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Congratulations iconz4girlz! Five years old this month.



The first Unit was launched in May 2009 at the Northpoint Baptist Church at Bell Block near New Plymouth. IFG is featured in the May issue of "The Baptist" magazine.

And a good time was had by all

The Leaders' Training Weekend held at Totara Springs Christian Centre near Matamata this month certainly proved to be a winner for the leaders attending. New training manuals were introduced; 'IFG Training 103' and 'Running a Healthy Camp' and many girls' camps are now in the planning embryo stage. The leaders learnt that 'Go ye into all the world' could mean via Facebook. However, the highlight of the weekend for the leaders was meeting, fellowshipping, and sharing ideas with other leaders.



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Jennifer was very disappointed that she could not be at the weekend. Please pray for healing for Jennifer who has severe damage to her Achilles tendon.



A new way to order uniforms and badges

The Ministry Team has completed their Uniform and Badge Review and we now have a new distributor for uniforms and badges, Seeit Promotions. Each Unit is being set up with an online account so orders can be placed online directly to the distributor. You will be advised shortly how to access the corporate site where you will be able to see images of what is available and the cost of each item. Our contact person at Seeit, Leanne, was at the Leaders' weekend to introduce the new concept. Feedback was that Leanne would be



Leanne from Seeit

an easy person to deal with. Leanne's email address is sales@seeit.co.nz If you need to put in orders for uniforms or badges before you have an on line account please email Leanne. All existing stock that was held at the Girls' Brigade office has been transferred to Seeit's storage facility.

A new range of uniforms

The uniform review also included looking at the cost, quality, suitability and availability of the present items in the range and we are making some changes based on input from leaders and our own observations.

Girls

There is still a good supply of girls' green t-shirts in stock but once the various sizes have to be reordered you will see a slight change in colour, neckline, logo, and size of butterfly on the back. You didn't like the shape of the cap so this will be replaced in due course too.

Leaders

All garments in the range for leaders will now be sourced from the one supplier. Because the current fitted t-shirts shrunk upwards, the loose t-shirts were no longer available from the old stockist and the new option stretched outwards, we had to really relook at these. Leaders now have three options for tops:

- The existing fuchsia blouse with $\frac{3}{4}$ sleeves
- A pink t-shirt in the same style as the purple t-shirt worn by the Ultimate girls
- A pink polo shirt with black detailing

The option of two jackets remains the same:

- A black soft shell jacket
- A black polar fleece jacket

All garments are to have the IFG logo embroidered on the front.

Badges

The badge manufacturers are putting some new terms of trade on badges but in the meantime it is business as usual. Leaders at the training weekend voted overwhelmingly to be able to continue 'inventing' new badges themselves and being able to share these with other Units. These are the latest two badges provided by Lincoln Road.



Who does what?

Here is an update on your support team. We have some new email addresses to make things easier for you.

Christine Brunt - Convenor of Ministry Team. I love to hear your good news. I love to answer your questions (but did you look on the website first?). I have changed our email hosting so info@iconz4girlz.org.nz now comes to me.

Jennifer Box - Ministry Team member. Jennifer looks after all the IFG programme publications and supporting documents. Order your Unit's requirements from Jennifer supplies@iconz4girlz.org.nz

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Julia Harris - The accounts manager at the GBNZ office. Julia took over some of Sue's responsibilities and sends out invoices for GBNZ National Fees. Contact Julia if you have any queries with your accounts.

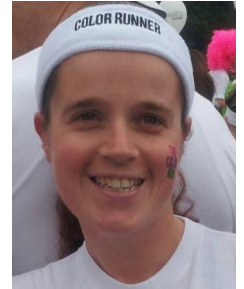
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Christine Wakefield is our prayer coordinator. Christine and her team will pray for your special requests. prayer@iconz4girlz.org.nz

Isabel Ross – Isabel is the Senior Leader at the Karori Unit. Isabel formats the newsletter and helps with other tricky stuff like that.

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Esther Hodgson – Leader at Oxford. Esther took the session on Facebooking at the Leaders' Training weekend. Esther looks after the closed leaders' Facebook page. iconzforgirlz1@gmail.com Contact Esther to join.

I am delighted to announce that two more volunteers are joining the support team.

Bex Rosser – the Senior Leader from Parklands. Bex will manage the open iconz4girlz Facebook page. bexrosser@clear.net.nz



Some feedback we received was that ideas of what worked well, craft ideas etc could be shared in this monthly newsletter. The place for this is on Facebook. If you are not comfortable with Facebook contact details of all Units are on our website www.iconz4girlz.org.nz under FIND US



Lisa Garruad – leader at Lincoln Road. Lisa will attend to looking after the website. lisa@isatrin.com

Your Feedback

We received a wealth of opinions from the feedback booklets completed at the training weekend. The Ministry Team will be meeting in Palmerston North 10/12 June immediately prior to the Girls' Brigade Conference where these will be discussed. If you weren't at the weekend and would like to provide some feedback to the Ministry Team please do so. Sent it to info@iconz4girlz.org.nz

I will finish by sharing this from our weekend keynote speaker:

I just wanted to give you some feedback. What I saw of the camp was outstanding! You and your team did a fantastic job all round. It is great to see leaders being trained, valued and inspired. In fact what you all do for NZ is totally amazing!!!!

Thank you to all the crew who contributed to the running of the weekend, either up front or in the 'back room' and to all the leaders who came and contributed to the success of the weekend.

With Pentecost nearly here I would like to share with you an image of a stain glass window designed by Northland artist Kathy Shaw for the Whakapara Marae just north of Whangarei.



Chris Brunt

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iconz4girlz Ministry Team

"Growing girls for good!"

