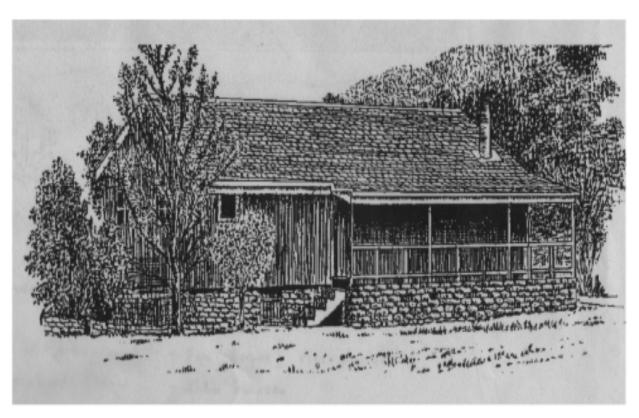
# THE BOYS' BRIGADE NORTHERN REGIONAL TRUST



Michael Stead Memorial Lodge - Kauaeranga Valley

# ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2018



## THE BOYS' BRIGADE NORTHERN REGIONAL TRUST

Registered New Zealand Charity no: CC33116

### **Basis of Trust**

The Trust was established as The Auckland Boys' Brigade Trust by deed dated 23 June 1983 to take over the assets and financial 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 are appointed 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 Trust Deed, 13 December 1989, amended 1 July 1992
- the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 and amendments
- the Charities Act 2005
- the 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 itself 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 for 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.
- contribute towards leadership training.
- make grants to Brigade and ICONZ units.

### **REVIEW OF THE YEAR 2018**

The main activities of the Trust during the year were:

### Meetings

The Trust met twice during the year, in March and November. It also held telephone and email consultations to resolve issues at other times.

### **Trustee changes**

Trustees Ross McCarthy and Bruce Sai Louie resigned in March and April respectively and were thanked by Trustees for service they had given for so long. They were replaced by Andrew Cutler, who took over the Michael Stead Memorial Lodge portfolio, and Owen Goodwin, who agreed to manage the Communications portfolio.

Long-serving Trustee from Hamilton, Ward Fischer MNZM JP MNZIM MCILT suffered a relapse of the cancer from which he had been free for a number of years and died on 18 November. Several Trustees had served alongside Ward for over 40 years in different roles within The Boys' Brigade movement and counted him a close personal friend. He will be sorely missed on the Trust and in Hamilton where he was active in church and community. Ward bequeathed a generous donation to the Trust in his will.

### **Scholarship**

Details of the scholarship to recognise the long service of the Trust's late Treasurer, Bruce MacCarthy, were agreed on by Trustees: "The Scholarship is aimed at providing a 'leg up' open to any eligible senior boy aged 17 + years (Year 13 or equivalent) or young adult leader up to 25 years meeting the selection criteria prevailing at that time so as to participate in an accredited or otherwise nationally recognised leadership/ personal development training programme." Full information appears on the Trust's website bbnrt.org.nz.

### **Investments**

The Trustee Act 1955 requires Trustees to be prudent with Trust funds. In previous years, they used term deposits, spread between banks and the Presbyterian and Baptist Savings Societies. This saw income fall, even though above-average interest rates were obtained, but it protected the funds. Part of each year's income has been set aside in a separate Stedfast Fund in the accounts, to ensure 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 funds has been placed with funds manager, Milford Asset Management, whose funds are spread over a wide range of entities, reducing risk, but giving a higher return than bank term deposits. In 2017 and again in 2018 the amount invested with Milford was increased. Milford provide information sessions for investors, which one Trustee attends.

### **Projects funded**

The major project continued to be employment and related costs of a Development Manager for The Boys' Brigade in New Zealand, 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. The number of new ICONZ units continued to grow. As well as helping churches to get units started and training new leaders, the Development Manager organised a number of successful, large-scale, fun events enjoyed by Boys and leaders from across the

Region. BBNZ, in collaboration with the Ministry of Education, has commenced an ICONZ Edge programme which is being used by several primary and intermediate schools and it is expanding.

The Trust subsidised the costs of 5 young men from the Region who attended the Brigade's National Leadership Development Courses.

### Banking

Improved on-line and mobile phone banking services for voluntary agencies have made money management much easier for Trustees. One sets up and authorises payments, another logs in to co-authorise.

### **MSML**

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

Ross McCarthy maintained the Lodge for many years and upgraded and added to facilities. The Lodge, in beautiful natural surroundings, sleeps 24, has solar-powered lighting and hot water, and gas for cooking and refrigeration. A new 10-year lease of the Coromandel Forest Park site was signed in 2017 by DOC and the Trust.

During 2017, the Lodge continued to provide an activity base for a number of Brigade and other users but became inaccessible for



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months after catastrophic flooding closed the road. The road was reopened mid-2018. The Lodge is advertised on the Trust's and BBNZ's websites. Bookings have increased but it is still under-utilised, so the Trust encourages more use by BB and ICONZ units and families. Lawn-mowing 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 built on land within the Auckland Centennial Memorial Park, now part of Auckland Council's Waitakeres parkland. It was later named after a 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 renovated the Hut and provided new facilities. Graeme Johansen Portfolio has responsibility for it and Roly Stanley maintains it. A new lease was agreed with Auckland Council in 2015. Use of the Hut by BB, ICONZ and a range of other groups and families was increasing steadily but



has had be curtailed with closure of the area for camping after dangerous flash-flooding. Auckland Council is attempting to locate a safer venue so it can be re-opened.

**Communications** The Trust decided in 2017 to set up its own webpage bbnrt.org.nz as well as a link on the BBNZ site, advertising its purposes, activities and properties. We are very grateful to BBNZ for the link.

> A supply of quality Trust-branded pens is purchased and issued to all leaders in the Northern Region each year. Trustees also give pens to individuals and groups to promote good-will and awareness.

To apply for a grant, visit the Trust's website www.bbnrt.org.nz, download an application form and when completed, scan and email it to bbnrtrust@gmail.com



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.

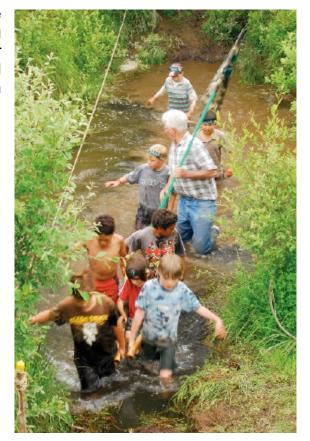
### **IN THE PIPELINE FOR 2019**

During 2019, the Trust intends:

- to continue to monitor its investments and 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 and local events when appropriate,
- to publicise the Bruce Wallace MacCarthy Memorial Scholarship and call for applications.
- 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:

### Reviewer

**Financial Adviser** Our adviser David Vickery keeps in touch to discuss how Milford Asset Management's funds work for the Trust. David has also met with Trustees and answered questions. With his help the Chairman monitors fund performance and keeps 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 Trustees with newsletters and seminar and conference opportunities to enhance their knowledge and skills in their roles.

### **BBNZ**

Michael Good, BBNZ Director kept Trustees informed about BBNZ Executive's plans and about what was happening across the country. Andrew Carstens provided Trustees with information about his own skills and background and how he intended to apply them in his Development role. Richard Ooi mailed the pens and letters to leaders across the country.

### THE BOYS' BRIGADE NORTHERN REGIONAL TRUST - CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE for the year	r endina 31	December 20	18		
, , , , , ,	NRT	Michael Stead	Nigel	This Year	2017
NOOME -	General	Memorial Lodge	Hanlon Hut	Consolidated	Consolidated
INCOME Camp Fees etc		(Note 6) 2,912.91	(Note 3) 840.61	3,753.52	2,987.83
Donations etc	10,000.00		0.00	10,000.00	0.00
Interest	15,319.88			15,319.88	22,883.78
Total Income	25,319.88	2,912.91	840.61	29,073.40	25,871.61
EXPENDITURE					
Donations and Grants to BBNZ	79,999.92	!		79,999.92	75,769.10
Grants to BB/ICONZ Groups andYoung Leaders	0.00			0.00	830.00
Insurance	0.00		1,091.34	3,118.10	2,896.66
Repairs and Maintenance		219.13	255.00	474.13	195.65
Operating costs Total Expenditure	927.45 80,927.37		0.00 1,346.34	2,636.76 86,228.91	2,293.00 81,984.42
Total Experience	00,327.37	3,955.20	1,540.54	00,220.91	01,304.42
SURPLUS/DEFICIT - before Depreciation	-55,607.49	-1,042.29	-505.73	-57,155.51	-56,112.81
less Depreciation (Note 1)	-81.22			-577.42	-631.56
Transfer to Capital Preservation - 2018 (Note 2) SURPLUS/DEFICIT Transferred to Accum. Funds	0.00 -55,688.71		-505.73	0.00	-20,000.00 -76,744.37
Gain on Milford Asset Management Investment	2,559.00		-505.75	-56,578.09 2,559.00	113,633.00
SURPLUS/DEFICIT if MAM portfolio realisable	-53,129.71		-505.73	-54,019.09	36,888.63
% return on MAM portfolio	0.279%				11.96%
FINANCIAL POSITION as at 31 December					22.7
	N R T General	M Stead Mem Lodge	Nigel Hanlon Hut	This Year Consolidated	2017 Consolidated
CURRENT ASSETS	General	Well Louge	Hallion Hut	Consolidated	Consolidated
ASB Bank Cheque Accounts (129-00; 110-00)	7,069.38	1,582.72		8,652.10	9,792.56
ASB Savings On Call a/c (129-52)	73.64			73.64	36.10
KIWIBANK - Now a/c	168.68			168.68	56,174.68
RABODIRECT - Savings a/c Accrued Interest	562.77 3.681.88			562.77 3.681.88	13,822.70 7,777.65
Gain on Milford Asset Management Investment	257,265.00			257,265.00	254,706.00
GST refund due to us	282.52			282.52	611.45
Loans - Internal	500.00	ı		500.00	0.00
Sundry Debtors - Internal	0.00			0.00	0.00
Total Current Assets	269,603.87	1,582.72	0.00	271,186.59	342,921.14
FIXED ASSETS					
MSML Buildings, Nigel Hanlon Hut, Computer	121.83	9,640.41	0.00	9,762.24	10,339.66
Total Fixed Assets (at cost less accum. Depreciation)	121.83	9,640.41	0.00	9,762.24	10,339.66
TERM ASSETS					
Christian Savings - 35535-1 to 27/3/19 @ 3.8%	195,022.89	ı		195,022.89	188,912.25
Christian Savings - D11276 to 14/11/19 @ 3.74%	404,000.00			404,000.00	0.00
	0.00	ı		0.00	321,472.60
Milford Asset Management - Grants funding a/c	-33,000.00			-33,000.00	38,000.00
Milford Asset Management - Private Portfolio Total Investments	950,000.00 1,516,022.89		0.00	950,000.00 1,516,022.89	950,000.00 1,498,384.85
rotal investments	1,010,022.00	0.00	0.00	1,010,022.00	1,430,304.00
TOTAL ASSETS	1,785,748.59	11,223.13	0.00	1,796,971.72	1,851,645.64
CURRENT LIABILITIES Sundry Creditors - Internal		0.00		0.00	0.00
Sundry Creditors - External		0.00		0.00	0.00
G S T Liability to pay				0.00	0.00
Loans - Internal		500.00		500.00	0.00
Total Current Liabilities	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
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TRUST FUNDS EMPLOYED	1,785,748.59	10,723.13	0.00	1,796,471.72	1,851,645.64
ACCUMULATED FUNDS  Balance at start of Period	-46,108.90	13,048.55		-33,060.35	43,684.02
Surplus/Deficit this year	-55,688.71		-505.73	-56.578.09	-76,744.37
Adjust MSML for GST and use of bank account	786.93			0.00	0.00
Transfer to NRT General fund from NHH	-505.73		505.73		0.00
Sub-total Accumulated Funds	-101,516.41		0.00	-89,638.44	-33,060.35
Gain on Milford Asset Management Investment Capital Preservation Reserve	257,265.00 1,630,000.00			257,265.00 1,630,000.00	254,706.00 1,630,000.00
TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS	1,785,748.59		0.00	1,797,626.56	1,851,645.65
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Variance	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,154.84	0.00
CASH FLOWS through ASB Bank Accounts	NRT	M Stead	Nigel	This Year	2017
CASH I LOWS HITOUGH ASD DAIR ACCOUNTS	General	Mem Lodge	Hanlon Hut	Consolidated	Consolidated
Balances at start of period	6,880.62			9,792.56	3,243.38
Add all receipts	102,666.05			106,665.90	434,769.14
Subtotals  Deduct all payments	109,546.67			116,458.46	438,012.52
Deduct all payments  Balances at end of period	102,477.29 7,069.38		Incl in Gen a/c	107,806.36 8,652.10	428,219.96 9,792.56
Balances at end of period	1,003.30	1,002.72	morar derra/c	3,032.10	5,192.50

### THE BOYS' BRIGADE NORTHERN REGIONAL TRUST - CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

### **Accounting entities**

The Trust is a single legal entity. It maintains the Michael Stead Memorial Lodge as a separate accounting entity for management purposes and it has a separate bank account. The Nigel Hank Hut operations are identified separately also for management purposes but it has no separate bank account and its surpluses are combined with the Trust's General Fund.

### Milford Asset Management Private Portfolio

Because current value of the portfolio varies from day to day as a result of market fluctuations, the asset is valued at original contribution value only. The increase in market valuation at the enc of the financial year is reported in a manner which reflects its uncertain realisable value even though the whole market value is at call. The portfolio is spread over a large number of investments ruments and funds, with each containing less than 5% of the Trust's investment. Balance date 2018 occurred at a bottom glitch in world markets. Total value recovered shortly aft and 28 February 2019 valuation would reduce the year's loss to \$4453.

**The Michael Stead Memorial Lodge** income for 2017/8 was below previous years because a ba weather event caused damage to and closure of the sole Kauaeranga Valley access road and letting had to be suspended from mid 2017 to late 2018.

### STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

There have been no changes of accounting policies during the year.

### **Depreciation**

Buildings are depreciated on a straight-line basis. The Nigel Hanlon Hut is fully depreciated. Computer equipment is depreciated at 40% of diminished value

### **GST**

The financial statements report all amounts exclusive of GST. To make the Trust's liability for GS1 (or refund due) at 31 December clearer on the Statement of Financial Position, it is aggregated into the Trust General column and not split between General and MSML.

### Capital preservation

It is Trust policy to protect its investments by transferring funds to a capital preservation reserve referred to as the Stedfast Fund at a rate at least equal to the annual increase in the CPI. In 2018 CPI change annualised for the December quarter was 1.9%

### TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS

**Trustee, Chairman - Ian Bogue** JP BA(Auck) BBS(Massey) DipTchg Retired 2010 as Head of Department, Commerce, at Mount Albert Grammar School after 38 years teaching and 8 years 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 four grandchildren, 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 (14<sup>th</sup> Dunedin and 58<sup>th</sup> 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 Church. Bevan has 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Auckland Company at Greenlane, Bruce is Retail Operations Manager at AUT University and lives in Mission Bay. Bruce holds the Grant Applications portfolio. (Resigned April)

**Trustee - Ward Fischer** MNZM JP MNZIM MCILT. 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. 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. (Ward died in November and is sorely missed.)

**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 for some time chaired the Funding Committee of BBNZ. Graeme holds the Property portfolio - Nigel Hanlon Hut.

**Trustee – Ross McCarthy** Airline pilot with Qantas. Former Captain of the 32<sup>nd</sup> 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 also becoming a Trustee with the Property portfolio - MSML. Ross is married with four children. (Resigned in March.)

**Trustee – Andrew Cutler** Previous BB member of 32<sup>nd</sup> Auckland (Howick) Company rising through the ranks to become a Queens Man in 1980. He returned as an Officer for a number of years and attended National Leadership Development Courses for several years as a Squad Officer/instructor. Andrew took over the running of the Michael Stead Memorial Lodge, helped by his wife Marie. Andrew and Marie have three teenage children and he is an Elder at Howick Presbyterian Church.

**Trustee – Owen Goodwin** JP. Previous BB member for many years, past Officer in the 18<sup>th</sup> Auckland Company, Birkenhead and active in Auckland and North Shore Battalions in various roles. Owen joined the Trust in 2019 and looks forward to developing more communication with BBNZ and the public.

**Treasurer** The Chairman (acting)

Reviewer

Solicitor Les Allen of Gaze Burt, 1 Nelson Street Auckland

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