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Updates about The Boys' Brigade and ICONZ from around New Zealand

JUNE 2010

IMPORTANT UPDATES . . .

IMPORTANT NOTICE – THE 2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING for BBNZ/ICONZ members (all registered Officers and Leaders) will be held on **Saturday 26th June**, 1.30pm, at St Margaret's Presbyterian Church, Farrington Ave, Bishopdale, Christchurch.

NLDC 2010 - STAGE 1, 4TH-11TH JULY; STAGE 2, 3RD-11TH JULY

This year is the 30TH ANNIVERSARY of NLDC which has provided excellent quality leadership and life changing development training of hundreds of young men since April 1980.

This year 29 young men have registered for Stage 1, and 14 for Stage 2; they will be well cared for by some 14 staff. Please contact Murray at the National Resource Centre for any enquiries.

WINTER WARMUP TRAINING SERIES

Calling all Captains and Senior Leaders! Your input is sought as to what your Officers'/Leaders' needs are this year as part of their ongoing training. Please contact Murray in the National Resource Centre so that arrangements can be made for a training session near you. Training sessions have been planned for Wellington, 19th June, and Canterbury, Saturday 31st July.

CONGRATULATIONS to Jim Dixon, Senior Leader of ICONZ Hibiscus Coast Xtreme unit, who was awarded a Community Service Award for "outstanding service to the Rodney Community" for the work he does with Iconz (Whangaparaoa). His comment; "Yes, our Iconz units are great, but that's not because of me. That honour belongs to God and God alone."

MOUNTAIN CRAFT COURSE. Following the excellent course held in January, Les Bouterey would be pleased to receive expressions of interest in future courses which will be run in conjunction with the Mountain Safety Council. Enquiries to Les at: bouterey@xtra.co.nz.

NEW ICONZ UNIT STARTS;

MASTERTON, UNIT #53, started 20th April at St Lukes Union Church. Senior Leader; Haydn McCormick.

INGLEWOOD, UNIT #54, started 1st May, at Inglewood Christian Fellowship. Senior Leader; Kaarena Kingi.

FEILDING, UNIT #55, started 17th May at Feilding Baptist. Senior Leader; Robin Beetge.

CAMBRIDGE, UNIT #56, started 24th May at Raleigh Street Christian Centre. Senior Leader; Andrew Cooke.

!!MORE TO COME SOON - WATCH THIS SPACE!!

ICONZ BAGS – WHAT DO YOU THINK! Phil writes; "On a recent mission trip to India I had the privilege of staying with Kerry and Annie Hilton who set up Freeset in Kolkata. They are in business - not for themselves, though - they are seeking freedom for ladies trapped in the sex trade due to poverty. They make bags & T-shirts so while I was there I had a sample lot of ICONZ bags made up. Not only do they look real cool it is a 'product with a purpose' and one of the visions I have for this organization is to partner with mission



projects like Freeset. This will be part of a process of getting the boys we work with gaining an understanding of poverty on a global scale and in turn helping them focus outward in their own communities. I took the bags along to my unit (North West ICONZ) for some of the boys to model. Well, "model" might not quite be the word - you be the judge from the photo! I don't have a market price for the bags yet, but get the word out and express your interest, because these are going to FLY! If you want to know more about Freeset go to <http://freesetglobal.com/>". Please contact Phil at phillip.hathaway@bb.org.nz for more details about the above.

UNIT HAPPENINGS:

Encouraging comments from Katikati;

"Tonight (6th May) we had the boys presenting their Patriotz Wartime research projects. We started the evening with prayer and then straight into learning another version of a haka . . . we invited Peter Sparrow the Katikati RSA President to see the presentations and talk to the boys. . .

The boys were showing awesome discipline and respect while watching and listening to each other while giving their presentation. Mr Sparrow was impressed with the D.I.R.T. principles being taught to the boys being: Discipline, Integrity, Respect and Tenacity.

ICONZ is such an awesome Ministry and a great opportunity for the boys, which is testimony to the number of new boys enrolling and the positive feedback we get from the parents. A new boy who started last week with ICONZ was raving about it and was excited all week and couldn't wait to come again and he's rapt that he now has an ICONZ T-Shirt and Cap also.

So thank you for this Ministry and putting together the programme. It is important and we will continue to pray and support ICONZ and the BBNZ in any way we can."

News from 1of our newest units – FEILDING;

"Feilding launched their Iconz Unit on Monday, May 17th with 11 lads and 4 leaders. One of the leaders, Eric Relf (ex BB Officer), along with Kelly Brunton, came into their own and made a real difference to the chaos on the night by the way they managed the lads. Keep an eye out for photos and newspaper clippings of this due to the fact that they have invited the press on that evening as well.

Monday past the boys started building a scoreboard/blackboard for ICONZ so Nick had them going with glue, screws and cordless drills. This coming Monday is another intro week where we will be building one of these. Check out this website . . .

<http://www.perkalgifts.co.za/woerwoer-simplify-science-science-mate-p-64850.html>

DID YOU KNOW – that SIGN LANGUAGE is New Zealand's APPROVED 3rd language?

The Deaf Foundation would encourage us all to learn this language. One of our local GB Leaders has developed some activities suitable for groups such as GB, BB & ICONZ. Please contact Murray at our NRC for more detail about these, or check out the Foundation's website for general information about their education programmes: www.nfd.org.nz

REMINDERS:

- **Uniform subsidies.** Limited funds are available, on application, to assist units where boys are not able to afford uniform items. Please contact Murray Donovan to discuss your situation and obtain an application form.
- **Payroll Donations.** An invitation to all employed members and supporters - if you are considering joining this scheme to nominate BB/ICONZ as a beneficiary.
- **BBNZ/ICONZ Elections.** Later this year we will be holding our bi-annual elections to appoint our National President and Area Representatives who will represent you on our National Executive for a period of 2 years (2011-2012). It's not too early for members to be considering nominating whom you believe would best represent you in these vital roles.

PRAYER TIME:

Please remember;

- Thanks for the number of new units starting and for the interest shown by many more who want to start
- Diana Posthuma's (Feilding) continued improvement
- Development Managers – Al, Mike, Harley, and of course Stu
- Phil Hathaway in his new role as National Director
- President Les Bouterey in overall leadership of our great movement.
- Preparations for NLDC
- Elections later this year of BBNZ President and Executive members.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any question/comment regarding any of the above items.

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