

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

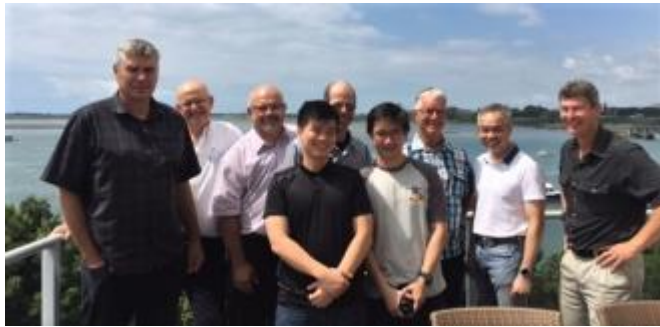
To have **every** boy in New Zealand participate in our Life Development Programme

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Boys' Brigade Singapore New Zealand Visit

BBNZ was pleased to welcome and host **Desmond Koh**, **Timothy Tan** and **Jeremiah Lim** from Boys Brigade Singapore for a week at the beginning of March. The purpose of their visit was to discuss and learn how ICONZ was developed and started in NZ and to visit Units in operation. ICONZ Director **Stu Thompson** organised a week long itinerary with visits to ICONZ and ICONZ Edge Units in Auckland, Hamilton, Tauranga, Waihi and Mangatangi.

BBNZ President **Richard Harkness** hosted a lunch for the Tauranga leaders to meet our visitors and then they dispersed in the evening to visit their Units. **Top:** Overlooking Tauranga Harbour, has front row L-R, **Stu Thompson**, ICONZ Director, **Jeremiah Lim**, **Timothy Tan** and **Richard Harkness**, BBNZ President and back row L-R **Andy Todd**, ICONZ Te Puna, **Brett Worthington**, ICONZ Otumoetai, **Shane Harrison**, ICONZ Bethlehem, **Michael Good**, BBNZ National Director, and **Desmond Koh**, Executive Director, BB Singapore.

Bottom: **Desmond Koh** with ICONZ Tauranga City Xtreme at a water hole swim.

Visit to Boys' Brigade, Tonga

On Friday, 24 March 2017, Richard Harkness, President of the Boys Brigade/Iconz New Zealand, was the honoured guest of Reverend Taufu Filia'i on behalf of the Boys Brigade Tonga, with the opportunity to meet the BB Tonga team. Richard was able to hear of their plans to grow BB in Tonga, and to hear more about the challenges they face. Richard noted that they had a fantastic Tongan feast for lunch and a really good sharing time for ideas, programmes and resources. BB Australia has recently provided leadership training for BB Officers in Tonga, and it is helpful to remain in contact. Richard mentioned that it was an honour to meet with the BB Tongan officers and that the ongoing work in Tonga should continue to be supported with contact and in prayer.



L - R: Back Row: Sione Molipeli, Rev'd. Siosua Tu'itavuki, Richard Harkness, Rev'd Taufu Filiaiai, Rev'd. 'Etilati Va'enuku. Front Row: 'Atelaite Tupou, Rev'd. Lose Koloa, Mele Mone Latu and Paea Mala'efo'ou.

CATAC 2017

The Boys' Brigade "Waipara Adventure Centre" Campsite

Friday (evening) March 3rd - Sunday 5th



Archery



Air Rifles



Raft Building



BMX Track



Water Slide



Sunday Service

130 plus Boys & Leaders attended this years CATAC (Company And Team Activite Camp) at the
"Waipara Adventure Centre"

BB Companies & ICONZ Units from CH-CH, Leeston & Richmond joined together for a fun filled weekend.

This years camp was an unstructured event (no set programme). Companies & Units were able to do what,were. & when, any of the activites they prefered.

All Campers attend the Sunday morning "Worship Service" lead by David Morgan Battalion President.

OTAGO/SOUTHLAND ADVENTURE CAMP



The Otago/Southland annual Adventure Camp for Boys Brigade companies and ICONZ units was held on the 3rd to 5th of March at Tautuku Outdoor Education Centre, Catlins. 21 boys and 7 adults were treated to great food, all prepared by the delightful Helen Hansen. Lot's of activities and games had boys playing late into the night. It was particularly wonderful to see boys forging new friendships and participating in discussion. I had some meaningful conversations with leaders and boys. During

testimony time the majority of boys made very generous and encouraging contributions. It was really felt that the camp was successful in leaving us all with a sense of camaraderie." **Leon Schoeman** – Development Manager, Otago/Southland



IN MEMORY OF SELWYN DAVID BEESTON

PEOPLE

Selwyn passed away on March 9th aged 85.

He attended the 8th Auckland Company at Mt Albert Baptist Church and then went as a young Officer to the Founder's Centennial Camp at Eton College in the UK - a big adventure in 1954 travelling by ship with others from all over New Zealand. Selwyn also served as a leader at YMCA Camp Adair, which is where I first met him. We had the BB link in common and in another of his roles as a Scripture Union secretary, he supplied my Daily Bread Bible study notes for some years. By then he was an active officer in the 36th Auckland Company at Panmure, and also helped with Every Boy's Rally, which he continued doing for some years.

I next encountered Selwyn as Secretary-Organiser of the Religious Films Society, a job which he did so well both from the Sunday School Union in Queen Street and later from rooms at St Lukes Church, Remuera.

When the Auckland Boys' Brigade Trust was established in the mid 1980s, Selwyn was a founding Trustee. It later became The Boys' Brigade Northern Regional Trust. From the time when Stedfast Park was purchased, Selwyn joined its management committee and he and his wife Veronica served on it, working weekends for many years to get it in better condition for boys and others to enjoy. They did this right up to the time when Stedfast Park was no longer useful to BB/ICONZ units and it was sold by the Trust to the Auckland Regional Council.

Selwyn's whole life was dedicated to serving his Lord by serving young people - even in his working life as a teacher early on. It was exemplary service and influenced the lives of so many people.

Ian Bogue - Chairman, The Boys' Brigade Northern Regional Trust.

FAREWELL TO ANDREW MARQUET.

We bid farewell to our Northern Region Development Manager Andrew Marquet on April 13 as he leaves to establish Pais in New Zealand. Pais provides internship training opportunities for high school leavers along with bringing teams from within NZ and overseas to work with churches in youth ministries. BBNZ will continue to work with Pais as part of its development of our Young Guns programmes.

We wish Andrew God's richest blessings as he works to establish this new ministry.

JAKOB FRAZER – A HELP TO CRASH VICTIMS

Jakob Frazer, ex 2nd Palmerston North BB Company and now living in Invercargill, was able to assist victims in a serious road accident as we can read in the local newspaper article below. We commend Jakob for having the presence of mind and caring attitude to help those who suffered as a result of this accident.

Number of people in Te Anau-Milford Highway crash unknown



5:47 AM Wednesday Mar 22, 2017

A man lay trapped, screaming for help in the crushed wreck of his car after it and a bus collided on a popular tourist route. Minutes later, the car burst into flames, with the man still inside.

Police say no one could be pulled from the car, and aside from the man pleading for help, they have no idea how many others were in the vehicle after the collision on the

Te Anau-Milford Highway in Southland. Photos from the scene show the car was overturned and completely crushed by the bus.

Later photos show plumes of thick black smoke billowing into the sky, with the bus and car completely engulfed in flames. Miraculously, all the bus passengers, the driver and tour guide appear to have escaped out a window before the fire.

Invercargill's Jakob Frazer, 17, arrived with a colleague moments after the crash happened. He said he saw an arm coming out of the passenger door, and a man was screaming for help. He helped those around him before trying to help the car's driver. Frazer believed the occupant was male and that he may have been foreign, as he had an accent.



Through our relationship with **Global Fellowship**, BBNZ has received this special invitation from **Chiro, Belgium**. "We are pleased to invite you to our national camp **Krinkel** in August 2017.

Dates: August 24 – 30.

Location: Merksplas, Belgium.

Want to see what last **Krinkel** was like? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jhWbZjfGb18>
For further information contact Michael Good at the BBNZ National Resource Centre.

BE IN PRAYER...

- For families who have lost their homes in recent flooding.
- For new leaders needed at **Newmarket ICONZ**.
- For the provision of a new Development Manager for the Northern Region .
- For our Development Manager **Leon Schoeman**, **ICONZ Director Stu Thompson** , **Executive Officer Richard Ooi** and for churches they are working with to establish new Units.
- Pray for all the leaders of our Units/Companies as they take a break over the school holiday period and plan their next term.
- 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

The following reflections form the second part of our series on DIRT. Not what lies in our garden, but what we teach our boys each week, and for those ICONZ leaders forms the basis of the D. I. R. T Boy Badge. When we talk about imparting values that provide a foundation for life, these four are certainly right up there.

This month **INTEGRITY**:

The supreme quality for leadership is unquestionably integrity. Without it, no real success is possible, no matter whether it is on a section gang, a football field, in an army, or in an office.

- **Dwight D. Eisenhower**

It is true that integrity alone won't make you a leader, but without integrity you will never be one.

- **Zig Ziglar**

The main rule to me is to honour God with your life. To live a life of integrity. Not be selfish. You know, help others. But that's really the essence of the Christian faith.

- **Joel Osteen**

Philippians 4 v 8: Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

Michael Good - National Director