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The  newsletter

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Commodore's Welcome to the 2011-12 Season

Welcome to the 2011-12 sailing season at Heretaunga Boating Club. You will see from this edition that we have put together a packed programme of sailing with a mix of events with something for everyone. In addition to our Champ Series, we want to make sure we get to do some sprint racing, teams sailing, a harbour sail and some variation to the usual format for handicap racing. We also have a "bring a friend day" and we'd like to have the Club packed and buzzing for that so start talking to your friends and relatives about it now.

This year we will be hosting Muritai Yacht Club at our annual regatta, which will be held in conjunction with the North Island Sunburst Champs. We will need your full support for that weekend to make sure we put on a good show.

This year we have a few junior sailors coming through from Learn to Sail that I hope will form an Opti Fleet for Saturday afternoon racing. If you can give them your support and encouragement, it'll help them enjoy their sailing and want to come every Saturday. We will continue to have mid-week training both to support our juniors and for others wanting to improve their performance.

At the recent HBC AGM the line-up of office holders and committee remains much the same. There will continue to be a number of responsibilities taken by people who aren't on the Committee. Don't wait to be asked though - offers to help out are always gratefully received. Please support us, if you are asked to help out. We are a small club and need the support of all members to run it successfully.

Hamish Fenwick has put together some changes to race management for the coming season. There is guidance for Race Officers of the day to help improve the standard of our club race management, some new safety procedures, and we are investing in some new equipment to support that.

Finally - remember there is a working bee on 17th September starting at 9am. There is lots to do and the more people we have there to do it, the quicker we get it done. See you there.

Happy Sailing
Keith Fraser
HBC Commodore

The Season 2011-2012 is about to get underway

Attached to this Email are the **sailing program** and the **race** (or activity) **calendar**.

The sailing program outlines all the different activities and functions associated with sailing.

It covers off the following activities :

- Trophies
- Championship & Series races
- Safety requirements Personal and Boats
- Race management , Courses / briefing / start / finish
- Junior sailing and learn to sail activities / requirements / contacts
- HBC facilities for parents and sailors
- Race Officer Duties
- Calendar of events for season

This is essential reading full of information for all people taking part in HBC activities. It will answer most of your questions. Many thanks to Hamish for putting it together.

Dates to Remember and put on your calendar now !!

As mentioned in the commodor's introduction we are very lucky to be hosting the Sunburst **North Island Championships** where our very own Commodore and crew will be out to defend their title.

The day is also our **regatta day** so the whole fleet will be included in the event. We will need lots of help to man the rescue boats & feed the hungry.

Add these dates **Saturday & Sunday 25th & 26th Feb 2012** to your calendar now.

More Dates to Remember

This coming weekend 17th Sept Working bee 9.00am start followed by warm up race in the afternoon!!

Opening Day 1st October followed by potluck dinner

Junior learn to sail Immersion course 17th to 19th October for more detail refer to Flyer.

**Last Years team
ready for action**



Do you know anybody that would like to enjoy the sport of sailing ?? The challenge of catching and using the wind for fun and excitement.

Sailing is a great builder of confidence and the club thrives on the new folk that come along to accept the challenge.

Want to learn to sail

This year we are starting with a block course for the new intake. We have an introductory evening session on Thursday 13th October a pool evening on 16th followed by 3 full on days 17th 18th 19th Oct.

The course cost is divided into the three day block course costs \$120 and the Saturday morning training at \$60 for a junior membership making a total of \$180 for the season.

The club will provide optmist sailing dinghies for the course and the Saturday morning training sessions.

Learn to Sail Squad

The learn to sail squad will run on Saturday mornings 10.00am through to 12.00am and is open to anyone who has completed the three day block learn to sail courses and is a current member of HBC.

The Saturday sessions will have 2 streams one instructing the new intakes (Level 1 of Yacht NZ training program) the other providing coaching to improve on existing skills.(Level 2 of YNZ program). Club optmists will be available for use but we do encourage you to buy your own in your second year as time on water is the best teacher.

Junior learn to sail course.

17th to 19th October

Course details on www.sailhbc.org.nz

Contact John on 589 1911 or

Dements@xtra.co.nz

For those of you that for some strange reason missed the AGM

Your new Executive Committee is :

Patron	Hugh Poole
President	Ron Bailey
Commodore	Keith Fraser
Vice Commodore	Hamish Fenwick
Rear Commodore	Neil McDonald
Secretary	Jenny Mason
Treasurer (Ancient)	John Greenfield
Junior Coordinator	John Dement
Committee	John Andrews
	Stuart McLaren

A Winter Project

What some people do in their sheds !!

Mark Luiten has been beavering away all winter on his Day sailer, a couple of pics to show where he is at.

So if you have the desire to build your own then Mark is the guy to have a chat with. This is not the first boat he has built but it is the biggest yet.....



Do you have a boat for sale??

Then get a picture and brief description and get it onto the www.sailhbc.org.nz site.
Send it to Chris Knewstubb on here.boat@actrix.co.nz.

Want to put an article for "FROTH" then send it to idblair@slingshot.co.nz
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