

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

November 2019. CJCOA

21st AGM

The CJCOA held the 21st AGM on Sat 12 Oct. 2019 at the Club House of the CMYC. The organization is in good shape, with 95 members. The annual subscription remains at only \$10 per year, and we have adequate funds.



An **Honorary Member**, a new level of membership, was established.



This honors those who have served or still serve the Association in a way that needs recognition, regardless if they still own a Canterbury J.

Our first Honorary member is Noel Vincent who has made huge contribution to the Association.

Honorary Member - Noel Vincent – being inducted by Leon Blewett.

Honorary Member status has also been awarded to Norm Hill (J-101) for his constant and generous contribution to the CJCOA. He is congratulated by Leon Blewett as he receives this honour.



The committee took an extraordinary step and named Norm Hill as our second honorary member. This is something special as we want to do something for our elder statesman. Next to Hugh Hobden and Peter Vincent, Norm is one of our eldest members. Some of you will remember Norm first owned boat number J-8, now unfortunately consigned to history as we cannot locate it in Auckland.

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Peter Vincent and Hugh Hobden are our **Life Members**:



New members are welcomed into the Canterbury J-Class Owners Association:

Andy Allison J-202, Carl Bout J-78, Barry Bissell J-84,
Grant Lomax J-281, Brian Carson (J-325), Juergen Laakmann from Germany (J-335).

CJCOA Committee

Glen Church and Tom Wilda were voted onto the committee and warmly welcomed. Ashley Glubb has stood down. He was thanked for all of his contributions to the committee. The other current members were returned by unanimous vote.



Leon Blewett (President), Vern Rolton (Secretary), Graeme Raxworthy (Treasurer), Rodney Ford (Vice President, Newsletter editor), Chris Koskela (measurers' representative to committee, and lead supplier).



Cyrus Berry, Wes Purves, Jim Paterson (Ferryhead rep), Glen Church and Tom Wilda.

The next hulls available for sale J-336. Contact Leon Blewett for purchase of new hulls and other boat-building items (mast box, rudder-tube, and excellent 3D-printed fittings).

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Bow bumpers are a mandatory item on all boats. We have lots in stock. Get yours from any of the committee members: Member prices are \$10 for one, but only \$15 for two.

Health and Safety plan: This was passed into action. Committee will be discussing the implementation at next meeting.

Constitution: This was updated. The purpose of the changes is to ensure legal ownership of the Canterbury J-Class design.

A big “thank you” for the donation of inflatable from Graeme Raxworthy (was ex Pegasus Radio Sailing Club), and the donation of an Electric outboard and battery by Pegasus Radio Sailing Club. Both of these items are very much appreciated. They allow us to go virtually on any stretch of water, and were an absolute luxury for us at the winter series.

Tauranga group: Davie Hemsley says that we do have 2 more boats being built and that we do sail every second Wednesday at Waihi. In the Right conditions we often beat the IOMs.

New Canterbury J-Class boats on the water:



J-84 Barry Bissell. J-184 Murray Dean & Peter Bradley. J-193 Graeme Fon. J-247 Ian Scott.



J-316 Ian Jackson J-325 Brian Carson J-326 Graeme Raxworthy
Doug Parker J-327 Andy Allison J-329

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From the President's desk – Leon Blewett.

It is great to have the AGM done and out of the way. We were a little disappointed with only 15 attending but had 11 apologies all from our regulars so I guess the numbers and interest is still there.

The constitution was changed to state outright the Association's ownership of the boat. This has been able to happen as Peter and Hugh officially "gave" their rights away to the Canterbury J Class (One Design) Owners Association Inc. Thank you Peter and Hugh.

We have Tom Arthur working quietly away on a new insignia and wait with baited breath to see what might come out of this. Personally, I think any change needs to be effected reasonably quick and must be achieved painlessly for everyone.

Working in with our now complete ownership and a possible new insignia might just help us getting the boat called by its correct name. The correct name is, "**The Canterbury J**". It is NOT just the "**J class**". Lets see what comes out of all this

Re-vitalised and restored boats



Leon Blewett (J-7) has re-vitalised J-7 with a new but classical wooden deck.



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Graeme Raxworthy (J-12) has completely restored J-12 into a beautiful sleek boat. Another beautiful wooden cedar deck. These decks can be obtained through our Association.



Please send me your new and old boat photos so that you and your stories can be included in the newsletter.

Boat J-335 is off to Germany!



Hull 335 has a new owner. It is on its way to a city named Wuppertal, located in North Rhine, Germany. Freightage wasn't as expensive as you might think and delivery should be in around 6 days.

It has gone courier as it should be handled less, is door to door delivery and subject to being signed for on delivery. The new owner hopes to keep us up to date with his build, It may end up a genuine Canterbury J, it may not, we look forward to being kept informed.

CJCOA EVENTS scheduled for the coming year: 2019/2020

If you can help run any of these events, please let us know. No prior experience is necessary – we will give you coaching you on the job.

1. Twilight sailing: on three Monday evenings. 17:30-19:30

Monday 9 Dec, 2019 – at Ferrymead 5.30pm

Monday 16 March, 2020 – at Lake Victoria 5.30pm

A casual meeting starting 5.30pm, ending around 7.30pm. No scoring system is used, there may not be a start box used, if not, the winner of the last race may do a 30 second countdown for the start of the next race.

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2. Rakaia BBQ and sailing – Sunday, 12 Jan, 2020. 11:00 – 15:00

A casual get-together organised and run by a Leon Blewett. Venue: Rakaia Lagoon. Starts around 10.00am, finishing at any time. Includes a BBQ lunch (BYO).

3. Shamrock Trophy Event (formerly, Canterbury J-Class Championships)

29 February & 1 March 2020. 9:00-16:00



The format for these Canterbury J-Class Trophy events will be similar to last year: held on Lake Victoria. Points of the match and fleet racing are added together to give an overall winner. Current scoring format for fleet racing is Simplified Heat Racing System which may be single fleet or have gold and silver fleets). There are no “handicaps” applied.

Match racing on day one, Saturday 29 Feb, 2020.

Fleet racing on day two, Sunday 1 March, 2020.

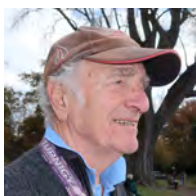
Wes Purves has yet again volunteered to be our Chief Event Organiser, with Race Officers: Chris Koskela & Leon Blewett.

4. Auld Mug Trophy handicap event. Sunday, 29 March, 2020. 10:00 – 15:00

Venue: Ferrymead lake. A handicap based regatta, and may be Mark Foy or a handicap system where the object being to be ahead of your expected placing. The handicap is based on information built up from past events or applied on the day. The person placed highest against their expected finishing place wins. There are no “line honours”. Prize is; The Auld Mug.

5. Enterprise Trophy days: (Lake Victoria) –

14th December 2019, 28th March 2020, 18th April 2020



Enterprise trophy is finished for this year 2019
Congratulations to Roy Bickerstaff for a comprehensive win.

This event is organised by the CJCOA and points compiled by a Tom Arthur. Open to all current financial members at the time of each race, boats do not have to be measured. It is a handicap event using club handicaps (if currently accurate). The handicap results may be from Mark Foy starts or another system for massed starts.

Three CMYC races have been chosen and the results from these three races are tabulated to provide a winner. Only those who are currently financial members of the CJCOA will be eligible for their results to count. The person placed highest against their expected finishing place wins. There are no “line honours”. Prize is: The Enterprise Trophy.

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7. The North Island Canterbury J Class Regatta. No date set yet for 2020.

North Island Canterbury J Champs are organised by Dave Hemsley and Antony Sisson and the Tauranga Radio Sailing Club host and run the event.



Sailing on the Tauranga Lake.

Winter Series of 2020 - May, June, July and August 2020 at Westlake. Actual dates to be determined.

Overall winner for 2019 was Bruce Edgar and Handicap winner was Mike Inns. Congratulations.

The format is under discussion as we are not wanting the Race Officers disadvantaged and are just looking at a 4 day event with the equivalent of 1 days racing per skipper able to be dropped, There is still some discussion to take place.

This event was Introduced in 2019 after gaining approval to sail at Westlake reserve lake. We are careful not to disturb the wildlife on and around the lake. There are line honours and handicap winners and trophies.



Sailing on Westlake.

Dehydration. Did you know that the older we get, that we do not register out thirst signals so well? This means we can easily get dehydrated.

So what! Well, this means that in the summer hotter months that we should all have a drink of water regularly during the sailing. I am going to suggest that we instigate a water break during our sailing sessions. Being low in water makes us tired, cranky and irritable!

Happy sailing,
Rodney Ford,
(Newsletter editor)

On behalf of your Canterbury J Class Owners Association. CJCOA