



Classic Yacht Association NZ

Sheerlines

Welcome to your August 2024 Sheerlines



Thanks to Roger Mills of [Hummingbird Video Photography](#) for this reminder of summer joys. Here we have MY GIRL heading through the Mahurangi Regatta fleet a couple of years ago.

Coming Events ...

RACING DATES RNZYS Winter Series

[Race entry, NOR & Sailing Instructions: click here](#)

Classic Division Race Dates

Sat 31 August: Race 6

Sat 28 September: RNZYS Opening Day Race

3-Day Classic Spring Rally

22-24 November: Contact Chad Thompson for any enquiries: [021 995 754](tel:021995754) or
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THE CLASSIC YACHT ASSOCIATION
OF NEW ZEALAND

2024-2025 SEASON CALENDAR

OCT

RNZYS Opening Day Race

Sat 28 September (H)

DYC Icebreaker

Sat 19 October (P)

NOV

Upper Harbour Regatta (2 Races)

Sat 9 November (H)

Catch up race marker

Sat 16 November

CYA Spring Rally 2023 Launches & Yachts

Fri 22-24 November

DEC

Patio Bay: Launch and Yacht Race, Christmas BBQ

Sat 7-8 December (P)

Sat 14 December - Patio Bay Rain Date

JAN

Mahurangi Night Race

Fri 24 January (P)

Mahurangi Regatta & Launch Parade

Sat 25 January

Mahurangi Return Race

Sun 26 January (P)

Auckland Anniversary Regatta & Launch Race

Mon 27 January (H)

FEB

DYC Duder Cup

15 February (H)

ABD Group CYA Regatta

Fri 21-23 February

MAR

Harken-Fosters Kennedy Bay Race

Sat 15-16 March (P)

CYA Round Rangitoto Launch and Yacht Race and Cake Day

Sat 29 March (P)

APR

Vintage & Veterans Regatta

Sun 13 April (H)

MAY

Catch up day if required

Sat 3 May

Boat Owners Meeting

Tue 6 May

Prizegiving

Tue 27 May

AUG

Annual General Meeting

Tue 5 August

OTHER EVENTS:

RAYC Gold Cups: 21 Sept, 5 Oct, 2 Nov, 7 Dec, 1 Mar

Coastal Classic

Fri 25 - 26 October

Russell Boat Club Tall Ships

4 Jan

ANZAC Day Regatta PCC

Fri 25 Apr

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From the Cockpit...

AGM

The CYANZ completed its AGM 6th Aug. Thank you to the members who joined us to hear the club is in good health and good hands.

Chairman Richard Cave stood down at the meeting, and standing committee member Jeremy Chapman has taken over the reins. We have 3 new committee members which gives us a full house of keen and committed executives.

The elected Executive Committee Members

Chair:	Jeremy Chapman
Vice-Chair:	Peter Brookes
Yacht Captain:	Josh Markham
Launch Captain:	Anatole Perry
General Committee:	Chris Bierre
	Shirley-Ann McCrystal
	Tony Koi
	Francis Billot
	Andy Harwood

Richard was thanked for his years of dedicated service with the committee, and he is now happy to take himself off yachting.

Tony Stevenson and Michelle Khan were applauded for their organisation of the Wooden Boat Festival held in Auckland during March. For those who attended the Festival, I am sure they would agree this show was spectacular.

About Our Newest Committee Members

Tony Koia: I am relatively new to sailing. I have long admired Logan yachts and hulls specifically and followed this into sailing as an adult sailor about eight years ago.

I first crewed on a Flying Fifteen for two years out of Royal Akarana and then for the last three years have been sailing on CHARMONET with Ross Chapman for the Friday night Rum races. Concurrently I have been sailing on the classics with John Duder on SPRAY and Chad Thompson on PRIZE. All have been fantastic fun.

As an architect with experience dealing with Council, I have been on the subcommittee for Heritage Landing and am happy to bring this experience to the wider CYA in dealing with Eke Panuku and their changing priorities.

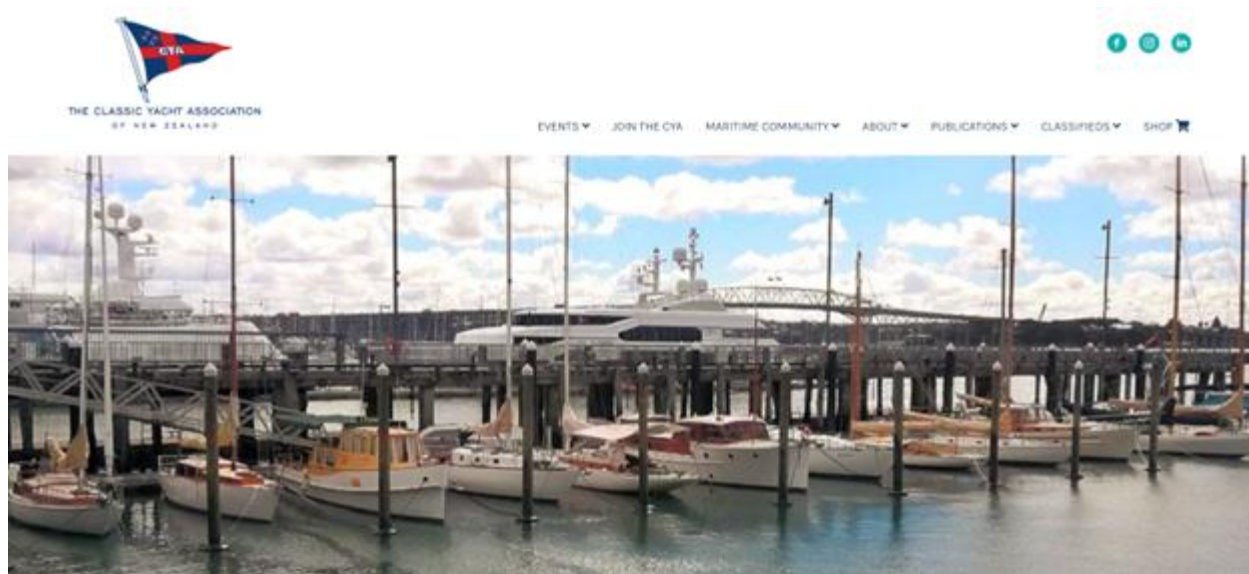
I enjoy being part of the sailing community, including as a volunteer in the recent Wooden Boat Festival. I look forward to contributing to the Classic Yacht Association.

Francis Billot: I'm from Jersey in the Channel Islands, and more years ago than I care to count I was dinghy racing there at a local sailing club in a 'Scorpion' and then a Flying Fifteen (so much fun!).

After moving to the UK I joined the Ocean Youth Club, mostly sailing on the SCOTT BADER COMMONWEALTH (a 72' ketch built by and for the Ocean Youth Club.) A highlight from that time was the Tall Ships race from Great Yarmouth to Oslo. Then came a long hiatus of work and raising children... until signing up for the beautiful Logan classic WAITANGI at one of the Maritime Museum Open Days in September 2013. It's been great to get back on the water and crewing on WAITANGI has become my regular 'sailing fix' with an occasional change of scene by crewing on FRANCES.

Andy Harwood: I have been a part owner of KATRINA 2 for about five years. I spent a lot of my early childhood sailing in P Class and then progressed to Lasers in Parramatta, Wellington.

I currently invest in startups and tech businesses after running a successful software business in London for about 17 years. I am looking forward to helping out at the CYA to help bring about a greater interest and awareness in classic yachts.



HERITAGE LANDING

Each month 14 of our classic boats (yachts and launches) open their hatches for the general public. It creates a chance to view how their custodians have kept them in immaculate condition and protected them for future generations, and for everyone to enjoy the spectacle of them sailing on the Waitemata.

They are berthed at Heritage Landing in Wynyard Quarter at the end of Jellicoe Street. Most of these boats are over 100 years old and have plenty of stories for you to hear.

Open dates

September Sunday 8th

October Sunday 6th

November Sunday 3rd

Closed

December, January, February

A MEMBER'S STORY

Paul Krans sent an attention-getting apology for non-attendance at the AGM.

"I would attend, but I will be at work.... in Laos, where they still build classic wooden boats from a single teak log..."

Our sharp-eyed Administrator, Jane High, asked for more. Thanks Paul, for this fascinating insight into wooden boat construction of a very different sort. :-)





There was once an untouched jungle valley in central northern Laos where native flora could flourish and inaccessible teak trees could grow unthreatened by the global demand for teak lumber... until a hydro-electric dam was built about 2010. There is now a hydro lake in that once-hidden valley, so while the harvest and export of teak is now controlled globally, the local Hmong can harvest some of

these now-accessible majestic native trees for domestic use.

I regularly cross the dam on a NZ-built aluminium jet boat, far from “Classic boat” material. At one end of the trip and over the span of a few days, I was able to follow the construction of a traditional canoe constructed from one of these harvested teak trees. You can guess the size and age of the tree from the images. There were some cavities and splits and checks in the wood, but not a single knot in the entire length.

The log was floated to the construction site, rolled out of the water, milled with a portable chainsaw mill, dressed by hand with an electric hand planner running off a small “Iron Buffalo” diesel generator, all operating out of the small floating workshop in the backdrop... note the piles of shavings!



Construction was all steel nails and wooden pegs. The finish was a couple of coats of blue paint. Unfortunately, I did not get to see the finished boat in the water.

I expect it will be pushed along with the ubiquitous longtail setup so common in the region, although looking at all the thwarts it may also be paddle power which is now uncommon unless for

competition. Most of the new longtails we see on the dam are thin steel construction, so this craft is a little out of the norm and may have been built for more ceremonial purposes.

Smaller longtails are common on the dam, used by fishermen and families commuting between floating villages and the couple of road ends. These craft are easily swamped

and I have never noticed any buoyancy, so they will sink down fast. Other larger and faster boat operators need to be wary of the wash they generate.

Locker Room Notices ...

CYA MEMBERSHIP

A big thank you to all who have registered with Hello Club and paid your subscription.

It's easy to do.....cya.helloclub.com or contact us for assistance.

You can also change or update your own membership details such as new address or email.

If you receive this newsletter **and are not a current member**, we would love to receive your support by you joining our Association. This helps us promote and protect our magnificent classic fleet and our racing heritage for future generations.

MEMBER DISCOUNT

Do you know Harken Foster offer discount to CYA members? Don't forget to ask for it when you're shopping there.

RNZYS

Other than racing, check out the activities at the squadron. From the All Blacks' games to Whiskey Tasting. <https://rnzys.org.nz/whatson/offwater/>

OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE ON THE SHORE

If you're looking for some smart office space on the shore, check out the advertisement at the link below. This space for lease belongs to the NZL foundation

<https://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/news/wanted-new-tenant-nzl-sailing-foundation-office>

Please tell them you heard of it here.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Corrine Trimbour

Fiona Mohr

John Chambers

Peter Parkinson

Phil Walters

Sandy Keenan

MEDIA

Do you have some juicy stories to give us about your racing and travels. Our readers love to hear them.

CYA is live on our [website](#), [Instagram](#), [Linked](#) & [Facebook](#), along with our Sheerlines and Journal.

Please email us your stories to media@classicyacht.org.nz

CYA JOURNAL

Read our regular contribution to the RNZYS

quarterly **Breeze** at <https://classicyacht.org.nz/publications/cyanz-journal/>

If you've got a story that would suit a longer read, contact Penelope

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CLUB ADMINISTRATION

For all things to do with your Association, keep an eye on <https://cya.helloclub.com/>

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