



MANAGER'S MESSAGE

Seaview Marina continues to gain ground while all around there are those promoting doom and gloom. Our experience over the last six months is of an increased demand for our services, not a decrease. Over the last couple of months there have been a record number of enquiries for trailer parks, berths and hardstand services.

We don't have enough trailer parks to cover the demand with the occupancy at 100%. It is almost time to look at other ways of accommodating this type of boat on the marina. A simple 'dry stack' approach may be the solution for the future.

Marina berths are not such a problem, as now F Pier is completed, a few more are available. The occupancy rate is still high at 95%.

The hardstand operation is performing ahead of budget. It is excellent to see the demand we have had from not only our own licensees but also from other marinas. The hardstand service provided by Bill and Mike is regarded as excellent by all those who have used it.

With only two months of the financial year left the outlook for another successful year is good. While the failure to get F Pier completed on time has impacted on our income the control of expenses has counteracted this. The marina should finish the financial year at between 90% and 95% of our budgeted profit – still providing in excess of the return on investment required by the Hutt City Council.

As at 1st April 2009, the capital development programs initiated by the Board in the last six years have seen \$2,000,000 invested into Seaview Marina. The bulk of this has been done from income.

The next few years will be exciting with the development of the Marina Service Centre and the purchase of a new boat hoist. Coupled with the potential to add another 200 odd berths, the future looks good.

Kind regards,

Alan McLellan

Stop Press

Electrical Compliance Mandatory

A recent electrical audit of the Marina was undertaken and has highlighted some issues.

The auditors have advised it is mandatory for all vessels with an electrical distribution board to have a current electrical warrant of fitness. The warrant of fitness must be clearly displayed on the outside of the vessel.

In past newsletters we have urged boat owners to obtain a warrant of electrical fitness both for the safety of their own vessel and others. This is particularly relevant for those living aboard.

It is the boat owner's responsibility to ensure you are certified.

The Auditors have made it plain that Seaview Marina has a legal obligation to unplug power leads to 230v distribution boards where a current warrant of electrical fitness is not displayed.

For this reason, from 1st June 2009 we will be checking all vessels. Any vessel that does not clearly display a current warrant of electrical fitness sticker on the outside of the boat WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CONNECT TO SHORE POWER.

Marina staff will be pulling plugs on all non-complying vessels.

Once you have obtained your electrical warrant of fitness we would appreciate receiving a copy to hold on file in the office.

If you require more information on your electrical obligations or details about how to obtain certification for your vessel please contact Marina staff.



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

The Board is pleased with the F Pier development. While it has taken a lot longer to get it operational, due mainly to holdups with Bellingham Marine the installers, the final result has been worth the wait. With the pier now being occupied and the interest in the 20m catamaran berths strong, it looks like the configuration is going to be a success.

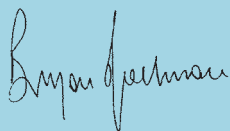
Our other major development is also taking longer than we envisaged. With an objection to the Resource Consent lodged for the building of the Marine Service Centre a final start date has yet to be determined. The additional costs involved in working through the process have been significant and unless we are able to settle the dispute through arbitration, a full Environment Court Hearing will be required to hear the dispute. It is easy to see why there is so much criticism over the Resource Management Act if our experience is anything to go by!

On the other hand the hold up has meant the cost of money and building have both moved very positively in favour of the project. Interest rates for funding the Marine Service Centre are about 65% of what we budgeted on in proving the financial viability. As well as this our architects and engineers are confirming that tender prices for construction work are coming in at 15% to 20% less than their survey figures.

The 2008/2009 financial year is proving to be another good one for Seaview Marina Limited. We are not seeing the impact of the downturn in the demand for our facilities and services. In fact over the last couple of months it has been the reverse of this with unprecedented demand for trailer parks, berths and hardstand services. Word is also getting out about our facilities further afield, with increasing numbers of overseas vessels booking medium term stays at Seaview.

The Board has asked for a report on the purchase of a new boat hoist, to replace the old 'Triffid'. The old machine has done a fantastic job and is still working well, however maintenance is becoming more of an expense as each year goes by. While priority is for the Marine Service Centre, it makes sense to prepare a business case on the purchase of a new 50 tonne boat hoist given the strong marina cash flow.

The Board would like to thank all our Licensees for their continued support.



Bryan Jackson
Seaview Marina Board Chairman

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27 year boat building project moves closer to reality



Ngaio McMillan during construction

Ngaio McMillan's 27 year boat building project moved a step closer to completion with the transfer of his 52 foot yacht from a shed in Lower Hutt to a cradle outside the office at Seaview Marina on 9 March.

For nearly three decades Ngaio has been constructing the yacht, recently named Ngaio William by his family, from his own design in his backyard shed in Pretoria Street. Ngaio completed the plans in 1980 using the skills honed during his many years as an engineer. The vessel, described by Ngaio as a high performance sailing houseboat, is constructed of mainly kahikatea and New Zealand redwood and recycled kauri from the Petone Meatworks. She weighs 14 tons and will draw 2.13m

Ngaio was in hospital on the day of the move so was unable to watch his boat being transported to its new home, however family members and friends were on hand to supervise and photograph the event.

To move the boat was a major logistical exercise requiring the removal of two shed walls and the hiring of a crane to lift the boat onto a large truck and transport it via Knights Road, Bloomfield Terrace and Moera to Seaview.

Ngaio's son Graham McMillan (owner of the vessel Bluewater) told us there is still a fair amount of work to be done before the yacht's expected launch at Christmas 2009. Prior to that date the keel, skeg and rudder will be fitted plus the exhaust, wing and interior upholstery. The rig will be added at a later date.

Once the yacht is in the water Ngaio's daughter will be living aboard thus carrying on the long family connection with the boat.



The boat leaves its shed for Seaview Marina



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Winter maintenance checks

Don't Forget to –

- ▶ Inspect all plugs and power leads for wear
- ▶ Check fenders for wear and replace as necessary
- ▶ Check all lines for chafing and ensure lines are heavy enough for the weight of your boat
- ▶ Ensure boat and sail covers are secure and in good condition. Repair ripped or worn covers
- ▶ Ensure annodes 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 the 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 get covered in salt water during the season and sit idle during the winter. Wash with fresh water and ensure the torque adjustment is correct.
- ▶ Please immediately advise the marina office staff of any electrical faults in plugs or power pedestals or other marina maintenance issues.

New gate structure on F Pier

The new gate structure on F Pier is a step away from what we have traditionally done here at Seaview Marina. It was decided that something which would offer a bit of shelter to those using the pier would be useful.

There is now some shelter for cases, bags etc in inclement weather while loading either from or to the boats on the Pier.



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Feature Vessel – Sunbeam

The *Sunbeam* story started 100 years ago in the Bailey and Lowe boat yard at Freemans Bay in Auckland. Built for Mr H Insley of Cowes Bay, Waiheke, Sunbeam was launched on 19 May 1909 intended for use in connection with Mr Insley's private hotel for excursions and pleasure parties.

Sunbeam's original dimensions were 30ft x 7ft 4in. x 2ft draft. She was frame built with a comfortable and roomy cabin, engine room and large cockpit covered by a portable canvas awning and 7-horse two cylinder Standard engine. Her fittings were of best quality including a brass steering wheel.

Sunbeam was recognized as the first glassed-in pleasure craft on the Waitemata with glass to the cabin bulkheads then canvas flaps.

When Harry Insley was appointed District Constable on Waiheke Island Sunbeam then became the new 'police launch', the first such vessel on the Hauraki Gulf. She was painted white on one side and black on the other. When spotting a poacher illegally fishing, Harry would casually sail past then surprise him by returning quickly in a seemingly different boat.

For twenty years, until his retirement on 2 June 1928 Harry Insley and Sunbeam patrolled the Hauraki Gulf. In addition to his police duties he and his sons ran a three hundred acre dairy farm, while at various times he ran the local post office, telephone exchange and the guesthouse.

Sunbeam later moved with Harry Insley to Castor Bay on Auckland's North Shore where she went aground in the 1950s and was subsequently pulled off by bulldozer. She was then sold to the owner of the Auckland Glass Company in Henderson who completely rebuilt her.

This is why her windows are an impressive ¼" plate.

Fred and Daryl Young of Howick bought Sunbeam in 1981 from a man who lived in Milford and had her moored at the bottom of his garden in the Milford Creek. She had been let go a bit but her beauty was still apparent and she went up on the hard for 4 1/2 months for a full re-paint. The Youngs enjoyed many delightful holidays on Sunbeam cruising the Gulf Islands including Great Barrier, Kawau and the Coromandel Peninsula.

Arthur Curry bought Sunbeam from the Youngs in 1989 and in the mid 1990s brought her by truck to Mana and across Cook Strait to his home in Waikawa Bay, Marlborough Sounds.

Current owner Paul Bunkall purchased Sunbeam in 1999 for cruising in the Marlborough Sounds.

In 2003 Sunbeam's engine and gearbox were completely reconditioned back to original specifications after Paul discovered that the engine had started using cooling water and corrosion had resulted in a leak into one cylinder.

In 2004 the hull was stripped back above the waterline and repainted. During the process a gash above the waterline was discovered that went right through the timber and a couple of ribs behind it were cracked. It had been bogged up and painted over many times. The plank was replaced and ribs twinned up in the area to make her solid again.

Sunbeam is now on berth B20. The proud owner will celebrate her centenary near the anniversary of her launch date on 19 May.



Sunbeam as originally built for Harry Insley, Waiheke by Bailey & Lowe, Auckland



Sunbeam today

***Sunbeam* Specifications (as at 2004):**

Construction:	1" kauri plank hull, carvel construction
Length:	30ft (overall 32ft)
Beam:	8ft 8in
Draft:	3ft
Berths:	4
Power Plant:	Ford 2711E 80hp diesel engine (full recond 2003)
Gear Box:	Borg Warner hydraulic (recond 2003)
Cruise Speed:	7kt at 1500rpm
Fuel Capacity:	110 litres (average burn 5.5 – 6.0 litres/hour)
Water Capacity:	190 litres
Marine Equipment:	VHF, Sea Talk Auto Helm, Interphase depth sounder, GPS
Living Equipment:	Pressure cold water, Fridge/freezer (engine driven compressor), Gas oven, toilet & holding tank system, Radio/stereo system.

Oil spill exercise in marina

Greater Wellington Regional Council Harbours Department and Maritime New Zealand carried out an oil spill response exercise in the Marina recently. The Seaview scenario was that a large quantity of diesel had escaped into the marina from a ruptured pipeline while a tanker was discharging at the oil wharf.

Two types of boom, Harbour and Land/Sea, were deployed from the ramp to contain the "spill" and skimmers were used to collect the "diesel". A 15 tonne capacity frame tank was erected for temporary storage.

Oil company staff and contractors, as well as Fire Service and Regional Council staff were present to practice their response skills or observe the procedure.

These exercises are annual events to check the preparedness of the response team in the event that a real spill occurs.



It's time to check your navigation lights

With the hours of darkness increasing it is a good time to check that your navigation lights are correct for your type of vessel and are in good working order.

A common area of confusion on yachts is the white motoring light, it must be **above** your side lights.

Maritime Rules and Regional Bylaws require that correct lighting is exhibited from sunset to sunrise, and during the day in restricted visibility.

With city lights in the background an especially good watch is required, as nav lights can be hard to see in that situation. There have been a few close calls in the past, some involving large shipping.

With that in mind, it is also good seamanship for all vessels to monitor "Wellington Harbour Radio", VHF Ch 14 on the harbour during the hours of darkness, in order that they can be aware of shipping movements. A call to Beacon Hill can also provide you with any known movements and record your intentions for advice to other vessels. The call to Beacon Hill is mandatory if you are passing through the entrance at night.

Have a safe winter.

Greater Wellington Regional Council – Harbours Department

Winter boat yard hours

During the winter months of May-September there will be a change to times staff are on duty on the boat yard.

Bill and Mike's winter hours will be between 8am to 5pm - 7 days a week.

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Shoot the breeze at Lowry Bay Yacht Club

Ever been working on your boat and wished for a cold beer with a few sympathetic ears? Well you'll find them at Lowry Bay Yacht Club every week-end of the year, just by the marina entrance. One of the best reasons for joining the club is that the clubhouse is the haunt of our members with a huge range of experience in launches, trailer sailers and yachts, so you'll always find someone who has encountered the same sorts of problems as you, ready to offer help or just talk.

We have many on and off the water activities including a full fishing, cruising, racing and social calendar, offering organised events that will help you develop your skills and confidence, or just have a good time. We also have monthly evenings where local experts talk about boating related topics.

The club is very family friendly, with hot meals available on Friday nights in a relaxed social environment. The clubhouse is available for hire for parties and celebrations like weddings and significant birthdays – it makes a great venue because of its good size, waterside location and deck overlooking the sunset.

With winter coming on, you can look forward to regular events like Sunday yacht racing, social cruises around the harbour, and fishing competitions, as well as cosy quizzes, and quiet drinks. We can help you get started in yacht racing by finding you a place on a boat, providing someone experienced to come out with you on your boat, or simply talk you through what to expect.

Check out our website www.lbyc.org.nz or just drop into the club on a Friday night or Sunday afternoon to see what it's like. Just ask someone to sign you in – you're always welcome.

Geoff Thorn
Commodore



Ice on demand at Seaview

A new service offered to Seaview Marina clients is an ice vending machine situated outside the office. It delivers ice on demand, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for only \$2 per bag - half the price of regular bagged ice currently available.

The machine accepts \$1 and \$2 coins and each vend takes less than 5 seconds.

The generous bag of ice is premium quality and can not only be used for keeping bait and fish chilled but drinks too.

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Lifting large sailing catamarans

As the boat hoist is not wide enough for lifting large catamarans a trial rig has been developed using our large trailer. With a bit of work done by Best Engineering to allow the weight of the catamaran to be taken on cross members between the hulls, a 16m catamaran was successful floated onto the trailer and hauled up the launching ramp.

It is anticipated that the rig will prove a draw card for other catamarans around Wellington.



Boat names on dinghies

Please help us help you. In order for us to manage the use of dinghy racks, please ensure your dinghy has some form of identification on it that links it back to either, your name, your existing boat name or your berth number.



Gear on Fingers/Piers

We are finding more and more 'gear' being stored on fingers and piers. You will appreciate that not only may such gear represent a nuisance to your fellow boaties, it also creates a potential safety hazard to pier users. For the good of all concerned, please keep the piers clear.

Return your trolleys

We are about to take delivery of 6 new blue marina trolleys. To guard against theft and to ensure trolleys are available for other users, please remember to return trolleys to the gate and lock them up after use.



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