



TIMARU YACHT AND POWER BOAT CLUB

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ONLY FORTY-FOUR SLEEPS TO GO

Sailing starts again 16th September.... can hardly wait!

Informal pre-season sailing ... be there to join the fun.

And remember it's even more fun for the rest of us if you haven't done your maintenance by then!

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FROM THE AGM

New Life Members - Les and Beryl Baker and David Young

David, Les and Beryl were all unanimously voted into life membership at the recent AGM. Gordon read the following at the meeting in support of their nominations...

Les and Beryl Baker

Les first began his sailing career in the Waikato in the 1960s crewing in a cherub before progressing to a Frostply (Frostbite) that he built and used on the Hokianga Harbour. Moving to Timaru in 1976, Les and Beryl joined the TYPBC where Les sailed a Finn until 1983.

From 1983 until 1998 Les and Beryl sailed a Noelex 22 "Rangitahi", gaining success as the overall winner of the Aviemore Classic while also competing in regattas in Timaru, Dunedin, Lyttelton and Lake Aviemore in the Classic and New Year regattas.

From 1999 to 2021 Les and Beryl cruised and raced a Noelex 25 "Skidmark", clocking up over 1500 nights on board and competing in the Aviemore classic for 25 years.

Off the water Les and Beryl were very active in the club. Beryl was secretary for the juniors' section, had 30 years keeping race results and organised certificates and trophies for both the junior and senior sections of the club for many of those years.



Beryl also assisted Les during his period of race management, acting as flag person when Les was race officer for the Classic and local events, even fabricating a set of large race flags for this. Les was racing organiser of the Aviemore Classic for 17 years and gained certification as a national judge and race officer after which he officiated at 4 national and several other regattas. Les was elected club Commodore for 2001-02 and represented the club at the National Trailer yacht Assn and the Waitaki lakes Committee.

Les' and Beryl's commitment to sailing doesn't finish there. They also parented four children who all took up sailing. Three attended national regattas with two gaining national champion status success at international level and one involved in the America's cup campaigns for about 8 years. So thank you Les and Beryl. Your commitment to our club and sailing in general is awesome, and we hope this nomination for life membership goes some way in recognising your input.

- Steve Hutton

David Young

David's association with the club spans close to eighty years.

During that time David has supported the club in many ways, especially since the early 1960's. I can recall at least 20 major national and international championships where he has freely given the club the use of his time and yacht, 'Whispering Hope' as race committee base. David has also been involved in a multitude of South Island and club functions, including coaching and helping with the schools sailing programs.

I have of course left his greatest effort to last. For half a lifetime he has been the go-to Keeler person, introducing many new members to the club's ranks and has looked after and guided them on all things 'keelboat' such as moorings, slipways, repairs, among many other tasks.

He has been a keen racing and cruising member of our club and has flown the TYPBC flag in many ports.

This is only a brief summary of a lifetime of freely given service by a quiet and humble but industrious sailor, and surely deserving of Life Membership recognition.

I am honoured to have been asked to compose this brief resume in support of David's nomination to LIFE membership at the A G M, and I strongly feel that this is long overdue and well-deserved.

- Dave Whytock

P.S. in the last decade my own nautical interests have been on a different course but I have continued to take an interest in the clubs activities.



2023-24 Officers

Your Committee is mostly a reinstatement of last year's with just a couple of changes. Many thanks to **Laurence Gibb** for his service, stepping down as Treasurer.

Elected were; **Ivan Stevenson** remains as Patron, **Martin Kane** remains as Commodore, **Richard Johnson** as vice Commodore. **Gordon Collister** remains on the Committee as Past Commodore.

Catherine Illingworth is Secretary for another year, **Gillian O'Connor** was newly elected to Treasurer. **Peter Taylor** still leads the sailing section, **Steve Hutton** the Trailer yacht section and **Simon Ussher** the juniors. General Committee are **Ross Jones, Warrick Lowe, Martin Bosman** and **Simon Boys**

Of course too late we realised our mistake in not voting Laurence Gibb back onto the Committee but the Committee has the option of adding another member... watch this space 😊



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PROFILE: New Committee member: Martin Bosman.

Hi. I'm Martin Bosman, newly elected to the Committee.

For those that don't know me I head the Aviemore Classic Regatta organising team.

Without a good supporting team this is impossible, especially after we lost Geoff this year but I was lucky and joined up with Geoff 3 years ago running the Aviemore Classic and learned enough from him to step in his shoes last year, plus he was always not far from the phone to give me advice.

This year we will carry on the Geoff's way and make this again a great family orientated, socialising, fun, safe sailing Aviemore Classic regatta.

I have been a sailor all my life, starting on the small lakes and channels in Holland. There are plenty of these as Holland is more under water than above land.

After the Dutch army I spent 3 years on an ocean-going tug responding to 'maydays' in the North sea and Atlantic and moving big oil Riggs and barges from the gas fields around the world. My biggest and longest trip was Bahrain to New Orleans, going more backwards than forwards on the Atlantic ocean. We ran out of smokes, beer and food except T-Bone Steaks which meant a BBQ three times a day. We also had no mail after our last port of Madera... this was life in the 1970s with no internet.

I joined the TYPBC in 2004 after buying a sailing boat and especially enjoying the sailing on Lake Benmore, the peace and quiet and enjoying the camp nights at sailors' creek and MAD island. I have been to the Aviemore Classic from 2010 and enjoyed the atmosphere from day one, the people and the set-up.

I hope to take care of this as governor, improving it and keeping it going until handing this over to the next caretaker of this great little "out of the blue" biggest inland regatta in NZ.

- Martin Bosman.

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Your membership is important to us all.

We have taken steps to make the renewal easier... you are now invited to renew your membership by going to www.timaruyabc.nz and selecting the button for the new season. Note there is NO "co" in that address!)

Having problems?

Please contact Martin who will support you with this changed approach;
Commodore@TimaruYPBC.nz

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JETTY - TWO STEPS FORWARD, ONE STEP BACK

The recent heavy weather (22nd/23rd) has undone some of the good maintenance work on the jetty. While the underlying structure (that was the majority of recent work) appears unaffected, the repaired breastwork and walkway planking (the surfaces we actually use) have been impacted. Individual planks and whole sections of breastwork have been stripped off by the seas.



This section still attached to a whaler was doing lazy loops in front of the ramp.



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BLOKARTING ANYONE???

Richard is looking into the possibility of a TYPBC adventure to Christchurch to have a go at the Blo-karting course up there. If anyone's interested, let Richard know; johnsonra@xtra.co.nz



About Blokart Sailing (from the Christchurch club):

Sailing days: We sail every Sunday where there is wind and if the Wigram venue is available. We sail on a part of the old Wigram airbase now owned by the Airforce Museum. It has a decent bit of tarmac and we can easily get to 50kph+ on a good day. We might get 12-18 Blokarters out on a good day, and we are a very friendly and sociable group.

We do also get out to the beach on occasions and this can happen on any day of the week so that is another possible option. Sailing at the beach tends to be more during spring to autumn and is generally relatively 'spontaneous' ... when a good wind coincides with favourable tides..

Weather: *This time of year the weather is the main issue as not a lot of wind in winter. Spring weather generally provides more reliable sailing winds. We don't mind the cold & a bit of rain, but like yachts, Blokarts aren't much fun without the wind.*

Karts available: *We have 3 Club karts available that we hire out for a nominal fee. If your club wanted to come up for a Sunday sail, I am sure we can make suitable arrangements so all who wanted can have a go.*

Planning: *I'd suggest picking a Sunday when the forecast has some prospect of wind 15-20 kph+...below that may still be sailable, but marginal...and likely your club members who have some sailing experience would want some excitement!*

Very happy for you to see how the Club operates and assist in any way we can including making a date/hire kart arrangements

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THE 35TH AVIEMORE CLASSIC TRAILER YACHT REGATTA 2023

This event is now in its 35th year and began from an idea formed by Bill Burgess and members of the Timaru Yacht and Power Boat Club in 1988 with the first event run on Lake Benmore in the Waitaki Valley, irregular winds in the area saw it moved to Lake Aviemore where it has remained to the present day.

With the development of trailer yachting in NZ the competition base has changed from those family cruising yachts to the more competitive R780, Elliot E5.9 and Noalex classes that form the basis for today's racing.

The 25th Aviemore Classic anniversary event attracted a total of 98 boats for the main event, last year we had around 40 yachts with some E5.9's travelling from Auckland, a truly national event where a great deal of effort is put into making the event very social.

With the organisers arranging and providing marquees, BBQ, toilets and showers in a camping reserve adjacent to the race course.

We need you!
Please volunteer for the Aviemore Classic
19 - 23 October 2023

- setting up, helping marquee kitchen, etc
- rescue boat skippers and crew
- start / finish boat assisting - finishing times

The 35th Aviemore Classic Regatta 2023 programme this year will have the following;



The Sunday Aviemore Classic is a race comprising of two circuits of Lake Aviemore comprising around 20 nautical miles of a triangular course.

New this year we will be running for the first time again a half course circuit for cruising boats who want to take it easy.

NZTYA South island and National championship 2023 = TBC in the entrée form this year.

On the Friday and Saturday we have the short course racing and often includes class championships for any or all of the N25, N22, R780 and E5.9 classes.

And we are running the “Swanny Fun” race in the river for the family cruising boats and our TYPBC juniors sailing the big boats by them self with the skipper on board on both day’s.



The challenges of providing a regatta of this nature in an area remote from a host club and its incumbent facilities means that the operating costs are higher than those where the event is held at an established club and the means of funding the event are usually by way of corporate or trust sponsorship, a big thank you to all our sponsors in the early years Meridian Energy and in later by Trust Aoraki and all local sponsors in Timaru / Ashburton / Christchurch the TYPBC club and YNZ.

And off course the TYPBC members and partners who put in a lot of time and effort to keep this regatta going over the last 35 years.

Also a big thank you to the all the governors of the past - Bill Burgess – Jeff Champion – Jon Olds – Ivan Stevenson – Laurence Smith – Laurence Gibb – Geoff Swan.

Martin Bosman - Governor
Aviemore Classic Regatta 2023

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