either, because you will lose satisfaction if you are not making progress. Get it right and you will be proud to become a QUEEN'S MAN.

## Regulations for Queen's Badge



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- 3. Continue in membership of the Company for a further period of at least one year, during which time the young man must:
  - (a) Accept an appropriate degree of practical leadership as a junior member of staff in the Company, and EITHER
  - (b) Attend a Leadership Training Course approved by the Brigade;
    OR
  - (c) Attend a Course approved by the Brigade, designed to help with his practical work in the Company.
- Undergo appropriate briefing, and then undertake at least 30 hours of practical service outside the Company, whenever possible over a six month period.
- 5. Undertake one or more activities from the following three Sections (NB If all three are undertaken, this will enable the Boy to qualify for The Duke of Edinburgh's Silver Award):
  - (a) Expedition/Exploration
  - (b) Skills
  - (c) Physical Recreation

The standards required are comparable with The Duke of Edinburgh's Silver Award.

- Attend satisfactorily a Queen's Badge Completion Course, but not less than 12 months from the date of approval of the President's Badge.
- The Company Captain must complete a full report on the young man's work and progress throughout this period and recommend him for the Award.

## **Get Ready!**

Once you have gained all the qualifying awards for the President's Badge, you can start on the Queen's Badge programme. Your Company Captain has received this record book because he has applied for your President's Badge. At the same time, another Officer, called a Queen's Badge Adviser, has been told that you are working for your Queen's Badge. That Adviser, together with your Captain, is there to help you complete the QB programme and gain the Award.

Your Adviser should contact you within a month, have a preliminary chat with you and arrange for you to attend a Candidate's Conference where you can agree on what you will be doing for the Queen's Badge.

Before your Candidate's Conference, work through the rest of this booklet and decide what you would like to do in order to gain the Award. Ask your Captain to discuss your plans with you — he will be able to say what the Company can help you with and where you will need to enlist the help of others. Then when you go to the Candidate's Conference you will be well prepared.

During the Conference you will be able to complete the next couple of pages of this book and then be ready to work towards the Queen's Badge.

Remember the Captain or the Adviser are likely to be busy Officers with many other duties. It is up to you to get through the Queen's Badge programme without waiting on someone else telling you what to do. Where you need your Captain's help or the help of any other person, approach them: don't wait for them to approach you.

## **Get Going!**



My Adviser		
Address		
Tel. No.		
held a Candidate's Conference on	at	
The Officer present from my Company was		

Now that you are working for your Queen's Badge it is important to make plans for the work ahead. But remember that not all of the elements of the QB programme are compulsory. You have the choice of which ones to do and in what order. Read the Queen's Badge Regulations in this Record Book.

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I am hoping to show leadership in my Company in the following way

#### BRIGADE LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE

I am hoping to attend the following course

ACTIVITY	
The activity I have chosen to follow is	
This is what I intend doing in my activity	
QUEEN'S BADGE COMPLETION COURSE	
I expect to have finished my work for the Qu	ueen's Badge by
The Queen's Badge Completion Course I ho	ppe to attend is
This plan is approved by	Advise

SERVICE OUTSIDE THE COMPANY

The type of service I intend giving is the following

You now have a programme for your Queen's Badge. Remember you can choose what to do and in what order. What is next in this booklet may not be next in your plans. Good luck!

#### **Get ahead!**

The Boys' Brigade uses ranks and responsibilities which help the organisation meet its objectives. As a Queen's Badge Candidate you are asked to show your commitment through your leadership.

In your own Company there are many jobs waiting to be done. Running the Company clubnight or tuck shop; helping with the Anchor Boys or Junior Section; taking the football/volleyball/table tennis team; helping within your Church as part of your Company's contribution. Which are you going to do throughout the next year, and how are you going to be sure that they have been well done?

There are other jobs to be done when you go to Camp or some other residential event. You are asked to show your leadership there too. Where will you go; when; how will you get there; who will do the cooking; are all part of the planning. Looking after the canvas; organising the games programme; cooking the meals; are all part of running the event. For this part of your Queen's Badge programme you have to take your share.

Leadership also has to be learned. Your Battalion, District, and the Brigade run training courses and you could go to one of them. Why did you go; what was it like; what did you do; what did you think of it; are the kind of questions you need to be thinking about in this part of **getting ahead.** 

Now complete the rest of this section adding in as many pages as you need to complete your record. Remember that you do not need to write down what you did; you can paste in photographs, pictures, maps, drawings to show what you did as a leader.

## Leadership in the Company

My leadership contribution was	
My period of service was	
This is what I did	
This account is endorsed by	Captain
	Date

# **Leadership Training Course**

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This is my account of that course	
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This account is endorsed by	Course Leade
	Date

#### Think it out!

Everything we do makes us think. Out of everything we do comes some learning. What has your experience in leadership taught you, and what do you now think about leadership?

Note down, here, a few of your impressions which relates to all aspects of your Queen's Badge Leadership work. Then get your Captain to write down some of his thoughts on your work as a leader. Both of these sets of thoughts can be used when you come to the final section of this booklet '**Get working**' and when you go to the Queen's Badge Completion Course.

What I have learned about leadership is	

What the Captain thinks about me as a leader

Signed \_\_\_\_\_(Captain)

### **Get involved!**





The BB is an organisation which tries to help others just as much as it tries to help its own members.

All around us are people with needs — single parent families: handicapped children and teenagers; the elderly with their particular needs; children in care. These and many others can be found in your community — can you do something practical to help them?

Most of these needs cannot be dealt with in a short period of time and so, when you are thinking about getting involved, ask yourself if you are prepared for the possibility that you will want to carry on your service even after gaining the Queen's Badge. After all think how the person you have been helping will feel if you stop as soon as you gain the Queen's Badge.

Of course not all services are to do with people — some of them involve practical work like digging gardens, mending toys, painting rooms, planting trees. These forms of service might suit you better, but remember that the gardens or the toys belong to people, so get to know them and you may find that there is other work you can do for them.

Getting involved means what it says. This part of the programme is about giving help. The 30 hours of service which you are asked to give is the minimum. If you can spare more time, give it. After all, the Queen's Badge programme lasts for at least a year, so you have plenty of time.

Remember that 'getting involved' does not have to be a lonely experience. You can work in a group with other people, friends or members of your Company, on whatever form of service suits you. Your Church will also be able to help you join in its service to others, or advise you on help which you can give.

Discuss your service with your Adviser and your Captain then go ahead and do it, for yourself, for your Company, for the whole Brigade, but above all, for others.

## **Practical Service**

-1	My practical service was
1	spent the following time on my service
A	This is what I did
	This account is endorsed by
	Qualification
	Date

#### Think it out!

You will have learned quite a lot from your practical service. Maybe you have a few ideas on what else you could do in the next year or so. Or you might have ideas on what the BB as an organisation could do as a form of practical service. Or you might have some comments to make on how our society fails to deal with the needs of some individuals or groups.

Think about the whole idea of practical service and write down a few comments. Then ask your Captain to write about the form of practical service you chose to join in. This will help you to 'get working' later on.

In what way was your practical service of value?

The Captain's views on my practical service are

Signed ..... (Captain)

#### **Get active!**

The Queen's Badge programme is a balanced programme and so it provides opportunities for you to develop some of your skills and interests.

For example you may want to start expedition training or undertake further expeditions; you may want to start a new interest or continue an existing one; you may want to start a new physical activity or continue with one in which you are already involved.

Remember that you do not have to be an expert and you do not have to become an expert. This element of your programme is about taking part. That is why you can start a totally new activity. All that is asked is that you stick at the activity for a period of time and make progress in it. In addition, of course, it should be an activity which you can enjoy.

You may want to try out one or two activities before you decide which one to choose for your award. Your Adviser or your Captain can help you with ideas if you get stuck. Maybe one of the points you will want to consider is whether you can continue the activity after you have gained the Queen's Badge. There is not much point in taking part in something just to get the Badge.

So think about what you can do, what you might enjoy doing and what you will be able to continue doing. Then get on with it. And when telling what you did remember that photographs and other visual records are as useful as your own words.

## Expedition



My expedition activity was		
My training ran from	to	
My expedition ran from	to	
This is what I did		

## Interests



My interest activity was		
I followed this interest from	to	
This is what I did		
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This account is endorsed by		Assessor

## **Physical Activity**



My physical activity was	
I followed this activity from	to
This is what I did	
This account is endorsed by	Assessor
	Date

#### Think it out!

While you should have enjoyed your activities they might also have set you thinking. Why do people drop so many interests? — lack of cash, lack of time, lack of opportunity. Why are some activities more difficult than others? — lack of skill, lack of facilities, lack of instructors.

Think about what you did and write down a few comments on whether you made a sensible choice, whether you will carry on with it and so on. Then ask your Captain to comment on what you did.

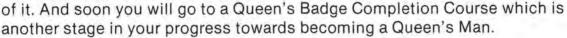
In what way were these activities of value?	

The Captain's views on the activity I chose are

Signed\_\_\_\_\_(Captain)

### **Get working**

All of your work in this Queen's Badge programme has had at least three aims in mind — getting you involved, making you think and helping you enjoy yourself. And much of your work in the past year has been outside the BB itself. You have already recorded what you have done and what you thought



Before you go to that course, and in preparation for it, there are a few more pieces of work to be done. These concern the Brigade (national and international) and its foundation in the Christian faith.

This section of work is not only the last in the booklet but the last which you should attempt. Think back over everything you have done in the past year and think over what it has meant to you.

Look at the questions which follow — some require your opinion, some require you to ask a few questions within your own Company and some require you to check up on your facts. Your Captain and Adviser can tell you where to find these facts.

Just as with previous sections, you can make your record here not just with words but with maps, photographs, graphs or any other source material you wish. And if you feel that you want to add more pages to make your record more complete, you should do so.

## Questions for Candidate 22

Set down the reasons why recruits in your Company (Anchor Boys, Junior Section, Company Section, or Seniors) joined the BB:

What do you think are the best 'selling points' of the Brigade?

Bearing in mind the words of the Object, what do you consider to be the purpose of The Boys' Brigade?

Most Churches in this country support missionary work. Give a description of one project of which you know.

Which is your favourite text from the Bible?
Why do you like it?

What would help more Seniors in the Brigade become full members of their Church?

In what ways does your Church serve the local community (within and outside its membership?)

What do you know about the World Conference?

Select one other youth organisation in this country and show what it has in common with the BB.

Select one overseas country where there is still no BB or kindred organisation and say why you would like to see the BB start there.

#### Get on!

The Queen's Badge programme is nearly finished.

First ask your Captain to write out a recommendation for you and send it off with the rest of this book to the Organiser of the Queen's Badge Completion Course which you wish to attend.

Second, attend the Course and write a brief report on it, summarising what your feelings were.

Third, make sure that your book is sent off to either Carronvale (Scotland), Belfast (Ireland) or The District Queen's Badge Co-ordinators (England & Wales), with the form and fee applying for the award of the Queen's Badge.

Then comes one of the parts which you have been working for — you will be presented with your award and become one of the group of BB members who, by working hard, have earned and deserved the description 'QUEEN'S MAN'.

But that is not the end of the story. It is really only the beginning. What you have learned during this Queen's Badge programme has been planned to help you in everything you do in later life. The Brigade hopes that your leadership skills, your interests, your service and your Christian witness are all going to help you show a high quality in anything you do — in studies, at work, in family life, as a citizen, or in your service for others.

You can finish the Queen's Badge programme and forget all about the experiences you have gained. Or you can use the Queen's Badge experience to help you get on further with your life. Only you can decide which it will be.

# Company Captain's Report

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Queen's Badge Comple	etion Course to be held at	
		on
The reasons for my red	commendation are:	
Signed	(Captain)	(Company)

QUEEN'S BADGE COM	IPLETION COURSE
	has satisfactorily completed the
Queen's Badge Complet	ion Course held on
at	
Signed	(Course Organiser)

## **Completion Course**

Candidate on Completion Course
Comments:-
Course Leader/Tutor
Date

## **Authorisation**

The Award of the Queen's Badge is hereby now authorised	
Signed	_
Designation	_
Date	_

## Presentation

The Queen's Badge		
was presented to		
on		
at		
by		

#### THE BOYS' BRIGADE



FOR OFFICE USE Approved
Date
Receipt No

## Application for Queen's Badge

For Regulations see back of form

For negulations see back of form
Full Name(CHRISTIAN NAMES FIRST)
Date of Birth
Company
CERTIFICATION
I certify that
has fulfilled the conditions for the Queen's Badge and I enclose his Record Book.
Address
Date
PAYMENT
Payment enclosed for Badge, £. p
Miniature and Certificate*
*Insert price shown in current BBSupplies list.
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I have examined the Record Book and certify that the particulars shown are correct.
(BATTALION Q.B. ADVISER)
DateBattalion

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#### PRESENTATION OF

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