

BOWENTOWN BOATING & SPORTS FISHING CLUB



**NEWSLETTER
MAY 2011**

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2011 EVENTS

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**SATURDAY 4th AND
SUNDAY 5th JUNE**



**REEL N WAVE - MEMBERS ONLY
'OPEN WATER' FISHING COMPETITION**

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SATURDAY 25th JUNE



**GALLAGHER'S
TOWN & COUNTRY
FISHING COMPETITION**

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**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
2pm SUNDAY 10th JULY**

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**SUNDAY 23rd OCTOBER
LABOUR WEEKEND
OPEN WATER
FISHING COMPETITION**

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We wish to thank our generous sponsors of the club.

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BARRON'S PHARMACY
ANGELO'S
THE PORCH**



Greetings to you all

By now you all will be aware of the new membership rates struck for the 2011-2012 year . The club secretary, Yve Rodgers has enclosed a letter with your renewal forms, explaining the reasoning behind the rises .

The club has reasonable cash reserves, but there are planned projects budgeted to implemented over the next few years that will be introduced to members at the AGM on Sunday 10th July. It would be appreciated if your subs can be paid promptly to allow for these budgets to be finalised .

Thank you to all of the musicians that helped make make the Jam Sessions more than successful over the summer period , in particular to Willie Priestly , Ian Hay, Bazza and all their fellow organisers for making this happen .

It was great to also see how many capable musicians we have in and around the beach, and our thanks to you all in providing several afternoons of excellent entertainment . Also it was great to see a big cross section of club members and locals present at the club on these afternoons .

We are going to start fund raising towards a new club courtesy van, although our current van is doing the job well, we will be needing to replace it in the next 2-3 years, and rather than draw on subscriptions or trading profit we envisage that funding will be sought from members, local businesses and grants. These funds will be saved in a designated account to be used specifically for the replacement of the van. If you have any suggestions or would like to assist with this fundraising project, please either phone me or email to neil.candy@vodafone.co.nz . Once the final details have been worked out we will announce the start of the fundraising proper.

Western Bay of Plenty District Council has designated \$4.5 million towards an all tide ramp and at this stage Kauri Point has been looked at. There has been a lot of dissent from locals at Kauri point, Katikati and the surrounding area and we believe even the council has doubts regards Kauri Point. We also have support from other like minded clubs and individuals.

The general point of view is that the Kauri Point is costly but also incorrectly situated as it is exposed to most winds and also very tidal. Further there are also concerns regards the security of parked cars etc.,

With this in mind, the committee has drafted a 5-15 year plan for submission to the council. The areas we have looked at are controlled parking, enlarging the lease area of the club, channel, and facilities around the club, ramps, the surrounding area and the community that lives here.

We will consult with the local people and to get their views which can be adapted into the plan.

Our thoughts as a committee are to engage with the council and to see if Bowentown can gain funding to the advantage of the club and community, without losing what we currently enjoy or affecting the friendly atmosphere of the club and turning it into just another large club.

We also believe that we are in a good position to negotiate with the Council and EBOP. A copy of the draft plan will be in the club rooms for members to read and comment on. It has also been pointed out that if we do not have a plan regards to what we would like to happen at and around the club, that the Councils could dictate what will happen to Bowentown and the surrounding area without any local input.

Over the past year or so the 3 BOP councils have formed a recreational strategy and part of the structure is the Northern Harbour Regional Forum. This will be chaired by Selwyn Hill and covers environmental and recreational issues that have been raised by the many local groups within the area . Meetings will be held on a bi-monthly basis. The last was held at the club rooms on Wednesday 13th April. Selwyn can be contacted by email at selwyn@ontheharbour.co.nz . Our congratulations to Selwyn in offering to chair the forum .

Regards

Neil Candy

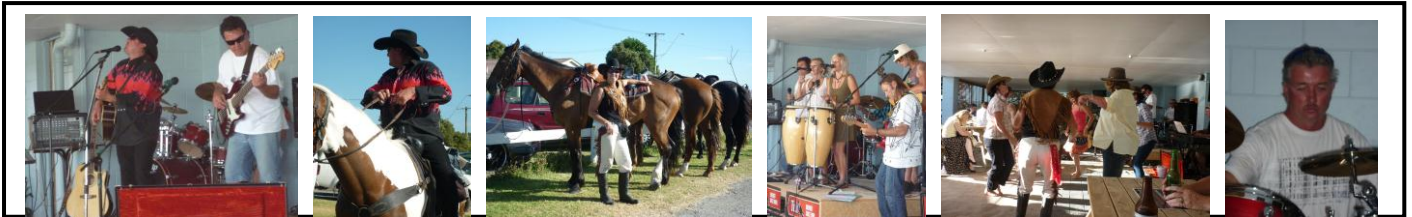


from the CLUB HOUSE NEWS

DESK

Well another summer has gone and it was great to see so many of our members and first time visitors in attendance at the Boat Club over the holiday season.


Sunday Jams Sessions have been the highlight of the Summer. Many thanks to our Club Captain, Willie Priestley for his efforts and organizing skills in starting these. They have been really popular, with more and more people attending. The quality of the music has been supreme. Thanks to the master of blues from Tauranga, Grant Haua, 'Mr Country' Clark Reid and all the other musos who participated.



The 'Giles & Liew' 10 Annual Bathtub Regatta, held on Anniversary was again a huge success, attracting the interest of hundreds of local residents and we were thrilled to hear the announcement from Dawn Liew, that Giles & Liew Chartered Accountants Ltd. will continue their generous sponsorship of this very worthwhile community fundraising event in 2012. Over \$1,500 was donated to the local branch of Bosom Buddies and a smaller amount to the Waihi Beach Coastguard.



Friday night raffles start at 6pm and have continued to be well supported by members since the holiday makers have left. The membership draws of \$100, \$150 and \$200 are drawn at 6.45, 7pm and 7.15. Remember that you must be in attendance and have paid your 2011-2012 membership subscription by 31st May to remain eligible to collect the cash prizes. Current sponsors are BBSFC, Athenree Holiday Park, Total Waterproofing (2005), Waihi Beach Butchery and Seaford Park. Please support them when you are able.

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| Friday night Membership Draw Sponsors |  Athenree <small>Hot Springs & Holiday Park</small> |  Seaford Park <small>"a lifestyle choice"</small> Waihi Beach Bay of Plenty |  Waihi Beach Butchery |  TOTAL WATERPROOFING <small>2005 LIMITED</small> |
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The new 8 ball table has been welcomed by the regular Thursday evening pool competitors with a renewed interest in the social competition. New players are always welcome. The entry fee of \$4 includes generous meat packs prizes for 1st, 2nd and highest break. Residual funds are saved and the points are accumulated towards the eagerly awaited end of year 'bash' in November when the annual awards are announced



Indoor bowls Start at 7pm each Wednesday evening. New bowlers are welcomed and Tuition is available for novices. Enquiries: Pauline Bannan - 863 5410 / 0274351131 or Alan Carter - 863 5576.



Your Committee and Staff are working hard to make the club an enjoyable place to be. Clubhouse opening hours are 4pm - 7pm daily with restaurant open and courtesy bus available from Thursday - Sunday. Ph: 863-5006 (club & office), 863-5017 (restaurant)



www.bbsfc.co.nz



The club web-site has a new format, thanks to the hard work undertaken voluntarily by Club member, Christine Thompson. Features include regularly up-dated fishing reports, information about club events and competitions, links to weather and tide information, members trade and exchange page and feedback forum for you to direct messages to the club committee. Go to www.bbsfc.co.nz



From the new Website TRADE and EXCHANGE

Reduced – now asking \$13,500 ono all enquiries: 62 Seaforth Rd Ph: 0274 959959 – 07 8635156
 Boat – Outboard – Trailer
 BOAT – 16 ft fiberglass Bonito Craft, good solid safe sea boat in good condition
 Great fishing or sea boat in good condition, includes sounder,
 OUTBOARD – 115hp 4 cylinder Mariner, just serviced, new plugs, fuel lines, gaskets,
 Regulator, seals, etc., (\$1,165 receipts available)
 TRAILER – Brand new heavy duty multi roller, used once (cost \$3,500)

2011 – EVENTS CALENDAR

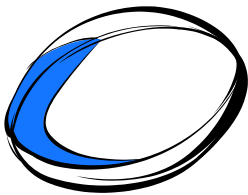
FISHING COMPETITIONS – details at www.bbsfc.co.nz

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RUGBY at the CLUBHOUSE



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| JULY | Fri 1 & Sat 2 | Super 15 | Semi Finals |
| | Sat 9 | Super 15 | Final |
| | Sat 30 | Tri-Nations | NZ v South Africa |
| AUGUST | Sat 6 | Tri-Nations | NZ v Australia |
| | Sat 20 | Tri-Nations | NZ v South Africa |
| | Sat 27 | Tri-Nations | NZ v Australia |
| SEPTEMBER | Fri 9 | World Cup Rugby | NZ v Tonga |
| | Fri 16 | World Cup Rugby | NZ v Japan |
| | Sat 24 | World Cup Rugby | NZ v France |
| OCTOBER | Sun 2 | World Cup Rugby | NZ v Canada |
| | Sat 8 & Sun 9 | World Cup Rugby | Quarter Finals |
| | Sat 15 & Sun 16 | World Cup Rugby | Semi Finals |
| | Sun 23 | World Cup Rugby | Final |

NEW BIG TV SCREEN provided by **Bowentown Beach Holiday Park**



www.bowentown.co.nz Click here for website: Bowentown Beach Holiday Park

Barracouta have been caught in the Harbour !!

Conditions have made it difficult to get out lately, the Bowentown Bar has been very rough most days and no one has ventured out-side. Water temperatures have decreased to around 17 degrees. The Club held it's Annual Easter Harbour Only Fishing Competition last month and two barracouta were weighed in. Old timers have told me they have been caught in the past but not a regular occurrence. Barracouta are known to be around over the winter months when the water is cooler but only in the open sea, so this is a very unusual occurrence so early in the year.

Plenty of snapper were caught in the competition and the winning fish was around the 4kg mark. A lot of trevally were caught, with a 3kg fish being the heaviest. The most successful anglers have used plenty of berley, anchoring in the shallows with the berley going back into the deep holes attracting the fish to them. There are still plenty of kahawai in the harbor and they were schooling around Kauri Point last week attracting the birds.

In the open water, we have no recent reports owing to the rough seas. Over Easter and just before Easter results were patchy and those in the know were catching plenty of snapper around the 20 – 24 metre mark.

We did very well berleying back into Steel's Reef, catching plenty of good sized snapper with octopus bait that deterred the smaller sized snapper from biting. At this time of year the larger snapper stay on while the smaller ones head for deeper water. I remember in the early nineties we caught most good fish around Homunga around the 2 – 3kg mark in the 1st weekend of May, The skipkys have disappeared with cooler water.

The BBSFC is holding two competitions next month: the Member's Only Open Water on 4th - 5th June and the Gallagher's Open Water Competition on 25th June. Both competitions have a great offer great prizes. For further information check the notice-boards at the club, log onto the club web-site or contact the club office.

Tight Lines

Paul Hitchman

CATCHBOARD AT 24th NOVEMBER 2010

| Mens | | | | Ladies | | | Junior | | |
|---------------------------|------------------|---------|-----------|--------------------|---------|----------|---------------------|--------|----------|
| Marlin – Blue | Thomas Menefy | 282.000 | 220.02.10 | Lyn Cudby | 120.000 | 15.04.11 | | | |
| Marlin - Striped | Graham Brown | 118.000 | 15.03.11 | | | | | | |
| Kingfish | Ken Fagan | 31.400 | 10.02.11 | Jackie Sommerville | 14.150 | 05.02.11 | | | |
| Snapper | Graham Priest | 11.890 | 04.10.10 | Alison Jones | 4.505 | 04.10.10 | Matthew Dyer | 7.800 | 24.11.10 |
| Kahawai | Murray Whitehead | 3.280 | 10.03.11 | Denise Tims | 2.630 | 05.10.10 | Danielle Mc Cormack | 2.410 | 05.02.11 |
| John Dory | John Fagan | 2.995 | 08.11.10 | | | | Michael Pearson | 1.390 | 09.07.10 |
| Trevally | Graham Bilyard | 3.640 | 30.10.10 | Tina Adams | 4.740 | 17.10.10 | Grace Kelly | 2.115 | 30.01.11 |
| Tarakihi | Tim Fathers | 1.925 | 13.11.10 | Dinese Collins | 1.390 | 18.07.10 | Grace Kelly | 1.900 | 10.07.10 |
| Gurnard | Angus Gilbert | 1.000 | 11.12.10 | Pauline Bannan | 0.703 | 28.11.10 | Blair Plasmeyer | 0.630 | 26.10.10 |
| Trout - Rainbow | Angus Gilbert | 1.275 | 11.12.10 | Kath Gardiner | 2.340 | 20.11.10 | Michael Pearson | 1.550 | 03.10.10 |
| Bass | Ian Hay | 40.600 | 09.02.11 | | | | | | |
| Bluenose | Barry Roberts | 10.765 | 26.12.10 | Sheridan Pickett | 4.485 | 26.12.10 | | | |
| Trumpeter | John Fagan | 7.630 | 10.02.11 | | | | | | |
| Gemfish | Stuart Roberts | 3.375 | 26.12.10 | Janet Westcott | 4.440 | 11.04.11 | | | |
| Crayfish -Red | Rex Gilbert | 1.560 | 09.03.11 | | | | | | |
| Hapuka | Graham Brown | 15.400 | 28.02.11 | Janet Westcott | 9.920 | 11.04.11 | | | |
| Tuna - Albacore | Daryl Nicholson | 3.990 | 04.01.11 | Cushla Stevenson | 4.325 | 27.12.10 | Campbell Clayton | 3.220 | 19.02.11 |
| Tuna - Spipjack | Roger Tims | 5.265 | 15.03.11 | Lyn Cudby | 4.590 | 20.01.11 | Hamish Clayton | 3.565 | 15.01.11 |
| Mahi Mahi | Ray Stevenson | 7.656 | 28.01.11 | | | | | | |
| Blue Cod | | | | | | | Jacob Black | 20.115 | |
| Shark - Mako | | | | | | | Campbell Clayton | 50.000 | 20.02.11 |
| Heaviest Other Barracouta | Angus Gilbert | 3.975 | 03.07.10 | | | | | | |



REAR COMMODORE'S HARBOUR REPORT

by Selwyn Hill

Pio Channel

The Channel Deepening Application has been held up due to the surprise realization that the Ramps & Jetties are supposed to have had a Resource Consent as well. The Ramps have only been there 46 years and are a major Regional Asset but no matter how ridiculous this apparently seems it is a legal requirement. This however is not quite as involved as the Channel but still has required a fair amount of work and preparation as well and has had to be done prior to the Channel Application. A call for support from Members has been overwhelming and I thank you all for your response.

The Resource Applications for the Dredging and the Ramps & Jetties will be submitted in about a weeks time from the writing of this Report. I am sure that there will be some additional information requirements but I personally feel I have covered every possible contingency.

Sea Lettuce

Since the change in the weather pattern to La Nina this year in November all traces of Sea Lettuce have disappeared and the harbour has seemed to regenerate itself in just a few months. Eel grass now covers large expanses of the sand banks, fishing has been unbelievable this year. The Harbour looks extremely healthy with large amounts of Fish & Bird life everywhere.

Fishing

I couldn't believe it but someone was catching so many fish on softbaits in the harbour that they were getting double strikes with two softbaits at once. Good size Snapper have been abundant in the harbour and with the absence of sea lettuce being what it is things are looking good. In past years the fish particularly Snapper have been less prominent, fishing has been near impossible with the Sea Lettuce and fishing not a great experience. Even this year I have been able to catch Snapper in the harbour and that's saying something. Tim, my neighbour is still catching large fat brightly coloured Snapper throwing back anything under 35cm, even at this late part of the season. Kahawai, & Trevally are present in large numbers and of good size as well. A Baracuda was caught in the harbour recently and sightings of fish tails breaking the surface in the shallows while feeding on shellfish up the harbour have been reported also.

North Harbour Forum

Bay of Plenty Regional Council have instigated an initiative in the manner of the NORTH TAURANGA HARBOUR RECREATIONAL USERS FORUM. The idea of this is to bring individuals and interested groups together to develop and improve the Northern Harbour. One of the first steps in this is the Dredging of the Pio Channel to create an All Tide Access for power boats in the Northern Harbour. Mangrove management and walking access to Matakana also is foremost on the Agenda.

I have been elected Chairman of this Forum and look forward to participating actively in the future of the Harbour. Minutes of the meetings as well as other information will be forwarded along to the Boat Club for the members to read and comment on.

Mayor Island Mataitai Reserve

Earlier in the year a few of us attended a meeting about the proposed Mataitai Reserve around Mayor Island. At first the reaction from most people was one of horror but I don't believe that it should affect the recreational fishing of fin species very much at all. It is possible however that the Tuhua Trust Board could legally ban fishing around the island but this would be extreme in this type of Reserve and the Iwi would have to have very solid grounds for such a rule. However they do have that power so only time will tell. It is however interesting to look up Mataitai Reserves on the internet and to get some insight into their workings and their growing numbers around the Country.

Club Marine Insurance

Club Marine Insurance is on board again this year for the Members Fishing Competition on the 4th & 5th June so please give them your support, your pocket just may appreciate it as well.

There's not too many applications coming through for boat insurance lately. Don't forget you will get cheaper premiums, better coverage, and most importantly in turn getting financial support for our Club.

DON'T FORGET – RENEWING YOUR BOAT INSURANCE SOON? CONTACT ME OR CAROLE IN THE OFFICE FOR A FORM TO ARRANGE A QUOTE WITH CLUB MARINE AND IN TURN SUPPORT YOUR BOAT CLUB

Selwyn L Hill - Rear Commodore – BBSFC 07 863 4324 or Mob 021 317 227

