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## B.E.L.O.N.G

Official Newsletter of Blue Lagoon Christian Camp



ISAIAH 40 30 - 31 NIV

Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; 31 but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

As we enter a busy season with back to back bookings for the reminder of the year it is important to remember to lean into the strength of God.



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#### **UPCOMING MINISTRY CAMPS**



YoungLife Spring Camp 2023 Grades: 6-10

Dates: October 6-9

YoungLife Hobart are running their annual spring camp this October here at Blue Lagoon. You can expect an action packed weekend with plenty of chill time to hang out with fellow teens and young adults leaders.

Beyond Blue Lagoon 2023

Dates: Dec 10 - 15

God has placed a mission on our hearts to run adventure camps for grades 11 - 12 utilizing all the beauty Tassie has to offer.

Our goal for December is to gather people who share our passion for older teens and a love of the outdoors who can assist us in facilitating the Beyond programme.

Together, we will learn about the camp activities and itinerary while also preparing a team of leaders for Beyond 2024.

Camp will consist of day hikes, kayaking, discipleship sessions, educational and training sessions. This camp will be free of charge but you will be required to volunteer for another Blue lagoon Camp running in 2024. The options are as follows:

Junior Camp Jan 4 - 7

Teen Camp Jan 29 - Feb 1

Autumn Adventures April 19 - 22

Beyond Adventures April 24 - 28





#### **UPCOMING MINISTRY CAMPS**

2024 Blue Lagoon Summer Camps

Junior Summer Camp 4th - 7th January Grades 3 - 6 \$180 pp

Embark on a remarkable journey of faith at Blue Lagoon Junior Summer Camp, designed for Grades 3-6. Dive into captivating stories from the Bible, from the incredible journey of Noah to the unwavering faith of Daniel, and more. Through interactive activities, games, and discussions, we'll bring these timeless tales to life and explore their relevance in our lives today. Join us for a summer of learning, fun, and spiritual growth

Teen Summer Camp 29th Jan - 1st Feb Grades 7 - 10 \$210 pp

Get ready for the ultimate summer adventure at Teen Summer Camp '24! Join us for a summer camp to end your holidays the best way. With friends and unforgettable memories. Camp will consist of daily encouragements from a speaker, small group sessions, fun and exciting new activities. for more information visit our website or check our socials. We look forward to seeing you there.

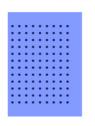








Come along for unforgettable end to your summer holidays



\$210 pp

Jan 29th - Feb 1st 2024







#### MEET THE TEAM

Rain Sands - Hospitality and Program team

Rain joined us earlier this year, and he does a little bit of everything! Helping out in the kitchen, running program activities and regularly cleaning out the dorms. Rain is also a trained circus professional who performs with his family in weekend workshops and performances.



Mav- Hospitality

She is currently studying early childhood education at Tas Tafe full time and often does weekend and evening shifts cleaning the site, serving and preparing meals. She is an absolute pocket rocket!

#### STAFF KAYAKING TRAINING

Throughout this year Will and Lily have been working hard towards their Flat Water Instructor Qualification, which will allow them to lead groups Kayaking in our local bays and rivers. Nothing like getting out on the water and spending time in Gods creation.











#### **CURRENT PROJECTS**

# Campfire Area The staff are currently landscaping the fire pot and grassed area. Paving a path from Red Ochre block to the fire pot and laying new soil for grass seedlings.







A New Initiatives Challenge The Balancing Board

The goal is to have all students on the balancing board while keeping it perfectly level for ten seconds. many participants have gone into the challenge with confidence only to realise it is a little trickier than it looks.











#### CURRENT PROJECTS CONTINUED

New Colour For The Benches

In order to match the new exterior colour scheme, staff spent several days scraping back years of paint layers to reveal the original wood stain underneath and all five Bench seats received a fresh new coat.







#### PRAYER POINTS

Church and community support and engagement.

YoungLife Spring Camp is in running in early Oct prayer for strength and safety for leaders and campers

Beyond Adventure Camp Program In the planning process prayer for Gods lead, timing and direction to be the focus.

Food Safety Supervisor Course In Oct three staff members will be up-skill and expanding their knowledge of kitchen procedures by attending a food safety course

#### PRAISE POINTS

School interest
We are fully booked until May 2024
with many schools booking in for
their next camp during their
current camp.

Beyond Adventure Camp Program is coming together nicely and we have had lots of interest from locals.

Dining room extension has been a massive blessing. allowing us to cater more comfortably to larger groups.

Blue Lagoon Team Has grown exponentially this year, God uses each of their unique gifts.



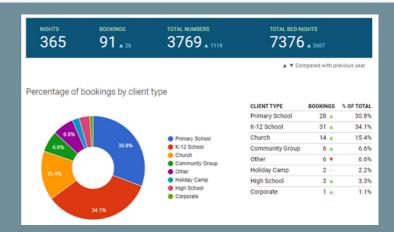


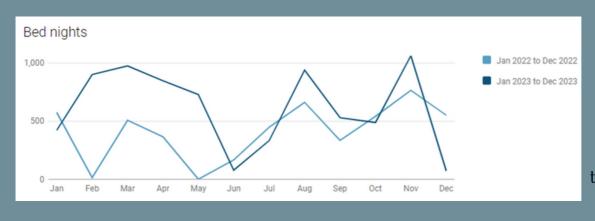
#### AGM 2023

In preparation for our upcoming AGM we had a look into our booking numbers for the previous financial year.

To the right.

A pie chart describing the percentage of client types in the past financial year





To the left.
A linear
graph
describing
bed
occupancy
throughout
the calendar
year

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