



Classic Yacht Association NZ

Sheerlines

Welcome to the CYA October 2024 issue of Sheerlines



TAREE, designed by Owen Wooley in 1966 and now owned by Don Bruce. (He calls himself the guardian - a beautiful sentiment.)

The new CYA Sailing Season started with an exciting RNZYS Opening Day In September, and we've got a great line-up of fun events coming up - details below.

Don't forget to watch out for the start of the Coastal Classic 10am Friday morning, 25th October, where the harbour will be bursting with yachts, all charging for the open water on their way to Russell.

And - aren't we delighted to welcome back the America's Cup! What fantastic sailing by our boys!



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

11 Jan

ANZAC Day Regatta PCC

Fri 25 Apr

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Summary of Coming Events ...

Fri 25 - 28 October Kawau Boating Club/Ponsonby Cruising Club - Labour Weekend Spring Splash Regatta. (See poster below.)

Fri 1-3 November Australian Royal Yacht Club Classic, Melbourne (see below).

Sat 9 November PCC Upper Harbour Regatta. More information at <https://classicyacht.org.nz/events/summer-sailing/>

Fri 22-24 November 3-Day Classic Spring Rally

Contact Chad Thompson for any enquiries: [021 995 754](tel:021995754) or email: [\[email protected\]](mailto:)

IMPORTANT NOTICE

BOAT REGISTER BOOKLET

Our team are busy working on the 2025 Classic Vehicle Register. We expect you will want to have your boat listed in this beautiful and popular booklet.

For you to be included, log on to your profile on the CYA Hello Club web to check your information is up-to-date. This information will also appear on the web for members to view the boats.

The link to your current profile information is www.cya.helloclub.com and click on the heading, 'members details'

If you have forgotten your password, you can reset it using the 'forgot password' option. Alternatively, you can contact [\[email protected\]](mailto:) for assistance.

From the Cockpit...

AUSTRALIAN RACING

This is the last reminder of the fabulous opportunity to join the NZ contingent for the Australian Royal Yacht Club Classic racing and social events in Williamstown, Melbourne, November 1st-3rd, 2024. Visit <https://classicyacht.com.au/the-cup-regatta/>

While there, you might catch the Melbourne Cup horse racing on Tues 5th November.

To book a place, contact Iain Valentine [\[email protected\]](mailto:)

COMING SOON:

The Coastal Classic race to the Bay of Islands offers a great spectacle. Look out for them leaving the Auckland harbour 10am Friday 25th October.

The Kawau Boating Club and Ponsonby Cruising Club's Spring Splash over Labour Weekend between 25-28th October looks like a lot of fun. Full details at this [link](#), where you can print off the enrolment form, scan and email to [\[email protected\]](mailto:).

CLASSIC BOATS AND BOATING AROUND NEW ZEALAND

There are many wonderful and unusual places you can go to view or sail on Classic Boats in New Zealand.

- **Auckland** - Maritime Museum
- **Taupo** - Barbary yacht sailing

- **Wellington** – Wellington Classic Boats
https://www.wcyt.org.nz/classic_yacht_database
- **Nelson – Lake Rotoiti** - <https://www.facebook.com/classicboatmuseum>
- **Lake Aviemore** - <https://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/events/2024/10/aviemore-classi...>



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LABOUR WEEKEND SPRING SPLASH NOTICE OF REGATTA 2024

KAWAU BOATING CLUB IN ASSOCIATION WITH PONSONBY CRUISING CLUB

This inaugural regatta will be held from Friday 25th October until Monday 28th October 2024. These races will be held under the international regulations for preventing collisions at sea 1972. This is a friendly family orientated event, boat on boat contact must be avoided at all costs, no protests will be heard.

Friday 25th October: A rally for all types of vessels will start between the Westhaven tower and the yellow outer distance buoy at noon, warning signal at 11.55. Boats are free to start elsewhere if more convenient, and the intention is to finish at KBC before 6pm, use of motors is optional. There will be a welcoming function at KBC, and a short briefing on the weekend activities, dinner and drinks will be available.

Saturday 26th October : A round the islands race will start at 1pm, warning signal at 12.55. The course is appended to this document. There are 2 options for the startline on Saturday and Sunday races: 1. Between the KBC flag on the clubhouse and a large inflated buoy on the opposite side of the harbour, in the vicinity of schoolhouse bay. 2. Between a start vessel anchored in the vicinity of stockyard bay, wearing an orange flag, and a large inflated buoy on the opposite side of the harbour, in the vicinity of shark bay. The selected startline will be announced at the briefing on Friday night, and by VHF channel 77 at intervals on the Saturday morning. Breakfast, lunch, plus dinner and drinks after racing will be available at the KBC on all days of the regatta. Waitemata Woodys classic boat owners gathering ashore at Lidgard House at 4pm.

Sunday 27th October: A shorter race around several islands, starting at 1pm, warning signal at 12.55, the courses are appended to this document, and the selected course number will be displayed on the wharf or start boat, and announced on VHF Channel 77.

A prizegiving for the two race series will be held at the KBC, on Sunday evening from approx. 5.30 pm, prizes will be awarded based on handicap, first place overall will be awarded the PCC "Victory Barrel" suitably filled with sponsor's rum. The empty barrel must be left on the premises.

The classic launch and cruising yacht fleet will be participating in a Waitemata Woodys Classic Parade at 11am starting off KBC wharf > lap of Bon Accord Harbour.

Monday 28th October : Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be available at the KBC.



HERITAGE LANDING OPEN DAY

November Sunday 3rd will be your last chance this year to visit and talk to the owners of the beautifully restored launches and yachts at the Wynyard Quarter, end of Jellicoe Street.

Closed: December, January, February.

Locker Room Notices ...

MEMBER DISCOUNTS

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

RNZYS

This month, off water events at the squadron have included live **Americas Cup** racing. Check out <https://rnzys.org.nz/whatson/offwater/> for the great variety of activities.

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](#).



A Member's Story ...

TUNA the Tub Boat (actually a Pilot boat)

TUNA was “love at first sight”, said Jill Hetherington after spotting photos on Trademe. They looked interesting, and the real thing just felt right.

With a seafaring background, Jill lives an uncomplicated lifestyle on Kawau Island, and in TUNA she saw a fitting personality, dignified, colourful and happy to sit quietly on a mooring at Kawau.

TUNA was designed by Ernest Bailey in 1939 as a Pilot Boat for Tokomaru Bay Harbour Board and built in Auckland by Chas Bailey and Sons.

She's 32 feet long with the traditional 3-skin kauri, 40mm thick, 2 diagonals fore-and-aft, finishing with a canoe stern. Her beautifully fitted planking is all copper riveted then puttied. She is shaped with no sharp corners, to caress rather than bump hard objects.

She was built with strengthening sponsons built of hardwood at the widest points, plus brackets inside for extra strength to strengthen the hull.

TUNA'S history known to Jill

- Wellington Harbour Board acquired her in 1942 and worked her in the harbour as a pilot boat and general duties - line hauling, visits to Somes Island, pulling and pushing stuff around, until 1988 when WHB became Ports of Wellington.
- She was famously listed on the register of boats who helped rescue people from the ill-fated Wahine disaster in Wellington Harbour in 1968.
- She had an unfortunate incident in 1971, sinking while carrying an inspection party around the aft waterline of a visiting ship. Oops! The prop turned on the big ship and she was squashed. All hands were made safe by life raft.

- In 1988 she went into private ownership—Auckland, Tauranga, Wellington and was back in her birth place, Auckland in 2010 where Jill found her.

The love affair between the two was challenged when leaks from above and below were revealed, as well as a “stuffed” engine.

As one often does in a love affair, perseverance trumped sensibility, with lots of trial and error while gradually learning about each other. After the love/hate bit was over, love prevailed and TUNA was restored.

In 2013 she was put into a shed to do the 'major'. Boat builders Colin Brown, Josh Hawke and Warwick Leslie were commissioned. Although Colin and Warwick have now retired from boatbuilding, Josh still does wonderful work on her when asked.

Various engines had been fitted over the years. Since 1985 she's been sporting a Ford Dover 4cyl 80hp. She chugs along happily at around 7 knots with a 21-inch prop. Jill says she is 'very responsive and manoeuvrable'.

She was basically extremely sound but during the 'major', Jill discovered TUNA needed thousands of little holes filled after removal of the copper sheathing. The boat took on the appearance of a porcupine when the sharpened bits of barbecue skewer were used to plug the holes before 'pruning'.



After partial deck removal, her engine was removed for reconditioning. Josh installed new flexible engine mounts, fuel tanks and skin fittings. Bolts were pulled and everything was stripped, checked and cleaned.

Then came the repaint, in colours reflecting Jill and TUNA's personalities. Vivid, contrasting and accentuating the sheerline. Those of you who know Jill will know her vibrant sense of dress.

To complete the makeover, the creature comforts were installed. Water tank and pump at the sink, a head and holding tank. (Luxury!) She was then fitted with comfortable berths, easily accessible batteries and adequate storage for tools and equipment.

Jill is often seen journeying around the Gulf in her beloved TUNA.

“She's giving me so much pleasure”.

Look out for them and stop to say 'hello'.



BUILDING OF AN EFFICIENT 44 LAUNCH

The Wooden Boatshop in Sorrento, Victoria, Australia write to tell us of their building of an Efficient 44 launch for New Zealand owners.

Evolving from the Cheviot 32, the Efficient 44 eliminates the tyranny of distance, allowing access to Bass Strait and its islands, which include some of the best cruising grounds in the world. Designed to cruise at 18 knots with a top speed of 26 knots, the Efficient 44 will get you where you're going, and fast.

Crafted to accommodate a family, or two couples, the Efficient 44 cabin layout has been modelled toward boaties who wish to embrace a modern and contemporary boating lifestyle. Barbequing, entertaining friends and family, afternoon drinks or finding that perfect fishing spot, this pretty vessel is the ideal boat for such fun, ensuring all the comfort and amenities of home are right a on the *metaphorical* doorstep.

When completed this little beauty will reside in Picton.

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 [\[email protected\]](#)

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 [\[email protected\]](#).

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

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

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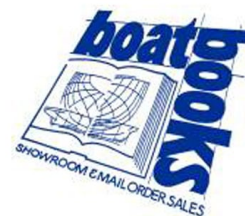
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