

# NEWSLETTER



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## GETTING BACK TO BB A NEW SESSION

Where has summer gone? It seems like no time at all since we were signing off for the summer when from almost nowhere, the change of seasons has crept up on us and we are now looking forward to a new BB Session.

Plans for the start of this Session are perhaps more straight forward than recent years and from a Battalion perspective, plans are well underway for a return to as near a full calendar of events for all Sections.

Some old favourites together with some new events and initiatives will add something to your normal weekly programme of activity.

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## Orienteering

Stormont Estate

- ⇒ Saturday 8th October 2022
- ⇒ 2.00pm to 4.00pm
- ⇒ Boys should provide own refreshments
- ⇒ No Charge but Registration essential
- ⇒ More details to follow



**ANCHORS**

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Company

Seniors



# WELCOME BACK TO BB

Check out The BB Programme Hub for lots of ideas for both indoor and outdoor activities for all Sections.



[boys-brigade.org.uk/programmehub](https://boys-brigade.org.uk/programmehub)



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022-2023

We anticipate a full programme of events and competitions for All SECTIONS throughout the BB Session. Keep an eye on your Inbox for up to-date reminders and check out [www.belfastbb.org.uk](http://www.belfastbb.org.uk)

## COMING UP ...

### October

Sat 8 Juniors Orienteering

### November

Sat 12 NID Resource Day (Newport)

Sat 19 Anchors Potted Sports

### December

Fri 2 Anchors Design a Christmas Jumper



Please update all contact details for all Leaders and helpers now in advance of the new session

Remember to keep up to-date contact details of your Leaders and Helpers on OBM. Particularly if someone moves house or your Chaplain moves to a new location. This will help prevent mailings going missing so that your Leaders don't miss out on important information and updates.

## Never used OBM before?

To activate your account go to <https://obm.boys-brigade.org.uk> and click on the REGISTER button. You will need an email address and your Leader Registration number to complete the process.



## BATTALION FEES 2022/2023

Following our position of recent years in relation to Battalion Fees, we will not be collecting Battalion Fees for 2022/2023.

## CONGRATULATIONS

To all Companies celebrating significant anniversaries this Session.

We pass on our best wishes together with grateful thanks for years of witness and faithful service in advancing Christ's Kingdom.



Congratulations to 12th Newtownabbey BB Company by marking 80 years in 2022. A team of Leaders and Senior Boys cycled from BB House in Belfast to the Company Headquarters in Whiteabbey Methodist Church. The Captain, Brian Griffith and Battalion CEO, Paul McCarroll, waved them off.

## BATTALION NEWSLETTERS

Please email any updates, stories and photos from your Company to [paul@belfastbb.org.uk](mailto:paul@belfastbb.org.uk)



ONE Conference on Saturday 8th October 2022 at the ICC Belfast.

This event will bring together youth workers from across Northern Ireland as ONE youth sector.

To sign up, visit: <https://ONEConf.eventbrite.co.uk>

Details on speakers and the keynote topics will be announced via their social media pages in the run up to the event. Keep up to-date by following EANI at @eayouthservice on Twitter, Facebook & Instagram.

An EA YouthService  
SHARED Event  
**Faith Based  
Youth Work**

WEDNESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2022  
STORMONT HOTEL  
10AM - 2PM



Scan the QR code above to register  
or visit:  
[www.FaithBasedSharedEvent.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.FaithBasedSharedEvent.eventbrite.co.uk)

**BB House Open**  
**Mon | Wed | Fri 10am – 4pm**



## PRAYER POINTS

For all our Young people

For Plans and Preparations for the year ahead

For Battalion Companies

For God's direction in all our plans

For Battalion Committees

Let them praise your great and awesome name - He is holy. Psalm 99 v 3

## CALLING ALL GARDENERS

### CAN YOU HELP?



We are looking to create a small team of volunteer gardeners to look after the Garden of Peace and Reconciliation at our Ganaway Training and Activity Centre.

Typical jobs will include weeding, tidying paths and borders to ensure the garden always looks its best.

If you can give an hour (or two), drop a line to [paul@belfastbb.org.uk](mailto:paul@belfastbb.org.uk)



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- High Ropes Challenge
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- Zip Line
- Orienteering
- Nightline
- Archery
- Caving

For bookings contact Ganaway

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