



**MPA:UK**

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# ANNUAL REPORT

## AND

# ACCOUNTS

# 2023

June 2024



Drum Corps United Kingdom  
<http://www.dcuuk.org.uk>

*Marching & Performing Arts United Kingdom is a charitable organisation set up to advance the musical & performing arts education of young people throughout the United Kingdom in all aspects of performing arts, primarily but not exclusively in playing musical instruments, colour guard and dance.*



Winter Guard United Kingdom  
<http://www.wguk.org.uk>

# MPAUK Overview 2022-23

## MPAUK INCOME

Seasonal	£	-
Merchandise	£	-
Membership WGUK 2023	£	550.00
Advance Membership WGUK 2024	£	-
Donations/Grants	£	-
Gift Aid	£	-
Membership DCUK 2023	£	150.00
DCE Judge Budget	£	197.91
Deposit Transfer	£	-
Trust Transfer	£	-
Paypal Income	£	42.50
Event Floats	£	750.00
Fan Network	£	3,607.27
Special Events	£	-
Interest	£	184.18
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>5,481.86</b>

## MPAUK EXPEND

Seasonal	£	-
Insurance	£	839.55
Website	£	699.44
Equipment	£	-
Misc	£	-
Board	£	-
DCE Judge Exp (Actual)	£	199.15
Deposit Transfer	£	-
Trust Expenditure	£	-
Paypal charges	£	378.29
Event Floats	£	750.00
Fan Network	£	3,172.72
Special Events (Soundsport)	£	-
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>6,039.15</b>

## DCUK INCOME

Seasonal	£	400.00
Merchandise	£	47.50
Membership	£	150.00
Championships	£	1,855.96
Events & Contests	£	387.69
CAP Members	£	-
CAP Staff	£	-
Misc	£	-
Misc/Donations/Grants	£	-
DCUK Finals Entry	£	450.00
MPAUK	£	-
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>3,271.15</b>

## DCUK EXPEND

Seasonal	£	-
Merchandise	£	117.51
Judging Season	£	484.71
Championships	£	2,129.84
Championships Judging	£	419.08
Championships Staff	£	-
Board	£	-
Misc	£	-
Judges Training	£	-
Competition Suite	£	81.00
MPAUK	£	-
Circuit Refund	£	-
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>3,212.12</b>

## WGUK INCOME

Season 2023	£	1,325.00
Advance Season 2024	£	-
Merchandise	£	-
Membership 2023	£	640.00
Advance Membership 2024	£	-
Judging	£	-
Championships 2023	£	15,898.50
Events & Contests	£	2,587.36
Mem Capitation	£	3,237.50
Staff Capitation	£	1,412.50
Moving Forward	£	-
IPC	£	-
Donations/Grants	£	5,500.00
Misc	£	-
MPAUK	£	-
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>30,600.86</b>

## WGUK EXPEND

Season	£	775.26
Competition Suite	£	922.50
Merchandise/Marketing	£	369.85
Judging	£	3,335.68
Championships Judging	£	540.75
Championships 2023	£	15,450.54
Events & Contests	£	3,378.76
Board	£	1,419.04
Championships Staff	£	184.51
WG Education Director	£	-
Judge Training Costs/Exp	£	4,025.16
Spintastic	£	4,187.70
Education venue	£	-
Contest Staff	£	-
Advance Championships 2024	£	1,830.00
Deposit Transfer	£	-
Misc (Gen)	£	401.89
Misc (CAP)	£	-
MPAUK	£	-
Circuit Refund	£	-
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>36,821.64</b>

Total Circuit Income

£ 39,353.87

Total Circuit Expenditure

£ 46,072.91

## Balances

### MPAUK

Current/PP Account Bfd	£	9,904.32
Income/Expenditure	-£	657.29
Advance 2024 income/expenditure	£	-
Deposit Interest	£	-
<b>Actual Sub Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>9,347.03</b>
Forecast Cred/Liabilities	£	-
<b>Forecast Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>9,347.03</b>

### Circuit Account Details

Brought Forward Bank Current	£	4,750.04
Brought Forward Bank Deposit	£	30,033.74
Brought Forward Paypal	£	3,708.91
Brought Forward Cash	£	-
BFD Outstanding Chq.payments	£	-
<b>BFD Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>38,492.69</b>
Account In/Exp	-£	4,889.04
Advance 2024	-£	1,830.00
<b>Circuit Forecast Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>31,773.65</b>
Forecast Cred/Liabilities	£	-

### DCUK

Current/PP Account Bfd	£	7,572.99
Income/Expenditure	£	59.03
<b>Actual Sub Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>7,632.02</b>
Forecast Cred/Liabilities	£	-
<b>Forecast Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>7,632.02</b>

Actual 17/06/2024

### WGUK

Current/PP Account Bfd	£	21,015.38
Income/Expenditure	-£	4,390.78
Advance 2024 income/expenditure	-£	1,830.00
<b>Actual Sub Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>14,794.60</b>
Forecast Cred/Liabilities	£	-
<b>Forecast Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>14,794.60</b>

Current Bank Account	£	8,147.87
Deposit Bank Account	£	23,217.92
Paypal Account	£	407.86
Outstanding Chqs/PMTs	£	-
Outstanding Income/cash	£	-
<b>Operational Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>31,773.65</b>

Actual TOTAL £ 31,773.65  
Forecast TOTAL £ 31,773.65

MPAUK Total £ 31,773.65

## MPAUK Summary (1/11/22- 31/10/23)

### INCOME

Seasonal 2023	£	1,725.00
Advance Season 2024	£	-
Merchandise	£	47.50
Fan network	£	3,607.27
MPAUK Membership 2023	£	700.00
Advance MPAUK Membership 2024	£	-
Circuit Memberships	£	790.00
Advance Circuit Membership 2024	£	-
Donations/Grants	£	5,500.00
Judging	£	-
DCE/DCD Judge (comp suite)	£	197.91
Event Floats	£	750.00
Circuit Championships	£	17,754.46
Misc (Paypal fees etc)	£	42.50
Circuit Contests & Events/IPC	£	3,405.05
Capitation	£	4,650.00
Deposit Transfer	£	-
Trust Transfer	£	-
Interest	£	184.18
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>39,353.87</b>

### EXPEND

Seasonal	£	775.26
Competition Suite	£	922.50
Merchandise	£	487.36
Fan network	£	3,172.72
Website	£	699.44
Equipment	£	-
Insurance	£	839.55
Board (MPAUK/DCUK/WGUK)	£	1,419.04
Judging	£	4,760.20
DCE/DCD Judge (comp suite)	£	199.15
Event Floats	£	750.00
Circuit Championships	£	17,764.89
Misc (Bank/Paypal charges etc)	£	378.29
Circuit Contests & Events/IPC	£	3,378.76
Contest Staff	£	-
WG Education Director	£	-
Judge Training Costs	£	8,212.86
Education venue	£	-
Deposit Transfer	£	-
Trust Expenditure	£	-
Misc (General)	£	482.89
Misc (CAPITAL)	£	-
Advance costs 2024 (WGUK Finals)	£	1,830.00
Circuit Refunds	£	-
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>46,072.91</b>

### BALANCES

#### MPAUK

Brought Forward	£	38,492.69
Current Income/Expenditure	-£	6,719.04
<b>Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>31,773.65</b>

#### Account Details - Actual - (12/10/23)

Current Account Balances	£	8,147.87
Deposit Account	£	23,217.92
Papypal Account	£	407.86
Outstanding Chqs/PMTs	£	-
Outstanding Income/cash	£	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>31,773.65</b>

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>31,773.65</b>
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name: Marching and Performing Arts United Kingdom

On accounts for the year ended

31/10/2023 Charity no (if any): 328541

Set out on pages

2 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/10/2023

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below\*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 30/07/2024

Name: Brenda Evans

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

ATT Qualified

(if any):

Address:

**Section B** **Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

None

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SATURDAY APRIL 1ST • 2023  
University of Worcester Arena, Worcester, United Kingdom



# WGUK Roll of Honour

## OPEN CLASS

1980	Blue Eagles
1981	Green Lancers
1982	Green Lancers
1983	Green Lancers
1984	Dagenham Crusaders
1985	Blue Eagles
1986	Blue Eagles
1987	Blue Eagles
1988	Blue Eagles
1989	Beechmen
1990	Warrington
1991	Southern Knights
1992	Mayflower
1993	Pride of Bristol
1994	Blue Eagles
1995	The Statesmen
1996	Thurrock Academy
1997	Mayflower
1998	Blue Eagles
1999	Mayflower
2000	Mayflower
2001	Mayflower
2002	Thurrock Academy
2003	Thurrock Academy
2004	Mayflower
2005	Southern Knights
2006	Mayflower
2007	Northern Academy
2008	Northern Academy
2009	Northern Academy
2010	Mayflower
2011	Mayflower
2012	Northern Academy
2013	Oracle
2014	Kidsgrove Scouts
2015	Southern Knights
2016	Kidsgrove Scouts
2017	Mayflower
2018	Kidsgrove Scouts
2019	Northern Academy
2022	Northern Academy

## WORLD CLASS

2013	Mayflower
2015	Mayflower
2016	Mayflower
2018	Mayflower
2019	Mayflower
2022	Mayflower

## A CLASS

1980	NC
1981	NC
1982	NC
1983	Outlane Drum Majorettes
1984	Avenger Guard
1985	Dragon Guard
1986	Reckless
1987	Legionettes & Sovereigns
1988	Guard Nouveau
1989	Waterlooville
1990	Midnight Review
1991	Challenger Movement
1992	Diamond Vanguard
1993	Royals
1994	Northmen
1995	Anchormen Cadets
1996	Deep Purple
1997	Squires Cadets
1998	Southern Knights
1999	Poynton Commodores
2000	The Statesmen
2001	Forgemen
2002	Storm
2003	Guardsmen Cadets
2004	Buttercups
2005	Alliance
2006	Avengers
2007	Southern Knights
2008	The Academy
2009	Southern Knights
2010	Southern Knights
2011	Southern Knights
2012	Southern Knights
2013	Mayflower
2014	Southern Knights
2015	Northern Academy
2016	Mayflower
2017	Mayflower
2018	Mayflower
2019	Northern Academy
2022	Mayflower

## JUNIOR CLASS

1991	NC
1992	NC
1993	NC
1994	NC
1995	NC
1996	Squires
1997	Pride of Bristol
1998	Southern Knights
1999	The Statesmen
2000	Forgemen
2001	Storm
2002	Thurrock Academy
2003	Pride of Bristol
2004	Pride Cadets
2005	Southern Knights
2006	Pride Cadets
2007	Anchormen
2008	Guardsmen
2009	Anchormen
2010	Southern Knights
2011	Southern Knights
2012	Southern Knights
2013	SPICE
2014	Anchormen
2015	Southern Knights
2016	Northern Academy
2017	Alliance
2018	Mayflower
2019	Mayflower
2022	Mayflower

## KIDS CLASS

2022	Southern Knights Rugrats
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## WGUK INDOOR PERCUSSION

2008	Vintage	2011	Senators
2009	Vintage	2012	The Company
2010	Vintage		

## CADET CLASS

1991	Lancastrians
1992	Anchormen
1993	Mayflower
1994	Topaz
1995	Squires
1996	Concord Cadets
1997	Thurrock Cubs
1998	Thurrock Cubs
1999	Storm Cadets
2000	Concord Cadets
2001	Statesmen Cadets
2002	Guardsmen Cadets
2003	Pink Champagne
2004	Mayflower
2005	Southern Knights Rugrats
2006	Southern Knights Rugrats
2007	Southern Knights Rugrats
2008	Southern Knights Rugrats
2009	Mayflower
2010	Southern Knights Rugrats
2011	Anchormen Cadets
2012	Anchormen Cadets
2013	Southern Knights Rugrats
2014	South West Academy
2015	Anchormen Cadets
2016	Oracle Cadets
2017	Spice Cadets
2018	Anchormen Cadets
2019	Avenger Cadets
2022	Alliance Cadets

## WINTER GUARD UNITED KINGDOM 2023

### WGUK Chairman

Mark Nicholson

### WGUK Deputy Chairman

Barry Davis

### WGUK Board Members

Richard Coulter, Lee Court, Jason Hawke,  
Sharon Cornes (Membership Liaison)

### Judging Co-ordinator

Pete Lippiatt

### Co-opted Members

Brennagh McGuinness (IMBA Liaison),  
Tammy Clegg (Membership Recruitment)



## 2023 "WHAT A YEAR"



On behalf of the WGUK Board may I welcome you to our 2023 Winter Guard United Kingdom Championships Programme and Yearbook.

2023 has been another season full of passion, energy, and fantastic innovative productions from 25 competing units representing 11 organisations based across our six competitive classes, in which we have seen such exceptional levels of skill and performance from our performing members.

**A Special Warm Welcome** to our friends from The Netherlands, namely Connected Winterguard and Sensation Performance Ensemble, for participating at our Championships, in which they will compete alongside our UK units but recognised in an International Section of each relevant class.

We have been fortunate that our circuit has been supported by the following organisations who have sponsored Six out of our seven regional shows and on behalf of the WGUK Board and Winter Guard Community a **HUGE THANK YOU** to:

- Alliance
- Anchormen
- Commodores
- Mayflower
- North Bristol Independent
- Southern Knights

A Special Thank You once again, has to go out to our friends at **GUARDGEAR UK** for their sponsorship of the 2023 Competitive Season, your support has been greatly appreciated.

There are so many heroes within our activity and I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the following teams and individuals:

- **WGUK Staff:** Lee Court & Mike Hudson (Competition Suite), Chris Gibbs (Chief Referee) Danny Cochrane & Sharron Patrick (Arena Marshals), Ian Lyall (Sound) and Alan Thompson for endless hours of dedicated work and support as well as being the "Voice" of our activity.
- **WGUK Judging Team:** Co-ordinated by Pete Lippiatt, for their hard work and dedication throughout the season, many hours are freely given by our Judges in relation to training, show preparation, self-reflection and travelling.
- **WGUK Event Team:** Who undertake many key roles in running a show: guard reception, ticket & 50/50 sales, arena stewards, warm up marshals and event set up: Sue Lyall, Heather Thompson, Debbie Curtis, Sharon Cornes, Joe Fitzpatrick, Tony Patrick, James Fenney, Ceri Smith, Ian Holling and floor crew teams from Alliance, Mayflower, Northern Academy & Southern Knights.
- **UK Fan Network:** Congratulations to Lee and his team on another successful year of filming and the live streaming of today's Championships.

To my fellow WGUK Elected and Co-opted Board Members and in particular our Deputy Chair Barry Davis for both his and their continued support and hard work over the past year. Also, to the officers of MPAUK, Mark Guttridge (Treasurer), Joe Fitzpatrick (Deputy Chair) and Alan Thompson (Chair) for their hours of dedication, hard work and support for our activity and within my role as Chair.

As a Board I am proud to highlight our unity and collective leadership, but also in embracing innovative approaches to sustain and further develop the growth of our activity within the United Kingdom as well as strengthening our strategic alliances and partnerships with IMBA, CGN and WGI.

Finally, I would like to congratulate all units, each performer for bringing such amazing and innovative productions to the floor in 2023, you are an Inspiration and credit to our activity and we look forward to seeing you all in 2024.

Stay well and safe  
**Mark Nicholson**  
Chairman

# Understanding Roles...

As we reach the end of the 2023 season everyone who is here today is in some way connected to the performers. You might be a parent, grand-parent, instructor, designer, flag maker, prop builder, judge or previous marching member, the list could go on...

However, it doesn't matter what personal role we have, everyone here has a part to play in the growth of the activity and the further development of each performer.

Together we all share a common delight in watching every performer grow and develop into something special. We must collectively continue to take on the responsibility of giving them all the support and encouragement they need to continue in this activity. As without everyone playing their individual role, we won't have this unique, creative and exciting activity anymore.

## The role of judge...

There is no getting away from the fact that this is a competitive activity, so the role of judge is an important one. The team of judges that you will see today take this role very seriously. We undergo extensive training each year to ensure that we perform at our best as all of us want to see the guards and performers develop, grow and succeed.

As a judge we judge in a positive, nurturing, and challenging manner as we play our part in contributing to the growth and development of this unique activity.

A great teacher continually learns from their students; and a great judge continually learns from the instructors, designers and performers.

Good colour guards and good judges grow together by helping one another and by setting and rewarding the standards for the activity.

**Judge**, noun (DECIDE):

- The person who officially decides who is the winner of a competition: a panel of judges
- A person who has the knowledge to give an opinion about something or is able to decide if something is good or bad.

Source: Cambridge English Dictionary.

## The role of supporter...

Anyone who watches a performance today is a supporter and this is the 2nd most important role being performed today. The 1st is anyone who steps onto the arena and performs in front of you!

As a supporter your role is to be attentive to the performers, and reward as loudly as you can the huge amount of work that everyone has put into to get to today.

It shouldn't matter who you may personally support, or want to win, let EVERY performer know just how proud you are of them.

EVERY performer deserves to see the positive reaction of the crowd. So stretch those legs and get standing up at the end of EVERY show – don't leave it to others, perform your individual role!

Have an enjoyable day watching the 2023 Championships and I look forward to seeing you all again in 2024!

**Peter Lippiatt**

Judges Co-ordinator

**Supporter**, noun

(PERSON WHO ENCOURAGES):

- A person who gives encouragement and approval to someone or something
- A person who actively helps someone.

Source: Cambridge English Dictionary.



## 2023 Championships Judging Team

### Equipment

Daren Darton  
Richard Gubby  
Tony Lees

### Movement

Helen Bassett  
Sam Catcliffe  
Darren Darton

### Design Analysis

Ivan Balchin  
Chris Law  
Rob Swindells

### General Effect

Barry Davies  
Derek Gipson  
Peter Lippiatt (Judges Co-ordinator)  
Ken Mansfield  
Keleigh Moore  
Adam Sage  
Ema Williams

## Tabulating/Competition Suite

A special thank you to Lee Court and Michael Hudson for all the back ground work with setting up and running Competition Suite which continues to be a great benefit to instructors and judges alike.

# Long Service Awards

These awards are based on 5, 10, 15 and 20 year service only and are only awarded to marching members. Service is based on performing at WGUK events and not as previously awarded for service to an individual organisation. The awards are based on registration data and only available to members of organisations that have signed up to the scheme. Below is a list of award winners for 2023:

## 5 Years

Alisha Anderson-Whomes	Commodores
Hannah Barrett	Imperial Winterguard
Amelia Jayne Bottomley	Anchormen
Lola-Sky Buick	Oracle
Amelia Bury	Commodores
Isabel Colley	Commodores
Mollie Cooper	Anchormen
Ellie Crouch	Northern Academy
Scarlett Dean	Oracle
Scarlett Hawke	Alliance
Emily Hodgenia-Pritchard	Commodores
Eve Helen Jones	Commodores
Madison Lake	Northern Academy
Scarlett Maysey	Southern Knights
Lia Monksfield	Mayflower
Isla Sawle	Commodores
Katie Skinner	Southern Knights
Freya Starmer	Southern Knights
Lucia Amy Swindells	Commodores
Olivia Lucy Swindells	Commodores
Stephanie Taylor	Commodores
Morgan Wheatley	Imperial Winterguard

## 10 Years

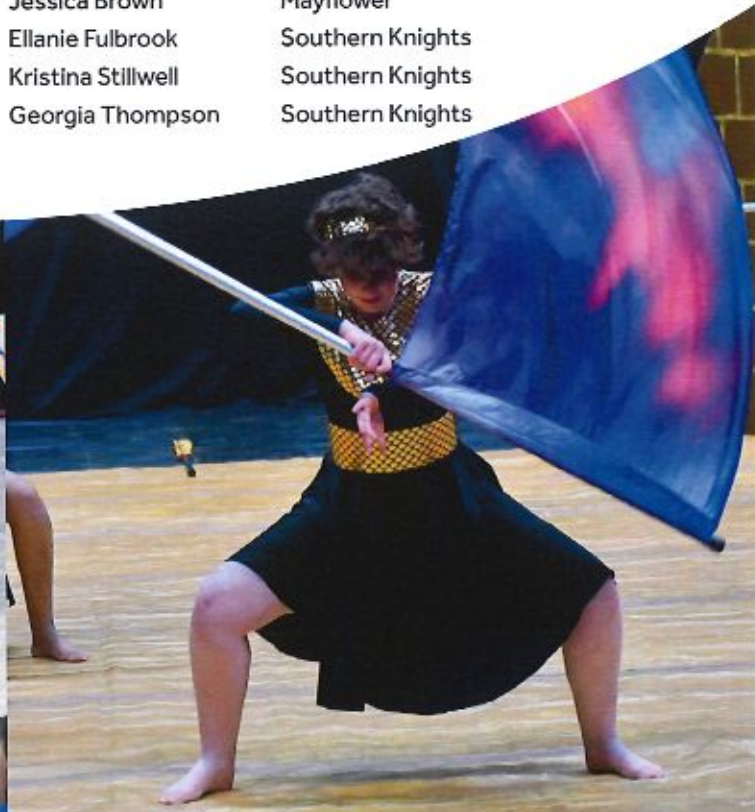
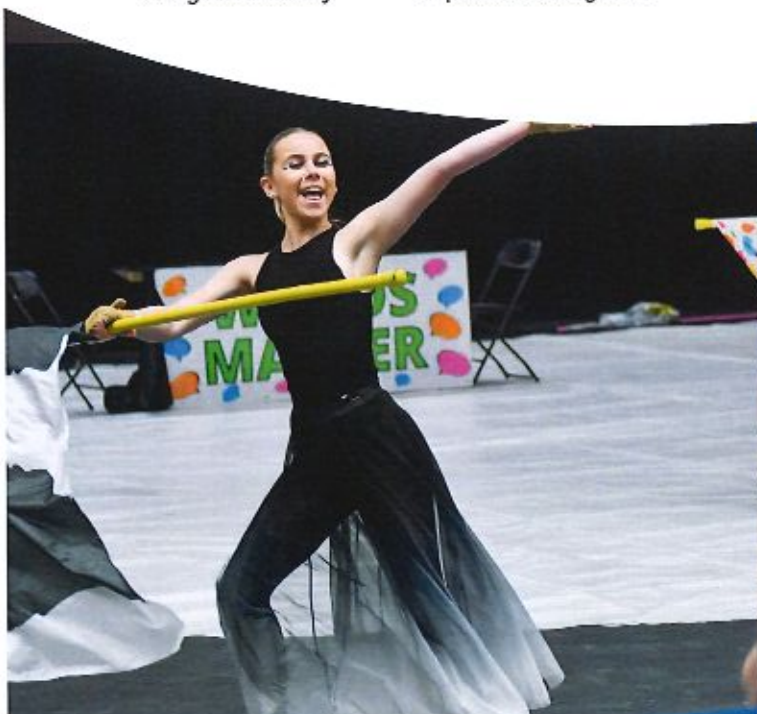
Gabrielle Clegg	Mayflower
Gabrielle Cook	Oracle
Phillipa Dillon	Mayflower
Ava Gravett	Oracle
Savannah Jeffrey	Mayflower
Rebecca Mason	Alliance
Izzy Pearson	Southern Knights
Annalise Sumner	Avengers
Lilia Zakri	Mayflower

## 15 Years

Keira Betts	Northern Academy
Lucy Emmerman	Mayflower
Sophie Fish	Southern Knights
Stephanie McMillan	Oracle
Megan Tobin	Mayflower
Rebecca Hayton	Northern Academy
Jade Wilson-Fenney	Northern Academy

## 20 Years

Jessica Brown	Mayflower
Ellanie Fulbrook	Southern Knights
Kristina Stillwell	Southern Knights
Georgia Thompson	Southern Knights



# UK Fan Network

## Fan Favourite Vote

### 07593 288692

#### Junior Class

Winter Festival  
Southern Knights Juniors  
Alliance Juniors  
Imperial Winterguard Juniors  
Northern Academy Juniors  
Anchormen Juniors  
Mayflower Juniors

#### International Regional A Class

Connected

#### A Class

JC01 Sensation A  
JC02 Avengers A  
JC03 Commodores A  
JC04 Mayflower A  
JC05 **Open Class**  
JC06 Sensation Open  
JC07 Connected Open  
Alliance Open  
RA01 Oracle Open  
Northern Academy Open  
Southern Knights Open

#### World Class

AC01 Sensation World WC01  
AC02 Mayflower World WC02  
AC03 **Kids Class**  
AC04 Southern Knights Rugrats KC01  
NAPA Nippers KC02  
OC01 Anchormen KC03  
OC02 **Cadet Class**  
OC03 Commodores Cadets CC01  
OC04 Mayflower Cadets CC02  
OC05 North Bristol Independent Cadets CC03  
OC06 Alliance Cadets CC04  
Anchormen Cadets CC05  
Imperial Winterguard Cadets CC06  
Oracle Cadets CC07

Text **07593 288692** followed by the **code** of your favourite guard.

Calls cost your standard network message rate. Maximum 1 vote per mobile number. Voting closes at 5pm. Votes cast after this time won't be counted and may still be charged. Please obtain the bill payers permission.

## 2023 DVDs on sale now!

Order your 2023 Championships DVD.  
ALL six colour guard classes in a multi DVD set – **£20.00**

DVD's can also be ordered direct from:  
WGUK c/o 3 Eridge Road, Hove,  
East Sussex, BN3 7QD  
or online at [www.wguk.org.uk](http://www.wguk.org.uk).

The anticipated release date is early June.

Visit [www.wguk.org.uk](http://www.wguk.org.uk) for  
Guard Championships videos & DVDs,  
patches, pinbadges, yearbooks

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## WGUK Hall of Fame Inductees

- 2017** Alan Thompson, Ian Kirk
- 2018** Veronica 'Ron' Hope, Ken Mansfield
- 2019** Martin Ibbs, Rob Da Costa, Mark Gutteridge, Tony Lees
- 2020** Dave Barham, Nicola Garlick
- 2021** John & Ann Legon, Ivan Balchin
- 2022** Mark Nicholson, Chris Gibbs, Jason Hawke

We are extremely pleased to announce that Winter Guard United Kingdom has inducted another "legend" of the UK Winter Guard activity into its Hall of Fame as a way of ensuring they are remembered for the impressions they have left on the UK activity.

Candidates are nominated and seconded before being discussed by the Hall of Fame assessment team and we are proud to announce that in 2023 we have inducted Barry Davis.

Here is an extract from his nomination.

## BARRY DAVIS



Barry started his "career" in the activity over 35 years ago as a Bass Drummer in the Mayflower Drum Corps.

Barry is an extremely talented designer and uses that knowledge to not only benefit his own organisation but is also on hand to assist other WGUK organisations with advice and practical support when needed. He has often arranged donations of equipment to other units in and around the country.

Barry is totally committed to WGUK and undertakes not only supporting the Judges Association, by judging at shows across the country, but also taking on judging assignments in Holland and Ireland as well as judging during the summer for the Drum Corps circuits across UK and Europe.

Barry has been a WGUK Board Member since 2010 to his current position of Deputy Chairman and has been very involved in the training and education within the Judges Association. He is someone that makes

things happen and will always strive to put in every effort he can to achieve position results.

As Director of the Mayflower World Class Guard, Barry has forged close relationships between WGUK and Winter Guard International with his continued drive to allow our young people the opportunity of competing at the highest level of international competition.

The Hall of Fame Committee are proud to recognise Barry Davis for his remarkable commitment to the Winter Guard Activity within the United Kingdom and induct him into the Hall of Fame.



# 2023

## The season so far...

	Stoke	Wiv'ho	Warrington	Wiv'ho	Gloucester	Burgess Hill	York	Prelims	Fnals
	15th Jan	29th Jan	4th Feb	12th Feb	26th Feb	18th Mar	19th Mar	1st April	
<b>World Class</b>									
Mayflower	69.200	70.300		71.500	74.100	78.600			
<b>Open Class</b>									
Alliance	65.850	70.700		69.800	73.350	76.000			
Northern Academy	70.850		74.300		76.750		79.100		
Oracle	69.200	71.200		71.300	74.350	79.000			
Southern Knights	67.400	71.600		74.600	76.850	79.200			
<b>A Class</b>									
Avengers	62.810		65.550		70.090		74.220		
Commodores	65.940		71.020		76.390		77.630		
Mayflower	73.310	76.000		78.460	81.635	82.520			
<b>Junior Class</b>									
Alliance	67.900	70.730		72.330	74.355	76.010			
Anchormen	73.940		77.890		79.825		82.310		
Imperial Winterguard	70.315			77.140	77.505	80.980			
Mayflower	74.980	79.750		79.530	82.215	84.900			
Northern Academy	70.680		75.440		78.510		81.790		
Southern Knights		69.180		71.130	73.125	75.090			
Winter Festival	61.320		63.840				71.860		
<b>Cadet Class</b>									
Alliance Cadets	65.305	69.470		73.260	75.655	78.100			
Anchormen Cadets	67.160		73.760		77.535		79.090		
Commodores	60.910		67.230				73.090		
Imperial Winterguard	70.190			75.690	78.675	80.840			
Mayflower Cadets	59.885	64.100		67.100	69.115	72.920			
North Bristol Independent	61.755			68.800	72.600	75.580			
Oracle	72.280	75.030		80.180		85.200			
<b>Kids Class</b>									
Anchormen	66.060		70.010		74.995		77.850		
NAPA Nippers	58.470		62.666		67.895		69.940		
Southern Knights Rugrats		61.970		63.040		70.720			



# 2022 Review







# Timetable

		Performance Time	Score	Position
<b>Junior Class Prelims</b>				
7	Winter Festival	10.30	72.875	7
6	Southern Knights	10.38	76.500	6
5	Alliance	10.46	76.880	5
4	Imperial Winterguard	10.54	80.710	3
3	Northern Academy	11.02	81.720	4
2	Anchormen	11.10	85.320	2
1	Mayflower	11.18	87.250	1
<b>International Regional "A" Class Prelims</b>				
1	Connected	11.33	79.915	1
<b>A Class Prelims</b>				
4	Sensation Performance Ensemble	11.45	75.770	3
3	Avengers	11.54	75.230	4
2	Commodores	12.03	81.180	2
1	Mayflower	12.12	85.040	1
<b>Interval:</b>		<b>12.21-13.20</b>		
<b>Open Class Prelims</b>				
6	Sensation Performance Ensemble	13.20	82.900	1
5	Connected	13.29	80.850	4
4	Alliance	13.38	75.750	6
3	Oracle	13.47	80.700	5
2	Northern Academy	13.56	81.100	3
1	Southern Knights	14.05	81.200	2
<b>World Class Prelims</b>				
2	Sensation Performance Ensemble	14.21	77.700	2
1	Mayflower	14.31	80.400	1
<b>Interval:</b>		<b>14.41.15.00</b>		
<b>Kids Class Championships</b>				
3	Southern Knights Rugrats	15.00	72.670	3
2	NAPA Nippers	15.07	74.745	2
1	Anchormen	15.14	80.380	1

Performance Time

Score

Position

**Cadet Class Championships**

7	Commodores	15.28	72.560	7
6	Mayflower Cadets	15.35	73.770	6
5	North Bristol Independent	15.42	76.135	5
4	Alliance Cadets	15.49	78.620	4
3	Anchormen Cadets	15.56	82.730	3
2	Imperial Winterguard	16.03	84.290	2
1	Oracle	16.10	87.865	1

**Kids & Cadet Class Retreat**

16.25

Interval:

16.45-17.35

**Junior Class Finals**

7	Winter Festival	17.35	73.195	7
6	Southern Knights	17.43	76.895	6
5	Alliance	17.51	78.080	5
4	Northern Academy	17.59	84.000	4
3	Imperial Winterguard	18.07	84.285	3
2	Anchormen	18.15	86.880	2
1	Mayflower	18.23	88.015	1

**International Regional "A" Class Finals**

1	Connected	18.38	81.415	1
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**A Class Finals**

4	Avengers	18.50	76.055	4
3	Sensation A	18.59	77.595	3
2	Commodores	19.08	83.500	2
1	Mayflower	19.17	85.550	1

Interval

19.26-19.40

**Open Class Finals**

6	Alliance	19.40	76.400	6
5	Connected	19.49	80.250	5
4	Oracle	19.58	82.000	4
3	Northern Academy	20.07	83.800	3
2	Southern Knights	20.16	84.550	2
1	Sensation	20.25	84.800	1

**World Class Finals**

2	Sensation	20.41	78.800	2
1	Mayflower	20.517	82.150	1

**Junior, "A", Open & World Class Retreat**

21.15



## Sensation Performance Ensemble

Almere, The Netherlands

**Guard Director:** Marcel Dorshorst

**Guard Captain:** Lulu Yu and Laurien Hoobroeckx

**Staff:** Berend- Jan de Vries, Nanda Alewijnse, Roy Seen-Bollebakker, Yvette van der Molen, Tenzing Slagter, Anja Kirkenlr, Joyce den Ouden, Karin de Vries-Glaasker, Andy Mroczek, Skylar Mackensen, Evan Turner and Chris Raichle

### The Limit

Society is always changing. We see a shift in views on various topics. These different opinions and views can eventually even result in new laws or regulations.

A common topic of conversation is that many people feel patronized or even restricted in their freedom of life.

On the other hand, we also see more and more that people with a similar way of thinking visit each other and establish a connection with each other. They work together to shape the future as they envision it.

Sensation World asks: Are we indeed entangled in a web of rules? Will freedoms be limited or will new opportunities arise in the long term?

Can new laws and regulations be drawn up endlessly or will we reach 'The Limit'.

## Mayflower

Billericay, Essex

**Guard Director:** Barry Davis

**Guard Captains:** Lucy Conway & Carly Rogers

### Ohio

**Staff:** Anthony Garcia, Becki Buckley, Connor Jones, Greg Howard, Jena Selkirk, John Kregler, Krissie Davis, Lauren Dawson, Michael Shapiro, Rebecca Huls, Robert DaCosta.

**Guard Members:** Clifford Dennison, Steele Jackson, Katherine, Smeraldo, Carly Rogers, Rachel Brown, Caitlin Jones, Becca Aguillar, Emily Curnock, Lauren Lanzlotta, Megan Tobin, Trinity Foster, Lucy Emmerman, Jose Corona, Izzy Smith, Liv Garcia, Grace Rose, Brian Gallegos, Ella Jeffrey, Harley Calver, Kerry Dagger-Smith, Camella Zekri, Lucy Conway, Charlie Dawson, Jessica Brown, David Fuller, Connor Jones, Greg Howard

## Alliance Open

Clacton-on-Sea

**Guard Director:** Denni Hawke

**Guard Captains:** Jessica Jones and Becca Mason

**Staff:** Jason Hawke (Show Co-ordinator) Denni Hawke, Andrea Hrycyshyn, Jessica Jones - US Design Team – Benjamin Contreras and Kelly Ross

**Guard Members:** Jess, Becca, Morgan, Jessica, Mercedes, Ruby, Katie, Niamh, Abigail, Emma, Emma, Kristin

### A Celebration of Us

In 2023 Alliance are celebrating 20 years of performance, we hope you enjoy this year's show which is a visual/audio love letter from the staff and performers to the Alliance family and organisation. Set to a couple versions of the Extreme song "More Than Words" Alliance Open set out to show you exactly how they feel about being part of the 20-year legacy that is Alliance.

Alliance Open would like to wish all competing teams the very best of luck for the 2023 WGUK British Championships.

## Connected

Menaldum, The Netherlands

**Guard Director:** Jitske Knol

**Guard Captain:** Manon Helda, Sanne Wissman, Daphne Pel

**Staff:** Jitske Knol, Halje Tjite Hoekstra, Mirthe De Vries, Trea Noteboom, Germaine Langius, Anita Tjalsma, Plety Haltsma, MartIn Olljerhoek, Elly Abma

### I am not a number

Have you ever felt like you're a number? Like a number you get when you are in the waitingroom, or the number on your passport. Maybe even the number of followers or likes on social media. Connected open is showing you that you are not a number even if society tells you that you are. You are your own individual with your own talents and your own personality.





## Northern Academy

Sheffield, South Yorkshire

**Executive Director:** Jason Wallace

**Guard Directors:** Ian Holling & Nicola Cockburn

**Staff:** Lauren Catt, Nicola Cockburn, Ian Holling, Paul Simondac, Mark Nicholson

**Guard Members:** Alex Cunningham, Ben Eyre, Chloe Steadman, Daisy Webb, Evie Clayton, Jade Willson-Fenney, Jasmine Bradley, Kati Taylor, Kiera Betts, Lillie Parker, Neena Sinha, Rebecca Hayton, Roumina Safaei, Thomas Fiddaman & Tiler Marsden.

### Never Let Me Go

Northern Academy presents the final letter of love from Virginia Woolfe to her husband Leonard highlighting her thanks to their everlasting bond, endless love and to "Never Let Me Go".

Wishing all units great runs and every success at Championships.

## ORACLE

West Sussex

**Director:** Ian Butt & Nicole Cook

**Staff:** Ian Butt, Nicole Cook, Mollie Sweetland, Mandy Newman, Bobbie Clifford, Karl Post, Natalie Chubb

**Guard Members:** Hayley Mcmillan, Lara Cook, Ella-May Butt, Steph Mcmillan, Scarlett Dean, Ava Gravett, Amy Buick, Erin Benn, Megan Toner, Phoebe Cook, Mia Gravett, Chloe Gray

### PROJECT 10: Imagination, Creativity, Freedom!

Let's forget about the guidelines, the codes of conduct, the rules, the expectations... let's just imagine, just create and simply be free!





## Sensation Performance Ensemble

Almere – The Netherlands

**Director:** Marcel Dorshorst

**Guard Captain:** Merel Hulsbosch and Sharon van Oord

**Staff:** BJ de Vries, Karin de Vries-Glaasker, Tosca te Braak, Ivanka Hajjma, Chantal te Braak, Linda Willemse, Thirza de Bruin, Benjamin Tallane, Laurien Hoobroeckx, Marleke Eringa, Tenzing Slagter and Rick Idsardi

### Gifted

The diagnosis for ADHD or Autism can be a heavy stamp on life. Often unconsciously the shortcomings are highlighted and then a negative charge is added. We would like to take you along in the answer to this diagnosis and thus highlight the positive sides.

The answer to a different perception of the world, to a different reaction than we are used to, to being distracted, to chaos or to emotions that are not always understood. With ADHD, your thoughts and attention fly in all directions, which makes us seem hyper and distracted, but that makes us very resilient, flexible and creative. With Autism, continuity and clarity are very important, because then our senses are sharp, we have an eye for detail and we develop our own logic. Sensation Performance Ensemble Open Class shows the balance between the negative stamp and the positive answer with their 2023 program Gifted. Gifted is for everyone who can relate to this. For you and me. For all of us!

## Southern Knights

Brighton & Hove, East Sussex

**Director:** Krissie Stillwell, Holly Hobman, Ellanie Fulbrook

**Guard Captain:** Georgia Thompson

**Staff:** Ric Talbut, Tamz Clegg, Lauren Neal, Krissie Stillwell, Holly Hobman, Ellanie Fulbrook

**Staff:** Brittany Pratt, Fox May, Sophie Fish, Neeve Richie, Jojo Mason, Sam Wilkinson, Emily Tucker, Georgla Thompson, Phoebe Fish, Amanda Tucker, Becky Thompson, Billy Slater, Katie Skinner, Lauren Neal, Krissie Stillwell, Holly Hobman, Ellanie Fulbrook

## Elizabeth, The Queens Gambit

This one's for you X





## Avengers

Preston, Lancashire

**Guard Director:** Kirsty Kenny & Shannon Sumner

**Staff:** Kirsty Kenny & Shannon Sumner

**Guard Members:** Annalise Sumner, Charlotte Chadwick, Elle Wallbank, Emily Ward, Grace Topping, Hannah Higham, Hope Mitchell, Sophie Bennett

Avengers 2023 shows looks into what lies beyond the shore. When the Sirens come out to lure, No fisherman is safe.

## Commodores

Cheshire

**Guard Director:** Karen Muskett

**Staff:** Ian Kirk, Allison Doherty, Sarah Edmondson, Rob Swindells, Claire Whomes, Andl Pearce, Lauren Kent-Walton, Lisa Colley and Chris Pritchard.

**Guard Members:** Georgie Allwood, Izzy Birch, Amelia Bury, Isabel Colley, Emily Edmondson, Erlin Gardiner, Eve Jones, Mel Jones, Lucy McHugh, Olivia Swindells, Lucia Swindells and Steph Taylor

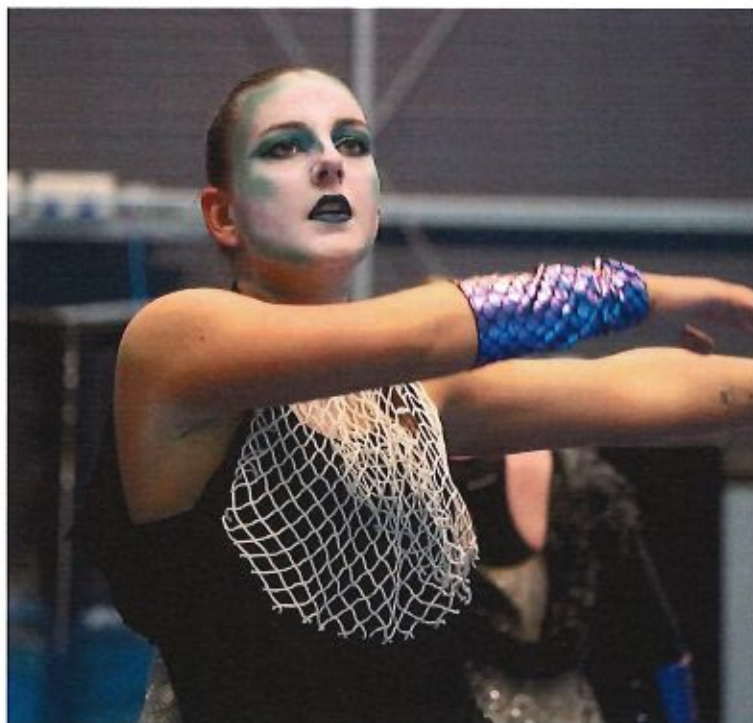
## For The Love of Elvis

Celebrating the Commodores organisation's 50th Anniversary we proudly present: For The Love of Elvis

We first heard Elvis through the magic of vinyl on a record player. Elvis dreamed of becoming a recording artist at Sun Records. As his popularity grew we listened to him on the radio. He had numerous Number 1 Hits in the American Billboard Charts were people watched him on TV. Finally the unforgettable performances in Vegas.

Our love for Elvis continues to this day. Did Elvis really leave the building?

Commodores A guard would like to thank all the staff, parents and friends who have made this show come to life. We would also like to thank the volunteers of WGUK. Finally we wish all the competing units a happy and memorable day.





## Connected Regional A

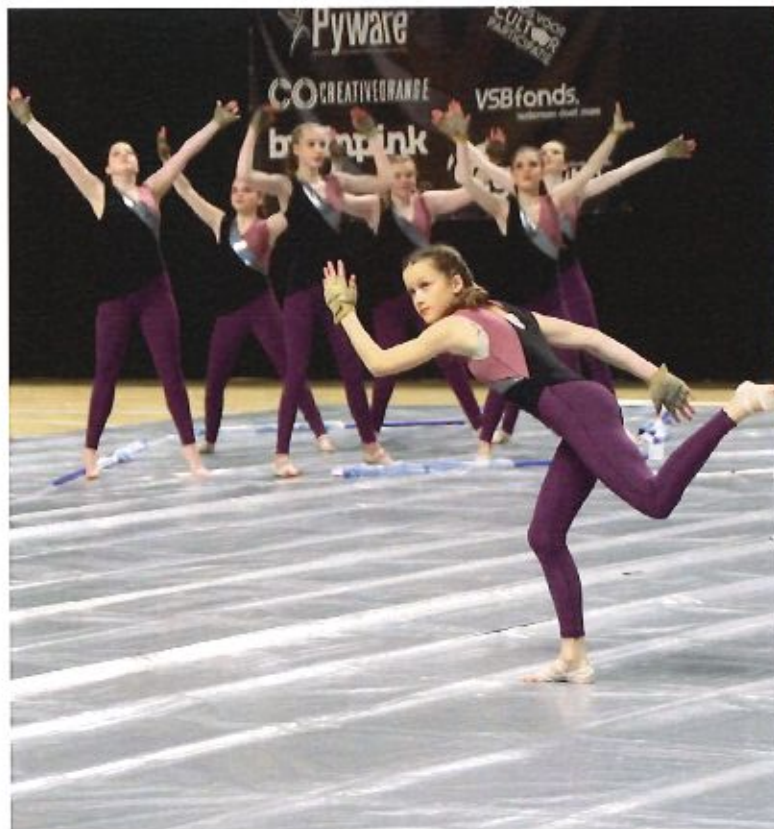
Menaldum, The Netherlands

**Director:** Berber Kolthof

**Staff:** Berber Kolthof, Wianne Brouwer, Sanne Wissman, Judith Sijbesma

### Change Of Perspective

The regional A of Connected shows you that, while it's fine to stay in your comfort zone, occasionally stepping outside is also enjoyable. To do that, you must have the courage to change your perspective.



## Mayflower A

Billericay Essex

**Guard Director:** Jena Selkirk

**Guard Captain:** Olivia Hope

**Staff:** Harley Calver, Greg Howard, David Fuller, Camella Zekri

**Guard Members:** Martha Rose, Ellie Crocombe, Lillia Zekri, Ruby Maynard, Gabby Clegg, Kinsey Dance, Lu Donovan, Moni McLaren, Nicole Hope, Bobby Curtis, Jemma Hawkes, Savannah Jeffrey

### Dearest Reader

In their production 'Dearest Reader,' Mayflower A takes the audience on a journey through the Regency era with young debutantes approaching the upcoming social season. As they prepare for balls and their entry into high society, beware the shameful and scandalous rumours reported in the Whistledown papers...ssshhh!



# Alliance Juniors

Clacton-on-Sea

**Guard Director:** Denni Hawke

**Guard Captain:** Louisa Harvey

**Staff:** Denni Hawke (Designer) Jessica Jones, Emma Munyard, Becca Mason

**Guard Members:** Louisa, Isla, Bethany, Roslin, Lauren, Lily, Ruby, Mia

## The GRAVITY of LOVE

Continuing to create a slightly more mature show in line with providing our juniors with the skills required to become well rounded performers.

In 2023 Alliance are celebrating 20 years of performance | we hope you also enjoy this year's show.

Alliance Juniors would like to wish all competing teams the very best of luck for the 2023 WGUK British Championships.

# Sensation Performance Ensemble

Almere – The Netherlands

**Director:** Marcel Dorshorst

**Guard Captain:** Kimberly Barning and Senna Ranzijn

**Staff:** Karin de Vries-Glaasker, Chantal Jansen, Marleen Oedzes, Marieke Oosterhuis, Charlie van Esveld, Kelly Dorshorst, Marilva Langlus and Natascha Muller

**The light always shines**

**If you only have the courage to see it**

**If you only have the courage to be**





## Anchormen Juniors

Elland, Halifax

**Guard Director:** Tony Lees

**Staff:** Suzanne Jordan, Tom Fiddaman, Tony Lees

**Guard Members:** Dawn Marsden, Libby Richardson, Joycelyn Matthews, Calum Mitchell, Tilly Graham, Frankie Nolan, Mollie Cooper, Darcy Sunderland, Ruby Moffatt

### Thinking Of You

The Anchormen Junior staff team would like to thank the members for all their hard work and determination this season and their wonderful support staff for all your hard work behind the scenes.

## Imperial Winterguard Juniors

Keynsham / Bristol

**Guard Director:** James Moore

**Guard Captain:** Hannah Barrett

**Staff:** James Moore, Joanne Coombs, Sarah Bailey, Kelly Moore

**Guard Members:** Izzi Bailey, Emmie Bailey, Molly Fry, Harriet Swingler, Erin Weafer, Elora Hounsborne, Macy Moore, Hannah Barrett, Morgan Wheatley, Lottie Lambie, Zoe Martin, Clementine Stubbs, Esme Wride

### Our Inner Sanctum

Everybody needs to escape, don't they? In one way or another, I mean...

The 2023 Imperial Juniors will take us to a place where we can heal ourselves, express ourselves, BE OURSELVES ... 'Our Inner Sanctum'.





## Mayflower Juniors

Billericay, Essex

**Guard Director:** Krissie Davis

**Staff:** Jane Hope, Angela Thompson, Lucy Conway & Lucy Emmerman

**Guard Members:** Rez Thorpe, Pip Dillon, Olly Jeffrey, Elsie Rose, Connie Clegg, Abi Rivas, Caitlin Nuttall, Ayesha McLaren, Lia Monksfield

### I hear a symphony

The journey of a simple song, individual instruments building into an orchestra is something that our staff and members have loved being able to share this season. We hope you enjoy it as much as we do!

## Northern Academy

Sheffield, South Yorkshire

**Executive Director:** Jason Wallace

**Guard Directors:** Jason Wallace

**Staff:** Jason Wallace, Amy Howton & Katherine Howton

**Guard Members:** Ellie Crouch, Phoebe Coss, Madison Lake, Rosita Safael, Kennedy Tingle & Rose Whales

### Turning Page

If there is a book you want to read but it hasn't been written yet, then you must write it, join with Northern Academy as we write the final chapter of our 2023 Production "Turning Page". Wishing all units every success in Championships.





## Southern Knights

Brighton & Hove, East Sussex

**Guard Director:** Ric Talbut

**Staff:** Georgla Thompson, Jo Mason, Charlotte Murray, Sian Fricker, Billy Slater

**Guard Members:** Izzy Pearson, Freya Starmer, Scarlett Maysey, Maddy Hale, Lydla Hale, Freya Henley

### You Can't Stop The Girl

The aim of our show this year was to empower our members, to make them feel like they are strong, unstoppable and can do anything they put their mind too. We hope you enjoy our production and we wish all other competing units the best of luck for finals day!

## Winter Festival

Tallaght, Dublin, Ireland

**Guard Director:** Amy Nolan, Brennagh McGuinness, Claire Bissett

**Guard Captain:** Jessica Day

**Staff:** Celeine McGuinness, Paul McAuley, Triona Homan, Audry Day, Niamh Connolly, Emer Halpin

**Guard Members:** Ava McCormack Jago, Cara O'Rourke, Abble O'Brian, Orla McAuley, Allie Walsh, Lauren Dunne, Sadhbh Stevens, Jessica Day, Niamh Gavigan

### Every Little thing...

This 2023 season WinterFestival will be taking the chance to Celebrate our ten year anniversary that we never got to complete during the 2020 season with both new and returning members . WinterFestival are delighted to be taking part in Finals today and would like to take the opportunity to thank our staff, Committee and parents and wish all other guards competing today the VERY best of luck.

Every Little thing...

We Learn that it's the little things that help make us, define us and when we look back on them, remind us just how lucky we truly are. Like the drops of rain, the opening of a flower, the beauty of it's form and the innocence of magic.

For the great doesn't happen through impulse alone and is a succession of the little things that are brought together.





## Alliance Cadets

Clacton-on-Sea

**Guard Director:** Denni Hawke

**Guard Captain:** Olivia Brading and Scarlett Hawke

**Staff:** Denni Hawke (Designer) Jessica Jones, Kristin Lamb

**Guard Members:** Jessica, Scarlett, Lola, Bella, Annie, Layla, Isobel, Lily, Poppy

### It's a Dogs Life

Continuing to provide fun shows for the Cadets to perform and for the audience to enjoy.

In 2023 Alliance are celebrating 20 years of performance! We hope you also enjoy this year's show.

Alliance Cadets would like to wish all competing teams the very best of luck for the 2023 WGUK British Championships.

## Anchormen

Elland, West Yorkshire

**Guard Director:** Lisa Clayton

**Staff:** Lisa Clayton, Erin Varney, Lindsey Milton, Daisy Webb

**Guard Members:** Annie-Mae Williams, Alyssa-Rose Crabtree, Ella Meredith, Erin Middleton, Amella Bottomley, Allicia Osbourne, Lacey Routh, Emily Bottomley

### Be Our Guest

We hope you have enjoyed our 2023 show and thank you to everyone who has made this competition season possible.





## Commodores

Cheshire

**Guard Director:** Karen Muskett

**Staff:** Sarah Edmondson, Emily Edmondson, Mel Jones, Steph Taylor, Amy Pritchard, Chris Pritchard and Lisa Colley

**Guard Members:** Georgie Amos, Alisha Anderson Whomes, Charlotte Colley, Becca Lee, Emily Pritchard, Ysee RaborlJlaona, Autumn Sawle, Isla Sawle, Eliza Smith

### Hit the Road Diner

Celebrating Commodores 50th Anniversary of being a Marching Arts organisation are our youngest members with their show "Hit the Road Diner"

The Cadets have an Iconic American Diner complete with Juke Box when their peace and quiet are shattered by the appearance of some mischevious scooter girls!

Our Cadets would like to thank all the hard work their staff have put into making this happen and they wish all the other Cadet units a wonderful Finals day.

## Imperial Winterguard Cadets

Keynsham / Bristol

**Guard Director:** Joanne Coombs

**Guard Captain:** Sophie-Rose Coombs

**Staff:** Sarah Bailey, Angela Hobbs

**Guard Members:** Ruby Hobbs, Ava Fry, Polly Stubbs, Arianna Hopkins, Madlson Montinaro Wait , Sophie-Rose Coombs, Matilda Coombs, Arabelle Coombs

### Always and Forever

Someone once said the most important thing is to enjoy your life - to be happy - It's all that matters. For their 2023 show, 'Always and Forever', the Imperial Cadets have reflected on some of the things that they love and that make them happy., in the hope that it will inspire you to reflect on what makes you happy too!





## Mayflower

Billericay, Essex

**Guard Director:** Leigh Emmerman

**Staff:** Julie Doodles, Lucy Emmerman, Charlotte Curtis, Lucy Conway

**Guard Members:** Athena Letham, Evie Hathorn, Isla Onions, Niah Monksfield, Olivia Poynter, Rocco Thrope, Ruby Thompson, Scarlett Harris, Theodore Letham.

### We Are Voyagers

With members aged between 6 and 10 years, we hope that you have enjoyed, sharing in our little voyagers journey, of new adventures and experiences.

## North Bristol Independent Colour Guard

Bristol

**Guard Director:** Bridget Coulter, Carly Rogers

**Guard Captain:** Rosie Quarrie

**Staff:** Teri Vickers, Ella-May Butt, Charlotte Robinson, Emily Curnock

**Guard Members:** Rosie Quarrie, Teyla Ruble, Ollie Burt, Diya Kaur Dhaliwal, Arthur Rees, Joni Quarrie, Leo Burt, Ashaiya-Lee Morley

### Fly Me To The Moon

North Bristol Independent was founded in 2019 and as a result of the pandemic, completed their first full season in 2022. The guard has 8 members, many of whom are brand new to the activity this year. In 2023, the guard's show really is out of this world – a rocket-fuelled trip to the lunar surface, inspired by the Frank Sinatra hit 'Fly Me To The Moon'. The members have loved this year, taking 'small steps' during the season and hopefully a final 'giant leap' today at finals. 10, 9, 8, 7, 6...





## ORACLE

West Sussex

**Guard Director:** Ian Butt & Nicole Cook

**Guard Captain:** Gabrielle Cook

**Staff:** Ian Butt, Nicole Cook, Jess Hollis, Lara Cook, Amy Bulck, Erin Benn

**Guard Members:** Gabrielle Cook, Chloe Channell, Frankie Lang, Courtney Morris, Mia-Grace Tomsett, Mackenzle Chandler, Lola Buick, Lucas Chandler, Charlotte Morris,

## Tin

For our 10th Anniversary, ORACLE Cadets remember the tinman and make a journey down the yellow brick road, to find home in their 2023 production 'TIN':





# Anchormen

Elland, West Yorkshire

**Guard Director:** Tony Lees

**Staff:** Daisy Webb, Tony Lees

**Guard Members:** Lilly-May Denton, Ollivla Walton, Liberty Newsome, Trinity Newsome

## Sing In The Rain

We welcome you to "Sing In The Rain". Please cheer on our fabulous new recruits in their first competition season.

# NAPA Nippers

Sheffield, South Yorkshire

**Executive Director:** Jason Wallace

**Guard Directors:** Alex Cunningham & Rebecca Hayton

Guard Captain: Stick Man

**Staff:** Alex Cunningham, Rebecca Hayton

**Guard Members:** Kyla-May Cutts, Evelyn Dootson, Jersey Hamlin, Charlotte Whales & Hazel Woonton.

## The Stick Man's Journey

Join with NAPA Nippers on our Journey through the woodlands with the Stick Men Family, as we make our way back to the family tree.



## Southern Knights

Brighton & Hove, East Sussex

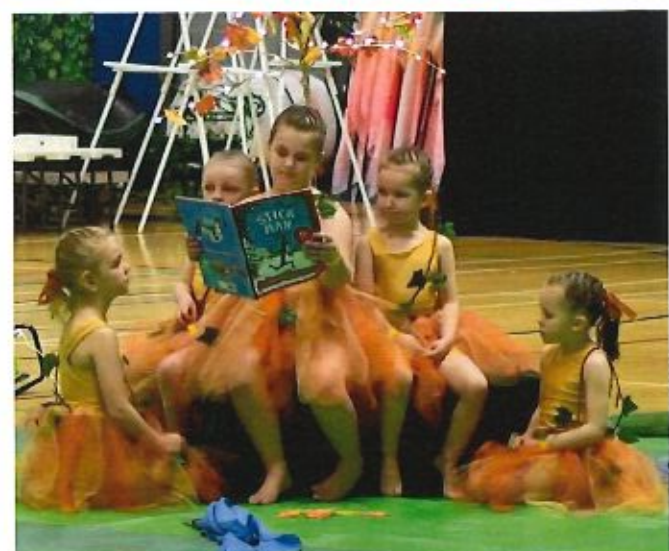
**Guard Director:** Becky Thompson

**Staff:** Becky Thompson, Rose Wilkinson, Phoebe Fish

**Guard Members:** Ava Green, Nella Green, Delilah Wells, Harper Hitchings, Daisy Cheverton

### FOR THE KIDS

In life it is so easy to forget how to have fun and be young. SK Ruggies wanted to bring some fun to the kids class this year and reminded people to live life like the child they once were.





# 2024

## 2024

**2024 British Winterguard Championships**  
Saturday 6th April 2024 at  
University of Worcester Arena  
Find out more at [wguk.org.uk](http://wguk.org.uk)



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# The 2023 Guards



**Mayflower (World Class)**



**Alliance (Open Class)**



**Northern Academy (Open Class)**



**ORACLE (World Class)**



**Southern Knights (Open Class)**



**Avengers (A Class)**



**Commodores (A Class)**



**Mayflower (A Class)**



**Alliance (Junior Class)**



**Anchormen (Junior Class)**



**Imperial Winterguard (Junior Class)**



**Mayflower (Junior Class)**



**Northern Academy (Junior Class)**



**Southern Knights (Junior Class)**



**Winter Festival (Junior Class)**



Alliance (Cadet Class)



Anchormen Cadets (Cadet Class)



Commodore Cadets (Cadet Class)



Imperial Winterguard (Cadet Class)



Mayflower Cadets (Cadet Class)



North Bristol Independant (Cadet Class)



ORACLE (Cadet Class)



Anchormen (Kids Class)




NAPA Nippers (Kids Class)



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# British Drum Corps - Roll of Honour

## CADET CLASS CHAMPIONS

**1996** Squires  
**1997** Black Knights  
**1998** 6th Hove Scouts  
**1999** Phoenix Guildford  
**2000** 37th Kingswood Cadets  
**2001** Concord  
**2002** Southern Aurora  
**2003** Encore Cadets  
**2004** Black Knights Cadets  
**2005** 37th Kingswood Cadets  
**2006** 37th Kingswood Cadets

## JUNIOR CLASS CHAMPIONS

**1997** Avengers  
**1998** North Star  
**1999** The Statesmen  
**2000** Forgemem  
**2001** 1st Ibstock Scouts  
**2002** Stafford Lancers  
**2003** Concord  
**2004** Senators  
**2005** Staffordshire Knights  
**2006** Staffordshire Knights  
**2009** 6th Hove Scouts B  
**2010** Kidsgrove Scouts Jnrs  
**2011** Kidsgrove Scouts Jnrs  
**2012** Kidsgrove Scouts Jnrs  
**2013** Kidsgrove Scouts Jnrs  
**2014** Thurrock Marching Brass  
**2015** Concord AllStars  
**2016** Concord AllStars  
**2017** Concord AllStars  
**2018** Concord AllStars  
**2019** Thurrock Marching Brass  
**2020** No competition\*  
**2021** No competition\*  
**2022** No competition

## A CLASS CHAMPIONS

**1985** Concord  
**1986** Waterlooville  
**1987** Kenilworth Corps D'Elite  
**1988** British Gypsum  
**1989** Caversham Ambassadors  
**1990** No competition

**1991** New Surrey Raiders  
**1992** Valiant  
**1993** Black Knights  
**1994** Saxon Shadows  
**1995** Free Spirit  
**1996** Cadence  
**1997** Poynton Commodores  
**1998** 6th Hove Scouts  
**1999** Guardsmen  
**2000** The Statesmen  
**2001** Forgemem  
**2002** Squires  
**2003** Phoenix Coventry  
**2004** Phoenix Coventry  
**2005** Southern Aurora  
**2006** Concord  
**2009** Staffordshire Knights  
**2010** Cheshire Cadets  
**2011** Revolution Show Corps  
**2012** Beeches  
**2013** Revolution Show Corps  
**2014** Liberty  
**2015** The Pacemakers  
**2016/17** No competition  
**2018** The Pacemakers  
**2019** The Pacemakers  
**2020** No competition\*  
**2021** No competition\*  
**2022** No competition

## OPEN CLASS CHAMPIONS

**1980** Dagenham Crusaders  
**1981** Dagenham Crusaders  
**1982** Dagenham Crusaders  
**1983** Green Lancers  
**1984** Imperial Knights  
**1985** Blue Barons  
**1986** Conquest Alliance / Dagenham Crusaders  
**1987** DCUK: Conquest Alliance  
           BDCF: Concord  
**1988** DCUK: Southern Knights  
           BDCF: Concord  
**1989** Blue Eagles  
**1990** Blue Eagles  
**1991** Blue Eagles

**1992** Blue Eagles  
**1993** Senators  
**1994** Blue Eagles  
**1995** Blue Eagles  
**1996** Blue Eagles  
**1997** Senators  
**1998** Sunrisers  
**1999** Cadence  
**2000** Senators  
**2001** Senators  
**2002** Southern Aurora  
**2003** Senators  
**2004** Senators  
**2005** Senators  
**2006** Black Knights  
**2009** Kidsgrove Scouts  
**2010** Kidsgrove Scouts  
**2011** Kidsgrove Scouts  
**2012** Kidsgrove Scouts  
**2013** The Company  
**2014** Kidsgrove Scouts  
**2015** The Company  
**2016** The Company  
**2017** The Company  
**2018** Kidsgrove Scouts  
**2019** Kidsgrove Scouts  
**2020** No competition\*  
**2021** No competition\*  
**2022** Beeches

## NATIONAL JUNIOR CLASS

**2007** Black Knights Cadets  
**2008** Kidsgrove Scouts Jrs

## NATIONAL OPEN CLASS

**2007** Poynton Commodores  
**2008** Poynton Commodores

## INTERNATIONAL OPEN CLASS

**2007** Kidsgrove Scouts  
**2008** Senators

\*\* In 2020 and 2021 no events took place due to COVID

# DCUK Family Tree

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# Welcome

On Behalf of the DCUK and MPAUK management teams we hope you all had a great Drum Corps United Kingdom season and welcome to our 2023 Yearbook. Thank you for your support and patronage throughout the summer season as we continue to build back our activity after the effects of the COVID pandemic

We returned to Coventry and Butts Park Arena, home to our hosts Coventry RFC, for the second time for the British Drum Corps Championships this year. The move to a slightly smaller venue last year was a difficult one but given the post pandemic climate and to help give the corps and the audience a better connection along with more intimate feel to our special day it was felt that the venue more suits our needs. We hope you feel the same.

The Corps who performed this year worked hard for many months throughout the summer in perfecting the shows that have entertained us at the DCUK regional events in Coventry and Hinckley and Championships and is a testament to their resolve and dedication that they have come through the pandemic and its lockdowns and then out the other side with a renewed vigour and passion to give of their best.

Our thanks as always go to the Directors, Staff and Members of the Drum and Bugle Corps you saw and heard performing in competition this summer for their support for our activity and their commitment to Drum Corps.

Thanks also go to all of you, the dedicated fans and supporters who made the trips to our three events and have been in the stands supporting the Corps throughout the season.

We were also very proud to bring to you, at the British Championships, and in association with our partner Drum Corps International (DCI) - Drumline Battle™. Our 2023 competition featured a return battle between two Drumlines, Revolution & Beeches, to see who would win the title of Drumline Battle Champions 2023 - and the title went to Beeches. Our thanks go out to our

Drumline Battle participants and to John DeNovi from DCI for his help, guidance and continuing support of Drumline Battle and SoundSport here in the UK.

So... our showcase event - the British Drum Corps Championships - as we all know there really is nothing like Drum Corps and there is certainly nothing like Drum Corps under the floodlights. Those who attended this event experienced an unrivalled night of pure Drum Corps for the Drum Corps enthusiast. Thanks must go to all those involved with our hosts in Coventry for their help and support in facilitating our ability to run Championships at such a fantastic venue.

We would also like to extend a big thank you on behalf of us all to the many back room staff and alumni who worked hard behind the scenes to ensure that all our events ran smoothly and also thanks to Beeches for running the two season shows this year.

Win lose or draw for everyone involved or associated with Drum Corps United Kingdom, the conclusion to the 2023 DCUK summer season lived up to expectation with close competition and congratulations to our 2023 Champions, Beeches, and also to East Coast Elite and Revolution for a close run contest for 2nd and 3rd place

In closing it's worth noting that we believe that all in all DRUM CORPS in the UK is alive and kicking. We might not be as big and as vibrant as we would all like but it's still here and those who are doing it are giving it their all. All in all we hope you had a great summer watching some Drum Corps and catching up with some dear friends and colleagues from years gone by.

And so 2023 comes to an end but we look forward to seeing you next year for DCUK 2024

**DCUK Management Team**



# DCUK 2023 - Timetable

## Open Class Prelims

		Score	Position
16.30	Revolution	71.50	3
16.55	East Coast Elite	73.65	2
16.42	Beeches	80.85	1

## Interval

## Open Class Championships

19.00	3 Revolution	73.10	3
19.25	2 East Coast Elite	75.00	2
19.50	1 Beeches	82.70	1
20.15	<b>DrumLine Battle</b>		
20.30	Olympic Retreat		



# 2023 Season Summary

	Coventry 09 July	Hinckley 9 Sept	Prelims 24 Sept	Finals 24 Sep
Beeches	69.050	76.750	80.85	82.70
East Coast Elite	58.500	70.200	73.65	75.00
Revolution	59.000	69.200	71.50	73.10
Liberty	51.500	60.200	-	-

# DCUK - Hall of Fame

**1995** Chris Gibbs  
Russell Malley  
Roger C Steele MBE

**1996** Ivan Balchin  
Bob Hewlett

**1997** Mark Gutteridge

**1998** Glyn Boyington  
Mick Moss

**1999** Veronica Hope

**2000** Keith Mann  
Mike Newman

**2002** Diane Suett  
Alan Thompson  
Ian Lyall

**2004** John Swindells

**2005** Douglas Caldwell

**2012** Nigel Brown  
Rob Swindells

**2017** Joe Fitzpatrick  
John Johnson  
Mark Mayes

**2018** John McNamara

**2019** Eddie Hendle  
Jason Oates

**2020** Michael Blackford

# Beeches Performance Ensemble

## BIRMINGHAM

Corps Director: Andrew Dallison  
Drum Majors: Charlotte Reardon,  
Mark Jeffrey & Clive Williamson  
Established: 1974

## THE HUNGER GAMES

May the odds be ever in your favour .

Beeches celebrate their 50th Anniversary in 2024



# East Coast Elite

## CLEETHORPES, NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE

Corps Director: Tony Jex  
Drum Major: Fiona Jex

### CLUEDO

The Capture theme  
Theme from Dragnet  
British Grenadiers  
Figaro  
The Great Escape  
The Lord is my Shepherd  
Amazing Grace  
Toxic  
Libartango  
La Cumparsito

ECE are very pleased to be back on the competitive field in 2023. We would like to thank everyone who has continued to follow us over the past year and congratulate our new members for their first season with us. We hope our supporters, spectators and the other Corps have enjoyed watching our production evolve in 2023.

Thank you to DCUK for their ongoing support.



# Revolution

## QUEENSBURY, WEST YORKSHIRE

Corps Director: Oliver Richardson

Drum Majors: Georgia Biggs &

Evie Clayton

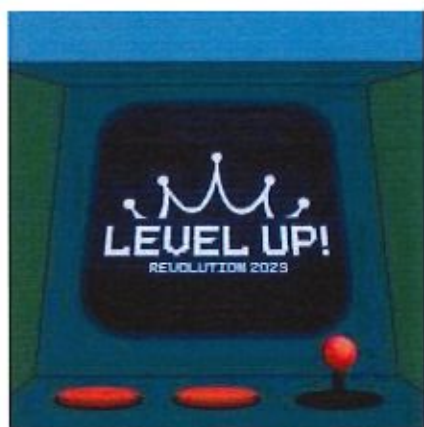
Established: 1980

### LEVEL UP

Travel beyond the furthest shadows, and there you will find an ancient golden crown, retrieve it!

The show is split into different levels, with different missions, listen to the voice overs & you want to join in.

The music has been written by Shane Murray, and visual by John Crabtree.



*We Salute You...*

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## CONGRATULATIONS DCUK

*We Salute Our Friends at Drum Corps United Kingdom  
and all who share their passion for the Drum Corps art form.*





# So, just what does it take to be a Judge?

## The four fundamental qualities a Judge should possess are:

- Integrity.
- Expertise, both in the Activity being judged and in the art of judging.
- The ability to apply both the above in difficult and pressure type circumstances.
- The ability to evolve, and even re-invent oneself where required, as the activity being judged evolves.

**The effectiveness, integrity and reputation of the judging team absolutely relies on each judge's ability to remain neutral, fair, and well balanced for all competitors. This requires constant dedication to fundamental judging behaviours:**

- Knowing the standards, and expectations, for judge conduct.
- Always maintaining the standard.
- Predicting areas where those standards could be difficult to maintain.
- Sensitivity to areas where those standards could appear to be compromised.
- Being courteous and maintain professional management of 'slippery slopes'.

**Because judges are typically experts in their field, they are often also Arrangers, Designers, Instructors etc, and while the role and expectations of the judge can vary depending on the philosophy of the system being applied, it is imperative to remember that serving as a judge is quite different than serving as a Program or Technical Consultant. The differences between Judge and Consultant being:**

## JUDGE

- Someone appointed to decide in a contest, with the experience to give a meaningful opinion.
- Forms an opinion after careful consideration, to form an opinion of a particular unit in comparison with others.

## CONSULTANT

- Someone who gives professional advice or services
- Advises to give an opinion or suggestion to someone about what should be done.
- To recommend or suggest something, including to give information to someone).

## The following judging rules will always apply:

- Whilst the 'Instructor Hat' can be taken off and put back on as necessary, the 'Judges Hat' is always on 24-7.
- As a judge any casual conversations with Directors and Instructors must always remain professional, even if they are your good friends.

So, a final thought to conclude on 'What it takes to become a Judge', once you become a judge, a judge's hat never really comes off, so all judges in the DCUK Judges team must be ready and willing to do just that.

## So...

On behalf of the 2023 DCUK Judges Team, we hope you all had a great 2023 season and enjoyed and savoured this special experience. And to all the Judges, a huge thank you for your commitment, energy and passion shown over this season.

Audience, Competitors, Helpers, Judges, Management and Staff, we hope you all had a blast!

Ivan Balchin DCUK Judges Chairman

## JUDGE ALLOCATIONS FOR FINALS 2023

Thank you to the all the Judges who have judged over the 2023 season: Ivan Balchin, Douglas Caldwell, Lee Court, Barry Davis, Tony Lees, Ian Lyall, Russell Malley, Ken Mansfield, Tony Patrick, and Gary Roylance

**Field Brass - Gary Roylance**

**Field Percussion - Lee Court**

**Ensemble Music - Ian Lyall**

**Field Visual - Ivan Balchin (Chief Judge)**

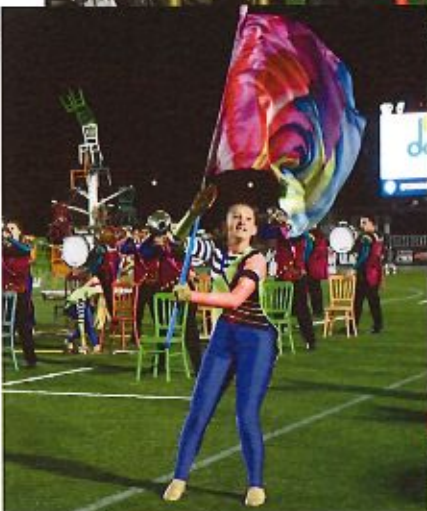
**Ensemble Visual - Russell Malley**

**Colour Guard - Tony Lees**

**Music Effect - Douglas Caldwell**

**Visual Effect - Ken Mansfield**

# Looking back: 2022 Championships





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