

# Canterbury J class Owners Association Newsletter

OCTOBER 2013

Hi members this is the first newsletter for the 2013 /2014 year. The AGM has recently been held with a good attendance I think about 20 attended that's not bad for an AGM as we currently have 48 members so close to half attended.

COMMITTEE ARE AS FOLLOWS.

CHAIRMAN Tom Arthur

VICE CHAIR Graeme Raxworthy

SEC . Leon Blewett

TREAS. Evan Patterson

COMMITTEE Lloyd Harman, Wes Purves, Cyrus Berry, Roger France, Peter Vincent

At the AGM, the issue regarding some rule changes was raised, this was deferred to a special general meeting which will be held early next year. These potential changes are relating to different areas of the way we build our boats so keep an eye out for the date and be there if you want or do not want any changes.

## New Boats

We are now up to no 255 so boats are building in numbers quite quickly now. There have been 3 boats go to the West coast and 1 to Australia recently.

## Sailing rules DVD's.

These are available from Tom Arthur for loan to members at no cost, these are well worth a look.

## Boat Tuning and Sailing info.

See Leon Blewett , Lloyd Harman, Graham Mander.

New Boats Leon Blewett, Graeme Raxworthy. Various parts are also available.

## New Boat Pricing

There is a small increase in the price a new hull and lead keel is now \$200 up \$5 from \$195.also Peter Vincent has advised us that the sails will now be \$110 for members .

## Measurers.

Leon Blewett , Graeme Raxworthy, Peter Vincent.

## Building Jig.

Wes Purves is looking after that so if you need it ring Wes ph 9812971 to book a donation of \$5 for members .

## NZRYA.

We are now affiliated and need 5 members annually to register their boats with NZRYA to maintain our status. Those of you that want to be part of national and maybe international events in the future need to get yourselves registered.

## Lead.

Thanks to members for the supply of lead it is always appreciated.

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## Masts.

Arrow shafts are available from Graham Mander Graham has also given us some cedar strip at no cost to members see Leon or Graeme Rax.for cedar only until it lasts.

## Bow Bumpers.

Remember no bow bumper no sail.

## Play Concepts.

They are stocking a small number of parts winches ,servos ect.

## Web Site.

keep an eye on this it will be kept updated by Adam Brice

## Measurement Form.

These have changed if you are making a new rudder check with Leon re size, some printers are not printing them off at the exact size

## Riccarton High School.

Their project of building boats is now quite close to being finished we will keep you posted. We may be able to have a launching regatta with the students when they are complete.

## West Coast .

There may be the opportunity to have a weekend over there next year to be organized when they have boats finished there are 5 boats at this stage in the Hokitika area.

## EC 12s Verse J's .

The eEC12s were the winners of this first event so the Js maybe next time.

Tool for making servo wiring see Leon.

## Boat Measuring.

The committee will no longer hold the measurement forms, they will stay with the owner, the "overall sheet" will come back to the Association, be scanned and stored electronically. Now you can keep all the paperwork together with your measurement certificate, an added feature for any potential resale.

When you arrange to have a boat measured bring along the measurement forms all ready printed and ready to go, also if sails have been measured off the boat bring these signed off forms as well. If you are replacing parts rudders etc we will check these items at your request.

## Events.

Auld Mug at Pegasus 8<sup>th</sup> December 2013

Twilight sailing January monday 27<sup>th</sup> at Ferrymead 6pm

February Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 6pm Victoria.

Rakaia event at Heather & Leons 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday January 12<sup>th</sup>.

That's all for now  
Graeme Raxworthy  
Vice President.

## The importance of an occupation in retirement.

As we get older we sometimes begin to doubt our ability to "make a difference" in the world.

It is at these times that our hopes are boosted by the remarkable achievements of other "seniors" who have found the courage to take on challenges that would make many of us wither.

Harold Schlumberg is such a person:

THIS IS QUOTED FROM HAROLD:

"I've often been asked, 'What do you do now that you're retired?'

Well...I'm fortunate to have a chemical engineering background and one of the things I enjoy most is converting beer, wine and whisky into urine. It's rewarding, uplifting, satisfying and fulfilling. I do it every day and I really enjoy it."

