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THE NEWSLETTER OF HALF MOON BAY MARINA

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## Transparency

In an endeavor to both inform and improve transparency, the Marina Trustees recently issued an invitation to all berth-holders to attend a presentation. Prospective attendees were asked to detail any issues or questions they would like addressed. The invitation was accepted by some 140 berth-holders who attended evening meetings at the Bucklands Beach Yacht Club.

Questions received included; the Foundation's relationship with berth-holders; a summary of the principle documents that govern HMB Marina; details on core facilities provided; the processes involved in setting and make-up of berth license fees; the issue of fair return; the real advantages of a perpetual license at

**We are pleased to report we have since received very positive feedback**

HMBM; the status of the stage three re-development project; parking; and the fuel dock. All were thoroughly aired.

The presentation also included a full explanation of fees at HMB Marina. Comparisons were made with both inflation and the increases at other

Auckland marinas. Actual HMB Marina license fees and comparative Auckland marinas were also examined.

Those present seemed genuinely satisfied with the open and transparent presentation that covered all factors involved in the present and the future plans for the continued success of Half Moon Bay Marina.

Consideration will now be given to holding such presentations on an annual basis as well as ad hoc presentations on special topics if circumstances warrant.

An offer to provide further information, greater detail, explanation or clarification on any issue discussed was extended to all berth holders. Copies of material used are available through either the Marina Management or the Trustees, through the office at [info@hmbmarina.co.nz](mailto:info@hmbmarina.co.nz)



A message from DOC for those heading North

## Listen! Can you hear Ipipiri singing?

'Project Island Song' is the reason the native birds are already returning to the pest-free islands of Ipipiri - the Eastern Bay of Islands - from Motuarohia (Robertson) in the west to eastern-most Urupukapuka, and all the islands in between.

Flocks of the rare NZ Dotterel are now being seen in Urupukapuka Bay and kukupa have been sighted on Motuarohia.

Guardians of the Bay of Islands, a local community group, the Department of Conservation and Te Rawhiti hapu (Patukeha and Ngati Kuta) are working together to keep these islands pest-free. Without rats and stoats, the birds are returning and

**You can become a Friend of 'Project Island Song' volunteer or a member of the Guardians of the Bay of Islands. Contact the co-ordinator Adriana Rogowski ph 027 290 2180**

the bush is re-growing. Once the islands have been pest-free for two years, rare birds such as the toutouwai (North Island robin) and pateke (brown teal) will be reintroduced to join the birds already out there.

You can do your bit when you visit the Bay to bring the birds back by following these three steps: STOP - before you leave the mainland. CHECK - your boat and gear for pests (rodents, ants) and then GO - and have fun!

And, while you are there over the summer, keep an eye open for the yellow goody bags being given out by Project Island Song volunteers on the wharves and landing ramps as well as DOC staff out on patrol. There's something for everyone - rat trap, fishing sticker and games for the kids.

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# Building our hardstand business



Advertising featuring the combined and co-ordinated capabilities of our hardstand marine services tenants is being planned for 2011. Part of that promotional campaign will be based on the idea that Half Moon Bay is an outstanding place for boats needing refit-type work where a number of trade skills are required and taking advantage of the facilities here.

It is interesting therefore to note the work currently being carried out by our boat-builder Peter Millen of Half Moon Bay Marina Boat Builders where two significant refit projects are currently in progress.

A 1915 Falconer-designed launch named Volante used in a patrol capacity in and around Wellington during WW11 as a gaff-rigged topsail motor sailer. Then sailed to Auckland in the seventies by Aucklanders Jock White with Bill Anderson (of Te Tainui Fame) in the crew and converted to a launch.

Part of the refit includes a new 50hp

**It makes sense for owners and project managers to come to Half Moon Bay**

Volvo supplied and installed by Allvo Marine replacing the original

52hp BMC Commodore marine engine.

The 1969 Salthouse is 'all but' a total refit.

Both these major projects are providing business not only for the boat-builder but for other trades as necessarily other specialist skills are required to allow the refit work to be completed. We have the range and quality of services available here at HMB Marina and all working on the one hardstand within easy reach.

The Marina is included in the combined promotional effort to boost the work flow in the new year.

## Doggy business!

Dog business around the marina is growing! You know the kind we are talking about. And it's not nice! Most dog owners act responsibly with their pets but there are some who think the rules don't apply to their Poochi.

Council bylaws and marina regulations require that any dog in a public place must be on a lead and that the owner must 'clean up' after their animal.

To 'those' dog owners out there, we ask you act with consideration and ensure that you control and clean-up in the interest of health, safety - and all the s.

As a stern reminder we are putting up a few of these signs.



**Keep Dogs on a leash and remove dog litter.**

Where a dog defecates (fouls) the faeces are to be immediately removed and properly disposed of by the person in control of the dog at the time  
Local Council Bylaw 2008: \$500 fine

## Boat owners!

*Here's your chance to help us and win yourself an iPod:*



To help NIWA better understand how antifouling chemicals might impact our marine environment we want to know how you're cleaning your boat.

All you have to do is answer a simple online survey that includes details about your boat, hull cleaning and antifoulant painting – and you're in the draw to win an Apple iPod Touch. It's as easy as that.

To answer the survey log on to: [www.surveymonkey.com/s/antifoul](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/antifoul)

The results of the survey will be used to assist the Environmental Risk Management Authority (ERMA) in their planned reassessment of antifouling paints.

We will also send you a summary of the survey results.

- The online survey closes on the 21st of January 2011.
- All answers will remain anonymous.
- The winner of the iPod will be notified on the 24th of January by email.



**NIWA**  
Taihoro Nukurangi







# The Power Problem

**The rules concerning the supply of power on marinas are currently under review by the Marina Operators Association for changes to be made nationally.**

This issue causes us continual problems for us with incorrect usage practices which pose serious fire risks.

So once again we remind all berth-holders of current allowable practice:

- Half Moon Bay Marina has over time, allowed the unattended connection of either a battery charger or dehumidifier's for a maximum of three days when the intention to do so has been communicated to the Customer Services office.

Those of you who DO NOT notify us of your intention to do this will find your power lead disconnected and returned to the cockpit of your vessel.

- Connecting to a vessel's reticulation system is permitted **ONLY** via a dedicated power module. Any connection via the Comsen unit using plug adaptors will be disconnected. The Comsen units on the piers are for DIY use only: they do not meet the specifications for continuous unattended 240 volts power supply under any circumstances.
- An electrical warrant of fitness is required when a vessel is taking 240 volts on a continuous unattended basis through a reticulation system, via an approved dedicated power module.
- The supply of power to a single appliance via an approved module is currently allowed, without a EWOFF when a vessel owner undertakes to only connect to that single appliance.

The issue of supplying power in a marine environment is under review, consequently expect more definitive information in the near future.



## Coffee in the courtyard

Oceans 2 On The Marina is the new café now open opposite the Compass building. In the palmed courtyard you can now enjoy the classic café favourites with an ever-changing blackboard menu, great coffee made by experienced baristas, kiwi cooked breakfasts, fresh salads, sandwiches made to order, light meals (with no deep fryer in sight!) and pizzas cooked in a stone-plate oven. Ice creams and a refreshing range of cold drinks complete the fare. Plus The Herald of course. Evening dining is available till 8.30pm Thursday and Fridays.

The new owners and their team invite you to make a visit. You're sure of good food and a warm welcome.

Open 7.30am – 4.00pm Sat to Wed and 7.30am till 8.30pm on Thursdays and Fridays for pizza, light meals or an antipasto plate.

We also welcome phone orders for take out - Ph 535 3761



## Mineral Stain & Water Spot Restoration Specialists

**No acids or chemicals, safe on marine epoxys & rubber seals**

**We Restore & Nano Protect**

- **Glass**
  - **Perspex**
  - **Stainless**
  - **Gel-Coat**
- Small Boats to Luxury Launches**



**Contact Ross: 09 524 4461 / 021 855421 Email: auck2@thewaterstaindoctor.co.nz**



## She's gone - finally!

SINBAD the H28 was our long-time resident on the hard. The boat was lifted out – wait for it - on the 19th of May 1994 for the owner, who was resident outside Auckland. It is certain that good intentions were held to attend to Sinbad (whatever attentions she needed nobody here can remember) and return her to the water in short order. But she just stayed and stayed and stayed and over time the good ship Sinbad fell into a sad state of disrepair.

***We guess with such a long rest-up she'll be faster than ever!***

Well, guess what? The younger members of the owners family finally got to grips with the task and turned SINBAD back into the fine yacht she once was – much to their credit and pleasure of the owner - and we all said goodbye just a few weeks back. Sixteen years must be a record of some sort.



## Open Wide

**We offer a bright and sparkling welcome to a new tenant in the Ara Tai shopping precinct of Half Moon Bay Marina - Marina Dentists.**

The man offering his extensive skills and ability, built over 20 years in his profession, to the people of these parts is Alex Mechkov. He has moved to Half Moon Bay in partnership with experienced Practice Manager Cindyanna Knowles. Apparently, Alex was visiting our Eastern area, drove over the hill, looked down at the marina and fell in love!

You will all be delighted to know that Alex specializes in pain-free dentistry. He will be assured of a good start with his reputation for having patients follow wherever he goes!

**Marina Dentists are located in the new Anchor building and the doors are - open wide.**



Dr Alex Mechkov BDS Dental Surgeon, BSc, Dip. Dent. Technology

Anchor Building,  
1 Ara Tai Drive, Half Moon Bay  
Phone 535 1074  
info@marinadentists.co.nz

Monday–Friday: 9.30am – 5.30pm  
Saturday: 9.30am – 2.30pm

After hours appointments by arrangement

*We opened on November 1, 2010, so come on in and check us out!*



- Our **aim** is to open a brand new dental practice at the Marina in Half Moon Bay which will compliment the current business community.
- Our **goal** is to be your preferred family dentist providing you with General dentistry with an accent on Cosmetic dentistry.
- Our **service** will be second to none.
- Our **vision** is to be the best dental practice in the eastern suburbs, and that is just to start with.
- Our **team** of professionals with many years in the dental industry will take care of your dental needs. We listen and work in partnership with you to help achieve your dental goals....You can count on us.
- We **offer** you a friendly and relaxing atmosphere where you can be confident that you will be well cared for.

**We would like to extend our opening offer to you of a FREE dental check-up (valid until 28/2/11). FREE Adolescent check up now available.**



If applications exceed spaces names will be drawn by lot.



These voyages, worth \$1250, have proved themselves again and again bringing out the very best of character in young people, giving them a new vision and respect for their crewmates and an introduction to life at sea.

	Voyage No	Departs	Returns
Girls	591	3 March	12 March
	607	11 Sept	20 Sept
	613	15 Dec	24 Dec
Boys	595	14 April	23 April
	599	30 May	8 June
	603	19 July	28 July

All voyages depart and return to Auckland

1. Age - must be between 15 – 19.
2. Must be at school – secondary school, polytech or University - at time of voyage.
3. Must be able to swim unaided 100 metres.
4. Must be physically fit and not suffering from any illness.



Must be either berth-holder, long-term berth renter, trailer-park renter or hardstand or other commercial tenant.



Nominations are required to be received at HMB Marina Administration Office on the application form, by **Wednesday 15th December 2010**

# Your Holiday Checklist

Here's our usual schedule of all the things you need to know, check and attend to in the holiday season:

## 1. Office and Travelift Operating Hours

Normal Hours to Thursday 23rd December

Friday	24th Dec	8.30 – 3.00pm
Saturday	25th Dec	Closed
Sunday	26th Dec	Closed
Monday	27th Dec	Closed
Tuesday	28th Dec	Closed
Wednesday	29th Dec	8.30am - 5.00pm
Thursday	30th Dec	8.30am - 5.00pm
Friday	31st Dec	8.30am - 3.00pm
Sunday	1st Jan	Closed
Monday	2nd Jan	Closed
Tuesday	3rd Jan	Closed
Wednesday	4th Jan	Closed

Normal hours will resume on Wednesday the 5th of January 2011.

## 2. Emergency Haulouts

Travelift service will be available, on call, for emergency haulouts. But be sure that your needs are indeed an emergency. The additional costs involved for a callout are considerable!

The Marina office can be contacted 24/7 on 534 3139, 021 867 728 or VHF channel 73 to make the necessary arrangements.

## 3. Holiday Berth Rentals – help us to help you!

### Let us rent your berth:

Demand always increases at this time. If you are planning to be away and your berth will be available to rent, please EMAIL the details to Jill, Leila or Ross at the Customer Services Office: [jill@hmbmarina.co.nz](mailto:jill@hmbmarina.co.nz) - [Leila@hmbmarina.co.nz](mailto:Leila@hmbmarina.co.nz) or [ross@hmbmarina.co.nz](mailto:ross@hmbmarina.co.nz)

If you do not have access to email, call the Customer Services Office with the details of your berths availability - on Tel 534 3139.

### If you have to return home early:

Please call the Marina 534 3139 or VHF channel 73 both of which are monitored 24/7 to advise of your new return date and time so we can clear your berth.

### If you rent your berth privately:

In these circumstances we must have full contact details of the renting owners and details of the INSURANCE COMPANY covering the boat while it is in your berth.

## 4. Top Catch Hours - for all your fishing needs

### Normal summer hours:

Monday – Thursday	6.30am to 6.00pm
Friday	5.30am to 6.00pm
Saturday	5.30am to 5.00pm
Sunday	5.30am to 4.00pm

### Holiday Hours:

Xmas Day	Saturday	25th Dec	Closed
Boxing Day	Sunday	26th Dec	Open
New Years Day	Saturday	1st Jan	Normal hours



## 5. Trolley Returns – please!

The number of trolleys has been increased for each pier. It's true - but it's hard to tell sometimes. Regrettably some users are guilty of leaving trolleys on their berth and not returning them to the trolley park at the pier-gate. Please show a little consideration for your fellow occupiers.

## 6. Power Modules – be warned

A strenuous recommendation to those who have dedicated modules attached to your berths is to padlock the module closed while you are away. You would be amazed how many consider it fair game to plug in to these modules! We said PADLOCK.

## 7. And another power warning.

All vessels are legally required to have a current EWOFF when ever they are plugged into a shore power module. A shore power module IS NOT the Comsen unit that has a light on the top of it. These units are for casual DIY use and must not be used to connect to an onboard reticulation system. Connections via a Comsen unit to a reticulation system will be unplugged without notice.

## 8. Car Parking

The parking facilities surrounding the A, B & C pier barrier-controlled area will be monitored over the summer period to provide accurate information on the use of that particular area.

In general terms all berth holders who are leaving for an extended time should consider their fellow berth-users and park their vehicles in an area that leaves the parking immediately adjacent to the pier-gate free.

## 9. We're here to help

For any problems or advice concerning security, safety, boat movements of any kind or any time, give us a call. The Customer Services team is here for you!

## 10. A Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday to all

Have a great time on the water these holidays and keep safe always.



*Best wishes  
from your Marina team.*

