

Tri-City Water Follies

1977 Drum Corps West CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Edgar Brown Memorial Stadium Pasco, Washington





ARGONAUTS -- Defending Champions

BARONS GIVE EXHIBITION

The South Bay Medieval Barons, Drum and Bell Corps from Milpitas, California, have been chosen to give a special exhibition for the 1977 Cavalcade of Drums.

Playing bells instead of bugles, this talented group won 50 first place awards during the 1976 competitions. The color guard is the 1977 Northern Califorina Class "B" champions.

Uniforms for the Barons combine an old English Guard uniform with a few modern touches in the official Corps color of orange, white and black.

The group of 57 marching members was formed in 1975 and continues with an extensive touring program in California and other western states.

OLYMPIC PENINSULA GUARDSMEN Port Orchard, Washington

From the northwestern corner of Washington State come the Olympic Peninsula Guardsmen Corps of 53 members. "If My Friends Could See Me Now" is their opening number, followed by "American Salute", "Norwegian Wood", "Jericho", and closing with "The Gentle Rain." The Guardsmen are directed by Craig Newman.

RENAISSANCE Spokane, Washington

New to the Tri-Cities is the Renaissance Corps from nearby Spokane. Made up of 84 members whose average age is 15-16, the Renaissance wears uniforms of gold, green, brown, and white Renaissance colors in Vanguard style. Lee W. Shook directs the Corps in a repertoire consisting of "Trumpercussion", "Take Five", "People", "Turquoise", "I Feel a Song in my Heart".

SUN COUNTRY WRANGLERS Phoenix, Arizona

From Tempe. Arizona, the Sun Country Wranglers started in the Fall of 1976 with the majority of members never experiencing a competitive drum corps show. They will make two major contest tours in 1977, and will sponsor a Drums across America contest in Phoenix in August. Corps members wear tan and orange western shorts and brown pants with brown Western hats. The color guard wears the distinctive gaucho pants with orange stripes.

THIRD REGIMENT Portland, Oregon

The Third Regiment was organized in 1975 as a result of a merger between the Hawks and the Royal Lancers, both of Portland. They are directed and managed by Ken Stodd. The 60 member unit appears in red uniforms with black trim. Their 1977 repertoire is: "Seahawk", "Drop It in the Slot". "My Favorite Things", "Rocky", and "Bless the Beasts".

TROOPERS

Casper, Wyoming

The Troopers from Casper, Wyoming wear authentic uniforms of the 11th Ohio Cavalry that was once stationed at Ft. Casper, Wyoming. Organized in 1957, the 125 members corps in recent years have been VFW national champions, North American champions and World Open Champions.

VELVET KNIGHTS Orange City, California

The Velvet Knights are based in California, and tour with 120 members. Dressed in white cadet jackets and black pants with red trim, they will open their competition performance with "Left Bank Express", followed by "Groovin Hard", "Critics Choice", "Chelsea Bridge" and "Going Home". The Velvet Knights have Bud O'Connor as their manager and director.