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# International Camp Managers Training Course





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## What is the I.C.F. ??



- The International Camping Fellowship is a worldwide assembly of camping professionals interested in sharing their enthusiasm, knowledge and commitment to the camping experience.
- Members in Australia, Bermuda, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Finland, Germany, Greece, Honk Kong, Hungary, India, Ireland, Japan, Liberia, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russia, Singapore, Switzerland, Turkey, U.K., Ukraine, U.S.A. and Venezuela.
- [www.campingfellowship.org](http://www.campingfellowship.org)

## How Many Camps in .....

- Australia ?
  - Around 1,500
- Canada ?
  - Over 3,000
- USA ?
  - Over 12,000
- Hong Kong ?
  - Over 50
- The Country with the most Camps ?
  - Russia with over 55,000 (at one time over 100,000)





## Why the ICF ?

What Relevance is the ICF, all the way out here  
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- **Congresses**
- **Staff Exchange and Opportunities**
- **New, fresh and interesting ideas, activities and procedures**
- **Training and advancement opportunities .....**  
**Like the ICDC**

## International Camping Congress's

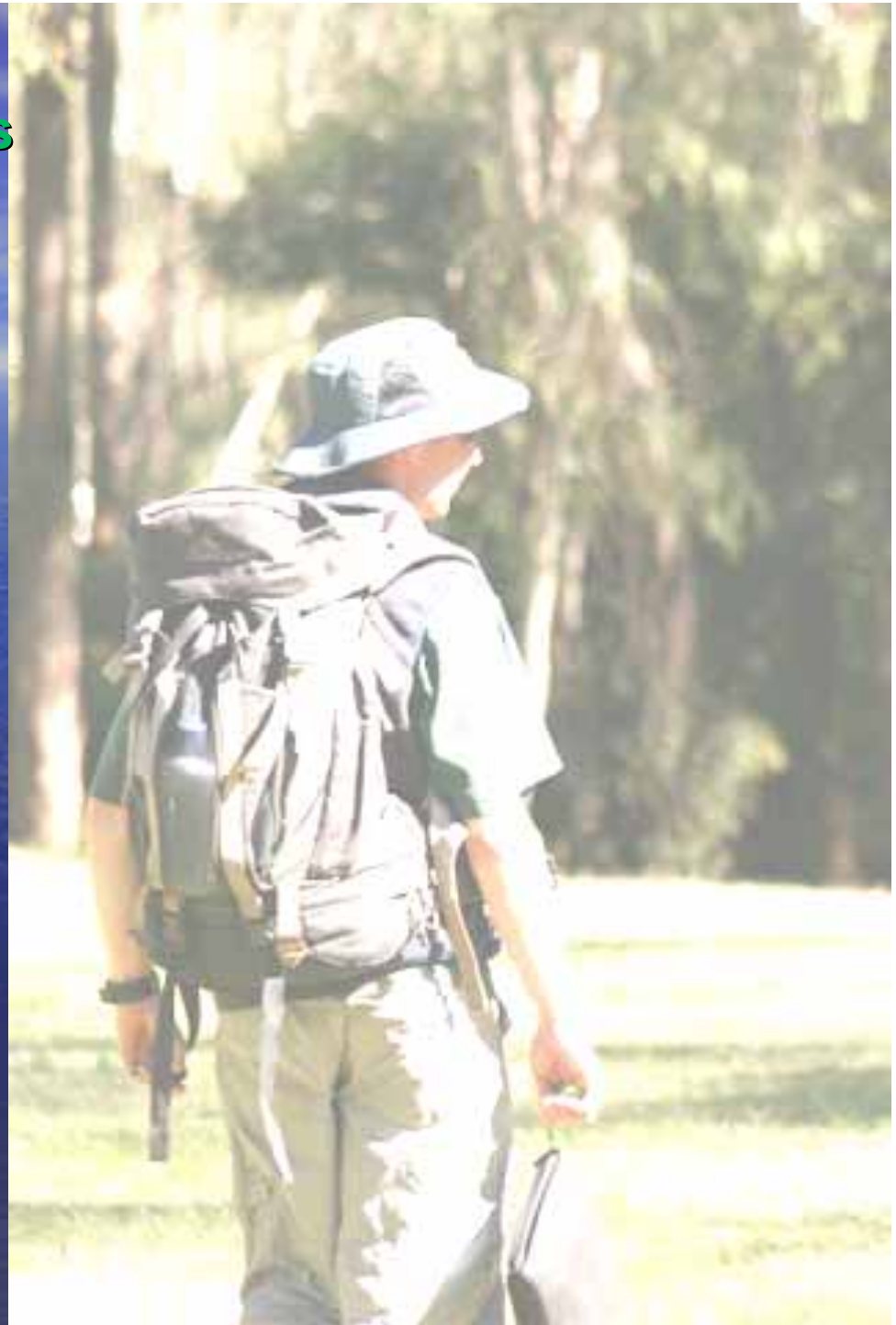


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- Previous Congress's in Quebec, Mexico City, Melbourne, Tokyo, St Petersburg, Toronto and Washington D.C.
- 16 Australians attended the Quebec Congress last October
- The next Congress will likely be in Hong Kong in 2011

## Staff Exchange and Opportunities

- Staff exchanges with camps all over the world
- Opportunities for Australian staff to work around the world in our 'off season'
- New recruitment and employment networks



New, Fresh and Interesting Ideas,  
activities and procedures .....



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## And .... Training and Advancement Opportunities like the ICDC ...



- The history of the ICDC
- **The Trainers**
- How Australia became involved
- Where to from here ....



# First Camp Directors Course in Australia

- In the US the camp director's program has been operating for over 20 years
- In Australia we have the sink or swim course
  - Learn on the run
  - Do the best job we can
  - We have had many competent graduates
- Increase the support structure around our industry and offer broader training opportunities

# A Pilot Program for 2009

- A pilot program that is sponsored to identify the interest and relevance within the Australian context.
- Sponsored by;
  - Sport and Recreation Victoria,
  - Camp Kangarooie (Vic), Uniting Churches (Vic), Camp Somerset (NSW), Edmund Park (QLD) and YMCA Victoria

# Goals of the course

- Goal One - To present the basics of camp management in the core areas of the organized body of knowledge
- Goal 2 - To expand their network of peers and develop a community of professionals in a "camp like" atmosphere
- Goal 3 - To provide an introduction to self-directed learning and the participants' role in their own professional development process

# Why do we need a course?

- Last 15 years has seen many changes and compliance is a major focus.
- RRAM -Regulations, Ramifications Accreditations and Modifications are all words used broadly across our industry
- Professional development and the opportunity to network with others

# What are the compliance and considerations for a camp manager?

- A number of regulations, compliances and considerations in the one melting pot.
  - Vision and camp business sustainability
  - Accommodation - fire systems and essential services
  - Grounds management- arborists and grounds risk assessments
  - Catering commercial kitchens standards - food handling and kitchen regulations
  - Activities - Activity Standards (Aquatic, Ropes, cycle, ratios, qualifications, equipment, logging, reporting, checking, maintaining, briefing, debriefing, risk assessments, etc)
  - Work place agreements and HR requirements
  - Buildings and asset standards
  - Manage the ins and outs
  - Look after the client
  - Participant Outcomes?
  - Plus more

# Where, when and how much?

- 3 day program in September 2009
- Dates 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> September
- \$300 fee
- 25 maximum number
- YMCA Anglesea Recreation Camp Victoria

# What is included

\$300 is a contribution towards;

- ICF enrollment and 12 months membership
- Text – Basic Camp Management seventh edition (Armand Ball and Beverly Ball)
- ICDC Folder with Curriculum (Australianised)
- Food and accommodation
- The Great Ocean Road and the pristine Victorian Coastline - bring a thick jacket and gloves.

# A Sponsored program

- Sport and Recreation Victoria are providing \$ to subsidise the cost
- All presenters are providing their time to prepare, present and follow up.
- The program is an Industry support initiative

Registration and information will be on the  
ACA website: [www.auscamps.asn.au](http://www.auscamps.asn.au)

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