



THE SIR EDMUND HILLARY
OUTDOOR PURSUITS CENTRE
OF NEW ZEALAND

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To whom it may concern,

Re: **Experiential Approaches to Youth Development Workshop
For staff of Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre of NZ
19th – 20th August 2006**

Chris Jansen of PANZA organised, designed and ran this workshop for us, and it was pretty much spot-on. We talked lots before hand to make clear our needs, and Chris came up with a workshop that was exactly what our instructors wanted; an advanced facilitation workshop with a heavy emphasis on practical tools, and how to engage challenging adolescents. A lot of information was compressed into 2 days, and yet we were encouraged to sift and sort so that we were never overwhelmed. Chris was great; relaxed and flexible yet organised, approachable and helpful, great wealth of knowledge and experience to share, genuine and authentic. There was a fantastic balance of theory/discussion vs. practical/fun to keep everyone fully engaged in what was a full-on 2 days. The staff very much appreciated this variety and Chris's style, which was reflected in their feedback;

"Love the variety and number of state changes during the 2 days – kept me interested and excited."

"Chris had a good sense for where the group was at and moved through activities/senarios accordingly to keep us engaged... Loads of information catering to a wide range of areas. Can take alot away to use".

"Chris has a great depth of knowledge and is very good at facilitating.....very inspiring".

"Amazing. I'm really excited to get out there and implement some of this stuff."

"Well planned and presented, with easy to follow material."

"Chris definitely altered and catered the programme to meet our needs".

"The workshop was excellent, had an awesome 2 days. Lots of information and a great resource. It was pitched at an excellent level; fun and usable."

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I can thoroughly recommend PANZA for facilitating similar workshops.
Please don't hesitate to contact me for any further discussions

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