

# W E L C O M E



## NZ Central Branch

Thank you for expressing interest in the International Coach Federation (ICF) and in particular, the Wellington Chapter. This welcome pack will give you further details on the meetings and information about the ICF. Please feel free to ask us any questions you may have.

### **What does the ICF do?**

The ICF works to support its members and represent their interests as professional coaches. It is the largest non-profit professional association worldwide for personal and business coaches. With more than 17,000 professional personal and business coaches representing more than 100 countries, the ICF is the voice of the global coaching profession

The aims of the ICF are to build, support and preserve the integrity of coaching around the globe. This is achieved through:

- Educating and promoting the coaching profession. The coach referral service and PR plan are part of this process.
- Fostering the community aspect among members through the annual conference, regular communications and local chapters.
- Being actively involved in researching and developing programs in the legal, regulatory and credentialing areas.
- For a full list of international benefits go to:

<http://www.coachfederation.org/join-icf/member-benefits//>

### **Why should I join & what are the costs?**

When you join the ICF you gain the following advantages:

- Increases your credibility as a coach: you belong to an independent association and are demonstrating your willingness to be accountable for ethical, professional behaviour.
- The ability to gain ICF credentials: you can improve your worth, credibility and profile as a coach
- Discounted member rates to annual Conferences held by the ICF worldwide.

- Monthly Chapter Meetings where you can learn how to improve your coaching skills and business through continuing professional development and networking with other leading coaches.
- Access to our professional development library.
- Leadership and volunteer opportunities, which strengthen your ties to the local coaching community.
- Access to special events the chapter organises from time to time e.g. half or one day workshops
- Access to worldwide chapters and a huge network of coaches.
- Electronic newsletter, The Coaching World Newsletter, keeping you up to date on trends and what's happening within the coaching industry as well as information on how to improve your coaching skills and business.
- Free access for NZ coaches to list your services on the Coach Referral Service.
- Access to personal bridge line rental, with 2 free hours per month
- Access to audio podiums to record your work

**Cost of membership:** Annual Membership: \$195 (USD)\* (This equals only \$16.25 per month, and a significant portion of your fee comes back to this chapter for local use)

- The ICF membership is on an annual billing schedule; all memberships expire on **March 31** of the following year.
- Membership fees for new ICF memberships will be prorated based on the month you join the ICF.
- Membership fees for January, February and March include the prorated amount for the current membership year plus next year's membership fee. Membership would then expire March 31, 2012. Below is a table which outline the prorated fees for each month.

<b>Application Month:</b>	<b>ICF Membership Cost (USD):</b>	<b>Your Membership Expires:</b>
December 2010	\$65	March 31, 2011
January 2011	\$243.75	March 31, 2012
February 2011	\$227.50	March 31, 2012
March 2011	\$211.25	March 31, 2012
April 2011	\$195	March 31, 2012
May 2011	\$178.75	March 31, 2012
June 2011	\$162.50	March 31, 2012
July 2011	\$146.25	March 31, 2012
August 2011	\$130	March 31, 2012
September 2011	\$113.75	March 31, 2012
October 2011	\$97.50	March 31, 2012
November 2011	\$81.25	March 31, 2012
December 2011	\$65	March 31, 2012

## How do I become a member?

To enjoy the benefits of membership, take these easy steps...

1. Go to: <http://www.coachfederation.org/join-icf/>
2. To register online click on 'Join today! Go to the online membership application' **OR** if you wish to join by fax or post, click on 'Individuals who prefer to use a paper application can download one here (Word.doc)'
3. If faxing or posting please complete the form and sign your acceptance of the code of ethics
4. Fax to: +61 2 4340 2122 OR + 1 859 226 4411 or mail to:

2365 Harrodsburg Rd.  
Suite A325  
Lexington KY 40504 USA.

## How often and where are branch meetings held?

We generally schedule 11 meetings per year (no meeting in January). Meetings are held at 5.30 – 7.00 pm the third Tuesday of the month. Registration and networking start over drinks and nibbles from 5.30 with the formal part of the meeting running from approx. 6.00 pm until 7.00 pm

The venue for the meeting is Right Management Consultants, Level 2, 2-12 Allen Street, Wellington

Fees: Members Free  
Non members \$35

## Who are your NZ Central ICF Leadership Team?

Incumbent	Position	Email
Grant Verhoeven	President	<a href="mailto:president.nzcentral@icfaustralasia.com">president.nzcentral@icfaustralasia.com</a>
Heather Stevenson	Past President/ Treasurer	<a href="mailto:ipp.nzcentral@icfaustralasia.com">ipp.nzcentral@icfaustralasia.com</a>
Julie Rowlands	Secretary / Membership	<a href="mailto:secretary.nzcentral@icfaustralasia.com">secretary.nzcentral@icfaustralasia.com</a>
Shirley Pollock	Meeting Co-ordinator	<a href="mailto:meetings.nzcentral@icfaustralasia.com">meetings.nzcentral@icfaustralasia.com</a>
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Feel free to contact any of the committee members, either during the meeting or at other times. Ask any questions you may have and talk with them about their experience of ICF membership.

## **What others are saying about the ICF**

*“For me, the day I joined ICF was the day I took a stand to be a professional coach. The willingness to be held accountable to a professional code of ethics sets the tone for my coaching work. I also love the additional benefits: being part of the local coaching community, first-class professional development opportunities and conferences, referrals, newsletter and ongoing support. If you've put in the effort, time and money to be trained as a coach, take the obvious next step to support your practice and join the #1 professional coaching body.” - Phillip Crockford (Immediate Past President, Qld Chapter; President-elect, ICF Australasia)*

*“I love being a coach and one of the most practical tools I have utilised is my membership of the International Coach Federation (ICF). When I first joined the ICF, coaching was in its infancy and there were few people who knew what a life or executive coach was; the ICF provided an environment for the collection of like-minded people to network, gain support, share resources and practice coaching. Still today, I find this a most valuable compliment to the theoretical background I bring to coaching through my roles as a lecturer, HR consultant and post graduate student preparing a thesis on executive coaching.” - Fran Finn (Professional Coach, Millennium Outsourcing)*

*“I have been a member of ICF for 6 years, ever since I became a coach. The reasons are simple. I choose to support the context of the profession I live, work and play in. No other coaching organisation offers the standards, ethics, credentialing and services that ICF does.” – Christine McDougall (successful Coach)*

***Serious about professional coaching? ...the ICF is the place for you.***