



Classic Yacht Association NZ

Sheerlines

Welcome to the CYA January 2024 issue of Sheerlines



Thanks to Charles Scoones for this great action shot of RAWHITI racing to the finish at
Patio Bay, 2024

From the Chair

Happy New Year and welcome to 2025. The CYA has a packed program of events from now until the end of the season for our racing fraternity, our launches and our rallying yachts.

As an organisation we have been concentrating, this year, on providing some great social events. Opportunities to get out on the water and then eat, drink, chat and be merry. This trend continues in the coming months with our Mahurangi beach BBQ, the Classic Yacht Regatta, Hynds Kennedy Bay, and the ever popular Cake Day which this year will be part of our Round Rangitoto Event.

We are privileged, as an organisation, to have so many beautiful and immaculate working vessels in our fleet. When we all get together it is a sight to behold. It was great to see everyone at Patio Bay—some came by launch, some came by yacht, and some raced as part of the passage series. The important thing was, we all came.

If you haven't yet had a chance to sign-up and join the parties, just pop along to <https://classicyacht.org.nz/events/summer-sailing> where you can find links to register for events as well as additional information such as posters, sailing instructions and notices of race.

Looking forward to a fantastic 2025 of parties, rallies and races. And thank you for all the ongoing support you give to our Association. It makes it what it is.

Jeremy Chapman

Coming Events ...

Fri 24 January Mahurangi Night Race with Devonport Yacht Club. [Enter here](#)

Sat 25 January Mahurangi Regatta & Launch Parade [Enter here](#)

Sun 26 January Mahurangi Return Race [Enter here](#)

Mon 27 January Auckland Anniversary Regatta & Launch Race [Enter here](#)

Sat 15 February Duder Cup with Devonport Yacht Club

21-23 February CYA Perpetual Guardian Classic Yacht Regatta

ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND DETAILS

Friday 24 January: Devonport Yacht Club Night Race to Mahurangi

Departs from Devonport at 3pm. [Enter here](#)

Saturday 25 January. Mahurangi Cruising Club Regatta

This is a favourite event on the CYA calendar. Mahurangi offers something for everyone. For lovers of all things old and beautiful, classic launches, sailboats and dinghies converge for three days of fun and frivolity in the Mahurangi Harbour.

This year the CYA are putting on a sponsored l'Authentique and Baldry + Sanford gourmet BBQ on Saturday night. Please pre-register to ensure we can cater accordingly.

See you there.

Saturday 25th January: CYA Classic Launch Parade. 9.30am

The Launch Parade will leave Scotts Landing, Mahurangi where Iain and Glen in their launch MEOLA will lead the beautiful classic launches around the harbour for everyone to see their wonderful craftsmanship and restoration. They will then head over to Sullivans Bay where there will be fun activities on the beach. Look for MEOLA with their CYA flag flying. Iain is contactable on VHF 17.

Saturday 25 January: Mahurangi Regatta Yacht Races. 11am

[Enter here](#)

NOTE: Please be aware in 2025 entries for this Regatta will only be accepted online. Entry on the beach is no longer available.

Saturday 25th Jan: CYA Gourmet BBQ from 6:30pm

Please join us on the grass at Scotts Landing for a selection of BBQ'd gourmet meats. We make it easier for you by supplying and cooking choice cuts of beef filet, chicken, burger patties, sausages, breads and condiments. Just bring your picnic blankets, snacks, salads and drinks, and let us do the rest.

We will be located under the CYA flag and bunting with three chefs at your disposal. Disposable plates and cutlery will be available if you don't choose to bring your own.

\$5 / head, registration essential, open to CYA members and non-members, so feel free to forward to your crew and guests.

Last day for registration: Monday 20th January

(Limited tickets at \$10 / head may be available on the day.)

[Gourmet BBQ](#) Sponsored by l'Authentique and Baldry + Sanford

Sunday 26 January: CYA return race to Auckland. [Enter here](#)

B class begin at 10.30 am, A & Modern classes begin at 11 am.



Auckland Anniversary Day Regatta

There's still time to enter—but you'd better be quick!

There's just days to go until the 185th Auckland Anniversary Day Regatta—and the official opening of the Moana Auckland festival.

Check out the website now for all the details of when and where your class or division is racing, and how to enter.

Monday 27 January: Auckland Anniversary Regatta

- Auckland Anniversary Regatta : [Enter here](#)
- Tugboat Race: Westhaven – Orakei- Westhaven 10:00hrs
- Classic Launch Race: Westhaven – Orakei – Westhaven 11:00hrs [Enter here](#)

- Prizegiving Tuesday 18 February 2025. You must attend to claim your prize.

Note for CYA Harbour Series entrants: You must enter through [TopYacht](#) but please DON'T pay anything as you've already paid with your Harbour Series entry.

Enquiries for racing to Joyce: admin@regatta.org.nz or call 0800 REGATTA (0800 734 288). We'll be happy to help.

Prize pool worth over \$15,000 up for grabs.

[Enter now!](#)

More info about the Anniversary Day Regatta

<https://www.aucklandnz.com/moana/auckland-anniversary-day-re...>

From the Cockpit ...

PERPETUAL GUARDIAN CLASSIC YACHT REGATTA

An early heads-up on our annual Classic Yacht Regatta 21-23rd February. Three days of superb racing, with our international classic sailors from Melbourne aboard.

<https://classicyacht.org.nz/events/summer-sailing/>



A MEMBER'S STORY: ROSELLA

Written by custodian Danvers Devereux

We rescued ROSELLA a few years ago due to our connection with Great Barrier Island, producing the Great Barrier Island Bee Co range of body care products. We were fascinated with the island's history as well as classic boats.

ROSELLA was built in 1928 by the Voss boat builders at Westhaven for the Blackwell family. She became well known for carrying the Barrier Island honey and produce back to the wharfs in Auckland to be traded. Because of this she became known as "the honey boat"

She also made many mercy missions with Adam Blackwell to help the sick or injured off the "Barrier". She was like the Westpac helicopter back in her day!

We found her by chance and luck, high in the Coromandel ranges, ironically next to some beehives! No trucking company could assist due to 4WD access, so it was down to some Kiwi DIY, a long trailer and a Land Rover, followed by a 7-hour drive back to Matakana. She is now parked outside our Great Barrier Island honey gallery/museum.

We hope to explore opportunities this year on how we can go about possibly restoring her.

Locker Room Notices ...

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Gregg Histen

Matt Maitland

Diane Blomfield

Ed Blackwell

Lucas Evans

Matt Maitland

MAHURANGI YEAR BOOK

The Mahurangi Book will be available at the end of the month at [Boat Books](#) and also available at the Regatta.

RNZYS

The RNZYS off-water events start again in February

See What's On link - [RNZYS off water events](#)

TRADE CONTACTS

Are you looking to have some work done on your boat? Did you know there's a list of Tradies on the CYA website? Check out the last option under the [Classified menu](#).

MEDIA

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/> And if you've got a story that would suit that medium, contact Penelope Carroll P.A.Carroll@massey.ac.nz.

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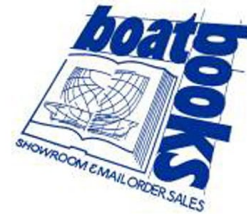




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