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THE DUKE DROPS IN!

THURSDAY evening was a big occasion for a lot of city youngsters. The Duke of Edinburgh dropped into Dundee in connection with his award scheme.

He was due to arrive by helicopter at the west end of Riverside Park at 6 p.m. He landed eight minutes early and was whisked away in the Lord Provost's official car (TS 1) while crowds were still streaming across the park to see him.

However, over a thousand folk were there to cheer him.

The Duke's first appointment was at the MacRae Boys' Club, Glenagnes Road.

There he spent 40 minutes chatting to the lads and their leaders. And, after seeing five lads who were learning first-aid, he very nearly became their first Royal patient!

The Duke remembered to duck under a low door-beam

going into a room—but forgot about it on the way out.

An "Oh, dear" and a rub seemed to fix things satisfactorily.

In the packed hall the Duke received a thunderous welcome from the lads and leaders of the other nine Dundee boys' clubs, and presented three members of Aberdeen Lads' Club with bronze awards.

After a gymnastic display the Duke signed the visitors' book and left for B.B. House, Long Wynd.

Forty boys who are at various stages in the award scheme looked on as His Royal Highness made "award" presentations.

These included badges and certificates for three Dundee lads:—Alex. Davidson (17), 64 Craigie Avenue; Graeme Fairweather (16), 1 Lime Street; Douglas Anderson (16), 40 Blackness Avenue.

He then inspected and spoke to the boys on parade, and again signed the visitors' book before leaving—this time for the Y.M.C.A.

Shown plans

By this time it was 7.18 p.m. and several hundred folk were waiting to see the Duke as he entered the Y.M. building, where he was shown plans for the improvement of the building.

The proud lads who received the awards this time were:—Alastair Elrick, 46 Cleptington Road, and Harry Dickson, 22 Loraine Road. Both are 16. Harry is the son of Councillor Harry Dickson.

The Duke then inspected a show of handicrafts and watched a gymnastic display.

The Duke attended a private dinner in the City Chambers, on West Station in the Royal train at 9.58 p.m.—17 minutes ahead of schedule.

And it was a real old-fashioned farewell. The Duke leaned out of the carriage window and gave the crowd a big smile and a special wave.



The B.B. lads stand smartly to attention as the Duke of Edinburgh, accompanied by Battalion President Mr Hubert Scott, carries out the inspection.