## Canterbury J class (One Design) Owners Association Inc. Newsletter

## July 2017 Newsletter

Hi to All Jass members we have recently had our last meeting before the AGM, no real issues this year. It looks like the keel measuring has now been resolved and you will all get the opportunity to comment at the AGM and if everyone is happy with the system the measurers will start to use it. Thanks to the Subcommittee that was set up to have a look at a way to measure the keels in a reasonably easy and accurate manner.

## Hull and Lead suppliers.

Just short note to let you all know that Chris Koskella is now the official manufacturer of the keels, Chris offered to take over this job from me and will appreciate any lead that you may have lying around.

Either Leon or Chris can arrange your new boat and lead, with Chris away often, Leon might be the easiest. Contact Chris 027 228 7177, Leon 021 182 2628

We are now up to 304 so there is still plenty of interest in the J.

There are 2 boats up in the North Island not far from being finished, the fleet up there is steadily growing and three hulls went up after the J Champs this year.

#### Plans for traditional build.

Peter Vincent has recently supplied plans of the J and they went to the North Island and looks like they're building one or two boats in the traditional strip plank manner from the plans.

The plans are available to anyone to build a boat from but they won't be able to be measured under our present system, our class rules state the Canterbury J must originate from the official mould.

## Ferrymead.

Sailing at Ferrymead is still going strong unfortunately I haven't been able to get there for quite some time but they are a great bunch of guys and have some good friendly rivalry and also competitive racing.

The committee would like the regular Ferrymead sailors to think about one or two of them coming onto committee this next year. It looks like we will need maybe one or two new members for the 2017/18 year.

With our ongoing use of their lake and facilities, the committee decided it would be appropriate to provide some financial assistance to get a good set of buoys and anchors in there.

#### North Island.

Hello from the North Island, we are progressing slowly, last 3 months has given us little wind and lots of rain <u>but our program till the end on 2017 is. 5th August Tauranga, 16<sup>th</sup> September Hamilton, 28th October Waihi, and 2nd December back to Tauranga, hoping to drum up more interest in these areas, We have got two Canterbury J's been built in wood one in Thames and one soon to be started in Whangamata they are being built strictly to the rules but we have informed the guys about the class rules. Two months ago we had 4 J's sailing with the IOMs in Waihi, In the light condition we sure surprised them, even wining quite a few races, Looking forward to spring. David Hemsley Katikati.</u>

#### RMG Smart Winch.

Dave Hemsley one of our North Island measurers is now able to repair the RMG Smart Winch so this should be easy than sending the winches to Australia.

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### AGM.

You will be reminded near the date but it will be on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2017, hopefully at the CMYC clubrooms Hagley Park, we are waiting for the CMYC to approve our request.

If any of you have any items to be put on the Agenda please let Vern Rolton know.

Or just give any of the committee a call and discuss with us.

Committee. Leon Blewett, Graeme Raxworthy, Vern Rolton, Evan Patterson, Wes Purves, Ashley Glubb and Cyrus Berry and Chris Koskela.

#### Events.

Our events have been organised by Wes and Ashley, they are doing a really good job and are involving other Ass Members as assistants and this is working well and we now have a good group that know how things work.

#### Twilight sailing.

Twilights were well attended this year I think the best numbers we have had so far, unfortunately the Ferrymead event was cancelled but we will get there next time.

I think Wes and Ashley are thinking of some different venues for the next series.

### J Ass Champs,

Match racing, Ranger Trophy, 1st Graham Parratt, 2nd Ron Bedyn, 3rd Glen Church. Fleet racing, Endeavour Trophy, 1st Graham Parratt, 2nd Christ Koskela, 3rd Leon Blewett.

Overall Champion, Shamrock Trophy, Graham Parratt.

Defender trophy, Jeremy Marris.

Goodwill trophy, Ron Bedyn.

## The Auld Mug.

Roger France won, Graham Parratt got line honours.

So overall Graham (polly) Parratt has had a great year and is showing his skills as a sailor, Graham has had no radio sailing experience prior to joining us so is doing really well congratulations POLLY.

## **Enterprise Trophy.**

All done and dusted for another year and we will all learn the winner shortly, thanks to Tom Arthur for looking after this for us.

## NZRYA update.

In early April I spent a day in Auckland at a meeting rather than the normal skype meeting, it was really worthwhile and a lot of ground covered, mainly a new constitution which will be out for voting on quite soon. I'm really pleased that, Class Owner Associations are now fully recognised and have the same rights as clubs <u>but</u> without the same requirements. The document really is looking quite tidy.

Regatta management had a review and the Australian manual has been adapted for NZ, it's about 48 pages 15000 words. NZRYA Race Management Manual can be downloaded here.

http://www.nzradioyachtingassociation.co.nz/downloads/ for those who might be interested.

NZRYA subscription notice is out, sub's are due 1<sup>st</sup> October, for those who joined last year, would be nice to see you renew your membership and if others would like to join, that would be great. 8 members affiliated and 12 Canterbury J's were registered for the 2016 - 2017 year.

The International Radio Sailing Association (IRSA) has done two things recently; recognised the "Nano class", Vern emailed this out to everyone, hope you had a good look. You never know, maybe one day you could 3D print off a Canterbury J hull at home.

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The other was that International Class Committees have been formed for the "A Class", Marblehead" and the "Ten Rater".

Leon.

### Analogue servos VS Digital, whats the difference?

Analogue servo motors receives a signal from the servos amplifier 30 times a second.

This signal tells the servo motor when to start rotating and which way to rotate.

Since it only happens 30 times a second, that's the minimum reaction time.

Digital servos send a signal to the servo motor 300 times a second.

Since this signal is received by a digital servo's motor more often, it is able to react much faster and hold its position better.

Digital servos have better centering and considerably higher holding power.

This power comes at a cost, however, as digital servos tend to draw a lot more power from the on-board battery which means your battery just won't last as long.

That's all for now, Graeme Raxworthy and the J committee.



We finally worked why Leon does so well!!!