## BOYS' BRIGADE

Boys' Brigade eight-pointed gun-metal star and ornate clasp with maroon ribbon attached. On the reverse is inscribed "Colours 1905  $\{ A.E. \}$ ".

Opinion of Boys' Brigade, London: In 1996 this medal was unknown to their archives. It was surmised that it was a standard issue pre-1926 medal awarded in recognition of an individual boy's efficiency or achievement. There was likely to be no significance to the ribbon colour nor the medal design. It rather reflected the fashion of the times. "Colours" suggests a then common Colour Competition, where individuals were marked for their turnout of uniform, attendance record etc. No central record was kept of such awards. The design was not specific to country, though the medal (of excellent quality) most likely originated in the United Kingdom.



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