The Belfast Battalion Newsletter for Junior Section Leaders

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Here we are at the mid-point of The B.B. Session. Having celebrated the 100th Anniversary of Junior Section during 2017, we look ahead to more exciting events and competitions that are planned for 2018 and use this opportunity to draw your attention to these. To ensure that these are a great success, we will need your Section's support and look forward to you joining with us throughout 2018.



Indoor 5-A-Side Football Saturday 3rd February 2018

Eddie Irvine Centre Bangor at 2.00p.m. (Teams must be ready to play at 1.45p.m.)

Cost £ 15.00 per team ONLY 7 BOYS IN A TEAM NO EXTRA BOYS ALLOWED!!

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Entries due no later than 5.00p.m. on Friday 19th January 2018 and the Winning Section will represent the Battalion at the NID Final to be played on Saturday 28 April 2018 at the Meadowbank Sports Arena, Magherafelt.

Funŧasia 2018

A weekend for Junior Section Boys

(Booking Extended to Friday 19 January) When? Friday 25 – Sunday 27 May 2018 Where? Ganaway Activity Centre

- **Cost**? £50 per person (including Officers) This includes accommodation, meals and activities
- **Deposit**? £20 per Company (Non-refundable)

This event is being organised and staffed by the Battalion Junior Section Committee but all Boys must be accompanied by an appropriate number of Officers who must be registered on OBM.

Bookings will be taken on a "first come" basis but a reserve list will be maintained should vacancies arise. Further details will be provided nearer the event.



Other Dates:

NID JS Musician of the Year Sat 13 January 2018

NID 5-Aside Competition (Battalion Heat) Sat 3rd February 2018

NID Junior Section Swimming Gala Saturday 24th February 2018

Belfast Battalion Parade Service Sunday 25th March 2018

Battalion Council and JS AGM 9 May 2018

Please refer to the NID calendar of events for dates of entry to the various Competitions

Junior Section Challenge

A special Competition of Challenges designed especially or Junior Section Boys. Being held on Saturday 10 March 2018 at 2.00p.m. in Strand Presbyterian Church (Connsbrook Avenue, Belfast), Entry Fee is £5.00 per team and Entries close on FRIDAY 2nd March 2018 at 5.00p.m.



A team must consist of **4** Boys. Boys should wear BB sweatshirt/ polo shirt and gym shoes. **This is a Battalion heat for the NID Competition** and the Final will be held on Saturday 24 March 2018.

Stedfast Supplies

Or otherwise known as The B.B. Shop and located in B.B. House 14 May Street, Belfast, The B.B. Shop caters for <u>all</u> Boys' Brigade Companies across the Emerald Isle. In addition to B.B. Uniforms and resources, a wide selection of B.B. and non-B.B. items are available, with many exclusive to The B.B. Shop in Belfast. And, the best part is, you can walk-in and speak to our experienced staff who are only too willing to assist you with your purchases. Parents are also welcome to make purchases too.

Open Monday to Friday from 9.30am – 5.00pm all year round, along with special Saturday openings, make The B.B. Shop your first stop when planning what gifts and prizes you need for your Company and Section Displays, Parents' Nights and other events and special occasions throughout the year.

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Youth Leader Training

The next Battalion-led Course will be held at Ganaway Training and Activity Centre over the weekend of **26 - 28 January 2018**. This is essential for all Leaders working in their Company as it provides



Youth Leader Training

valuable instruction on how best to create meaningful weekly Programmes for the young people in their care. Not forgetting the valuable fellowship and time spent sharing with fellow Leaders. Registrations are filling up well but there is still some room for a few more! Contact Irene Lowry in B.B. House for further information. A registration form can be downloaded from the Battalion website. Please Note - it is now a requirement of BBUK HQ that trainees must have completed full B.B. Leader Registration before the commencement of any B.B. training.

For more Battalion News click on belfastbb.org.uk

Best wishes for 2018

from your Junior Section Committee



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.