

What is The Boys' Brigade?



The Boys' Brigade is the oldest Christian Youth organisation in the World. It was founded in 1883 by William Alexander Smith in Glasgow. His ideas were so successful they spread first across the UK then the World.

Who are the 24th Hull Company?

The 24th Hull Company is one of the many which make up the Hull and East Yorkshire Battalion. The Company was started in 1920, and is one of the longest, continuously running, Companies in the Battalion. The Company started at Lambert Street Methodist Church, which closed in 1993. Since then, the Company has been connected with Trinity Methodist Church. The Company has continually served the community, providing activities and Christian teaching to our members.

What do we do?

Our activities are designed specially for each age group and encourage the youngsters to work together, and above all are fun. Other highlights include:

Band Sessions	Where our members can learn to play a musical instrument;
Company Camp	For those aged 8 and over;
The Panto	An annual trip for all;
Open Night	Awards and a show;
Competitions	Organised by the Battalion for all age groups;
Founders Day	A special parade to mark the BB's birthday;
Special Events	including, swimming, ice skating, sleep overs and trips.

What are the Anchor Boys?

Ages 5 to 8 years (School years 2 and 3).

The emphasis is on fun and enjoyment. The evening is packed with crafts, stories and games.

What is the Junior Section?

Ages 8 to 11 years (School years 4 to 6).

The emphasis is still on fun, with crafts and games. This older group work towards the Boys' Brigades Award Scheme which helps them develop their personal skills.

What is the Company/Senior Section?

Ages 11 to 18 years (school years 7 to 13).

In this age group enjoyment is still important but there is more emphasis on developing the young peoples personal skills. To aid this there is a structured Award Scheme and once they reach 15 then they can become involved in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

What is the Award Scheme?

The Award Scheme is a structured programme of activities covering a number of topics, such as crafts, hobbies, camping, environment and so on. The topics are grouped into 5 areas based around the subject areas; Adventure, Community, Physical, Interest and Leadership. There is a separate programme for each age group which works towards the following Awards:

the Anchor Achievement (Anchor Boys);

Going for Gold (Junior Section);

the President's and Queen's Badges (Company and Seniors).

The latter are the highest Awards made by the Boys' Brigade.

When do we Meet?

The Company meets at Trinity Methodist Church, on the corner of Newland Avenue and Cottingham Road, on Tuesdays.

Anchor Boys	6.00 to 7.00pm
Junior Section	6.30 to 8.00 pm
Company Section	6.30 to 9.00 pm
Senior Section	6.30 to 9.00 pm

Do we have a Uniform?

The Organisation is uniformed, and the uniform is similar to what many youngsters will wear to school. Anchor and Junior Section boys need only to purchase a pullover with the Boys' Brigade Crest on. The Company does operate a system whereby pullovers no longer needed by older boys can be purchased at a reduced cost.



What does it cost?

The weekly subs of £1 is the Companies only source of income. The money is used to provide equipment and materials used in our varied activities.

What about Church Attendance?

The Boys' Brigade is a Christian Organisation, Church attendance is encouraged but is left to the individual to make their own decision.

Is there More Beyond the 24th Hull?

The Battalion covers the area from Withernsea to Brough and Market Weighton. The Battalion is a means of bringing all the Companies in the area together, to share in activities and to extend the range of activities which may be available to individual Companies. These activities can serve to bring young people from across East Yorkshire together and allow our members to develop friendships with other members of the Battalion. As a Battalion it is possible to provide activities for those members who wish to remain with the Boys' Brigade beyond the age of 18, even if there are few others of similar age in their Company.

The Battalion organises events or activities for all age groups. Examples include:

inter-Company competitions;
Battalion Camp;
Parades;
the Duke of Edinburgh's Award;
Music and Bands;
Training Courses;
Canoe Club;
and many others.

There are also a number of National and International projects and activities organised by the Boys' Brigade which we take part in during the year.



Who do I Contact?

The Company Captain is:

Mr Steve Lunn

He can be contacted on:

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What is the Object of the Boys' Brigade?

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.

Where Can I Find More Information?

You can speak to any of the Officers who will answer your questions.

Alternatively, more information about the Boys' Brigade can be found on the following websites.

The BB National Website:
www.boys-brigade.org.uk

The Hull & East Yorkshire Battalion:
<http://eastyorks.boys-brigade.org.uk>

The 24th Hull Company:
<http://24hull.boys-brigade.org.uk>

What about Child Protection Law?

As the Boys' Brigade involves working with children/young people, the Boys' Brigade Headquarters does carry out an Enhanced Police check on all Officers and helpers.



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