

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

August 2018. CJCOA

The CJCOA had a Committee meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018. You will be pleased that our One-Class Association is healthy in: members, finance and spirit.

Our **AGM** is scheduled for 10am, 13 Oct, 2018 in the CMYC clubroom, at Lake Victoria. We encourage you to come and support your association. CJCOA is the official acronym.

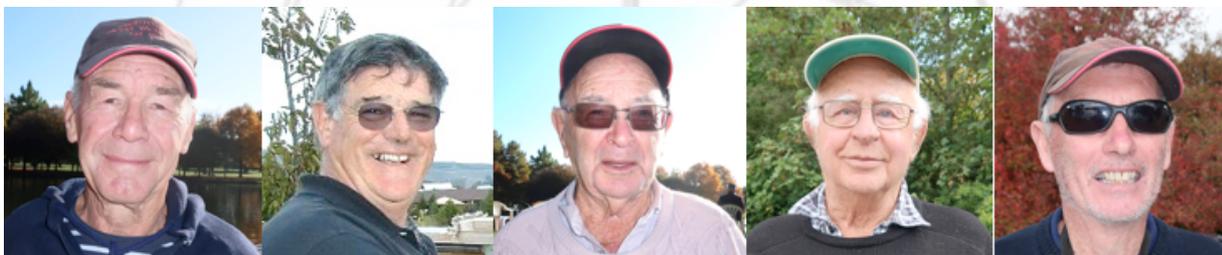
## Membership

Your current **committee** members are (*left to right*): Vern Rolton (Secretary), Ashley Glubb, Wes Purves, Leon Blewett (President), Graeme Raxworthy (Treasurer), Rodney Ford (Vice President, Newsletter editor), Jim Paterson, Cyrus Berry, [with Chris Koskela (lead pourer) absent].



We currently have 92 members, and welcome these **new members** with their boats during the year: Eric Dunn (J-233), David Norris (J-123), Michael Inns (J-310), Tom Wilda (J-260), Phil Woodham (NI, J-312), Bruce Edgar (J-211), Daniel Cross (J-313), Paul Campbell (J-234), Jim Urry (NI, J-315), Denis Dobson (NI, J-314), Ian Jackson (J-316), Mike Baddeley (J-294), John Utting (NI, J-169), David Martin J-242), John Collett (J-298).

Longest standing members of the CJCOA are: Hugh Hobden, Peter Vincent, Norm Hill, Ian Scott and Leon Blewett. Get to know them and find out more about the history of these boats.



## Do you need some help with sailing your boat?

New members (and many established skippers) have welcomed encouragement and mentoring our members are giving. Please contact any of the committee if you feel overwhelm or in need

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of more support. I remember so many helpful people giving me advice and sailing tips for which I am very grateful – thank you!

So how do you think we can give more support and guidance to new members/owners? We think that a couple of training sessions might be useful. Maybe a Sunday morning (avoiding the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays when the motor-boat club meet)? Maybe an hour after a Wednesday sailing? Or a summer evening? When would suit? Who is interested? Please let us know.

Topics could include rig tuning, setting sails, and sailing rules.

## Who built your boat?

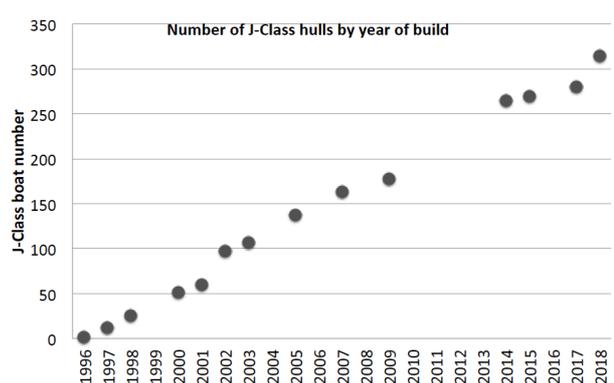
New members need a model boat to participate. So where do all of these beautiful yachts come from? To date, 316 hulls have been sold, and most have been built up as fully functioning boats (Rodney's note: my hull J-284, is taking longer than expected to be completed! And there are likely to be a few other hulls progressing in slow motion). Two of the latest launches (J-294, J-301) were built by Graeme Raxworthy. There have been many new boats launched over the last six months.

The photo shows some of the latest boats launched: J-293 Graeme Luxon, J-294 Mike Baddeley, J-298 John Collett, J-299 Denis Rump, J-301 Steve Galbraith, J-303 Ralph Biggs, J-304 Patrick Newport, J-310 Mike Inns. Our North Island group has many more under construction, including J-314 Dennis Dobson.



This graph shows you the number of boats built per year: it is an average of 15. The growth of the Canterbury J-Class has been steady over these 21 years, with no sign of stopping.

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## New Zealand Radio Yachting Association update.

I have been busy preparing the **annual subscription** requests which went out on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Subscriptions are not due until October 1<sup>st</sup> but there is a lot to be done and the process for our member organisations collating details and collecting funds is not short and sweet, hence plenty of notice.

**Insurance** has been a point for discussion, Some of the North Island clubs carry their own insurances. They may cover Public, Statutory and Office Bearers Liability, all this is being reviewed now. There is nothing definite just yet, I will keep all informed as things progress.  
*Leon*

You may well have heard Graeme and I were the Race Officer for the **North Island Canterbury J Champs**. It was a great weekend, sad about the rain but that did not dampen the enjoyment for all who were there. The weekend was very relaxed and informal (something for us to consider here!!). There were visitors from several places and everyone got on. The traditional type of build for the Canterbury J up here look great and I detected a very strong sense of respect for their own and fellow sailors boats. I personally think this type of build needs some encouragement, they really do look great and would suggest are just as good and any other Canterbury J. *Leon*.

## News from the North.



We now are having regular Canterbury J racing every second Wednesday at Waihi, with 5 to 6 boats. We are racing with the IOMs and it is surprising, in the right conditions how we can beat them. There are 3 finished boats in Tauranga spoken for, with another new boat in Thames coming on as well. J-314, owned by Dennis Dobson has just been finished and looking real good. We have 4 boats now in Hamilton, Tight Sheets Guys. *David Hemsley*

## Sail numbers reminder.

Please check your sail numbers and that they comply with the new rules. At last years AGM we changed the class rules to require **all numbers** to a maximum of three digits to be displayed.

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- If you have a 1 digit hull number then 1 digit must be displayed on both sails.
- If you have a 2 digit hull number then 2 digits must be displayed on both sails.
- If you have a 3 digit hull number then 3 digits must be displayed on both sails.

(Note: the need to allow room for an additional digit no longer applies).

### **CJCOA EVENTS been scheduled for the coming year:**

If you want to help run any of these events, please let us know. No prior experience is necessary – we will give you coaching you on the job. More details will follow nearer the time of each event.

#### **1. Historic J-Fleet Regatta Sunday, 30 September, 2018.**

**Historic** Canterbury J-Class boats are J-1 to J-12.

The CJCOA was formed as a Canterbury J-Class Squadron 21 years ago. To celebrate, you are invited to take part in a **Historic J-Fleet Regatta** on Lake Victoria, Sunday, 30 September. Registration between 1.00-1.15pm, and the display of Historic boats at 1.30. Then at 2.00pm a relaxed fleet-racing format with **ALL** other CJCOA members invited to participate. At 3.30pm an afternoon tea put on by you –the format is “skippers bring a plate!”

We will alert the Press and Star and other media about this newsworthy event.

#### **These are the first 12 Canterbury J-Class boats:**

J-1 – (*Shamrock*) Built by Dave Heanly (With Hugh) in 1996. Owned by CJCOA and displayed in the CMYC boathouse – not sea-worthy.

J-2 - (*Thistle*) Built & owned by Hugh Hobden.

J-3 - (*Zingibur*) Built by John Laycock - owned by Doug Parker.

J-4 - (*Endeavour*) Built & owned by Peter Vincent.

J-5 – (*En Avant II*) Built by Irwin Gibbs – bought by Chris Salisbury – was stolen and lost.

J-6 - (*Thingy*) Built by Laurie Wales - bought by Sherill Carter, now owned by Rick Jury.

J-7 - (*Defender*) Built by Hank Van Peer - owned and restored by Leon Blewett.

J-8 - (*Hy Flyer*) Built by Norm Hill – bought by Dave Mooney – in Auckland – untraceable.

J-9 - Built by Allan Atkinson, bought by Billy Hewitt, owned and restored by Grant Cowell.

J-10 –(*Defiant*) Built by Robbie Wilson - owned Mark Steele (Duckworks Magazine) - converted into a schooner - cannot find.

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J-11 - (*Blue Finn*). Built by Keith Staimler - owned by Graeme Hore (renamed *Jazzy Lady*).

J-12 - (*Strider*) Built by Darrell Higson, bought by Ian Scott (he named it Strider), then Maurice Houston, now owned and restored by Rodney Ford.

## 2. Lake Hood Regatta. Sunday Nov 25, 2018 (date to be confirmed).

Peter Vincent is keen to run this regatta again. It is an open club event – meaning that all boat classes are invited to take part. Venue is Lake Hood, on Sunday afternoon. We start with a picnic lunch, have a relaxed sailing event, and then join together at the local restaurant for an evening meal. Come and make a day of it. More details to follow.

## 3. Twilight sailing: on three Monday evenings.

Monday 3 Dec, 2018 – at Lake Victoria

Monday 28 Jan, 2019 – at Ferrymead

Monday 25 Feb, 2019 – at lake Victoria

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.

## 4. Rakaia BBQ and sailing – Sunday, 20 Jan, 2019.

A casual get together organised and run by a Leon Blewett.

Venue: Rakaia Lagoon. Starts around 10.30am, finishing at any time. Includes a BBQ lunch (BYO).

## 5. Canterbury J-Class Championships: 2nd & 3rd February, 2019



The format for these Canterbury J-Class Championships 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 2 Feb, 2019.

Fleet racing on day two, Sunday 3 Feb, 2019.

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Running these Championship races:

Chief Organiser: Wes Purves has again volunteered.

Race Officer for the Match Racing: Graham Parratt has volunteered.

Race Officer for the Fleet racing: to be confirmed.

Assistant Race Officer for both days: Leonn Blewett.

We will be are looking for other members to assist. There is a document on “How to organizer a Canterbury J-champs” on the website.

## **6. Old Mug handicap event. Sunday, 7 April, 2019**

Venue: Ferrymead lake. Start time not yet decided.

It is 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.

## **7. Enterprise trophy (Lake Victoria)– Sat 16 Feb , Sat 30 March, and Sat 25 May.**

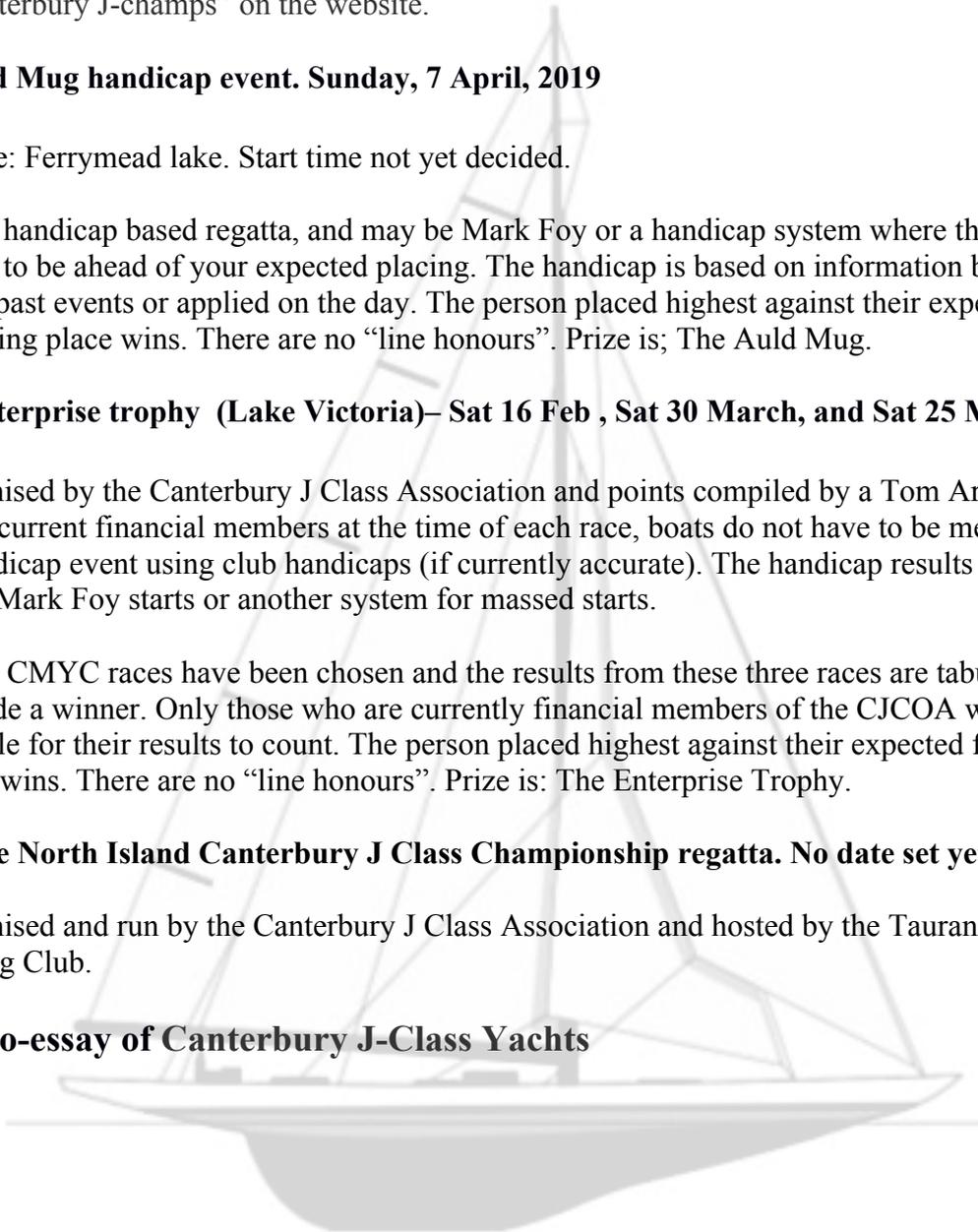
Organised by the Canterbury J Class Association and points compiled by a Tom Arthur. Open to all current financial members at the time of each race, boats do not have to be measured. It is a handicap event using club handicaps (if currently accurate). The handicap results may be from Mark Foy starts 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.

## **8. The North Island Canterbury J Class Championship regatta. No date set yet.**

Organised and run by the Canterbury J Class Association and hosted by the Tauranga Radio Sailing Club.

## **Photo-essay of Canterbury J-Class Yachts**



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Rodney Ford has compiled a photo-essay book: “The Canterbury J-Class model yachts, boats-builders and skippers: 1996–2018.” This is a photographic record of the history of the Canterbury J-Class model boat. This is to mark the 21st anniversary of the CJCOA and all our achievements. This book will be available for purchase and pre-order in September. The printed cost is likely to be about \$45. The eBook will also be available.



Happy sailing,  
Rodney Ford,  
(Newsletter editor) on behalf of your Canterbury J Class Owners Association.  
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