



# Reefline



April 2015

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## Commodore's Report

Hi everyone,

Summer has left us, and autumn is here with a bit of winter poking its nose in. Temperatures down, and heating bills up. Joy!!

The club is running smoothly, and we are lucky to have such a good team in place, with Richard at the helm. Thanks to all our staff.

We have some issues pending regarding redevelopment and the NZ Yachting Association. These are explained further on in this Reefline, and it is our hope that they can be resolved to our satisfaction

As you will see, Neil is standing down this year, and a replacement of his calibre and passion will **be hard to find. Let's hope someone will come forward, and fill his shoes.**

**That's it from me, apart from saying that my job** would be a nightmare without a hard working committee behind me. Thanks to you all.

Safe boating.

Matt Hipperson  
Commodore



Good training for up and coming members !!



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## A warm welcome to our newest Members!

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Andy Corson & Alice Porter

Tracy Demanser

Alastair Ferguson

Liam Gerring & Sophia Duncan-Haines

Peter Hollyman

Timothy & Debra Kane

Michael & Marsha Keefe

Wolfgang Kure

Neil & Sally Macklin

Brent McCarrison & Nicki Styles

Gavin Middleton

Gareth Owen

Adrian & Joanna Parker

Simon and Kirsten Redshaw

Corrado Ronchetti

Simon Shepherd & Andrea

Hayden Taylor & Joanne Leung

Richard & Michelle Lough

David Teague & Sarah Kohi

Trent & Adriana Watson

Ian White & Fiona Fitzpatrick

Dr Shane Wilcox & Dr Juliet Bergh

Gary & Keryn Woodham

Harvey Mead & Sheridan Thorne

Shane Warren

David Benseman & June Read

Simon Robertshawe

Anthony & Andrea McDonald

Mike Gould

Paul Adams

Philip Bell

Allen & Karen Richards

Tom Georgeson

Brandon & Emma Hope

Brendan Gardiner

John & Trudy Robinson

Mark Loader



## Redevelopment Subcommittee Report and Funding Request

It has been a while since you have heard from us. In the last eight months we have been working on the redevelopment proposal including receiving proposals for Engineering Services and putting some budget pricing together.

We are now ready for the Feasability Study. We need members to pitch in to fund the Study by buying a long term club membership – 5, 10 or 15 years.

So a bit of a background on what we have been up to:

For those that are new to the Club (or have forgotten) a redevelopment subcommittee was formed in 2012 to work on a project to redevelop the Club for the next 50 years. The proposal was to upgrade to the Clubhouse, reconfigure the entry and grounds, reclaim a large area of land on the western boundary and carry out other related improvements to the Club. These improvements were to be completed without requiring the Club to borrow any money. This will be achieved by selling long term leases to larger modern boatsheds to be built in the middle of the Club grounds. Following a discussion and presentation of this proposal the Club passed a resolution in a Special General Meeting in August 2013 to proceed with a Feasability Study. The resolution had the support of 85% of members present or voting by proxy.

### Engineering RFP

We sent out a request for proposals in June last year to 4 engineering firms who had indicated an interest in tendering for the design of the seawall and boatsheds. We received only one proposal – perhaps reflective of the volume of work Engineering practices have on their plates at the moment and the specialist nature of seawall design. The cost of the full design is well beyond our budget for the feasibility study but we were able to negotiate a limited scope of service which will give us enough information to come up with a reasonable design for pricing and marketing purposes.

### Budget Price

We also obtained a basic budget for the project from a professional quantity surveyor. The budget came in **around the \$3million mark. This was more than we had expected (isn't that always the case) but we have rejigged the figures on the sales side to make the numbers work.** Depending on the sale prices for the sheds, this may mean a few less boatsheds retained for Club use.

### Marketing

So the \$3million question is what are these new boatsheds worth? There are a lot of opinions out there but the only way to really find out is to market the boatsheds to the Club and wider community. In order to do this we need to spend some money on design and marketing.

### 5,10,15 year Subscriptions

**This is where you come in. Rather than tap into the Club's operating funds we have decided to offer 5,10 and 15 year membership subscriptions to raise the estimated \$40,000.00 that we need to conduct the study.** So if you intend to stick around for a few years, support the proposed redevelopment and want to take advantage of a good deal then let us know by signing and returning the form attached to this letter.

This Feasability Study will enable the Club to make an informed decision on the future shape of our Club. **Don't die wondering!!**

Cheers

Andy Robertshawe

On Behalf of the Committee



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PLIMMERTON BOATING CLUB	
KAREHANA BAY	
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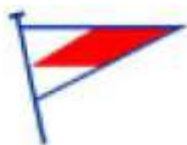


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### Applicant's details

Name	
Company Name	

Contact	

Signature and date	The signature of the person who is authorised to sign a contract with the Plimmerton Boating Club

### Appendix: Pricing

Club5 Sponsor Name recognition in the Clubhouse 5 year pre-paid membership	Cost: \$1,450
Club10 Sponsor Name recognition in the Clubhouse 10 year pre-paid membership	Cost: \$2,500
Club15 Sponsor Name recognition in the Clubhouse 15 year pre-paid membership	Cost: \$3,500

*Please note the prices above include GST.*

## Vice Commodore Sail Report

Club Racing. Another season done and dusted oh yes that is apart from the prize giving. The Spring series was a real challenge weather wise and we only managed to get six races away out of the ten programmed which still allowed us one race drop. The Summer Series was a lot better and we managed to fit in the whole ten races. The race day entry numbers were down over the last few club race days so maybe a rethink on how we conduct our sailing late in the season, so as to keep up the interest could be in order. The Twilight Series is always popular and as a thought may have some bearing on the numbers falling away late in the Summer Series. We have been lucky over recent weeks to have had helpers in on club race day; it certainly makes the race management job easier. I hope that it will continue and that a **competent group of helpers be built up to spread the load and expertise. I must add don't wait to be asked you are quite welcome to sit in and yes even help out, laying marks, running the starts, key in the results please just get involved if you are at a loose end on the day I can assure you it will be appreciated.**

Race Results. I'm pleased to say that I am getting more comfortable with the race scoring programme. The most important part is the setting up of race programme, identifying the classes, boat entries etc. Not being too sure that I had that info correct I was not game to key in results on the day but I am now more confident and that the coming season we should hopefully have the results available at the bar shortly after the days racing. They are and have been available on the web for some time now and once you come to terms with how to search them you will find quite a lot of info built into them.

Club Visitors. We had visits from the Paremata Club and it was great to see a good number of boats attending especially in the Junior Classes. A pleasing turnout for the Club Regatta and here again well attended by the local junior fleets. A big thanks must go to Warren and Carol for the terrific effort put in by them, their merry band of helpers, the Paramata rescue boats and crews and we should not forget the helpers up in the Startbox.

Mana Races. Although split over two separate weekends we managed to hold two Mana Island Races I got the impression that they scored well on the enjoyment scale.

Noelex 22 Nationals. As I was incapacitated I do not think I can comment in detail about the Noelex 22 National Regatta. It was only with a supreme effort by Race Officer Paul Davies that the regatta had any result at all. I would however like to thank all of the volunteers for their efforts. My special thanks to the mark laying personnel, boat skipper Lawrence for his expertise and the use of the launch for committee boat duties. I will take this opportunity to humbly thank everyone involved with my rescue for their quick actions and also for the many kind words and messages I received. I feel we could have lived with the capsize of the boat Mistress and my accident but the tragic loss of skipper Davis Smith from Gigi put paid to any enjoyment coming out of what was to be the club sailing event of the season. RIP Davis.

Next Season. I feel I have done my bit as Vice Commodore Sail and feel it is time for break from committee duties. Any one picking up the job can rest assured they will have my support with anything to do with race management. I have all the documentation and it is available on file (electronic) although it could do with some fancy tidying up with a bit of colour, sponsors advertising /club logo etc. It has been lots

of fun and although a bit demanding at times I do enjoy the atmosphere that surrounds the PLBC yachting fraternity and all the challenges that sailing at Plimmerton has to offer.



Neil Gibbons  
Vice Commodore—Sail.





## Affiliation to Yachting New Zealand

Dear Members

Yachting New Zealand (YNZ) has recently changed its method for calculating the affiliation fee due from member clubs. The previous arrangement calculated a fee based on the number of Senior Equivalent Members and allowed for a rebate for non-sailing members (the SEM system). This system worked for Plimmerton Boating Club and other clubs with large numbers of non-sailing members. The annual cost to our Club was around \$4,000 per annum.

YNZ has been concerned for some time that the SEM system did not provide it with sufficient revenue and was open to manipulation by member clubs. Last year the Board of YNZ proposed moving to a system of a single fee to be levied on **all members of affiliated clubs. The proposal was adopted by member clubs at last year's YNZ AGM with the per member fee set at \$22.50 + GST.** For family memberships the fee is applied to each member of the family (the flat fee system).

The flat fee system does not work for clubs such as ours where the sailing members make up a relatively small proportion of total membership. The financial impact for our Club is to increase our YNZ levy to over \$18,000 per annum. Prior to the adoption of the flat fee system members of the Committee had several meetings with the Chief Executive and Chairman of YNZ to express our opposition to the changes, but we were unsuccessful in changing their minds.

Being affiliated to YNZ provides a number of benefits to the sailing members of our Club. Principally these are threefold:

- the ability to use the Racing Rules of Sailing in our Club racing,
- the services and support of the YNZ Regional Support Officer Wayne Holdt; and
- being able to hold and participate in national regattas.

YNZ also promote other services they offer such as health and safety systems, purchasing groups and advocacy.

Members of the Committee recently had an informal discussion about the impact of the adoption of the flat fee system on the Club finances. We also considered alternative ways in which we could cater for our sailing members. The general view was that the flat fee system unfairly impacts on mixed member clubs such as ours and that it was unfair to expect non-sailing members to pay a fee for a sporting body in which they have no interest. The increase in affiliation fees would have a significant adverse effect on Club finances at a time when we face other significant expenses such as the breakwater and jetty repair.

However, the committee also recognised that the Club had been a member of YNZ for many years and had a long history of competitive sailing. It is important for our sailors, and in particular our growing junior fleet, that we remain affiliated to YNZ.

We agreed that it was not practical or desirable to split the Club into sailing and non-sailing clubs. One solution proposed was that the Club resign as a member of YNZ and that the existing Sailing Academy (which currently runs the junior sailing) be incorporated and apply to join YNZ. All sailors (senior and junior) would join and pay a fee to the Sailing Academy which would be passed onto YNZ. All racing would be carried out under the auspices of the Sailing Academy. Members of the Sailing Academy would also need to be members of the Club in order to use the Club facilities. This proposal allows for the sailors to contribute to YNZ, run club racing and participate in national sailing events.

**Unfortunately we have no idea whether YNZ will accept the Academy's application. We are hopeful that, as long as the Academy ticks all the boxes in respect of that application, they will recognise that we are genuinely looking for a way to continue to participate in, and support, yachting in New Zealand.**

I would be happy to answer any questions or discuss the above with interested members.

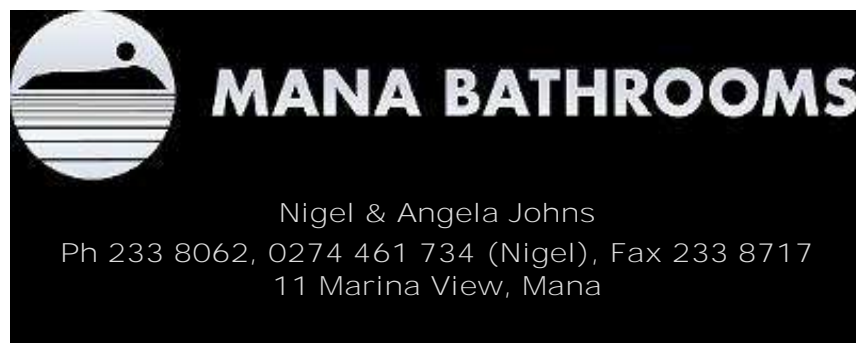
Regards  
Andy Robertshawe  
On behalf of the Committee.



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Advance Electrical in Porirua has sponsored the new floodlight covering the main car park. They also sponsored the previous light which lasted about 10 years. A big thanks to Ken Hill.



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Why not make a night of it with a meal at the club before you see Mana Little Theater's latest production Chunuk Bair!

A promotional banner for a restaurant. The top half features three images: a sunset over a pier with wooden posts, a tall glass of beer with a thick head of foam, and a plate of food including a steak, fries, and vegetables. Below these images is a large plus sign followed by a small image of a glass of wine and an equals sign. To the right of the equals sign, the text '1 Free Drink!' is written in large, bold letters. Below this, the main offer is stated: 'Buy two meals from the main menu and receive your 2nd drink free!'. Underneath that, it says 'NO CHARGE FOR THE VIEW!'. At the bottom, in smaller text, it reads 'FREE DRINK NOT AVAILABLE WITH ANY OTHER PROMO OR VOUCHER'.



## Entertainment

If you cant find some thing to entertain yourself in this issue of Reefline, let me know as I'd really like to meet you! A randomly selected members' number is hidden amongst these pages, if you find your number you can contact me during the month of April to collect a \$50.00 Boat Club Bistro Voucher.

The Boat Club Barrel Draw is back again on Friday 24 April 2015, starting @ \$250.00 and will jackpot by \$50.00 per week until it reaches \$650.00 on 5 June 2015 when a must go draw will be held (if not struck sooner). Family/Senior , Life, Associate and Veteran members are all eligible to win.

The Quiz is so popular we have had to limit numbers, we still have space for a couple of ukulele players, singers , drummers or guitarists at Jam night if you are keen.

If you are not receiving our E-Newsletter, you can subscribe yourself by going to our website, (see below), you can also like our face book page to receive last minute updates.

See you at the Club, Richard de Groot.



### Coming Events

Mother's Day Dinner & Show	5:30 pm Sunday 10 May
Avi Diva Dinner & Dance	6:00 pm Saturday 6 June show 8:00 pm
Prize Giving	5:00 pm Sunday 21 June
Friends for Sharks	7:00 pm Thursday 2 July
NZ V Samoa	7:30 pm Wednesday 8 July
Hit Radio Dance Band	6:00 pm Saturday 11 July 8:00 pm show.
Andrew London	6:00 pm Thursday 16 July 7:00 pm show.
NZ V Argentina	7:35 pm Friday 17 July



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### Plimmerton Sailing Academy



Our third season came to an end with a great prize giving night held on the 28<sup>th</sup> March.  
Congratulations to all the award winners as listed below:

Opti Rainbow Most Improved *Siobhan Mackay-Freeman, Catriona Mackay-Freeman, Thomina Mackay- Freeman, Jack Olson*

Opti Green Most Improved *Archie Taylor*

Opti Green Most Promising *Tamas Shepherd, Ben Norris, Archie Taylor, Sabre Ostenberry*

Opti Green Most Outstanding *Amy Gray*

Opti Open Most Improved *Lilah Smith*

Opti Open Most Promising **Phoebe Wood, Rosie O'Hagan**

Opti Open Most Outstanding *James Bitchener*

P Class – Most Improved *Conor Mackay-Freeman*

P Class – Most Promising *Olivia Mercer*

P Class – Most Outstanding *Ollie Botha*

Starling Most Improved *Luke Peel*

Starling Most Promising *Ollie Botha, Finlay Georgeson*

Starling Most Outstanding *Jack Matthews*

Best Result At A Local Regatta *Sabre Ostenberry*

Personality Award *Thomas Taylor*



James Bitchener

Sportsmanship Awards *Chris Parsons, Shania Ostenberry*

PBC Representatives – 2014/2015

*James Bitchener, Shania Ostenberry, Jack Matthews, Ollie Botha*



Matthew Gaunt

Unsung Hero Award *Peter Gray*

The John Dodds Trophy *Matthew Gaunt*

We have had a busy season as summarised below:

Two Junior Learn To Sail classes run, one in October 2014 & one in January 2015, 17 new sailors, 15 of which continued for the rest of the season.

Rainbow group ran Wednesdays & Saturdays with 22 sailors on the list, Green/Open Fleet ran on Tuesdays and Saturdays with 35 sailors on the list so we have had 57 young people actively involved in sailing this season, usually with a few casuals added in along the way as well.

Adult Learn To Sail. We ran classes in October and February with 6 sailors in each. The adult learn to sail then continued on Friday nights.

Optisail Camp January 2015 – Titahi Bay. 14 of our young sailors attended this.

Out of approximately 33 sessions available to each group we had approximately one third of **sessions cancelled due to weather which overall we considered pretty good. This doesn't include extra sessions, regattas etc run outside of the normal program.** Some classroom sessions were **run when on water session weren't possible. Specialised coaching was given during some of the sessions by coaches who were brought in from outside our normal club coaching staff.** Many thanks to Wayne Holdt (YNZ), Steve Macris, Todd Olsen, Phil McDowall to name a few.

We combined with the Paramata Boating Club for four racing sessions, two at their club, two at Plimmerton and held a Starling Clinic at Plimmerton which they attended.

We also attended the Kapiti Boating Club for a sailing day.

The annual club picnic was well attended in January, we had 40 junior sailors/kayakers and 6



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power boats transporting 37 passengers to Shelly Bay. All returned safely, thank goodness. We had representation at the following regattas: Paramata, Plimmerton, Titahi Bay, Evans Bay Wellington Centre Board Champs, Worser Bay, Opti North Island Champs, P Class Nationals & Opti Nationals. We had three young

people, Chris Parson, Shania Ostenberry and Nicky McDowall complete the "Learn To Sail" instructor's course who are now qualified to teach entry level sailors.

Dean Porter will continue to be coaching with us next season after some sailing around the Pacific over winter. Dan and Callum have moved onto University studies down south and

Jono is taken up a deck hand position sailing in the Whitsundays in Australia before taking on a full time role in Sydney in a composite mast construction role.



Sabre Ostenberry



Thomas Taylor

Some of you will be aware of the great news that we have secured funding to purchase two new rescue boats. The Infinity Foundation granted \$7500 & the Mana Community Trust granted \$20,000. We do want to acknowledge this fantastic support from these funding agencies. We do need to raise another \$5,000 to complete the purchase of the second boat so will be needing your help over winter with this.

To Richard, (club manager), thank you for all your fantastic support, we simply couldn't do what we do without it and are

aware of the extra load it has put on you during the busy summer months. Many thanks also to the club committee for their continued support. The committee has supported the purchase of

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the first new rescue boat by topping up the funds needed by approximately \$2,000 which is hugely appreciated. Again we **simply can't function** without this ongoing support, so many thanks. It is great that we can all work together to build the club and see it continue to grow into a vibrant hub of the community.



To all the young sailors, you are what this is all really about. Thanks heaps you guys. It has been a real pleasure to see you all out on the water again this season. We get a lot of great comments back from those in the community who get to enjoy watching you all. It is also very satisfying for us to see the massive improvements you are making and skills that you are obviously learning. Look forward to seeing you all back again next season as we continue to build on our program.

Carol & Warren Coffey

Plimmerton Sailing Academy





### ANNUAL FISHING TRIP

Here we are again the annual fishing trip to far away waters and this year for a change not visiting an airport.

So 4<sup>th</sup> March picked up a rental van and trailer at 7.30 am, then the first bunch of keen as fishoes in Plimmerton Yeo, Bun, Ned, Brent, Barry and Bert loaded in van, gear in trailer we head North two more to be picked up on the way Paul and Simon. Short comfort stop at Bulls, then North again. A lunch stop at Wairakei finally reaching Whakatane about 4.30pm. Ships stores purchased solid and liquid we head over the hill to our accommodation at Ohope. A huge two storied place, down stairs is three bedrooms a small kitchen, dining area, medium lounge with four extra beds a large shower in bathroom and separate toilet. Up-



stairs two more double bedrooms toilet and bathroom between them, a large open area



lounge, dining and kitchen. There is a wide deck on three sides of the top floor a glass balustrade facing a terrific sea view to the North East and Whale Island to the North, the BBQ resided on this deck so all cooking and eating was up there. In the front yard was a fine looking swimming pool, but no one had the time or energy to use it, one or

two snorers were threatened with its use I believe only in fun though.

**A few relaxing drinks after the day's arduous journey. We then had to face an entree of whitebait fritters supplied and cooked by one of our party, (legend). This was followed with BBQ chops, salads, potatoes and corn.**

Day 2

**A lazy slow start as we don't head out till 5pm. Looked around Whakatane strolled up and down the main street and sat**



with a coffee for a while. Our charter boat, Cascade was due in soon from a three night trip to the Kermadec Islands, cleanup re-stock then take us out for a 24 hour White Island fish. As she **berths next to the Game fish club we didn't need a vote on where** we needed to head to next. Cascade had berthed by the time we arrived so we met Mike our skipper and Shaun the deckie then left them to work while we kept an eye on things from the club over late lunch n ales.

Finally on board Cascade and heading to the extremely narrow harbour entrance, Cascade is about 46foot has twin Cat motors a good sized wheel house and working deck with a flying bridge. Accommodation forward and down slept six was cramped, claustrophobic and extremely noisy with the wave slap along the hull and the odd snore reverberating in the confined space. She was built in Picton had a top speed of 12 knots, but towed the lours at about 8 knots.



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About 2 ks off the coast we stopped over a reef to catch Mackerel live baits on very light rods with tiny hooked lures it was great fun catching two or three at a time. Bait tank full we head for White Island towing four Marlin lours, we had one strike on a lour after about an hour which got the adrenalin pumping, but the fish tossed it and all was quiet for the



rest of the trip anchoring 9 30 ish for the night. As there was a full moon our deck lights

**didn't attract the** flying fish as they would have on a dark night there was a **few, but they weren't** jumping. Two of our team after lots of patience and perseverance did manage



to land a small Kingfish each long after most of us had gone to bed. There was a heavy shower of rain sometime over night amplified because my head was almost touching the underside of the **deck. We found out next morning there had been a 5.2 earthquake at around 1.30am near the island, I'm sure a couple** of our group were discussing that they felt it on the boat and who am I to be a disbeliever.

### Day 3

Steamed away from the Island at 5.30am to deeper water 300 mtrs to try for Bluenose, bass or groper one exciting moment was when the black sickle tail of a Marlin was spotted slicing through the water parallel with the boat at around 20 mtrs distance, disappear for a moment only to appear again cutting across our stern at about 5 mtrs. A couple of live **baits were dispatched, but too late it was off to play with some other small bait fish that didn't have sharp bits protrud-**



**ing from them. The bottom feeders weren't biting either Mike reckoned the earthquakes upset them and puts them off the bite for quite a while, so the next plan was to fish over a reef nearer the island where the Kingies live. What absolute back breaking,**



arm stretching, and lung gasping, adrenalin pumping excitement filled fun this was. We fished for about 5 hours 4 rods at a time with kingies of differing sizes, at different depths being coaxed to the boat or hanging on to the rod grimly as another large fish peels off metres of line in a bid for freedom only to have to wind it all in again and follow the fish around the boat to try and get control of it and land it. All up we landed well over 50 Kingies ranging in weight from about 5 kgs to well over 20 kgs all but 5 of the largest released to fight another day. Some other fish landed during the Kingie mayhem were red Snapper, a small Bass, Gem fish a Cucumber fish (true) a couple of Jock Stuarts, and a bird strike caught + released. Time to head in closer to shore; we did try for terakihi part way in no luck with them at all not even a nibble. Entering the harbour was a bit of a buzz, its actually a river mouth and very narrow 25 to 30 metres wide a rock groin one side and sand bars the other, with a following sea and wind we hit it at full speed to keep steerage in the narrow channel.

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To most of the party the Kingies caught were either first timers or personal best fish so a lot of celebrating went on on the cruise in much to the detriment to leg stability when trying to get off the boat, but after lots of hilarity and extra help those afflicted are finally safe ashore. We



dropped our kingie fillets and frames to a local fish shop owner for smoking and packaging to take home with us and the other fish battered and cooked for our dinner. 20228

Day 4



**We didn't fish this day as the forecast was for strong winds and rough seas so after a late breaky we head to Tauranga for a look about and lunch. A stroll along the Strand in the heat of early afternoon was enough to send most into the shade for a cold one or two with a nibble. A stop off at Matata on the way home was the highlight of the day when the bar person gave us all a hat, green towelling, too large for most with the emblem of a local beer on it (Wild Buck) evidently if you bought and actually drank a pint you can choose hat, cap or T shirt. A couple of our party took up the challenge and were given an assortment of the gear after only one pint. It was then we all received our hats it must be a slow seller to be giving away the promotional items like that and not selling everyone a pint. We arrived back at Ohope about 7pm to turn up the roast lamb and get the veggies**

done for dinner.

Day 5

Next morning pick up fish pack up gear and clean up house we finally are on the way home 9ish brunch brake at Taupo. Good drive home dropping the last off in Plimmerton about 5 pm. A great trip with great company. Now where to next year

G.H.

(Grunter).



We welcome articles from members, please feel free to send in any stories you would like to share with our members to [manager@plimmertonboatingclub.org.nz](mailto:manager@plimmertonboatingclub.org.nz)

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### Vice Commodore — Power Boating

As a fantastic summer has drifted quietly to a close we can say whole heartedly the fishing around Plimmerton/Mana has been excellent over the last few months. Cyclone Pam dampened things down for a week as the water temperature dropped almost 5 degrees over that time but it has slowly risen again, bringing the fish back on the feed with reports of good weight Snapper being caught regularly, I know from my own experience the big Terakihi have been numerous with a number of them caught over the 50 cm in length. There have been good reports of Kingfish and Tuna catches and there have been sightings of large pods of Dolphin throughout the area, especially over the Fishing Competition weekend. It was a fantastic sight viewing them in huge schools with the bait fish jumping out of the water in front of them, showing the fish stocks are in good condition around the area

The Fishing competition was run over March 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>

On Friday night after the completion rules were taken care of we had a talk on life jacket safety by Karl one of our club members, which was very informative and with a graphic demonstration of what happens when you pull the cord on your manual inflating life jacket, these four important points came out of the talk

- Make sure the pull cord is out in view and the wearer knows where it is
- Make sure your gas cylinder is up to date – you can weigh these to check they are full
- Put some reflective fluorescence tape on the exterior casing of your life jacket, so if you **have the misfortune to fall over board and don't inflate your life jacket you can be seen** clearly
- **And I shouldn't have to say this – wear your life jacket, don't just look at it!**

Saturday's weather was fine and a little choppy with mainly kingfish and a huge haul of snapper being caught , Euon from Tommy's Real Estate did a great job auctioning off fish to a small but interested crowd, Sunday's weather was very good for fishing and the at the end of the day we had the usual variety of fish and arriving at weigh in were, Cod , Terakihi , more Snapper , Hapuka , Tuna ,John Dory , Crayfish , Butterfish and another huge catch of Kingfish , with an Elephant fish caught by one of our junior fisher girls, the fish auction went very well to a large



Jon and Jackie Mayne – Jackie won the ladies section with a 4+ kilo snapper and Jon is hooked up to the second heaviest snapper at 7+ kilos

crowd , and we sold all the fish brought in over the two days, which raised a healthy \$8000.00 , altogether the fishing competition put just under \$10000.00 into the club funds .

With these funds we are currently looking at a number of improvements to the piers, lighting and filleting area of which we will keep you informed as to what will be happening, we all felt the fish weighed in during the competition weekend were in excellent condition.





The Hunting and Fishing Crew with some of their catch

I would like to thank the volunteers that did a fantastic job helping over the weekend without you the competition would never have ran so well, also a big thank you to locals Dinah, Sheryl and co, who put their energy into selling raffle tickets , providing scones for morning tea for the fishing competition Volunteers and the donation of some great prizes.

I am intending to run a filleting education night over winter which should be of interest to anyone that would like to learn this skilled art or

bone up on their own skills. It can be very helpful in the kitchen when you get home from that great days fishing having this knowledge.



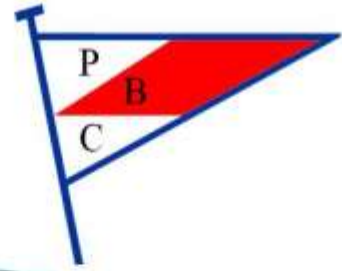
Mike Sherring  
Vice Commodore Power



The fishing completion cruise prize was won by last years winner Shane Taylor with a 11.14 kg snapper, that is a large fish in any ones books.



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