

The BOYLE AUGUST NEWSLETTER

Assistant Manager appointed

Aaron Agnew joins the staff at The Boyle as from the start of August in the new position as Assistant Manager. The major focus of Aaron's work will be safety management. The Trust has received financial assistance for this two year appointment from the NZ Community Trust. Aaron comes to the Boyle from Outward Bound and brings a range of skills and experience which will benefit all who use The Boyle. He is keen to develop his leadership and management skills as heads down the pathway of leading an organization.

The Trust is pleased to be able establish a fulltime assistant manager position following experience with the part-time situation.

Chalet to be constructed for staff

The Trust is committed to adding to the staff accommodation provision and to this end will open a chalet on land it leases from the Department of Conservation in the Boyle Settlement. The 'Resident Teacher's Residence,' soon to be renamed, accommodates the casual staff while the new chalet will house both the Centre and Assistant Managers.

Cadets progressing well on their pathway to a career in the industry

Visits to schools

Robyn Sutherland has been seen in a number of schools chatting with the principal and the teacher who has the responsibility of leading and managing their school's Boyle camps. To-date the conversations have been very rich with affirmations of Boyle practice and suggestions which have been phrased up as recommendations to the Trust. Robyn has been contracted for a period of time in a Marketing and Liaison role. Her recommendations when adopted will enhance the experience for schools and add to what The Boyle provides.

Strategic planning underway

The Trust is considering a number of factors as it plans for the short and long term going forward. The recent celebration acknowledging 30 years of The Boyle and 35 years of the Trust was a time to remember the fun times, the toil, the volunteers and the fund raising. We have a rich history and typify all that is good about kiwi community service.

Where are they now?

Ex-cadet Gemma Parkin appeared in the front of the Boyle staff as a teacher of search strategies. Yes, Gemma works part-time for SARINZ who are fast establishing themselves as the educators of New Zealanders in matters pertaining to searching for lost persons. SARINZ engages with the global community, both as a receiver and contributor of information and strategies. On a recent trip to the USA the writer¹ chatted with Dr Paul Green of Eastern Washington University (EWU) about the relationship between SARINZ and EWU. Dr Green was very positive about 'the wheel' strategy created by Ross Gordon and SARINZ. "You boys down there in New Zealand do produce some great ideas," said Paul.

¹ Arthur Sutherland