



PROMOTING SAFE BOATING

OUTBOARDER

READERSHIP 6000

WWW.OBC.CO.NZ

MARCH 2024

*Get out there
and Enjoy it*

For those who haven't been to the Club for a while, or who might just need a little incentive to ditch the grind and enjoy some sunny days (when we get them) out on the water, here's a great photo from OBC Events and Promotions Manager Peri Snow that should do the job!

If you're not in a position to go boating,

why not just come down to the Club, relax in the clubhouse and enjoy a hot or cold drink and the company of your fellow members and OBC staff. The monthly members morning tea is a great time to do this – the next one is on Wednesday March 6, from 10.00am, and you'll even get some nibbles to go with that cuppa.



CLUB OFFICERS

PATRON:

Hon. Peter Salmon, CNZM, KC

COMMODORE:

Phil Allen021 616 382

VICE COMMODORE:

Karen Foley021 998 086

CLUB CAPTAIN:

Kevin Best.....021 439 873

VICE CLUB CAPTAIN:

Brian Hughes0274 453 249

SECRETARY:

Bill McGarry027 479 0162

TREASURER:

Alan Tong.....027 498 9966

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Harvey Brookes.....021 913 418

Frank Davis021 685 571

Gareth Hughes021 767 682

Paul Miller021 392 236

Martin Urban021 145 0236

GENERAL MANAGER:

Phil Davenport.....021 721 622

ALL DEPARTMENTS:

Maintenance, membership, security,
events, clubhouse..... 522 0774

Email:membership@obc.co.nz

Fax 522 0774

PO Box 42056, Orakei, Akld.

Website: www.obc.co.nz

OUTBOARDER ADVERTISING:

Shirley Haslam Ph:263 5305

Email: shirley@petrolhead.co.nz

EDITORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

Debbie Jarvis, Advance Publishing

PO Box 76-503, Manukau City,

Auckland

Email: debbie@petrolhead.co.nz

The Outboarder is published for the Outboard Boating Club of Auckland (Inc.). The views expressed herein are not necessarily those of the publisher, editor or club executive, all of whom disclaim responsibility unless otherwise indicated. Outboarder is registered at the G.P.O. Wellington as a magazine.

COMMODORE'S REPORT

RESPECT, RULES *and* RUBBISH

I like to keep my editorials positive, but there are times when some home truths need to be aired.

Our members are mostly extraordinarily courteous and respectful – but there is a very small cohort of arrogant, entitled members who break the Club's rules, some repeatedly, without regard for other Club users and then are incredibly disrespectful to the staff when they don't get their own, patronising way. You will know who you are. The staff represents the Executive Committee and all the rule-abiding, patient members, and this behaviour will not be tolerated. The Club's rules are not onerous and are there for smooth access for all to the Club facilities and the safety of all members. If you have an issue, do not abuse the staff. General Manager Phil Davenport's and my contact numbers are published on this page.

While I'm on a roll, I would like to address rubbish collection. The Club provides, at some considerable cost, general rubbish and recycling bins. I cannot believe the disrespect shown to this convenience. I see an incredible amount of home rubbish – a kiddie's wheelbarrow, a home vacuum cleaner, old oil heaters and a set of Tesla wheels just some examples. Recently a member was seen to drive in the gate straight to a cardboard skip, empty a ute-

load of home cardboard packaging and drive straight out. This is a blatant misuse of Club facilities.

We provide glass, aluminium and cardboard bins – but members are too lazy to separate items and instead randomly toss cans and cardboard in the rubbish and rubbish in the outboard flushing tubs. We provide a facility for disposal of used oil and filter cartridges. On the outside of the filter bin is a clear sign: 'This bin is for oil and diesel filters only'. Last week, when dropping my diesel filter in the bin, there was a four litre plastic oil drum, a 20 litre steel oil drum, a bag of oil-soaked rags... I kid you not. It doesn't take a lot of effort to sort your rubbish into correct bins – but when contaminated like this, the recycling collectors are not interested, and the recyclables just end up in the general rubbish. We are a Club that operates for the benefit of all our members, and it is disheartening to see your facilities treated with such contempt.

On a much more positive note, Waitangi Day weather was exquisite, and we saw one of the busiest days I can remember. It's not often we see boats queued for the ramps and trailers parked on Tamaki Drive – it was good to see so many members getting out on their boats with families and friends.

It's also good to see the rapid progress on the capital works at the Club. The contractors have had an interesting challenge with the ebb and flow of the tide. From about half-tide up, excavations fill with water as the tide rises. They have been able to manage around this and work is progressing on schedule and budget. The contractors are mindful of not causing inconvenience to member access.

Wishing for many more hot, sunny days through the summer.

- Phil Allen



CANS FOR KAI

Cans for Kai converts your unwanted empties into koha (a donation) to help fund The Kai Ika Project.

Drop your aluminum cans into the specially marked bins around the Club, then the team at Phoenix Metalman recycles your cans and donates the proceeds towards The Kai Ika Project. It's an easy way to make a positive impact.

SMART MARINE

BOATING FISHING OUTDOORS

4 GREAT STORES

Manukau - 85 Cavendish Dr

Mt. Wellington - 72 Lunn Ave

Hamilton - 3 Maui St

Tauranga - 36 Kereiti St

Get social   SmartMarineNZ

0800 80 50 40

Shop online at

www.smartmarine.co.nz

HANDS on HEARTS

By Phil Davenport

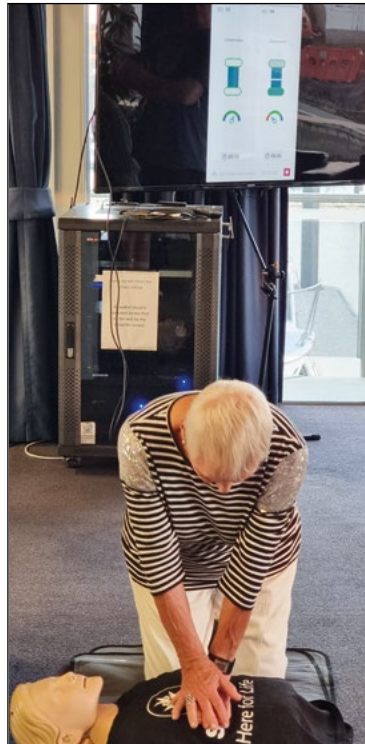
Not only does the Club now have three defibrillators onsite, thanks to a fantastic CPR and AED training event held recently in conjunction with St John, the Club now has more members confident with using both potentially life-saving tools.

The sophisticated training devices St John provided meant that members were able to measure the effectiveness of their CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) efforts. This meant participants gained a real sense of the effort required, and the reassurance that what was being done was having an impact.

As well as the CPR training there was also an opportunity to deploy an AED (automatic external defibrillator – the equipment now situated around the OBC) and experience the instruction and feedback these amazing devices provided.

We intend to run another similar course later in the year and I would encourage members to attend.

St John is currently running a promotion at their new training facility in Parnell. With the Promotion Code, you will get 10 percent off a First Aid Level 1 or First Aid Level 2 course up until the end of April. Look out for this code along with St John details in the Tuesday mail outs.



Advanced technology means St John's modern training equipment can measure the effectiveness of the CPR being given.



AEDs come with excellent and straightforward instructions for use, so that even someone with no training can use one to save a life.

IS IT CARDIAC ARREST?

An AED delivers a safe electric shock, increasing the chances of survival of someone experiencing sudden cardiac arrest by 44 percent. So, how do you recognise that someone needs help? From the St John website:

UNCONSCIOUS – the person will be unconscious.
UNRESPONSIVE – they won't respond when you try to talk to them or squeeze their shoulder.

UNUSUAL BREATHING – they might be making gasping noises, or not breathing at all.

Remember, in all instances, call 111 and ask for an ambulance before using the AED and/or CPR.

Find more information at: <https://www.stjohn.org.nz/first-aid/about-aeds>

OPERATIONS REPORT

HEALTH AND SAFETY

There is soon to be a new defibrillator installed at the eastern ramps which will bring the tally of these life saving devices to three on site. One of the other two is located at the security hut by the western ramps, and one is under the 'bonnet' of the OBC golf cart.



In the coming week, work will also start on the new toilet being installed at the eastern ramps. The whole project is proceeding well and is on track for completion in mid-April.

SITE WORKS

Work is well under way with the first stages of the site redevelopment and as a result of the recent fair weather, progress has been good. New underground conduits are being laid for the Club's electrical needs going forward, and work on the two major stormwater upgrades is near completion. Once this is finished the levels will be set for the new manual and auto washdown

HIGH SPAN CHANNEL NGAPIPI BRIDGE

Construction crews have finished work on the high clearance channel of the new Ngapiapi pedestrian bridge. This channel can now be used as before, with an extra 300mm clearance compared with the main IN / OUT channels.

As always, please take care while navigating your vessel under the bridge.

BOOK YOUR SERVICE NOW!

FREE PICK-UP AND DELIVERY FOR OBC MEMBERS

2-450hp



BUY THE WORLD'S MOST POPULAR OUTBOARD SALES - SERVICE - SPARES



Full workshop or onsite service



Ovlov Marine

www.ovlov.co.nz

Auckland City PH: 09 377 4285

142 Beaumont Street, Orams Marine Village, Westhaven

Pine Harbour PH: 09 536 5249

9/190 Jack Lachlan Drive, Pine Harbour Marina, Beachlands

Gulf Harbour PH: 09 424 1260

895 Laurie Southwick Parade, Gulf Harbour Marina, Whangaparaoa

BOATIE PROFILE
STILL TO COME

BOATIE PROFILE
STILL TO COME

BOATIE PROFILE STILL TO COME



SUP? Bicycle?

Ever wished you could combine a stand-up paddleboard with a bicycle? Never had the thought cross your mind? Either way, this new water bike from Red Shark Bikes is something every dedicated water toy lover is going to want to try out.

Fitness fans will love it – get your leg workout pedalling, then grab a paddle and work that upper body just like on a normal SUP. There's also a model suitable for fishing from!

The 'bicycle' comprises a high density polyethylene three-piece frame with aluminium handle bar and stem, and adjustable seat. There's even a water bottle and holder. The 11'3" inflatable SUP has 2 fixed propellers and a four-position adjustable stable-rudder.

Pedalling and paddling seem like too much effort? Then the Red Shark eScooter Surf might be just what you need. The electric rudder motor has 12 forward and three reverse gears, and with the push of a wireless remote button you can be skimming the water surface at up to 8mph.



VISIT THE OBC ONLINE:

WWW.OBC.CO.NZ

WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/OUTBOARDBOATINGCLUB



Proud major sponsor of the
OBC Family Fishing Competition 2024

GO 2 TRAILERS

MOBILE TRAILER MECHANIC - WE COME TO YOU

**MOBILE
TRAILER
MECHANIC
WE COME
TO YOU!**

**HAS YOUR TRAILER
FAILED A WOF?**

-- Services We Offer --

Brake system repairs
Axle / Hub repairs
Electrical / Lights repairs
Suspension repairs
Coupling
Jockey wheel repairs
Axle fabrications

We service the entire Auckland region

CONTACT US FOR A NO OBLIGATION QUOTE

info@go2trailers.co.nz

021 11 44 586 or

09 394 2245

GO 2 TRAILERS

MOBILE TRAILER MECHANIC - WE COME TO YOU

www.go2trailers.co.nz

PEST-FREE for PROGRESS

The OBC has long been a supporter of the Motuihe Restoration Trust, and no doubt as boaties many members have visited the island to enjoy its beaches, bush walks and native wildlife.

The Trust and its team of volunteers, along with DOC, put many hours into maintaining the island's pest-free status (the island was declared pest-free in 2005) as well as bringing back native flora and fauna.

Currently a new 'endangered plants project' is underway and rare plants - many now extinct in the wild - are growing in the island's plant nursery. The three-year programme is not only for the benefit of Motuihe's biodiversity. An understanding of the conditions needed to ensure each species thrives will enable plants and advice to be passed on to other projects in the hope that these plants can once again be enjoyed by all.

If you're interested in helping with the endangered plants project, flick an email to operations@motuihe.org.nz

As with all predator/pest-free islands - which are the majority of the 50 islands in the Gulf - dogs and other animals are not permitted on any part of Motuihe due to the risk they pose to the island's native wildlife. Most of you may say 'well, of course', but as there have been increased incidents of dogs being taken ashore on the Hauraki Gulf's pest-free islands, a reminder can't go astray. Even the best behaved of pets can put endangered birds such as the NZ Dotterel at risk by disturbing nesting sites.

The Gulf's pest-free conservation islands are a safe haven for rare and endangered plants and animals, the last remaining hope for the survival of some endemic species whose mainland habitats are destroyed or predator-ridden. Minimising human impacts on these sanctuaries and keeping them pest-free is essential.



Kakabeak is part of Motuihe Island's endangered plant project. (Image: Eric in SF CC BY-SA 3.0)

The inadvertent transport of pests and predators is a huge risk to the islands' flora and fauna, and like the recent dog incidents, the islands have also had their share of other scares. Evidence of the presence of a rat was found on Rotoroa Island in April last year, and it wasn't the first since that island was declared predator free in 2011.

Auckland Council, DOC and island restoration teams put out strong messages about ensuring your boat, gear and clothing are clean and pest-free before you leave the mainland, or when moving between islands. Just anchoring in a bay with a sneaky rodent on board can put wildlife at risk - mice and rats can swim up to one kilometre! So, if you do find one, destroy it... do not throw it overboard alive.

...Continued on page 12

Join us at the Auckland Boat Show.



Outdoor Stand OS20 + Marina Berth | Jellicoe Harbour | March 14-17

Join us on the waterfront where we'll be showcasing our leading brands including Assault, Beneteau, Brig, Buccaneer, and Southern.

Don't miss the unveiling of the all-new Buccaneer Six Fifteen HT (pictured) at its boat show debut!

Purchase your tickets now at www.auckland-boatshow.com

**FAMILY
BOATS**



www.familyboats.co.nz

...Continued from page 10

But it's not just rats and mice preying on native birds, insects and reptiles that are a problem, some pests are even smaller and harder to find, yet can cause just as much damage. From the DOC website:

- Argentine ants can reach large numbers and have a big appetite killing our native insects, skinks, geckos and baby birds.
- Plague skinks compete with native lizards and other animals for food and habitat and have displaced our native skinks on the mainland.
- Soil can carry plant diseases such as kauri dieback.
- Weed seeds can become a weed forest and smother native plants.

Rats can squeeze through a 12mm gap and mice through a 7mm gap. Insects could hide in your bag, and weeds, seeds and soil could cling to your clothing



Rats (and mice) are strong swimmers and climbers. Next month we'll bring you some tips on how to keep your vessel pest free. (Pic: Biswarup Ganguly)

and shoes. For more information about visiting pest-free islands, head to <https://www.doc.govt.nz/parks-and-recreation/know-before-you-go/visiting-pest-free-islands> If you're keen to learn more about the restoration work on Motuihe visit <https://www.motuihe.org.nz>

Mark Helms Marine
ON-SITE SERVICE - RE-POWER - OUTBOARD SALES

No Callout Fees for all members' outboard servicing & repairs done onsite at the OBC

- ⚙️ Servicing ⚙️ Tuning ⚙️ Maintenance ⚙️ Repairs
- ⚙️ Re-conditioning ⚙️ Repowers ⚙️ All outboard brands

For all enquiries please visit our website www.markhelmsmarine.co.nz or call **09 949 0098**

Remember when...

Historical oddities, occasions and various items of interest from nearly 70 years of the OBC, including excerpts from past Outboarder magazines and the OBC diaries.

We delved into a collection of Outboarders spanning 2006 to the present and pulled out an issue at random to see what was going on back when. As it happened, March 2007 was the issue, and here's a few snippets of what was happening in the Club around that time.



All jazzed up

Around 60 members had enjoyed an afternoon on the reserve at the OBC, soaking up the sun and enjoying the music at the Club's Waitangi Day Jazz Picnic. Wind did play a little havoc with the gazebos, but a few extra ropes tied to strategically placed towbars solved most of the problems.



Orca outing

The second annual Nauti-Girls fishing contest raised \$4973.76 for the Orca Research Trust. Dr Ingrid Visser, who's presented many an 'orca and chips' evening at the Club, came down to pick up a few orca-themed decorations she'd loaned the contest organisers. Presented with the cheque for the funds she was

blown away: "I hadn't expected anything more than \$500, so you can imagine my delight," Ingrid said in a thank you letter.

Corporate card

The March 2007 issue came with a special bonus for members. An insert from then Club sponsor and OBC advertiser Regency Duty Free contained a 'corporate card' giving members 10-15 percent discounts on duty free purchases.



RENNIE COX
LAWYERS

OUR SERVICES INCLUDE:

PERSONAL - COMMERCIAL - COMMON LAW
FAMILY - PROPERTY - FINANCING

WHAT WE OFFER:

- Long tradition of performance and reliability
- Quality of service and practical advice
- Promptness and efficiency
- Reasonable fees and regular reporting
- Home visits to sick and elderly

Level 15, 126 Vincent Street, Auckland, New Zealand
P O Box 6647, Victoria Street West, Auckland 1142, New Zealand

Ph 09-303 4089 Fax 09-307 6499
email: lawyers@renniecox.co.nz

Kina under fire in NORTHLAND

While recreational catch limits for many fish and shellfish are being reduced around the country, Northland is facing new rules that will include increasing the catch limit for kina in a bid to help deal with the kina infestation problem. For now, the new fishing rules - which will come into effect next summer to allow for public consultation - only apply to Northland, but if the changes to the kina catch limit prove successful, it may have a positive flow-on for the Hauraki Gulf.

There are several pieces of work underway to address kina infestation / kina barrens, including:



Kina feeding on kelp causing a kina barren near the Noises in the Hauraki Gulf. (Pic: Shaun Lee - <https://inaturalist.nz/photos/52065449>, CC BY 4.0)

- A two-year fisheries closure and fishing method prohibition at Tutukaka Harbour, Ngunguru Bay, Ngunguru River, Horahora River, and surrounding areas to help increase the abundance of rock lobster, a predator of kina.
- Options for rule changes that will better enable iwi and communities to remove kina from kina barren areas. Two new types of permits are being proposed to enable improved and more efficient management of kina barren areas.
- Consideration of an increase for the current recreational bag limit of 50 for kina. This option will go through public consultation in the coming months.
- A scientific programme to deepen our understanding of kina barrens and their impacts and inform evidence-based decision making. This includes mapping to better understand the specific nature and extent of kina barren areas.

It's also been suggested that once the kina problem has been addressed, attention will turn to scallop sustainability. Watch this space.

Wild Chic presents
BOATING BASICS FOR WOMEN
27th MARCH 7:00PM
Learn the basics of boating, terminology, basic operation, maintenance and more!
FULLY BOOKED
SEE PAGE 28
GO TO WELDRIVE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Bar awareness seminars

There were 29 preventable drowning deaths occurring while crossing a river or harbour bar between 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2021. Crossing a bar comes with its own risks and difficulties, but there are things you can do to maximise your and your crews' safety in an unpredictable environment.

This March, Coastguard will host two bar awareness seminars, one at Onehunga and another Helensville, for skippers planning a west coast adventure. The seminars focus on raising awareness about the complexities of crossing the Manukau and Kaipara Bars and general bar information. Attendees will gain insights into how bars work, best practices for handling their boats when crossing bars, optimal crossing times, guidance for safe navigation, and the importance of creating trip reports and bar watch reports.

These seminars are all inclusive. They aren't just for newcomers; we cater to everyone, including experienced skippers who have been crossing the bar for years. Many experienced attendees have found these seminars to be a valuable source of new information and insights. Register for a seminar at: <https://www.boatingeducation.org.nz/courses/38/bar-awareness-seminars>

For those unable to attend the seminars, Coastguard also has several bar-specific educational videos on its website to provide an easily accessible tool for learning about safe bar-crossing practices, ensuring that everyone has access to critical information. Check them out at: <https://www.coastguard.nz/boating-safely/bar-awareness>

PLANNING TO FISH OUT DEEP?
Bar Awareness Seminar
TWO LOCATIONS
Monday, 18 March, 2024. 6.30-9.00pm
Onehunga Community Centre, 83 Church Street, Onehunga
Thursday, 21 March, 2024. 7.00-9.00pm
Helensville Primary School, 29 Rata Street, Helensville

ODIN MARINE
EXPERT BOAT BUILDERS IN AUCKLAND
REFITS, REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE, AND INSURANCE WORK
GET IN TOUCH FOR:
• Hull and fibreglass repairs • Re-powers
• Transom rebuilds • Antifoul, proppspeed, cut and polish
• Mobile repair services • Outboard Pods
• Gelcoat repairs
• Boat tidy ups

Call Sam on 021 683 185 or visit www.odinmarine.co.nz
69 Captain Springs Road, Onehunga, Auckland

BIOSECURITY UPDATE

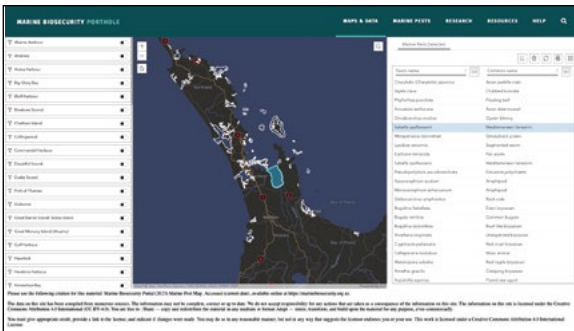
INVASIVE SPECIES 2023 SURVEY RESULTS IN

Key harbours in the Top of the North regions have been surveyed by NIWA, using a variety of methods to detect non-native marine organisms, as part of a national surveillance program run by Biosecurity New Zealand.

These twice-yearly surveys, conducted in summer and winter, ensure that high risk sites, which are places where vessels regularly arrive from overseas, are closely monitored. By detecting if and where any new species have been introduced, potential incursions can be responded to quickly, before they have an opportunity to get established or to spread to other locations.

In Opuia and the Waikare Inlet, Whangarei Harbour, and Tauranga Harbour no new-to-New Zealand species were detected - which is great news. In Auckland, several non-indigenous species were detected for the first time in the Waitematā Harbour. None are considered harmful, but MPI will continue to monitor them.

A marine map (see accompanying image) has been created displaying which non-indigenous marine species are present within the main ports and



Biosecurity New Zealand's interactive invasive species map showing the detection of Mediterranean fanworm in the Firth of Thames.

harbours throughout New Zealand. It also allows you to combine data from the different ports/regions or look at them individually. Check it out at: <https://www.marinebiosecurity.org.nz/marine-pests-by-location>

Summer 2024 surveys are currently underway, with the Waitematā Harbour having been surveyed in February.

FANWORM IN PILOT BAY

After being advised of the location of a single Mediterranean fanworm on the seafloor in Pilot Bay, a search by the Bay of Plenty Regional Council dive team revealed 81 fanworms in the same locality.

"The team has completed over 15 hours of underwater surveillance and removal in the area," said Biosecurity Officer Andy Wills. "Each fanworm must be carefully bagged, dug out and removed. Given that Mediterranean fanworm have no natural predators in New Zealand, they can form dense beds of up to 1000/sqm and compete against native filter-feeders such as mussels, oysters and scallops for both food and space," he said.

Mediterranean Fanworm can grow up to 80cm long and given the ones found were all similar in size and close to each other, it indicates they had most likely been scraped from the hull of a boat. Mr Wills highlighted how disappointing it is that one boatie could have caused such an issue. "With the constant threat of pests like Mediterranean fanworm and Asian paddle crab on our marine doorstep and new ones like the exotic seaweed caulerpa, it's more important than ever people keep their boats and equipment free of pests," Mr Wills concluded.



0800 BOAT FIX

Insurance work specialists

Pre-purchase inspections

Fibreglass repairs

Engine servicing

Timber alterations & repairs

Canopy & upholstery repairs

Antifouling & Gelcoat work

Trailer W.O.F & repairs

Spraypainting & Jetski repairs

Inflatable repairs

AUCKLAND'S SPECIALIST BOAT REPAIR CENTRE



Recognised member



www.boatrepairs.co.nz

58 Diana Drive, Glenfield

Bite time

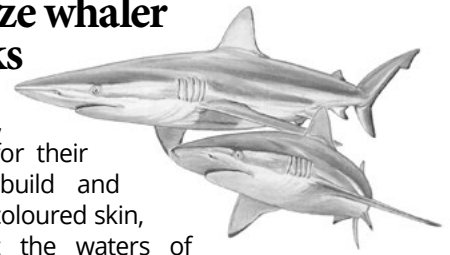
FISHING REPORT

From Adam Clancey

The Waitamata Harbour and the Hauraki Gulf are teeming with marine life, offering recreational anglers an exhilarating experience. Among the diverse array of creatures dwelling in these waters, sharks hold a special fascination for many anglers. However, their powerful presence demands careful handling to ensure both the angler's safety and the shark's well-being. In this guide, we'll delve into the safe and responsible management of three common shark species found in these waters: the bronze whaler, hammerhead and mako. Most encounters end with the shark biting through the fishing line. If this does not happen, here are a few tips for when you have a shark encounter.

Bronze whaler sharks

Bronze whalers, known for their robust build and bronze-coloured skin, frequent the waters of the Waitamata Harbour and the Hauraki Gulf. When handling bronze whalers, remember:



- **When diving, approach with caution:** Bronze whalers can be unpredictable, maintain a safe distance and avoid sudden movements.
- **Use appropriate gear:** Ensure you

have sturdy fishing gear capable of handling the strength of a bronze whaler. Heavy-duty tackle and a strong fishing line are essential.

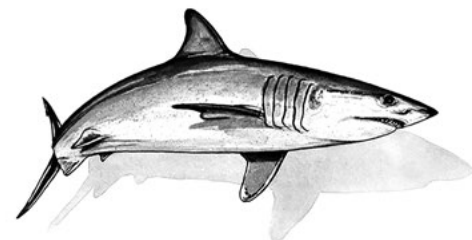
- **Handle with care:** Once caught, avoid touching its skin or gills as they are sensitive areas. Use a de-hooking tool to safely remove hooks.
- **Release safely:** Release the bronze whaler back into the water as quickly as possible. To prevent injury and allow it to swim away freely, do not lift the bronze whaler from the water.

Hammerhead sharks

Hammerhead sharks, with their distinctive hammer-shaped heads, are another common sight in these waters. When encountering hammerheads, follow these guidelines:



- **Maintain control:** Hammerheads can be powerful and agile, so maintain control during the catch. Keep tension on the line and avoid allowing the shark to swim under the boat.
- **Minimise stress:** Avoid prolonged fights. Reel the hammerhead in efficiently, keeping the fight short to reduce exhaustion.
- **Handle gently:** Handle the hammerhead with care to prevent injury to both yourself and the shark. Use a wet towel or glove to grip the shark's skin and support its body properly.
- **Release promptly:** After removing the hook, release the hammerhead promptly. Allow it to regain its strength before swimming away.



When encountering makos, take the following precautions:

- **Be prepared:** Makos are known for their speed, so be prepared for a fast-paced encounter. Be prepared for jumps.
- **Handle with care:** Exercise caution when handling mako sharks, as they can be aggressive when provoked. Keep a safe distance and avoid putting your hands near their mouth.
- **Release quickly:** Once caught, release the mako shark quickly to minimise stress. Avoid excessive handling and allow it to swim away freely.

...Continued on page 20

WINNERS ARE OBC CLUB MEMBERS (AND FAMILY MEMBERS) ONLY

SEABOSS BOATS

LONGEST Snapper

COMPETITION 2023-2024

1st JUN 2023 - 31st MAY 2024

Be in to Win!

\$200

FOR LONGEST SNAPPER

\$400

ONE DRAWN RANDOMLY FROM ALL ENTRANTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

How to enter:

- 1) Register your details here obc.fishingcomp.co.nz
- 2) Read the rules obc.fishingcomp.co.nz/rules
- 3) Make sure you have one of the official measures on your vessel (as shown in the rules). Available for purchase in OBC office for \$20.
- 4) Get fishing, then enter your catch! obc.fishingcomp.co.nz/enter-catch

Mako sharks

Mako sharks, known for their incredible speed and agility, provide an exhilarating challenge for anglers.

Mobile Auto & **MARINE ELECTRICAL** limited

WE SERVICE: AUCKLAND-WIDE

OUR SPECIALTIES ARE:

- INSTALLATION SERVICE
- BOATS - TRAILERS
- WATER PUMPS
- FAULT SCANNING
- A.B.S - AIR BAGS
- DUAL BATTERY SYSTEM
- STARTER MOTORS
- ALTERNATORS
- AIR CONDITIONING

YOUR CONTACT IS STEVE

Advance Trade Certified - 45 years Industry Experience

0800 662 352

(0800 MOB ELC)

...Continued from page 19

When faced with the scenario of sharks devouring your catch before it reaches the boat, it's prudent to relocate to a different fishing spot. This not only prevents further depletion of your catch but also reduces the risk of attracting more sharks to the area, which could potentially lead to unsafe conditions for



Makos will jump high and have landed in boats, so if you hook one, be prepared.

both anglers and marine life. By moving to a new location, you can maximise your chances of landing a catch while minimising interactions with sharks, thereby promoting a safer and more productive fishing experience for all involved. Remember, in these vast waters, there are plenty of opportunities to explore, so don't hesitate to relocate if the situation calls for it.

Responsible shark management is essential for the safety of both anglers and sharks in the Waitamata Harbour and the Hauraki Gulf. By following these guidelines and treating these magnificent creatures with respect, anglers can enjoy the thrill of catching sharks while ensuring their conservation for future generations to appreciate.

NEW SERIES of Fishy Business TV now screening on Sky Open, Saturdays at 5.00pm, through to March.

Follow Adam Clancey on Facebook: www.facebook.com/FishyBusinessTV

DROWNING CRISIS UNVEILED

In a sobering update, Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ) has released its provisional 2023 drowning data, revealing a persisting challenge in our national drowning rate. Despite a slight decrease (4) in fatalities compared to 2022, the figure of 90 preventable drownings remains alarmingly above the 10-year average, underlining a national crisis that WSNZ refers to as the "New Zealand Disease".

Of those 90, 83 percent were male and 58 percent were over the age of 45. There was also a spike in under-5 tragedies with eight deaths being recorded, three more than the 10-year average of five preventable drownings.

Powered craft use reflected a more positive result, despite four drownings in 2023 (four percent of total). This is a notable decrease from the 10-year average of 11 drownings, and a massive reduction on 2022's total of 21. It is hoped that joint messages like those with Coastguard NZ's 'Just Wear It' lifejacket campaign (see Outboarder February 2024, page 12) are beginning to be listened to.

Auckland experienced a worrying spike with 26 preventable drownings, surpassing both the 2022 figure of 17 drownings and the 10-year average of 16, highlighting an urgent need for intensified water safety measures in the region.

"Clearly Auckland's growing population, larger participation rates and warmer climate impacts this number, but there is considerable and long-term rate payer investment that has gone into attempting to address this issue.



Water competence isn't just about learning to swim. Everyone – from the youngest child to the eldest adult should understand the importance of floating, not just as a skill, but as a vital guardian against the unforeseen challenges of the water.

Perhaps now is the time to revisit how to support Aucklanders and Tamaki Makaurau more effectively." Says WSNZ Chief Executive Daniel Gerrard. Read the full article at: <https://www.watersafetynz.org/post/drowning-crisis-unveiled-wsnz-s-2023-data-shows-devastating-trend-in-water-safety>

Put your boat in the hands of Auckland's marine electrical specialists.

Visit our new Tamaki Marine Park Branch with undercover facilities for trailer boats!

MARINE SYSTEMS

POWER GENERATION

ANCHOR, WINDLASS & WINCHES

SMART SYSTEMS

EWOF

HMB
Marine Electrical

TAMAKI MARINE PARK
 Unit 3, 36 Gabador Place
 Mt Wellington
 0508 462 462 / info@hmbe.co.nz / www.hmbe.co.nz

THE BOATYARD
 Unit 3, 50 Argo Drive
 Half Moon Bay

BOATSPRAY
half moon bay

anti-foul | prop speed
touch-ups | repaints
cut and polish | varnish
insurance specialists
project management

hardstand, 22m shed or mobile

(09) 535-4802
www.boatspray.co.nz

WBSFC PRESENTS OUR

BILL FISH & TUNA ELDORADO



The WBSFC Committee invites all members to participate in the 2024/2025 WBSFC Bill Fish & Tuna El Dorado

Find the **GOLD** that has lured treasure hunters for centuries

HEAVIEST BILL FISH **\$1000!**

HEAVIEST TUNA **\$500!**

HEAVIEST KINGFISH **\$500!**

FREE ENTRY!

Yes, free entry, and a contest **EXCLUSIVELY FOR WBSFC members!**

No entry form required, you are automatically entered!

You must be a WBSFC member to be eligible for prizes.

New members are invited to join, but you must be a member for minimum of 7 days to be eligible to register your catch. \$40 membership fee.

TIGHT LINES!

Contest Rules: Runs from ????? to ????????

Cut off time for fishing on 30 June, 1700hrs. NZ-wide contest area, however, bill fish must be weighed on OBC gantry. Must be in queue for weigh in at OBC gantry by 30 June, 1700hrs, no exceptions. For tuna only! A photo of fish on scales will be acceptable but official weight on OBC gantry will prevail over any split decision. All species of tuna, from skip jack to yellow fin, are eligible. WBSFC committee decision on eligibility of angler and catch is final.

Prize-Giving: Date T.B.A.

For more information email: wbsfc@obc.co.nz



WHAKATAKATAKA BAY SPORT FISHING CLUB



NZSFC PELAGIC NATIONALS

More than 1200 anglers fished the NZSFC Pelagic National Sportfishing Competition which ran from February 17 to 24. Still running as we went to print, here's a quick look at some of the highlights from day 2 of the competition.



CAULERPA

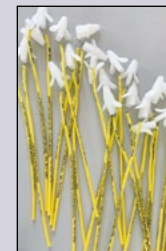
This invasive seaweed is devastating our fishery. For the latest please follow this link <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/biosecurity/exotic-pests-and-diseases-in-new-zealand/pests-and-diseases-under-response/exotic-caulerpa-seaweeds-caulerpa-brachy pus-and-caulerpa-parvifolia-in-new-zealand>

Heaviest single fish weighed stats:

Blue marlin	192.8kg, with eight tagged and released.
Striped marlin	13.1kg with 43 tagged and released.
Kahawai	2.24kg
Short bill spear fish	26.8kg
Skipjack	5.35kg
Snapper	8.09kg
Trevally	2.23kg
Tuna	31.6kg.

TAGGING

We have a good supply of tags and cards available at the OBC and all you need is a pole. It's great to tag and release the larger fish back into their environment to further breed.



EL DORADO

This competition is still running. Free entry to WBSFC members and a shot at winning a cool \$1000 for the heaviest marlin, \$500 for heaviest tuna and \$500 for heaviest kingfish. Be in to win.

See *opposite page* for all the details.





COOK THE CATCH

Greek-style ROASTED BRANZINO

A sharing plate for two, ready in about 20 minutes.

Branzino is also known as European or Mediterranean sea bass. Native to the western and southern coasts of Europe, as well as the northern coasts of Africa, it has light, flaky white flesh. Fresh-caught red snapper, cod, flounder or rainbow trout are all good alternatives.

INGREDIENTS

One whole branzino or alternative, approx 1/2-3/4kg (1 to 1-1/2 pounds) - cleaned and scaled, with head and tail attached.

Extra virgin olive oil
Half a lemon, sliced into thin rounds
Half a red onion, sliced
Chopped fresh dill
Cherry tomatoes, halved
Ladolemono sauce (see recipe)

METHOD

1. After patting dry, make two slits on both sides of the fish. Generously season with salt and black pepper on both sides, as well as through the slits and in the cavity. Insert half a sliced lemon and half a sliced red onion into the cavity.
2. Place the fish on a lightly oiled sheet pan. Roast on the centre rack at 200degC for 5 minutes on one side, then carefully turn over and cook for another 5 to 7 minutes (or until the fish is cooked and flakes easily). Switch to grill setting and grill the fish about 15cm from the

heat source for 3 to 4 minutes (or until the skin chars).

3. While the fish bakes, make the ladolemono sauce.
4. To serve, transfer the fish to a platter and drizzle immediately with ladolemono sauce. Use as much as you like and be sure to pour the sauce into the cavity of the fish as well. After lightly salting a cup of halved cherry tomatoes, spoon them over the fish. You can drizzle more sauce over the tomatoes. Finish with fresh chopped dill. Serve immediately.



Pairs well with lemon rice or oven-roasted

Ladolemono sauce

INGREDIENTS

Juice of 2 large lemons, or 1/4 cup of lemon juice.

2 tsp dry oregano

1 garlic clove, minced

Salt and black pepper to taste

Extra virgin olive oil.

METHOD

Add the lemon juice, oregano, garlic, salt and pepper to a bowl and whisk. While whisking, slowly drizzle the extra virgin olive oil into the bowl. This helps the sauce emulsify and thicken.

Ladolemono sauce will keep in the fridge for up to 2 weeks, it makes a great salad dressing or marinade, too.

RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL
NZ REGISTERED ELECTRICIANS

OBC'S PREFERRED ELECTRICIANS



CALL FOR 24HR SERVICE

PHONE (09) 579 6315

LEON - 021 781 445



admin@slipperelectrical.co.nz

WWW.SLIPPERELECTRICAL.CO.NZ

KIDS FISHING COMPETITION

SATURDAY
APRIL 13TH



DRESS
THEME:
FAVOURITE
ANIMAL

11.00AM - 1.30PM

4-10 YEARS OF AGE

BBQ LUNCH PROVIDED FOR KIDS,
PAID BBQ FOR ADULTS

PRIZES TO BE WON:

LONGEST FISH
LARGEST SEA CREATURE
MOST FISH CAUGHT BY ONE CHILD
COLOURING IN COMPETITION,
1ST FOR BOY AND GIRL
AGES 2-5 AND 6-10YRS

Registration is FREE, go to <https://forms.gle/X6FhbW5ytLXko1Xp7>

BOAT REVIEW

PureKraft 800 HT



Custom FISHER

What do you do when you see a random number from overseas pop up on your phone? Most of us ignore it, assuming it will be a scammer. Not Jarrod Hall from PureKraft boats, he took the call, and the result is a stunning custom 800 HT from this boutique Bay of Plenty builder. Freddy Foote jumped aboard before the boat was exported to the US to its owner. It all started with that overseas phone call one Sunday morning last year. The caller was a gentleman from California, enquiring about a custom boat for a range of fishing adventures off the Californian coast for his wife and children.

"I was pretty glad I took that call!" says Jarrod. "It actually sounded too good to be true to start with. He found us on the internet and liked what he saw, so we kept talking."

After some initial discussion, multiple emails and phone calls, an order contract on a full custom 800 HT was signed up and the build began.

Depending on what the client wants, engine options on the 800 HT are quite open, including twin 175hp/200hp four

stroke outboards, and a diesel stern drive model. This owner wanted the maximum horsepower option, so a couple of Yamaha F300hp four-strokes were bolted to the transom.

Access into the cockpit from the boarding platform is via the starboard side, with a drop in door to close it off. Underneath the walkthrough you'll also find a live bait tank with viewing window.

Across the other corner is a sink, with a pull-out freshwater hose (plumbed to a 40-litre tank), while a saltwater wash down hose is located in the centre below the bait station. Also below the bait station is a central locker to house battery systems. No switches needed here, there are remote switches located at the helm for engine and house battery master switches as well as an emergency parallel switch.

Moving further forward into the cockpit, the aft facing port seat can convert to a recliner by easily pulling the base of the seat out. Below that is a large 110-litre removable chilly bin which pulls out on a slider. Further refrigeration is located under the helm seat.

Speaking of keeping things cold, this 800 HT was also fitted with an innovative air-conditioning system. It gets hot in California, so as well as side windows, and roof vents to help with air flow, a small air-conditioning system blows cool air up into the back of the seat, with a vent at the helm blowing cold air in the direction of the skipper. Extra ventilation comes in the form of sliding side windows, as well as roof hatches above.



Seadek provides an attractive non-slip flooring through-out.

The electronics package is a comprehensive one based around the twin screens that occupy a large portion of the leather wrapped dash.

Up front in the cabin, you'll find a traditional vee-berth with infill, with a toilet located under the forward squab. A sliding door closes off the cabin for privacy and can provide extra security for when the boat is not in use or stored.

Underway, the 800 HT was no slouch... achieving a top speed of 48 knots during the review! Best cruise was 3500rpm at 28 knots, using 59 litres/hour, giving a range of 269 nautical miles. For a boat of its size, the 800 HT was nimble, accelerating from 0-20 knots in five seconds and 0-30 knots in just under seven seconds. Well balanced, it turned effortlessly and cornered tightly.

The driving position was comfortable either sitting or standing, with a fold down footrest for the passenger seat. Visibility forward is excellent. The whole windscreen

is a curved one-piece, with dual wipers should any water get on the screen.

Overall, an absolutely epic boat – fully customised to suit the owner's exacting requirements. By the time you're reading this, the owner will have taken delivery of his boat in the US, however, talks have already begun about the next boat and yes, it will be bigger.

SPECIFICATIONS

Make/Model:	PureKraft 800 HT
Style:	Hard Top
LOA:	8.3m
LOH:	8.0m
Beam:	2.65m
Deadrise:	18 at transom
Construction:	Aluminium
Fuel capacity:	400-500L
Test boat engine:	2x Yamaha F300hp 4-strokes

CONTACT

www.purekraftboats.co.nz

PRINTED SUBSCRIPTION

Save 25%

\$58

One year subscription
Delivered to your door

DIGITAL SUBSCRIPTION

Save 33%

\$20

One year subscription with
unlimited access to back issues.

WEEKLY E-NEWS

Free

A free subscription
to our PowerBoat
Weekly E-News

www.powerboatmagazine.co.nz



The OBC is pleased to offer these events for your entertainment and enjoyment:

MONDAY MARCH 4

Electric outboard demo

Join NZ Electric Boats Co at the OBC to discover electric outboards, and view a range suitable for tenders, including an on-water demo. You'll also learn about more powerful electric outboards, and parallel hybrid systems able to be retrofitted into existing inboard diesels. Enjoy a 10 percent OBC discount on EZ Outboards, Kicker portable electric outboards and Cruiser kayak motors.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 6

OBC Members Morning Tea

Catch up with fellow Club members at the monthly morning tea. Held on the first Wednesday of each month, from 10.00am, the Club provides the cuppa and nibbles, you bring the chat.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 6

An evening with Victory Knives and the Kai Ika Project

If you want a greater understanding of how to achieve maximum recovery of every fish you process, then this evening is for you. Discover different and delicious secondary cuts of a fish, and learn how to select the best knife for the job, as well as sharpen and maintain your knives. Bring your wallet and take advantage of the opportunity to purchase knives, as well as a range of LegaSea merchandise.

SATURDAY MARCH 9

OBC & Go 2 Trailers Family Fishing Competition 2024

There are only a few days left to get your entry in for the OBC's biggest event of the year - entry closes on March 3. Spend a day out fishing with family and friends, then return to the Club for a social get-to-

gether, barbeque and prize-giving. Heaps of prize categories for all ages, and random draws ensuring everyone has a chance to grab a prize - even if you don't manage to catch a fish! Raindate Sunday March 10.

TUESDAY MARCH 12

OBC and Coastguard Flare Demo

Don't miss this opportunity to learn more about how to properly use a distress flare, and how to safely dispose of expired flares. You'll also have a chance to set off a flare. Register online or email events@obc.co.nz

WEDNESDAY MARCH 27

Wild Chix presents Boating Basics for Women

FULLY BOOKED

SATURDAY APRIL 13

OBC Kids Fishing Competition

A fun day of fishing and outdoor races! Free sausage sizzle for the kids' lunch, paid barbeque available for the adults and older siblings. Kids dress up as your favourite animal! More information on page 25.

OTHER EVENTS/ ROAD CLOSURES

MARCH 3: Round the Bays - Road closures include: full closure of Tamaki Drive from 7.00am to noon (The Strand-Ngapipi), 1.45pm (Ngapipi - St Heliers Bay Road); Ngapipi Road (Paratai-Tamaki Drive) closed 7.00am-1.45pm.

MARCH 10: Harbour Crossing - Swimmers in the water from Bays-water to Viaduct 7.00am to 10.00am.

Dates and events are subject to change. Please read weekly email newsletter in case of last minute event cancellation... or alternatively phone the OBC to confirm. If you are able to assist with any OBC event, please contact the office on 522 0774, email events@obc.co.nz

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 0006/1222 					1 1209	2 0033/1248
3 0115/1331 FFC24 ENTRIES CLOSE ROUND THE BAYS	4 0203/1419 ELECTRIC OUTBOARD DEMO AT OBC 1800HRS	5 0300/1514	6 0406/1617 OBC MEMBERS MORNING TEA 1000HRS OBC EVENING WITH VICTORY KNIVES/KAI IKA PROJECT 1830HRS	7 0512/1726	8 0614/1833	9 0711/1934 GO 2 TRAILERS OBC FAMILY FISHING COMPETITION 2024
10 0804/2030 RAINDATE FFC2024 Orakei Basin flushing out 2030hrs	11 0856/2122	12 1100/2323 OBC NEW MEMBERS NIGHT 1800HRS OBC/COASTGUARD FLARE DEMO 1900HRS Orakei Basin flushing in 1047hrs 3.6m	13 1037/2302	14 1127/2350 OUTBOARDER DEADLINE	15 1217	16 0040/1308
17 0133/1400	18 0230/1456	19 0331/1555 OBC MARINA MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 1600HRS	20 0434/1657	21 0533/1758	22 0627/1853	23 0714/1942
24 0757/2025 Orakei Basin flushing out 2030hrs	25 0836/2104	26 0913/2140 Orakei Basin flushing in 1013hrs 3.1m	27 0949/2215 WILD CHIX BOATING BASICS FOR WOMEN 1900HRS OBC EXEC COMMITTEE MEETING 1900HRS	28 1025/2250	29 1102/2327 	30 1141

Please read weekly email newsletter in case of last minute event cancellation... or alternatively phone the OBC to confirm. If you are able to assist with any OBC event, please contact the office on 522 0774, email events@obc.co.nz



Sprat Chat

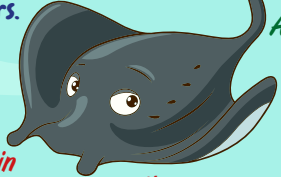
!!! THERE

Sharks bite around 70 people each year worldwide, with perhaps 5-10 fatalities. This is far less than the number of people injured each year by elephants, bees, crocodiles, lightning or many other natural dangers.

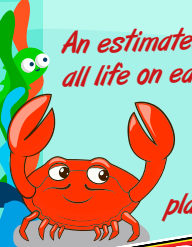


Do YOU KNOW...

According to the World Register of Marine Species (WoRMS) there are currently (as of November 2023) 243,613 accepted marine species. But there are most likely at least 750,000 marine species and possibly as many as 25 million.



An estimated 50-80 percent of all life on earth is found under the ocean surface and the oceans contain 99 percent of the living space on the planet. Less than 10 percent of that space has been explored by humans.



LAUGH LINES

Q: What scores did the young pirate get on his exams?
A: High Cs!



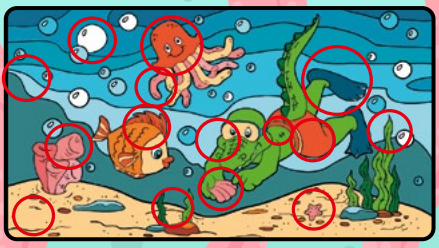
A given area in an ocean upwelling zone or deep estuary is as productive as the same area in rain forests, most crops and intensive agriculture. They all produce between 150-500 grams of carbon per square metre per year.



A mouthful of seawater may contain millions of bacterial cells, hundreds of thousands of phytoplankton and tens of thousands of zooplankton.

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE RESULTS

As promised, here is the solution to last month's SPOT THE DIFFERENCE puzzle.



How to Make MAGIC SAND

Make magic sand, called hydrophobic sand, in this fun and easy science experiment.

MATERIALS

- Coloured sand
- Disposable plate or container
- Water repellent fabric protector
- Clear plastic cup
- Plastic spoon
- water

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Pour a thin layer of colored sand into the disposable plate or container.
2. Spray water repellent fabric protector on the sand until the sand becomes moist. Use a plastic spoon to mix the sand.
3. Apply another coat of water repellent fabric protector.
4. Set the sand aside to dry. Stir it every few hours until completely dry.
5. Once your hydrophobic sand is dry, fill the clear plastic cup with water.
6. Place a spoonful of your DIY hydrophobic sand into the water and see what happens.
7. Once you are finished with your DIY hydrophobic sand, pour off the water and save your sand to enjoy again.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The water repellent fabric protector coats the grains of sand and causes them to adhere together underwater. This creates a pocket of air around the sand that keeps it from getting wet.



CLASSIFIEDS

The free marine related classified ads page is a service for OBC members only. Other private individuals are welcome to advertise in the Outboarder but you will be charged - please email shirley@petrolhead.co.nz for advertising rates.

ADS WILL ONLY APPEAR FOR THREE MONTHS UNLESS RENEWED.

Please phone Shirley on 263 5305 or email ad to shirley@petrolhead.co.nz
Please note - advertisements will appear as space permits.

FOR SALE/RENT

1991 STEAD CRAFT Sports Cruiser, 9m. Many updates and improvements, main ones are: inboard to outboard conversion 2002, full repaint - upper decks redone 2023, bow thruster and much more. \$110,000ono. All enquiries to Peter (027)230 9019

ADMIRAL 10M LAUNCH Newton's Law. Launched April 2023. Game-rigged. 40 engine hours on Volvo D4 270HP leg. High spec'd throughout. Basically a brand new boat. \$595,000. OBC member. 10.5m marina in OBC also available for sale if interested. Phone Phil on (021)768 351

BUCCANEER CLASSIC 5.5, 2-stroke Yamaha, 115hp, 280hrs. Many extras including push-button winch. Excellent condition, garaged since new. Contact Barry (021)294 6140

EXCELLENT example of a near new Rayglass Legend 2500 for sale. Purchased from Rayglass November 2021. Has only done 51 hours. Mercury 300hp petrol outboard motor. 2021 Secure trailer, full stainless brakes and brake hoses. Loads of extras with this shed-stored boat. \$255,000. Ph Craig (0275)336 714 to view.

FELL MAN overboard alarm and engine kill switch. Plus 2x fobs, watch fob holder and lanyard. Check out on YouTube. New and unused. RRP USD \$750. Asking \$580 Call Glenn (022)480 0224

HAINES HUNTER SF700. Classic '90s hull. Near new Mercury 150hp, 4-stroke OB. New trailer, new depth sounder and near new cover. Regular service with Steve at Marine Works. Much loved old friend for more than 20 years. \$39,500 ono. Currently on hardstand which doesn't go with the boat. Ph or txt Phil (021)634 364

MANUKAU BAR CROSSING experienced skipper currently boatless offering free guiding and experience beyond the Manukau Bar. Best fishing close to Auckland. Will chip in for gas, bait etc. Ph Grant (021)990 861

MARINA BERTH 12m, G02 for sale. Good position close to carpark. Ph/txt David (021)952 950

MARINA BERTH 12m, G17. East side, with finger, great location, room to manoeuvre. Rent \$739/month. Avail from December 16, 2023. Ph John (021)105 7489 or email brandx@worldnet.co.nz

MOORING for rent, Whakatakataka Bay, Orakei, W0042. Has been inspected and perfect for 9m boat. \$35/week. Ph (027)490 6081 or (09)627 9478

STABICRAFT 2250CC 2019. Full walk around with game chaser transom and cages. Highly spec'd, too many features to list. Tandem axle trailer with stainless brakes all 'round. \$170,000. Ph Adam (021)273 7194

TRISTRAM PRIMA 581 2004 with 150 HP Mercury EFI. Just serviced with records. Great condition. Tandem axle trailer has some rust spots but full warrant and recently replaced brake disks and LED lights. This model won best all-around boat at the Auckland Boat show at the time I bought it new and it has lived up to its reputation. \$44,900. Ph Tony (021)663 977

VINDEX 350 Sedan. Shaft drive 300hp Detroit 'Fuel Pincher' Turbo. Economy cruising, only 15L/hour at 15 knots. Access under Ngapipi bridge at any tide. Full service history, tidy condition, sleeps 6. \$125,000. View on F23 OBC Marina, also avail for sale or rent. Ph/txt Bob (021)723 827 or email bobblakey27@gmail.com

WANTED

BOAT BUDDY I am an OBC member who is now boatless. If you'd like someone to join you on your boat who has done a Day Skipper course, Maritime VHF Operator course, and is happy to share a picnic and petrol costs then give me a call. I can go out during the week and/or weekends. Please phone Deb (021)189 7773

READY TO RIDE!

HQ is Auckland's only Haines Hunter dealer with the biggest range of boats available. Speak to the experts at HQ and make your dream a reality. Finance available. Call 09 579 9661.



VIEW ONLINE



SP725

\$249,523



SS660

\$211,000



SP635

\$198,026



SF635

\$175,195



SF545LE

\$114,976



SF485

\$82,500

CALL HQ TODAY

09 579 9661



WWW.HAINESHUNTERHQ.CO.NZ

Call 09 579 9661 | 50 Cawley St, Ellerslie

HQ