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REVIVING *and* REVITALISING the *Hauraki Gulf*

From Peter Miles. Pics by Shaun Lee

This in-depth update on progress to restore the Gulf, with presentations from Alex Rogers (Hauraki Gulf Forum), Sue and Rod Neureuter (The Noises Marine Restoration Project), and Shaun Lee (Revive Our Gulf), was held in the OBC clubhouse on May 18.

Alex Rogers updated us on the Government-proposed protection measures (which may be out for consultation later this year), and additional measures to address the collapsed scallop population, which has seen 95 percent of the Gulf become dredge-free for the foreseeable future. There were still concerns, however, about the last viable scallop beds left in the Gulf being harvested, and Alex hoped two recent rāhui, and now two section 186A closure proposals before the Minister, would address them. He said iwi think it's vital we protect the remaining beds, which are important seed stock for the Gulf. Keep up to date with the Forum here: <https://gulfforum.org.nz>

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Sue Neureuter speaks about the decision to ask that The Noises be included in the proposed 'High Protection Areas'.



Members were updated on Gulf restoration work during an evening event at the OBC.



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COMMODORE'S REPORT

Winter has arrived with a vengeance. In mid-June I went sailing in the Squadron race and the start was abandoned as the wind reached 45 knots across the deck, with driving rain. Two days later, Coastguard Nowcasting was reporting 30 to 40 knots at Bean Rock, and there was hail on our deck.

But don't be deterred, we also have some glorious, sunny days in winter during which it's a pleasure to be on the harbour.

After many years of negotiations with Auckland Council and Ōrākei Local Board for a long-term agreement over the use of Hakumau Reserve and the sealed entrance, we have finally been offered a 33-year lease for the area. It is a relief to now have this offer of a long-term lease. The Executive has agreed to the Terms of the Lease, but before final acceptance and signing, the proposal will be put to a Special General Meeting of the Club for member's final approval. There are a few minor drafting changes being discussed with the Council. As soon as these are agreed, a SGM will be called – hopefully in July.

Otherwise, a pretty quiet month around the Club. The year end accounts are being prepared and preliminary plans for the AGM on August 9 have begun. We are calling for nominations for the Executive Committee. If you are interested in putting your name forward before July 18, nomination forms are available at the office and there is a copy on page 21 of this Outboarder issue. We have possibly two positions vacant and we are always looking for new blood to bring enthusiasm and fresh ideas to the table. If you are considering standing and have any questions about the Committee operation and responsibilities don't hesitate to contact myself or Club Secretary Bill McGarry – or any Committee member for advice.

In the meantime, in spite of the sometimes inclement weather, good boating and stay safe out there.

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Sue and Rod Neureuter talked about the losses they have seen at The Noises, and the difficult decisions they made before asking for the area to be included with the Government's proposed High Protection Areas. They explained the ecological thinking that drove the design of their proposal. Sue also expressed concern for the local mussel population and climate change impacts from the warmer summer. Rod and Sue said we need protected areas with attentive custodians to build resilience back into the ecosystem. Keep up to date with the Noises here: <https://www.thenoises.nz>

Shaun Lee from Revive Our Gulf thanked the OBC for its amazing support for mussel reef restoration over the last decade. He showed us stunning new photogrammetry of mussel beds created in 2014 and 2021, and spoke about the sheer scale of the challenge of bringing back the mussel reefs. Nonetheless, there is confidence that progress is being made and ultimately this will lead to a breakthrough that can unlock restoration at scale. He displayed a visualisation of larval dispersal in the Gulf to illustrate the important role protected areas have in complementing active restoration. Keep up to date with Revive Our Gulf here: <https://www.reviveourgulf.org.nz>

The speakers were asked many questions by a very engaged audience.



Alex Rogers points out the areas subject to a recent rāhui.



Revive Our Gulf representative Shaun Lee talked about the mussel reef restoration progress.

The speakers sympathised with audience concerns about the state of some shellfish and fish populations, and explained the complexity around the use of rāhui and temporary closures as a restoration tool. Despite recent increases in the snapper population there was concern from the audience and the speakers about the amount of time it was taking to address the declining state of the Gulf.

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LEARNING IS POWER

From Jess Shears

Members were lucky enough to be offered a very interesting and informative talk about boat handling, presented by Andrew Flanagan, who is the chief instructor at Powerboat Training NZ.

Andrew is an extremely experienced skipper with years of training and knowledge behind him. Although Andrew's training is generally practical-based, on this occasion, he offered members a presentation based on real life experiences, and issues that they might face here at the OBC and elsewhere.

Andrew's relaxed presentation manner



Andrew Flanagan shares his knowledge at the recent boat handling presentation at Q&A session.



Visit www.powerboat-training.co.nz to discover more about Andrew's training courses.

MANUEL CATCHES UP

Manuel Greenland has scored another OBC fishing competition win, collecting, for the third year running, the OBC/Seaboss Boats 2021-2022 Longest Snapper Competition \$200 prize-money. His 81.5cm fish was just 0.5cm longer than Murray McQuoid's second-longest entry of 81cm. Close stuff! Also benefiting from the competition was Club member Graham Dick winner of the \$400 random draw. Upload your catch photographs - not limited to snapper - to the OBC leaderboard at <https://obc.fishingcomp.co.nz/enter-catch> and you, too, could be a winner.



A ROCKY READ

OBC member Ian Pringle has been enjoying a holiday in the South Island, including visiting a few well-known east coast attractions near the Otago town of Oamaru. Here he is perched on top of a 'Moeraki boulder' on Hampden/Moeraki beach, while enjoying a squizz at his Outboarder magazine! Ian's in with a shot of winning a prize at the end of this year, and you can be too. The first step is to pack your Outboarder when next heading off somewhere interesting.

Then get a photo of you reading said Outboarder, and send your photo/s by email to events@obc.co.nz, drop/mail prints to the club, and/or upload and correctly tag the OBC (#OBCAuckland) on your Facebook or Instagram pages. Photos will be posted on OBC social media, and selected images will also appear in the Outboarder magazine during the course of the competition.

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OPERATIONS REPORT

The winter months have arrived, giving the Operations Team a chance to focus on improvements around the Club for the next busy boating season.

POLLARD PIER

Rubbing strip fendering has been purchased and will be installed along the length of the new pier, providing protection for vessels moored in this location. New trolleys are also being acquired for Pollard Pier and the 12m berths in front of the clubhouse, making the transition of gear from car to boat and back easier for all members using these berths.

CLUBHOUSE EXTERIOR

Small building and painting jobs continue to take place around the clubhouse to lift its general appearance. A special

mention to Kevin Black, our maintenance coordinator, for all the hard work he's been putting into this.

WINTER HARDSTAND MOVEMENTS

The Club has seen the arrival of 40 Club members' vessels for winter storage, which runs until Sunday October 9. Regularly used and larger grass hard-stand vessels have also been moved off the rail fence, to limit grass damage over the winter months. If your boat has not been moved and you plan to use it regularly over the next few months, please advise the office.

ACCESS CONTROL

Contractors are providing fee estimates for the install of a new access control system, which is our swipe cards and readers. The existing system has limited functionality and is coming to the end of its serviceable life. A new system will provide a better user experience and heightened security, as well as long range readers and Bluetooth functionality.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Last month we ran a fire drill which went smoothly and our systems were found to be robust. Fire Emergency NZ was notified and records were provided. Loudspeakers at the end of three Marina piers had small faults which have since been repaired. An overall review of the Club's health and safety policy continues with a Health and Safety Committee formed and meeting on a monthly basis.

LAUNCH SAFETY INSPECTIONS

All vessels on the Marina must have been through an OBC launch safety check. The Operations team will be making contact with owners of uninspected vessels to discuss and arrange a suitable time for a safety check.



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DIVING *for* DIVECAT

From Jess Shears

OBC members were treated to an evening that was a little different to the average talk when, on Thursday May 19, Club member Norman Holtzhausen very kindly shared his incredible story of the recovery of his commercial dive boat, Divecat.

Divecat sank back in February 2020, and remarkably, two years, two months and 10 days after she went down, Norman and his crew of friends managed to refloat her. She sank in 43m of water in the Firth of Thames, and Norman was unable to get a salvage company to recover her. The insurance pay-out would not cover an adequate replacement, and covid was having its effect, as New Zealand went into its first lockdown. Norman, therefore, had time on his hands and incredible determination to solve his problem.

Norman researched ways in which he could raise her, settling on the option of using heavy lift bags - this looked to be a slow project, due to the dangers associated with lifting such a heavy object. Plus, between all the research,



Norman Holtzhausen kept members enthralled as he shared the story of bringing Divecat back to the surface.

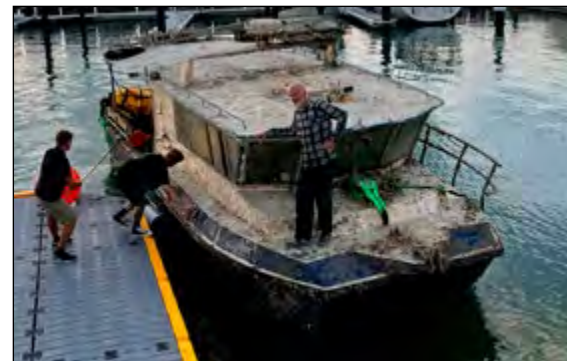
planning and preparation, Norman needed to find the exact location of Divecat. Using the last known location from the onboard GPS was a starting place, but it appeared that she had drifted a fair way from her last known location. Therefore Norman resorted to Facebook groups to try and assist him with finding her.

As luck would have it, a fishing charter boat got its nets caught around a large object, one that didn't feel like it should be there! This led Norman to locate Divecat, but not before he found himself in hospital having suffered a heart attack in November of 2020. As soon as he could, Norman and his dive buddy

were out in the water, tracking Divecat down, and they managed to find her! Norman then had to learn how to deep dive, and learn new diving technical skills, as they spent lengthy periods of time underwater.

Over the months of effort, tides, daylight, winter, and a giant net around Divecat all caused delays and failed rescue attempts. However, Norman had much determination, a very understanding wife and great friends around him, which all paid off when Divecat was brought back up to the surface on one very momentous morning.

Norman kept the OBC crowd's attention glued to the recovery story with his clear underwater video footage, photos and entertaining presentation style. A big thank you to Norman for his time and



Norman was relieved to find Divecat still in one piece, and her restoration is now underway.

willingness to share his story.

For those of you wanting to learn more, the June and July issues of Boating New Zealand both have articles and links to videos about the salvage. Keep your eyes and ears open for further updates, as Norman continues to rebuild his prized boat. An amazing story.



Divecat before her 2020 sinking and later recovery.



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Lookout lesson

A recent Maritime New Zealand prosecution is a reminder of how important it is to continue to keep an eye on where you're going, and not just 'trust' your boat's auto-pilot to get you there safely! An Auckland boatie was sentenced in the Auckland District Court, having earlier pleaded guilty to one charge under the Maritime Transport Act.

Jae-Ho Huh was prosecuted after his 11m launch, with three people on board, collided with a schooner on the waters between Rangitoto Island and St Heliers. At the time, the launch was travelling under auto-pilot at 15-20 knots (28-37kph). Despite passengers on board the schooner attempting to get the launch's attention, Mr Huh did not see the 18.3m schooner until it was only 15-20m in front of him and did not have time to disengage the auto-pilot or slow down. Of the 10 people on board the schooner, the skipper's 13-year old son was thrown overboard by the force of the collision, and a man and 12-year old boy jumped in for fear of injury. The skipper pulled the



Trust your eyes, not your auto-pilot.

two boys back on board but could not reach the man, who had drifted away. Mr Huh then turned his launch to try to rescue the man, but almost ran him over before colliding with the schooner a second time.

Mr Huh was fined \$3900, and ordered to pay reparations for consequential loss totalling more than \$18,500, and additional reparation for emotional harm of \$500 per victim.

This would have been a frightening experience for all involved, and could have had a tragic ending. Take care out there, and stay aware.

WINTER WOOLIES WANTED

Thinking of using your 'indoor' time over winter to have a clear out and declutter? Please bring any good quality clothes, toys, car seats, bedding etcetera, along to the OBC clubhouse and staff will ensure that these donations get passed onto Papapuanuku Marae, where they will be gratefully received.

NO GAS

When on site, please remember to clean up after yourself. We ask that you do not leave discarded gas cylinders on site, they are your responsibility to safely remove.



WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

What's the difference between a hypochondriac and a fishing fanatic? Nothing. Neither of them have to catch anything to indulge their obsession.



OUR SAY WILL ALWAYS MATTER

Recently, coastal clubs, communities and the public united to tackle a Fisheries Amendment Bill that is currently sitting before parliament, involving a number of changes with the potential of redefining sustainability of our fish populations. Our fear is that this is another attempt by officials to cater to commercial-only interests by encouraging more overfishing and more depletion through a raft of complex technical changes.

LegaSea worked with the New Zealand Sport Fishing Council to submit strong objections, and to split up the Amendment Bill. We support the need for legislative changes to enable monitoring cameras aboard commercial fishing vessels. We objected to proposed changes aimed at reducing public say in fisheries, and folding public interests into the Quota Management System (QMS). In mid-2000, the OBC was instrumental in knocking back the government's Soundings proposals that sought to force recreational fishing into the QMS. Back then, clubrooms were overflowing with people intent on understanding why officials were trying to make it easier for commercial fishers to get greater access to our coastal fisheries. Together we thwarted the Soundings proposals. The same proposals have surfaced several times in the intervening years, but officials



Recreational fishers' interests are still at risk due to the current Fisheries Amendment Bill.

have been unable to find political support due to public objections.

This time, officials are disingenuously proposing regulatory changes for us under the guise of getting cameras on commercial boats.

The easy solution is to split the Bill. Officials can push ahead with necessary changes so monitoring cameras can be installed onboard commercial boats as soon as possible. We have warned them off trying to force adverse aspects of the Bill through without further discussion with us, the public.

The Supreme Court has made it clear that the Minister's priority is to 'ensure sustainability'. That is non negotiable. LegaSea will continue to work with the NZSFC and the OBC to ensure a fair outcome from this process, and more fish in the water for future generations.

BELIEVE IT - It's Back!

From Jess Shears

The first Quiz Night for 2022 was held on Thursday June 2, and what a great night it was. OBC member, and owner of Believe It or Not Quiz Nights, Brendan hosted the evening for us, while I learnt the ropes! A live scoreboard meant that all teams were kept up to date with their positioning, and did its part to build the friendly competitive spirit of the occasion.



Warming up for the Quiz Night.

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BELIEVE IT OR NOT!														
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JellyFish	10	10	6	10	4	7	3	8	5	14	63			
Just Here for the Pizza	9	7	4	7	12	10	5	10	3	8	51			
Some Goshawks Out	4	8	3	10	6	9	6	14	4	7	73			
Smarties	4	8	2	10	5	6	2	10	8	3	64			
Sandy Bottoms	4	8	4	8	1	10	10	7	5	3	50			
Make A Goodie Henry	10	5	2	8	2	9	1	3	3	6	54			
Waiting Wanderers	4	5	3	12	2	8	3	12	3	1	53			
Classy Ladies	2	7	4	5	2	10	8	7	3	5	55			

The live scoreboard enhances competitiveness.

Experienced team 'Know It Ales' took the win, holding off a determined challenge from team 'JellyFish' by just three points, with 'Just Here for the Pizza' in a close third place. Well done to all the teams that took part, everyone finished with very decent scores.

The Quiz Nights will continue in 2022, with future dates set down for Thursday August

11, followed by Thursday October 20, with further dates to be announced for 2023. Believe It or Not Quiz Nights are suitable for all ages and cover a wide range of topics - so it is highly recommended to have a team of varying ages, hopefully maximising those points! Quiz Nights are a fun and relaxed event, with plenty of pizza and the bar is open; it's a great social evening at the Club for all. If you would like to register for either future date, email events@obc.co.nz or visit the OBC website.

MONTHLY MEET

There was a great turnout for June's members' morning tea. Members were able to enjoy bacon and egg sarnies with their coffee this month, as a little treat.

For those of you who may not be aware, the first Wednesday of every month we host members morning tea, from 10.00am at the clubhouse. All members welcome! Usually we put on a selection of biscuits, but have been known to also include sausage rolls and, as in June, bacon sarnies. This is a very relaxed event and allows members to meet each other, enjoy the facilities, and make the most of our location. See you next on Wednesday July 6.



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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Highlights of the Executive Committee Meeting held May 26, 2022, at the Club, with 8 Committee members present, along with OBC General Manager Phil Davenport.

COMMODORE'S REPORT

(in absentia) The Commodore advised that the OLB had finally agreed that the OBC should be offered a lease over the Hakumau Reserve on the basis of the draft lease prepared by Council. The Commodore recorded a special thanks to Bill Berry and Cameron Fleming for their dogged and relentless pursuit of this lease.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

No incidents or accidents to report. Minutes of Health and Safety meeting

dated May 11, 2022 tabled. Good progress being made. Martin Urban suggested as Executive Committee nominee to the H&S Committee.

FINANCIALS

The April 2022 financials have been circulated and are taken as read. The accounts are for 11 months trading of the financial year.

MOVED: That the OBC Financial Reports for the month ended 30 April 2022 as presented and circulated be approved.

TONG / BATKIN CARRIED

The Marina accounts show a profit of \$45,595 for the 11 months against a budgeted loss of \$21,277. Covid has meant lower expenses, and the refurbishment and consequent admin not beginning.

MOVED: That the Whakatakataka Bay Marina Financial Reports for the month ended 30 April 2022 as presented and circulated be approved.

TONG / BATKIN CARRIED

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Phil Davenport's report was taken as read.

- 2023 Budget has been finalised by management and submitted to the Executive Committee.
- Marina refurbishment: Further negotiations with other parties are taking place as the scope of work is reviewed. Indicative price to replace entire Marina - \$7,200,000 in today's dollar value terms.
- Clubhouse structural foundations: Engineers have been engaged to undertake the review.

EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPERTY: Water test results contained

less pollutants than expected. Auckland Council confirmed that catchments can be split to show different use. David Hay proceeding to lodge Resource Consent

MARKETING AND PROMOTIONS Flare demos went very well, oversubscribed. Good functions for Mothers Day and Reviving and Revitalising our Gulf. Schedule of events starting to fill up. Burnsco - looking at a November date.

MARINA MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the MMC meeting held May 10, 2022, were received and taken as read. After discussion the issues raised were noted by the Executive Committee. These matters have been dealt with elsewhere.

MEMBERSHIP

New members: 9 Resignations: 2

Total net: 1922

MARINA TRANSFERS

No Marina transfers.

HARDSTAND MOVEMENTS

Waitlist: 212 members

New grass hardstand spaces filled: 7
Hardstand occupiers transferred from grass to tarseal: 2
Jetski spaces: 0

GENERAL BUSINESS

- **HARDSTAND LICENCE DOCUMENT:** Greg Batkin has made minor modifications to the last draft from Wilson MacKay. There still remains some conflict between the OBC Policy Document and the Hardstand Licence. A Policy Committee to be formed to look at and, if necessary, update the Policy Document. Committee members: Phil Allen, Alan Tong, Bill McGarry, Paul Miller and John Cochrane.

- **HAKUMAU RESERVE:** A lease offer in draft form had been received from Auckland Council, after sign-off by the OLB. The lease term is fixed for 33 years, the initial lease rental is \$85,000 and the payment is increased annually at the CPI Index rate.

MOVED: That the Executive Committee resolve to convene a Special General Meeting to allow members to consider the Club entering into the Lease and that the Executive Committee recommends the members approve the Club entering into a Lease on substantially the same terms and conditions as are marked up in the draft dated 04/05/2022. Further, the Executive Committee seeks members approval to do all things required to comply with the

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Anglers' EL DORADO

The 2021-22 competition closed June 30 and results will appear in the next Outboarder. The Anglers' El Dorado will run again for the 2022-23 season, and it's well worth getting out there to chase the big ones.

Prize-money on offer is: \$1000 for the largest billfish caught on a WBSFC members boat and weighed at the OBC.

\$500 for the largest tuna caught in New Zealand waters and weighed at a NZSFC member club.

\$500 for the largest kingfish caught in New Zealand waters and evidence of weight provided.

Tight lines!



FISHERIES AMENDMENT ACT

As you will have read in LegaSea's article this month, the Ministry has proposed an Amendment to the Fisheries Act, largely focused on legislating for cameras on commercial fishing vessels. However, it also allows the Ministry discretion to introduce changes and limits to the recreational fishing sector. Whakatakataka Bay Sport Fishing Club is a Member of the New Zealand Sport Fishing Council and also strongly supports the great submission made to challenge aspects of this legislation.

A few key points from the submission appear below:

1. This is a submission on the proposed Fisheries Amendment Bill (Amendment Bill) that seeks to change fishing rules and policies and support the roll-out of cameras aboard commercial fishing vessels with a package of measures to change fishing practices, enable a land-all catch policy (with exceptions), introduce a penalty regime designed to encourage compliance, and introduce pre-set decision rules that remove Ministerial discretion of important fisheries management decisions.

2. The New Zealand Sport Fishing Council,

LegaSea, the New Zealand Angling & Casting Association and New Zealand Underwater Association (the Submitters) are national representative organisations whose members and/or supporters have a strong interest in restoring marine biodiversity by increasing the abundance of fish in inshore waters, while protecting the marine environment and ensuring a fair go for all kiwis so they can provide for their family's social, economic and cultural wellbeing from fishing.

3. This submission relates to all parts of the proposed Bill.

4. The two instruments proposed in the Amendment Bill – the pre-set decision rules to set catch limits and setting individual recreational daily bag limits via a notice rather than regulations – have the combined effect of creating a proportional allocation mechanism that has been coveted by quota holders for decades.

There are two copies of the 25 page submission in the OBC clubhouse for perusal at your convenience. We strongly recommend that you settle in with a coffee and read through the submission.

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conditions set out in the Agreement to Lease dated 18 November 2021.

BERRY/BATKIN CARRIED 6-1

- **AT/AC DRAFT PARKING STRATEGY:** To eliminate parking on Tamaki Drive between Solent Street and Ngapipi Road. The Commodore was advised by the OLB that there was a parking management strategy out for consultation. The OBC had not been engaged despite being a landowner in this area. The Commodore lodged a submission on the Club's behalf.
- **DINGHY LOCKER RELOCATION:** To floating pontoon adjacent H Marina. **MOTION:** That the relocation of the Dinghy Locker needs to be undertaken

for two reasons:

1. The current location is needed for the Club to build a retaining wall to contain and capture stormwater that currently flows directly into the Marina and must be now treated under our upcoming Resource Consent renewal.
2. There have been concerns raised about the safety of members when navigating small dinghies on the Marina fairway with large launches navigating the same waters.

We have had a design for a floating pontoon undertaken by Heron Construction. The indicative cost for a 30 berth dinghy locker complete is approx \$150,000 including the required piles.

MOVED: That the Executive Committee approves in principle the moving of the Dinghy Locker from the land to a floating pontoon adjacent H Pier and eastern launching ramps. A detailed case to be presented to the SGM for approval.

McGARRY/BEST CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE


Nil

Meeting concluded 8.40pm.

NEXT MEETING:

THURSDAY JULY 28

OBC members are welcome to attend Executive Committee meetings and may address the Committee on any one specific topic from 7.15pm. Outside of this time, members may be present as observers and cannot speak to any subjects raised.



HULL OF AN IDEA

When washing down your boat, you should not forget to wash the salt off the pipes that make up your canopy supports.

AGM NOMINATION FORM



AUGUST 9, 2022

NOMINATION FORM FOR THE OUTBOARD BOATING CLUB OF AUCKLAND INC ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE

Email: secretary@obc.co.nz

We nominate: PLEASE PRINT

Surname: _____

First names: _____

Who is an ordinary, life or family member of the club as: Please tick whichever position the nomination is for

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Vice Commodore

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Club Captain

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Vice Club Captain

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Secretary

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Treasurer

☐

Executive Committee Member (6 required)

at the election of the club officers at the 66th Annual General Meeting of the club, August 9, 2022 at 7.00pm.

PROPOSER:

Print name

Signed

SECONDER:

Print name

Signed

Who shall
be life,
ordinary
or family
members

I accept this nomination: _____

Nominee's signature

Date: _____

Please complete and return to the OBC office.
(Copies are acceptable if you do not wish to cut this magazine)

Note: Nominations must be lodged at the clubrooms in a sealed envelope or by email to secretary@obc.co.nz prior to 5.30pm Monday 18 July, 2022.

Associate or special associate members are not eligible as nominee, proposer or seconder. All nominations need to be accompanied with a short biography of no more than half a page plus a photograph. The candidate can include in the biography boating experience, family situation, working career and special interests.

Electronic and postal voting will be available for the election of the executive committee. This notice is authorised by Bill McGarry,
Secretary, Outboard Boating Club of
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FISHING REPORT

From Adam Clancey

Modern bait casting-style rods are an answer to backlash problems.

CAST CONTROL

While attending the Hutchwilco NZ Boatshow recently and talking to a lot of anglers, one of the two main fishing questions I was asked was, what are the best knots for joining braid to

mono? The other thing many wanted to know was how to cast overhead reels without getting backlash.

We are seeing a lot more bait caster-style reels being used these days, in conjunction with new forms of lure fishing. Many of these new techniques require frequent casting of lures in various weights. Many older overhead reels or boat reels were not designed with casting in mind. The spools were very heavy and built up far too much inertia if you tried to cast them, ending up in a big tangled mess that we know as a backlash or overrun.

The modern bait casters, which are modelled on what USA bass fishermen use, are now quite capable of handling the rigours of saltwater fishing, with oversized gearing, large powerful drags and good corrosion resistance. They also feature spools that are strong and lightweight and have a number of ways to be tuned so that they can be cast virtually backlash-free.

Spool design plays a large part in what makes saltwater bait casters so castable. They spin very freely with little inertia. Most reels also have a bearing adjustment on the centre of

the right-hand side plate. This is used mainly to eliminate lateral play in the spool. It is not really a cast control, but it is part of tuning your reel for casting. In most cases it should be tightened to a point where there is little or no lateral movement in the spool and also to a point where a lure will fall from the rod tip fairly easily. Once this is achieved, you can then move on to the actual cast control, which is either a dial on the left-hand side of the reel or housed inside the side plate on the left-hand side. These cast controls normally operate using centrifugal brakes or magnets. In most cases, setting this at about 50 percent is enough to give you reasonable control of the reel. If you are casting very heavy lures you may need to increase it, and vice versa - with light lures you can lighten it slightly.

The final part of tangle-free casting with a bait caster comes in a number of things: It is important to have your spool correctly filled and the line wound on nice and firmly; A rod that casts well with the weights and types of lures you are using; and, over time, you will also start to get an 'educated thumb', so you can make minor adjustments to your cast with light feathering of the spool



Adjusting the cast control - in this case housed behind the left side plate - will give you more control over the reel.

with your thumb.

The benefits of lure fishing with a bait caster type reel are superior casting accuracy and, most importantly, the sense of feel and control you have over your lure as you are in direct contact from the moment you start your retrieve. **Follow Adam Clancey on Facebook:** www.facebook.com/FishyBusinessTV



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STEP UP FOR *your* COMMUNITY

Following June's National Volunteer Week, Coastguard is asking people to answer the call in their local community by stepping up and supporting kiwis on the water. From Coastguard Rescue Vessel crew and shore crew to governance positions, Units across Auckland are looking for fresh faces to add new expertise, experience and passion – all in the name of saving lives at sea.

To recognise National Volunteer Week, Coastguard launched a dedicated volunteer website - volunteers.coastguard.nz - which celebrates the role that Coastguard volunteers play on and off the water. The site includes videos, bios and interviews to give people an insight into what volunteering with Coastguard is like. It is also a one-stop shop to search through all vacancies and apply to join our whānau.

Coastguard New Zealand CEO Callum Gillespie encourages people from all walks of life to volunteer for Coastguard. "Volunteers are the lifeblood of Coastguard. From the volunteers who brave the wind and rain to save lives, to those on shore who ensure finances are kept up-to-date and training modules are complete – every one of our 2,000 volunteers makes a difference in their community," he said.

"We are delighted to welcome a new wave of volunteers – bringing courage, care and commitment to support their Units in continuing to serve their communities with pride and distinction on the water and in the air."

If you would like to learn more about the various volunteering vacancies across Auckland, check out volunteers.coastguard.nz



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COOK THE CATCH

South indian PRAWN CURRY

Nothing like a tasty curry to warm the insides on a winter's night.

Serves 2, cooks in 25 minutes.

INGREDIENTS

1 clove of garlic
 1 red onion
 7cm piece of ginger
 1 fresh green chilli
 200g ripe tomatoes
 175g basmati rice
 vegetable oil
 1 tsp black mustard seeds
 1-1/2 tsp garam masala
 3/4 tsp ground turmeric
 120g large raw peeled tiger prawns
 1/2 a 400g tin of light coconut milk
 125g baby spinach
 1 lime

DIRECTIONS

1. Fill a medium pan with salted water, place over a high heat and bring to a boil.
2. Peel garlic and onion, halve and deseed chilli, then finely slice all three. Peel and finely grate the ginger. Roughly chop the tomatoes.
3. Add the rice to the boiling water and cook for 10 minutes, or until tender. Drain, return to the warm pan, cover with a lid and set aside.
4. Heat 2 tbs oil in a medium pan over medium heat, add mustard seeds, garam masala and turmeric, then fry for 1 minute.
5. Add onion, garlic and ginger, and fry for 10 minutes, or until softened. Add chilli, tomatoes and a splash of water, turn the



heat up and cook for a further 3 minutes.

6. Add prawns and coconut milk, bring to the boil then reduce the heat slightly and simmer gently for 3 to 4 minutes, or until prawns are just cooked.
7. Stir through the spinach and cook for a further 1 to 2 minutes until spinach has wilted.
8. Divide the rice between plates. Season the curry to taste with salt, black pepper and a squeeze of lime juice, then ladle onto the rice. Serve with the remaining lime, cut into wedges for squeezing over.

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BOAT REVIEW

Herley Elite 8

The Herley Elite 8 is not a traditional design and offers space galore.

Class LEADER

It's titillatingly different in design and profile, but as Barry Tyler discovered on a recent trip out through the Tauranga Harbour entrance, this latest offering from Herley Boats, the Herley Elite 8, has an equivalent underwater hull shape that offers a new approach and thinking.

First impressions always linger in the mind-set of the observer, and my first thoughts of the Herley were of a vessel with almost overkill hull depth. The gunwale rise from cockpit level to foredeck level was certainly higher than what is traditional.

But there were other noticeable design traits that, to me, were equally illuminating. The bow, or stem, was virtually upright rather than raked back from deck to chine-line, and the bow was very full. The hull sides were, again, virtually straight up and down, allowing the full beam to be carried well forward. The underhull shape itself was another phenomenon altogether - that just happened to be attached to the chine-line!

As we all know, everything in marine design is a trade-off. And the trade-off here was higher, more upright hull sides - that allowed for more space devoted to the for'ard cabin, the galley, dining and helm areas, and a generously wide and long working cockpit aft of that.

So, space galore, but there is also another massively impacting advantage, that of an

increased length of underwater hull shape to play with; a longer waterline length.

How the heck can you describe a hull with a 10-degree deadrise at the rear, as a wave piercing hull?

"Although the rear deadrise is only 10-degrees towards the bow where it matters most, where it does the work, where it splits the waves, the deadrise at its greatest point is probably around 70-degrees. We don't need to run strakes either, they just aren't necessary," explained designer Nick Herd.

"The other major factor in my design philosophy is the matter of the centre of balance of the hull. I pay special attention to where items are placed, things like the 70 litres of water, the three batteries and the 400-litre fuel tank, they are all in the centre of the boat, down low," Nick emphasised.

Powered by a pair of the latest model Honda 200hp outboards, running 15-1/2 x 17-inch S/S propellers, the Elite 8 was a pretty snappy beast underway at speed. With very little trim, as expected, it leaped out of the hole brilliantly, and rounded out at a top speed of 42 knots (48.56mph/78.15kph) at the maximum 5900rpm.

The cabin top profile blended in very well with the hull profile; totally in proportion. Even the shorter-than-traditional foredeck wasn't out of place; aided I would suggest, by

the very sturdy alloy bow rail assembly that stretched aft to just shy of amidships. Sufficiently wide walkways allowed an easy passage onto this foredeck.

The step-down for'ard cabin was literally that, albeit a full stand-up version with a twin bunk scenario or, by adding the infill, a master berth. A fully plumbed toilet was under the front squab. The cabin featured wooden bulkhead facia, overhead lighting, and nicely appointed padded panels on the walls and overhead.

The helm and dining area were functional and flowing, and in virtually every instance, the little 'niceties' stood out. Three adults could sit opposite the skipper, on the double lounge and tub-chair forward of that. Turn the forward chair around, lift the side-table and you have a dining setting.

The cockpit was more than generously-sized, and well-presented, with CNC-computer-cut SeaDec panels adding that 'teak' look of class. More innovation and practicality prevailed, with plenty of lockers and pocket storage, including a secreted rod or ski-locker alongside the skipper.

Not surprisingly at all, the fisherman was very well catered for on this Herley Elite 8, in modules either side of the cruiser-style walk-thru transom. To portside was the top-accessed live-bait tank, complete with all the ancillary pump-aeration plumbing, and an inspection window.

To starboard was the raised bait station, with pull-out lure drawer, bait boards and rod holders. Out through the central walk-thru transom, a step down led onto what was a very well-presented, easy to clean Portofino transom. All appropriate, convenient,



Two 200hp Hondas had the test boat hitting 42 knots at the maximum 5900rpm.

innovative, practical, and simple to use.

Herley Boats has opted for practicality in design, over a long, low sleek design which in effect crams living space and feature options accordingly. The Herley Elite 8 definitely offers so much more boat, so much more interior space, for your money. Herd unashamedly notes that his boats are not lake boats, they are serious offshore-capable boats - with comfort and high-end features as standard.

SPECIFICATIONS

Model:	Herley Elite 8
Manufacturer:	Herley Boats
Year launched:	2022
Type:	Hardtop
Construction:	Alloy 6mm/5mm
LOA:	8.33m
Beam:	2.55m
Deadrise:	10-70 degrees
Height on trailer:	3.62m
Trailerable weight:	3495kg
Test power:	2x 200hp Honda
Fuel capacity:	400 litres

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WEDNESDAY JULY 13

OBC Talk: Two things you need to know to save a life

An evening with experienced Emergency Medical Specialist and OBC member Dr Rob Everitt, who will teach you how to save a life - essential knowledge we should all have, even though we hope never to need it! You'll even have an opportunity to practice CPR, using actual resuscitation manikins. Discover more, and sign up online at www.obc.co.nz/social/events.

TUESDAY JULY 19

OBC Talk: Marine Biosecurity

Held at the OBC and hosted by Auckland Council, you'll learn about the importance of marine biosecurity and preventing the spread of invasive species within the Hauraki Gulf. Refer to the OBC website's events sections for more information.

FRIDAY JULY 29

OBC Mid-winter Dinner

An evening that offers delicious food, a complimentary glass of mulled wine, and live entertainment courtesy of Lee Gray music. So glam up and join fellow members, family and friends for the OBC's mid-winter dinner. Email events@obc.co.nz by Friday July 15, to secure your seats. See page 13 for details

SATURDAY AUGUST 6

OBC Family Movie Night

Bring your bean bag, blanket and pillow and get cozy for this great family night watching the animated movie, Sing 2. Doors open 5.00pm, pizza will be served at 5.30pm, with the movie to follow. More information on page 24; bookings and prepayment required

by Wednesday August 3, email events@obc.co.nz or visit www.obc.co.nz/social/events

TUESDAY AUGUST 9

OBC 66TH AGM

One of the most important dates on the Club's annual calendar, this is your opportunity to have your say and help guide the future of your Club and its activities. Interested in becoming a part of the Executive Committee, or know someone who is? Complete the nomination form on page 21 of this Outboarder.

THURSDAY AUGUST 11

OBC Quiz Night

You'll find coverage of June's 'Believe It or Not' quiz night elsewhere in this Outboarder, and here's your chance to join the fun. Flick back to page 6 to find out how to register your team.

THURSDAY OCTOBER 20

OBC Quiz Night

Early warning, pop this date on your calendar.

NOVEMBER 5

Burnsco Inter-club Fishing Competition

Grab some mates and enjoy some time out fishing, helping the OBC keep the Burnsco Trophy in our trophy cabinet. A social occasion with other clubs' members wraps up the day. Stay tuned for more information.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19

OBC Ladies Fishing Competition

More details in upcoming Outboarder issues.

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If you are able to assist with any OBC event, please contact the office on 522 0774, email events@obc.co.nz



JULY 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3 HT*1015/2232	4 HT*1054/2312	5 HT*1135/2355	6 HT*1219 OBC MEMBERS MORNING TEA 1000HRS	7 HT*0040/1306	8 HT*0129/1400	9 HT*0220/1459
10 HT*0315/1602 Orakei Basin flushing out 6.30pm	11 HT*0414/1704	12 HT*0515/1803 OBC MARINA MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 1600HRS OBC NEW MEMBERS NIGHT 1800HRS Orakei Basin flushing in 6.15am 3.3m	13 HT*0617/1900 OBC TALK: HOW TO SAVE A LIFE 1830HRS	14 HT*0717/1954 OUTBOARDER DEADLINE	15 HT*0814/2047 BOOKINGS CLOSE FOR OBC MID-WINTER DINNER	16 HT*0909/2139
17 HT*1002/2231	18 HT*1054/2323 OBC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS CLOSE 1730HRS	19 HT*1145 OBC TALK: MARINE BIOSECURITY	20 HT*0015/1237	21 HT*0106/1330	22 HT*0158/1426	23 HT*0251/1524
24 HT*0344/1622	25 HT*0437/1716	26 HT*0530/1805	27 HT*0620/1850	28 HT*0707/1932 OBC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING 1915HRS	29 HT*0751/2011 OBC MID-WINTER DINNER 1900HRS	30 HT*0832/2049

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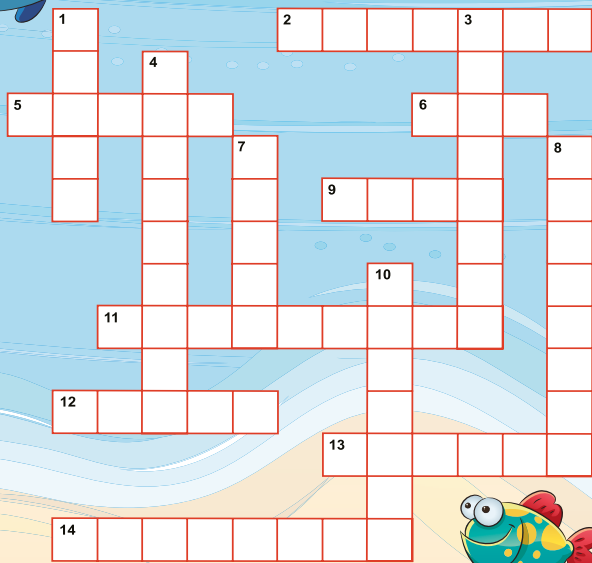
LAUGH LINES

Q: What do sharks have on their toast?

A: Peanut butter & Jelly Fish



OCEAN ANIMALS



ACROSS

2. Fat layer that keeps some marine mammals warm
5. Fish use these to breathe oxygen from the water
6. Name for a group of whales
9. Ocean dwellers that lay eggs and have bones
11. What a shark has instead of bones
12. A shark has several rows of these
13. What younger whales are called
14. Marine animals with soft bodies and no backbone

DOWN

1. Small creatures that look like shrimp
3. How a whale or dolphin breathes
4. Largest animal in the world
7. Bioluminescent animals make their own
8. Clams, oysters and scallops are all ...
10. Ocean dwellers that birth live babies and nurse their young

KINA

Kina is a sea urchin found only in New Zealand, in shallow (12-14m) water. There are also intertidal populations, with kina preferring areas with moderate tidal action. Growing to a maximum of 16-17cm, small kina will usually be found under rocks. Once they grow to 4cm, kina will move into more open areas. They can live for up to 20 years. With tiny teeth that emerge from a hole in the bottom of its shell, kina feed mainly on algae and kelp. An overpopulation of kina can decimate kelp forest, creating bare rock known as 'Kina Barrens'.



Kina is a part of the traditional Maori diet, and molluscs, sea stars, crayfish and snapper find kina roe a tasty treat. A kina loses its spikes at the end of its life, leaving behind a globe-like shell popular with collectors.

FIND THE DIFFERENCES

Can you find the 10 differences between these two pictures?



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DO YOU NEED A BOAT BUDDY? I am an OBC member who is now boat less. If you'd like someone to join you on your boat who has done a day skippers course, maritime VHF radio operators course and is happy to share a picnic and petrol costs why not give me a call. I can go out during the week and/or weekends. Please phone Deb (021) 189 7773

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