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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Australian Rep  Martin Hartley  hartleymartin@hotmail.com
Regular Army Liaison  Senior DMaj Simon Towe

Committee changes

As you will identify from the list of committee members above there have been 2 small changes following the last committee meeting held in November 2018, these changes are in the process of handover and will be in place by 01-01-2019.

Due to work commitments Alison Thackery has had to step aside as the editor of Drummers Call, the new Editor will now be Geoff Fairfax MBE.
Due to the above change John Richardson will now take over the Roll as the CODS Senior Drum Major.

The webmaster has also been removed, as the Website is nearing its changes and will there after being managed by members of the committee.

Chairman’s Message

The Chairman would like to thank all participant on this year’s Lord Mayors Show, The Chairman watched the Society Corps pass the Mansion House and it looked and sounded good, he would like to Congratulate both Peter Foss and all who took part.

Lord Mayor’s Show 2019

The Music list for the LMS 2019 (Playlist order to be finalised)

- Killaloe Flutes with Bugle Intro & Bell Lyres
- The Adjutant Flutes
- Heraldry Bugles
- Retreat Marches Flute
- Legs Eleven Flutes
- Bugle Bells Bugles
- Mud Cabin Flutes & Bell Lyres
- Hazelmere Flutes with bell-lyres in the trio
- Mechanised Infantry Bugles & bell-lyres
- Galanthia Flutes
- Jelalabad Bugles & Bell Lyres
- Children’s Love Flutes with Bell Lyres in the Trio (Designated March)

The Senior Drum Major British Army (Simon Towe) has volunteered his resources and Instructors to record the Flute, Bugle and Side Drum Parts for the Music for the LMS 2019 these will be on a QR (QR code (abbreviated from Quick Response Code) is the trademark for a type of matrix barcode (or two-dimensional barcode)

These will then be loaded onto the Corps of Drums Society Website, which will mean all players will have a code to be able to access the music recordings

The Music parts will also be loaded onto the CODS Website, we are hoping to have all of these loaded by the end of January 2019.

CODS Website

It was decided during the last committee meeting and with the updating of the CODS Website, that once the upgrade to the site has been completed that there will be certain areas that will only
accessible to members only, who will require a login and a password, the site will still be accessible to non-members, but areas such as the complete Drummers Calls, Photo archives and AGM & Committee Minutes.

Once we have agreed on the best way to implement the Login details all current members will be informed.

Corps of Drums Society Music Meetings 2019

The provisional dates for Music meetings and the LMS Practice dates and locations are as follows:

- Saturday 9th February - South West London ACF HQ, 27 St Johns Hill, London, SW11 1TT
- Saturday 11th May – South West London ACF HQ, 27 St Johns Hill, London, SW11 1TT
- Saturday 26th October – Cottesmore – LMS Rehearsal

Corps of Society Bass Drum

Following on from previous monthly newsletters regarding the new Corps of Drums Society Bass drum, this was used at the Lord Mayors Show and official presented to the Society by William Gateshead of AMMO & Co during the Drums Gathering at ITC Catterick.

The drum will be used for all Corps of Drums Society engagements

The Ken Wynne Legacy

The next meeting to discuss the Corps of Drums Society Book and CD is happening on 13th December.
10th Leicester (1st SYSTON) Scout & Guide Band COD

Events and practices for 2019, will be published in the January 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

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

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 January Newsletter

Music Practice – Sunday 16th December

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

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

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

stuartsutton@virginmedia.com

The Yorkshire Volunteers Corps of Drums

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

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
Request from Staff Drum Major Paul Blakelock – ASC Catterick

Paul Blakelock over the past 3 years has raised over £5000.00 for various charities including the Army Benevolent Fund (ABF) and is completing a number of events from October 2018 till September 2019 will be participating in a number of events with the aim to raise money for “Cancer Research UK”.

The Corps of Drums Society has given £50.00 to Paul, if anyone else wishes to support Paul in these events then please contact him, either on Paul.blakelock410@mod.gov.uk or email through Facebook

Picture Archives - Update

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

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?

Northern Ireland – William Mullen

For any information regarding membership or any other event in Northern Ireland please email William on sales@ernemusicsupplies.com

Australia – Martin Hartley

Martin Hartley has volunteered to be the Society’s representative for Members in Australia, and to promote the CODS over there.

If anyone has questions regarding assistance, please email Martin on hartleymartin@hotmail.com

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