

REGULAR CORPS EVENTS

- Sundays **Meetings at 9.50. 10.30 a.m. 4-30 p.m.**
JAM Club— Jesus and Me 11.10 a.m.
For young people
- Mondays **Silver Threads Club** Lunch 12 noon. Meeting 1.45p.m.
Fortnightly Next one 31st October
Bible Study Weekly, 7.30 at the hall.
- Tuesdays **Open Door and light lunches** 10 a.m.—1 p.m.
Parents and Tots 10 a.m.—12 noon. Not school hols.
Home League 1.30 p.m. For ladies
- Wednesdays **Cameo Club**—second Wednesday monthly 7.30 p.m.
- Thursdays **Open Door** 10 a.m.—12 noon (Not school hols.)
Open Songster practice 1st Thursday each month
- Fridays **Coffee Morning and Luncheon Club**
9.30 a.m. and 12.15p.m.
- Saturdays **Walk** first Saturday every month. Details from
Barrie, Andy or Gladys. All welcome

Special this month...

- Sun 6th Nov. Songs of Praise with Woking Band
Sat 19th Nov. Christmas Sale
Sun 20th Nov. Morning meeting....Trevor Austin
Sun 20th Nov. Celebration of Talents 4.30 p.m.
Sun 27th Nov. Morning meeting...Major David Scott
Sun 27th Nov. Afternoon meeting....Carol Gibson

Coming later...

- Christmas Details on pages 6 and 7.
Sun 15th Jan. Safe and Sound Training Session following
morning meeting. 12 noon—1.15.
For all Y.P. workers, but open to all.

Much Later...

- June 23rd and 24th 2012 130th Corps Anniversary with
Major Sam. Edgar

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Minutes of Corps Council Meeting

28th September 2011

Present: Cpt. Hilary McClintock, Keith and Hazel. Barrie, Carol Gibson, Helen, May Mounsher, Andy, Stuart Dobson, Kevin Bennell.

Meeting opened in prayer by Captain Hilary at 7.35 p.m.

The last CC meeting was held on 12th January 2011 and chaired by Major Paul Billard, DHQ to discuss and outline the Mission Development Plan which the corps may choose to consider. However the corps was already in the process of planning the Give to Grow programme and it was felt we could not become involved at the present time.

It was approved that C/Sec. Keith Morris should continue as secretary of the CC.

Captain Hilary presented each member present with an up-dated copy of O & R governing Corps Councils.

1. HEALTH and SAFETY

- It was proposed that we should purchase a trolley to transport the chairs as we regularly re-arrange them as required for our various activities.
- The question of first aiders was raised with regard to instances which may arise during meeting times. We have to establish a person(s) to fulfil this important role.
- To follow up health and safety concerns a sub group consisting of Hazel, Kevin and Keith will receive such matters and resolve any such problems if possible. *Action: C.O. to organise.*

2. PROPERTY

- The maintenance scheme for our building involving several small projects has been reviewed and we are waiting upon SA confirmation of the commencement of work. *C.O.*
- The new boilers have been fire-up in readiness for the new winter season and need to settle down before we have maintenance check of the entire system to resolve any problems. *Action: Keith*
- With the outer front doors open there is a draught at the inner doors. It has been proposed that a hot air curtain be fitted above the outer doors. *Action: Keith*
- A new notice board is much needed. A sub group has been chosen to select a suitable design for it to be installed prior to Christmas.

3. FIRE RISK

- New requirements have been issued via a new SA publication to every corps as a guidance to assess any fire risk. This emphasises the need for regular weekly/monthly checks routine, including fire drills and testing of fire alarm system. *Action: Kevin*
- At all public meetings an awareness of evacuation procedure has to be made known plus stewarding.
- A current check on all things electrical to be carried out. All info collated for a brief for an electrician to be appointed to do the work a.s.a.p. *Action: Kevin and C.O.*

4. SAFE and SOUND

- Any persons involved in any way working with children will be required to fill in the form for a CRB check. (SA own independent scheme).
- Also a renewal (3 yearly certificate) of the SA Safe and Sound awareness procedures. On Sunday 15th Jan. 2012 there will be shown a DVD presentation and a general.....

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November Sudoku - "My Saviour"

Place a letter from the words 'My Saviour' into each empty cell so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains all letters. No letter should appear more than once in any row, column or 3 x 3 box.

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October

Answer

Salvation Army Civic Carol Service

Hexagon Theatre, Reading

December 3rd. 3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.

With massed songster brigades (inc. our own)

Other well known guests and

Special guest

Anne Diamond.

This will be a wonderful event. If you normally attend the carol service at our own town hall, it's not happening this year so this event could be a very good alternative.

Look at the poster in the foyer



Can a Week

Please remember that this is an ongoing scheme and we need to keep the cupboard replenished with cans and dried foodstuffs. The container in the entrance needs constant feeding so that some of the needy folk in our community can be provided for. We don't want any Mother Hubbard moments!!

Thank you

Songs of Praise

Sunday 6th November 4.30 p.m.

An afternoon of Praise, worship and fellowship
with
Woking Band and
Our own music sections.

Bring your friends and join in

For your forward planning..... Carolling dates.

Most of them need volunteers to collect

10-12-11	Sat	Eden Centre	13:00 – 15:00
11-12-11	Sun	Eden Centre	14:00 – 15:30
16-12-11	Fri	Marylebone Station	15:30 – 18:00 (train time to be confirmed)
17-12-11	Sat	Marks & Spencer	10:00 – 12:00
18-12-11	Sun	Amersham Hill (Shrubbery Rd)	10:00 – 11:30
20-12-11	Tue	At the Hall – 'mince pies and carols'	11:00 – 12:00
21-12-11	Wed	Morrisons	14:00 – 16:00
22-12-11	Fri	Marylebone Station	15:30 – 18:00 (train time to be confirmed)
23-12-11	Fri	Morrisons	14:00 – 16:00
24-12-11	Sat	Eden Centre	10:00 – 12:00
		Hospital – still tbc	19:00

Churches Together Christmas Special

Volunteers needed on Thursday December 22nd between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. to help with an outreach event in the town. There will be carol singing, prayer activity, a gift wrapping service and refreshments. Speak to Captain Hilary if you can help.



Well done to Helen and Mark who worked so hard to arrange and lead the Classic fm Sing Fest at the beginning of October. At

least 60 people turned up, not all from the Army, and sang a wide variety of music, for the pure enjoyment of singing and to raise money for Class fm's fund to help disadvantaged children through music therapy. £107 raised, of which the Army was able to keep 25%. It was a lovely way to spend an afternoon. Thanks too to Trevor, Jackie, Ash and Dom for the great work on piano and guitars, and especially to Jackie who was feeling so unwell, but got out of her bed in order to come!



A note from the Editor:

I thought it time that Andy had a proper by-line photograph for his regular column, and the opportunity arose for this to be arranged on his last Celebration of Talent afternoon. So here he is actually **on** his 'column', demonstrating a story which I am sure he will relate to you if you missed it, a cautionary tale about devotion, prayer, miracles and misunderstanding!! His latest column is over the page. Don't miss it, it's all about as we were.

The altar service for harvest raised the sum of £910. Thanks to all who gave.

Nostalgia....

Part one

Andy's Column



Strange isn't it? We often refer to the past as the good old days, when in reality they were not necessarily very good but were, well, different.

Our corps has changed in many ways over the years, just as we as people have changed and the society that we live in has changed. It would be ridiculous to go back to the days of bonnets and three open air services every Sunday, just as it would be ridiculous to watch television on a nine inch, black and white television screen.

My first memory of our hall is standing on my Granny Peddle's lap, with my thumb in my mouth and a piece of paper stuck up my nose and another tube of paper sticking out of my ear, laughing at the people in the row behind. (And no I wasn't twelve years of age.) The last time I saw my Granny was in the hall when she collapsed and was taken away in an ambulance and I never saw her again.

The memories come flooding back. It is a freezing cold February evening, Bandmaster Len Hughes is standing in the outhouse that served as a kitchen, trying to light the wick on the paraffin lamps. These were placed on the top of long poles so that the band could read their music when they were playing their instruments during the 'open air' on Frogmoor. We would be out there every week, the regular spectators would be waiting for us. While we shivered, Mrs. Simpson would spring into action with her collection box, attacking first the long queue waiting to enter the Palace Cinema, (since replaced by the Chilterns shopping centre), before moving across to the patrons of the Rex Cinema (where the Mona Lisa restaurant now stands). She could rattle her box very loudly and persistently, no-one refused Mrs. Simpson.

Voice projection was the greatest asset of any speaker on Frogmoor and in this respect we had the extremely resonant voice of Mr. Meanwell to champion our cause. He could be heard in Loudwater if the wind was in the right direction. Having 'given the message' we formed up to march back to the hall, not by the most direct route, no, we struck up our march on a double tap from drummer Nobby Peace and stepped off on the left hand side of Frogmoor (which in those days was an island). We then swung on to the main A40 trunk road and back round the other side of Frogmoor. One of the band's policemen, Paul Hunter, Taff Blaken or Duncan Wells would stop the traffic and Flag Sergeant Tom Evans

would sweep all before him with a majestic flourish of his inspiring banner. All of this watched by the crowd who were by now lining the route on both sides of the road. The eyes of the musicians would be watering profusely, the paraffin lamps flickering on and off, the notes of the music a watery blur.

When we had returned to the hall, the men went into the band room to say their prayers and the songsters retired to the songster room to say theirs.

There was no problem with the heating in those days. At one time we had a large stove protruding from the left hand wall. I remember that one of our most regular visitors in the winter was Old Ben who used to huddle by the stove and drop off to sleep. The heat brought out some interesting aromas and his snore was regular and loud.

We have always been blessed with colourful characters that came to the fore during prayers or testimony time. Wonderful people who knew what it was to be fully saved.

Mr Hester was a small man with a high piping voice which would crescendo as he progressed. He rotated on the spot and he spoke with one finger raised high in the air. Mrs. Simpson was equally passionate, starting her prayer quietly at a low register and then building to a heartfelt climax, her 's' sounds screeching round the hall. Billy Bean was another who would frequently break down in tears as he recalled the life from which he had been saved. Billy had a really powerful voice and sometimes sang the wrong tune. If the piano was accompanying the singing, he could throw the whole congregation into confusion. As young people we would perk up when Mrs. Gray stood to pray, because although she prayed very rapidly, we would count the number of times she would say "Dear Lord".

These people were trophies of grace. We did not realise this as children of course, but looking back I am aware that perhaps they had an experience of salvation beyond my understanding. So perhaps this is a good time to thank God for some of the people who were the foundation stones of our corps. Where would we be today without them?

Front Cover.....

The logo for General Linda Bond's vision for the Salvation Army. The message on the logo looks straightforward, but the General has outlined the mission priorities of the Army in an inspiring address given at IHQ, which you can find on her page on the Army's website. However Captain Hilary is planning to let us know more about this.

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CORPS COUNCIL MINUTES CONTINUED.

Invitation is given to all corps members in addition to YP workers to attend this show
ing at 12 noon to 1.15.

5 Y.P. CORPS

A Y.P. workers meeting is to be arranged to discuss an agenda for the YP corps
structure the teaching of the young folk. The CO will also canvas opinion from the
young folk. The outcome will be reported to the CC to help make decisions on behalf
of the YP corps. This will enable the CO to relate to the children in the planning of
meetings. *Action: C.O.*

6. FOOD and HYGIENE

- a) The renewal of current certificates is due, plus the necessity for every person
who works in the kitchen to obtain a certificate.
- b) A training course of the CIEH Food Safety in Catering Level 2 has been organ-
ized to be held on Sat. 22nd October, commencing at 9 a.m. and finishing at 3.30
approx. *Action Hazel.*

7. C.C. MEMBERSHIP

Present members (beside LO's) were given the opportunity to continue if they so
wished. Other name(s) were proposed for membership for the approval of the DC.

8. CORPS DIARY

- a. Additional and proposed dates were incorporated into the current diary and an
update will be issued to each member. *Action. Keith.*

9. 130th CORPS ANNIVERSARY 2012

- a) The anniversary week-end will be on 23rd/24th June 2012. Major Samuel Edgar
to lead the meetings.
- b) A sub group to be organised to overlook the year's activities and plan the anni-
versary week-end and any other events. *Action: C.O.*

10. GIVE TO GROW

The first quarterly report to the corps should be published by late October.
Action: Andy, Barrie, C.O.

11. CC and PCC MEETINGS

Both groups will meet on a quarterly basis (more if required) alternating months.
3rd Wednesday of month. A Calendar of dates will be produced. *Action: Keith*

12. NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2011 7.30.

Please pray for

- May Martin in hospital after falling at home.
- Maxine who is doing well after surgery;
- Margaret, Ron and son-in-law Graham;
- Stewart Christie;
- Gill Hawker's sister and niece;
- Major Margaret Porter, who is still far from well.

Dear Friends,

2 Timothy 3: 16-17

*'All Scripture is God-breathed and is
useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting
and training in righteousness, so that all
God's people may be thoroughly
equipped for every good work'.*



October 23rd was Bible Sunday. It was
amazing that on Sunday morning as we
were thinking about those who translate
the Bible, we had two unexpected visitors, who are working as
Bible translators for Wycliffe! We were reminded that it is a great
privilege to own even one Bible, for there are many countries
where the Bible is neither affordable, available, nor accessible in a
relevant medium such as in braille or audio. Even in countries such
as ours where we do have Bibles, many folk have stopped reading
them and others may read without searching for relevance.

I use this column to communicate the challenge from the Bible
Society of taking a fresh look at Scripture. Why not try one of three
different ways of reading this month?

1. Commit some time to reading (or listening to) a whole book
from the Bible, maybe one of the Gospels, or one of Paul's letters.
See what difference taking in the whole book makes, relative to a
verse here or there.
2. Alternatively, meditate on a Psalm each day for a least a
week. The Psalms are wonderful, real life prayers that help us to
connect with God. Read them slowly, over and over and let them
lead you into prayers for yourself and others.
3. Finally, you could try a method of Bible reading called
'lectio'; take 5-10 minutes each day to focus on a small section of
Scripture. Read it aloud and slowly three times, allowing for a brief
time of silence between readings to meditate. In the first reading,
listen for a word or phrase or idea that captures your attention.
Then focus or meditate on that word/ phrase. During the second
reading, pay attention to how the word or phrase speaks to you.
How does it resonate in your life right now? During the last reading,
focus on what you sense God might be calling you to do or
to become.

Remember, we do have Bible studies at the Army hall on a
Monday night at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

God bless you as you are challenged by His Word.
Captain Hilary



Christmas comes but once a year



Christmas Fayre
Saturday
19th November
10 a.m.
Don't Miss It



Special events at a glance



Carol Service
Sunday 18th December
4.30 p.m.



Toy Service
Sunday 11th December
4.30 p.m.
Come with a new toy
or gift
For a child or Young Person



Christmas Eve Late
Outside the Hall
10 p.m. onwards
Refreshments
For late night revellers!



Carols and Mince Pies
Tuesday 20th December
11 a.m.
With the band.



Lunch Club
Christmas Dinner
Friday 16th

Churches Together
Outreach
Thursday 22nd December
See page 10 for details

Silver Threads
Christmas Dinner
Monday
December 12th



And not forgetting
Watch Night Service
December 31st

