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# JUNIOR SECTION NEWS

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## Calendar of Events

For the 2024/2024 session, a variety of activities and events have been planned by the Battalion Junior Section Committee to assist you to extend your programme. We hope you will consider giving your Boys the opportunity to experience these events and meet up with Boys from other Companies. Entries and payment for all events will be online through the Belfast Battalion website ([belfastbb.org.uk](http://belfastbb.org.uk)).

### Dates for Your Diary 2024/2025

Sat 5 October 2024 <i>(closing date for entries Fri 27/09/24)</i>	Twin Peaks Challenge
Mon 7 October 2024	Closing date for JS Soccer 7s
Fri 18 October 2024 <i>(closing date for entries Mon 07/10/24)</i>	Quiz – Battalion Heat For BBNI Final
Sat 19 October 2024	JS Soccer 7s Football
Sat 16 November 2024	JS Soccer 7s Football
Sat 30 November 2024 <i>(closing date for entries Mon 18/11/24)</i>	P7 Party Special
Sat 14 December 2024	JS Soccer 7s Football
Online Entries 4 January - 25 March 2025	Junior Belfast Battalion's Got Talent
Sat 18 January 2025	JS Soccer 7s Football
Sat 1 February 2025 <i>(closing date for entries Fri 17/01/25)</i>	5-a-Side Football—Battalion Heat for BBNI Final
Sat 15 February 2025	JS Soccer 7s Football
Sat 1 March 2025 <i>(closing date for entries Mon 17/02/25)</i>	Games Competition
Sat 16 March	JS Soccer 7s Football
Fri 9 / Sat 10 May 2025 <i>(closing date for entries Mon 28/04/25)</i>	Fun Night/Fun Morning at Scrapyard Golf

Register Online at [belfastbb.org.uk](http://belfastbb.org.uk)



# GANAWAY 100 YEARS

To celebrate 100 years of The Boys' Brigade at Ganaway, a Service of Thanksgiving is being held on Sunday 29th September 2024 at Ganaway at 3.00pm.



Light refreshments  
served afterwards

Uniform where appropriate

## COMING UP in 2025 .....

Other events planned January - May 2025

### Games Competition

Saturday 1st March 2025

### Fun Night/Morning at Scrapyard Golf

Friday 9th May 2025 or Saturday 10th May 2025

Your choice of Friday evening or Saturday morning.

Further details will be provided in the January 2025 Newsletter and in the fortnightly Battalion e-News

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## Coming Up ... (prior to Christmas)

### Twin Peaks Challenge

Join us to experience the hills around Belfast. Our Twin Peaks Challenge is a popular outing to Divis and Black Mountains and will take place on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2024 from 1.30-4.30pm. Last session, due to very inclement weather, this event was unable to take place and many were disappointed. All the plans are in place so come along for a great afternoon in the outdoors. Please register by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

### Quiz – Battalion Heat for BBNI Final

The Quiz Heat will be held in Strand Presbyterian Church Hall, Connsbrook Avenue, Belfast on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 7.30pm. Entries are to be made online to Belfast Battalion. A team consists of 4 boys and uniform is to be worn. The winning team will represent Belfast Battalion at the BBNI Final on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November at BBNI HQ, Newport at 2.30pm. Last session 1st Magheragall, who won the Battalion Heat, won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the BBNI Final. Please remember to enter online by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

### Soccer 7s Football (7-A-Side outdoor football)

This popular event will take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month October – March (2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in December) usually at Belvoir Activity Centre from 1.30-4.00pm. Please complete the online entry form by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October if you wish your section to take part. Monthly entries/ payment should be made online in advance of each event.

### Junior Section P7 Party Special

We are planning to hold a P7 Party Special on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024 from 2.00-4.00pm in Lisburn Congregational Church Hall. A fun afternoon with a festive theme just for P7s.

### Battalion Email / Facebook

Reminders of events and competitions will be posted in the fortnightly Battalion e-News which is sent to all registered leaders and on the Battalion Facebook page as appropriate. Final details relating to each event will be sent by email just after the closing date to those companies who have registered for the event. Final details of the Soccer 7s each month will be posted on the Junior Section Football WhatsApp group.



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# Twin Peaks Challenge & Picnic

Want to “Get Adventurous”?

Looking to “Get Active”?

Then bring your Boys to the Junior Section ramble in the Belfast Hills.

**Saturday 5 October 2024**  
**1.30pm – 4.30pm**

Meeting in the National Trust Car Park at Divis and Black Mountain.

Boys should bring a packed lunch which they can enjoy midway through the walk.

Warm and waterproof clothing may be required. Should it be necessary to cancel due to inclement weather leaders will be contacted on the morning of the event.

## How to get there

The address is 12 Divis Road, Hannahstown, Belfast, BT17 ONG  
Leave M1 at Junction 2. Take the A55 (outer ring), signed Falls. Go straight across the first two roundabouts. From dual carriageway, turn left onto Upper Springfield Road. Continue for about 2.5 miles, shortly after the national speed limit sign, turn right onto Divis Road (brown signpost). Car park is 0.5 miles on the left hand side.



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**INDOOR 5-A-SIDE  
FOOTBALL**

**BBNI - BATTALION HEAT**



**SATURDAY 1st FEBRUARY 2025**

One Team per Company (Max squad of 7)

Held at Hillsborough Boys Football Club  
(Moira Road, Lisburn)

Battalion Heat for BBNI Final (to be played  
at Meadowbank Sports Arena Magherafelt  
on Saturday 8th March '25)

**CLOSING DATE FRI 17 JANUARY 2025**

**£7.00 Per Team**

Register online at [belfastbb.org.uk](http://belfastbb.org.uk)

By **FRIDAY 17th January 2025**



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# JUNIOR BELFAST BATTALION'S GOT TALENT

## New for this Session – Plan to take part

Do you have boys who can:

- Sing?
- Play a musical instrument?
- Tell jokes?
- Perform magic tricks?
- Demonstrate sports (or other) skills?
- Provide some other type of entertainment?

Film in your own hall and upload entries online between 4 January – 25 March 2025

Entries can be from individuals, groups of boys or your whole Section

Further details and how you can upload your entries will be provided in the e-News bulletins

**UPLOAD ENTRIES FROM  
4 JANUARY - 25 MARCH 2025**



## Quiz

### Battalion Heat for BBNI Final

#### Friday 18 October 2024 at 7.30pm

The Quiz Heat will be held in Strand Presbyterian Church Hall, Connsbrook Avenue, Belfast on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 7.30pm. Entries are to be made online to Belfast Battalion (not BBNI as in previous years).

A team consists of 4 boys and uniform is to be worn.  
The winning team will represent Belfast Battalion at the BBNI Final on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024 in BBNI HQ Newport at 2.30pm

REGISTER ONLINE VIA  
**belfastbb.org.uk**  
By Monday 7th October 2024



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# JUNIOR SECTION P7 PARTY SPECIAL

## SAT 30 NOVEMBER 2024

LISBURN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

• FUN AFTERNOON

• PARTY GAMES

• FOOD

ALL WITH A FESTIVE  
THEME READY TO  
START YOUR  
CHRISTMAS  
CELEBRATIONS



### £2.00 Per Boy

REGISTER ONLINE AT  
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By Monday 18 November 2024



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# JUNIOR SECTION SOCCER 7'S FOOTBALL



- One Team per Company or can enter a joint team with another Company
- Held at Belvoir Football Pitches
- On Saturdays listed on the Calendar of Events
- Rules based on IFA Small Sided Games and 'Football for All'

£7.00 Per Team Per Day  
Payable online prior to the date you wish to play

REGISTER ONLINE AT  
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By MONDAY 7 OCTOBER 2024



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