The Duties Roster

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Here is a Duties Roster that you won't mind looking over. Your name may appear but you will not be required to do anything. No points are being awarded for finishing first nor any penalties for not reading with a smile. We are grateful for your support and very happy to keep you informed with the goings on at CYC Waihola.

God's Blessings, Martin Eldershaw.

The New Manager's Old House

The Manager's House is getting a make-over. Eighteen years of life have left their mark and now, before the Ministry Manager moves in, a coat of paint is being applied to all the interior walls and ceilings. But wait, there's more. The lounge has been extensively renovated. The exposed beam is now up in the roof space, the ceiling has been plastered smooth, and there is an opening into the dining room. There are now doors between the front passageway and the lounge, and also a laundry door. Two new windows are soon to be installed, one in the place of the current ranch-slider. Data cables have also been installed to bring the Broadband internet connection upstairs.

Much thanks to Brenda Thompson, who made her house available to Martin, Corina and Giselle, while this work goes on. However, like all good renovation jobs, this one is taking much longer than expected and Brenda needed her house back. So the Eldershaw's are now staying in Cabin #4. There is also work to be done downstairs in the office. After every decent shower of rain a puddle appears under the computer desk. Hopefully some draincoil in a trench will fix this.



The view Martin and Corina enjoyed while staying in Brenda's house.

Winter Camps '08

One holiday period, two weeks, four camps. It was all go, go, go over the recent holidays, with Boys Winter Camp and Girls Art Camp in the first week, and Girls Winter Camp and Snow Camp in the second week.

The Boys Winter Camp was Directed by Hamish Smith, an experienced director who didn't let anything bother him. He was well prepared for bad weather, but praise be to God, the rain stayed away and the boys were outside every day. Plenty of mud was flung about by the go-carts and the arrows and pellets went flying in one carefully aimed direction. Through the daily talks, the young boys all learned that they are fallen beings, their ancestor having been kicked out of the Garden due to his sinful nature.

The Girls Art Camp was low on numbers but high on content. The girls had a full programme, learning all sorts of interesting, arty stuff. Wool was dyed on the stove top, face masks were tried on for size, and green was the flavor *and* the colour of one evening meal. Flax was gathered and weaved into baskets, and an evening of pampering was enjoyed by all.

"Moreover, King Cyrus brought out the articles belonging to the temple of the Lord, which Nebuchadnezzar had carried away from Jerusalem and had placed in the temple of his god." Ezra 1:7

Winter Camps '08 (continued)

The Girls Winter Camp was a great success, despite it's Director, Jill Kumar, being a bit nervous about her first camp. She did a very good job and had a great team of leaders helping her. The girls put on a show on the Thursday evening performing skits about what they had been learning through the week.

The Snow Camp was described as "maybe the best yet." Director Grant Bullin was very happy to have been able to get 3 1/2 days of skiing / boarding. This camp is always popular and places filled fast. Simon Purvis was the speaker and again did a great job.

	Study Day
	23 August 2008
10.00	Peter van den Brink (G.B.C. Invercargill)
10.45	Morning tea
11.00	Martin Williams (Tokomoriro Co-op Parish, Milton)
12.00	Lunch (bring a plate to share)
	We will be meeting in the Main Building.

Spring Camps '08

Looking ahead to the next holiday break, our ears will be ringing from the scream of two stroke dirt bikes as Sam Duthie and Russell Harrex lead a Motorbike Camp. There are still plenty of places available, so if you know any young petrol-heads, who have their own bike, get an enrolment form off our website and get it to them. There is a rumour of a Computer Camp to maybe run in September. If you are keen to help make it a reality, send Martin an e-mail at kidscamps@cycwaihola.org.nz.

Other News

Please note our postal address has been upgraded. All mail should now be sent to:

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P O Box 15061

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The box number and post code are enough to get mail from anywhere to us. There is no need to add 'Dunedin' or 'Otago' anymore.



The lounge in the Manager's House.