

Warrior Camp Catch Up

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Hello Warrior Camp leaders,

As the warmer weather starts to arrive and the nights get longer, our thoughts start to turn to camp and there are now only 3 months until the first tents begin to go up in Cromer. Bookings for camp are now starting to come in and we ask that you continue to pray for good numbers on camp. If you feel there are any children who would benefit from camp, make sure you give them a brochure and encourage them to come....it could change their life.

The Warrior Camps Decision Making Group (DMG) had a meeting in March and below are some matters that arose from the meeting

Lyn Webb

Not long after camp last year Lyn Webb a dearly loved friend and former Camp Leader lost her battle with cancer. Many will remember her with fondness as her smile and personality contributed a great deal to all those who knew her. Her Thanksgiving Service in September was testament to the many lives she touched and how faithful she had been in her work and love for young people. She'll be deeply missed and fondly remembered. Please remember Bob, her husband and those who were close to Lyn in your prayers.

Book into camp now!

The office is asking for leaders to book into camp as soon as possible, to help ease their busy workload in the weeks running up to camp. The office needs to process leaders update forms and also CRB checks, which can be a very long process and if not completed in time can mean leaders are unable to come onto camp. Due to the high numbers of new leaders applying to camp in the last few years, camp cannot guarantee or save places for leaders who book in late. To confirm your place download the booking form now and send it off.

<http://www.weccamps.org/booking/camp-application-form>

Leader's weekend Day!

This year Warrior Camp will be trialling a different format for leaders training and instead of training taking place over a weekend, all the training for camp will now take place over one day Saturday 30th June, with the first session starting at 9am.

We hope that this new intensive format will have several advantages including leaders not having to give up a whole weekend, as well as allowing those leaders who have church commitments to fulfil them on the Sunday.



The training will continue to take place at Bulstrode and will run alongside Teen Camps training. Teen Camp will continue with the format of spreading their training over a weekend. Any Warrior Camp leaders who would like to stay for longer will still have the option to stay over- night on the Friday or Saturday night.

Booking forms and more information for the leaders training will be sent out once people have booked into camp.

Bible teaching

The Bible Teachers for this year will be:

Week A – Ray Trendell

Week B – Michael Lawrence

Week C – Ruth Lawrence



The Bible teaching will be based on the theme of Ruth and the 'One -Others.' Please pray for the Bible Teachers who are now starting to put this together.

Missionaries

Week A –Jon and Esther Heath,

Week B & C – TBC



Photographer

Warrior Camp would like to create a catalogue of high quality photos which can be used as part of our publicity on brochures and the website. If you know anyone who would be willing to come to camp and donate some of their time to do this please contact Chris.

Camp Finances

The Warriors DMG has decided that it needs to be more transparent with leaders about its finances and although camp has been a big success on the field, in terms of finance we have not been so fruitful. Unfortunately Warrior Camp made a loss of around £8,000 this year, which follows on from a loss of £3,000 last year and we ask for your continued prayer.

Warrior Camps income is generated mainly by fees, gifts and on site sales (bookshop, pop shop). Fees are the biggest source of income and we want to keep these as low as possible for children, particularly in the present economic climate.



If you feel called to give financially to camp it is very simple to set up a one off payment or to become a regular giver (direct debit). You can find out more information or download a form at

<http://www.weccamps.org/booking/makeagift> or you can email the youth office who will be pleased to send you a form.

Camp numbers

The number of children booked onto camp 2012 is currently very low and we are asking leaders and people connected to camp to make a real effort to encourage children to come to camp this year.

Word of mouth is camps best advertising tool and we ask leaders to make a special effort this year to promote camp in their churches and youth groups.

Repair day

We hope to arrange a repair day very soon at Bulstrode. Repair days involve mending tents, repairing equipment which has become damaged while on camp and carrying out any other jobs which need sorting before camp starts. If you're free on that date and can get yourself to Bulstrode, Chris and his team of mending elves would be grateful for any help you can offer. If you're available, please email Chris. csale@btinternet.com

Funny bit

These are ACTUAL Church Bulletin Bloopers:

Bertha Belch, a missionary from Africa, will be speaking tonight at Calvary Memorial Church in Racine. Come tonight and hear Bertha Belch all the way from Africa.

"The sermon this morning: 'Jesus walks on the water.' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'"

"Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered."

Don't let worry kill you. Let the Church help.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.



This afternoon there will be a meeting in the south and north ends of the church. Children will be baptized at both ends.

Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM. Please use large double door at the side entrance.

If you feel there are any issues which you would like the DMG to discuss at their next meeting in July, please let us know and email csale@btinternet.com

From the DMG

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