



**“FROM THE HEART”:** As we head into the final weeks of the year I realise that our leaders are growing weary, stressed and looking forward to a break. I believe whatever job we have and no matter how motivating we find it, there comes a time when we just need that break away to regain our energy, vision and passion. Finishing the year on a high note is something we all aspire to, and God sees us where we are and provides that little bit of encouragement. We have two Camps coming up, the first this weekend for the Northern Region and then next weekend for Waikato/Bay of Plenty, both at Finlay Park Adventure Camp. Please pray for the boys, leaders and support staff as they seek to bring the message of “life” to our boys. I know each Company/Unit who use this Camp as the high finishing note for the year, will be looking to see God at work in the lives of their boys.

For those of you who are leaders, can I please encourage you by way of finishing well, that you look to spend time with your church leadership debriefing your year, looking for opportunity to share with your fellowship some of your stories and, to ensure an ongoing ministry to boys, look to work with your church leadership to ensure leaders are in place for 2016. If you need assistance with this, please feel free to call us, as we would love to help.

**Michael Good – National Director**

## WHO'S NEW ON THE BLOCK!!



**Welcome:** A warm welcome to **Pastor Don Benn's** new ICONZ Unit at **St Albans Baptist Church** in Christchurch along with fellow leaders Steven Rosser, Paul Yeoman, Boey Pearce, Robert Holland, Zane Brunt Geoffrey Chambers and Jason Urquhart. They kicked off the Unit on Thursday October 22 and we have some pics of their opening night!



We also welcome **Pastor Alan Scott's** new ICONZ Edge Unit at **Waihi East Primary School** in Waihi, with fellow leaders **Alan Pfeiffer** and **Wayne Bjerring**. This is now our 4<sup>th</sup> ICONZ Edge programme operating in school curriculum time with others at Welcome Bay - Tauranga, Waikanae and Henderson in Auckland. We hope to bring you some pics in our next Edition.



**Pastor Chris Ellwood** at Lincoln Rd Bible Chapel and who currently runs **Henderson ICONZ** on a Monday evening and ICONZ Edge at Henderson Intermediate School, has now been asked by the school to run a further programme based in a prefab custom built workshop at Henderson Baptist Church for a group of boys who are on the verge of being expelled from school. He has volunteer leaders from LRBC, Henderson Baptist Church, Elim West and City Church Waitakere.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR PATCH



**LINCOLN ICONZ:** Recently Lincoln ICONZ helped out at the Mitre 10 Kids club build day, with around 60 kids building bird houses. There were about 14 Lincoln ICONZ boys helping out. It was a great ice breaker for the leaders to talk to parents about BB and ICONZ. This was a thank you to Mitre 10 Mega Hornby for supplying us with hand tools to give to the boys. We have been given over \$800.00 worth so far. Each term we go in and fill up a trolley with tools and toolboxes. The day was really worth doing and they are keen to have us back to do it again. We have a reward scheme running during the ICONZ evening. The Leaders give out washers for good behaviour, sportsmanship, etc.



The boys hand them in at the end of the evening and get points for their team. The winning teams get to choose one tool to take home. Lincoln ICONZ would really like to thank Mitre 10 Mega Hornby, for helping out with this and would hope that they can continue supplying these tools. Other photos are of the Dessert night with parents. This would have to be one of the favourite nights for me as a leader. So great seeing the church full of parents that don't normally see the inside of a church! The boys enjoyed the practice nights as well. One parent was heard to say "this can't be a church, it's too much fun". **Alastair Morris - Coordinator**

### BBUK greetings to BBNZ

I am the guy who was involved in a near fatal crash in Feb this year that was in Dunedin Hospital with my wife in Invercargill Hospital. I had many visits from BBNZ in particular the guy (Leon Schoeman, DM for Otago/Southland) setting up ICONZ in NZ, who was from South Africa.

As you know I campaigned to get NZ law changed to require car hire companies to make people take a simple test before they hired cars and there is now a voluntary code of conduct in place in NZ to do just this.

Last week I was part of a group of 81 BB people from the UK who visited the 1WW battlefields and as part of this we visited Tyne Cote Cemetery at Ypres, France.

Whilst we were there your PM John Key arrived and after a little waiting I was allowed to speak to him for some time to thank him for the care I received in NZ and thanking him in allowing the code with car hire companies to happen.

Then our BB band played Last Post and we laid a wreath and John Key joined in with us and we gave him three cheers for his support to the BB.

**Paul Whitmell - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sawston BB - Cambridgeshire**



**IT'S WORTH THINKING ABOUT:** "Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God." - [Corrie ten Boom](#)

Michael Good - **National Director**

### PRAYER & PRAISE TIME: Please pray...

- Pray for the Northern Region "Hunger for God" Camp this weekend (Nov 6-8) and the Waikato/BOP Camp the following weekend at Finlay Park. Pray that the boys will meet God, have an awesome experience and be kept safe!
- For our Development Managers **Andrew Marquet** and **Leon Schoeman**, **ICONZ Director Stu Thompson**, **Executive Officer Richard Ooi** and for churches they are working with throughout NZ, to open new ICONZ Units.
- Our BBNZ/ICONZ National Executive: **Paul Blackler** (National President); **Ken Morris** (National Treasurer); **Shane Cross** (Upper South); **Brett Otto** (Northern Rep); **Brian Best** (Central); **Jorgen Hansen** (Lower South), 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.**