

Contest Scores for the Toronto Optimists

Introduction

When you look at these scores you might notice a large difference in scores from one contest to another and, perhaps, wonder why there is such a variation. Let me give you a bit of information to deepen your understanding.

DCI, founded in 1972, has always used standardized scoring and point allocation. As a result, wherever a corps competes in a DCI contest, the judging rules are the same; however, that was not always the case. The majority of the contests listed here were held before the existence of DCI.

Many things were different pre-DCI. For example, the only field markings were usually an outline of the field and, if you were lucky, there was a line that marked centre field. There was an inspection and inspection penalties, counted in **tenths**, could cause a corps to lose. Penalties relating to the rules regarding the National flag, however, were counted in **points**!

In addition, corps competed in multiple jurisdictions and each had its own set of rules and point allocation. For example, New York state rules allocated 45 points to General Effect (GE) and 55 points for the execution categories while the Midwest only allocated 10 points for GE and gave 90 points to execution! In fact, different contests in the same area might use different rules! For example, one contest in New York might use All-American rules while another could use the rules for the New York State Judges Association.

For a more comprehensive read, check out this [article about "Old Skool Drum Corps"](#) that is on our website. For those who don't want to get distracted by a link, I have included some examples showing how points were allocated under a few different sets of rules.

Examples of Point Allocation by Contest

The table on the next page shows examples of point allocation in a variety of contests (the information was taken from contest programs). The total for execution categories could range from 55 points all the way to 90 points while the total for GE could vary from as little as 10 points all the way to 45 points. Also, inspection penalties could easily cause a corps to lose a contest – before they even stepped on the field to perform!

As you can see, when it came to assigning scores to a corps performance there was an absence of consistency and uniformity. The result was that the same performance could yield different results depending on which judging system was used.

Samples of Point Allocation by Contest

Jurisdiction	Inspection	Execution			Exec Total	GE			GE Total
		M&M	Bugles	Drums		M&M	Bugles	Drums	
All-American (1958)		30	25	25	80				20
New Jersey (1962)		30	30	30	90				10
Canadian Nationals (1963)		25	20	20	65	15	10	10	35
Mundelein, IL (1963)		30	30	30	90				10
NY All-American (1963)		30	20	20	70	10	10	10	30
NY State (1963)		25	15	15	55	15	15	15	45
Pittsburg, PA (1963)	10	30	20	20	70				20
Racine, WI (1964)	10	20	20	20	60				30
Rochester, NY (1964)		20	20	15	55	15	15	15	45
Wisconsin (1964)	10	20	20	20	60				30
Kingston NY (1965)		30	25	25	80				20
New Jersey (1967)		30	25	25	80				20

Scores for the Toronto Optimists from 1958 – 1975

Compiled using material collected by Don Daber, Vern Reid, Ian Erb, Bob Carell, various publications plus the websites dcmuseum.org and fromthepressbox.com

This document should be considered a work-in-progress. It is very difficult, if not impossible, to validate the information I've found and I know that some internet listings are not accurate. For example, I've found internet listings that include the Toronto Optimists even though the Optimists were not at the contest. I've also found multiple listings for the same contest but the listings have differing scores. I will make changes when I find additional scores, discover errors or others give me corrections.

1958 Scores/Results

In 1958 the Toronto Optimists began competing at the Junior "A" level. They had a goal – defeat Preston Scout House, the reigning Canadian Champions. Optimists, to their own surprise, accomplished this task in their first year of competition. In addition to the Optimists, there was another new kid on the block in 1958. The band at De La Salle "Oaklands" became a drum corps and it, too, entered the field of competition. A local rivalry developed between Del and Opti and it lasted through the existence of these corps.

Saturday May 3, 1958

University Avenue Armouries, Toronto

1. 79.75 Preston Scout House Band
2. **75.92** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 71.76 Don Mills Sky Raiders
4. 67.77 Grantham Police Boys Band
5. 63.42 Leaside Lions Jungle Kings, Toronto, ON
6. 57.85 St. Marys Toronto, ON

Saturday May 31, 1958

BATAVIA, New York

IND - St Joseph's of Batavia

1. 82.01 Audubon Bon Bons, Audubon, NJ
2. 81.82 St Vincent's Cadets, Bayonne, NJ
3. 81.74 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
4. **71.84** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**

Saturday June 21, 1958

East York Stadium, Toronto

Toronto Optimists in Exhibition

1. 76.42 Preston Scout House Band
2. 73.67 De La Salle Oaklands
3. 71.38 Don Mills Sky Raiders
4. 67.29 Leaside Lions
5. 55.01 St. Mary's (Toronto)

Saturday July 12, 1958

Falconer, NY

1. 79.72 Preston Scout House Band
2. **79.47** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 78.59 Niagara Militaires (Senior Corps)
4. 76.58 Erie Continentals (Senior Corps)
5. 70.02 Brockport-Batavia Cavaliers (Senior Corps)

Monday August 4, 1958

NIAGARA FALLS, Ontario

Canadian Bugle & Trumpet Band Association

1. **73.25** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 71.12 Niagara Memorial Militaires, Niagara Falls, ON (Senior Corps)
3. 68.62 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
4. 65.86 Port Dalhousie Guardsmen, Port Dalhousie, ON (Senior Corps)

Saturday August 30, 1958

C.N.E., Toronto, Ontario

1. **83.50** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 78.19 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
3. 77.90 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto
4. 64.81 Royal Knights, Toronto, ON

Monday September 1, 1958

MERRITTON, Ontario

MERRITON COMMUNITY DAYS

Canadian Bugle & Trumpet Band Association

1. **79.60** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 76.60 Niagara Memorial Militaires, Niagara Falls, ON (Senior)

3. 75.60 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 74.30 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
5. 71.10 Port Dalhousie Guardsmen, Port Dalhousie, ON (Senior)

Saturday September 13, 1958

GALT, Ontario

CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dickson Park

Canadian Bugle & Trumpet Band Association

Junior Class A:

1. **81.61** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 80.11 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
3. 77.09 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 75.42 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
5. 73.33 Sky Raiders, Don Mills, ON
6. 66.99 Royal Knights, Toronto, ON

Sunday September 28, 1958

BUFFALO, New York

DRUMS ALONG THE NIAGARA

Memorial Auditorium

Indoor/Standstill

1. 92.32 Grey Knights, Rochester, NY
2. 91.56 Marching Ambassadors, Toronto, ON
3. **90.79** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 90.21 Erie County Continentals, Buffalo, NY
5. 89.12 Guelph Royallaires, Guelph, ON
6. 86.50 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
7. 85.59 Niagara-Dunkirk Cataract Cavaliers, Dunkirk, NY

1959 Scores/Results

Saturday May 16, 1959

Don Mills, Ontario

PARADE OF CHAMPIONS

Don Mills Arena

Don Mills Lions Club

1. **82.50** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 73.00 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 63.50 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
4. 75.00 Lions Jungle Kings, Leaside, ON
5. 52.00 Midtowners, Toronto, ON
6. 48.00 St Mary's, Toronto, ON
7. 42.50 Belltones, Brantford, ON

Sunday May 31, 1959

JERSEY CITY, New Jersey

PREVIEW OF CHAMPIONS

IND - St Patrick's Cadets

1. 88.20 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
2. 88.20 St Vincent's Cadets, Bayonne, NJ
3. **79.05** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 77.40 Paterson Cadets, Paterson, NJ
5. 75.65 Cambridge Caballeros, Cambridge, MA

Saturday July 1, 1959

WOODSTOCK, Ontario

WESTERN ONTARIO CHAMPIONSHIPS

Woodstock Imperials

1. **81.30** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 75.45 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
3. 74.10 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 70.70 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON

Saturday July 4, 1959

ROCHESTER, NY

1. 86.91 Jolly Jesters, Toronto, ON (Seniors)
2. 86.81 Crusaders, Hilton, NY (Seniors)
3. 85.42 Niagara Memorial Militaires Niagara Falls, ON (Seniors)
4. **85.21** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
5. 82.55 Continentals, Buffalo, NY (Seniors)

Saturday July 11, 1959

FALCONER, NY

1. 82.44 Crusaders, Hilton, NY (Seniors)
2. **80.67** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 79.30 Niagara Memorial Militaires, Niagara Falls, ON (Seniors)
4. 72.73 Tri-County Cavaliers, Rochester, NY (Seniors)
5. 72.35 Cornplanters, Warren, PA (Seniors)

Saturday July 25, 1959

WELLAND, ON

1. 80.40 Jolly Jesters, Toronto, ON (Seniors)
2. **79.10** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 78.30 Niagara Memorial Militaires, Niagara Falls, ON (Seniors)
4. 70.85 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON

Sunday August 15, 1959

Rome, NY

1. **83.32** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 81.80 St Catherines Queensmen, St Albans, NY
3. 79.93 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
4. 74.90 Shoremen, Summerville, NY
5. 74.22 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON

Saturday September 5, 1959

TORONTO, Ontario

C.N.E. CONTEST, CNE Stadium

Canadian Bugle & Trumpet Band Association

1. **82.75** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 80.80 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 79.60 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
4. Leaside Lions Jungle Kings
5. Don Mills Sky Raiders
6. Parkdale Lions Girls
7. St Mary's, Toronto
8. Belltones, Brantford, ON

Monday September 7, 1959

MERRITTON, Ontario

MERRITON COMMUNITY DAYS

Canadian Bugle & Trumpet Band Association

1. **84.25** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 76.925 Niagara Memorial Militaires, Niagara Falls, ON
(Senior)
3. 73.55 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
4. 70.05 Port Dalhousie Guardsmen, Port Dalhousie, ON (Senior)
5. 65.30 Kingsmen, Hamburg, NY

Saturday September 12, 1959

GALT, Ontario

CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dickson Park

Canadian Bugle & Trumpet Band Association

Junior Class A:

1. **88.16** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 86.16 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
3. 83.84 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 80.33 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
5. 75.06 Leaside Lions Jungle Kings, Leaside, ON
6. 67.33 St Mary's, Toronto, ON
7. 58.46 Sky Raiders, Don Mills, ON
8. 57.78 Belltones, Brantford, ON

September 19, 1959

TORONTO, Ontario

TORONTO INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Varsity Stadium

Junior Class:

1. 80.90 Audubon Bon Bons, Audubon, NJ
2. **79.80** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**

September 26, 1959

AUBURN, NY

NEW-YORK CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. **83.10** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 82.55 Scout House Band, Preston, ON
3. 79.25 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON

1960 Scores/Results

Sunday May 29, 1960

JERSEY CITY, New Jersey
4TH, PREVIEW OF CHAMPIONS
Roosevelt Stadium
IND - St Patrick's Cadets

Junior Class:

1. 86.90 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
2. 86.40 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
3. 84.80 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
4. 82.05 St Catherine's Queensmen, St Albans, NY
5. **80.00** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**

Saturday July 16, 1960

FALCONER, New York
IND -

1. **83.64** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 77.89 Satan's Angels, Bellefontaine, OH (Senior)
3. 72.58 T.C.I. Cavaliers, Rochester, NY (Senior)
4. 71.32 Bonnie Scotts, Mechanicsburg, PA (Senior)
5. 70.85 Cornplanters, Warren, PA (Senior)

Saturday August 6, 1960

ROCHESTER, New York
NEW YORK-CANADIAN ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS
New York-Canadian Association

Junior Finals:

1. **82.11** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 80.40 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 75.98 Grantham Police Boys Band
4. 73.44 St Joseph's, Batavia, NY

Saturday August 27, 1960

ROME, New York
EASTERN DRUM PAGEANT
IND -

1. 85.45 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
2. 83.25 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
3. **81.15** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 79.55 Braintree Warriors, Braintree, NY
5. 71.55 St Joseph's, Batavia, NY

Saturday September 3, 1960

TORONTO, Ontario
C.N.E. CONTEST
CNE Stadium
Canadian Bugle & Trumpet Band Association -

1. **83.50** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 77.50 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 75.75 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
4. 66.10 St John's Girls, Brantford, ON
5. 61.96 Leaside Lions Jungle Kings, Toronto, ON

Saturday September 10, 1960

HAMILTON, Ontario

CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Civic Stadium

Canadian Bugle & Trumpet Band Association

Junior Class A:

1. **87.80** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 85.80 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 84.30 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON

Prelims:

1. **87.675** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 84.450 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 84.075 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
4. 82.000 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
5. 71.435 Leaside Lions Jungle Kings, Toronto, ON

September 17, 1960

TORONTO, Ontario

TORONTO INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Varsity Stadium

IND - Leaside Lions

Juniors:

1. **87.23** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 83.90 Audubon Bon Bons, Audubon, NJ
3. 83.12 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON

1961 Scores/Results

The first time that De La Salle ever beat the Toronto Optimists was in 1961 and it would not happen again until 1968. Even though Optimists won Nationals by 1/20th of a point (that margin showed up again when Del beat Optimists at the 1969 Nationals) Del actually won 3 contests in 1961: the Canadian National Exhibition (CNE), prelims to the Nationals and the Grape Festival, the last contest of the year. Unfortunately, I have scores for neither the CNE nor the prelims at Nationals. If anyone has scores for these shows I'd be happy to receive them. Those losses to Del encouraged Optimists to make some major changes which, in my opinion, had a positive influence on the direction of drum corps in Canada.

Friday May 26, 1961

PHILLIPSBURG, NJ

(Scores added on September 13, 2023)

1. 88.40 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
2. 84.85 Garfield Cadets
3. 83.0 St Catherine's Queensmen
4. **75.60** **Toronto Optimists**
5. 73.25 Belles of St. Mary's

Sunday May 28, 1961

JERSEY CITY, New Jersey

5TH, PREVIEW OF CHAMPIONS

Roosevelt Stadium (sponsored by St Patrick's Cadets)

(Scores added on September 13, 2023)

Juniors:

1. 86.050 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights
2. 82.475 Garfield Cadets
3. 80.400 St Catharine's Queensmen
4. 79.550 Bracken Cavaliers
5. **77.300** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
6. 74.500 Boston Crusaders

June 18, 1961

St Catharines, ON

No scores found

Saturday July 8, 1961

ROME, New York

EASTERN DRUM PAGEANT

1. 84.750 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
2. 83.190 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
3. 82.850 St Catherine's Queensmen, St Albans, NY
4. **81.850** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
5. 78.680 Bracken Cavaliers, Bristol, PA
6. 72.690 Irondequoit Statesmen, Irondequoit, NY

July 15, 1961

TORONTO, Ontario

ONTARIO JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

CDCA - Marching Ambassadors

1. **80.690** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 78.625 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 71.920 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
4. 70.690 Midtowners, Toronto, ON
5. 68.010 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
6. 58.760 St Mary's, Toronto, ON

July 23, 1961

Dunkirk, NY

No scores found

August 12, 1961

New York–Canadian Championships
Rochester, NY (Scores added on Sept 18, 2023)

1. **81.20** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 80.80 De La Salle
3. 75.98 Ridge-Culver Statesmen
4. 74.49 Grantham Police Boys Band

August 19, 1961

Titusville, PA (Scores added on Sept 18, 2023)

1. 83.444 Pittsburg Rockets
2. **78.707** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 77.670 Rochester Grey Knights
4. 77.150 Gardner Guards
5. 75.345 Hamilton Viscounts

Saturday August 26, 1961

TORONTO, Ontario (Scores added on Aug 18, 2022)
C.N.E. CONTEST
CNE Stadium
CDCA

1. 80.45 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. **79.10** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 74.2 Grantham
4. 73.50 Ridge-Culver Statesmen
5. 66.70 St. Joseph's
6. 61.95 or 61.75 . Alpine Girls

Saturday September 9, 1961

WATERLOO, Ontario
CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
Seagram Stadium
Canadian Drum Corps Association (CDCA)

Junior Class A:

1. **83.55** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 83.50 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 76.95 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON

Prelims: (Prelim scores added on Aug 15, 2022)

1. 78.150 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. **75.775** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 70.800 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
4. 69.350 Midtowners
5. 64.850 St Mary's

Note: Scout House did not compete)

Saturday September 30, 1961

ST CATHARINES, Ontario
PAGEANT OF DRUMS
Club Heidelberg Football Field
CDCA

1. 84.40 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. **82.10** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON** (2 point penalty)
3. 74.50 Midtowners

1962 Scores/Results

Even though they had won the 1961 Nationals the Optimists had lost three contests to De La Salle. These losses prompted Optimists to make some major changes. The Optimists entered 1962 with a totally new repertoire (arranged by Truman Crawford), new uniforms, a new drum major and a renewed commitment to stay on top. The 1962 Toronto Optimists was the strongest corps they had ever put on the field. They also beat the Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights at a contest in Rome, NY. This was the first time that SAC had ever lost to a Canadian drum corps.

Saturday June 2, 1962

TORONTO, Ontario
THE JUNIOR INTERNATIONAL
Varsity Stadium
IND - Toronto Optimist Club

1. 85.69 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
2. **85.33** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 79.90 St Catherine's Queensmen, St Albans, NY
4. 79.50 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
5. 73.95 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
6. 69.76 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON

Monday July 2, 1962

PORT HOPE, Ontario
DOMINION DAY CONTEST
CDCA -

1. **79.90** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 73.70 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 65.35 Midtowners, Toronto, ON
4. 61.80 St Johns Girls, Brantford, ON

Saturday July 7, 1962

BRANTFORD, Ontario
MUSIC IN MOTION
CDCA - St John's College Girls

1. **87.25** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 82.30 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 78.45 Preston Scout House Band
4. 74.30 Midtowners, Toronto, ON
5. 66.80 Marching Angels, Sarnia, ON

Saturday July 14, 1962

ROME, New York
EASTERN DRUM PAGEANT
Rome Free Academy Stadium
IND -

1. **86.20** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 84.45 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
3. 82.20 St Catherine's Queensmen, St Albans, NY
4. 76.55 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY
5. 60.35 St John's College Girls, Brantford, ON
6. 57.10 Appalachian Grenadiers, Appalachian, NY

Saturday July 28, 1962

EAST YORK, Ontario
ONTARIO JR. INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
East York Stadium
CDCA - Marching Ambassadors

Class A:

1. **82.75** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 76.15 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 70.95 Scout House Bugle Bands, Preston, ON
4. 67.90 Midtowners, Toronto, ON
5. 62.25 St John's College Girls, Brantford, ON

Saturday August 4, 1962

ROCHESTER, New York
 NEW YORK-CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS
 New York-Canadian Association

1. **86.30** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 80.55 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
3. 79.20 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 76.35 Irondequoit Statesmen, Irondequoit, NY

Saturday August 18, 1962

TITUSVILLE, Pennsylvania
 4TH MUSIC IN MOTION
 Carter Field
 IND -

1. **83.88** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 82.23 Pittsburgh Rockets, Pittsburgh, PA
3. 77.50 Hamburg Kingsmen, Hamburg, NY
4. 76.48 Esquires, Westmoreland County, PA
5. 70.59 Flying Dutchmen Sr., Kitchener, ON

Saturday August 25, 1962

TORONTO, Ontario
 CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION CONTEST
 CNE Stadium

1. **88.08** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 80.40 St Patrick's Cadets, Jersey City, NJ
3. 79.65 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 77.70 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
5. 77.30 Irondequoit Statesmen, Irondequoit, NY
6. 69.50 St John's College Girls, Brantford, ON

Sunday September 2, 1962

PITTSBURGH, Pennsylvania
 ALLEGHENY COUNTY FAIR
 IND - ALLEGHENY State Fair

The contest was rained out but each corps played in concert.

- Pittsburgh Rockets, Pittsburgh, PA
 Westshoremen-Bonnie Scots, Harrisburg, PA
 Colonials, Latrobe, PA
 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
 Madison Explorer Scouts, Madison, WI
Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON
 St Catherine's Queensmen, St Albans, NY
 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL

Saturday September 8, 1962

WATERLOO, Ontario
 CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
 Seagram Stadium
 CDCA - Flying Dutchmen Sr

Junior Class A:

1. **88.400** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 82.000 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 77.900 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
4. 73.650 Midtowners, Toronto, ON

1963 Scores/Results

The year began in late May with the Optimists heading to Jersey City for the Preview of Champions. We were not ready. We returned from Jersey and spent the next few weeks finalizing our show. We, then, made our first trip to the US Midwest for a June 30 competition in Mundelein, IL. We were still rough. The corps improved as the summer progressed and we scored an 89.0 at Nationals, the highest score that the Toronto Optimists ever received in a field competition. There was another major change in 1963. The last member of the 1958 corps aged out. We had lost that connection with the past.

Sunday May 26, 1963

JERSEY CITY, New Jersey
7TH PREVIEW OF CHAMPIONS
Roosevelt Stadium
IND - St Patrick's Cadets

Junior Class:

1. 82.88 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
2. 82.26 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
3. 78.51 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
4. **74.50** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
5. 57.05 Les Grenadiers, Shawinigan, QC

Saturday June 22, 1963

WELLAND, Ontario
ROSE FESTIVAL
CDCA - Rose Festival

1. **80.97** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 78.22 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 73.55 Emerald Cadets, Rochester, NY
4. 66.01 St John's College Girls, Brantford, ON
5. 61.66 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON

Sunday June 30, 1963

MUNDELEIN, Illinois
BLUE & GOLD TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS
IDBCA - Custers Brigade

Open Class:

1. 78.68 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
2. 75.37 Royal Airs, Chicago, IL
3. 72.64 Norwood Park Imperials, Norwood Park, IL
4. 72.29 Madison Explorer Scouts, Madison, WI
5. **71.73** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
6. 70.38 Belleville Black Knights, Belleville, IL

Monday July 1, 1963

PORT HOPE, Ontario
DOMINION DAY CELEBRATIONS
CDCA

1. **83.80** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 79.95 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 77.65 Conqueror, Hamilton, ON
4. 64.30 St John's College Girls, Brantford, ON
5. 62.15 Golden Monarchs, Toronto, ON

Saturday July 6, 1963

BRANTFORD, Ontario
ONTARIO JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS
Cockshutt Park
CDCA - St John's College Girls

1. **83.25** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 82.05 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 79.60 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
4. 77.90 Conqueror, Hamilton, ON
5. 72.50 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
6. 68.60 Golden Monarchs, Toronto, ON

Saturday July 13, 1963

LEROY, New York

8TH DISTRICT NEW YORK AMERICAN LEGION

1. 80.90 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. **75.40** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 73.50 Majestic Knights, Charleston, MA
4. 72.05 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY
5. 59.70 Conqueror, Hamilton, ON

Saturday July 20, 1963

TORONTO, Ontario

3RD, INVITATIONAL JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. 86.45 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. 79.05 Conqueror, Hamilton, ON
3. 77.15 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
4. 76.85 Emerald Cadets, Rochester, NY
5. 70.75 Golden Monarchs, Toronto, ON

Exhibition: York Lions, Marching Ambassadors

Saturday July 20, 1963 (added Aug 3, 2022)

FALCONER, NY

1. **80.95** **Toronto Optimists** (judged but in exhibition)
2. 75.15 Rochester Grey Knights
3. 73.15 Guelph Royales
4. 71.05 Jesters
5. 67.50 Niagara Memorial Militaires

Saturday July 27, 1963 (added Aug 3, 2022)

Waverly, NY

1. 83.76 Archer-Epler
2. 83.10 Skyliners
3. 80.32 Sunrisers
4. **79.00** **Toronto Optimists** (judged but in exhibition)
5. 69.38 Les Troubadours
6. 61.16 Vagabonds (judged but in exhibition)

July 28, 1963 (added Aug 3, 2022)

Salamanca, NY

1. **83.35** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 76.80 Skokie Vanguards
3. 71.15 Preston Scout House
4. 70.50 Emerald Cadets (Rochester)
5. 58.90 Appalachin Grenadiers

Saturday August 10, 1963

MEDINA, New York

New York-Canadian Association

1. 81.35 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. 78.10 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY
3. **75.30** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 69.40 Irondequoit Statesmen, Irondequoit, NY
5. 64.85 Conqueror, Hamilton, ON
6. 51.10 Alpine Girls, Rochester, NY

Saturday August 17, 1963

TITUSVILLE, Pennsylvania
5TH, MUSIC IN MOTION
Carter Field
IND - Lions Club

1. **87.914** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 86.445 Geneva Appleknockers Sr., Geneva, NY
3. 82.945 Hamburg Kingsmen, Hamburg, NY
4. 81.763 Niagara Memorial Militaires, Niagara Falls, ON
5. 76.036 Meadville Thunderbirds, Meadville, PA

Saturday August 24, 1963

SYRACUSE, New York
5TH, MUSIC IN MOTION
MacArthur Stadium
IND - Syracuse Brigadiers

Junior Class:

1. 79.40 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. **76.75** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 75.60 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ

Sunday September 1, 1963

PITTSBURGH, Pennsylvania
ALLEGHENY STATE FAIR
IND - Allegheny State Fair

1. 87.98 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
2. 86.47 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
3. **82.24** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 81.53 Madison Explorer Scouts, Madison, WI
5. 76.97 Pennsauken Vagabonds, Pennsauken, NJ
6. 76.73 Audubon Bon Bons, Audubon, NJ

Monday September 2, 1963

TORONTO, Ontario
CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION CONTEST
CNE Stadium
CDCA- Canadian National Exhibition

1. **85.20** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 84.15 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
3. 81.10 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 76.35 Irondequoit Statesmen, Irondequoit, NY
5. 71.40 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
6. 66.30 St John's College Girls, Brantford, ON

Saturday September 7, 1963

WATERLOO, Ontario
CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
Seagrams Stadium
CDCA- Flying Dutchmen

Finals:

1. **89.00** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 86.00 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 77.00 Conqueror, Hamilton, ON
4. 76.60 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON

Prelims:

1. **87.20** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 84.80 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 78.00 Conqueror, Hamilton, ON
4. 76.55 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
5. 74.30 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
6. 67.35 Golden Monarchs, Toronto, ON

Saturday September 28, 1963

ST CATHARINES, Ontario

PAGEANT OF DRUMS

CDCA - Grantham Police Boys

1. **83.70** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 82.20 Irondequoit Statesmen, Irondequoit, NY
3. 80.20 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 67.90 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
5. 63.80 York Lions, Toronto, ON
6. 59.10 St John's College Girls, Brantford, ON
7. 57.90 Golden Monarchs, Toronto, ON

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1964 Scores/Results

1964 was a rebuilding year. About half the corps had aged out at the end of 1963 and we had very few new recruits. During the winter we worked on some great, but very challenging new music. The problem was bodies. We didn't have enough! The only way to field a corps was to shut down the Bantam Optimists, our feeder corps, and put those "kids" on the field. It was a stressful year, no one outside the corps knew what was happening but we rose to the challenge and managed to win another Nationals.

Saturday June 27, 1964

WATERLOO, Ontario

WATERLOO BAND FESTIVAL ONTARIO INVITATIONAL

Seagram Stadium

CDCA - Flying Dutchmen Sr

Junior Class A:

1. **83.81** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 79.50 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 67.85 Conqueror, Hamilton, ON

Friday July 3, 1964

RACINE, Wisconsin

EAST-WEST SPECTACULAR

Horlick Athletic Field

IND JR - Boys of '76

1. 77.40 Boston Crusaders, Boston, MA
2. 75.50 Royal Airs, Chicago, IL
3. 73.90 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
4. 72.40 YMCA Kilties, Racine, WI
5. 66.30 Norwood Park Imperials, Norwood Park, IL
6. 66.20 Racine Explorer Scouts, Racine, WI
7. 64.80 Troopers, Casper, WY

8. 62.50 Spartans, Morton Grove, IL
9. **61.75** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
10. 58.35 Madison Explorer Scouts, Madison, WI

Sunday July 5, 1964

MENOMINEE, Michigan

DRUMS IN THE NORTH

IND JR - Northernaires

1. 78.65 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
2. 78.60 YMCA Kilties, Racine, WI
3. 77.20 Racine Explorer Scouts, Racine, WI
4. 75.70 St Paul Scouts, St Paul, MN
5. **72.20** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**

Saturday July 11, 1964

BRANTFORD, Ontario

MUSIC IN MOTION

Cockshutt Park

CDCA - St John's College Girls

1. **83.50** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 80.60 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 73.10 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
4. 67.80 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
5. 67.40 York Lions, Toronto, ON
6. 66.60 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON

Saturday July 18, 1964

SARNIA, Ontario
CHEMICAL VALLEY FESTIVAL
Norm Perry Park
CDCA

1. **86.70** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 80.95 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 79.55 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
4. 71.20 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
5. 70.20 St John's College Girls, Brantford, ON
6. 63.65 Marching Angels, Sarnia, ON

Saturday July 25, 1964

TORONTO, Ontario
CDCA - Marching Ambassadors

1. 83.45 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. **82.90** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 79.40 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 69.20 Conqueror, Hamilton, ON
5. 68.40 York Lions, Toronto, ON

Saturday August 8, 1964

ROCHESTER, New York
BUGLES AND DRUMS
Red Wing Stadium
IND JR - Grey Knight Lancers

1. 80.85 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. 79.20 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY
3. 74.55 Starlighters, Frankfort, NY
4. **74.00** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
5. 65.70 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
6. 57.90 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON

Sunday August 9, 1964

ATTICA, New York
IND JR -

1. 82.70 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. **77.55** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 67.35 Emerald Cadets, Rochester, NY
4. 65.20 Purple Lancers, Auburn, NY

Saturday August 15, 1964

HIGHLAND PARK, Illinois
BLUE & GOLD INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS
IND JR - Highland Park Jaycees & Custer's Brigade

1. 84.17 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
2. 79.28 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
3. 76.40 YMCA Kilties, Racine, WI
4. 74.63 Norwood Park Imperials, Norwood Park, IL
5. **73.77** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
6. 72.70 Racine Explorer Scouts, Racine,
7. 70.85 Skokie Vanguard, Skokie, IL
8. 62.93 Marion Glory Cadets, Marion, OH
9. 62.72 Madison Explorer Scouts, Madison, WI
10. 61.62 Cedar Rapids Cadets, Cedar Rapids, IA

Saturday August 22, 1964

TITUSVILLE, Pennsylvania
6TH MUSIC IN MOTION
Carter Field
IND JR - Titusville Lions Club

1. 81.753 Irondequoit Crusaders, Irondequoit, NY
2. **80.717** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 76.557 Hamburg Kingsmen, Hamburg, NY
4. 75.713 Canadian Commanders, Toronto-Hamilton, ON
5. 64.070 Cornplanters, Warren, PA

September 5, 1964

Shawinigan, QC

(Scores added on February 29, 2024)

- 1. **82.4** **Toronto Optimists**
- 2. 81.9 Les Diplomates
- 3. 81.2 De La Salle
- 4. 79.1 St Patrick Cadets
- 5. 73.7 Preston Scout House
- 6. 68.7 Shawinigan Grenadiers
- 7. 61.2 St Leonard Emperors

September 7, 1964

CNE, Toronto, ON

No scores found

Saturday September 12, 1964

TORONTO, Ontario

CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Varsity Stadium

CDCA - Metropolitan Toronto Police Association

Finals:

- 1. **84.35** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
- 2. 79.35 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
- 3. 77.75 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
- 4. 72.90 York Lions, Toronto, ON

Prelims:

- 1. **84.35** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
- 2. 80.20 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
- 3. 79.35 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
- 4. 73.35 York Lions, Toronto, ON
- 5. 72.45 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
- 6. 71.95 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
- 7. 70.85 Conqueror, Hamilton, ON
- 8. 67.95 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
- 9. 66.30 Les Grenadiers Kiwanis, Shawinigan, QC

1965 Scores/Results

This was a disappointing year in that we had lots of potential but too few contests. We were at the Chicago Opera House in February and did a pretty good show. And the show got better as the winter progressed. Competition, especially against corps that are better, helps the corps to improve. Unfortunately, during the summer we had three full weekends without a contest and, when there was a contest, it was usually just one contest for the whole weekend.

Saturday June 26, 1965

WATERLOO, Ontario
ONTARIO PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
Seagram Stadium
CDCA -Flying Dutchmen Sr

Junior Class A:

1. **75.300** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 67.000 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
3. 63.550 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON

Thursday July 1, 1965

PORT HOPE, Ontario
DOMINION DAY CONTEST
CDCA

1. **76.550** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 74.220 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 66.850 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
4. 55.550 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON

Saturday July 3, 1965

WELLAND, Ontario
ROSE FESTIVAL
CDCA

1. **81.450** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 77.000 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 74.650 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
4. 69.900 K of C St John's Girls, Brantford, ON
5. 66.600 Emerald Cadets, Rochester, NY

Saturday July 10, 1965

BRANTFORD, Ontario
MUSIC IN MOTION
Cockshutt Park
CDCA - K of C St John's Girls

1. **79.500** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 76.050 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 73.300 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
4. 52.500 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
5. 47.950 Alpine Girls, Rochester, NY

Saturday July 17, 1965

SARNIA, Ontario
CHEMICAL VALLEY INVITATIONAL
Norm Perry Park
CDCA

1. **80.700** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 74.400 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 72.300 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
4. 68.050 York Lions, Toronto, ON
5. 66.250 K of C St John's Girls, Brantford, ON
6. 60.550 Marching Angels, Sarnia, ON

Saturday, July 24, 1965

We did not have a contest this weekend. Instead we spent the day producing a 16mm movie of the corps at Ivor Wynne stadium in Hamilton.

Saturday July 31, 1965

HAMILTON, Ontario

GOLDEN HORSESHOE CONTEST

Civic Stadium

CDCA - Conqueror

1. **81.500** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 78.300 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 75.600 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
4. 64.500 K of C St John's Girls, Brantford, ON
5. 64.500 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
6. 41.450 Scott's Sabers, Rochester, NY

Saturday August 7, 1965

SARNIA, Ontario

LIONETTES 20TH ANNIVERSARY CONTEST

Norm Perry Park

CDCA - Lionettes

1. 80.000 Norwood Park Imperials, Norwood Park, IL
2. **78.650** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 74.250 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 64.650 Purple Lancers, Auburn, NY
5. 57.700 Appalachian Grenadiers, Appalachian, NY

Sunday August 8, 1965

ATTICA, New York

IND JR -

1. 77.400 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. **75.950** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 69.100 Marion Cadets, Marion, OH
4. 68.850 UDC Statesmen, Irondequoit, NY
5. 57.350 McHenry Viscounts, McHenry, IL

August 14, 1965

Blue and Gold Competition

Chicago, IL

The contest was cancelled. By the time we learned it was too late for us to book another. We had the weekend off.

August 21, 1965

One version of the schedule had us competing in the 1965 World Open. That never happened. My memory says that we would have had to do an abbreviated show for prelims which meant making major changes to the drill. We had, yet again, another weekend without a competition.

Saturday August 28, 1965

KINGSTON, New York

1ST POW-WOW OF JUNIOR CHAMPIONS

Dietz Stadium

IND JR - Troop 12 BSA Indians

1. 81.470 Troopers, Casper, WY
2. 81.216 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
3. **77.200** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 76.976 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY

Saturday September 4, 1965

SHAWINIGAN, Quebec

SEPTIEME CONCOURS INTERNATIONALE OUVERT

CDCA

1. **80.100** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 78.700 Les Diplomates, Quebec City, QC
3. 73.700 Lt. Norman Prince Princemen, Malden, MA
4. 67.300 Les Metropolitains Sr., Montreal, QC

Monday September 6, 1965

TORONTO, Ontario

CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION CONTEST

CNE Stadium

CDCA - Canadian National Exhibition

1. **81.960** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 80.200 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 68.550 K of C St John's Girls, Brantford, ON
4. 66.350 York Lions, Toronto, ON
5. 51.000 Golden Monarchs, Toronto, ON
6. 47.050 Gais Baladins, Ste-Jerome, QC

Saturday September 11, 1965

TORONTO, Ontario

CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Varsity Stadium

CDCA - Metropolitan Toronto Police Association

Finals:

1. **86.100** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 82.350 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 78.450 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
4. 74.950 York Lions, Toronto, ON

Prelims:

1. **84.350** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 79.750 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 77.300 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
4. 73.000 York Lions, Toronto, ON
5. 70.600 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
6. 66.850 Grantham Police Boys, St Catharines, ON
7. 66.300 Scout House Bugle Band, Preston, ON
8. 62.950 Arnprior Lions, Arnprior, ON

Saturday September 25, 1965

ST CATHARINES, Ontario

GRAPE FESTIVAL

CDCA - Grantham Police Boys

1. **81.600** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 79.100 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 72.700 York Lions, Toronto, ON
4. 63.900 K of C St John's Girls, Brantford, ON

1966 Scores/Results

This year, for the first time since 1961, the Optimists lost a contest to another Canadian corps. While we did win our 9th consecutive Nationals we lost prelims at the Nationals to the Cadets LaSalle, from Ottawa. In addition, LaSalle was only .5 behind at the Provincials on August 27th. For a corps that was 14 points behind us in June, this is amazing and they are to be congratulated. This rapid rise of LaSalle had another effect. It pushed De La Salle into third place.

Saturday June 4, 1966

BATAVIA, New York

IND JR - St Joseph's of Batavia

1. 81.920 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY
2. 79.830 Blue Rock, Wilmington, DE
3. 79.620 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
4. **76.970** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
5. 69.250 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY

Saturday June 11, 1966

LEOMINSTER, Massachusetts

JOHNNY APPLESEED FESTIVAL

Doyle Field

IND JR - Joannes

1. 78.310 Boston Crusaders, Boston, MA
2. 74.140 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY
3. **72.300** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 70.310 Pittsfield Cavaliers, Pittsfield, MA
5. 67.660 New York Kingsmen, Bronx, NY
6. 62.600 Les Empereurs, St-Leonard, QC

Saturday June 18, 1966

TORONTO, Ontario

2ND, SHRINER'S INTERNATIONAL

CNE Stadium

IND -

Junior Class:

1. **78.500** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 76.420 Royal Airs, Chicago, IL
3. 74.400 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 65.660 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON

Saturday June 25, 1966

KITCHENER, Ontario

CDCA -

1. **82.000** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 79.300 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 76.900 York Lions, Toronto, ON
4. 68.600 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
5. 60.500 K of C St John's Girls, Brantford, ON

Friday July 1, 1966

PORT HOPE, Ontario

DOMINION DAY CONTEST

CDCA -

1. **78.200** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 71.000 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 70.850 York Lions, Toronto, ON
4. 66.000 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
5. 63.650 Chessmen, St Catharines, ON
6. 54.950 Arnprior Lions, Arnprior, ON

Saturday July 9, 1966

BRANTFORD, Ontario
 MUSIC IN MOTION
 Cockshutt Park
 CDCA - K of C St John's Girls

1. **78.050** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 71.800 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. 69.100 Chessmen, St Catharines, ON
4. 52.050 Marching Angels, Sarnia, ON
5. 51.250 Les Marquises d'Auteuil, Laval, QC

Saturday July 16, 1966

SARNIA, Ontario
 CHEMICAL VALLEY FESTIVAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
 Norm Perry Park
 CDCA

1. **82.800** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 78.400 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
3. 77.150 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 73.950 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
5. 66.850 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
6. 61.450 OLHR Queensmen, Kenosha, WI
7. 51.650 Marching Angels, Sarnia, ON

Sunday, July 17, 1966

Flint, MI

 No scores found

Friday July 22, 1966

NEW HAVEN, Connecticut
 TOURNAMENT OF DRUMS
 Bowen Field
 IND JR - Connecticut Royal Lancers

1. 77.750 St Lucy's Cadets, Newark, NJ
2. 75.650 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
3. 74.800 St Raphael's Golden Buccaneers, Bridgeport, CT
4. 73.050 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
5. **72.866** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
6. 68.316 Milford Shoreliners, Milford, CT

Saturday July 23, 1966

GARFIELD, New Jersey
 GARFIELD INVITATIONAL
 IND JR - Garfield Cadets

1. 85.866 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
2. 83.583 St Lucy's Cadets, Newark, NJ
3. 82.016 St. Kevin's Emerald Knights, Dorchester, MA
4. 80.700 Hawthorne Muchachos, Hawthorne, NJ
5. **80.116** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
6. 77.133 St. Joseph Patron Cadets
7. 66.900 Townsman

Saturday July 30, 1966

MIDDLEPORT, New York
 IND JR -

1. 86.710 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. **85.570** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 80.470 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 76.600 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
5. 74.440 Emerald Statesmen, Rochester, NY

Saturday, August 6, 1966

Sarnia, ON

1. **82.8** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 80.3 De La Salle
3. 73.2 St Pat's
4. 70.1 Marion Cadets
5. 68.1 Jackson's Raiders
6. 64.9 Laneurs
7. 61.8 Marauders

Saturday August 13, 1966

KINGSTON, New York

POW WOW OF JUNIOR CHAMPIONS

Dietz Memorial Stadium

IND JR - Kingston Troop 12 BSA Indians

1. 86.100 St Lucy's Cadets, Newark, NJ
2. 85.550 Bridgeport PAL Cadets, Bridgeport, CT
3. 85.320 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY
4. **81.760** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
5. 81.450 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
6. 79.400 Bronx Kingsmen, Bronx, NY

Saturday, August 20, 1966

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No scores found

Saturday August 27, 1966

KITCHENER, Ontario

ONTARIO PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

CDCA - Flying Dutchmen Sr.

Finals

1. **82.950** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 82.400 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. 79.050 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 73.900 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
5. 72.950 York Lions, Toronto, ON

Prelims

1. **84.050** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 79.550 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON

Saturday, September 3, 1966

Shawinigan, QC

No scores found

Monday, September 5, 1966

(Updated on June 19, 2023)

Toronto, ON

CNE contest

1. **81.000** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 79.900 De La Salle
3. 74.400 York Lions
4. 74.250 LaSalle Cadets (5 point penalty)
5. 68.960 Chessmen (2.5 point penalty)

Saturday, September 10, 1966

(Added on June 19, 2023)

Hamilton, ON

Commanders' contest

1. **80.100** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 76.000 De La Salle
3. 72.300 York Lions
4. 70.550 Chessmen

Saturday, September 24, 1966

(Added on June 19, 2023)

St Catharines, ON

Grape Festival

1. **82.900** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 68.800 St Johns

Saturday September 17, 1966

MONTREAL, Quebec

CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Autostade

CDCA

Finals:

1. **86.000** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 83.650 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. 80.050 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 76.700 York Lions, Toronto, ON

Prelims:

1. 81.800 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
2. **81.050** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 78.950 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 78.700 York Lions, Toronto, ON
5. 78.000 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
6. 74.500 Chessmen, St Catharines, ON
7. 72.200 Les Grenadiers Kiwanis, Shawinigan, QC
8. 68.550 Arnprior Lions, Arnprior, ON
9. 66.250 Les Olympians, Verdun, QC

1967 Scores/Results

This year saw the continued rise of the Cadets LaSalle. Once again they took prelims at Nationals but Optimists came home with their tenth consecutive Nationals title. The competition was, however, heating up. De La Salle, while still in third place, were working hard to improve. Part of this process involved bringing former Optimists on staff. This approach would soon reap benefits.

Saturday June 10, 1967 (updated Aug 4, 2022)

BATAVIA, New York
AJC - St Joseph's of Batavia

1. **78.950** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 78.210 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY
3. 75.660 Marion Cadets
4. 74.300 Junior Appleknockers
5. 65.65 Chessmen

Saturday June 17, 1967

TORONTO, Ontario
SHRINER'S INTERNATIONAL
CNE Stadium
IND JR - Rameses Temple

1. 85.283 Boston Crusaders, Boston, MA
2. 81.650 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
3. **79.216** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 76.833 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
5. 76.000 YMCA Kilties, Racine, WI
6. 71.950 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
7. 70.180 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON

Saturday June 24, 1967

WELLAND, Ontario
ROSE FESTIVAL
CDCA -

1. **77.960** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 70.960 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. 69.630 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 55.200 K of C St John's Girls, Brantford, ON

Saturday July 1, 1967

PORT HOPE, Ontario
DOMINION DAY CONTEST
CDCA - Kinsmen Club

1. **83.910** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 82.310 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. 79.150 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 70.210 Arnprior Lions, Arnprior, ON
5. 66.580 K of C St John's Girls, Brantford, ON

Saturday July 15, 1967

SARNIA, Ontario
CHEMICAL VALLEY INVITATIONAL
Norm Perry Park
CDCA

1. **83.100** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 82.580 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. ? Racine Explorer Scouts, Racine, WI

Saturday July 22, 1967

GARFIELD, New Jersey
 20TH, GARFIELD INVITATIONAL
 JFK Memorial Stadium
 IND JR - Garfield Cadets

1. 79.480 St Lucy's Cadets, Newark, NJ
2. 79.330 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
3. 77.230 New York Kingsmen, Bronx, NY
4. 75.660 St Raphael's Golden Buccaneers, Bridgeport, CT
5. **75.030** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
6. 75.030 Hawthorne Muchachos, Hawthorne, NJ
7. 74.030 St Kevin's Emerald Knights, Dorchester, MA
8. 47.780 Kingston Troop 12 Indians, Kingston, NY

Saturday July 29, 1967

TORONTO, Ontario
 East York Stadium
 CDCA

Junior Class:

1. **76.610** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 65.740 Chessmen, St Catharines, ON
3. 53.500 Michael Power Knights, Etobicoke, ON

Saturday August 5, 1967

LEROY, New York
 ASSOCIATED JUNIOR CORPS CHAMPIONSHIPS
 Hartwood Park
 AJC

1. 84.660 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. 81.100 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY
3. **80.400** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 77.460 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
5. 69.560 Chessmen, St Catharines, ON

Saturday, August 12, 1967

Seneca Falls, NY

No scores found

Friday August 18, 1967

NEW YORK, New York
 NATIONAL JUBILEE
 Baker Field - Columbia University
 IND SR/JR - New York Kingsmen

Junior:

1. 85.650 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
2. 83.166 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
3. 81.238 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
4. 80.550 Blue Rock, Wilmington, DE
5. **78.466** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
6. 66.766 St Aeden's Emerald Cadets, New Haven, CT
7. 56.650 Kingston Trooper 12 Indians, Kingston, NY

Saturday August 19, 1967

KINGSTON, New York
 3RD, POW-WOW OF JUNIOR CHAMPIONS
 Dietz Memorial Stadium
 IND JR - Troop 12 BSA Indians

1. 83.030 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
2. 81.760 St Lucy's Cadets, Newark, NJ
3. 80.500 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
4. 78.760 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
5. **77.510** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
6. 76.680 New York Kingsmen, Bronx, NY
7. 74.560 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY

Saturday August 26, 1967

WATERLOO, Ontario (added scores on Aug 4, 2022)

ONTARIO PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Seagram Stadium

CDCA -

Junior Class A:

1. **86.516** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 84.133 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. 82.366 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON

Tuesday August 29, 1967

NEWTON, Massachusetts

CYO NATIONALS

Boston College Stadium

IND JR - CYO Boston Diocese

1. 88.080 Boston Crusaders, Boston, MA
2. 84.830 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
3. 84.760 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
4. 81.630 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
5. 80.860 Royal Airs, Chicago, IL
6. 80.050 St Lucy's Cadets, Newark, NJ
7. 78.500 Blue Rock, Wilmington, DE
8. 77.780 St Mary's Cardinals, Beverly, MA
9. 76.810 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
10. 75.160 St Kevin's Emerald Knights, Dorchester, MA
11. **74.800** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
12. 74.680 Hawthorne Muchachos, Hawthorne, NJ
13. 74.230 IC Reveries, Revere, MA
14. 71.680 Bridgeport PAL Cadets, Bridgeport, CT

Saturday September 2, 1967

TORONTO, Ontario

NORTH AMERICAN INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Varsity Stadium

IND JR -

1. 87.200 Boston Crusaders, Boston, MA
2. 85.333 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
3. 83.216 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
4. **83.000** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
5. 77.083 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
6. 75.100 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
7. 73.933 Muchachos, Hawthorne, NJ

Monday September 4, 1967 (added scores on Aug 4, 2022)

TORONTO, Ontario

CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION CONTEST

CNE Stadium

CDCA

1. **83.350** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 78.630 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. 74.410 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 67.650 Chessmen
5. 59.600 St Johns

Friday September 8, 1967

OTTAWA, Ontario

CDCA

1. **86.000** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 83.650 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. 80.050 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 76.700 Arnprior Lions, Arnprior, ON

Saturday September 9, 1967

OTTAWA, Ontario

CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Lansdowne Park

CDCA - Cadets LaSalle

Finals:

1. **86.316** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 86.100 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. 81.066 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 77.416 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON

Prelims:

1. 84.216 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
2. **83.783** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 82.466 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 79.330 Sertomanaires, Sarnia, ON
5. 78.216 Les Metropolitains, Montreal, QC
6. 73.683 Arnprior Lions, Arnprior, ON
7. 70.133 Les Olympians, Verdun, QC

1968 Scores/Results

All of the changes that De La Salle had made in recent years were starting to pay off. For the first time since 1961 they beat the Optimists. Not just once but many times!! This year there was also a new player in Junior "A", a rising star from Quebec: Les Metropolitains who sometimes pushed the Cadets LaSalle into fourth place. The Optimists worked hard, continued to improve, and at the CNE contest, just days before Nationals, they beat Del. Optimists took home their eleventh consecutive Nationals.

Saturday June 1, 1968

BATAVIA, New York

AJC - St Joseph's of Batavia

1. 72.220 **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 71.680 OLHR Queensmen, Kenosha, WI
3. 66.130 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
4. 52.980 Castlemen, Conklin, NY

Saturday June 15, 1968

TORONTO, Ontario

SHRINER'S INTERNATIONAL

C.N.E. Stadium

IND JR -

1. 80.760 Boston Crusaders, Boston, MA
2. 80.200 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
3. 74.380 Kilties, Racine, WI
4. 72.980 **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
5. 71.930 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
6. 69.960 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON

Saturday June 22, 1968

SMITH FALLS, Ontario

CDCA-Central Canada Circuit - OYB Lamplighters

Afternoon Contest

1. 74.666 **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 71.383 Les Metropolitains, Verdun, QC
3. 60.366 Hi-Risers, Arnprior, ON
4. 50.066 Kingston Indians, Kingston, NY

Saturday June 22, 1968

KINGSTON, Ontario

CDCA - Kiwanis Centennials

Night Contest

1. 77.900 Les Metropolitains, Verdun, QC
2. 75.580 **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 73.510 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON

Saturday, June 29, 1968

Etobicoke, ON

Michael Power Contest

No scores found

Saturday July 6, 1968

BRANTFORD, Ontario
 MUSIC IN MOTION
 Cockshutt Park
 CDCA - K of C John's Girls

1. 77.133 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. **76.933** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 73.566 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
4. 55.133 Scarborough Firefighters, Scarborough, ON
5. 50.766 Optimist Midlanders, London-Woodstock, ON
6. 50.600 Chessmen, St Catharines, ON
7. 45.400 Marching Angels, Sarnia, ON

Saturday July 13, 1968

SARNIA, Ontario
 Norm Perry Park
 CDCA - Marching Diplomats

1. 72.266 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. **70.421** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 68.210 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON

Saturday July 20, 1968

FRANKLIN, Pennsylvania
 PAGEANT OF BRASS
 Miller-Sibley Field
 AJC - Cornplanters

1. 75.100 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. **70.700** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 60.750 Twin City Imperials, Oil City, PA
4. 60.720 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
5. 55.600 Cleveland Caballeros, Cleveland, OH

Saturday July 27, 1968

OGDENSBURG, New York
 BATTLE OF THE DRUMS
 Ogdensburg Free Academy
 AJC

1. 77.450 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. **74.750** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 71.850 Les Metropolitains, Verdun, QC
4. 71.130 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
5. 52.910 Emerald Cadets, Rochester, NY

Saturday August 3, 1968

LEROY, New York
 ASSOCIATED JUNIOR CORPS CHAMPIONSHIPS
 Notre Dame HS
 AJC

1. 85.800 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. **79.950** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 76.400 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
4. 73.710 Les Metropolitains, Verdun, QC
5. 72.680 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
6. 60.880 Chessmen, St Catharines, ON
7. 60.660 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY

Saturday August 10, 1968

SENECA FALLS, New York
 AQUA FESTIVAL
 AJC - Aqua Festival

1. 72.616 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. **64.866** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 59.350 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
4. 59.916 Marion Glory Cadets, Marion, OH
5. 52.283 Debonnaires, Norwood, MA

Saturday August 17, 1968

TORONTO, Ontario
NORTH AMERICAN INVITATIONAL
Varsity Stadium
IND JR -

1. 85.300 Troopers, Casper, WY
2. 82.583 Des Plaines Vanguard, Des Plaines, IL
3. 81.983 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
4. 77.560 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
5. **76.383 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
6. 71.266 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON

Saturday August 24, 1968

WATERLOO, Ontario
ONTARIO PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
Seagram Stadium
CDCA - Flying Dutchmen

Junior Class A:

1. 80.333 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. **79.766 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 78.116 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
4. 69.300 Hi-Risers, Arnprior, ON
5. 64.500 Chessmen, St Catharines, ON

Saturday August 31, 1968 (added scores on Aug 4, 2022)

SARNIA, Ontario
CAVALCADE OF MUSIC
Norm Perry Park
CDCA - Marching Angels

1. 85.78 Toronto Optimists
2. 81.58 Royal Lancers, Michigan
3. 66.08 Guelph Opti-Knights
4. 62.20 Sarnia Marching Diplomats

Monday September 2, 1968

TORONTO, Ontario
CNE LABOUR DAY CONTEST
C.N.E. Stadium
CDCA - Canadian National Exhibition

Class A:

1. **82.360 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 81.060 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 76.950 Cadets La Salle, Ottawa, ON

Saturday September 7, 1968

KINGSTON, Ontario
CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
Richardson Stadium - Queens University
CDCA - Kiwanis Centennials

Finals:

1. **79.033 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 78.300 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 73.666 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON

Prelims:

1. **81.830 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 80.630 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON+
3. 80.430 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON+
4. 76.000 Les Metropolitains, Verdun, QC+
5. ? Vicomtes-Palestre-Nationale, Montreal, QC
6. ? Hi-Risers, Arnprior, ON*
7. ? Chessmen, St Catharines, ON*
8. ? Conquistadores, Drummondville, QC*

1969 Scores/Results

It finally happened. De La Salle bested Optimists in every contest this year. In addition, Del won their first Nationals and put an end to Optimists streak of National titles. Del took Nationals by 1/20th of a point, the same margin by which Optimists beat Del in 1961. Del was now the dominant corps and Optimists would not beat them again until 1972.

Saturday June 7, 1969

TORONTO, Ontario

SPECTACLE OF BRASS

Porter Stadium

CDCA - De La Salle Oaklands

1. 67.650 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
2. 67.300 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
3. **62.150** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 61.600 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
5. 49.550 Les Metropolitains, Verdun, QC
6. 45.700 Scarborough Firefighters, Scarborough, ON

Sunday June 8, 1969

BATAVIA, New York

ST JOSEPH'S ANNUAL CONTEST

Woodward Field

AJC - St Joseph's of Batavia

1. 75.700 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. 71.900 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
3. **70.850** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 67.200 Les Metropolitains, Verdun, QC
5. 61.100 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY
6. 49.450 Castlemen, Conklin, NY

Saturday June 14, 1969

OTTAWA, Ontario

Lansdowne Park

PARADE OF CHAMPIONS

CDCA - OYB Lamplitters

- 1 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
- 2 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
- 3 **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
- 4 Les Metropolitains, Verdun, QC

Saturday June 21, 1969

TORONTO, Ontario

SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL PAGEANT

CNE Stadium

IND JR -

1. 80.950 Kilties, Racine, WI
2. 79.050 Boston Crusaders, Boston, MA
3. 78.800 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Newark, NJ
4. 75.650 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
5. 74.300 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
6. 73.660 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
7. **73.650** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
8. 60.200 Les Metropolitains, Verdun, QC

Saturday, June 28 1969

Geneva, NY

No scores found

Tuesday July 1, 1969

PORT HOPE, Ontario
 KINSMEN DOMINION DAY CONTEST
 CDCA - Kinsmen Club

Afternoon Contest

1. 78.250 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
2. **76.200** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 56.350 Scarborough Firefighters, Scarborough, ON
4. 53.550 Les Compagnons, Embrun, ON
5. 40.300 Les Mousquetaires, Ste-Jerome, QC

Saturday July 5, 1969

UTICA, New York
 9TH, RHYTHM IN MOTION
 AJC - Magnificent Yankees

1. 75.350 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. **70.950** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 70.000 Cadets La Salle, Ottawa, ON
4. 64.100 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
5. 58.590 Les Metropolitains, Verdun, QC

Saturday July 12, 1969

MICHIGAN CITY, Indiana
 MICHIGAN CITY SUMMER FESTIVAL
 Ames Field
 IDBCA - Michigan City Summer Festival

1. 76.900 Kilties, Racine, WI
2. 76.500 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
3. 64.750 Nisei Ambassadors, Chicago, IL
4. **63.950** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
5. 60.500 Norwood Park Imperials, Norwood Park, IL
6. 60.100 Argonne Rebels, Great Bend, KS
7. 57.000 Marion Cadets, Marion, OH
8. 55.200 Spectacle City Mariners, Greendale, WI

9. 33.050 Maple City Cadets, LaPorte, IN
10. 30.600 Vacationland Sweethearts, Port Clinton, OH

Sunday July 13, 1969

WOODSTOCK, Illinois
 V.J. DAY PAGEANT
 Woodstock HS
 IDBCA -

1. 75.850 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
2. 71.350 Des Plaines Vanguard, Des Plaines, IL
3. **65.750** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 65.000 Nisei Ambassadors, Chicago, IL
5. 62.050 Marion Cadets, Marion, OH
6. 61.400 Norwood Park Imperials, Norwood Park, IL
7. 57.250 Spectacle City Mariners, Greendale, WI

Saturday, July 19, 1969

Sarnia, ON

No scores found

Saturday July 26, 1969

DEPEW, New York
 DIAMOND JUBILEE
 Dawson Field
 AJC - St Joseph's of Batavia

1. 76.050 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. **74.400** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 58.850 Cleveland Caballeros, Cleveland, OH
4. 57.900 Castlemen, Conklin, NY
5. 54.900 Les Compagnons, Embrun, ON

Saturday August 2, 1969

VERDUN, Quebec

ASSOCIATED JUNIOR CORPS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Verdun Municipal Stadium

AJC - Les Metropolitains

1. 78.200 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. 74.200 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. **71.850** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 67.600 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
5. 59.850 Les Metropolitains, Verdun, QC
6. 57.900 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY
7. 49.400 Castlemen, Conklin, NY

Sunday August 3, 1969

MEAFORD, Ontario

MUSIC IN BRASS

CDCA

- 1 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
- 2 **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
- 3 Scarborough Firefighters, Scarborough, ON
- 4 K of C St John's Girls, Brantford, ON

Saturday August 9, 1969

TITUSVILLE, Pennsylvania

MUSIC IN MOTION

Carter Field

IND JR - Titusville Lions Club

1. 73.400 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. **73.250** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 61.400 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
4. 48.550 Twin City Imperials, Oil City, PA
5. 31.800 Sundowners, Warren, PA

Sunday August 10, 1969

TORONTO, Ontario

NORTH AMERICAN INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Varsity Stadium

IND JR -

1. 83.700 Troopers, Casper, WY
2. 77.950 Des Plaines Vanguard, Des Plaines, IL
3. 76.050 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
4. 73.050 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
5. **70.450** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
6. 67.050 Blue Rock, Wilmington, DE
7. 58.400 Les Metropolitains, Verdun, QC

Saturday August 16, 1969

MARION, Ohio

U.S. OPEN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Harding Stadium

IND JR - U.S. Open Commission

Open Class Final:

1. 84.200 Kilties, Racine, WI
2. 74.750 Argonne Rebels, Great Bend, KS
3. **74.350** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 73.200 Blue Rock, Wilmington, DE
5. 72.450 Madison Explorer Scouts, Madison, WI
6. 66.400 Nisei Ambassadors, Chicago, IL
7. 62.050 Belleville Black Knights, Belleville, IL
8. 59.750 Marion Cadets, Marion, OH
9. 59.100 Norwood Park Imperials, Norwood Park, IL
10. 55.400 OLHR Queensmen, Kenosha, WI

Saturday August 23, 1969

WATERLOO, Ontario
ONTARIO PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
Seagrams Stadium
CDCA - Flying Dutchmen

1. 77.65 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. **75.15** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 74.35 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
4. 72.50 Royalaires
5. 69.20 Midlanders
6. 65.15 Scarborough Firefighters
7. 64.65 Les Compagnons
8. 63.65 Ambassadors
9. 61.20 St Johns
10. 51.65 Sarnia Marching Angels
11. 49.10 O.Y.B. Lamplitters

Sunday, August 24, 1969

tentative contest in Windsor, ON

No scores found

Saturday, August 30, 1969

York Stadium. Toronto, ON

All I could find are these two scores

- 73.10 Toronto Optimists
69.15 Cadets LaSalle

Monday September 1, 1969

TORONTO, Ontario
C.N.E. LABOUR DAY CONTEST
CNE Stadium
CDCA -Canadian National Exhibition

I found two different sets of results for this contest. The first is from GCC.

1. 82.850 De La Salle
2. **82.550** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 62.200 St Johns

in this option LaSalle was there but St John's wasn't

1. **82.360** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
2. 80.060 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. 76.950 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON

Saturday September 6, 1969

OTTAWA, Ontario
CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
Lansdowne Park
CDCA - Cadets LaSalle

Finals:

1. 80.850 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. **80.800** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
3. 78.650 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
4. 49.350 Vicomtes de la Palestre-Nationale, Montreal, QC

1970 Scores/Results

1970 and 1971 were rebuilding years for the Optimists. The calibre of drum corps in Canada had improved and it would take a lot of work if the corps wanted to make it, once again, to the top.

Saturday June 20, 1970

TORONTO, Ontario
6TH, SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL
CNE Stadium
IND JR - Rameses Shrine Temple AAONMS

1. 78.675 Kilties, Racine, WI
2. 76.875 27TH Lancers, Revere, MA
3. 76.050 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
4. 75.225 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
5. 72.555 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
6. **68.875** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
7. 65.500 Belleville Black Knights, Belleville, IL

Saturday June 27, 1970

GENEVA, New York
DRUMS ALONG THE SENECA
Boswell Field
AJC - Appleknockers

1. 77.450 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. 72.700 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. **66.550** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 60.500 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY

Friday July 10, 1970

MICHIGAN CITY, Indiana
1ST, MICHIGAN CITY SUMMER FESTIVAL
Ames Field
IND JR - City of Michigan City

1. 77.600 Santa Clara Vanguard, Santa Clara, CA
2. 77.550 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
3. 77.350 1ST Federal Blue Stars, La Crosse, WI
4. 74.000 Madison Explorer Scouts, Madison, WI
5. 66.950 Sky Ryders, Hutchinson, KS
6. **61.150** **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
7. 54.900 Spectacle City Mariners, Greendale, WI
8. 51.900 VIP'S, Washington, DC

Saturday July 11, 1970

MILWAUKEE, Wisconsin
NORTH AMERICAN OPEN
Marquette Stadium
IND JR - Milwaukee Rangers

Finals:

1. 82.500 Santa Clara Vanguard, Santa Clara, CA
2. 81.650 Troopers, Casper, WY
3. 80.350 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
4. 77.750 Madison Explorer Scouts, Madison, WI
5. 76.950 1ST Federal Blue Stars, La Crosse, WI
6. 76.450 Kilties, Racine, WI
7. 74.850 Argonne Rebels, Great Bend, KS
8. 74.450 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
9. 71.600 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
10. 70.500 St Paul Scouts, St Paul, MN

Prelims:

1. 84.200 Cavaliers, Park Ridge, IL
2. 83.850 Troopers, Casper, WY
3. 82.850 Santa Clara Vanguard, Santa Clara, CA
4. 82.350 1ST Federal Blue Stars, La Crosse, WI

5. 81.200 Kilties, Racine, WI
6. 80.450 Madison Explorer Scouts, Madison, WI
7. 80.050 Argonne Rebels, Great Bend, KS
8. 78.950 Garfield Cadets, Garfield, NJ
9. 78.350 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
10. 77.100 St Paul Scouts, St Paul, MN
11. 75.350 Des Plaines Vanguard, Des Plaines, IL
12. 75.100 Velvet Knights, Buena Park, CA
13. 74.850 Racine Explorer Scouts, Racine, WI
14. 74.350 Sky Ryders, Hutchinson, KS
15. 73.100 Norwood Park Imperials, Norwood Park, IL
- 16. 72.900 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
17. 71.100 Colt .45's, Dubuque, IA
18. 70.850 St Matthias Cadets, Milwaukee, WI
19. 70.800 Belleville Black Knights, Belleville, IL
20. 70.200 Kewanee Black Knights, Kewanee, IL
21. 69.350 Thunderbolts, Cedarburg, WI
22. 68.650 Silver Sabres, Salina, KS
23. 63.550 Seattle Imperials, Seattle, WA
24. 62.650 Royal Lancers, Wyandotte, MI

Sunday July 12, 1970

MADISON, Wisconsin
 18TH, DRUMS ON PARADE
 James Madison Memorial Field
 IND JR - Madison Explorer Scouts

Open Class:

1. 80.600 Troopers, Casper, WY
2. 79.350 Santa Clara Vanguard, Santa Clara, CA
3. 78.500 1ST Federal Blue Stars, La Crosse, WI
4. 76.950 Kilties, Racine, WI
5. 68.250 Racine Explorer Scouts, Racine, WI
- 6. 66.000 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**

Saturday July 18, 1970

TORONTO, Ontario
 FANFARE OF BUGLES, THUNDER OF DRUMS
 Porter Stadium
 CDCA - Toronto Optimists

1. 80.600 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
2. 77.550 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
- 3. 74.150 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
4. 65.400 Scarborough Firefighters, Scarborough, ON
5. 65.350 Midlanders, London-Woodstock, ON
6. 62.100 Chatelaines de Laval, Laval, QC
7. 53.400 St John's Girls, Brantford, ON

Saturday July 25, 1970

OGDENSBURG, New York
 BATTLE ON THE DRUMS
 Ogdensburg Free Academy
 AJC - Junior Chamber of Commerce

1. 82.600 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. 76.750 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. 74.150 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 67.350 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
- 5. 62.600 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**

Saturday August 1, 1970

UTICA, New York

ASSOCIATED JUNIOR CORPS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Notre Dame Stadium

AJC - Magnificent Yankees

1. 74.650 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
2. 73.100 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. 67.000 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
4. **64.500 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
5. 62.600 Magnificent Yankees, Utica, NY
6. 54.650 Marauders, Madison Heights, MI
7. 53.050 Midlanders, London-Woodstock, ON
8. 52.950 Chatelaines de Laval, Laval, QC
9. 37.500 Castlemen, Conklin, NY

Sunday August 9, 1970

TORONTO, Ontario

THE NORTH AMERICAN INVITATIONAL

Varsity Stadium

IND JR - International Entersport Ltd.

1. 80.950 Troopers, Casper, WY
2. 79.350 Cavaliers, Chicago, IL
3. 78.400 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
4. 75.350 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
5. 73.950 Anaheim Kingsmen, Anaheim, CA
6. 72.800 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
7. **66.650 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**

Saturday, August 15, 1970

tentative contest in Marion, OH

US Open

No prelim scores found. If Optimists went, they did not make finals.

Saturday August 22, 1970

WATERLOO, Ontario

ONTARIO PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Seagrams Stadium

CDCA - Flying Dutchmen

Junior A Class:

1. 81.850 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
2. 79.550 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
3. **74.580 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**

Saturday August 29, 1970

TITUSVILLE, Pennsylvania

MUSIC IN MOTION

Carter Field

AJC - Titusville Lions Club

- 1 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
- 2 **Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**
- 3 St Joseph's of Batavia, Batavia, NY
- 4 Appleknockers, Geneva, NY
- 5 Marauders, Madison Heights, MI

Monday, September 7, 1970

tentative contest in Toronto, ON

CNE Contest

No scores found

Saturday September 12, 1970

TORONTO, Ontario

CANADIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Varsity Stadium

CDCA

Junior Class A:

1. 84.000 De La Salle Oaklands, Toronto, ON
2. 83.150 Cadets LaSalle, Ottawa, ON
3. **77.750 Toronto Optimists, Toronto, ON**

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1971 Scores/Results

Saturday, June 5, 1971

contest in Toronto, ON

Optimists in exhibition

Saturday, June 12, 1971

contest in Ottawa, ON

1. 74.600 De La Salle Oaklands
2. 69.650 Cadets LaSalle
3. 63.35 Scarborough Firefighters
4. **61.800** **Optimists**
5. 58.30 Syracuse Mauraders

June 19, 1971

Shriner's International
Toronto Ont Canada

1. 78.200 27th Lancers
2. 77.500 Garfield Cadets
3. 76.550 Blue Rock
4. 74.700 De La Salle Oaklands
5. 74.500 Blue Stars
6. 67.100 Cadets LaSalle
7. **61.900** **Optimists**

July 3, 1971

Champions in Motion
Etobicoke ON Canada

1. 79.950 De La Salle Oaklands
2. **69.700** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 69.550 Scarborough Firefighters

July 10, 1971

Garfield Cadets Show
Garfield NJ

1. 83.200 Blue Rock
2. 80.950 Anaheim Kingsmen
3. 78.600 27th Lancers
4. 78.550 Garfield Cadets
5. 77.850 Boston Crusaders
6. 72.100 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights
7. 70.900 St. Joseph's of Batavia
8. **55.350** **Toronto Optimists**

July 11, 1971

Long Island NY

1. 83.500 Anaheim Kingsmen
2. 81.400 Blue Rock
3. 81.050 Garfield Cadets
4. 80.500 Boston Crusaders
5. 79.350 27th Lancers
6. 73.950 Blessed Sacrament
7. 72.850 St. Joseph's of Batavia
8. **64.900** **Toronto Optimists**
9. 58.350 Speigleaires

July 13, 1971

North American Invitational
Toronto ON

1. 84.500 Santa Clara Vanguard
2. 81.800 Troopers
3. 80.950 The Cavaliers
4. 78.500 Madison Scouts
5. 78.250 De La Salle Oaklands
6. 74.950 Blue Stars
7. 69.550 Argonne Rebels
- 8. 63.300 Toronto Optimists**
9. 63.250 Scarborough Firefighters

Saturday, July 17, 1971

contest in Titusville, PA

No scores found

Saturday, July 24, 1971

contest in Scarborough, ON

No scores found

August 2, 1971

Alhambra Invitational
Toronto Canada

1. 79.400 27th Lancers
2. 75.250 De La Salle Oaklands
3. 74.450 Boston Crusaders
4. 72.500 St. Joseph's of Batavia
5. 72.000 Kilties
6. 69.400 Des Plaines Vanguard

7. **68.200** Toronto Optimists
8. 58.800 Fire Fighters
9. 51.750 Midlanders

Saturday, August 7, 1971

tentative contest in Sarnia, ON

1. St Pat's Imperials
- 2. Toronto Optimists (.6 behind)**

August 15, 1971

Windsor, ON

1. De La Salle
- 2. Toronto Optimists (.75 behind)**

August 21, 1971

Algonac, MI

1. 85.400 Toronto Optimists

August 29, 1971

National Junior Invitational
Toronto ON Canada

1. 83.100 De La Salle Oaklands
- 2. 78.900 Toronto Optimists**
3. 75.850 Cadets Lasalle
4. 72.550 Scarborough Firefighters
5. 67.350 Les Chatelaines
6. 67.000 Les Compagnons
7. 66.800 St. John's Girls

1972 Scores/Results

Optimists had great music in 1972 as well as a great corps that was planning on putting the Toronto Optimists back on top. In their first meeting the corps was behind, but close to, De La Salle. As the summer progressed they stayed behind – all the way to September. On September 2nd, in Hamilton, the Optimists beat De La Salle for the first time since 1969! The next day, at Nationals, Optimists came in second at prelims but won the finals in a VERY tightly contested contest. The final scores were 81.4, 81.3 and 81.25. Optimists had won their twelfth National title.

June 3, 1972

Preview of Champions
Scarborough ON Canada

1. 76.850 De La Salle Oaklands
2. **76.500** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 73.150 Cadets La Salle
4. 61.750 Princemen (ON)
5. 61.400 Opti-Knights
6. 58.650 Etobicoke Crusaders
7. 56.850 St. John's Girls
8. 45.250 Flying Dutchmen

June 17, 1972

Shriner's International
Hamilton Ont Canada

1. 81.500 27th Lancers
2. 78.500 Blue Stars
3. 77.300 Blue Rock
4. 76.100 Kilties
5. 75.500 Garfield Cadets
6. 74.650 De La Salle Oaklands
7. 73.700 CMCC Warriors
8. **68.750** **Toronto Optimists**

July 1, 1972

Kinsmen Club Show
Ajax ON Canada

1. 76.800 De La Salle Oaklands
2. **73.750** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 72.900 Cadets La Salle
4. 64.200 Opti-Knights
5. 61.800 Etobicoke Crusaders
6. 47.800 O.Y.B. Lamplitters

July 23, 1972

Music in Motion
Brantford, ON

1. 80.150 De La Salle Oaklands
2. **77.550** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 66.100 Etobicoke Crusaders
3. 66.100 Princemen
5. 62.200 St Johns Girls
6. 42.850 Sarnia Lionettes

July 29, 1972

Ogdensburg NY

1. 78.000 Magnificent Yankees
2. **77.100** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 69.750 Syracuse Marauders
4. 59.550 Les Compagnons
5. 57.250 Les Chatelaines

July 30, 1972

Pow Wow of Champions
Kingston NY

1. 83.500 Anaheim Kingsmen
2. 81.850 Blue Rock
3. 79.900 Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights
4. 74.350 CMCC Warriors
5. **71.200** **Toronto Optimists**
6. 70.900 OLPH Ridgemen
7. 70.300 Magnificent Yankees
8. 69.950 Cadets La Salle

August 12, 1972

1972 US Open Preliminaries
Marion, OH

1. 85.65 Anaheim Kingsmen
2. 83.80 27th Lancers
3. 83.35 Kilties
4. 82.20 Blue Rock
5. 81.50 Bridgemen
6. 80.15 Des Plaines Vanguard
7. 80.10 Garfield Cadets -
8. 79.50 Bleu Raiders
9. 77.70 Blessed Sacrament
10. 77.10 De La Salle Oaklands
11. 74.90 Racine Scouts
12. 74.25 Purple Lancers
13. **74.00** **Toronto Optimists**
14. 73.70 Marion Cadets
15. 73.65 St Paul Scouts
16. 72.85 St Pat Imperials

August 13, 1972

Drums Across the Border
Windsor, ON

1. **80.80** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 74.75 Princemen
3. 70.70 Knickerbockers
4. 67.20 Companions
5. 65.45 Guardsmen
6. 61.11 32nd Hussars

August, 19, 1972

Birchmount Stadium, Toronto, ON

1. 74.700 De La Salle Oaklands
2. **72.950** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 71.800 Cadets La Salle
4. 61.550 St Johns Girls
5. 61.150 Seneca Princemen

August 26, 1972

Titusville, PA

1. 75.750 De La Salle Oaklands
2. **73.050** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 64.960 Royal Crusaders
4. 62.050 Princemen
5. 61.25 St Johns Girls

September 2, 1972

Big Ten Drum Corps Canada Championship -
Hamilton ON Canada

Finals:

1. **79.100** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 78.000 De La Salle Oaklands
3. 75.550 Cadets La Salle
4. 65.900 Seneca Princemen
5. 65.000 Etobicoke Crusaders
6. 61.050 Les Chatelaines
7. 59.000 St. John's Girls
8. 57.800 4th Brigade
9. 56.700 Opti-Knights
10. 50.800 Flying Dutchmen

Prelims:

1. **79.500** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 78.800 De La Salle Oaklands
3. 77.650 Cadets La Salle
4. 68.900 Etobicoke Crusaders
5. 68.700 Seneca Princemen
6. 65.950 Opti-Knights
7. 64.150 St. John's Girls
8. 63.550 Les Chatelaines
9. 62.800 4th Brigade
10. 59.800 Flying Dutchmen
11. 53.800 Kinsmen Krescendos
12. 50.950 Les Cavalieres
13. 50.500 OYB Lamplitters
14. 43.950 Lionettes
15. 41.500 Cardinals of Precious Blood

September 3, 1972

Canadian Nationals Championship
Toronto ON Canada

Finals:

1. **81.400** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 81.300 De La Salle Oaklands
3. 81.250 LaSalle Cadets
4. 61.050 Seneca Princemen
5. 59.000 St. John's
6. 57.800 4th Brigade

Prelims:

1. 81.350 De La Salle Oaklands
2. 81.100 Cadets La Salle
3. **80.250** **Toronto Optimists**
4. 71.150 Scarborough Princemen (ON)
5. 56.500 Midlanders

1973 Scores/Results

This year did not progress as hoped. Optimists started out 7 points behind LaSalle but ahead of Del but, by mid-July, they had fallen to third place. Then in August, there was a situation with corps members and drugs. The Corp Director and Music Director resigned and six corps members were expelled. Another dozen were disciplined and had stand on the sidelines while the corps competed. The corps continued as best they could. At Nationals LaSalle and De La Salle were tied for first with Optimists ending up in third place, six tenths behind the leaders. All things considered, it was a bit of a triumph.

June 2, 1973

Canadian Tulip Festival
Ottawa ON Canada

1. 60.100 Cadets La Salle
2. **53.900** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 51.250 De La Salle Oaklands
4. 42.350 4th Brigade

June 3, 1973

Gatineau QUE Canada

1. 58.550 Cadets La Salle
2. 55.000 De La Salle Oaklands
3. **53.850** **Toronto Optimists**
4. 46.950 4th Brigade

June 9, 1973

Preview of Champions
Scarborough ON Canada

1. 60.250 De La Salle Oaklands
2. 59.600 Cadets La Salle
3. **59.000** **Toronto Optimists**
4. 47.100 Etobicoke Crusaders
5. 45.150 Seneca Princemen
6. 41.250 4th Brigade
7. 40.400 St. John's
8. 27.550 Midlanders

Sunday, June 10, 1973

Toronto, ON

1. 64.70 Cadets La Salle
2. **57.45** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 54.60 De La Salle Oaklands
4. 54.25 Syracuse Marauders
5. 47.10 Crusaders
6. 39.40 St Johns Girls

June 16, 1973

Kinsmen Home Weekend
Ajax ON Canada

1. 63.450 Cadets La Salle
2. **62.400** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 58.500 De La Salle Oaklands
4. 48.700 Syracuse Marauders
5. 42.250 St. John's
6. 36.900 Krescendos

June 17, 1973

Optimist International
Toronto ON Canada

1. 64.700 Cadets La Salle
2. **57.450** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 54.600 De La Salle Oaklands
4. 54.250 Syracuse Marauders
5. 47.100 Etobicoke Crusaders
6. 39.400 St. John's

June 23, 1973

Bowling Green, OH

1. 67.60 Des Plaines Vanguard
2. **61.90** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 61.05 Marion Cadets
4. 58.05 Seneca Princemen
5. 47.00 Mariners

June 24, 1973

Marion, OH

1. **66.25** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 63.15 Des Plaines Vanguard
3. 58.70 Seneca Princemen
4. 58.30 Marion Cadets
5. 51.30 Mariners

June 29, 1973

Oshkosh, WI

1. 77.600 Santa Clara Vanguard
2. 74.750 Racine Kilties
3. 67.750 De La Salle Oaklands
4. **64.450** **Toronto Optimists**

5. 59.500 Bleu Raeders
6. 49.150 Racine Scouts
7. 32.050 St Mathias Cadets

June 30, 1973

Fond du Lac WI

1. 63.200 Osage Prescionnaires
2. **59.050** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 56.100 Chevaliers
4. 55.900 The Thing
5. 53.80 Colt 45's
6. 50.900 Silver Sabers
7. 49.300 St Johns Girls

July 3, 1973

Racine WI

1. 80.400 Troopers
2. 79.000 Kilties
3. 75.550 Black Knights
4. 65.350 Argonne Rebels
5. **61.500** **Toronto Optimists**

July 4, 1973

July 4th Celebration
Columbus WI

1. 75.450 Madison Scouts
2. **66.400** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 54.750 Americanos
4. 43.100 St. Mathias Cadets

July 20, 1973

Spectacle of Brass
Toronto ON Canada

1. 71.800 De La Salle Oaklands
2. 71.550 Cadets La Salle
3. **68.600** **Toronto Optimists**
4. 66.950 Pembroke Imperials
5. 61.950 Marion Cadets
6. 59.950 Etobicoke Crusaders
7. 58.950 Seneca Princemen
8. 55.550 4th Brigade
9. 45.650 St. John's

July 21, 1973

J. C.'s International Championship
Hamilton ON Canada

1. 73.450 Cadets Lasalle
2. 73.050 De La Salle
3. **71.700** **Toronto Optimists**
4. 69.700 Pembroke Imperials
5. 67.000 Marion Cadets
6. 56.950 4th Brigade
7. 43.850 St. John's Girls

July 22, 1973

Brantford ON Canada

1. **75.450** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 75.250 De La Salle
3. 66.000 Seneca Princemen
4. 65.200 Marion Cadets
5. 55.800 4th Brigade

July 29, 1973

Champions in Motion
Etobicoke ON Canada

1. 74.450 De La Salle Oaklands
2. **72.550** **Toronto Optimists**

August 11, 1973

U.S. Open - Prelims
Marion OH

1. 79.400 Belleville Black Knights
2. 79.050 Kilties
3. 74.250 De La Salle Oaklands
4. 74.100 Purple Lancers
5. 73.250 Argonne Rebels
6. 72.650 Polish Falcons
7. 70.500 Des Plaines Vanguard
8. 70.100 Phantom Regiment
9. 70.000 Anaheim Kingsmen
10. 69.550 Blue Rock
11. 69.550 Royal Crusaders
12. **68.300** **Toronto Optimists**
13. 67.850 Magnificent Yankees
14. 67.750 Blue Devils
15. 67.450 Valley Grenadiers
16. 67.150 Marion Glory Cadets
17. 65.950 The Thing
18. 65.800 Beverly Cardinals
19. 64.250 OLPH Ridgemen
20. 63.750 Seneca Princemen
21. 62.700 PAL Cadets (?Philadelphia?)
22. 62.400 Emerald Cadets
23. 62.250 Precisionnaires
24. 62.200 Audubon Bon Bons
25. 61.750 Southern Tier Grenadiers
26. 60.550 Americanos

27. 60.150 Racine Scouts
28. 58.300 General Butler Vagabonds
29. 57.850 New London Surfers
30. 56.900 Appleknockers
31. 55.900 St. George's Olympians
32. 55.350 Tri-City Columbians
33. 55.300 Velvet Knights
34. 52.600 CapitolAires
35. 51.650 Chevaliers (IA)
36. 51.450 Syracuse Marauders
37. 49.850 Royal Lancers
38. 49.700 Dukes of Marlboro
39. 48.600 Iron Brigade
40. 46.200 Knickerbockers
41. 43.600 Blue Angels
42. 39.350 St. John's

August 12, 1973

U.S. Open Finals
Marion OH

1. 80.300 Anaheim Kingsmen
2. 78.250 De La Salle
3. 75.850 Black Knights
4. 74.150 Kilties
5. 73.550 Purple Lancers
6. 69.750 Polish Falcons
7. 69.150 Argonne Rebels
8. 68.750 Des Plaines Vanguard
9. 67.300 Royal Crusaders
10. 66.050 Blue Rock
- 11. 65.700 Toronto Optimists**
12. 65.400 Phantom Regiment

August 13, 1973

Windsor, ON

1. 74.50 Toronto Optimists
2. 66.55 Geneva Appleknockers
3. 65.35 Princemen
4. 63.10 Mello-Dears
5. 56.80 Knickerbockers
6. 54.40 Mariners

August 25, 1973

Titusville, PA

1. Purple Lancers
- 2. Toronto Optimists**

September 2, 1973

Canadian Nationals Championship
Toronto ON Canada

Finals:

1. 79.600 Cadets LaSalle
2. 79.600 De La Salle Oaklands
- 3. 79.000 Toronto Optimists**
4. 71.250 Seneca Princemen

Prelims:

1. De La Salle Oaklands
2. Cadets La Salle
- 3. Toronto Optimists**
4. Seneca Princemen
5. 4th Brigade
6. Midlanders

1974 Scores/Results

Winter rehearsals were awful (a dozen horns was a good turnout!). Instead of folding the corps pressed on moving girls from the guard to the hornline and pulling members off the street. Optimists withdrew from their first contest because they had not finished learning their show. They finally finished their closing number the day of their first contest! This year the corps had a good drumline but that was not enough. LaSalle was gone and Del did not go to Nationals but Optimists ended up in second place, behind the Seneca Princemen.

Saturday, June 7, 1974

Toronto, ON

Optimists did not compete because the corps was not ready

June 15, 1974

Ajax, ON

1. 67.450 De La Salle Oaklands
2. 60.450 Seneca Princemen
3. **56.250** **Toronto Optimists**
4. 51.550 Etobicoke Crusaders
5. 43.400 St Johns

June 22, 1974

Canadian Classic
Toronto, ON Canada

1. 76.500 Madison Scouts
2. 74.100 Muchachos
3. 66.900 De La Salle Oaklands
4. 63.450 Garfield Cadets
5. 61.000 27th Lancers

6. 60.900 Black Knights
7. **52.450** **Toronto Optimists**
8. 51.050 Seneca Princemen
9. 45.400 Etobicoke Crusaders
10. 38.050 St. John's Girls

Saturday, June 29, 1974

tentative contest in St Jerome, QC

No scores found

Sunday, June 30, 1974

tentative contest in Verdun, QC

No scores found

July 1, 1974

Seneca College, Toronto, ON

1. 66.000 De La Salle Oaklands
2. 54.250 Seneca Princemen
3. **58.520** **Toronto Optimists**
4. 50.850 Etobicoke Crusaders
5. 49.650 Krescendos
6. 40.450 Dutchmen

July 20, 1974

Optimist Invitational
Guelph ON Canada

1. 77.900 De La Salle Oaklands
2. 69.150 Royal Crusaders, PA
3. **67.500** **Toronto Optimists**
4. 64.200 Seneca Princemen
5. 53.750 St. John's Girls

July 27, 1974

Brantford, ON Canada

1. 71.850 De La Salle Oaklands
2. **63.900** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 58.350 Etobicoke Crusaders
4. 44.800 Iron Brigade, MI
5. 40.400 Queen City Cadets, OH
6. 28.650 Optimist Knights

July 28, 1974

Etobicoke, ON Canada

1. 75.650 De La Salle Oaklands
2. **66.650** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 58.900 Etobicoke Crusaders
4. 50.550 St Johns
5. 43.700 Iron Brigade, MI
6. 40.700 Queen City Cadets, OH
7. 38.700 Cardinals

August 4, 1974

Key to the Sea - Class A Prelims
Toledo OH

1. 82.750 Anaheim Kingsmen
2. 82.450 Madison Scouts
3. 78.150 Blue Devils
4. 76.950 De La Salle Oaklands
5. 75.500 Phantom Regiment
6. 75.200 The Cavaliers
7. 73.150 Belleville Black Knights
8. 71.200 Royal Crusaders
9. 70.200 Beverly Cardinals
10. 69.450 Regiment Militaire

11. 69.400 Polish Falcon Cadets
12. 65.750 Pioneer
13. 64.900 Grenadiers of Broome County
14. 64.100 Marion Cadets
15. **63.450** **Toronto Optimists**
16. 63.300 Seneca Princemen
17. 63.200 New London Surfers
18. 62.200 Etobicoke Crusaders
19. 62.000 Valley Grenadiers
20. 61.450 Geneseo Knights
21. 60.950 Black Watch
22. 60.200 Marquis
23. 59.950 Colt .45's
24. 55.700 Charioteers
25. 54.750 Gauchos
26. 51.750 General Butler Vagabonds
27. 49.200 Sacred Heart Crusaders
28. 45.200 Iron Brigade
29. 40.250 Spectacle City Mariners

Saturday, August 7, 1974

tentative contest at in Butler, PA

No scores found

Saturday, August 9, 1974

US Open
tentative contest at in Marion, OH

No scores found

August 11, 1974

DCI North
Toronto ON Canada

1. 85.800 Santa Clara Vanguard
2. 83.350 Troopers
3. 77.400 De La Salle Oaklands
4. 76.300 Royal Commodores
5. 75.200 Cavaliers
6. 71.500 Percussion-naut Patriots
7. **64.800** **Toronto Optimists**
8. 63.700 Etobicoke Crusaders
9. 61.700 Argonne Rebels
10. 59.700 Seneca Princemen
11. 51.300 St. John's Girls

August 16, 1974

DCI World Championships
Ithaca NY

Prelims:

1. 87.750 Madison Scouts
2. 86.850 Anaheim Kingsmen
3. 86.600 Santa Clara Vanguard
4. 84.450 Kilties
5. 84.400 Troopers
6. 84.000 De La Salle Oaklands
7. 83.050 Muchachos
8. 81.800 Phantom Regiment
9. 81.650 Cavaliers
10. 81.600 Purple Lancers
11. 80.550 Blue Devils
12. 79.400 Blue Stars
13. 76.950 Polish Falcon Cadets
14. 76.700 Royal Commodores
15. 76.450 Black Knights

16. 75.900 Blue Rock
17. 75.750 Regiment Militaire
18. 75.750 Royal Crusaders
19. 75.150 Garfield Cadets
20. 73.500 27th Lancers
21. 72.050 Percussion-naut Patriots
22. 71.100 Pioneer
23. 70.450 Beverly Cardinals
24. 70.150 Squires
25. 70.100 Precisionnaires
26. 69.400 Bridgemen
27. 69.250 Valley Grenadiers
28. 68.800 St. Francis Xavier Sancians
29. 68.050 Americanos
30. 67.450 Pembroke Imperials
31. 67.100 Marion Cadets
32. 66.150 Surfers
33. 65.300 Argonne Rebels
34. **64.600** **Toronto Optimists**
35. 64.350 Audubon Bon Bons
36. 63.750 Charioteers
37. 62.600 Boston Crusaders
38. 62.500 Grenadiers (NY)
39. 61.000 Guardsmen
40. 60.750 Belvederes
41. 60.250 General Butler Vagabonds
42. 59.650 CMCC Warriors
43. 59.650 Gauchos
44. 56.600 Emerald Knights (NY)
45. 55.200 Iron Brigade
46. 54.600 Northern Aurora
47. 51.750 Sir Thomas More Cadets
48. 51.450 St. John's
49. 50.150 Silhouettes
50. 49.950 Floridians
51. 49.650 Mello-Dears
52. 44.900 Defenders
53. 40.550 Appleknockers
54. 40.200 Legion Vanguard

- 55. 39.950 Les Chatelaines
- 56. 27.000 84th Bucktail Regiment
- 57. 22.800 Kinsmen

Saturday, August 24, 1974

tentative contest at in Titusville, PA

No scores found

September 2, 1974

Canadian Nationals Championship

Toronto ON Canada

Finals

- 1. 74.800 Seneca Princemen
- 2. **71.550** **Toronto Optimists**
- 3. 70.700 Etobicoke Crusaders
- 4. 64.750 4th Brigade

1975 Scores/Results

Optimists had an excellent show in 1975 and a good corps. This year they hoped to make DCI finals. The corps made a tremendous improvement over 1974 when they placed 34th at DCI; however, they were unable to break into the top twelve, finishing 16th in prelims.

June 7, 1975

Rose Festival
Welland, ON

1. **68.40** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 65.35 Oakland Crusaders
3. 58.50 Cadets of Greece
4. 52.50 Seneca Princemen
5. 45.40 Peterborough Krescendos
6. 43.70 Dutchmen
7. 37.25 St Johns

June 14, 1975

Kitchener, ON

1. **72.80** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 72.655 Oakland Crusaders

June 21, 1975

Ajax, ON

1. 72.10 Oakland Crusaders
2. **71.75** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 47.00 St Johns
4. 41.95 Dutchmen
5. 37.40 Ventures

June 28, 1975

York Stadium Toronto, ON

1. **77.65** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 76.45 Oakland Crusaders

July 1, 1975

Brantford, ON

1. **74.900** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 56.650 Krescendos
3. 52.750 Flying Dutchmen
4. 47.750 Saint John's Girls
5. 43.100 Royal Coachmen
6. 32.400 Bluewater Buccaneers

July 3, 1975

Racine, WI

1. 69.40 Kilties
2. 69.30 Royal Crusaders
3. 67.95 Phantom Regiment
4. **62.75** **Toronto Optimists**
5. 59.20 Casper Troopers
6. 34.40 Mounties

July 4, 1975

July 4th Celebration
Columbus WI

1. 74.350 Royal Crusaders
2. 66.800 Marquis
3. **65.850** **Toronto Optimists**
4. 57.850 Americanos
5. 50.000 Royal Knights
6. 49.300 Royal Chevaliers

July 5, 1975

Artistry in Motion
Manitowoc WI

1. 72.500 Royal Crusaders
2. 72.150 Kilties
3. 70.250 Phantom Regiment
4. **64.900** **Toronto Optimists**
5. 59.400 General Butler Vagabonds
6. 52.500 Pioneer
7. 51.650 Colt 45s
8. 46.550 Royal Chevaliers
9. 45.900 Marion Cadets
10. 40.350 Wausau Story

July 6, 1975

Fire Fighter Benefit Corps Competition
Appleton WI

1. 75.150 Kilties
2. 73.400 Royal Crusaders
3. 67.800 Phantom Regiment
4. **66.800** **Toronto Optimists**
5. 56.100 Americanos
6. 52.950 Pioneer

July 12, 1975

Off The Line '75
Scarborough ON Canada

1. 81.000 Oakland Crusaders
2. **78.100** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 69.100 Seneca Princemen
4. 56.350 Krescendos

August 2, 1975

Key To The Sea
Toledo OH

1. 81.450 Oakland Crusaders
2. 79.450 Royal Crusaders
3. **75.550** **Toronto Optimists**
4. 68.250 General Butler Vagabonds
5. 65.750 Precisionnaires

August 3, 1975

Cleveland, OH

1. 79.550 Oakland Crusaders
2. **77.550** **Toronto Optimists**

August 12, 1975

North Tonawanda Open
North Tonawanda, NY

1. **83.450** **Toronto Optimists**
2. 82.000 Freelancers
3. 81.700 Argonne Rebels
4. 76.200 Precisionnaires
5. 74.000 Marksmen
6. 73.200 Seattle Imperials
7. 71.250 Charioteers
8. 71.250 Grenadiers
9. 70.550 Black Watch (WA)
10. 69.600 Colt 45's
11. 64.100 Yankee Rebels
12. 63.150 Saint Ignatius

August 15, 1975

DCI World Championships - Prelims
Philadelphia PA

1. 89.550 Madison Scouts
2. 88.750 Santa Clara Vanguard
3. 87.150 Blue Devils
4. 86.200 Oakland Crusaders
5. 85.850 27th Lancers
6. 85.100 Blue Stars
7. 84.850 Royal Crusaders
8. 83.050 Kilties
9. 82.350 Garfield Cadets
10. 81.950 Phantom Regiment
11. 81.400 Cavaliers
12. 79.600 Troopers
13. 79.000 Squires
14. 78.650 Precisionnaires
15. 77.850 Black Knights
- 16. 75.600 Toronto Optimists**
17. 74.350 Polish Falcon Cadets
18. 74.000 Freelancers
19. 73.350 Saints
20. 73.150 Argonne Rebels
21. 72.950 St. Francis Xavier Sancians
22. 72.450 Pioneer
23. 70.650 General Butler Vagabonds
24. 68.800 Crossmen
25. 67.400 Avant Garde
26. 67.400 Emerald Cadets
27. 67.200 Boston Crusaders
28. 67.150 Belvederes
29. 66.950 Beverly Cardinals
30. 66.400 Colts
31. 66.300 Guardsmen
32. 65.200 Grenadiers (NY)
33. 64.300 Black Watch
34. 62.800 CMCC Warriors
35. 62.750 Bleu Raeders

36. 62.250 Seattle Imperials
37. 60.100 PAL Cadets (PA)
38. 59.900 Meadowlarks
39. 55.650 Pembroke Imperials
40. 55.250 Kingston Indians
41. 54.350 Des Plaines Vanguard
42. 52.950 Northern Aurora
43. 52.200 Surfers
44. 51.600 Defenders
45. 49.150 Monarchs
46. 45.300 OLPH Ridgemen

August 20, 1975

Etobicoke, ON
Nationals Preview 1975

1. 84.65 Oakland Crusaders
- 2. 80.40 Toronto Optimists**
3. 69.65 Seneca Princemen
4. 57.85 Peterborough Krescendos
5. 50.55 Cardinals of Precious Blood

August 23, 1975

Ontario Drum & Bugle Corps Championships
London ON Canada

1. 84.550 Oakland Crusaders
- 2. 77.850 Toronto Optimists**
3. 62.100 Seneca Princemen

September 7, 1975

Canadian Nationals Championship

Waterloo ON Canada

1. 88.300 Oakland Crusaders
2. **83.700** **Toronto Optimists**
3. 71.450 Seneca Princemen
4. 62.250 Peterborough Krescendos

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