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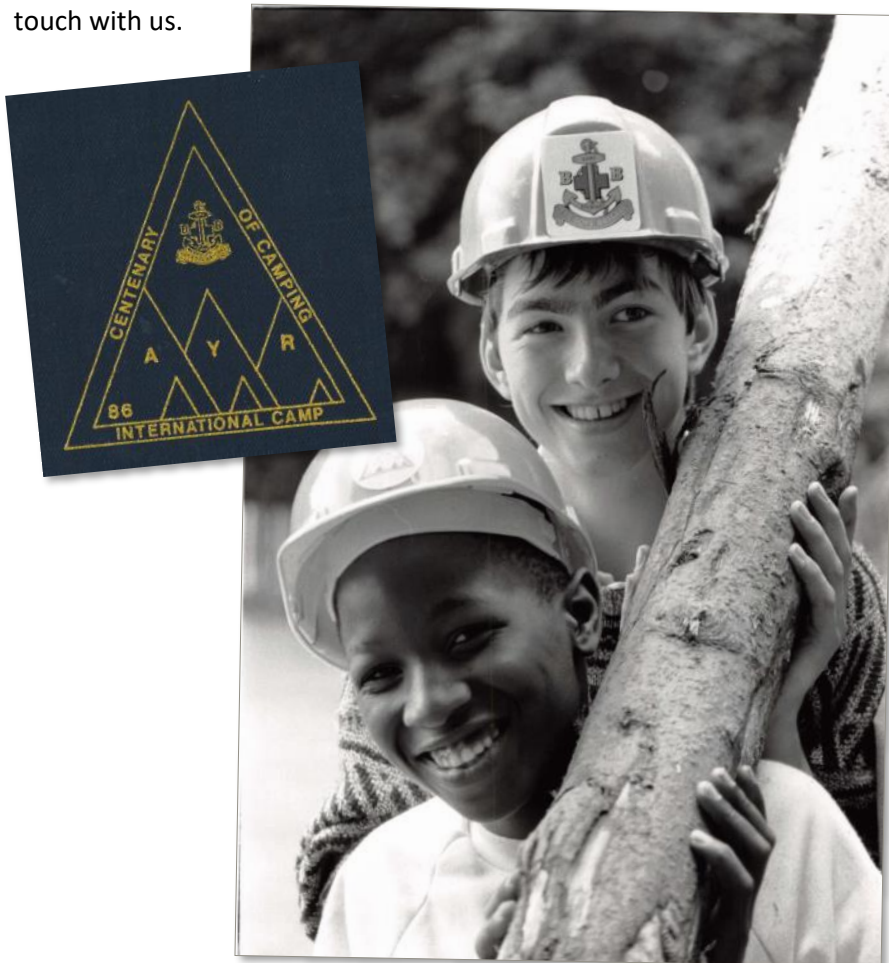
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News from the Archives

We continue to receive great responses from our social media posts, and the A-Z series has been popular, thank you to everyone who liked and shared our posts. We also received over 100 likes for the picture we posted about our Virtual Museum website undergoing maintenance towards the end of February. This picture shown below, was on the cover of the 1985-86 Annual report, and taken at the International Camp held in Ayr in 1986, featured David from the 22nd Sutton Company and Golden from the 16th Harare Company.

We are busy working on re-designing the home page of the Virtual Museum, and hope to have something ready for all our viewers in early May. If anyone has any comments or suggests about features they would like incorporate, or ways to improve navigation around the website please get in touch with us.



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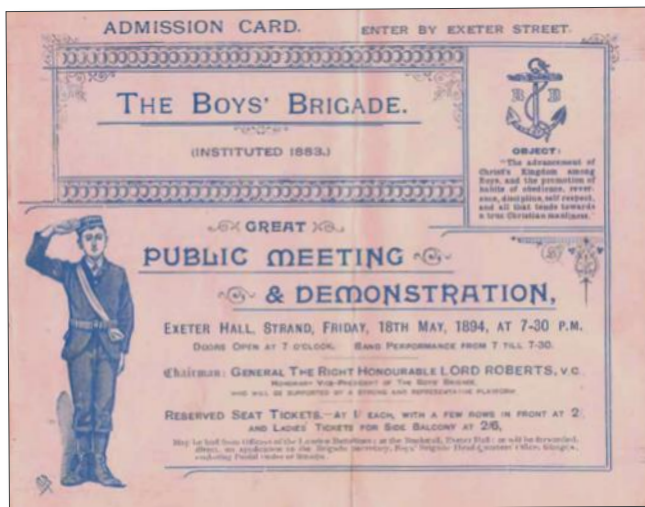
Ayr Camp - 1986



Virtual Museum

In the last newsletter we mentioned that we are busy adding content about the London Displays to the virtual museum. We are pleased to share some content about the very first displays which were held in the Exeter Hall in central London between 1891 and 1894.

Many of our supporters will have attended the Royal Albert hall and Wembley Arena displays as performers or audience members. If any of our supporters have posters, photographs, video, audio or newspaper clips, please share copies of these with us so they can be added to the virtual museum.



Click on the link on the right to learn about the first three London displays.

From 1980 until 2004, the World Conference, which later became the Global Fellowship, encouraged BB supporters to pray for the work of The Boys' Brigade and World Conference members around the world. These 'A Week of Prayer' leaflets were widely distributed.

We have recently digitised the set we hold in the BB Archives, and are pleased to include these in the library section of our virtual museum.

Click on the link to explore these, and the work of the BB around the world in the 1980's through to the early 2000's.



[Exeter Hall](#)

[A week of Prayer](#)

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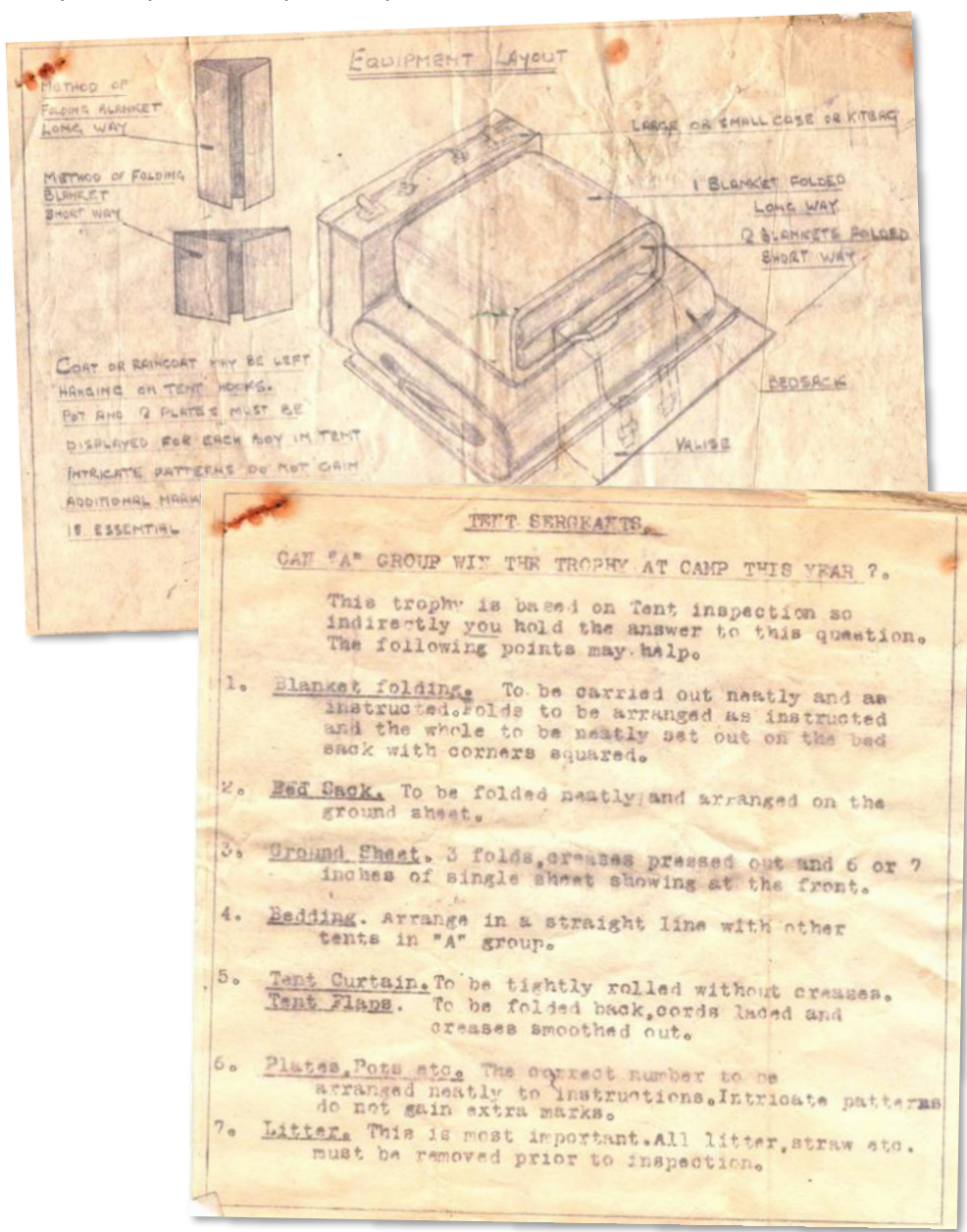
Recent posts from our Social media

As mentioned in the previous issue of Heritage, our social media team were having fun with the BB through the alphabet. Towards the end of February we were nearing the end of the alphabet, with T for Tent Inspection and the great image below of a well worn document found in the BB archives a few months ago, detailing the requirements for tent inspection.

U was for unidentified images. We have over 25000 images in the BB archive collection, Unfortunately not all of these can be identified, and we would like to remind people to write on the back of photographs they may have in their personal collections, so that future archivists can identify those in the picture, the event and date. We have posted a few unidentified images on the virtual museum, and will continue to add to this page. Please have a look at these, and if you can help identify the venue, Company, or anyone in the pictures please let us know.



Unidentified



Social Media

We posted the question on social media asking if people had an idea what was the highest number ever issued to a BB Company. We got a few good responses, and one correct one from an Officer in the 284th Glasgow Company. Our archivist has trawled through the 57'551 Company records digitised to date and we believe the answer is the 285th Glasgow Company, which was attached to the Carntyne Old Church and operated between 1940 and 2009.



From the Archives



A3 - 1950's recruitment poster.

Archive Shop

New stock is continually being added to the online shop. Please keep on checking the 'New' tab on the online shop for the latest stock.

We are keen to add Company and Battalion anniversary badges to our online shop. Please get in touch if you know of any badges being produced so that we can purchase a supply for sale to our supporters.

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