The Corps of Drums Society

Registered Charity No. 1073106

Newsletter – September 2018

Committee Contact Information

Listed below are the current positions held within the Society, I have also added the relevant email addresses, so if there are specific Areas of concern or information required it will reach the correct person and therefore can be answered in a timely manner

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Hon Secretary’s Message

As an update on the Society’s music practice held on 22\textsuperscript{nd} September, there were more members attending for this visit than the last, in which we would hope to continue, the practice was also attended by the SW London ACF Corps of Drums as this was one of their training days, with a period of joint music practices.

It will be discussed as a way of going forward for future practices to be held at Clapham and to coordinate the dates with the ACF Corps of Drums to encourage youth into the society.

Further Information will be given during this year’s AGM

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Notice of Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The AGM will take place during the visit to Kneller Hall on 13\textsuperscript{th} October 2018, with the proposed agenda as listed below.
• Apologies for absence
• Minutes of previous AGM
• Chairman’s report
• Hon Secretary’s report
• Treasurers Financial report
• Election of committee
• AOB

If any member would like anything raised to be included in the agenda (AOB) or put themselves forward for a position on the committee, then please email myself (Secretary) by 01-10-2018

ALL MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE AGM, WHERE POSSIBLE

Corps of Drums Society Music Meetings

Saturday 27 October 2018 - (Lord Mayor Show (LMS) - Rehearsal)

10th Leicester (1st SYSTON) Scout & Guide Band COD

The meeting at Syston is being hosted by Pam Hales and members of the Syston Scout and Guide Band, between 10:00 – 16:00 - details for this practice are as follows;

Humphrey Perkins School, Cotes Road, Barrow upon Soar, Loughborough, Leicester LE12 8JU

A brief outline for the day is as follows:

Session 1

• Full Music Practice on all Music for the LMS
• Drum Major Practice

Lunch – Please bring your own Lunch

Session 2

• Full Rehearsals of all music
• Full Marching Practice

Lord Mayor’s Show 2018

As an update, currently we have around 100 participants for this year’s LMS, with the last rehearsal being at Syston on 27th October, where all participants are encouraged to attend, as there is no arrangements to practice on the day.

The current List of Music below will be finalised at the practice at Syston,
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Killaloe: Flutes with Bugle Intro  Children’s Love: Flutes
Heraldry: Bugles  Bugle Bells: Bugles
Hazelmere: Flutes with bell-lyres intro.  Great Escape: Flutes
Eye Level: Flutes & bell-lyres  Galanthia: Flutes
Mud Cabin: Flutes  Mechanised Infantry: Bugles & bell-lyres
Little Bugler: Bugles & bell-lyres  Welsh Medley: Flutes
1914-18 Medley: Flutes  The Adjutant: Flutes
The Longest Day: Flutes & bell-lyres  Minstrel Boy: Flutes & bell-lyres

The designated march is the 1914-18 Medley.

If you require any of the music, please contact Peter Foss at Music.training@corpsofdrums.com
Or peter.foss@blueyonder.co.uk

Kneller Hall – CODS Visit - Saturday 13th October 2018

The Corps of Drums Society will be arranging a visit to Kneller Hall on the date stated above, prior to its closing in 2020. Anyone interested in attending this visit are to emails the Hon Secretary (Emails listed above). Listed below is the proposed agenda for the day;

10.30 - Guided tour of the museum and Chapel
12.00 - Music practice
13.00 - Lunch break
13.30 - Annual General Meeting
14.00 - Music practice
15.00 - Depart

I have also added an events page on the CODS Facebook page, anyone wishing to attend, then please click the attending button.

All those wishing to park at Kneller Hall, then please send me your vehicle details.

Currently we have interest from 23 members of the society, please if you are able to attend that you support the society at this event, which is also the date of this year’s AGM

ITC Catterick – Drums Gathering – 16th – 18th November

The details for this year Drums Gathering has been sent out by the Staff Drum Major, Paul Blakelock and emailed to all those on the mailing list, there is a Facebook page under the heading of “The Gathering”

The details for the weekend and Itinerary are attached to the Gathering proforma.
Should you wish to attend, and have not received a proforma please email Paul on the following email, or message through Facebook

Paul.blakelock410@mod.gov.uk

The Ken Wynne Legacy

Following the legacy left by Drum major Ken Wynne, a Committee has been established with the plan to produce a book and a CD. The project has moved forward to begin the selection of photographs and pieces to be played.

Further information will be provided at the AGM

10th Leicester (1st SYSTON) Scout & Guide Band COD

Message from Pam Hales

At the Tymba (Traditional Youth Marching Bands Association) National Competition to be held on 14th October, 11.30am @ Lawrence Sheriff School, Whitehall Road, Rugby there will be a 'Beating Retreat' Finale.. I’ve shared a link to you on facebook messenger if any members of the COD would like to attend and give a ‘shout out’ to Syston Scout & Guide Band competing on the day.

The TYMBA also have there own Facebook page for further information

Events and practices for 2019, will be published in the December Newsletter

For any further information, please email Pam Hales on the following email address

pamhales@btinternet.com

Yorkshire Corps of Drums (YCOD) - Music Practices / Engagements 2018

Engagements

- Ypres / Menin Gate – (See details under the Combined Guards Division COD below)
- WW11 Weekend Pickering Saturday 13th October
- Remembrance Sunday Goole 11th November

YCOD Practices

Listed below are the Practice dates for the YCOD for the months of May and June, but the Corps meets every 2nd Wednesday of the Month, if anyone requires timings please email Peter Garthwaite on the email below. Practices are held at Harewood Barracks, Regent Street, Leeds LS7 1AT

p.garthwaite@ntlworld.com
Cinque Ports (Rifle Volunteers) Corps of Drums - Music Practices / Engagements 2018

Events and practices for 2019, will be published in the December Newsletter

Dates – December Date TBC

The Practices are held at The Scout Hut, Mint Walk Warlingham, CR6 9SA – 10:00 – 15:30 for further Information please email either geoff.fairfax@talktalk.net or secretary@corpsofdrums.com

We are always looking for new members, again if you are interested in brushing up on your drumming skills, come along, you do as much or as little as you want to do.

Guards Division Corps of Drums Association - Music Practices / Engagements 2018

Engagements

- Ypres/ Menin Gate – 5th – 7th Oct, Belgium
- Cippeham RBL Remembrance Parade – 11th November

Practices

- Sunday 14th Oct – As above

For further information on any of the above please email Stuart on the email below

stuartsutton@virginmedia.com

The Yorkshire Volunteers Corps of Drums

Practice nights are the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at Standridge Community Centre, Wakefield, West Yorkshire.
For further information on joining the YVCOD, please contact David Barlow on the following email

Dtb33@btinternet.com

Combined Guards Division Corps of Drums Association & YCOD Visit to Ypres

Below are the details for the planned trip being organised by the Guards Division Corps of Drums Association to Ypres in October.

Friday 5th October travel to Belgium
Saturday 6th October parade and act of remembrance Menin Gate
Sunday 7th October travel back to UK

We have permission from the local authorities in Ypres to play in the town square for 20 minutes. Then March up to the Menin Gate to participate as spectators in the Last Post Ceremony. (Unfortunately, we cannot take part due to a choir being booked through the Last Post Association).
The object of this is to pay homage to Drummers who gave their lives in the Service of their Country. From WW1 to the present day, we will be laying Wreaths.

The cost of the trip is £214.00 per person, this includes Travel, Accommodation, and Breakfast. There are three pick up points.

The combined corps will play the following marches Ypres and Menin Gate during our parade in Ypres please see flute parts and recording of Menin Gate. The Music parts for these 2 can be obtained from Mark Eldridge or Peter Garthwaite.

There are 10 places still available for this trip if anyone is interested Mark Eldridge confirms.

Anyone interested can contact Mark Eldridge directly via email or by mobile which are listed below.

markeldridge60@gmail.com Mobile - 07910196849.

This trip is open to anyone Drummers and Spectators.

For all requirements and further information please contact Mark Eldridge Directly.

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Picture Archives - Update

Have now listed all photos in place within the 29 Folders, which total just under 6000 photos, there are still 3 shoe boxes of photos yet to go through.

If anyone has Photos that they would like to add to the archives, please email them to Archivist@corpsofdrums.com.

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Facebook

To obtain feedback for new members I have asked all those requesting to join to answer 3 drums related questions, which will hopefully get new members to join the Cods and more importantly to give those new members information of Active Corps within the area they live.

Could I ask all that if you are getting friends to join that they answer the 3 questions?

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CODS Website

Within the coming Months we will be amending areas on the website to give it a fresher look and adding additional materials and Information, please be patient as there may be times when the site will not be accessible, further updates will be posted in the newsletters.

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