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SUMMARY REVIEW REPORT No. 17 – 19th March 2016

Summary of work undertaken during the period February – March 2016:

Scottish BB Officers' Conference.

I attended the Conference held in the Bankfoot Centre on Saturday 7th March along with Mr Bob Crichton, Mrs Pat Ritchie both Management Team along with and Mr Nigel Ferguson, 44th Coy and Mr Philip Owen, 1st Newport & Wormit Coy.

By spreading ourselves around the various workshops we covered most discussions during the day.

I elected to look at the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme and particularly the computer based 'edofe' recording system recently revamped and upgraded. This was followed in the afternoon by the Young Leaders Network (YLN) led by Cameron Gray and Gareth of Strathkelvin Battalion.

Chris Ferrier attended one of the 'YLN' European city visits arranged by Niall Roland and was keen to form a young leaders' network in our own battalion. Unfortunately, Chris's work commitments have interfered with his proposal as he now works in Perth for a trunk road engineering company. I believe this is still a good idea to help our senior boys and young leaders remain connected to the Battalion and Brigade. The model allows 15-26 year old members to work through a programme devised and run by themselves.

A Brigade power point presentation is available for those interested in finding out more information on this subject.

Dundee University – Volunteering.

A new degree module in Volunteering is being launched by Dundee University School of Medicine with two pilot placements currently running.

I attended the 'volunteers' briefing on 10th March in the University Library building hosted by Dr Stella McClure. They are looking for volunteering opportunities for their medical students who will be required to undertake approximately 15 hours of unpaid community volunteering work leading to a core degree module. I was the only representative from the youth organisations; others included British Red Cross, Broughty Ferry YMCA, the Dundee Volunteering Centre, Brae Riding for the Disabled. The last named is participating in the pilot scheme.

I believe this could benefit the shortage of BB leaders as well as the students and University.

Scottish Development Team Meeting, Carronvale House 16th March

I will be attending the Scottish Development team meeting and will report back to the management team on the business of the day.

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