



The Concord Classic 2006

Drum & Bugle Corps Championship

Sunday 3rd September 2006
Grantham Meres Leisure Centre
Trent Road
Grantham, Lincolnshire

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ENTRANTS

Thank you for selecting **The Concord Classic** this season. We will do our best to ensure you all have a good day. Please read the following carefully and make contact ASAP if there are any queries or doubts about the arrangements for the day. **A particular welcome to our guest performers today.**

- **ARRIVAL** PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE ON THE SITE BEFORE **12.00** when Corps Reception will open in the main entrance to the stadium stand.
- **WARM-UP AREAS** are provided on the training pitches to the rear of the stadium. **ABSOLUTELY NO EQUIPMENT VEHICLES ON THIS GRASS AREA PLEASE – KEEP ACCESS FREE AT ALL TIMES.** The all-weather surface is **NOT** available for use by corps - please do not attempt to gain access to this area or **your** corps will be charged a very high booking fee. The show organisers are not responsible for the provision of extra rehearsal sites and no other arrangements have been made in the local area. The organisers cannot be held responsible for corps rehearsing on unauthorised sites. There is housing in the vicinity of the stadium - please try to help us maintain the good relationships we have built up locally over the last few years so that we may continue to have access to this excellent facility in the future. Some problems have been caused in the past by corps practising on the roads and grass areas around the Leisure Centre causing congestion and dangers. Please avoid this. **ABSOLUTELY NO PLAYING OF INSTRUMENTS ON (OR NEAR) THE SITE IS PERMITTED BEFORE 12.00** and, of course, once the show has commenced at 14.00.
- **TIMETABLE** provisional version attached - final details subject to DCUK "seeding" procedures (refer to DCUK website). Please ensure you adhere to report times throughout the day.
- **FIELD MARKINGS** there will be a front line, centre line and centre mark plus hash mats and 5 yard front and rear line boards. The staging area will be 10 feet deep.
- **PIT EQUIPMENT** must all be brought into the arena through the rear corps entry doors. There is some space for storage at the side of the arena. Please note that corps are responsible for the security of their own equipment in this area. Corps are requested to remove their pit equipment from the stadium ASAP after their performance to avoid congestion. Corps are reminded to refer to the DCUK guidelines on the interpretation of Rule 4.
- **PARKING & CHANGING** no changing facilities are available and corps are asked to change on coaches. Corps are requested to keep the coach parking area and surrounds litter free - penalties may be imposed for transgressors and any extra costs will be passed onto corps. There are toilets available inside the rear corps entry gate (before the show starts). **PLEASE ADHERE TO THE PARKING AREAS PROVIDED.** Coaches parking in other areas than those allocated will be asked to move. There is plenty of space on site - please park sensibly. Do **NOT** park coaches on the access road.

- **SPECTATORS & BOOSTER STALLS** the stadium provides excellent viewing facilities and all seats in the stand and ground enclosure are available on a "first come, first served" basis. Please ask your supporters not to enter the marked-off judges area. Entry cost is £6.00 (concessions £3.50). Programmes are 20p. Recap sheets will be on sale at various points at the end of the event. Entry and exit to the stadium **MUST** be via the designated turnstile and gate only. Hand stamps will be used to facilitate re-entry. Booster Stalls will be permitted inside the arena in a designated area. Prior booking is required. Booster stall staff must be in possession of a valid show ticket or DCUK staff pass. It would help if you could let us know in advance if you're bringing a booster stall.
- **DISABLED ACCESS**
There are no special facilities for disabled access at this venue. Disabled spectators can access the lower seating area only – there are toilets on this level. There is no disabled access to the judges areas. There is a ramp to the main entrance which will give access to Corps Reception and Critique.
- **CATERING** the stadium will provide a catering outlet for hot and cold snacks and drinks (the last few years we've also managed an ice-cream van). There is a club bar on site but, at this time, we are unsure whether it will be available to spectators. Corps directors are reminded of their responsibility for corps and spectator behaviour throughout the day.
- **JUDGES & CRITIQUE** we have no information to hand about the judging panel for this event - please refer to the DCUK website. Critique will be held in the Board Room (access via Corps Reception) and will be controlled by the T&P judge. All corps staff are reminded of the DCUK Critique Guidelines and that "yellow" passes must be shown to gain entry to critique.
- **CONTACT DETAILS** telephone numbers :

Before the day	0114 249 1460
Stadium	01476 518930
Mobile	0770 353 8994 (emergencies only please)
Email	: rcs@concord.org.uk

We hope that you have a safe and pleasant journey to and from the event and that all your members and supporters will enjoy a great day of drum corps spectacle.

We would remind all Corps Directors of their obligation to advise members, staff and supporters of the **Drum Corps Code of Conduct** to ensure that our relationships with the public, the management of Grantham Stadium, and with each other, remain at their current high level.

Thank you again for entering our event. My best wishes to all.

ROGER C STEELE

- **TRAVEL DIRECTIONS** A1 exit for A607 signed **MELTON MOWBRAY**
Follow **GRANTHAM** signs
At 1st roundabout take 1st exit past **MARRIOTT HOTEL**
Follow signs for **EARLESFIELD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE**
Continue up **SWINGBRIDGE ROAD** to T-junction
Turn left at T-junction
GRANTHAM STADIUM will be visible on the right.
Go past the main entrance (stand) to the coach and truck entry road into the parking areas.
Please park **ONLY** in areas marked on the enclosed site plan.



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TIMETABLE

10.00	Concord D& BC arrive on site to rehearse and set up venue.
12.00	Corps Reception opens <i>Please do not arrive before this time **</i>
13.00	Stadium opens to spectators
13.15	Managers Meeting (on the field) <i>Please try to send a representative</i>

<u>Corps</u>		<u>Report Time</u>	<u>Performance</u>
<u>Cadets</u>			
Black Knights Cadets		13.40	13.50
<u>Class A</u>			
Corps	A1	13.50	14.00
Corps	A2	14.07	14.17
<u>Exhibition Performance</u>		14.25	14.35
Forgemen Percussion Theatre			
<u>Open Class</u>			
Corps	O1	14.40	14.50
Corps	O2	14.57	15.07
Corps	O3	15.14	15.24
Corps	O4	15.31	15.41
<u>Exhibition Performance</u>		15.50	16.00
Warrington Phoenix			
Retreat		16.00	16.20
National Anthem			
Presentation of Awards			
Exhibition by First Placed Open Class Corps (approx)			16.40
Clear Stadium, please by			17.00

NOTES : **It is important that we keep the show running to time.**
The co-operation of all corps in ensuring this happens
is appreciated. Thank you.
Any necessary amendments to timings will be announced
as early as possible.