THE BOYS' BRIGADE NORTHERN REGIONAL TRUST



Michael Stead Memorial Lodge - Kauaeranga Valley

ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2014



Registered New Zealand Charity no: CC33116

Basis of Trust The Trust was first established as The Auckland Boys' Brigade Trust by deed dated 23 June 1983 to take over the affairs of The Boys' Brigade Auckland Battalion Incorporated and of the other three unincorporated Auckland Battalions.

It became The Boys' Brigade Northern Regional Trust on 13 December 1989, widening its scope and sharing its resources by agreement with the other Battalions of the Brigade in the Region, from Taupo north.

Trustees were appointed by the Executive of the Northern Region but since it ceased to function, appointments have been made by the Executive of The Boys' Brigade in New Zealand Inc. for two-year terms, as provided for in the deed. Trustees operate under the provisions of:

- the deed, dated 13 December 1989, amended 1 July 1992
- Charitable Trusts Act 1957 and amendments
- Charities Act 2005
- Trustee Act 1956 and amendments
- **Trust objectives** The Trust is charged with managing its assets "to further the ongoing work of the Brigade in the Northern Region" as detailed in the deed.

The Brigade exists to enhance the spiritual, mental, social and physical development of Boys and young men.

Trust powers The Trust's powers are also detailed in the deed. Among other actions, the Trust is empowered to:

- provide financial and property management services as required by the Northern Region including the soliciting for and the raising of further funds at the discretion of the Trustees.
- contribute towards development and outreach of the Brigade. This can include employment of staff.
- contribute towards training.
- make grants to Brigade and ICONZ units.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR 2014

The main activities of the Trust during the year were:

- **Meetings** The Trust met twice during the year, in June and October, and held a number of telephone and email consultations to resolve issues arising at other times.
- **Trustee changes** No changes of Trustees occurred during the year, but Graham Creahan gave notice of his intention to resign on 31 December 2014. He was thanked for his excellent service to BBNZ and the Trust. In the absence of a Northern Regional Executive of The Boys' Brigade, under the terms of the Trust Deed, the Executive of The Boys' Brigade in New Zealand Inc. reappointed all serving Trustees except Graham for the two-year term to 30 April 2015.
- **Investments** Trustees' responsibilities under the Trustee Act 1955 include prudence with Trust funds. During the recent recession years, they used term deposits only, spread between several registered banks and the Presbyterian and Baptist Savings Societies. This policy saw income drop, even though above-average interest rates were obtained, but it protected the funds. Each year, part of the income has been added to a separately identified Stedfast Fund in the Trust's accounts, to ensure that funds do not lose value with inflation. Trustees are also moving towards having all funds with New Zealand owned organisations. Since late 2013, part of the Trust's funds have been placed with a reputable funds manager, Milford Asset Management, whose funds are spread over a wide range of entities, reducing risk, but providing a higher return than bank term deposits.
- **Projects funded** The Trust funded 100% of the employment and related costs of a Development Manager for The Boys' Brigade in New Zealand Incorporated, to provide leadership stimulus, training and growth for its BB and ICONZ programmes for Boys and young men in the region in a fun, Christian environment. Phil Hathaway, the Development Manager, worked under the Brigade's control and supervision and the number of new ICONZ units has continued to grow. As well as helping churches to get units started and training new leaders, Phil organised a number of successful, large-scale, fun events enjoyed by Boys and leaders from across the Region. Phil left BBNZ employ during 2014.

The Trust again subsidised the costs of a number of young men from the Region to attend the National Leadership Development Courses.

Major refurbishment of the Michael Stead Memorial Lodge in the Kauaeranga Valley, started in 2013, was completed by Ross McCarthy's team. This included complete floor replacement, insulation, verandah, ramp and railing repair and rat-proofing of the Lodge – not an easy task!! Solar-powered LED lighting was provided to the shower and toilet block.

MSML The Michael Stead Memorial Lodge was opened in 1976 and named in honour of Michael Stead of the 2nd Auckland Company at Greenlane Presbyterian Church, tragically drowned in a canoeing accident on the Whanganui River. Michael's now elderly parents live in Northcote. (Bob Stead was a BB officer in Birkenhead when our Chairman was a Boy.)

During 2014, the Lodge continued to provide an activity base for a number of Brigade and other users. It is advertised on the Trust's and BBNZ's website. Trent Ward provided a significant upgrade to the MSML listing during the year, for which Trustees are very grateful. Bookings have increased but the Lodge is still under-utilised, so the Trust encourages more use by BB and ICONZ units and families. Lawnmowing and security oversight is provided by the caretaker of the neighbouring Kauaeranga Valley Education Trust's lodge. Costs for this and for water rights are shared.

Nigel Hanlon Hut This garage-sized hut at Piha has been used by BB companies since 1955 when it was first placed on land within the Auckland Centennial Memorial Park, now part of Auckland Council's Waitakeres parkland. It was later named after a BB Boy from the 56th Auckland Company at Northcote Baptist Church, killed in an accident.

During the years when the Trust owned Stedfast Park at Piha, use of the Hut became minimal and facilities deteriorated. After Stedfast Park was sold, the Trust provided new facilities and Graeme Johansen arranged a major refurbishment (see photos p5). A new lease was agreed with the Auckland Regional Council, now subsumed by Auckland Council. This lease is due for review in 2015. Use of the Hut is increasing steadily.

Communications The Trust has a page on the BBNZ site advertising its purposes, activities and properties. We thank the BBNZ webmaster for this. A supply of quality Trust-branded pens was purchased and issued to all leaders in the Region. Trustees have also given pens to individuals and groups to promote good-will and awareness.

To apply for a grant, send a simple email with the basic information to <u>bbnrtrust@gmail.com</u> and a form will be sent to you.



The motto of The Boys' Brigade, selected from Hebrews 6:19 from the King James version of the Bible (hence the spelling) by the Brigade's Founder, Sir William Alexander Smith in Glasgow in 1883.

Nigel Hanlon Hut Piha 6 images, December 2008







Photos taken during the refurbishment completed in 2010

IN THE PIPELINE FOR 2015

During 2015, the Trust intends :

- to continue to review its investment policy,
- to consult with BBNZ over use of any increased investment income to provide leadership support and development for Brigade and ICONZ groups in the Region,
- to assist training of more young leaders by again subsidising course and travel costs,
- to subsidise Regional events when appropriate, and to fund high-profile marketing and display aids for use at these events,
- to make grants to individual ICONZ and BB units, according to agreed criteria,

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• to develop and implement a more comprehensive communications and marketing policy to enable its role and facilities to be better known and understood within the Brigade and ICONZ movement, and to recreate a profile with potential outside funders.





THANKS TO VOLUNTEERS AND FRIENDS OF THE TRUST

The Trust is very grateful for the work of the following people during the year:

- **Treasurer** Bruce MacCarthy has continued his meticulous work, managing the creditors' ledger, liaising with the property portfolio-holders and Chairman, investing funds, keeping the cashbook and chequebook, reporting regularly to the Trust and preparing the financial statements.
- Auditor Peter Trotman, Chartered Accountant, kindly agreed to continue the review responsibility for the 2014 accounts.

Financial Adviser

Alistair Ross of Milford Asset Management has continued to give sound advice and expressed willingness to meet with Trustees when that can be arranged. Ian Bogue and Bruce MacCarthy monitored fund performance and kept Trustees informed.

Solicitors Les Allen of Gaze Burt Solicitors was available during the year for legal advice and services, and provided or facilitated courses available to volunteers and Trustees in the not-for-profit sector in Auckland.

Charities Services

This section of the Department of Internal Affairs provides this Trust and other charities with seminar and conference opportunities to enhance their knowledge and skills in these roles. Bevan Brown and Bruce MacCarthy have attended some of these in the past.

BBNZ Michael Good, BBNZ Director has a standing invitation to Trust meetings and keeps Trustees informed about BBNZ Executive's plans and needs and about what is happening across the country. Phil Hathaway provided Trustees with copies of his monthly reports and information about Regional events.

THE BOYS' BRIGADE NORTHERN REGIONAL TRUST

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE for the period e	nding 31 Decem	ber 2014			
	N R T General	M Stead Mem Lodge	Nigel Hanlon Hut	This Year Consolidated	Prior Year Consolidated
INCOME		*			
Camp Fees etc	1,500.00	4,826.07	784.35	7,110.42	6,220.01
Donations etc	0.00	0.00		0.00	400.00
Interest	55,406.45			55,406.45	79,406.85
Total Income	56,906.45	4,826.07	784.35	62,516.87	86,026.86
EXPENDITURE					
Donations and Grants to BBNZ	68,092.51			68,092.51	59,119.63
Grants to BB and ICONZ Groups	2,398.00			2,398.00	3,648.00
Repairs and Maintenance		1,192.27	0.00	1,192.27	18,608.59
Operating	885.60	5,230.15	279.56	6,395.31	7,256.42
Total Expenditure	71,376.11	6,422.42	279.56	78,078.09	88,632.64
SURPLUS/DEFICIT - before Depreciation	-14,469.66	-1,596.35	504.79	-15.561.22	-2,605.78
Depreciation	167.14	496.20		663.34	507.72
Transfer to Capital Preservation - 2014	50,000.00			50,000.00	5,000.00
	-64,636.80	-2,092.55	504.79	-66,224.56	-8,113.50
Gain on Milford Asset Management Investment	55,137.00			55,137.00	5,090.00
SURPLUS/DEFICIT Transferred to Accum. Funds	-9,499.80	-2,092.55	504.79	-11,087.56	-3,023.50
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FINANCIAL POSITION as at 31 December 2014

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	N R T General	M Stead Mem Lodge	Nigel Hanlon Hut	This Year Consolidated	Prior Year Consolidated
CURRENT ASSETS	General	wem rodåe	Hanion Hut	Consolidated	Consolidated
ASB Bank Accounts	7.313.63	4,954,73	504.79	12,773.15	19,636.41
KIWIBANK - Now a/c	174.68	4,004.70	004.10	174.68	196.71
RABODIRECT - Savings a/c	7.44			7.44	0.41
Accrued Interest	24,855,57			24,855.57	91,864.04
Gain on Milford Asset Management Investment	55,137.00			55,137.00	5,090.00
GST due to us	209.92	267.03		476.95	2,937.11
Loans - Internal	27,000.00	207.00		27,000.00	22,000.00
Sundry Debtors - Internal	4,500.00	0.00		4,500.00	3,000.00
Total Current Assets	119,198.24	5,221.76	504.79	124,924.79	144,724.68
FIXED ASSETS					
Buildings, Nigel Hanlon Hut, Computer	940.02	10,891.95		11,831.97	12,046.23
Total Fixed Assets	940.02	10,891.95	0.00	11,831.97	12,046.23
TERM ASSETS					
PSDS - 15100 On Call @ 3.2%	0.00			0.00	600.20
BAPTIST S - 35535 to 7/4/15 @ 4.2%	223,626.75			223,626.75	000.20
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MILFORD ASSET MANAGEM.ENT	500,000.00			500,000.00	250,000.00
KIWIBANK - Matures 7/4/15 @ 4.22%	300,000.00			300,000.00	500,000.00
RABODIRECT - Matures 5/10/15 @ 4.75%	300,000.00			300,000.00	500,000.00
BAPTIST SAVINGS - Matures 6/4/15 @ 4.2%	310,168.79			310,168.79	283,714.29
Total Investments	1,654,487.05	0.00	0.00	1,654,487.05	1,594,689.04
TOTAL ASSETS	1,774,625.31	16,113.71	504.79	1,791,243.81	1,751,459.95
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Sundry Creditors - Internal		4,500.00		4,500.00	3,000.00
Sundry Creditors - External		150.00		150.00	300.00
G S T Liability	0.00	0.00	,	0.00	38.35
Loans - Internal		27,000.00	,	27,000.00	22,000.00
Total Current Liabilities	0.00	31,650.00	0.00	31,650.00	25,338.35
TOTAL LIABILITIES	0.00	31,650.00	0.00	31,650.00	25,338.35
TRUST FUNDS EMPLOYED	1,774,625.31	-15.536.29	504,79	1,759,593,81	1,726,121.60
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ACCUMULATED FUNDS	100 000 00	10 110 71	,	405 470 50	101 170 01
Balance at start of Period	198,620.32	-13,443.74		105,170.50	194,170.01
Surplus/Deficit this year	-64,132.01	-2,092.55	504.79	-65,719.77	-8,138.41
Sub-total Accumulated Funds	134,488.31	-15,536.29	504.79	119,456.81	186,031.60
Gain on Milford Asset Management Investment	55,137.00			55,137.00	5,090.00
Capital Preservation Reserve TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS	1,585,000.00	-15,536.29	504.79	1,585,000.00 1,759,593.81	1,535,000.00
TOTAL ACCOMPLATED FUNDS	1,774,020.01	-10,000.29	304.79	1,100,000.01	1,720,121.00
Variance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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CASH FLOWS through ASB Bank Accounts	NRT	M Stead	Nigel	This Year	Prior Year
	General	Mem Lodge	Hanlon Hut	Consolidated	Consolidated
Balances at start of period	21,596.23	-2,469.00		19,127.23	1,245.68
Add all receipts	321,444.49	13,720.71		335,165.20	388,841.48
Subtotals	343,040.72	11,251.71		354,292.43	390,087.16
Deduct all payments	335,727.09	6,296.98		\$42,024.07	370,976.73
Balances at end of period	7,313.63	4,954.73	In General A/c	12,268.36	19,110.43

TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS

Trustee, Chairman - Ian Bogue JP BA(Auck) BBS(Massey) DipTchg Retired as Head of Department, Commerce, at Mount Albert Grammar School. Ian worked in the wholesale motor industry during the 1960s. He served in The Boys' Brigade at local level, as national Vice-President then Treasurer 1989-1997 and on national and regional executives and trusts. An elder at St Andrews Presbyterian Church Birkenhead. Justice of the Peace since 1990. Married with three daughters and three grandsons, Ian and Robyn sail "The Ritz" in Gulf and coastal waters whenever possible.

Trustee, Secretary – Bevan Brown Registered Surveyor, with his own practice on Auckland's North Shore. Bevan was a long-serving BB Company Captain (14th Dunedin and 58th Auckland). He also served on Auckland, Regional and National Executives and held various camping and training roles. Bevan was a founding Elder of Forrest Hill Presbyterian Church and now attends Northcote Baptist. He is married with two children and four grandchildren.

Trustee - Bruce Sai Louie PGDipIHM – A familiar face to most Brigade leaders throughout New Zealand, Bruce was for some years a Field Officer, National Development Officer then National Director of BBNZ, and filled a number of other roles including publications work and camp and event planning. A former member and Captain of the 2nd Auckland Company at Greenlane, Bruce is Retail Operations Manager at AUT University and lives in Mission Bay. Bruce holds the Grant Applications portfolio.

Trustee - Ward Fischer JP MCIT MNZIM. Road Safety Consultant. Sailor. Author of numerous road safety books and publications and co-author of BBNZ's "Beyond 100 – A Development Plan". BB Officer since 1964. Former Founding Captain of two BB Companies and active again at Company level. Past Vice–President BBNZ. Member of BBNZ National Executive for 13 years. Initiated extension and training work in parts of the Pacific. Author and Director of BBNZ's Stage Two National Leadership Development Courses for 20 years. President of BB Waikato. Holder of the Investments Policy portfolio.

Trustee - Graeme Johansen BArch ANZIA - Graeme is a Qantas Flight Attendant who also manages his own architectural practice. He was Chairman of the Auckland Boys' Choir for 10 years and is a member of St Andrews Epsom choir. Graeme has had long service as a Boys' Brigade Company Captain. He has served on the West Auckland and Northern Regional Executives and now chairs the Funding Committee of BBNZ. Graeme holds the Property portfolio - Nigel Hanlon Hut

Trustee – Ross McCarthy Airline pilot with Qantas. Former Captain of the 32nd Auckland (Howick) Company, Ross has served on executives at regional and national levels. He has been active in training at NLDC courses for many years. Ross convened the Michael Stead Memorial Lodge committee for the Trust for a number of years before becoming a Trustee with the Property portfolio - MSML. Ross is married with four children.

Trustee – Graham Creahan JP AIINZ - Graham is retired after a lifetime of service to the Christian church in a range of ways. He was CEO of Ansvar Insurance until appointment as National Director of BBNZ and retired from this role in 2010. In five years he reinvigorated the movement and oversaw the growth of ICONZ and the appointment of full-time committed and competent Development Officers. Graham represented BBNZ to the Trust by invitation until appointed a Trustee, with the Communications and Marketing portfolio. He resigned at the end of 2014.

Trustee – Mark Davie Mark joined the Trust late in 2012. He is the founder Senior Leader of the ICONZ Unit at Franklin Baptist Church. This very successful ICONZ Unit is in its 7th year. Mark was a BB Boy himself and earned his Queen's Badge in the 12th Auckland Company at Papatoetoe. Mark and wife Darlene have two school-age children and he manages his own Insurance Brokerage at Pukekohe.

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