

# i-girlz leaderz e-newz



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It is a year since we began sending out the monthly e-newz. Has this been helpful for you to get these monthly updates? Let's have your ideas for improvement.

## Maid of Iron



Huge congratulations to our own Charmayne Johnstone who at the age of 60 has blitzed the Taupo Ironman in a time of 15 hours 54 minutes. (Seventeen hours is cut off point).

## New Units Coming Up

We have the leaders of two prospective Units undergoing training ready to launch next term plus another one not far behind. Lots more churches interested and looking for leaders.

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A leader to represent leaders.

Sharelle Rowntree has decided that being the leaders' rep on the IFG Ministry Team is not for her after all so we are looking for a replacement. Two meetings a year in Auckland and possibly attendance at the Girls' Brigade NZ AGM. It is not a huge commitment but it is invaluable to have your input as leaders so we can continue to provide you with the best programme and support we can. So if you think that this could be you please get in contact.

Annual Stats

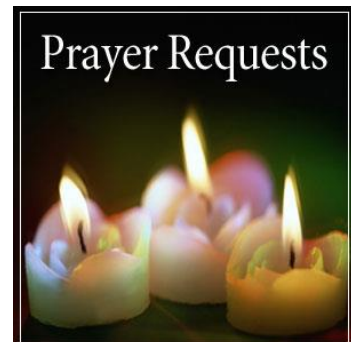
These are due about now please.

**Please- if you have new leaders coming on board remember to include them on the stats form and send their Registration Forms and Police Vetting Forms to the IFG Resource Centre. Also have them sign the Code of Conduct form which is kept on file locally.**

Even if leaders have completed the Police Vetting Forms for other organisations or for their work, we still need to have them done again for our records.

National Prayer Coordinator

Christine Wakefield has been appointed to take on this role for us. We have so many serious prayers and so many serious pray-ers in IFG so it will be good to get our prayer support on a more structured foundation. Christine is putting together a prayer calendar. If you would like to express your interest in being a pray-er and/or you have pray requests please email Christine



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We are calling the group "Pray it Forward".

### Ordering of Badges

There are new owners at the place where we get our badges made. They have asked that we no longer send in several small orders during the month, just one order a month. We don't keep badges in stock so ask you please to just work out at the beginning of the term what badges you will be awarding at the end of the term and get them ordered. If you over-order because girls have left during the term just return the unwanted badges for a credit.

### Website Upgrade

The home page is done and we think it's lookin' good. We need to now start loading on the info. I will soon be asking Senior Leaders for their Unit details. In the meantime have a think about whose name you want on there as the contact person for your Unit. Is it the senior leader, one of the other leaders or your church office?

### South Island Women in Action Day 25 May 2013

Have you marked this in your diary yet? The South Island Women in Action Day is to be held in Christchurch. Allison Mooney will be our key-note speaker. (While organising this engagement with Ally she has been in Toronto, then New York on speaking tours and is presently in India). Take some time out for a few laughs and to enjoy the company of other leaders. Registrations will be sent out after Easter. This is one you don't want to miss.

### Money to Give Away

Senior Leaders have been sent information on how to apply for \$5 per girl for Unit physical activities. If you have lost this info, contact Chris ([christinebrunt@clear.net.nz](mailto:christinebrunt@clear.net.nz)) for another copy.

### National Fees

We will contact Unit Senior Leaders directly regarding payment of fees. We have some improvements in mind.

### Ultimate Programme

We have received some feedback that the Ultimate programme is seen as being in opposition to your church's Youth Group. This is not so. The Ultimate programme is a personal development programme designed especially for girls 14+ and complements Youth Group teachings and activities.



Passing the Baton

At our Ministry Team meeting in Auckland earlier this month I took over from Jennifer as the Convenor of the IFG Ministry Team. You really would not believe the hundreds of hours of work that Jennifer has given to bring into being the vision I had back in 2007 when I became the National Commissioner of Girls' Brigade NZ. Now Jennifer has given my baby back to me as it were. Fortunately for me Jennifer remains a member of the Team and along with Charmayne we will continue to do all that we can to support you the leaders in your mission outreach as we will also work at keeping our IFG friends informed of progress.

Wishing you continuing grace, wisdom and energy in abundance in all that you do in Jesus' name.

Easter Blessings to you all from the i-girlz Ministry Team

*Chris Brunt*