

Local Group Wins Drum, Bugle Honor

The Percussion-Naut Patriots presented "one of the best shows ever put together in the Northwest," according to judges who named the Spokane drum and bugle corps first in competition in Port Angeles, Wash., recently.

"The Challenge of the Champions" contest last weekend was entered by 14 drum and bugle corps from Washington, Oregon, Montana and British Columbia.

The win marked the end of the first season of competition for the Patriots, directed by Howard A. Robbins. The corps was judged best drum line, best bugle line and best general effects for both drums and bugles.

Spokane's corps won over the Portland, Ore., Hawks drum and bugle corps, winner of a trophy for the best season record.

The Patriots also won a second place trophy in the Port Angeles Derby Days parade Saturday afternoon.

With performers ranging in age from 9 to 19, the Percussion-Nauts consists of 25 members on the bugle line, 23 percussionists and 29 color guard members.

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