



# Stedfast News

The Newsletter for former Members, Serving Officers, Associates and Friends of The Boys' Brigade in Brighton Hove and District

## The Object of The Stedfast Association

To further the Object of The Boys' Brigade and to foster the spirit of Comradeship between past and present Members of the Brigade and to render Service to Others

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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

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## Dear Stedfast Members,

As another year comes towards its close we can give thanks for so many undeserved Blessings, so many opportunities, and for so many reasons to look forward to 2018 with confidence.

Soon the shops will be in overdrive desperately trying to persuade us to buy things for which we have no need and food and drink that will send us to the chemist in the New Year! Let us simply give thanks that a Baby was born who showed each of us how to live and who will be ready to greet us when we see Him again.

In the meantime we have work to do; Companies to support, Boys to encourage, lonely people to visit, gifts of our time and times to share our Faith. What will we each do to make 2018 better than this year?

Why not make a New Year Resolution to go to the 10th's Music Hall in January? To ask to be able to visit a Junior Section evening and to do some task large or small that will help to further our great Object?

Glynde 2017 was exceptional for the great food and great sport, but above all for the great Faith and fellowship. This reflects great credit to the Staff who work so hard to cultivate the soil in which the seeds can grow and multiply. Well done you good and faithful servants.

This Session's Scripture Competition is already expected to have a increased entry over last Session and no doubt the final placing's will be very close.

Congratulations to The Stedfast Band on their performance on Remembrance Sunday. Together with the superb playing of The Last Post by Paul Simmons and David Norman it was an inspiring occasion.

January for Stedfast is the time to reunite with friends old and new and share memories and experiences that still give us joy. This comes to a head at our Reunion, and if you have never been before then resolve that 2018 will be the year that you do!. You will not be disappointed and will no doubt bring great pleasure both to yourself and others. Our speaker is guaranteed to have a message for everyone. We are hoping that even more will attend and that wives and partners will receive a real B.B. welcome.

May God be with you

**Peter Ford** *Stedfast Association President*



## EDITORIAL

It's that time again, lots happening, Remembrance Sunday, Christmas, New Year Celebrations and Our Annual Reunion. Plans well in hand for that, as I am sure many of you have plans for the other events, a busy time for many.

Remembering those who made the supreme sacrifice, those seriously maimed in war and those left alone for various reasons.

Families will be, or may have already, got themselves ready for Christmas and some looking forward to all that is before us. For some however it is not such a good time, those who are lonely or not in good health, if you know anyone in these situations please try and make contact, even if only for a short time, give them a call.

I do hope that as many of you as possible will come along in January and meet up with friends from years past.

The more the merrier.

**I wish you all a Very Happy Christmas and the Very Best for the New Year.**

**Remember it's Christ in Christmas Time to Remember T.O.T.O.F.**

**Dick**

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## YOUR COMMITTEE

Many of you will recall that I have on many occasions in the Winter Edition of Our Newsletter appealed for volunteers to serve on the Committee, unfortunately this did not meet with much success.

Today however I am appealing for support and am asking you to think carefully about the future of Our Association. We are in the situation where the current committee needs new blood, one or two of the existing members are giving serious thought to retiring, for various reasons, age, Health etc., Unless we can encourage volunteers it is possible that the Association will, in the years to come have to consider, without a strong committee, closing. Please do not let this happen, **your** support is needed now.

If you feel able to help, but need information first please ring me, the Chairman or Secretary or contact one of the committee. You can also come forward at the Reunion. Involvement, it is not too onerous, meetings are 4 times per year.

**PLEASE HELP IF YOU CAN.**

**Dick Kent** (01273 492655)

## Founder's Day Dinner 2018

Following the great success of the Founder's Day Dinners of the past four years, Preston Bowls Club has again been provisionally booked for Thursday 4th October 2018 7pm for 7.30pm, please put this into your diary for 2018 as soon as you receive it. As part of the evening we always hold a raffle to raise funds which go directly to The Glynde Camp Fund.

Please remember this if you have any, non-perishable, unneeded gifts over the festive season. The venue can seat up to 70 diners so there is room for a few more next year. E-mail Les Russell to book your place; [lc.russell@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lc.russell@hotmail.co.uk).

Les.

## IN MEMORIAM

We have to sadly report the following members, who have been called to higher service since our last newsletter.

We send our deepest sympathy to their Family and Friends. May they Rest In Peace.

**Colin Currie OBE** - 6th Brighton and 22nd Brighton/Hove (16th November)

**Dick Dench** - 10th Brighton/Hove (3rd December aged 98)

**Ben Edwards** - 10 th Brighton 1st Southwick (18th August.)

**Ron Fowler** - 13th Brighton (20th April)

**John Lawrence** - 6th Brighton and 1st Southwick, (17th October)

**Reg Moss** - London District

## Old Boys' Prayer

Bless, O God, the committee and members of the Stedfast Association and The Boys' Brigade. We pray that you give to The Boys' Brigade and the Stedfast Association the power and resolve to advance Your kingdom throughout the world.

Grant that each member of Stedfast Association will support the companies in our battalion. Help us in times of temptation; make us strong where we are weak, give us courage in difficulty, faithfulness in duty, loyalty in friendship; and finally, by Your mercy, and may we prove Loyal and stedfast in our mission to bring each member into Your everlasting kingdom, through Jesus Christ, our Lord,

**AMEN.**

## The next Newsletter will be Spring 2018

Please submit all contributions (electronically or typed if possible) before 28 February 2018

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## Chaplains Page... Refugee Christmas

Last Christmas I was singing a new hymn by Andrew Pratt and was struck by these words:  
We look on Joseph's roughened hands, his eyes are filled with tender joy.

*He gently reaches for the child, **this little scrap**, this baby boy.* [*Singing the Faith*, 219:2]

What a contrast to traditional artworks that show an obese baby, often in a palace with great pillars.



I think that the true picture of the baby Jesus was more like the 'scraps of humanity' we see in the everyday photos of refugee children. Before Health and Safety regulations were invented, it was;

*From the squalor of a borrowed stable By the Spirit and a virgin's faith.  
To the anguish and the shame of scandal Came the Saviour of the human race.  
Immanuel by Stuart Townend, [*Songs of Fellowship* 3, 1239]*

Charles Wesley sang how Jesus 'emptied himself of all but love' when 'he laid his glory by' and 'wrapped him in our clay.' [*Singing the Faith*, 345:3 & 208:2]

In 2 Corinthians 8:9 Paul wrote that 'our Lord Jesus Christ; rich as he was... made himself poor for your sake. *'Mine are riches from your poverty, from your innocence, eternity; Mine forgiveness by your death for me; child of sorrow for my joy.*

Calypso Carol by Michael Perry. [*Singing the Faith*, 216:3]

In 1620 one hundred and two Puritans escaped religious persecution at Leiden in Holland and oppression in England. They sailed on the *Mayflower* from Portsmouth and became the 'Pilgrim Fathers' in North America where they were helped by Native Americans. What would have been the story if Red Indians had said, 'Sorry. No refugees'? Our world is full of the insecurity of migration and refusal to accept refugees. After the euphoria of Christmas we are reminded that the holy family fled from Herod's wrath and became refugees in Egypt.

With best wishes for a blessed Christmas and healthful New Year *Rev Dr John C. Neal*

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

On the 4th October, Old Boys and friends sat down to a delicious Founder's Day Dinner, held at the Preston Bowls Club, Preston Road, Brighton. I gave a toast to our patron, Her Majesty the Queen and at 8 o'clock our Stedfast President, Peter Ford gave a toast to our founder Sir William Smith. A great evening of fellowship, Thank you to Les Russell one of our committee members for organising the evening.

Our thoughts turn to Christmas and the celebration of the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. May I wish you all a very happy and peaceful time.

Your committee are working hard on plans for the Reunion to be held on Sunday 21st January 2018, at Southwick Methodist Church, HQ 1st Southwick Company, Manor Hall Road, Southwick. Myself and the committee look forward to welcoming you and any other old boys that you can bring along to join us for a time of thanksgiving and fellowship. We have some committee members who will be retiring in January, please give thought to becoming a member of the committee, to help us support our local BB Battalion. If you are interested please contact myself or a member of the committee. Thank you.

Best Wishes for a very happy and peaceful Christmas and look forward to seeing you all at the Reunion in January.

**Ray Eaves** *Committee Chairman.*

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## Band report

We have all had a busy few months since our last Newsletter.

On Sunday 10th September we all had a well-attended combined Practice with our friends from the London/Croydon area.

This took place at Woodmansterne, near Banstead in Surrey. This was quickly followed by a practice at RAF Halton. Again, this was quickly followed with a trip to York Minster for the Founder's Day celebrations on 22nd October, this was attended by my wife Carol and myself. This was most enjoyable with 5 Bands, and 300 Brigade Members.

Remembrance and Armistice Days have now been and gone, I had the honour of playing at the Cenotaphs at Brighton and Hove. A big thank you to all who took part especially Malcolm Kendall who Played at the Hove Cemetery.

We have recently taken delivery of 5 piston bugles so we will be able to increase our capability.

So, in closing, our monthly practices at Southwick have had increased attendances as our London/Croydon Members also attend on a regular basis.

Finally, congratulations to our good friend Brian Rutt who has taken on the Chairmanship of the London Stedfast Committee.

Regards to All  
**Paul Simmons**

## Sussex 2017 Glynde Camp



A mixed bag of weather had been with us leading up to camp this year.

Set up was made harder than usual because of staff shortages & a shortage of Senior Boys. That said in true *Glynde* fashion, prayers were answered & come the Advance we had enough willing & very able people. Because we managed to get hands on site all day on the Wednesday, we were all set for when the Marquees were ready to go up on Wednesday evening.

As is the way in recent years the team from Eastbourne came along & erected the Mess, Chapel, Cookhouse & Mo's tents. The weather being kind to us.

The rest of the Advance kept us both wet & dry & by Friday night we were all set for the Boys to arrive.

It is fair to say that we have had dryer camps...

That said we have been wetter too. The wind on Wednesday threatened to take the Mess & had a good head start on the Chapel, but, as always a few strong hands got everything under control.

The boys, though few in number had a great week. I felt that, this year, in particular, camp was a very 'happy' camp & I can't recall a cross word about the site. The pranks were well up to the usual standard & seeing the Mess President do his duty from within a trampoline was a day not to be forgotten!

Darrell Ward was the Chaplin & under his inspired leadership 9 young men made a commitment or re- commitment to Our Lord. Please pray for these young men & their onward journey:

*“Lord in our camp Thou walkest, we feel that Thou art near. Thy strength has made us stronger – 'tis afterwards we fear...”*

Our C.O. Gary was a true example of Good Christian Leadership & will be a hard act to follow. Please pray for Sussex 2018

**Adrian Attwater**

## SECRETARY AND TREASURER REPORT

### Membership

I would like to thank the 126 members who have paid subs this year which in total exceeded £1,600.

We now send by post to some 60 members the newsletters in Spring, Summer and Winter but now send over 200 emails to UK and worldwide email addresses three times a year. If you still receive your newsletter by post, please provide us with an email address so that we can save the increasing costs of printing, postage and stationery. If this is not possible, then we will be pleased to continue to send by post.

Please also complete the 2018 membership form (on page 16) so that we have your up to date details.

### Accounts

The 2017 accounts will be available at the Reunion AGM for approval as usual but for those of you unable to attend we will provide a summary of the accounts in the Spring 2018 newsletter. The accounts show that our income for the year was some £2,200, including donations. These monies were fully utilised in paying Stedfast costs and making donations on your behalf. The payments include the costs of the reunion, the newsletters and the website. In addition, the committee made donations on your behalf to Southwick Methodist Church, to our Battalion for the Boys at Glynde camp and to the Band to acquire some piston bugles. We have also made some other small donations and paid for the wreaths at Remembrance services.

We will have surplus funds for the start of 2018 but hope that the membership will again show your generosity by paying your subs for 2018 so that the Stedfast Association will be able to continue indefinitely in supporting its members at the reunion and during the year, together with our spiritual home, our Battalion and the band.

The Southwick Methodist Church continues to provide facilities for the band to meet every month, for the committee meetings to take place during the year but most importantly being able to hold our annual Reunion service, tea and AGM on the third Sunday in January every year.

*Secretary's report is  
continued on next page*

## Reunion-2018

Please make every effort to be on parade for the Reunion on 21 January 2018 and please arrive by 2.15pm so you have time to sign the attendance registers, pay your subs and hand in your membership forms.

Please see the invitation letter (on page 15) which gives you more details of the arrangements and telephone numbers to ring as required.

I know that all our members do their best to support us by coming to the Reunion and I look forward to welcoming you when you arrive.

## Newsletter, Website and AGM

Please let us have your comments at the AGM on the Newsletter and Website and please let us know of any other matters you wish to bring to our attention.

I hope you have a very Happy Christmas and a healthy New Year.

Yours Stedfastly

**Alan Caperon**, *Secretary and Treasurer*

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## Looking Back

**Of interest**, here is a picture of the 10th Brighton (Hove) Boys' Brigade dated 1913.

In the 2nd row, 3rd from left, is Bob Skinner, a (*Captain when I joined*). 2nd to left is his son Reg. Maybe there is someone you know in the photo? - **Dick**



## CATASTROPHES, COINCIDENCES & RESCUES

By Hilary Ball

In the last Stedfast Magazine we were thinking and praying for all the people who had been caught up in the tragedies of terrorist's bombings and natural disasters. around the world.

Many of you were pleased to see George Childs at the 2016 Stedfast Reunion after an absence of many years due to ill health. As Brian, his son was one of my Life Boys, I naturally enquired how he was, to be informed that he is now a Colonel working as a pilot in the USA Coast Guard living in Houston, Texas. As my grandson Jack was at that time travelling to the NASA Space Centre, Houston I contacted Brian. He immediately replied saying that if he could help in any way he would. This wasn't possible as Jack was on a week's school visit with a very tight schedule.

Since then I have kept in touch with Brian and so naturally contacted him when Hurricane Harvey the most powerful hurricane for a decade hit Houston. I contacted him and I was very impressed with his reply and thought that it would be nice to share it with you.

"Hilary so nice to hear from you

The family is all safe and we dodged the floods but it was close. Personally, I ran the Air Operations Command Post in Houston running 39 Helicopters 7 x 24 doing Search and Rescue. The numbers, weather and lives saved were amazing.

I just stood down after 4 days almost nonstop for a night's sleep then back at 0600 for the next phase of assessment then relief and then we move to Corpus from Houston for the next phase. My own unit base was destroyed and totally under water. Not just the military base but the whole Area of Operation -towns, villages, boats, houses etc the destruction is enormous. Worse storm in over 100 years.

I guess old age and experience coupled with first class shipmates and aviators saved the day. Forgetting all the real trauma cases we dealt with the incredible number of maternity cases we dealt with was mind blowing. I was like an expectant father again but learnt so much more about the inner strength of very tough rescue swimmers being very careful and sensitive to terrible heart ache.

I found out last night we had 'pulled' by helo-hoist or by landing over 13,000 people.

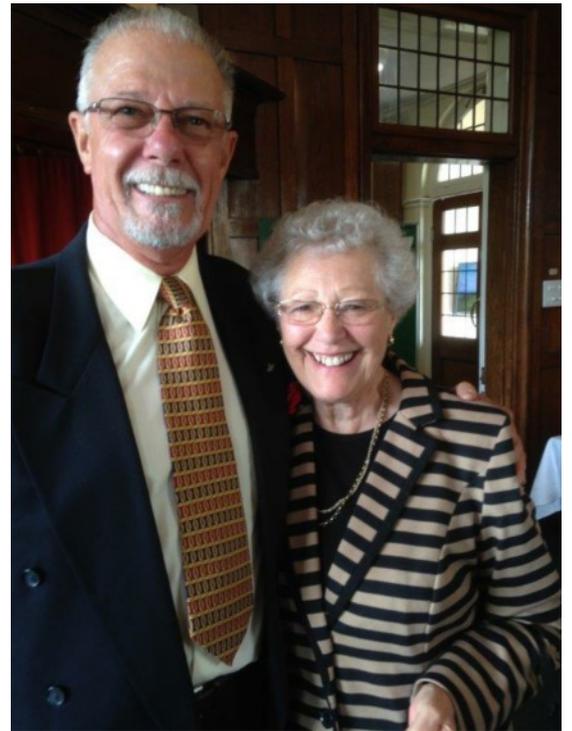
The sorties dealt with trauma, drowning, brain damage, pregnancy, ALS, stranded quadriplegic, Asthmatics and diabetes up to their chests in 5 feet of water. Children, the elderly even getting 400 people off the roof of a school in torrential rain, thunderstorms, low visibility and darkness. It's only phase one of the rescue for now we have years of rebuild and families having to deal with the impact emotionally and financially.

Best wishes to you and Adrian."

Sadly, George passed away before he knew of the help that Brian had given to so many people

Working in the Boys' Brigade you may never see the results of your endeavours but I am sure that there are many men around the world that are thankful to their Officers and Helpers for their grounding in the B.B. An Organisation that is needed now, more than ever.

*Photos shown on next page*



Top photo taken at the 2016 reunion and Brian with Hilary.

## Founder's Day Dinner Photographs

These photos taken at the dinner of the toast to our founder at 8pm, this was to mark the time of the first BB meeting. Also the raffle that was held, raised £40.20 for Glynde camp funds.



**THE BOYS' BRIGADE & GIRLS' ASSOCIATION**  
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*Do you have talented musicians in your church or BB/GB Company?*

*If so, why not tell them about the*

## National Music Festivals 2018

*for the Boys' & Girls' Brigade and friends*

**Southern event Saturday 24 March  
 Chandlers Ford, Hampshire**

**Northern event Saturday 28 April  
 Derringham Bank Methodist Church, Hull**

Vocal, Brass, Keyboard, Woodwind, String, Percussion and Mixed instrumental classes for soloists, duets, small groups, choirs and bands

**An 'all-age' event**

***Why not have a go – it's great fun!***

For more information visit:  
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 or email: [bbgbfestival@live.co.uk](mailto:bbgbfestival@live.co.uk)



Organised by the Boys' Brigade National Brass Band Association



## Battalion and Stedfast Events

### December 2017

2 Sat C/S Badminton  
5 Tue Executive 7.30pm (Battalion HQ)  
31 Sun Battalion/Brigade Statistical Returns due

### January 2018

19 Fri J/S New Year Lazer Party (Lazer World Crawley)  
21 Sun Stedfast Reunion Service & AGM (Southwick Methodist Church)  
24 C/S Games Evening  
31 Wed Ernest Beal VC Award Entries Due

### February 2018

6 Tue Executive 7.30pm (Battalion HQ)  
10 Sat Swimming (C/S & J/S) (Steyping Leisure Centre)  
19 Mon Camp Council (Battalion HQ)  
26 Mon Scripture Competition (TBA)  
28 Wed Scripture Competition (TBA)

### March 2018

9 Fri J/S Spring Competition (2nd B/Hill HQ)  
21 Wed C/S Drill (TBA)

### April 2018

3 Tue Executive 7.30pm (Battalion HQ)  
9 Mon Camp Council (Battalion HQ)  
20-22 J/S Holiday (Carrotty Wood)

### May 2018

1 Tue Finance Committee  
12 Sat J/S 5-a-side Football (The Triangle Burgess Hill)

### June 2018

5 Tue Executive 7.30pm (Battalion HQ)  
8 Fri J/S Sports (Braypool Brighton)  
11 Mon Camp Council (Battalion HQ)  
22 Fri J/S Sports (if 8th is wet) (Braypool)  
26 Tue Harriers (Glynde)  
30 Sat C/S Fun day (Blacklands Farm)

### July 2018

3 Tue Executive 7.30pm (Battalion HQ)  
19 Thur Battalion Council A G M (Battalion HQ)  
27 Fri Glynde Camp 2018 commences (Cows Wood)

### August 2018

3 Fri Glynde Camp 2018 concludes (Cows Wood)  
31 Mon Battalion Financial Year End

### October

4 Thurs Stedfast Founder's Day Dinner

### November

11 Sun Remembrance parade

Key; C/S=company section and  
J/S=junior section.

## Portslade URC

The 25th Brighton celebrated their 85th and the Juniors 100th anniversary with a special Church Service on Sunday 24th September which saw many 'Old Boys' who had been invited, attending.

After the Service there was tea, coffee, and a cake to celebrate whilst looking at a display of photos from past decades.



## **Minutes of 2017 Reunion and Annual General Meeting**

John Donoghue our Chairman led the meeting welcomed everybody and those present sang the Camp Grace. Thanks were given to those that led the Service, the colour parties, the Battalion President and our special visitors the Mayor of Brighton and Hove, and Chairman of Adur District Council. He did not forget the Boys of the 1st Southwick for their help and the ladies for providing Refreshments.

It was Ben's 14th Birthday (a member of the colour party) so he was entertained with a hearty rendering of Happy Birthday.

Greetings announcements and apologies were read by Alan, especially mentioning Barry Elswood from Australia, John Stenhouse in California, Carole and Desmond Wheelton from Tasmania. There were 23 apologies all told.

The minutes of the 2016 AGM were approved as were the accounts.

The Battalion President Derek Hinton gave a roundup of Battalion matters (plus Jokes!) Alan explained the position regarding the website and that it needed to be rebuilt.

Nomination and election of Officers and committee members followed:

President; Peter Ford.

Vice President; Rev Ian Suttie.

Hon Secretary and Treasurer; Alan Caperon.

Membership Secretary; Stephen Roberts.

Committee; Jim Attwater, Adrian Attwater, Ray Eaves, Dick Kent, Terry Pomfrey, Les Russell and Paul Simmons.

Adrian carried out the task of finding the Oldest Old Boy and Youngest Old Boy. Dick Dench (10th) oldest and Carl Smart (3rd Eastbourne) the youngest.

Carl Jukes mentioned the 10th's success in spite of the comments made by the Battalion President regarding numbers in Battalion.

As we had distributed 100 Orders of Service it was gratifying to know we had at least 100 attendees.

Camp Vesper Closed the Meeting.

### **Company Colours**

Last reunion there was an excellent display of Company colours. Please can we do the same again on the 21<sup>st</sup> January. If you have a company colour please bring it along with you and we will display it, (please bring a colour stand if possible).

## Reunion and Annual General Meeting

Our Next Reunion  
SUNDAY 21st JANUARY 2018  
at Southwick Methodist Church. Service starts 2.30pm  
Meeting from 2.00pm for enrolment.



If you are reading the Brighton Stedfast Association newsletter for the first time we hope that you have found it both interesting and informative. If you have any items that you think may be of interest to our members you can contact the Editor or secretary, (details inside this newsletter) or visit our web site;  
<http://brightonstedfast.org.uk/>

**The Stedfast Association - Brighton** is an organisation for past members of The Boys' Brigade Brighton Hove & District Battalion.

If you have been a boy or member of staff in any company past or present within our Battalion you are automatically a member.

Past Members of The Boys' Brigade from all over the world are welcome to join our Association.

To register, contact our secretary:

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*To help with the association costs, we would suggest a donation of £10*  
*Associate members now welcome*  
*(cheque's payable to the Stedfast Association)*



President:  
His Grace The Earl of  
Elgin & Kincardine  
Local President:  
Peter Ford

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of Former Members, Serving Officers Friends and  
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December 2017

Dear Members, BB Company Officers, Friends and Supporters

### **STEDFAST ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REUNION SERVICE ON 21 JANUARY 2018 from 2pm WITH OUR BRIGHTON BOYS' BRIGADE BATTALION followed by tea and the AGM.**

It is with great pleasure that the President and Committee would like to invite you to attend our annual Stedfast Association Reunion at Southwick Methodist Church, Manor Hall Road, Southwick. Please bring your membership form with you and sign the attendance register when you arrive. Our special guests will be the Mayor of Brighton and Hove, Councillor Mo Marsh and also Councillor Peter Metcalfe, the Chairman of Adur District Council whom we expect will both arrive from 2.15pm onwards. The Reunion Service will then commence at 2.30pm. Immediately after the service, afternoon refreshments will be served followed by the AGM.

Our President Peter Ford will lead the Church Service, our speaker will be Rev Betsy Gray Hammond and Rev Ian Suttie from Southwick Methodist Church will lead us in prayer. Gary Pickett, the President of our Brighton Boys' Brigade Battalion has agreed to carry out the bible reading during the service and give us his update on Battalion matters at the AGM. Carl Jukes will be our organist. The Brighton Boys' Brigade Battalion colours will be on parade and the Stedfast colours will be paraded by our members from the 10th Brighton Company. A number of our committee will also be participating during the afternoon.

This invitation is also to the Battalion Companies Officers and to Senior Boys as in previous years. If members and guests wish to bring their partners or BB friends, they will also be very welcome as we all know their support has been so important to our BB lives.

We will again be displaying BB colours as we did this year which will be a wonderful reminder of the BB companies we have each served in. Please bring your colour stands if possible.

We invite you to visit our website at [www.brightonstedfast.org.uk](http://www.brightonstedfast.org.uk) for confirmation of arrangements. Please make sure that you check the website for any last minute announcements on the Reunion in case of any adverse weather etc. You are also welcome to contact me (see telephone number above) for Reunion updates and please let me know should you be seeking transportation to Southwick Methodist Church. The Committee will do their best to find someone in your area who may be able to bring you to the Reunion.

Please join us in worship for an afternoon of celebration of The Boys' Brigade in Brighton Hove and District where senior boys, serving officers as well as Old Boys, former officers, Stedfast members and your partners and BB friends can share our love of the BB with our special guests.

Yours sincerely and Stedfastly  
Alan Caperon  
Secretary



### Membership Form for 2018

May we remind you that subscriptions are due, the present recommended subscription for members and associate members is £10-00 per year (more/less if you wish).

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