



RED DEER ROYALS

BandNote

From the Podium

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We've had two fantastic show camps with members working hard to learn the drill and to improve on it each time. It takes a total team effort to produce a great field show, and I know we'll do everyone proud with what we accomplish in the spring and summer of 2017!!

*Royals, over the years you've shown that **FOCUS and COMMITMENT** are the keys to putting together a high quality field show. It's obvious that every section of the Band has been working so hard to achieve that. Imagine what we're going to accomplish this year with such an incredible work ethic.*

Board meeting of the Red Deer Community Band Society The next monthly meeting will be Monday, March 13 at 7:00 p.m. Cam Clark Ford community boardroom. Everyone welcome!

Upcoming Events

Winterguard trips to Calgary and Edmonton: After two successful trips to Calgary and Magrath, the Winterguard will be participating in four more events. The first will be in Edmonton on February 25 and three more in Calgary on March 4, 5 and 11. A separate Winterguard letter with event details has been provided.

Upcoming Performances

- April 18 - 22 Red Deer Festival of the Performing Arts. I don't know our performance day/time yet but will get it to you as soon as I do. (It will be an evening.) For concert band members and drumline.
- Sunday, April 23 RDCBS Spring Celebration Concert, 7:00 – 9:30 p.m., Arts Centre, RDC. For concert band & drumline.
- Sunday, June 4 Marching Showband Classic 2017 (our field show invitational), LTCHS Sport Field, 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. Our event has moved outside to accommodate all the bands this year. We will be performing our 2017 show, "Elements" to our home town crowd! Parents, RDCBS Vice-President Martin Rheaume will need a large number of parent volunteers to assist with running this show. Please speak with him if you can help out or check the website! Martin's number is 403-314-1545. His email is: vicepresident@reddeerroyals.com

Picture Day

Prime Sports Team Photography will be at the Camp on **March 11** to take pictures of the members in their **Marching Uniform**. We need every member to have their picture taken as we may be using them for promotional material. Like school pictures, there is no cost to have the photos done. If you wish to purchase the photos, an order form will be made available. Prime Sports Team Photography has experience taking marching band photos and their samples look fantastic.

Who ya gonna call?

Royals, if you can't make it to a rehearsal or performance due to illness or some unavoidable schedule conflict, or if you're going to be unavoidably late, we would ask that you notify your Section Leader and/or Assistant. Also, for concert band rehearsals, marching camps and events please contact Mr. Mann. You can text Mr. Mann at (403) 391-0514.

Music Memorization Schedule

From this term: Earth should now be completely memorized.
Wind should be memorized by March 11
Water should be memorized by April 1
Fire should be memorized by May 1

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!

Everyone did an excellent job of working through the opening charts for the show. **It is hugely important that you review your drill charts at home.** When you practice the music, stand up and practice (preferably in front of a mirror) doing your step-offs and horns up and down. Visualize where you're at on the field and where you're going to for the next chart. I can't overstate how important this is.

Your friends who aren't in Royals would be blown away by how much music and drill you've already memorized!!! Keep up the hard work. It gets easier!

Show Camp Dates (a.k.a. "Blocking Camps")

Camps are a time of hard work and good fun, and they're a great way to experience a lot of growth in our field show. For each camp a different section is asked to bring a **morning** snack to share with the whole band. That means 10 - 14 members bringing a snack for 80 people. **We have members with peanut and nut allergies. Please avoid nuts in the snacks.**

The camp dates (all Saturdays unless otherwise indicated) are:

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| • February 25 | Snack: Saxophones & Horns | Fox Run School, Sylvan Lake | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • March 11 | Snack: Trumpets | Penhold Multiplex | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • March 18 | Snack: Low Brass | LTCHS | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • April 8 | Snack: Drumline & Front Ens. | RDR Fieldhouse | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • April 29 | Snack: Colourguard | RDR Fieldhouse | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • May 6 | Snack: Flutes & DM | RDR Fieldhouse | 9:00 to 5:00 (DATE ADDED) |
| • 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: Trumpets | RDR Fieldhouse | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 2 (Sunday) | Snack: Low Brass | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 3 (Monday) | Snack: Drumline & Front Ens. | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 4 (Tuesday) | Snack: Colourguard | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 5 (Wednesday) | Snack: Flutes & DM | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 6 (Thursday) | Snack: Clarinets | 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: Saxophones & Horns | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 16 (Sunday) | Snack: Trumpets | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 5:00 |
| • July 17 (Monday) | Snack: Low Brass | Legion Field (LTCHS) | 9:00 to 2:00 |

Congratulations on your outstanding attendance and work ethic at our first two camps, Royals!! As you know, if you miss one day of camp, it's like missing a month of rehearsals! It makes it hard and stressful on you and on everyone else if you miss. From time to time, things do come up that may mean you have to miss a camp or part of a camp and I understand that, but I know you'll continue to make every effort to work your other commitments around our day camps.

Show camps are a great physical and mental workout!
We all go home tired, but what a great feeling of accomplishment.



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

Uniforms

Travel Jackets - the Spring travel jacket order will be placed February 27th. Sample jackets are available to try on Wednesday, February 15 from 8:30 to 9:30 and Saturday, February 25 from 9:00 to 10:00. Members need to be sure their jackets fit properly (can be zipped up). Friends and Family may also order. The cost is \$125.

Parade Uniform - Parade time will be upon us before we know it. It is time to be trying on your Parade Uniforms to make sure they fit properly.

Rehearsal locations & logistics:

Wed, February 22	Winds at Lindsay Thurber Drumline at Gateway Colour Guard at Gateway	
Wed, March 1	Winds in Salon A Drumline & Guard in Parkland Pavilion	Clarinets do stands
Wed, March 8	Winds in Ag East Gallery Drumline & Guard in Ag East Pavilion	Saxophones do stands
Wed, March 15	Winds in Salon B Drumline & Guard in Parkland Pavilion	Trumpets do stands

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