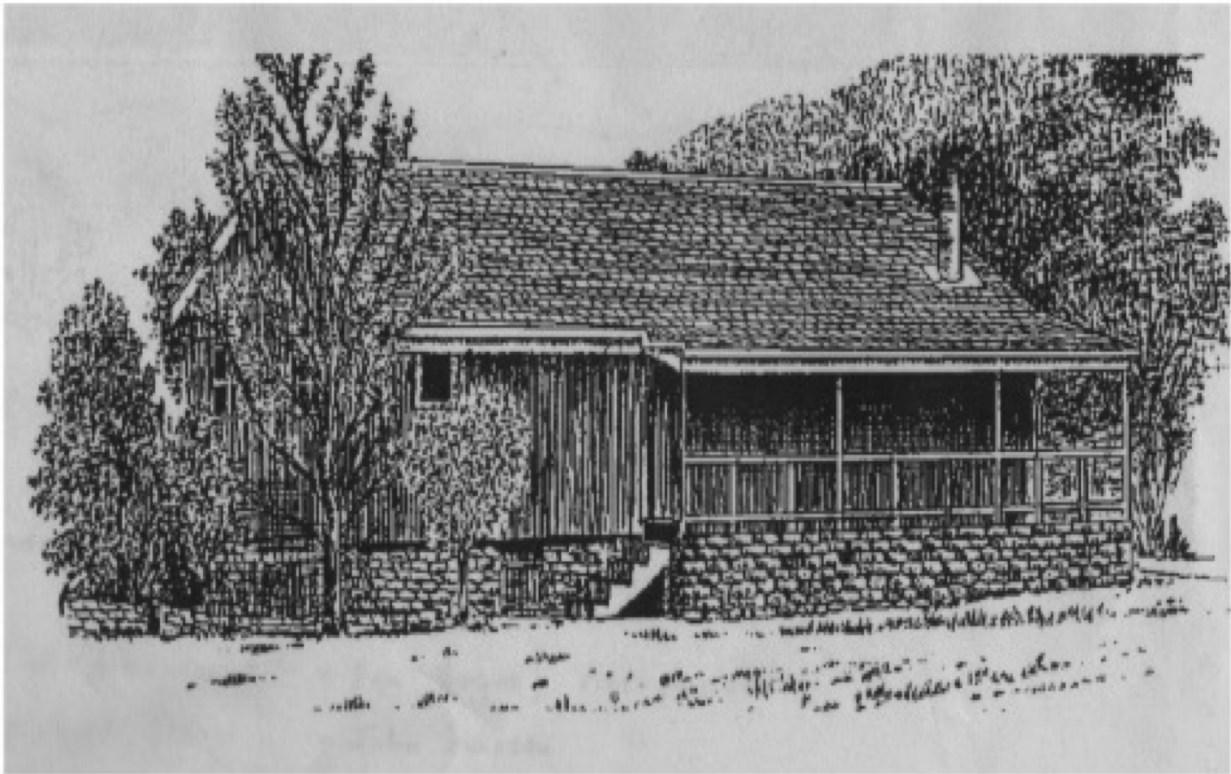


THE BOYS' BRIGADE NORTHERN REGIONAL TRUST



Michael Stead Memorial Lodge - Kauaeranga Valley

ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2015



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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 2015

The main activities of the Trust during the year were:

- Meetings** The Trust met three times during the year, in March, June and November, and held numerous telephone and email consultations to resolve issues arising at other times. During the Chairman's absence overseas, Ward Fischer organised and chaired the November meeting.
- Trustee changes** No changes of Trustees occurred during the year, but long-serving Treasurer Bruce MacCarthy died suddenly in July. Several Trustees were able to attend Bruce's funeral service, where speakers highlighted the huge amount of voluntary service he had given for many years to a wide range of organisations. The Chairman has since fulfilled the role and a replacement is still required.
- The Executive of The Boys' Brigade in New Zealand Inc. reappointed all serving Trustees for a two-year term to 30 April 2017.
- 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 major project has continued to be the 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 has 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.
- The Trust subsidised the costs of six young men from the Region who attended the Brigade's National Leadership Development Courses.
- A \$200 Start-up Grant was paid to the Mission Fellowship North to assist with the new ICONZ unit they formed.

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.)

Ross McCarthy has maintained the Lodge for many years and upgrades and adds to facilities. The Lodge, in beautiful natural surroundings, sleeps 24, has solar-powered lighting and hot water, and gas for cooking and refrigeration.

During 2015, 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. Bookings have increased but the Lodge 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.



Ross McCarthy replaced the original ramp for safer access.

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 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 has Portfolio responsibility for it and Roly Stanley maintains it. A new lease was agreed with Auckland Council in 2015. Use of the Hut is increasing steadily.



Communications The Trust has its own webpage northernregion.bb.org.nz linked to the BBNZ site, advertising its purposes, activities and properties. We are very grateful to the BBNZ webmaster for this.

A supply of quality Trust-branded pens was purchased and issued to all leaders in New Zealand in 2015. 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 bbnrtrust@gmail.com 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.

IN THE PIPELINE FOR 2016

During 2016, the Trust intends :

- to continue to review its investment policy, and in particular, following the merger of the Presbyterian Saving and Development Society with Baptist Savings, and the fall in interest rates, to increase its investment with Milford Asset Management.
- to join ASB Bank's on-line banking facility, so one signatory can set up a payment which also needs authorising by another signatory. This will streamline the Trust's payments and accounting system, saving a lot of volunteer time.
- 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,
- 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 continued his meticulous work right up to his death in July, 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. He is really missed and the Trust thanks his wife Anne for allowing him to give so much of his time.

Auditor Peter Trotman, Chartered Accountant, reviewed the 2014 accounts.

Financial Adviser Alistair Ross of Milford Asset Management continued to give sound advice. The Chairman 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 Trustees with newsletters and seminar and conference opportunities to enhance their knowledge and skills in their roles.

BBNZ Michael Good, BBNZ Director attended some Trust meetings and kept Trustees informed about BBNZ Executive's plans and needs and about what is happening across the country. Andrew Marquet provided Trustees with occasional reports and information about Regional events. 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 ending 31 December 2015

	N R T General	Michael Stead Memorial Lodge	Nigel Hanlon Hut (Note 3)	This Year Consolidated	2014 Consolidated
INCOME					
Camp Fees etc	0.00	7,121.73	724.35	7,846.08	7,110.42
Donations etc	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Interest	43,412.26			43,412.26	55,406.45
Total Income	43,412.26	7,121.73	724.35	51,258.34	62,516.87
EXPENDITURE					
Donations and Grants to BBNZ	69,999.80			69,999.80	68,092.51
Grants to BB and ICONZ Groups	1,532.00			1,532.00	2,398.00
Repairs and Maintenance		852.20	0.00	852.20	1,192.27
Operating costs	743.54	3,898.31	286.64	4,928.49	6,395.31
Total Expenditure	72,275.34	4,750.50	286.64	77,312.49	78,078.09
SURPLUS/DEFICIT - before Depreciation	-28,863.08	2,371.23	437.71	-26,054.15	-15,561.22
Depreciation (Note 1)	376.01	496.20		872.21	663.34
Transfer to Capital Preservation - 2015 (Note 2)	15,000.00			15,000.00	50,000.00
	-44,239.09	1,875.03	437.71	-41,926.36	-66,224.56
Gain on Milford Asset Management Investment	47,194.00			47,194.00	55,137.00
SURPLUS/DEFICIT Transferred to Accum. Funds	2,954.91	1,875.03	437.71	5,267.64	-11,087.56

FINANCIAL POSITION as at 31 December 2015

	N R T General	M Stead Mem Lodge	Nigel Hanlon Hut	This Year Consolidated	Prior Year Consolidated
CURRENT ASSETS					
ASB Bank Accounts	4,468.62	5,092.57		9,561.19	12,773.15
KIWIBANK - Now a/c	174.68			174.68	174.68
RABODIRECT - Savings a/c	7.44			7.44	7.44
Accrued Interest	19,328.29			19,328.29	24,855.57
Gain on Milford Asset Management Investment	107,421.00			107,421.00	55,137.00
GST due to us	291.60			291.60	476.95
Loans - Internal	27,000.00			27,000.00	27,000.00
Sundry Debtors - Internal	2,293.17			2,293.17	4,500.00
Total Current Assets	160,984.79	5,092.57	0.00	166,077.36	124,924.79
FIXED ASSETS					
Buildings, Nigel Hanlon Hut, Computer	564.01	11,129.01	0.00	11,693.02	11,831.97
Total Fixed Assets	564.01	11,129.01	0.00	11,693.02	11,831.97
TERM ASSETS					
Baptist Savings - 35535-1 to 25/3/16 @ 4.4%	186,347.80			186,347.80	223,626.75
Baptist Savings - 97827-2 to 10/4/15 @ 4.2%	0.00			0.00	20,691.51
Baptist Savings - 12D8172-2 to 24/3/16 @ 4.4%	323,214.07			323,214.07	310,168.79
KiwiBank - Matures 6/4/16 @ 4.55%	312,764.05			312,764.05	300,000.00
Rabodirect - Matures 5/10/18 @ 4.0%	314,250.00			314,250.00	300,000.00
Milford Asset Management - Private Portfolio	500,000.00			500,000.00	500,000.00
Total Investments	1,636,575.92	0.00	0.00	1,636,575.92	1,654,487.05
TOTAL ASSETS	1,798,124.72	16,221.58	0.00	1,814,346.30	1,791,243.81
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Sundry Creditors - Internal		2,293.17		2,293.17	4,500.00
Sundry Creditors - External		0.00		0.00	150.00
G S T Liability		589.68		589.68	
Loans - Internal		27,000.00		27,000.00	27,000.00
Total Current Liabilities	0.00	29,882.84	0.00	29,882.84	31,650.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	0.00	29,882.84	0.00	29,882.84	31,650.00
TRUST FUNDS EMPLOYED	1,798,124.72	-13,661.26	0.00	1,784,463.46	1,759,593.81
ACCUMULATED FUNDS					
Balance at start of Period	134,505.11	-15,536.29		118,968.82	185,193.38
Surplus/Deficit this year	-44,239.09	1,875.03	437.71	-41,926.36	-66,224.56
Transferred to NRT General fund from NHH	437.71		-437.71		
Sub-total Accumulated Funds	90,703.72	-13,661.26	0.00	77,042.46	118,968.82
Gain on Milford Asset Management Investment	107,421.00			107,421.00	55,137.00
Capital Preservation Reserve	1,600,000.00			1,600,000.00	1,585,000.00
TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS	1,798,124.72	-13,661.26	0.00	1,784,463.46	1,759,593.81
Variance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

CASH FLOWS through ASB Bank Accounts

	N R T General	M Stead Mem Lodge	Nigel Hanlon Hut	This Year Consolidated	Prior Year Consolidated
Balances at start of period	7,313.63	4,954.73		12,268.36	19,127.23
Add all receipts	72,740.73	9,377.03		82,117.76	335,165.20
Subtotals	80,054.36	14,331.76		94,386.12	354,292.43
Deduct all payments	75,585.74	9,239.19		84,824.93	342,024.07
Balances at end of period	4,468.62	5,092.57	Incl in Gen a/c	9,561.19	12,268.36

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 Church. Bevan has two children and four grandchildren.

Trustee - Bruce Sai Louie PGDiplHM – 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 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 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 – 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 9th 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.

Treasurer	Bruce MacCarthy (until his sudden death in July)
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