



RED DEER ROYALS

From the Podium

BandNote
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Hey Royals!

GREAT WORK ON THE SHOW SO FAR!!

Royals, our band staff continues to be totally impressed by so many aspects of our Royals band this year, including our truly outstanding focus and work ethic during camps. Almost without exception you're present whenever possible, on time, properly equipped, attentive, and hardworking during rehearsals and camps. It's pretty easy to get better and better as a group when we have such positive attitudes.

EXCELLENT WORK, ROYALS!!! We'll do great things this marching season.

Tour Meeting – Wednesday, April 26, at St. Joseph's High School. This will be an opportunity to provide a few more details on the performances, activities and accommodations for the 2017 Europe tour.

Board meeting of the Red Deer Community Band Society The next monthly meeting will be Monday, May 8 at 7:00 PM Cam Clark Ford community boardroom. Everyone welcome!

Upcoming Performances

- **Red Deer Festival of the Performing Arts**, at RDC - concert band, full Drumline and Front Ensemble **Wednesday, April 19**, performance at **6:30 PM** on Main Stage, The Arts Centre, Red Deer College. There is a small admission fee (\$2) for audience members. We'd love to have an audience, parents!
 Dress: Concert dress. (Concert Uniform, Drillmasters, black socks)
 Drumline in Marching Uniform (no shako)
 Repertoire: Star Wars, The Last Spring, and "Elements" Show
 5:45 Meet in Studio A for warm-up and tuning. (You should enter the Arts Centre through the west doors.)
 6:30 Performance and on-stage adjudication. Parents, please come out to be our audience!!
 7:15 Watch Monday Night Band performance
 8:00 Debrief and dismissal at about 8:30.
- **Red Deer Festival of the Performing Arts – Brass Ensemble – Thursday, April 20 at 2:05 PM (Studio B)**
- **Red Deer Festival of the Performing Arts – Woodwind Trio – Thursday, April 20 at 2:40 PM (Studio D)**
- **Red Deer Festival of the Performing Arts – Clarinet Trio – Thursday, April 20 at 2:50 PM (Studio D)**

RDCBS 48th Annual Celebration Spring Concert, Sunday, April 23, 7:00 – 9:30 p.m., The Arts Centre, RDC.

Again this year, tickets are being sold by members – not through Black Knight Ticketing. Mrs. Van Delden is heading this up for Royals this year. Please see her for your tickets in advance. Cost is \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for students and seniors, and free for preschoolers. Performers don't need tickets.

This is a great concert and, Royals families, classmates, grandparents, etc. are urged to attend!!

This performance **involves all Royals musicians, including percussionists who aren't in concert band.**

Members of the Colour Guard are encouraged to come support the band. (Wear your travel jacket, please.) **We will need 2 Colour Guard members to hold the Canada and Alberta flags for O Canada.**

Dress: **We will wear both our marching uniform AND concert uniform.** As in past years, we'll be performing O Canada at the beginning of the concert in marching kit (with hats and plumes but no gloves or gauntlets). For our later selections we'll be in concert dress. Make sure you have everything you need for both uniforms!!

We're also doing a ninety-minute recording session on main stage at 3:00.

Times: 2:30 warm-up on Main Stage; recording session until 4:30 on Main Stage; 6:15 warm-up in Studio A;
7:00 O Canada; 8:00 warm-up/tune in Studio A, 8:40 our concert selections; 9:20 Massed Band; 9:40 concert ends.

Program order:

Royals play O Canada “in the round” – in the aisles of the theatre.

Adult Novice Band

Tuesday Night Band

Jazz Explosion Big Band

Intermission

Monday Night Band

Red Deer Royals Repertoire: Critical Mass, Sun and “Elements” with full drumline and front ensemble.

Massed Bands of the Red Deer Community Band Society Repertoire: The Water is Wide, and Shake, Rattle and Roll

- **Marching Showband Classic 2017**(our field show invitational), LTCHS Sports Field, **Sunday, June 4**, 1:00 to 4:00 PM
This will be hometown performance of “Elements”!!! **TICKETS \$10.00**

The Royals Annual General Meeting will be June 14. More information will be forthcoming in the next BandNote.

Scholarship time!!! Each June the Red Deer Community Band Society awards up to \$1500 in scholarships to members of the Red Deer Royals. Scholarships can be used for summer music or leadership camps and for post-secondary music programs. To be eligible for a scholarship you must have been a member in good standing for three or more consecutive years. The scholarship program is known as the Keith Mann Memorial Scholarship program, and funding for the legacy fund has come from the RDCBS, the Downtown Rotary Club, RDTV, the Red Deer Rebels, and the Red Deer Community Foundation. I will have application forms available on April 26. Scholarship recipients will be announced at our potluck dinner and Annual General Meeting. Think about whether this is something you’d like to apply for, and see me with any questions you may have!

Volunteer Opportunities

Royals, we have a couple of great opportunities for you to make another contribution to your community over the next few months. I’ll soon be looking for volunteers for the following events. Consider getting involved when I ask for volunteers!

- Rotary Club Black Tie event, TBA 8 Royals and 2 parents needed
- Alberta Sports Hall of Fame Induction, Fri. May 26 4 Royals members needed
- Love of Children Golf Classic (Hospital Fndn), Sat. June 11 12 Royals and 1 parent needed

Insurance

Please be sure that your personal instrument and/or instrument provided by the Royals is added to your home insurance policy as a rider. A monetary value can be provided to you if requested.

Ford Test Drive

On May 27, we will be hosting a Ford Test Drive at our Fieldhouse. More information will follow shortly on this fundraiser.

Conditioning!!

Royals, your ability to make it through our upcoming parades, field show performances and full day rehearsals depends in large measure on your personal level of physical conditioning. Make sure in the coming months that you have some sort of a program or routine in place that will ensure you’re in top shape!

Music Memorization Schedule

From this term: Earth should now be completely memorized.

Wind should now be completely memorized.

Water should now be completely memorized.

Fire should be memorized by April 29

Can’t Stop the Feeling should be memorized by May 20

From last fall: I Want You Back, Bang Bang, Hey Baby, Royals Fanfare, O Canada, Warmup/Tuneup Chorale

Scales: Concert Bb, Eb, F, Ab, C, and Bb chromatic, at least 2 octaves - more if possible!

Award Plaques are now due. Please return them to Mr. Mann as soon as possible.

Guard Camp

On Saturday, April 22 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM, an important guard camp will take place at the Fieldhouse. This camp will focus on routines for the parade music.

Show Camp Dates

Our remaining camp dates (all Saturdays unless otherwise indicated) are:

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| • April 29 | Snack: Colourguard | RDR Fieldhouse | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • May 6 | Snack: Flutes & DM | RDR Fieldhouse | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • May 13 | Snack: Clarinets | RDR Fieldhouse | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • June 3 | Snack: Saxophones & Horns | RDR Fieldhouse | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • June 24 | Snack: None | RDR Fieldhouse | 1:30 to 5:00 |
| • July 2 (Sunday) | Snack: Trumpets | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 3 (Monday) | Snack: Low Brass | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 4 (Tuesday) | Snack: Drumline & Front Ens. | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 5 (Wednesday) | Snack: Colourguard | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 6 (Thursday) | Snack: Flutes & DM | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 2:00 |

The following dates will be those traveling to Europe.

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| • July 15 (Saturday) | Snack: Clarinets | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 16 (Sunday) | Snack: Saxophones & Horns | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 17 (Monday) | Snack: Trumpets | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 2:00 |

If any of the above dates change, I'll let you know as soon as possible.

Show camps are a great physical and mental workout! We all go home tired, but what a great feeling of accomplishment. If any of the above dates change, I'll let you know as soon as possible.

Attendance has been good so far despite the school conflicts!! Please do your best to make it to each camp. If you're on top of your personal schedule, most date conflicts can be worked out in advance!

For all our camps make sure you bring your non-marking athletic shoes with a 1cm cushion as well as a good lunch and water. And take your things home at the end of the day for crying out loud!

If you feel unwell at a show camp or rehearsal...

Occasionally some members are well enough to be at camp or rehearsal but need to sit out for a while. If this is ever the case for you, here's the protocol we follow in Royals.

- Speak to a staff member – generally Ellie or Thomas - and also let your Section Leader know what the issue is and why you need to sit out.
- If you feel nauseous or need something for a headache, also speak with a parent chaperone. They'll be able to help you out.
- Get a chair and music stand and sit along the front line of the field, usually somewhere between the 40's.
- Follow along with the drill, watch your charts, and play your music if you're able.
- Get back in the show as soon as you can.
- During the next break after you sit out, we require you to also sit out of the break – in order to aid in your continuing recovery!

This is rarely a problem because typically everyone wants to be a part of what's happening. We know you do your best, both collectively and individually.



The Official Drycleaner of the Red Deer Royals

Parade Kit \$0.00
 Concert Jacket/Pants \$0.00
 (Extra: Shirt \$5.25/Tie \$1.00)

Rehearsal locations & logistics:

Wed April 19 Winds, Drumline and Front Ensemble at RD Festival of the Performing Arts, RDC
 Guard in the Fieldhouse

*Note: All rehearsals from this point on will be **marching rehearsals**. We'll be working on show every night and on several occasions when the weather is good, we'll be going outside to rehearse parade from 6:45 until 7:30 or so. Be sure to think ahead so you come properly equipped for each rehearsal!*

Wed April 26	Fieldhouse	Saxophones do stands
Wed May 3	Fieldhouse	Trumpets do stands
Wed May 10	Fieldhouse	Low Brass do stands
Wed May 17	Fieldhouse	Flutes do stands

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Upcoming Parades and Show Events

*** For most bussed events, the buses depart from and return to the Home of the Red Deer Royals/Kinsmen Fieldhouse at St. Joseph's High School. ***

**** Your ticket onto the bus and to lunch for all events is your clean travel jacket. ****

***** Wearing your jacket to all events is a MUST! (You won't get on the bus or get lunch without it!!) *****

****** There will be a uniform inspection before each event. Make sure you're good to go! ******

**Please stay tuned for updates to all of the following performances.
I will keep you apprised of changes as they arise.**

If you are unable to make it to any of these events due to other pressing concerns, please let Mr. Mann and your Section Leader know.

May 14 (Sunday) MUSIC 'N MOTION (Calgary)

Bring a bag lunch and a snack. You may also want to bring some cash for the concession at McMahon Stadium.

10:00 AM Arrive Fieldhouse. Remember your travel jacket, uniform, and equipment.

10:30 Depart for Music 'N Motion at McMahon Stadium in Calgary.

2:00 PM Music 'N Motion begins. Our performance time is TBA. Parents, tickets are available for sale at the gate for approximately \$15 plus service charge.

This is our first outdoor stadium show of the year!

4:30 approx Event ends. Pack up and depart for Red Deer

6:30 approx Arrive Fieldhouse. Dismissal

May 20 (Saturday) CAROLINE BIGHORN PARADE

7:45 AM Arrive Fieldhouse. Remember your travel jacket, uniform, and equipment.

8:15 Depart for Caroline

10:30 Caroline Bighorn Parade.

Lunch provided after performance.

12:30 PM Depart

1:30 Arrive Fieldhouse. Dismissal

May 28 (Sunday) MS WALK

8:00 AM Meet IN FULL UNIFORM in the Great Chief Park parking lot (by Bower Ponds). Warmup & tune.

9:00 We lead the walkers through the trails to Bower Ponds. Repertoire: parade music

9:15 We perform a stand-and-play at Little Chief Park. Repertoire: Show music, no pit.

10:00 Dismissal

June 2 (Friday) CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

4:00 PM Meet at TBA

5:00 Performance TBA

6:00 Dismissal

June 4 (Sunday) MARCHING SHOWBAND CLASSIC 2017

June 10 (Saturday) ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE AND SYLVAN LAKE PARADES

8:00 AM Arrive Fieldhouse. Remember your travel jacket, uniform, and equipment.

8:30 Depart for Rocky Mountain House

11:00 Rocky Parade Lunch is provided after parade

12:15 Depart Rocky

1:00 PM Sylvan Lake Parade. We'll be near the end of the parade.

2:30 Depart Sylvan

3:00 Arrive Fieldhouse. Dismissal

June 17 (Saturday) BLACKFALDS

8:45 AM Arrive Fieldhouse. Remember your travel jacket, uniform, and equipment.
 9:15 Depart for Blackfalds
 11:00 Blackfalds Parade. Lunch is provided after parade
 12:30 PM Depart Blackfalds for Sylvan Lake
 1:00 Arrive Fieldhouse. Dismissal

June 24 (Saturday) SUNDRE PARADE

7:00 AM Arrive Fieldhouse. Remember your travel jacket, uniform, and equipment.
 7:30 Depart for Sundre
 8:30 Arrive Sundre
 10:00 Sundre Parade. Lunch provided after parade.
 1:30 PM Arrive Fieldhouse. Band Camp until 5:00 PM

June 30 (Friday) PONOKA PARADE

7:30 AM Arrive Fieldhouse. Remember your travel jacket, uniform, and equipment.
 7:50 Depart for Ponoka
 8:30 Arrive Ponoka
 12:15 PM Depart Ponoka
 1:00 Arrive Fieldhouse. Dismissal

July 1 (Friday) CANMORE PARADE

6:30 AM Arrive Fieldhouse. Remember your travel jacket, uniform, and equipment.
 7:00 Depart for Canmore
 12:00 PM Canmore Parade **Bring your own bag lunch.** We perform our show in Centennial Park after lunch.
 2:00 Free time in Canmore **Use this time to purchase a snack for the drive home (or bring an extra big lunch)**
 4:00 Depart Canmore
 7:00 Arrive Fieldhouse. Dismissal

July 5 (Wednesday) SOUNDS OF SUMMER – Legion Field (LTCHS)

This event follows our show camp. Dinner will be provided between the end of camp and the beginning of the event.
 6:15 PM Change into full show uniform. Warm up and tune.
 7:00 Performance at Legion Field (LTCHS) – field show and stand-still on parade pieces.
 7:45 Event ends. Pack up.
 8:15 Dismissal

July 6 - 12 CALGARY STAMPEDE WEEK

Our schedule isn't set yet, but highlights will include:

- Thur July 6 We depart for Calgary from our show camp LTCHS field at 2:30
- Fri July 7 (AM) Stampede Parade (televised around the world!!)
- July 8 - 10 Various Stampede performances and Show Rehearsals
- Tues July 11 Showbands Live!, McMahon Stadium
- Wed July 12 We'll likely play a Stampede event in the morning and head home in the afternoon.

As usual, we'll also have several other performances (pancake breakfasts, Saddledome outdoor stage, etc.).

We'll be staying at Crescent Heights High School.

The fee per member this year will be **\$250**. This will cover part of our transportation, accommodation and meals.

I'll have a detailed schedule to you by late June as well as a list of things to bring.

July 19 (Wednesday) WESTERNER PARADE, Red Deer

7:15 AM Arrive Fieldhouse. Remember your travel jacket, uniform, and equipment. This is a bussed event!
 7:30 Depart for downtown Arena to assemble for the parade. Arrive in full uniform!
 9:30 Westerner Parade, followed by lunch in Kin City Arena
 12:00 PM Arrive Fieldhouse. Dismissal

MISSING EVENTS TO BE ADDED (most likely in June):

- 1. Bishop Grandin Invitational (Calgary)**
- 2. Celebration of Sound (Calgary)**

July 20 to August 1 EUROPE TOUR!

. . . and that's the end of our performance season for 2016 – 2017!!

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