DRILL FOR THE PATHFINDER CLUB

Following unit drill, your unit is merged with other units for club movements. The units of a club are numbered from front to rear when in line, and from left to right when the club is in column. When forming in line for club drill the unit counselors fall in a normal interval on the left flank of their units unless another position is designated by the club director.

Unit Drill Applied to Club Drill

CHANGE INTERVAL

The club changes interval while in line and counts off in the same manner as the unit (see page 24), with the unit captains as basis for these movements. When there are two or more ranks, the Pathfinder in rear of the first rank covers the corresponding Pathfinders to their front in executing these movements.

FLANK MOVEMENTS

The club executes flank movements in a manner similar to the unit (see page 28), except when the club is at close interval between files. In this case it must first be extended to normal interval.

Large Clubs

A club having sufficient units may form into two or more divisions under the command of designated division leaders. These divisions would drill as outlined for the club.

THE UNIT CAMPAIGN AS GUIDE

The unit captain of the first unit serves as the guide when the club is in line formation. The unit captain of the right flank unit serves as the guide when in column formation.

THE CLUB DIRECTORS POST

The club forms in line, one unit behind the other, with the unit captains on the right of their units. In line, the club director's post is six steps to the front of and centered on the club. The club should march in line for short distances only. Normally it should



march in column. When the club is drilling as a separate formation, in column, the club director is six steps to the left and centered on the left flank of the club. When the club is an element in a larger formation, and marching in column, the club director is at normal distance in front of and centered on the unit captains.

POSITION OF GUIDON BEARER

When the club drills with guidons in each unit, the guidon bearer takes their place to the right of the unit captain when in line, and in front of the unit captain when in column. When drilling with guidons, the club in line, and the position of present guidon is called for, the guidon bearer in the second and succeeding ranks presents guidons slightly to the right of the one in front.

Align the Club

IN LINE

The club in line is similar to the unit (see page 25) except that the front unit is the only one to obtain the exact interval. In all other units the Pathfinders raise their left arms and turn their heads but cover the corresponding Pathfinder to the front. If the club director desires exact alignment, they march to the right flank of the first unit as in the unit drill, and align the first unit. Having aligned the first unit, the director faces to the left in marching, taking two (three if at open ranks) short steps to the next unit, halts, executes right face, and aligns that unit. After aligning the last unit, the club director faces to the left in marching, returns by the most direct route to their position at the center of the club, halts parallel to the formation, faces to the left, and commands READY, **FRONT**.

IN COLUMN

To align the club in column, the command is **COVER**. On this command, the unit captain on the right flank stands fast and serves as base. All unit captains, except the unit captain on the left flank, raise their left arms laterally and verify the interval. The Pathfinders in the right flank unit raise their left arms horizontally to the front and cover the Pathfinder to their front at the correct distance. All other Pathfinders raise their left arms horizontally to

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COVER Command with Several Clubs

When the club covers as part of a column formation involving several clubs, only the first club obtains the exact interval. Unit captains in the second and following clubs raise their left arms laterally and obtain approximate interval, but in fact cover the units to their front. Guidon bearers, if present, look quickly over their right shoulder to be certain they have the correct interval and distance, and resume the position of attention.

the front and cover the Pathfinders to their front, and at the same time glance out of the corner of their eyes and align themselves on the right file. To resume the position of attention, the command is **RECOVER**. On this command each Pathfinder lowers their arm smartly to their side.

Reviews and Parades

EYES RIGHT

At the halt, all Pathfinders, on the command EYES **RIGHT**, turn their head and eyes to the right 45 degrees. Their heads and eyes follow the reviewing official until they are looking directly to the front. Only the club director renders the hand salute

EYES, RIGHT; READY, FRONT

When marching, the club director, without turning their body, commands EYES, **RIGHT**; READY, FRONT. The command RIGHT is given when the director is six steps from the front of the reviewing official or reviewing stand, and **FRONT** when the last rank of the club has cleared the reviewing official or reviewing stand by six steps. When the command RIGHT

is given, each Pathfinder, except the right file, turns head and eyes to the right at an angle of 45 degrees while marching until the command FRONT is given. At the command FRONT, heads and eyes again face front. The commands EYES and **RIGHT** are given on the right foot. READY and **FRONT** are given on the left foot.



EYES RIGHT:

READY. FRONT



At the command EYES, **RIGHT**, the club director turns their head and eyes right and renders **present arms**. The guidon bearers execute **present guidon** (see page 39) and the Pathfinder flag is dipped to a 45 degree angle. The national flag is never dipped.

The club director ends the salute and the at the guidons are returns to the carry on the command **FRONT**.

Carrying the Flag

All flags are carried nearly vertically, with the flag staff grasped with the right hand even with the mouth and the left hand near the base of the staff. (The left hand secures the ferrule in sling socket if sling is used.) In strong wind, when using a sling, the staff may be grasped with the left hand just below the right hand.

Open and Close Ranks

OPEN RANKS, MARCH

When in line at any of the prescribed intervals the club opens ranks for personal inspection or other purposes at the command OPEN RANKS, **MARCH**. At the command **MARCH**, the front rank takes two steps forward, the second rank takes one step, and the third rank stands fast. If there are more than three ranks, the fourth rank takes two steps backward, the



fifth rank takes four steps backward, the sixth rank takes six steps backward, etc.

After taking the prescribed steps, the Pathfinders do not raise their arms. If the club director desires exact alignment they command DRESS RIGHT, **DRESS** or AT CLOSE INTERVAL DRESS RIGHT, **DRESS**.

CLOSE RANKS, MARCH

To close ranks the command is CLOSE RANKS, **MARCH**. At the command **MARCH** the front rank takes four steps backward, the second rank takes two steps backward, the third rank stands fast, the fourth rank takes two steps forward, etc.

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