

# Keelboat Division

With the exception of Wednesday night racing, our fleets continue to be down in numbers and the Trailer Yacht division appears to be suffering similarly.

It was therefore decided to combine the fleets in a more social series, the Hunters Creek Regatta. A fleet of 18 boats started the Saturday race around Karewa and back to Panepane Point. The breeze was excellent, however, the forecast for rain probably kept several boats away. Seventeen boats rafted up in Hunters Creek after the race for a barbeque. The weather cleared, the wind died, and everyone had a great time on the beach. It was fun socialising with another division and sharing in the racing. Fourteen boats were rafted together on only two anchors for the night. On the Sunday another race was held returning via Karewa to the Yacht Club. A mass start was had in moderate conditions with trailer sailers, multihulls and keelers starting together. I awaited the feedback after the race with interest and found that everyone enjoyed such a start. Mass starts should be considered in races where a social atmosphere is intended and where fleets are relatively small.

Everyone will remember 'Berenice' parked-up just short of the finish line on Sunday. 'Regardless' made several brave attempts to pull her off the sandbank, with no luck. Some people will try anything to improve their handicap!

Thanks must go to Dave Nelson for the use of his barbeque and parkercraft which was used as a taxi to ferry everyone ashore. This really made the evening.

While on the topic of combining divisions I was pleased to read Ross Currie's views in the previous newsletter. It makes a lot of sense to have more combined activities, especially as the keelboat owners generally only turn up for the shorter races. The largest fleets we have had this year have been in races around Karewa, Motiti and top of the harbour. It appears to me that the people most strongly against combining activities don't turn up regularly anyway, and I for one would rather race twenty boats as opposed to four or five as is often the case in the 'A' division. Our reduced safety requirements introduced this year have had little effect on encouraging boats back into the fleet. Using the economic climate as an argument doesn't make much sense either as the four most regular competitors in our fleet are probably amongst the poorest. We therefore should look at a more social aspect to our calendar to encourage people back to racing.

By the time this goes to print we will be getting close to Easter and it will not be long to our next Raceboat AGM. We should already start considering new ideas and making new suggestions in an effort to stimulate growth in our next summer series.

Should we re-duck our summer calendar to allow more time for cruising and concentrate on our major racing during the winter?



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On a lighter note, a well-known Ross 930 crew member, who shall remain nameless, was seen flying through the air one Sunday. He was trapezing from a tiger shark and it appears the acceleration was too much to cope with. Who knows? One thing is certain, he hasn't caused a Ross Boat to flip like that. Possibly that is a reflection of how good a cruising boat they are. When our intrepid sailor finally got sailing again, we could hear his knees knocking from a hundred metres away — was it the cold or just sheer panic.

One thing that has been noticeable of late is the considerable comment about behaviour out on the course. It is also noticeable that virtually no one has been protesting. In fact, only one person has bothered in our Division since November.

If we have a problem we should protest, we are all guilty of a reluctance to do so, but the only way to eliminate these incidents is to know your rules and protest. Protesting should not be discouraged provided it is sensible. It is the only form of control we have on the track and it is healthy for the sport.

The next race on our calendar is around Motiti so lets see everyone out there.

*Bob De Fluiter*

### List of Auckland/Tauranga Fleet with Current Handicaps Keelboat A Division Fleet

SAIL	YACHT NAME	DIV	I O R	PHRF	DESIGNER	LENGTH	SKIPPER	YACHTCLUB
2248	Accolade	A			Salthouse	11.60	Kennedy R	TYPBC
5787	Agaboo	A		0.8400	B Farr	10.36	McCall J G	PCC
2903	Baroness	A		0.8250	Robertson C	12.02	Warren J	TYPBC
4722	Berenice	A	0.8280	0.8650	Mitchinson W	12.00	Mitchinson W	TYPBC
5525	Big Ruby	A		0.9150	Young J	11.00	Newhook L	RNZYS
5329	Country Cousin	A		0.8750	B Farr	11.60	France D J	Thams SC
4819	Dictator	A	0.7985	0.8650	K Lidgard	12.00	Peterson B	TYPBC
6174	Domineer	A			Lidgard	13.41	Roper G N	Sandspit YC
4723	Domino II	A	0.7916	0.8600	Lidgard K	12.00	Batkin K G	BBYC
188	Fallout	A		0.8050	Young J	8.90	Bee J R	Onerahi YC
4691	Farrstrak	A		0.8000	B Farr	9.20	Dalzell G	Thames SC
6020	Final Demand	A			Farr	10.20	Soames M P	Weiti BC
2575	First Edition	A	0.7695	0.8152	B Farr	10.97	Taunt T A	RAYC
5167	Flamingo II	A		0.9600	Davidson	53.00	Staheli E	BBYC
364	Foreign Exchange	A		0.9450	Farr	53.00	Pilkington R	PCC
4411	Forever	A		0.8340	A Mummery	11.80	Pardoe B J	Sandspit YC
5948	Gemeni Dreem	A		0.8000	Wright A	10.60	Peterson J H	RAYC
3850	Godwit	A			Farr	38.00	Lloyd D	TYPBC
5577	Hi Jack	A			D Senior	12.19	Balemi J	BBYC
4617	Hunter	A		0.8450	Davidson	36.10	Hunt T W	Thames SC
70	Indian Summer	A		0.8610	Lidgard	12.00	Hazard	RAYC

5911	Kaimai Flyer	A		0.9150	J Young	11.00		Loch D & P	TYBPC
2780	Nell Gwyn	A		0.8150	B Farr	11.04		Patten Layne	RAYC
5488	No Regrets	A		0.8050	Young J	8.80		Faulkner W R	TYBPC
4842	No Worries	A		0.8390	Ross M	9.30		Bax B	TYBPC
6178	Party Girl	A		0.9150	Young J	11.00		Guy R	PCC
4810	Pedlar	A		0.8200	B. Farr	10.58		Larsen R C	Sandspit YC
2075	Ponsonby Scow	A		0.8900	Mummery A	52.60	FT	Shadforth M & Dixon G	RNZYS
4896	Positive Touch	A			J Young	9.45		Peet D	TYBPC
5917	Provincial Cowboy	A		0.9600	Ross	12.00		Bagge G	TYBPC
4166	Regardless	A			Lidgard	12.00		Saunders L	TYBPC
4060	Resolution	A		0.8301	Townson	36.00	FT	Wood R & Shaw M	RNZYS
4697	Revolution	A	0.8300	0.8150	Farr	11.40		Whiteman M J	TSC
5533	River Rebel	A		0.8870	Lambert	36.00	FT	McMaster M C	BBYC
187	Runaway Bay	A		0.8150	Lidgard	42.00	FT	Melville R	RNZYS
3414	Sergeant Pepper	A		0.8150	Farr	11.04		McPherson N	PYC
5019	Shockproof	A		0.8390	Ross M	9.30		Eaton W	TYBPC
3863	Superstar	A		0.8150	Farr	11.04		Davies S	RYC
5239	Teamster	A		0.8050	L Davidson	10.66		Cashmore W N	BBYC
4973	Vengeance	A		0.8390	Ross M	9.00		De Fluitier R H	TYBPC
5675	Witchdoctor	A	0.9146	0.9550	L Davidson	14.00		Nalder R	Lake Taupo YC
5516	Wyndspell	A			Warwick	0.00		Jones Barry	
5880	Young Magic	A			J Young	8.94		Land R	RNZYS

### Keelboat B Division Fleet

SAIL	YACHT NAME	DIV	I O R	P H R F	DESIGNER	LENGTH	SKIPPER	YACHTCLUB
5282	Agony	B		0.7610	Wright A	9.20	Neave J	BBYC
3957	Apusskidu	B			Wright A	9.20	Reddish D	PCC
1044	Aurora	B		0.7700	Stewart	10.30	McDonald L A	TYBPC
3522	Basic	B			Hartley	39.00	Forster R G	TYBPC
343	Bejay	B		0.7700	A Wright	9.20	Jones N	PCC
3891	Caloondra II	B		0.7750	Lidgard J	10.36	Fraser R N	TYBPC
4242	Camira	B		0.7850	Lidgard J	33.00	Noakes G	Sandspit YC
3985	Impasse	B		0.7900	Lidgard J	37.00	Abel L	Devonport YC
3385	In'Sha'Allah	B	0.6820	0.7220	Lidgard J	9.61	Odges B	OYC
3413	Jemima	B		0.7700	Smith	11.58	Dwan N	TYBPC
5778	Johanna	B		0.7570	Mull	9.24	Crockett S A	TYBPC
1404	Kidnapper	B	0.6656	0.7150	Lidgard J	31.60	Jeffries T R	BBYC
4101	Kon-Tiki	B		0.7900	Lidgard J	10.00	Lavelle J P	RNZYS
2527	Linda Del Mar	B			Tarrabochia	8.27	Moran P & S	TYBPC
1443	Lynx	B		0.7700	Spencer J	10.17	Cochrane Dr C	TYBPC
263	Phantom	B			Lidgard	31.50	MacDonald	
5032	Ragtime	B			L Davidson	10.66	Hicks D	RNZYS
5250	Red Hot	B		0.7700	Mull B	9.45	Dagg W	RAYC
4377	Shenanigan	B		0.7930	Lidgard	10.00	Tompsett C	TYBPC
2215	Stinger	B	0.6896	0.7260	Whiting P	9.00	McMillan S G	RAYC
1500	Swooper of Cox, S C	B		0.7250	Davidson	27.10	Dalton TC	PYC
2080	Vitesse	B		0.7800	Spencer	33.10	Gardyne A	TYBPC
4103	Woodbine	B			Wagstaff	32.60	Haslip B	TYBPC
3374	Zeppo	B	0.7009	0.7350	Mull	99.60	Daniel W J	Onerahi YC

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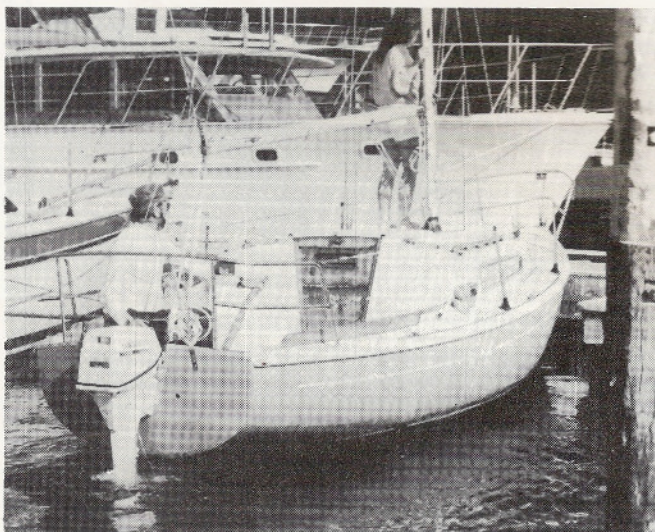
SAIL	YACHT NAME	DIV	H/CAP	DESIGNER	LENGTH	SKIPPER	YACHTCLUB
7400	Afterburner	M		Tennant M	45.00	Russell/Hughes/Smith	AMSA
7358	Buccaneer	M		Crowther L	12.00	Webster B N	MBBC
7344	Double Bullet	M		Tennant	9.00	Finnerty K	AMSA
7346	Falcon Forwarders	M		M Tennant	8.50	Wright K P J	Milford SC
7296	Kinetic	M		Tennant	8.80	Allan D	TYBPC
7194	Krisis	M		Crowther	12.19	Stuart D	AMSA
7352	Loose Goose	M		Newick	31.00	Dilley J R	MCC
7120	Manu Puru	M		L Crowther	10.06	Jepson P M	Sandspit YC
7295	Moonshine Express	M		Tennant M	8.50	Kocis P	TYBPC
7250	Overdrive	M		Crowther	28.00	Bartlett W J	MBBC
7356	Shaponda	M		L Crowther	11.58	Harris L	TYBPC
7350	Split Enz	M		Given	12.00	Price J	AMSA
7357	Twisted Sisters	M		Tennant	0.00	Hustler P	

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