

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.

High Numbers at Labour Weekend

50 volunteers answered the call and moved over CYC not un-like an army of ants. Young and old alike were scattered all over the property, tackling a variety of jobs.

Trees were pruned (read felled), windows were cleaned, gorse was sprayed, lamb tails were docked, firewood was stacked, paths were cleared, weeds cut down, drains were cleared, and most importantly, an Assault Course was started, the main storm-water pipe was re-laid, and the main drive entrance was re-aligned.

The storm-water pipe had been giving trouble for a while as the last section of old piping could not cope with the improved course of pipes that fed into it. Now that this last stretch is also a large diameter, hi-flow pipe, we need not be getting so wet underfoot. This will greatly improve the conditions in the lower field where the new Assault Course will be.

Ever since the old confidence course was re-

moved from the trees above the main building, we have been wanting to replace it. Now, after many months of careful planning, the beginnings of a modern Assault Course are taking shape around the stand of Manuka trees. Hopefully a path will one day lead campers to this course and also to the air rifle range and the archery butts.

With the work on the storm-water pipe, the main drive was dug up. This gave us the opportunity to re-align the entrance to the southern half of our grounds. The last bit of drive now meets Finlayson Road at 90 degrees, making it much safer for traffic leaving the property. Small improvements like this will help us to provide a top class camping facility.

The New Manager's House

Oh, dear. Why does it have to take so long? The rule of thumb is to work out how long it will take and then double it. Then add some more, and some more ...

Martin, Corina and Giselle *have* moved in; the living areas are finished, but there is still work to be done at the far end of the house. Every surface needs fresh paint, and curtains need to be re-hung. There is still a mess halfway down the hallway which will one day be the new linen cupboard, and the new laundry tub needs to be installed. This remaining work will be done on weekends and other stolen moments so that the real work of CYC can carry on.



“But Balaam was rebuked for his wrongdoing by a donkey—a beast without speech—who spoke with a man's voice and restrained the prophet's madness.” 2 Peter 2:16

Spring Camps '08

There was just the one camp this Spring, but what a ripper! The Motorbike Camp was rather slow to receive enrolments but the eight boys who turned up had an absolute blast. Sam Duthie and Russell Harrex led this camp with help from Graeme Paton and the "Gray Boys", Kevin, Kynan, Jacob, and Azriel.

Testosterone flowed freely as motorbikes of all sizes roared, zipped, and raced around the hills at the back of CYC and through the neighbouring forest. Mud was regarded as a badge of honour, yet each bike was lovingly washed down at the end of every ride.

Margaret Gray kept the boys' stomachs full and Azriel Gray spoke to the boys about being real men.



Summer Camps '08

As we all wait eagerly for Summer to arrive, there are Camp Directors busy getting their teams and programmes sorted. Bill Boyes will direct the Boys Summer Camp, Brenda Thompson the Girls Summer Camp, Joanne Bullin the Girls Horse Trek, and Kynan Gray the Boys Mountain Bike Camp.

Keep your eyes open for a flyer advertising these camps and tell all your friends to either send their sons and daughters or volunteer to help out.

Of Special Note

Three young ladies need special thanks. Stephanie Boyes, Lydia Harrex, and Amy Bullin did an excellent job as camp cooks over Labour Weekend. With no notice they took on the task and produced many culinary wonders, mostly from whatever they could find in the freezers and cupboards. Thank you, ladies. Well done. I won't mention the apple pie...

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

CYC Waihola
P O Box 15061
Waihola 9243

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.

Study Day

29 November 2008

10.00 am	Andrew Young "Experiencing Union and Communion With Christ" Part one
10.45 am	Morning tea
11.00 am	"Experiencing Union and Communion With Christ" Part two
12.00 am	Lunch (Please bring a plate to share)

We will be meeting in the Main Building.

- Banner of Truth Subs are now being taken. Please let us know if you would like to receive this publication or if you would like to cease your subscription.
- Please pray for the leaders of our Summer Camps. Pray for safety at camp and that the gospel may be well presented to our young guests.
- CYC is experiencing the effects of the world-wide financial slump. Many of our maintenance jobs are going to have to wait until funds allow us to complete them.
- Many thanks to those who continue to donate items to CYC. They are very appreciated.

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