

# ANNUAL REVIEW



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**THE BOYS' BRIGADE**  
> the adventure begins here  
Northern Ireland District



ADVANCING CHRIST'S KINGDOM



### THE OBJECT OF THE BOYS' BRIGADE IS:

'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.'

# DON'T GIVE UP, LOOK UP!

At time of writing, I have questions. Will my daughter be able to return to her new home in America? Will my eldest son be able to start university? Will my youngest son be able to finish his GCSEs? We all have questions. For how long will we have to wash our hands with sanitiser, wear a face mask and socially distance? And in Boys' Brigade, we have questions. Will companies be able to meet? If so, what will a parade night look like? What about training and programme? By the time you are reading this, we may have answers.

The last session ended abruptly when the arrival of COVID-19 forced us to suspend activities. The global pandemic curtailed the Presidential diary during display season but I look back with gratitude for events prior to that: a Belfast Battalion service marking 95 years of camping at Ganaway, a 'Future Planning' breakfast with Ards Battalion, the dedication of new colours with 1st Portadown and the 50th anniversary of 1st Culnady. What a privilege it was to send virtual greetings in April to a record-breaking number of Queen's Award recipients. Let them inspire us to pass

the baton and empower a new generation.

Each generation tends to be more adaptable than the previous one, more open to change and willing to try new things. With so many unanswered questions and so much uncertainty, some of us may be inclined to hunker down and stick with the familiar because "we have always done things this way." But the Bible teaches us quite the opposite – in times of uncertainty, we are not to trust ourselves more, we are to trust God more.

Whatever 2020/21 holds for us in The Boys' Brigade in Northern Ireland, there is one thing I am certain of: we are not alone.

David Blevins  
NI District President

'Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.'

Joshua 1:9

# DIRECTOR'S REPORT: ENABLING...EXTENDING...ENCOURAGING...ENGAGING

Over the past twelve months, Northern Ireland District has continued to 'Advance Christ's Kingdom among Boys' by...

- **enabling** members and Leaders through the provision of comprehensive training, support and signposting;
- **extending** programme and opportunities with the development and expansion of age-specific programmes, specialised training and increased membership capacity;
- **encouraging** commitment and achievement through acknowledgement and celebration at all levels;
- **engaging** members, supporters and the wider community by developing the holistic experience and maintaining strong links with external organisations.

...underpinned by effective District infrastructure. These aims reflect the ethos of the District and encapsulate what it has stood for since its inception. It is therefore pleasing to report that progress has been made in each area and that there remains a strong commitment to further develop this work in 2020/21 and beyond. Throughout the year, the District has continued to have due regard for the public benefits that it has registered with The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. Staff and key volunteers have continued to serve The Boys' Brigade in Northern Ireland effectively, providing essential leader-

ship and support. This report records a year when the District has continued to provide a comprehensive programme and sound governance, whilst grasping many development and support opportunities.

## IMPACT OF COVID-19

Like much of society, the activities of the District were restricted in recent months due to the COVID-19 pandemic. I pay tribute to the staff team and key volunteers who have focussed on anticipating and meeting support needs and delivering virtual sessions during this period.

## PROGRAMME

Thank you to all the Members and Companies that took part in the District and National Competitions during the session. Special congratulations go to those who won at Anchor Boy, Junior Section or Company Section levels and we record our collective gratitude to those who organised and delivered the comprehensive calendar of events and competitions, the Leaders who ensured that Members had the opportunity to be involved and especially the various Competition Secretaries. If you haven't taken part previously, I encourage you to do so in 2020/21.

## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

An extensive training programme was delivered during the session: Youth Leader Training courses, Queen's Badge

courses and a range of additional leadership development opportunities. Sadly, the 2020 KGV Leadership Training Course was not held due to the COVID-19 restrictions. We continue to be indebted to the many volunteers that give of their time and talents to provide instruction and share ideas with Members and fellow Leaders.

## PROVISION OF PREMISES

Newport has continued to be used for residentials, conferences, training days and meetings throughout 2019/20. The running of the centre has been overseen by a dedicated management committee.

## UNIFORMED YOUTH WORK

The Uniform Hub has continued to support and co-ordinate the collaborative work of the six large uniformed youth work organisations in Northern Ireland. Funding has been provided by the Education Authority and will continue in 2020/21. This has enabled a facilitator to drive forward work to assist the individual organisations meeting Education Authority requirements and undertake the development of shared resources and impact surveys.

## FUNDING

Thank you to everyone who has financially supported the District during this past session. Special thanks are extended to those who have supported the ongoing Newport Appeal. Concerns

persist in relation to future infrastructure funding. The Education Authority plans to introduce a new funding scheme from April 2021, although the COVID-19 restrictions has caused the application phases to be delayed. The new funding scheme will result in all historical funding arrangements coming to an end and will have an impact upon local provision (i.e. Companies and Battalions) as well as at a regional level (i.e. Northern Ireland District).

## EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION AND NETWORKING

Northern Ireland District remains engaged in a range of Youth Service and faith-based youth work groupings. Relationships with the main denominations continued to strengthen. Collectively, this means that the District maintains a strong and influential presence within both the voluntary and statutory sectors.

In addition I wish to thank the Representatives and Office-bearers who serve NI District as well as their Battalion and/or Company, church, work and family responsibilities. I am grateful to you for your support, co-operation and constant encouragement. I also wish to thank the staff at NI Headquarters for their continuing enthusiasm, commitment and diligence.

Jonathan Gracey  
Director for NI





Christopher Patterson completed his gold award.

'In July 2018 I went to South Africa as part of a team of young people from the Methodist church in Ireland. We visited several mission partners to see the work that they were doing and to engage with the locals and to share in faith. This trip was a real eye opener but also an amazing opportunity to experience a different culture.'

Christopher Patterson  
1st Maralin BB

## DofE WITH A DIFFERENCE

The DofE Head Office launched #DofEwithadifference as a response to the Coronavirus pandemic, to encourage leaders and participants on their Award journey. This was widely shared from NIHQ with all DofE Award leaders using a targeted series of DofE e newsletter to inform and encourage leaders on how they could help participants continue to work for DofE at home.

**222**

DofE Awards were achieved at Bronze, Silver and Gold level.

DofE issued **Certificates of Achievement** to young people who had started awards but couldn't complete all sections because of Covid-19 restrictions.

**14**

young people in BB received these certificates to date and hopefully they'll be able to complete the full award at a later date.



Online training was introduced as a response to the Corona-virus pandemic and the need for social distancing. Over the spring and summer months Captains' Training and Holiday Leadership were both offered online using Zoom video conferencing.

**89** New leaders were trained

The Leadership training in June was cancelled and the annual young leaders training, KGVI were both cancelled due to the Corronavirus pandemic.

**198**

Leaders attended conferences to learn and share programme ideas.

**270**

Boys gained President's Badges.



**159**

Leaders completed a range of training such as: Camp Craft, Holiday Leadership, Mental Health Awareness, Captain's Element, First Aid, Expedition, Additional Needs Inclusive Games and Introduction to the new under 11s programme material.

**292**

Boys gained the Queen's Badge.





**WE PARTNERED WITH GROUPS, ENGAGED WITH INITIATIVES  
AND SUPPORTED CHARITIES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR...**

HERE'S A SNAPSHOT

**scamwiseNI**  
PARTNERSHIP

Angel  
Eyes  
NI

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EDINBURGH'S AWARD

**The Church  
& Boys**

Presbyterian  
CHURCH IN IRELAND

The Commonwealth  
*Delivering a  
Common Future*  
Connecting, Innovating, Transforming

1-7  
JUNE  
**VOLUNTEERS'  
WEEK**

**scouts**  
be prepared . . .

**SFNI**  
Scout Foundation NI

**CHANGE  
STARTS  
WITH**   
#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

**SALT  
FACTORY  
SPORTS**

**Catholic  
Guides**  
of Ireland

**Girls' Brigade**  
NORTHERN IRELAND

Ulster  
WE DISCOVER, WE GROW  
**Girlguiding**

**CHURCH LADS' & CHURCH GIRLS'  
BRIGADE**

**UK  
Parliament Week**  
Engage. Explore. Empower.

**CROWN JESUS  
MINISTRIES**

**Disability  
Sport NI**

**The  
Consumer  
Council**

**the  
Big House**  
Ireland

## VISION, MISSION AND VALUES

Over the last two years Brigade has taken the opportunity to explore what our Vision, Mission and Values are. Young people, leaders, staff and Trustees were all consulted. 'We want to be confident about who we are, what we do and what we believe. In bringing this all together and building on our object of 'advancing Christ's Kingdom' we're re-affirming our Vision, Mission and Values.'



**OUR VISION** is that  
"Children and young people experience life to the full".  
*JOHN 10:10*



The Boys' Brigade has faith in young people and provides them with opportunities to learn, grow and discover in a safe, fun and caring environment which is rooted in the Christian faith. **THIS IS OUR MISSION!**

**OUR VALUES ARE:**  
**FAITH... CARING... INSPIRING... TRUSTING**



**MISSION 2021**  
Save the Dates:  
02 October 2021  
09 October 2021  
16 October 2021  
23 October 2021

**mission 2021**  
THE BOYS' BRIGADE

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During our 19/20 session plans were made and well under way for Mission 2020, which has now been postponed until October 2021. Chaplains Gatherings were held in Greystone Road Pres. Antrim; Glenmachan Church of God, Belfast; Annaghmore Parish, Portadown; New Row Pres. Coleraine; 1st Omagh Pres. Omagh over Jan - Mar 2020. The last one scheduled for Scarva Street Pres. Banbridge was cancelled. We have new dates for Mission 2021; please save these dates. We are looking forward with expectant faith to see what God will do.

Within a week of all Brigade activities being suspended in March 2020, due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, BB at Home was launched. This was a new programme to enable The Boys' Brigade to continue to reach out and engage children and young people with a fun and exciting programme of activities, with opportunities to learn, grow and discover in their own homes supported by parents/carers.

BB at Home included a series of competitions that could be completed by our children and young people at home: Art Competition, The Great BB Bake off and BB's got Talent. We thank everyone who took part and also all our Leaders who supported and encouraged those who took part.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

#### BB's Got Talent Finalists:

**Junior Section, 2nd Place**  
Benjamin Paul, 1st Ballynure

#### Groups Section: 1st Place

Charlie & Jack Gill, 1st Crossgar

#### Art Competition:

**Junior Section, 1st Place**  
Daniel Jardine 1st Moy



[HTTPS://BOYS-BRIGADE.ORG.UK/BBATHOME-BB-LEADERS/](https://BOYS-BRIGADE.ORG.UK/BBATHOME-BB-LEADERS/)



## SNAPSHOTS OF THE SESSION



Above: Thanks to all our companies who took part in the NHS Thank You video.



Above: 4th Newtownabbey Junior Section Boys presented a cheque for £8.5K to PCI Moderator Rev Dr William Henry in support of - 'A Place to Play - Jordan', the PCI Junior Section Appeal for 18/19 session.



Left: Adam Jordan from 2nd Lisburn received his Bronze Duke of York Inspiring Digital Enterprise Award (iDEA) in April 2019.

Right: Boys from 1st Knocknamuckley BB attended the Commonwealth Service in Westminster Abbey. Josh Gracey, Noah Davison, and Jamie Davison.



Above: JS Musician of the Year: Winner Benjamin Paul, 1st Ballynure, Runner up Lewis Doherty, 1st Templepatrick, and 3rd place Callum Gray 3rd Newtownards.



Above: The staff team at NIHQ supported Cool Fm's Cash for Kids appeal for Christmas 2019.



Congratulations to 1st Greenisland 'A' team who were the winners of the National Top Team Challenge 2019/2020. L-R: Jakob McComb, Joshua Rayot, Josh McKinney and Aaron Douglas who all attained their Queen's Badge this year as well. They are pictured here all dressed up for another occasion at their BB Company night, just before social distancing measures were introduced.



Above: Over 125 leaders from Anchors and Company Section attended the first ever Joint Conference on Saturday 12 October 2019.



We launched a new succession planning resource 'Following On' in October 2019.



NID partnered with Scamwise Champions to provide new programme material.



The President of the Methodist Church in Ireland, Rev Sam McGuffin visited NIHQ at Newport in December 2019.



## ANCHOR BOY SECTION REPORT

This year we held the first joint Anchors and Company Section Leaders' Conference in Ballyclare Presbyterian Church. Thanks go to the Church Praise band for leading us in worship, the catering team, the Minister, the Kirk Session and especially Niall McConkey (BB Captain) for all his help and support both before the event and on the day. Special thanks to the BB NIHQ Staff Team for their help and support to deliver the conference and to all the contributors who delivered excellent and challenging sessions.

In our 19/20 session Anchors Boys in NI raised money to support Angel Eyes.

The Fun & Games Final was held in First Antrim Presbyterian Church on Saturday 25th January. Congratulations to 1st Spa who were the winners and well done to all who took part. We thank the Minister and Kirk Session for granting us permission to use their facilities and to David & Naomi Thompson for their help and support on the day. Thank you also to the BB Leaders from the Antrim Battalion for their assistance.

The drawing and colouring competition was based on the Ten Commandments entitled 'God's Top Ten Rules'. Congratulations to all who took part. The Company Group Art competition was 'The Greatest Commandment'. Thanks to the staff at headquarters who collectively judged the entries.

Congratulations to 1st Donaghmore who won the Anchor Challenge competition. A total of 25 companies took part in this competition and all received a participation certificate.

The Anchor Boy Committee has reviewed plans for the 2020/2021 competitions and activities and they look a bit different to take into considerations the challenges that Covid-19 presents. As a committee we would love to see all Battalions represented on the committee so that all can have an input into plans for Anchor Boys. We encourage all Anchor Boy sections to take part in District activities to enrich and extend their programme and enable both boys and leaders to share in the fun and fellowship.

As I close I thank the staff at Newport and all members of the committee for their help and support during the session, but we must never forget to thank our creator God for all His blessings.

Anne Houston  
Chair Anchor Boy Committee



Group artwork winners 1st Caledon.

### COMPETITION RESULTS

Drawing & Colouring

P1: Oliver Kelly, 1st Spa

P2: Arthur Bartlett, 1st Route

P3: Charlie Watt, 1st Cairnabana

P4: Noah Henderson, 1st Ballylinney

'The Greatest Commandment'  
Group Artwork Competition  
Winners: 1st Caledon

Challenge Competition  
Winners: 1st Donaghmore

Fun & Games  
Winners: 1st Spa



Fun & Games winners 1st Spa.

## JUNIOR SECTION REPORT

Junior Section competitions and activities were well supported by companies throughout Northern Ireland. Thanks are expressed to those Battalions who hosted the finals of the annual competitions. Thanks are also expressed to those to those leaders and committee members who assisted with the organisation of the competitions, conference and special events. committee meetings were well attended, with members keeping leaders in their Battalion well informed about Junior Section activities.

### Competitions & Activities

There was a good number of entries for the Quiz which was held during October. The Final, which was held at Killead Presbyterian, was very close throughout, with all teams working well together to achieve high scores.

In January, there was an excellent number of entries for the Junior Section Musician of the Year competition. Once again, the standard was very high and the adjudicator was very impressed by the range of music on offer and the variety of instruments played. The Swimming Gala was held in Roe Valley Leisure Centre, Limavady with a good number of companies winning medals.

Unfortunately, all BB activities came to an end abruptly during March due to the Coronavirus Pandemic. The Spring Competition Final (Stool Ball) and the 5-a-side Football Final were unable to

be held. We had anticipated having all 13 Battalions represented at each of these events and are sure these would have been fast moving and very competitive events.

The Annual Conference held in 1st Antrim Presbyterian Church Halls was a busy, practical and informative day with 55 in attendance. The theme was 'Change & Challenge'. Chris Norman, Brigade Development & Support Manager, was the guest speaker and took sessions relating to the new Under 11s programme and enthused those who were present to utilise all aspects of the materials. Other sessions included information about the Mission 2020 and the work of the Christian Education & Church Relations Committee, Physical Activities based on Olympics 2020 and Challenges for All. Feedback from the day was positive and encouraging.

During November, information sessions on the new Under 11s programme material were held in 4 venues across Northern Ireland.

All the NI District competitions and activities are designed to complement the programme offered by Battalions. It is hoped that more Companies will take the opportunity to extend their programme by participating in some of our competitions and activities.

Sharon Mackey  
Chair JS Committee

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### COMPETITION RESULTS

#### QUIZ

1st	2nd Comber
2nd	4th Londonderry
3rd	4th Portadown

#### MUSICIAN OF THE YEAR

1st	Benjamin Paul
2nd	Lewis Doherty
3rd	Callum Gray
Highly Commended:	
Charlton Young, Lucas Yin, Zach Thompson, Freddy McTernaghan	

#### SWIMMING GALA

Winners, 1st Muckamore

#### STOOL BALL

\*Cancelled

#### FIVE-A-SIDE FOOTBALL

\*Cancelled

\* due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

### CHANGE & CHALLENGE CONFERENCE



The online video conferencing tool Zoom became an important communication and training tool at the end of our 19/20 session. Our Sectional Chairs continued to meet online with David Penney our Training and Programme Officer to make plans for the new session.





## COMPANY SECTION REPORT

Right: #BBin3, Queen's Men tell us 3 things they like about BB.



### WHAT A YEAR!

What will we remember it for? Coronavirus of course. Which has caused mayhem in all walks of life and also for our competitions both National and Regional. Only 7 of 14 competitions were completed and trophies awarded.

We introduced a new FIFA competition for the 19/20 session which proved popular with 16 entries from companies who have not entered regional competitions before as well as some of the regulars. One heat was played with the teams being separated by 80 miles (modern technology is wonderful when you know how to use it). We plan to continue with this competition for the 20/21 session allowing more than one team from each company to enter. Our thanks go to Johnston Clarke for organising and managing this competition.

Other competitions run at Regional level included Drill, Volley Ball, Badminton, 7 a-side Football Senior and Junior and Inter- Battalion Football (11-a-side).

Entries for some of our traditional competitions has dropped in recent years and we will be reviewing the viability of

running these in the near future if entry numbers don't increase, such as the Drill and Inter Battalion Football.

National competitions rounds were played in NI. Unfortunately the finals were postponed due to Covid-19 and the suspension of all Brigade Activities announced in March 2020. However congratulations to the following teams who qualified to compete at the National Finals: 4th Newtownabbey, 1st Garvagh, 1st Glenwherry, 1st Greenisland, 1st Ardstraw, 1st Knocknamuckley, 1st Kilkeel, 1st Moneymore and 30th Belfast.

We had a great day for Leaders at the joint Anchor and Company Section conference held in October 2019 with over 135 officers attending. Please try and make the next one.

The committee would like to thank all referees, judges and stewards at all of the competitions. Thanks to the staff at Newport for all their help during the year. Finally, I would like to thank all members of the committee for their dedication and support during this year.

Stanley Alexander  
Chair Company Section Committee

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National Competitions (against teams from England, Scotland, Wales and ROI) were provided for Company Section Boys. Unfortunately we were unable to play the National finals of these competitions due to the Coronavirus pandemic. We congratulate those companies that qualified to take part in the National Finals.

### IRISH REGIONAL WINNERS AND RUNNERS UP FOR NATIONAL COMPETITIONS

**BADMINTON:** 4th N'abbey (1st), 1st Garvagh (2nd)

**CHESS:** 1st Glenwherry (1st), 4th Newtownabbey (2nd)

**FIVE-A-SIDE F'BALL:** (Jnr): 1st Knocknamuckley (1st), 4th N'abbey (2nd)

**FIVE-A-SIDE F'BALL:** (Snr): 1st Kilkeel (1st), 1st Moneymore (2nd)

**MASTERTEAM:** 4th Newtownabbey (1st), 1st Ardstraw (2nd)

**TABLE-TENNIS:** 1st Greenisland (1st), 30th Belfast (2nd)

### NORTHERN IRELAND DISTRICT COMPETITIONS

Competitions were organised for: Badminton, Seven-a-side Football (Snr & Jnr), Squad Drill, Volleyball and Inter-battalion Football (Snr & Jnr). Unfortunately the finals were unable to be played for these. (Note only 1st Ballyrony entered the Drill competition).

### FIFA COMPETITION:

This was a new competition for the 19/20 session and proved very popular. Congratulations to the winners 1st Garvagh and 2nd place 1st Route.



We were unable to hold our annual Queen's Badge celebration scheduled for 9 April 2020 in Belfast's City hall. Instead on the evening we streamed a virtual celebration on social media, to recognise the 292 Queen's Men who achieved the award. A commemorative program was produced for the Queen's Men and their Captains as a keepsake from an unusual end to the year.



## DIRECTORY/NI DISTRICT OFFICE BEARERS, & STAFF

**President** - Mr D Blevins

**Chaplain** - Rev. Dr Trevor McCormick

### Hon Vice-Presidents:

His Grace The Lord Archbishop, Primate of All Ireland • Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland • President of the Methodist Church in Ireland • Chairman of the Congregational Church in Ireland • President of the Baptist Union in Ireland • Very Rev Dr D H Allen  
Mr W Frew • Miss S Gardner • Mr WA Hunter <sup>MBE</sup> • Mr AD McClay <sup>MBE</sup>  
Rev TH Wilson • Mr P Donaldson <sup>MBE</sup>

### Vice-Presidents:

Rev Dr T McCormick (Northern) • Mrs I Lowry (Central)  
Mr M Murdock (Southern)

**Honorary Treasurer** - Mr P Ballentine

### Staff:

<b>Director</b>	Mr J Gracey
<b>Training &amp; Programme Officer</b>	Mr D Penney
<b>Centre Manager &amp; Finance Officer</b>	Mr R Nelson
<b>Support &amp; Communications Officer</b> <sup>(PT)</sup>	Mrs A Irvine
<b>Administrator</b> <sup>(PT)</sup>	Mrs W Campbell
<b>Administrator</b> <sup>(PT)</sup>	Mrs D Pierce
<b>PA to the Director</b> <sup>(PT)</sup>	Mrs D Johnston
<b>Caretaker/Cleaner</b>	Mr N Fry

## DIRECTORY/NI DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

### Office Bearers:

Mr D Blevins • Rev Dr T McCormick • Mrs I Lowry • Mr M Murdock  
Mr P Ballentine.

### Northern Representatives:

Mr D Thompson (Antrim) • Mr W Law (Ballymena) • Mr M Callaghan (Coleraine) • Mr D Miller (Londonderry) • Mr C Anderson (Route)

### Central Representatives:

Mr R Crangle <sup>BEM</sup> • Mr D Daggart • Mr D Hunter • Miss S Mackey  
Mr E Poots. (All Belfast)

### Southern Representatives:

Mr N Clinghan (Ards) • Mr R Clarke (Down) • Mr M Wooster (Lurgan) • Mr G Campbell (Mid Ulster) • Dr A Currie (Portadown) • Mr J Emery <sup>BEM</sup> (West Ulster)

### Under 26 Representatives:

Mr Ben Carmichael • Mr Callum Hamilton

### Standing Committee Chairpersons:

Miss A Houston (Anchor Boys) • Miss S Mackey (Junior Section)  
Mr S Alexander (Company Section) • Mr J Thornberry <sup>BEM</sup> (Administration)  
Rev J Moxen (Christian Education & Church Relations)  
Mr G Miller (Training)

## NORTHERN IRELAND DISTRICT

<b>Members</b>	<b>13,809</b>
<b>Leaders</b>	<b>2,777</b>
<b>Companies</b>	<b>278</b>
<b>Denominations</b>	<b>9</b>



*A full set of NID Session Statistics for  
2019/2020 is available  
on request from NIHQ*

## DIRECTORY/COMMITTEES

### ANCHOR BOYS

Miss A Houston (Chair)  
Ms A Sproule  
Mrs K Lindsay  
Mrs J Gray  
Mrs M Robinson  
Mr A Skillen  
Mr A Fittis  
Mrs A Montgomery  
Mrs S Gilkinson  
Mrs Y Woods  
Mrs A Jennett  
Mrs P Forsythe

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & CHURCH RELATIONS

Rev. J Moxen (Chair)  
Rev Dr T McCormick (Chaplain Ex-Officio)  
Mr NMcConkey  
Rev N Mulholland  
Mr S White  
Rev G McClelland  
Miss A Houston  
Mr C Rankin  
Rev N Kane  
Rev B Anderson  
Rev. Dorothy McVeigh

### President's Committee:

President, Mr D Blevins • Vice-Presidents: Rev Dr T McCormick, Mrs I Lowry, Mr M Murdock • Chaplain  
Area Representatives: Mr D Doggart, Mr J Thornberry BEM

### JUNIOR SECTION

Miss S Mackey (Chair)  
Mr Stephen Osborne  
Mr William Law  
Mr Uel Mackin  
Mr James Craig  
Mr Jonathan Murdock  
Mr Wesley Magill  
Mr Ian Canning  
Mr Bruce Wylie  
Mr Robert Auld  
Mr Thomas McKane  
Mr Ian Bolton  
Mr Paul Colhoun

### TRAINING

Mr G Millar (Chair)  
Mrs I Lowry  
Miss N Thompson  
Mr D Doggart  
Mr R Clarke  
Mrs N Fitzsimons  
Mr J Todd  
Mr R Auld  
Disability Awareness  
Co-ordinator: Mr C Millar

### COMPANY SECTION

Mr Stanley Alexander  
Mr Stephen Stewart  
Mr Jordan Ellison  
Mr Andrew Swann  
Mr Johnston Clarke  
Mr Nathanael Murphy  
Mr Joe Moorhead  
Mr Adam Edgar  
Mr John Allen  
Mr Jordan Holmes  
Mr Robert Park  
Mr Stephen Pollock  
Mr Richard Quinn  
Mr Jonathan Harron  
Training Committee link:  
Mr J Todd

### ADMINISTRATION

Mr J Thornberry BEM (Chair)  
Mr P Ballentine (Treasurer)  
Mr M Farquhar  
Mr D Thompson  
Mr U Mackin  
Mr P Dunn  
Mr L Taylor  
Mr E Denner  
Mr J Graham  
Mr D Miller  
Mr D Johnston

## STRONGER | SAFER | TOGETHER

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



## COVID READY

- Review and understand the BB Framework and Guidance.
- Complete the Covid- Ready Risk Assessment for each section.
- Complete the Company Action Log.
- Complete the Local Approval process.

check it out!

**Please check the Brigade website regularly to see what stage NID is at here:** [<https://boys-brigade.org.uk/operating-stages/>]

**Check Local Government Guidance** - All BB Companies registered with EA should have received a link to the **Youth Restart** Document [<http://bit.ly/EAYouthRestart>]. Youth work in NI may not be permitted to restart to October 2020 - please check this document regularly for updates.

**Check with your Church** - denominational headquarters have produced guidance for youth and children's work and should be followed.

**All Leaders need to read and understand the Brigade Framework for getting back to BB.** It's going to be a team effort.

**A Risk Assessment must be done for every section.** There is a template to follow here: [<https://boys-brigade.org.uk/ourframework/>]



## NI Tourist Board Approved for Group Bookings

Check our new website at  
[www.bbnewport.org.uk](http://www.bbnewport.org.uk)

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