



# Christian Youth Camps Waihola NOVEMBER 2010 NEWSLETTER





## Camping Coordinators Blurb

Spring is such a great time here at CYC - the rhododendrons are in full bloom, the birds are chirping and the sounds of people in and around the camp-site become more common.



Our recent spring camps were a great success, and mostly well attended.

The **Christian Discipleship Camp** whilst low on numbers made up for it with quality of content. I was able to sit in a couple of times to sessions through the 3 days the camp was in and could see the young folk attending being well nourished in scriptures and fellowship. It is great to see this camp back in our calendar and I pray it is utilised more in the future. We have shifted it over Queens Birthday weekend next year to encourage more Uni and senior high school students to attend.



The **Boys Motorbike Camp** was an excellent, well attended camp. The weather was fantastic, the rides excellent and the boys all thoroughly enjoyed themselves. One unfortunate boy did come off his motorbike in spectacular fashion but after a quick ride into town in the Ambulance was given the all clear with some major bruising the only result. We can give praises to our God that this was the only accident at the camp. Caleb Gray spoke to the boys on finding true freedom.

## Executive Officers Comment

A driver did the right thing, stopping at the intersection even though he could have beaten the red light by accelerating through the intersection. The tailgating woman behind him went ballistic, pounding on her horn and screaming in frustration as she missed her chance to drive through the intersection with him. Still in mid-rant, she heard a tap on her window and looked up into the face of a very serious police officer. The officer ordered her to get out of her car with her hands up. He took her to the police station where she was searched, fingerprinted, photographed and placed in a cell. After a couple of hours a policeman approached the cell and opened the door. She was escorted to the booking desk where the arresting officer was waiting with her personal effects.

He said, "I'm awfully sorry for this mistake. You see, I pulled up behind your car while you were blowing your horn, and swearing loudly at the driver in front of you. I noticed the "Choose Life" licence plate holder, the "What Would Jesus Do?" and the "Follow me to Sunday School" bumper stickers and the chrome plated Christian fish emblem on the boot. Naturally, I thought you had stolen the car! How does this story relate to us in Christian Camping?

With our Summer Camping Programme only weeks away we are excited about the opportunities for the Lord and prayerfully anticipate that our efforts would be effective for extending His Kingdom. We pray that as His servants will live up to our calling and when we react to pressure and tension of being in camp 24/7 that our 'old life' will not surface, but would overflow with the example of what Christ has taught us from His Word, Eph. 4: 21 - 24, 31 - 32. Do pray that all those involved one way or another in our Camping programme this season, that they may know the wisdom and strength of Jesus Christ in their lives daily.

*Grant Bullin*



The **Girls House Party Camp** was another new addition in the calendar after several years break. 13 girls attended this camp and enjoyed such fun activities as cup-cake decorating; paint-ball; home-made cosmetics; a tote bag full of goodies and much more. We must give thanks to Whittakers Chocolates, Dermologica, Guthrie Bowron and Kimberly-Clark for the goodies they donated to us for this camp. Alison Paton was able to share with the girls talks based on the camp theme of 'Being the Best You Can Be'.



The **Computer Camp** doubled in numbers from last year, which made for an excellent camp. The boys enjoyed a large scale 'Amazing Race' game taking in the sights of Waiholā; paint-ball; hardware competition and lots of computer gaming. John Hannah spoke to the boys on the creation of the earth and astronomical events in the scriptures which tied in with the astronomy activity we had each night.

*Tim Wiel*

## Summer Camps Update

Summer camps are about 7 weeks away and are filling fast.

The **2011 Girls Horse Trek** is being run by Sarah Hunter - plans are coming together for a great week of trekking around the local district. This camp is now at maximum numbers so we can take no more campers.



Sam Duthie is running the **2011 Boys Summer Camp** and it is shaping up to be an excellent week of fun. We are looking for keen young men that can help him lead this camp during the 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> January 2011.

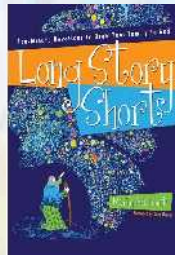


Karyn Lean is running our **2011 Summer Girls Camp** and is also looking for leaders to help out with this camp. The girls camp is having an underwater theme and is sure to be lots of fun.

Brenda Duthie is running the **2011 Adventure Camp** during the last week of January. Last years camp included such activities as search and rescue exercises; kayaking down the river; horse trekking and mountain biking; paint-ball and much much more!!! This is not a camp to miss if you are a young person with free time these holidays.

*For a full list of upcoming camps and dates visit our website or contact the CYC office for enrolment forms.*

## Book Review



Recommended by Martin Williams, Tokomairiro Co-operating Parish Minister.

**Long Story Short: Ten Minute Devotions to Draw Your Family to God**

By *Marty Machowski*

*Long Story Short* is the best material for family devotions I've ever seen. If you're looking for something careful, creative, and Christ-centered—without being corny, confusing, or condescending—look no further. Pastors would be wise to buy this book by the boxful and get a copy into the hands of each family in their church. *Excerpt taken from Amazon.com*

*You can buy this booking along with many others through our website - [www.cycwaiholā.org.nz](http://www.cycwaiholā.org.nz)*

## News in Brief

- Another 'Work Camp' has past with a large number of jobs being accomplished. Work carried out at this years work camp included, new fences along the Homestead driveway, further progress on the Assault course, building maintenance in Chalet 2 & Managers House, broadband wireless internet connection at the Main Hall along with new spouting and ridging. A big thanks to all who attended camp and put their efforts in to make it a rewarding and encouraging time.
- Did you know **Family Camp** next year is planned from Easter Monday 25 April to the following Friday? Please mark this in your diary and plan to come along. We have Jay Behan from St Stephens

Church in Christchurch as our main speaker, Stuart Johnson and Richard Worth will be contributing again with talks on Doctrine and Church History. More details will be in our brochure due out early next year.



## Prayer Update

The faithfulness of our Father in heaven has been present in the following ways over the last few months:

- very successful spring camps - we had lots of campers and some very well organised camps providing two weeks of full on fun.
- enrolments are now coming in for 2011 camps (including enrolments for the Cavalcade camp in December next year!!!)
- calendars and enrolment forms were sent out in late October and several schools have published our camps in their school newsletters
- Tim has been visiting campers that have been at camps over the past couple of years and giving them calendars and enrolment forms - the response has been very positive.

Recently we have started sending out regular prayer updates via email to those on our email list. If you would like one please let us know.

Please in particular be in prayer for:

- the Girls Summer Camp - we really need some senior leaders to be involved in this camp.
- those who have attended the camps over the spring holidays and heard the gospel of Jesus Christ proclaimed, will seek after Him as their personal Lord.
- the upcoming fellowship day that it will be an effective tool in the ministry here at CYC
- the upcoming council meeting as they make decisions
- the continued financial support of our ministry especially as we seek to undertake our kitchen upgrade and bunk-bed revamp

in the coming year

## November Fellowship Day

We welcome you to attend our next fellowship day to be held on 27th November 2010 in the Main Hall @ CYC.

Come along for a time of teaching, fellowship and fun.

This fellowship day also doubles as a Christian Camping New Zealand Regional Day - so come along and meet folk from other Christian camps around New Zealand.

### November 2010 Fellowship Day

10.00am	<b>Relational Evangelism</b> Speaker: Mark Smith
10.45am	Morning Tea
11.00am	<b>Update on current camping issues</b> Speaker: Jenny Davies - CCNZ CEO
12.00pm	Fellowship Lunch
1.30pm	Book room Sale <b>CYC Flying Fox Activity</b> CYC staff will be available for training during this time.
3.00pm	Afternoon Tea

On our website you will find our **2011 calendar** and **2011 Enrolment form**. Let us know if you want a hard copy and we will post them out, they will also be available to collect from our Office and at Fellowship day.

## Support CYC

If you would like to make a donation to CYC, you can donate via internet banking or send your donation to:

*Christian Youth Camps (Waihola) Inc,*  
P.O. Box 15061, Waihola, 9243

For electronic banking our bank account number is #03 0905 0937076 00 (Westpac Bank, Moray Place, Dunedin). Please put your name and "donation" in the reference column.

**All donations to CYC are tax deductible and a receipt will be sent at the end of the Financial Year.**

Teach me to do your will, for you are my God. May your gracious Spirit lead me forward on a firm footing.

*Psalms 143:10*