



Queen's Men: 8 young men will be attending the Queen's Badge Completion Course at Kincaig on the weekend of 8 – 10th April 2022. We wish them well.

Battalion Fun Day: Feedback would suggest that boys had an excellent time at the Fun Afternoon and all boys should have received a Fun Day Badge and a goody bag. A big thanks to our staff for ensuring that the event ran smoothly. They also enjoyed their goody bag.

Queen's Badge 2022/2023: We currently have 11 boys who have now completed the first of three courses, working towards their Queen's Badge. Hopefully, we will get back to some normality and will once again be able to have a Parents' Information Evening later in the year. Well done boys, Certificates for Course Completion will be available shortly. Boys who attended the course on Sunday will now receive their NCO's Stripe and Discovery Badge.

Badges 2021/2022: Badges gained throughout the year, working towards the President's Badge will be handed out prior to the Awards Evening.

Awards Evening

The Company will be holding a Display Awards Evening in the South and West Church on Friday 18th March at 7pm. There will also be a number of items performed by the boys, although at Company level, we are restricted in what we can offer. COVID rules, at the time, will be adhered to. When entering the Church building, you will need to hand in the "Covid" slip. Two tickets per family are enclosed with this Newsletter – entry by ticket only. There may be extra available – contact Mr A McIntosh.

All boys, in uniform are asked to report to the Church hall for 6.30pm. An information slip will go out on the 14th/15th March to Anchor Boys and Junior Section.

We will also have a Collection as you enter the Church to support the Company.

President's and Queen's Badges will NOT be presented on the 18th with their badges - these will be presented in the Seafeld Hotel sometime in late April / early May (post exams).

Sponsors: Individuals and local businesses interested in sponsoring the Company are asked to contact A McIntosh. Spaces in the monthly newsletter are available.

Summer 2022: We are currently thinking of what we could offer for boys of all ages during the summer months. Any ideas would be welcome. One of the thoughts shared with Company Section boys has been a day trip to Loch Morlich for Watersports. We have also been offered a return to Ballindalloch Golf Course for a mid-week Golf Competition.

Weather Conditions

Reminder to parents that should Buckie High School and/or a neighbouring primary school be closed on a day when there is a BB activity planned, the activity will be cancelled.

Pancake Making: Pancake Making has now been covered for all Company Section boys. A very worthwhile activity and we hope we are able to repeat next Session. A big thanks to our lady volunteers who have supported this challenge (and it was a challenge in some cases!).

Camp 2022: Arrangements are now in place for our weekend camp in June 2022. Our Saturday trip will be swimming and 10 pin bowling in Inverness. A Newsletter with final payment details will be going out shortly. Reminder that there are TWO places still available.

Daffodils: Reminder to boys / parents that we still have the “Daffodil” challenge and the closing date for entries will be the 18th March. Please either hand in or send a photograph of the daffodils in the pot. Easter Eggs for prizes.

National Cross Country: Postponed until start of next session.

Facebook: Reminder that we now have our own Facebook page and it is updated daily.

Change of Address/Circumstances: Please inform Jennifer McIntosh.

Jar of Coins: We are still accepting “jars of coins” to support a local charity, yet to be identified. Boys collecting more than £5 will be awarded a 1st Buckie Community Badge (2021/22). Just a reminder that if a jar is handed in, it would be the next meeting of the section when your son would receive his badge in a brown envelope. When returning the jar, please write your son’s name and section on the label. Jars can be handed into any leader at this stage. The final amount raised will be intimated on the 18th March 2022.

Bench: Two benches have now been made and are ready for their final location. We are waiting for concrete bases to be made but there is a wee delay as Seafeld Estates have had to cope with storm damage to their trees and estate. Follow progress on Facebook.

Quiz: Quiz winners will be announced shortly through Facebook.

Battalion “Design a Badge” Competition: Thanks to the boys who have entered. All entries, along with Banff and Turriff have been handed over to the Lord Lieutenant for judging.

75th Anniversary: Next Session will see the 75th Anniversary of the Company and already, we are looking at producing a commemorative mug and badge for all boys – both will be available for purchase in September. We are also looking at a 75th Anniversary bottle of whisky. We had a bottle commemorating our 70th and was well received. We are now taking orders for the Whisky – names to A McIntosh.

Banffshire Battalion: At a meeting last week, it was unanimously agreed that the remaining

activities for the Battalion for 2021/2022 be postponed and hopefully, return for next session.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

We are already being asked about Enrolment and “days of the week” for next session. All we can say at the moment is that we will be returning to the Church hall for all Sections and that Primary 2 Anchor Boys (new intake) will be on a Tuesday and the current Primary 2 boys, moving onto Primary 3, will be on a Monday. It is likely that there will be very little change with Juniors and Company Sections, but we will not confirm until nearer the time. Company Section, regardless of times, will still meet on a Friday.

First Aid Training: Staff in the Company will be involved in a First Aid Course on Wednesday 16th / Thursday 17th March. This is a requirement for the Company to ensure that a number of staff have their First Aid Certificate and is updated every three years. The course is delivered by Moray College.



Dates for your Calendar:

Monday 7 th	Anchor Boys (5.50pm), Junior Section (7.15pm)
Tuesday 8 th	Anchor Boys (5.50pm), Junior Section (7.15pm)
Friday 11 th	Usual Company Section Meeting
Monday 14 th	Anchor Boys (5.50pm), Junior Section (7.15pm)
Tuesday 15 th	Anchor Boys (5.50pm), Junior Section (7.15pm)
Friday 18 th	Awards Evening, 7pm, S & W Church

Planning for the Future:

Friday 18 th March:	Awards Evening, S & W Church
3– 5 June 2022:	Weekend Camp



The Boys' Brigade
1st Buckie Company

ANNUAL AWARDS EVENING 2022

The officers and boys request the pleasure
of your company at the South & West Church on
Friday 18th March at 7pm

COLLECTION IN AID OF COMPANY FUNDS

