

# i-girlz leaderz e-newz



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Photos from Women in Action Day

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Lots of news and information to share this month

## [Women in Action Day - Christchurch](#)

The thirty ladies who attended our fourth and final "Women in Action" series had a great day of fun and learning as can be seen by the photos above. The Ministry Team is open to suggestions for what you would like us to cover in our next series of training days.

## [Our newest Unit](#)

A big welcome to the latest Unit to join our IFG family – Franklin Baptist at Pukekohe. The photo shows the group just a couple of weeks after launching. Best wishes to all the leadership team who have stepped up for this ministry.



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Bon Voyage, Stu

Our own Stu Thompson has an exciting time ahead. Along with Richard Harkness, Stu has been chosen by BB ICONZ to attend the Global Fellowship Conference in England next month. The boys will also be meeting with children and youth leaders in Northern Ireland, Scotland, Finland, Denmark and Singapore during their trip. I know that Stu would appreciate your prayers so attached you will find a copy of Stu's travel itinerary. Stu has been very busy fundraising for the trip. How many sausages did you sizzle, Stu?



*"Hey fellas - check out the missus".  
Stu with his beloved Karen.*

National i-camp headz up



The leaders from Bethlehem, Omokoroa and Welcome Bay along with Stu are organising an i-girlz camp to be held at Lakes Ranch Camp near Rotorua **11/13 October 2013**. This camp is open to all girls and leaders in IFG Units throughout NZ. You will be receiving more information soon, but this is just a heads up so you can put it on your calendar and start saving up to attend.

Funds for Physical Activity

A reminder about the \$5 per girl that is available from GBNZ for a physical activity. If you haven't used yours already it could go towards the camp maybe?

The Aroha Trust

There is a small fund available for Units who are having difficulty meeting the payments of National fees. You will need to have kept good financial records for your Unit to qualify. Contact me if you want to know more.

### Fathers' Night Ideas

With Father's Day coming up in September you may wish to include a Fathers' Night in your Term Three programme. We do realise that there will be many girls who don't have a "live-in" father but we have overcome this problem in the past by including grandfathers, uncles, trusted family friends, "adopt-a-dad" from the church etc. Themes that have worked well have included "Pirates", "Fishermen", and "Racing Cars" (made out of large cardboard cartons).

### Badges Available

The Year 3 Challenge badges are now in stock. Details are attached. We are organising new badges for "Mother's Day" and "Frendz Camp".



### Uniforms Available

Sonia Dolan from the Kapiti Unit that is now in recess has some leaders' shirts available for sale.

1x size 20 shirt

1x size 16 shirt

1x size 16 T shirt

2x size 12 T shirts.

Please contact Sonia directly if you are interested in purchasing any of these.

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### The Adventure Programme

We have some Units who run the Adventure programme only and are coming to the end of the third year of delivering it. If you want to keep the girls who have done three years or who are turning eleven in your programme that is not a problem. You just need to order the Year One Challenge Programme and start working through that with your Adventure group. May need a bit of adapting but after three years of running the Adventure programme you should be good at that.

### Contacts

Recently I dedicated an issue of i-newz to listing who you needed to contact for what. Last week I received orders for uniforms and badges and the Resource Centre received inquiries that they had to pass on to me. We are looking at a "new look" format for i-newz from next month which will include in each issue, for easy reference, all the contact details you need.

## Website

We have about half the info loaded now with huge thanks to Belinda Robertson of the Omokoroa Unit for volunteering to assist with this. Now here is a bit of really good news.... Besides sponsoring us for 50% of their hosting costs for the next 12 months “Zeald” also have the following referral system from which IFG can benefit.

“We can ensure that the Recipient (or their nominated Charity) receives 5% of the sale price of any website or other Sponsor Service that the Sponsor sells as a result of a referral from the Recipient. Such a referral which leads to a sale can often result from someone clicking through from a link on the ‘About our Website Developer Page’ or clicking any other link on the Recipients website or Email newsletter that links to Zeald. Such links and click-throughs are automatically tracked against the Recipients Supporter ID”.



## Jennifer away

Jennifer is travelling to Kuala Lumpur this month to attend the Girls' Brigade International President's meeting. Jennifer is the GB International Vice President for the Pacific region. The International personnel are very interested in how IFG is progressing in New Zealand. From KL Jennifer and her husband, Les, will travel on to the UK where her daughter is to be married at the end of July. Jennifer will be back to attend to your printed programme requirements at the end of August. Safe travels, Jennifer.

*Jennifer at last year's President's Committee meeting with the Governor of British Virgin Islands in this photo.*





Annual General Meeting 2013 of GBNZ.

Charmayne, Jennifer and I attended this meeting on 29 June in Wellington. This year we were each given speaking and voting rights. Although many GB people still don't quite see how IFG "fits" into the GBNZ Structure, they are for the most part very accepting and understand that GB and IFG are united in their vision to reach NZ girls for Christ.

Closing Greetings

From the IFG Ministry Team to all our ministry leaders and supporters we thank God for you and all you do in your churches and your communities for our girls.

*Chris Brunt*

IFG Ministry Team Convenor.