

My Drum Corps Scrapbook – Summer of 1970- Part 2

The following are excerpts of what I wrote in my scrapbook and any programs, newspaper articles or corps contest announcements that I collected.

August 15, 1970 The day they changed the show. Vince Bruni changed the show. He changed a bit of the off the line drill. The drum solo stayed the same but colour press was changed completely for the horns (not for the guard; they did their own thing in the first place). Poor guys. Mr. Bruni didn't like the end of colour press so he changed it too. Since he changed the end, he had to change the rest of the show.

Vince Bruni also teaches the Ambassadors and he is a judge. We had to work long and hard. We loved it, every moment of it. That's what we needed, a good kick in the beep. I personally liked Mr. Bruni and I'm glad he came from the States to help us.

We practiced at Centennial College in Scarborough. Some of us brought swimsuits to wade in the creek. Besides wading we hardly had any free time. At first we thought it was going to rain but by afternoon it cleared up. By noon it was warm and everyone had taken their shirts off or put on their bathing suits.

Was the change successful? Considering that because of this change we won the Ontarios, Penn-Yorks and Nationals in 1970, I think it was quite successful.

Some flyers I found while traveling.

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August 20, 1970 Ontario Championships, Waterloo, Ontario

Midlanders were not there.

ONTARIO DRUM & BUGLE CORPS CHAMPIONSHIPS		
DAYTIME FINALS		
	Your Score	Judges Score
<u>Junior Novice:</u>		
Dutch Boy Cadets	1	34.7
Precious Blood		37.7
Townsmen		40.7
Kinsmen Crescendos	1	47
<u>Junior Standstill:</u>		
Durham Girls		54
Optimist Cadets	1	52
<u>Girls A M & M:</u>		
St. Johns Girls		60.68
Collegettes		31.5
Marching Angels		66.825
<u>Junior B-M & M:</u>		
Flying Dutchmen		24.10
Ajax Drum Corps		67.30
Opti Knights		47.15
Simcoe Golden Lions		42
Midlanders		42
Etobicoke Crusaders		71.7
Scarborough Firefighters		23.23
Sarnia Marching Diplomats		43.6
Marching Saints Sudbury		64.25
The Companions Embrun		64.25
<u>Senior B-M & M:</u>		
O.Y.B. Lamplighters		
Imperial Knights		

September 5, 1970 Penn-York Championships, Corning, New York

It was really warm at prelims. Worst than that, it was very windy. It was a struggle to hold our flags, especially during concert when we are at a halt. After the show the girls were crying because of the strain. Regardless we won prelims with Marching Saints behind us. In the night we scored 72 giving us the championship. Can't remember which newspaper wrote the article.

They best the U.S.

Scarboro Fire Fighters Drum and Bugle Corps marched away with all the trophies Saturday at the Penn York Circuit corps championships at Corning, N. Y.

The Scarboro group won over 18 other corps in the preliminaries, and over 13 in the finals.

They also won trophies for best general effects, color guard, drum major, and drum and horn sections.

This Saturday the Scarboro corps, which recently won the Ontario championships, will compete for the Canadian title at Varsity Stadium.



MIRROR photos:
Ian Kelso

PRECISION IS a way of life for the members of the Scarboro Fire Fighters Drum and Bugle Corps. This Saturday, the group will compete for the Canadian Corps title at Varsity Stadium. ABOVE and at left, the group is shown performing at Thomson Park last Wednesday. Major Bob White and Ontario Health Minister Tom Walls participated in the meet. Walls presented the corpsmen with Ontario crests.

... and take on Canada at weekend



September 12, 1970, Canadian National Championships, Toronto, Ontario

Advantage – we didn't have to travel

Disadvantage – we had more time to worry about the show

We had not seen Midlanders for 5 weeks. The last show we came in second August 8 in Etobicoke. We didn't lose any tenths during inspection. It was hot at prelims. We did our best. Mr. Bruni was there to cheer us on. The Midlanders were 2 points behind us. We were warned Midlanders might catch up. At the night show the weather was nicer. We were third to go on the field. Again we did our best. We won Jr. B.

We received a telegram from our bus drivers congratulating us. A representative from the Scarborough Mayor's office came by to shake hands. It was hard to believe we were champs.

A few weeks later our director received a letter from the Prime Ministers office congratulating us and signed by Pierre Trudeau. What a year we had.

