

### The BB/ICONZ Object

"The Advancement of Christ's Kingdom among boys and the promotion of habits of Obedience, Reverence, Discipline, Self-Respect and all that tends towards a true Christian Manliness"

### Our Vision

To have **every** boy in New Zealand participate in our Life Development Programme

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## A word from BBNZ President Richard G Harkness

Hasn't 2017 been another fantastic year!!! Everywhere you look you can see signs that our BB Companies and ICONZ Units are making a difference in the lives of so many lads... There's so much going on that I think we are on the cusp of seeing new and great things, amazing happens here indeed! Read this from our parents;

*Iconz weekly: This is the best out of school extra-curricular you could send your son too. Not only is it exciting and fun but your child gets to explore various opportunities that might not be provided at home, not because we don't want to, but life is busy and we need people like Iconz in our community to help our children!! Great morals, builds great boys and is just hands down awesome! Thanks A*

Our son has been attending ICONZ for a year and both him and us love it. The leaders do an awesome job of leading the boys and making it fun. He really enjoys the team talks and the bible studies and often reads his ICONZ bible at home. There is an amazing variety of activities, wood work was his favourite and he likes playing Zombie TPM. Thank you so much T

*JK has definitely gained confidence in relating to his peers, a love for reading his bible, and has grown in maturity and independence when it comes to being aware of his own needs and looking after his belongings and making sure he has everything he needs for ICONZ on Tuesdays especially. Many Thanks R*

ICONZ camp was an amazing new experience for CJ and he said he loved everything about it. It's so cool to see so many families from our community involved in ICONZ and it is amazing to see how dedicated the Dads are to helping out during the term.

*The leaders are looked up to more than they might realise. The boys enjoy these cool adults who are kind, sincere and fun with cool nicknames. I really appreciate this program, and my sons love it. Many thanks, C*





## QUEEN'S BADGE 2016/2017



Saturday December 2, 2017 saw 32 young men from all around New Zealand join with the recipients from Girls' Brigade at Government House in Wellington to receive their Queen's Badge from her Excellency **Dame Patsy Reddy**. This followed a one year hiatus as Her Excellency was unable to participate following her induction at the end of 2016. Following the formalities of the presentations, Dame Patsy mingled with recipients and their families with light refreshments. A celebration dinner was held at Westpac Stadium where speeches were provided by representatives of the recipients from both Girl's and Boy's Brigade. Following this guest speaker **Rochelle Jackson** brought a message of both encouragement and challenge to the audience. The weekend concluded with recipients and their families joining with Island Bay Presbyterian church for a celebration service.

### QUEENS BADGE RECIPIENTS 2016/2017:

Corporal Sam Allen	2 <sup>nd</sup> P/ North
Corporal Matthew Atkinson	1 <sup>st</sup> Rangiora
Corporal Liam Beals	2 <sup>nd</sup> P/North
Corporal Daniel Black	5 <sup>th</sup> Southland
Sergeant Simon Brass	1 <sup>st</sup> Christchurch
Private George Cox	8 <sup>th</sup> Christchurch
Sergeant Hamish Dewhirst	1 <sup>st</sup> Ashburton
Sergeant Alexander Diprose	5 <sup>th</sup> Southland
Private Izak Dobbs	8 <sup>th</sup> Christchurch
Youth Leader Michael D'Souza	ICONZ Fairfield
Young Leader Benjamin Duthie	ICONZ Taur/City
Sergeant Matthew Fraser	5 <sup>th</sup> Southland
Sergeant Robbie Grove	5 <sup>th</sup> Southland
Corporal Joshua Hayes	3 <sup>rd</sup> Southland
Lance Corporal Sam Higginbottom	4 <sup>th</sup> Christchurch
Sergeant Alastair Hughes	1 <sup>st</sup> Christchurch
Lance Corporal Elliott Hughes	1st Christchurch
Private James Hunt	8 <sup>th</sup> Christchurch



Her Excellency Dame Patsy Reddy with the 32 Boy's Brigade and ICONZ Queen's Badge recipients



Her Excellency Dame Patsy Reddy with the official party from Boy's Brigade/ICONZ and Girl's Brigade

### QUEENS BADGE RECIPIENTS 2016/2017:

Sergeant Nathanael Lane	1 <sup>st</sup> Blenheim
Staff Sergeant Toby Lloyd	1 <sup>st</sup> Blenheim
Corporal Adam March	1 <sup>st</sup> Christchurch
Youth Leader Jake Matier	ICONZ Taur/City
Corporal Campbell McLisky	29 <sup>th</sup> Wellington
Sergeant Hamish Munro	29 <sup>th</sup> Wellington
Sergeant Judah Parsons	2 <sup>nd</sup> Christchurch
Sergeant Jack Phillips	14 <sup>th</sup> Christchurch
Staff Sergeant Joshua Powell	1 <sup>st</sup> Blenheim
Corporal Rehum Prior	2 <sup>nd</sup> P/North
Corporal Andrew Richards	3 <sup>rd</sup> Southland
Private Mitchell Rowe	8 <sup>th</sup> Christchurch
Sergeant Matthew Schaw	2 <sup>nd</sup> P/North
Sergeant Hayden Seager	5 <sup>th</sup> Southland
Corporal Jack Shaw	3 <sup>rd</sup> Southland
Corporal Nicholas Stark	19 <sup>th</sup> Southland



all the boys  
from the ICONZ Team.



#### ICONZ Masterton:

A good end of year ICONZ night, with the boys all receiving their Domestix Badges, after cooking a great bbq for us all and Tyresse, Jodeci and Cody receiving the DIRT Badges, well done to and hope you all have a great Christmas



### FROM WHERE I SIT



Michael Good

With much of this addition devoted to end of year events and comments, I thought I would look ahead as we are already well into the beginning of the New Year with schools back and BB Companies and ICONZ Units opening their doors for the year. We have commenced our year with a Staff Retreat, a four day event where we focus on planning plus identifying significant ways we can be of assistance to our leaders during the year. We are looking to host a roadshow in 8 locations spread throughout the year, with a focus on mental health/youth suicide. This is not only in line with Government priorities, but equipping leaders to be of help to boys who are struggling with life, seeks to fulfil what Jesus promised to his followers, that is life in all its fullness. We will be looking to provide helpful tools to enable leaders both to identify and assist boys who are struggling, without a sense that they are becoming counsellors.

#### BE IN PRAYER...

- For all our officers/leaders as they commence 2018, that they will have wisdom, encouragement, fulfillment, excitement as they lead their Companies/Units.
- For new leaders needed in a number of our Companies/Units for 2018.
- Praise for the new ICONZ Unit that has commenced in Hamilton along with those looking to open in Term 1 in Eastgate Auckland, Victory Lower Hutt and Albany in Auckland.
- For our Roadshow for 2018, that leaders will be equipped to provide assistance to boys who are finding life tough.
- For our Development Managers **Leon Schoeman, Andrew Carstens, ICONZ Director Stu Thompson, Executive Officer Richard Ooi** and for churches they are working with to establish new Units, and provide support and training for our existing Companies/Units.
- For our new BBNZ National Executive: **Richard Harkness** (National President); **Ken Morris** (National Treasurer); **Phil Mardon** (Upper South); **Phil Yeaman** (Northern Rep); **Brian Best** (Central); **Stefan Grigg** (Lower South), **Cameron Schaw** (Youth Rep) as they come to grips with their governance role that they would provide vision, innovation and direction to our movement.

If you have special prayer requests, i.e. upcoming events/camps, let us know so we can pray.



#### REFLECTIONS:

**Matthew 28 v 16 -20:** "Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age".

**"A goal without a plan is just a wish."**

— [Antoine de Saint-Exupéry](#)

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