

# From the Ministry Team

*informing encouraging equipping*



With just a few more weeks left for delivering your IFG programme for the year it is time that we brought you up to date with the latest.....

## PEARL AWARD

We have our PEARL Award bracelet and it looks beautiful! This is the answer to the ICONZ' DIRT Boy Award. We canvassed leaders far and wide for support and with leaders now wanting them for end of year awards nights we have got them made in time. It was mooted that the cost would be about \$30 but we have them for \$26.25. Charmayne is taking orders for these now and you can email her [rams@iconz4girlz.org.nz](mailto:rams@iconz4girlz.org.nz) There will be postage to pay as well. Let Charmayne know the date you need them by so she can overnight courier if need be. You will be invoiced from the Girls' Brigade office.



## PROGRAMME BOOKS FOR NEXT YEAR

The Girls' Brigade office is handling the printing and distributing of all programme books. Please let them know your requirements. [shop@girlsbrigade.org.nz](mailto:shop@girlsbrigade.org.nz) The office closes for a few weeks over Christmas/New Year so don't leave it too late.

## NAME BADGES

We asked if leaders wanted an award for service to their Unit. About 90% of the replies were that this was not necessary but what you really did want was a name badge. Well these are now available and can be ordered through your Unit's corporate page from Seeit. The cost is \$17.83. Excellent quality with a robust magnetic clasp.



We will keep the service badge option under review.

## NEW POLICE VETTING PROCESS

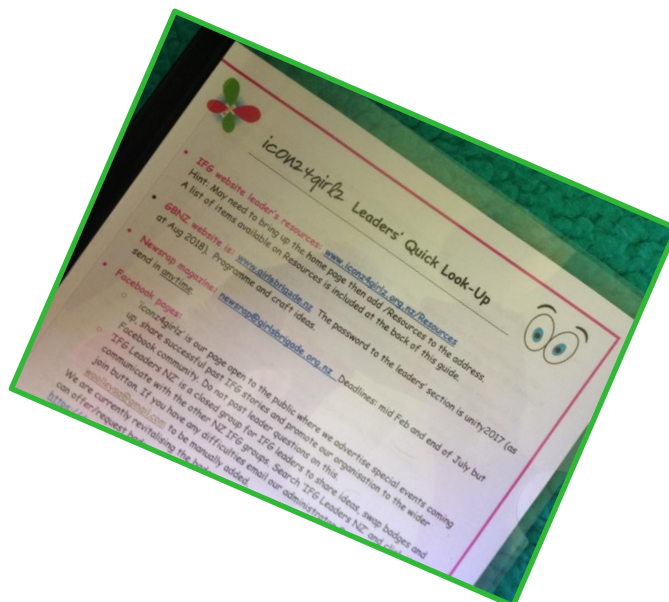


The Police Vetting process for leaders and helpers 18 years and over has been made easier with vetting now being done by the church with no need to repeat vetting if already completed within the last three years. We have updated registration forms for leaders and helpers and these will be up on the IFG website very soon.

## LEADERS' QUICK LOOK UP GUIDE

The requested "Leaders' Quick Look-Up Guide" was hand delivered to the Units we visited and the rest have been mailed by the GBNZ office staff.

[office@girlsbrigade.org.nz](mailto:office@girlsbrigade.org.nz) if you have not received your copy. We'll get this up on the IFG website too.



## LOOKING BACK ON 2018 – IS IT TOO EARLY?

Charmayne and I have been able to visit some Units this year – the six in Auckland and the five in Canterbury and will do the two Nelson/Marlborough Units this weekend. We were disappointed that we couldn't manage our Franklin/Waikato/Bay of Plenty road trip this year. Hopefully this will happen reasonably early next year. We have an Otago road trip all locked and loaded for February.

We attended the Girls' Brigade Conference in Auckland in June, the Way2go Conference in Wellington also in June, and in October were invited to take part in a Strategic Planning day in Auckland with the GBNZ Board.

We have been much involved with reviewing new dual branded (IFG and GB) user friendly forms. All good.



*Blessings to all from Charmayne and Chris*

We still have eight Units that who have not returned their Annual Unit Updates for 2018, that's 32%, and many that have done so but have not registered their new leaders. Would Senior Leaders therefore please pass on this newsletter as necessary.