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Christian Youth Camps

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NEWSLETTER



Executive Officers Comment

What a privilege to be amongst such an awesome team this summer that was so committed to the Lords work. You could see the Hand of God presiding over our Camping programme. It has been a challenging time but revitalising being full of inspiration, support and fellowship. You feel so blessed to be part of such a vital ministry reaching into the lives of so many people. Christian Camping is an amazing evangelism tool for spreading the Gospel. Forming a temporary community such as a camp has many special features. Young people come here they build relationships in a non-threatening and independent setting, which gives room for God to touch their lives in a life changing way. Thank-you for your support by being an important part of this ministry. What God has called you to is special, vital, unique and effective.

Grant Bullin



Camping Coordinators Blurp

The recent summer holidays have just past us by in a blur of busyness. The wonderful message of the gospel has been presented to 116 campers at 5 different camps. We must pray that the seeds sown in these young peoples hearts are nurtured by the Holy Spirit into a decision to live for Christ.

The 2010 Boys Summer camp was more like a winter camp with rain most of the week. This led to lots of indoor games being pulled from the leaders hats.



The 2010 Girls Summer camp was blessed with sunny days and good times. The army theme of the camp worked well with the girls using the assault course one afternoon all dressed up with camo paint on their faces. A camp fire roasting marshmallows on the last night of camp was another highlight.



The 2010 Rail Trail Camp was blessed with safety and great riding. In all 27 campers braved the Central Otago heat to complete the 150km journey from Middlemarch to Clyde. Many thanks goes to the leaders that made this off-site camp a success.

The 2010 Girls Horse Trek was awesome albeit a bit tiring camp. Long hot days riding in the sun made for some pretty tired girls at night. Raylene Bradfield spoke well to them and her message was well received.



The 2010 Co-Ed Adventure camp was a non-stop week of activities and fun. From paint-ball on the second day through to rafting down the Clutha on the last day it was a great camp. The teenagers probably needed a week to catch up on sleep when they went home. Many of the campers have commented they can't wait til next years camp.



The next few months are still going to be busy for us here at camp with many school groups and weekend groups booked. I have schools and churches to visit promoting our winter camps. Your prayer and thoughts are well sought after.

Tim Wiel

Autumn Camps Update

With April camps just over eight weeks away, it is great to see the Boys Hunting camp and the Girls Pony camp full - and with quite a few on the waiting list. The Boys Mountain Bike camp could do with a few more boys to enroll so please be in prayer for this.

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

Many camps for 2010 are already filling up fast so get those enrolment forms in soon.

News In Brief

- Many thanks to our neighbour Rob Girvan who jumped the fence and cut a paddock's worth of hay for us. He bundled the hay into old fashioned square bails to make them easier for us to handle. Thanks Rob.
- Kynan and Kevin Gray have put some more work into the assault course bringing it nearer to completion. David Fraser has sourced a fishing net and crafted it into a 'net

crawl' that we believe it is the only one of its type in the country.

- Our OSCAR funding application has been approved for two years and the MSD have deposited the full years funding into our bank account. This year we got the full years funding in January which has been a blessing in topping up our struggling finances. So thank you for praying that the Lord would fulfil our financial needs by January as He certainly has.

2010 Family Camp

Our annual family camp is scheduled from Easter Monday (5th April) through to Friday 9th of April. Camp forms can be downloaded from our website shortly. Our key speakers at this years camp are Andrew Young and Stuart Johnson.

Prayer Needs

CYC relies heavily on the support of the local Christian community and without your prayers and financial support we cannot function. We continually give thanks to the Lord for his unwavering faithfulness to the Society.

Please in particular be in prayer for:

- those who have attended the camps over the summer holidays and heard the wonderful message of Jesus Christ, will seek after Him as their saviour.
- the upcoming fellowship day and council meeting
- the continued financial support of our ministry
- the staff of CYC as they work in the coming months with the school and church groups coming through the camp-site



Upcoming Events

26 February 10	Council Meeting
27 February 10	Fellowship Day
26 March 10	Camp Volunteers Training Wkd
5 April 10	Family Camp
12 April 10	Girls Pony Camp
12 April 10	Boys Hunting Camp
12 April 10	Boys Mountain Bike Camp

Facebook Fan Page

Those of you that are using Facebook to keep in touch with others might like to know that CYC has leapt into the technological age and has a fan page you can add. Just such for Christian Youth Camps to add us.



February Fellowship Day

We welcome you to attend our February 2010 fellowship day. Come along for a time of teaching, fellowship and fun. The February Fellowship day is to be held on 27th February 2010 at the Main Hall.

The first session on the Saturday morning is a series of short presentations from our summer camp directors highlighting the ups and downs of the summer camps. Concluding this will be a time of prayer of thanksgiving.

Azriel Gray is speaking to the adults after morning tea. Az is one of our enthusiastic camp directors at CYC, having directed the motorbike camps in the past and has been in leadership at boys camps many times as well.

There will be a children's programme provided after morning tea.

Support CYC

Christian Youth Camps (Waihola) Inc. only exists by the grace of God. We have run camps for more than 46 years in Otago and Southland, and all on the smell of an oily rag. It is the support of like minded people donating to CYC that has enabled the ministry to continue for so long. We here at CYC thank you for your support and for your prayers.

If you would like to make a donation to CYC, you can donate via internet banking using our bank account 03 0905 0937076 00 or send your donation to:

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27th February 2010 Fellowship Day

10.00am	"Summer Camps 2010 Update" - Various Camp Directors
10.45am	Morning Tea
11.00am	"Book of Ruth" - Azriel Gray Children's Programme
12.00pm	Fellowship Lunch
1.30pm	Book room Sale CYC Go Carts Activity for children and teenagers CYC staff will be training during this time.
3.00pm	Afternoon Tea
3.30pm	CYC Flying Fox for children and teenagers CYC staff will be training during this time.
5.00pm	Home time

Don't let the excitement of youth cause you to forget your Creator. Honor him in your youth before you grow old and say, "Life is not pleasant anymore." *Ecclesiastes 12:1*