

Manager's Message

The fabulous summer has produced a great result for Seaview Marina for this financial year. It's not hard to see the difference the sun makes to boaties in Wellington. It has meant record hardstand activity, a 30% increase in diesel sales and steady as she goes in berth and trailer park occupancies. It bodes very well for a successful 2012/2013 financial year.

The hardstand operation has come into its own over the summer period. It is interesting to note that Mike Croft and Mark Cousins have been kept busy with the increased demands we have experienced. They have achieved an average of 5 lifts per day and the occupancy of the cradles has been around 75%. There has also been a trend to larger boats and longer stays.

Not only is the business looking good but we have also been successful in smartening up the marina surrounds this year with the first section of the marina walkway completed and the new gateposts set up in entranceway 1 and 2. There is one more set of gateposts to be installed at the Burnsco entrance.

What I'm really proud of is the success we have had in achieving the 'Clean Marina Status'. This is a very difficult award to achieve and is only given if the marina operation is fully compliant in the management of health and safety, control of the marina environment and waste disposal. It has taken three years to achieve but we are now one of a select few marinas in New Zealand with the Clean Marina status.

The Board has been reviewing the strategic developments for the marina over the next three years and there are some exciting projects in the offing. Unfortunately we have had no luck in securing an operator for the café and the project has been put on hold in the meantime. With another 140 berths to be developed and the continued beautification of the marina to be completed the next three years will be exciting.

Best regards
Alan McLellan
CEO



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Seaview Marina is Wellington's First Clean Marina



Seaview Marina has recently been awarded Clean Marina certification by the Marina Operators Association, making us one of six marinas in New Zealand and the only one in the Wellington region, to receive this honour.

The Clean Marina Programme is a partnership between industry, local and central government and the general boating fraternity. The Florida Clean Vessel Act in the USA first introduced Clean Marinas in 1993, since then thousands of marinas across the USA and the world have adopted the Clean Marina strategy.

The Marina Industries Association of Australia now boasts over 30 certified Clean Marinas nationwide.

As participants in the Clean Marina Programme, marinas voluntarily pledge to maintain and improve New Zealand's waterways by reducing or eliminating releases of harmful substances and phasing out practices that can damage aquatic environments.

In order to receive certification as a Clean Marina, participants need to complete a challenging process, including training, a self-evaluation checklist and a site audit.

Certified marinas strive for continuous improvement in daily environmental stewardship practices. Benefits to becoming a certified Clean Marina:

- *Reduced pollution and improved water quality
- *Protection for fish and wildlife habitat
- *Enhanced public image by promoting environmentally sound practices
- *Reduced waste disposal costs

Clean Marina status requires significant effort in the areas of solid waste, fuel storage, sewage, and habitat management. In addition, our Marina staff must be trained for emergencies such as fuel spills and fire safety.

Seaview Marina is an environmentally safe marina and we ask our customers to help us protect the environment by being aware of and abiding by the fueling procedures, waste disposal and recycling systems we have implemented. Details of how you can assist are listed on the following page.

We thank you in advance for your support in helping us keep our waterways clean for future generations to enjoy.



New Zealand's



clean marina

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Seaview Marina has made a public commitment to further improve our environmental management systems, through implementation of 'Best Management Practices', as part of our industry led Clean Marina Programme. You, as a boat owner, can assist us in achieving our goals and ensure we maintain clean waterways for future generations to enjoy.

HOW CAN YOU CONTRIBUTE?

- Report any discharges from boats or pollution to staff for action immediately.
- Maintain your boat, do not discharge your bilge in the marina, keep your bilge clean and use oil absorbing bilge pillows.
- Make the effort to use environmentally friendly products for cooking, cleaning anti-fouling and maintenance.
- Keep your boat hull clean, regularly pressure wash your hull and keep your antifoul in good condition.
- Protect our waters from harmful marine pests. Be alert for sea life that looks different, collect a sample and call Bio-security ph: 0800 80 99 66.
- Use reliable tradespeople for all your boat maintenance. Our office can advise which providers are registered with the marina and carry the necessary insurance.
- Do not discharge sewage in the marina, use the shore side facilities or install a holding tank and use the pump out service.
- Use the designated refueling jetty only, where spill equipment is maintained, plug your scuppers, do not overfill your fuel tanks and prevent spillage from entering waterways.
- Manage your waste, pack it in—pack it out, stow, separate and recycle onshore where possible.
- This marina provides shelter and protection for marine life and a breeding ground for fish life. Please do not fish or collect shellfish in our marina.
- Respect all fisheries regulations, release underside fish and take only what you need.

Thank you for supporting the Clean Marina initiative.



Don't burn down the marina - make sure you get a *Hot Work Permit*

A recent fire aboard a yacht at one of Wellington's local marinas has led to this reminder, the fire appears to have been started by welding work. Hot work on a vessel means any welding or gas cutting work on a vessel afloat.

Under the Navigation & Safety Bylaws anyone carrying out Hot Work on a vessel afloat must first obtain a permit and also see and understand the conditions of the permit before starting work. This is found in bylaws 4.6.1 & 4.6.3, each of these bylaws carries a fine of \$200 for non-compliance.

The purpose of a Hot Work Permit is to independently assess the work to be carried out and assess its location for possible risks. This may require a visual inspection. The permit contains a safety checklist and additional conditions may be imposed if required. Conditions may include keeping a fire watch or removing materials from around the work site. There is no charge for obtaining a Hot Work Permit.

This is not the first fire that has occurred in a Wellington Marina due to easily preventable circumstances and as boats are moored closely together, marinas are very susceptible to fire spreading rapidly from boat to boat.

To arrange a Hot Work Permit you can contact the Greater Wellington Regional Council during office hours on phone 04 830 4160.

Please don't leave it till the last minute to arrange this for planned work.

Shore Power Leads - does yours comply?

Power leads in marinas are subject to movement and general wear and tear. For this reason, if you use shore power the Ministry of Economic Development require all leads to be tested and tagged annually as per AS/NZ3760.



Any supply lead should be arranged so that it will:

- ◆ Permit normal movement of a boat at its mooring without undue stress;
- ◆ Prevent water flowing along the supply lead from reaching the appliance inlet or supply plug;
- ◆ Minimize the likelihood of the plug or cord extension falling in the water;
- ◆ Minimize the possibility of accidental disconnection;
- ◆ Not present a tripping hazard to persons walking in the vicinity of the boat;
- ◆ Be located or provided with suitable protection so that it will not be subject to mechanical damage or high temperatures.

Your supply lead should be a heavy duty flexible lead or cable not exceeding 25m in length. It must not be connected to the electrical supply while it is coiled up.

Please check your boat is totally electrically compliant. If you need advice don't hesitate to contact marina staff.

Electrical Compliance Checks

Seaview Marina is about to undergo its four yearly Electrical Certification process. The marina is also subject to spot audit by the Ministry who can impose stringent fines for non-compliance. These fines may be on-charged to offenders.

In line with this, staff will be checking all vessels connected to shore power over the coming weeks. This check is being made to ensure each vessel complies with the required electrical standards. Staff will be looking for:

- ◆ A Current Electrical Warrant of Fitness (where appropriate)
- ◆ A tagged and tested power lead which is in good condition

If you have any questions about electrical compliance please contact Mike Croft: mobile 0275 022 888.

A rare visitor to Seaview Marina was this white heron, seen recently on E Pier



Dockway Bookings a Must

We are finding that many users of the Travelift dockway are now taking the time to check with the boat yard staff to make sure that this usage will not inconvenience other customers. We would like to thank those that have taken the time to call for their consideration.

Those that don't are reminded that they need to get permission to use the wharf for any maintenance, loading or drop-offs etc. Equipment being left on the hardstand can also present problems, so please remember to check with staff before any gear is left unattended.

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Vessel Insurance Reminder

In our November newsletter we reminded customers that all vessels stored at Seaview Marina must be insured and written proof of current cover provided to the marina office.

Thank you to all vessel owners who have already sent us a copy of your Certificate of Currency. If you have not provided this information we would be grateful if you could please forward it to us by 30 April 2013.

Some customers have queried with us the need for their vessel to be insured. Seaview Marina Ltd carries comprehensive insurance cover. Like all New Zealand marinas, we are working towards ensuring all our customers and contractors working in the marina are covered also. It is worth noting that many New Zealand marinas will not store nor allow on the boat yard vessels that are uninsured, nor allow uninsured contractors to work on vessels.

This requirement has arisen because of the number of serious accidents that have occurred in marinas and the potential for considerable cost involved in putting right the resulting damage. The need for insurance is not only to protect the marina but also to protect you, your vessel and your other assets.

If you feel you don't need insurance, or that your vessel is not worth insuring, it is perhaps worthwhile considering some examples of events that have occurred at other New Zealand marinas. They could easily happen here and affect you:

◆ If your vessel caught fire and burnt out, could you replace, salvage or repair it? If the fire damaged adjacent vessels or burnt out the whole pier could you afford to repair and/or replace them also? If the other vessels are insured but you are not, the vessel owners insurer will look to make a claim against you.



◆ If your vessel sunk in the marina, could you afford the cost of salvage and repair? If you couldn't, the marina will have to salvage the vessel. Our insurance company may look to claim back costs from you personally.



◆ If you damaged another vessel in the marina could you cover the cost of repairing it? A contractor faced a \$2,000 bill to re-spray the hull of a vessel damaged by shavings from grinding he was doing on an adjacent vessel.

◆ If a contractor working for you is uninsured and he damages your vessel or an adjoining one, could you afford the cost of repair to the vessel? One uninsured contractor working on a vessel in a New Zealand marina lost his house when the insurance company sued him to recover the cost of damage caused.

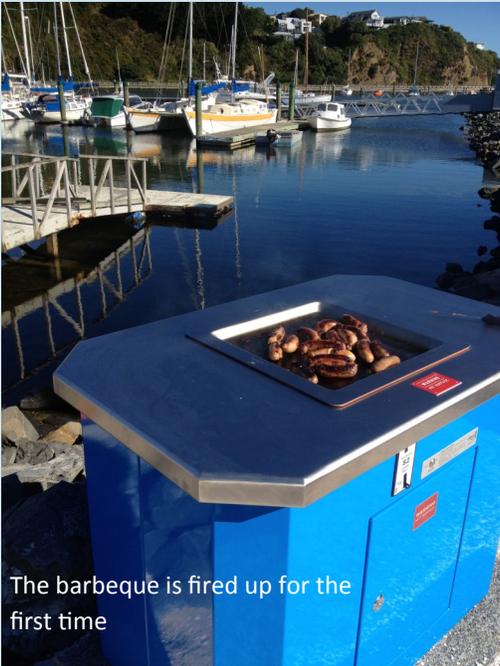
We acknowledge that some customers are experiencing difficulty insuring their vessels because their boats age, condition or construction. In addition, some may require a survey or inspection before insurance is cover is approved. Please contact Marina staff who have details of insurance companies or insurance brokers who may be able to assist.

A note for those whose vessels require a survey or inspection prior to being insured. We have been advised that if you are successful in insuring your vessel after obtaining a survey it is important to make sure your insurance cover does not lapse. If it does, you may be required to obtain another survey - a potentially costly oversight.

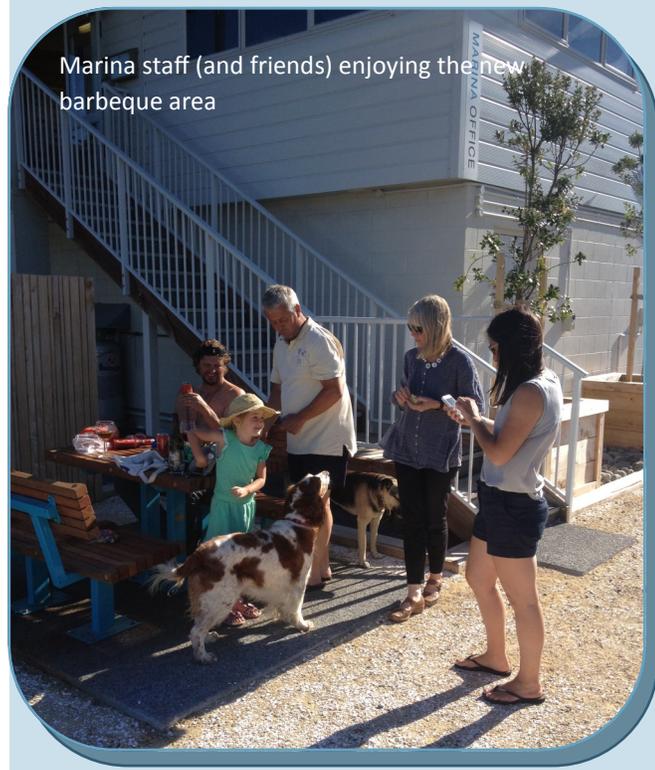
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suzanne@seaviewmarina.co.nz
or post to:
 Seaview Marina
 P O Box 33-230
 Petone
 Lower Hutt 5045.

New BBQ area completed

A barbeque, table and seating have been installed on the waterfront walkway, just below the marina office. The new area is stage 2 of a landscaping plan for the marina which will be ongoing. The barbecue area is already proving a popular spot with not only marina customers and staff but also passing walkers and families. Using the electric barbeque is simple - all you need to do is place a \$2 coin in the machine and start cooking!



The barbeque is fired up for the first time



Marina staff (and friends) enjoying the new barbeque area

Your Pre-Winter Checklist

With the colder months approaching it is a good idea check your vessel to ensure it is both safe and compliant:

- ◆ Inspect all plugs and power leads for wear.
- ◆ Check lines for chafing and ensure they are heavy enough for the weight of your boat. Double up if necessary.
- ◆ Ensure covers are secure and in good condition. Repair rips or worn covers.
- ◆ Ensure anodes will see you through the next six months.
- ◆ Check bilge pump systems. Ensure pumps are free of debris and that float switches are operational. Test that manual switches are working.
- ◆ Ensure batteries are all in top order. Ideally load test the House and Start banks to ensure your batteries are capable of holding a charge.
- ◆ Test your charging system. A quick test of the alternators will confirm the charging system is working. Check the belts on the alternators.
- ◆ Service the anchor winch, it will be cheaper than a visit to the chiropractor! They can get covered in salt water during the summer and sit idle during the winter. Wash with fresh water and ensure the torque adjustment is correct.

Please advise the marina office staff of electrical faults in plugs and power pedestals or any other maintenance issues.



Feature Vessel - 'Flirt'



A recent visitor to Seaview Marina boat yard which attracted a lot of attention, was the magnificent little 8m Steam Boat *Flirt*, owned by Rob Hamlett.

Flirt is an historic replica of a Royal Mail steamboat *Flirt*, built by the Simpson, Strickland Company in Dartmouth England in 1894. She is a vessel with a long and fascinating history and has recently undergone a seven year restoration, all of which has been meticulously documented by Rob.

The project emerged from Hamlett's ambition to own a classic steam launch. He went to Canada to look for a steamboat, found *Flirt* and shipped her to New Zealand but then discovered she was beyond restoration. She was, in his words, 'a lump of crafted steel, brass and copper nested into the wooden hull of a tiny 16'8" long Poulso boat built in 1955'. The steam engine however, was in good enough order to be installed in the new *Flirt*.

Rob sought the advice of renowned Wellington Naval Architect Bruce Askew to assess the Poulso boat hull. He estimated that *Flirt* would require considerable expenditure to make it seaworthy again but



One of only two known photographs of *FLIRT* at work (date and location unknown)

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above all else it was Bruce's opinion that the hull was grossly overloaded with the Quad engine.

Thus began an extensive search in the Brixham Heritage Museum in England to locate plans and ledgers from the Simpson-Strickland boatyard of a very similar boat to the original hull.

Bruce Askew then drew up plans for a replica with some modifications to reflect a number of Rob's requirements, namely the ability to trailer the boat and the addition of a purpose built cabin. The length and width of the boat were adjusted to comply with NZ road regulations for items carried on a trailer to not exceed 2.5m wide and for the maximum allowable length allowed on some NZ lakes of 8m.

One of New Zealand's foremost wooden boat builders, Lionel Jefcoate was cajoled to take over the rebuilding of *Flirt*. Jefcoate, who after serving his apprenticeship, set up shop as a boat builder on the waterfront at Governors Bay Lyttleton, had previously built over 50 boats of varying size and use including motor sailors, fishing trawlers launches and small sailing craft and pulling boats. He also spent six months as a volunteer shipwright, helping to restore and 19th century tea clipper Cutty Sark in London's Greenwich before it was badly damaged by fire in 2007.

Boat number 48, the 40ft cutter *Encore*, berthed on C Pier at Seaview Marina is a product of Lionel's Governors Bay shed.

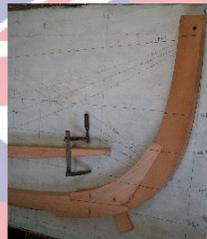
Initially reluctant to take on the project, Lionel Jefcoate finally agreed to undertake the work on the firm understanding that *Flirt* was to be his last boat as he wanted to concentrate on joinery and fine cabinet-making. It took Lionel two years and eleven months to rebuild *Flirt*—his 55th boat.

The new *Flirt* pays homage to traditional design and construction. She has a single carvel planked hull of Kahikatea on White

Master Shipwright Lionel Jefcoate starting to rebuild the new *FLIRT*



Laying out keel parts



Checking lines



Shaping the bow with an adze



Boring the keel for the shaft log

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Caulking the hull planks and starting on the deck structure

Oak ribs. The keel is a mixture of Kauri and Macrocarpa and the engine bearers and floors are Eucalyptus. The cabin and deck are teak with a mixture of Eucalyptus, Black Poplar and Ash. The transom and bow post are Kauri while the rudder is Macrocarpa, Elm and Jarrah.

The engine was stripped down, cleaned and rebuilt. Many of the surviving parts of the original boat were used and where no metal parts survived, bronze bespoke items were manufactured by Lionel.

The rebuild of *Flirt* took seven years and she was launched on 5 March 2011 at the antique and classic boat show at Nelson's Lake Rotoiti.

Please Don't Use Fire Hoses— except in an emergency

We've all done it— the boat needs hosing down, a water tank has to be filled. What's the easiest option? Grab the fire hose to get the job done.

Unfortunately, recent damage to a fire hose pedestal on E Pier has highlighted the problem this is causing. The pedestal was pulled over and the base broken. Three or four fire hoses have suffered the same fate. The cost of repairing a fire hose and fittings is significantly more than repairing a standard tap.

Please take the time to connect your hose to the tap on your pedestal and leave the fire hose for emergencies only.



Please use the marina fire hoses in an emergency only



Seaview Marina Hours and Contact Details

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Environmental Update

Please sort your rubbish

It is great to note the recycling bins by the ablution block entrance are being well-used but disheartening to see some people are still placing cardboard, glass and plastic in the large orange bin by the ablution block, not in the designated recycling bins. **Please note that the orange bin is for non-recyclable waste only.**



Please help reduce the amount of rubbish we send to landfill by:

- ◆ Putting cardboard and paper in the large blue bin located south of the ablution block.
- ◆ Putting your general waste in the orange bin, or in the small bins at the entrance to each pier.
- ◆ Sorting your recyclables into the wheelie bins by the ablution block.

To assist you with sorting your rubbish we will soon be adding a recycling bin at the end of each pier.

Please don't overfill the rubbish bins



If the rubbish bin at the end of your pier is full please do not over fill it by jamming extra bags of rubbish into the top.

Overflow can be placed in the large general waste bin or the recycling bins by the ablution block.

Ramp Bin Removed

The large orange bin by the boat ramp has been removed because of constant problems with foul waste being dumped into it. This included deer carcasses, large bags of household waste and fish cleanings. Smaller bins have been placed around the ramp area.

Please don't dump fish cleanings in these bins. They create an awful stench and are very unpleasant to empty. Please clean fish well out at sea or take it home to fillet.

Sewage containment required on your vessel if you are staying overnight



As part of our commitment to New Zealand's Clean Marina Programme, Seaview Marina provides excellent onshore ablution facilities and sewage pump-out at the dock. We encourage boat owners to use our onshore facilities at all times.

We also require vessel owners overnighing or living on board to fit a holding tank. This need not be an expensive exercise involving modifications to your vessel. A portable toilet can be purchased for as little as \$200 .

Over the next few months marina staff will be checking vessels, to ensure they are compliant.

If you have any queries about sewage containment please contact Mike Croft: 0275 022 888



Marina Improvements



The old barrier at the entrance to the launching ramp has been replaced with a new sliding arm.



You can now check out the latest weather forecasts, tide tables and marina news on the new noticeboard outside the abluion block

New Gates Gifted to Marina

Entrance way 1 and 2 are now framed by beautiful cast iron posts and gates, which were gifted to Seaview Marina by the Wellington Waterfront Company. A chance meeting between Alan McLellan and Wellington Waterfront's Property Manager, led to the offer of these posts and gates as a gift to the marina.

There is a strong link between Seaview Marina and Wellington Waterfront. The Seaview Marina project was originally begun by the Wellington Harbour Board but in 1989, when Harbour Board's around New Zealand were disbanded, the project was transferred to the Lower Hutt City Council. The posts and gates we now have at Seaview Marina were once part of the extensive network of posts and gates around Wellington's wharfs.

Two more posts are to be installed at entrance way 3, leading into Burnsco and the Lowry Bay Yacht Club. No gates will be hung on these posts.

Best Engineering Limited has been responsible for the preparation and installation of the posts and gates. They were responsible for the bulk of the installation of those around Wellington's waterfront.

This is another example of the Board's focus on upgrading the aesthetics of the marina.



Book a haulout in May or June
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Please note: Special Conditions apply
Offer applies to quickslips or lift outs only
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Free boat checks!

Atomix Wellington Ltd is offering all Seaview Marina trailer boat storage customers a **FREE** monthly 10 point check from May to September. This is to give you peace of mind over the winter months knowing that your boat is as it should be. Some of the check's include, checking battery charge/condition, checking and inflating tyres and ensuring storage covers are properly secured and still in good condition. Should any issues arise the Atomix team will contact you to arrange a solution.

To register for your **FREE** 10 point check contact Atomix on 04 560 3500 or e-mail service.wgtn@atomixboats.com



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