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Taupo 2014 two views of the pits all quiet before the action began

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Editorial

A new idea I have implemented in response to all the people interested in submitting copy but want to know when the deadline is for the next issue, probably so they can sit on it till the last moment and still miss it. So now I will say for 2015 the deadlines for copy will be 31 March, 30 June, 30 September and 31 December. Four quarterly issues and four dates, easy. This is how I will work it, at the start of each quarter I will begin putting the edition together and post it on the website as 'Provisional' for all to see how it is coming together in other words how little or how much copy has been sent in and maybe encourage some to submit something to add to it. This will have the advantage that copy will go in in a timely manner and is not 'old news' when first seen. When that quarter date passes that issue will be finalised and the next one started, and so on. For those that still require a hardcopy this can be posted out at the end of each quarter if needed.

At this end of year may I wish you happy holidays safe travels, some building time, and special thanks to those that contributed copy this year, they know who they are.

Subs, yes they are due come 1 Jan 2015 to be race legal and with BOPMPBC having an event Jan 24 you will need that to race. Application form on last page of this Propshaft.

Presidents Report

Hi all. Well another year is nearly done and as usual it has flown by. It has been a busy year for the committee working on all the things needed to be done. A lot of work has been done by our treasurer and secretary to bring the association accounts up to date and get the association re incorporated as it was struck off last year un beknown to the committee until a few weeks back. Anyhow it's all back on track with thanks to Steve and Bruce for their efforts. The committee has also been working on our classes and a little bit of a revamp which will see classes introduced around the (box) stock zenoah and some tidying up/ rationalising of others to make running future Nat's a little easier (we hope)! There is also some updating of the electric classes, so hopefully we have a great platform for the next few years for model boat racing in NZ

I have been able to attend most regattas this year with the exception of those in Wellington and the South Island and have enjoyed the racing and camaraderie that exists. Thanks to everyone who has been able to be there and for pitching in where needed to make the events successful and run as smoothly as possible. It is you guys that make our model boating the fun that it is.

This year saw the introduction of the two-lap sprint records, which was a blast and I am looking forward to the next regatta next year and the opportunity to break the records already set. There are a number of records still wide open so keep that in mind for next year. The offshore series continues to be popular with good attendance and I am really looking forward to getting my offshore boat on the water soon and racing in that next year too. The BOP club is also running a separate four round offshore series at our pond in Tauranga next year and it should be a blast. Next year's Nationals will also be at Tauranga again and I would encourage all that can, to be there and enjoy some top racing at a fantastic facility.

There is plenty of boating in next year's calendar for everyone so check through it to see what you could get to.

I would like to wish all a Merry Christmas and happy New Year. If you are getting away for the holiday season drive safe and enjoy time with family and friends. I hope to see many of you again next year at the various events. Until then.

Peter Anderson.

NZMPBA Rule changes and National Championships Class variations

Become effective 6th April 2015.

National Championships considerations.

- 1. Nationals remain at Easter and runs over 4 days, starting Thursday and finishing Easter Sunday.
- 2. Nationals are to be "class specific" ie no cross entry of any boat (as it already ran) into other classes except as allowed in Marathon and the appropriate Open Oval event.
- 3. P2 Hydro is not to be run as an event as such, this is facilitated by the following sub classes being run: T2 Thunderboat, Sport Petrol Hydro and Outrigger Hydro.

4. In the Nitro Mono, Tunnel and Hydro classes, A,B & C1 shall be merged. (le up to 10cc class)

NZMPBA permanent rule book changes.

1st Proposal: That in T2 Thunderboat ANY brand of petrol motor upto max 27cc is allowed.

Wording of Rule book to be amended as follows: (under Engine Specifications)

- 1. Any 2 stroke petrol engine can be used up to 27cc. Electronic or Magneto ignition is allowed.
- 2. Delete completely
- 3. Leave wording as is. (re number as #2)
- 4. Delete completely

2nd Proposal: That Sport Petrol Hydro be limited to Pickle Fork Hulls.

Wording of rule book to be amended as follows:

- 1. Hull configuration shall be Pickle fork only, The Pickle fork shall not exceed 25% of the hull length (Hardware and other appendages are excluded from O/A length)
- **3rd Proposal:** That to allow for the adjustment of P1 Class (to become "stock class") then under General Rules 4. CLASSES, P2 is adjusted as follows:

P2 class. **Up to 27cc** Petrol and oil only. (No other additives allowed)

4th **Proposal:** That P1 class becomes the "Stock Zenoah" class that includes Mono, Tunnel and T1 Thunderboat (now to be known as P1 Thunderboat, this will eliminate anyone trying to cross enter the same boat into T2 Thunderboat as is now recognised as a completely differently named class.)

Under General Rules 4. CLASSES P1 is adjusted as follows:

P1 class. (Mono, Tunnel and P1 Thunderboat only)

Engine Specifications.

- 1. Engine MUST BE a stock standard 231 or 260 PUM Zenoah only. No internal modifications are allowed either by removing or adding material to or from the engine, with the exception of relieving the side of the piston at ring area to prevent seizing. The cylinder and head assembly must be a single unit as standard (no removable heads and / or head buttons allowed)
- 2. All stock gaskets and seals must be installed (No splitting of paper gaskets or using thinner replacement gaskets is allowed)
- 3. Engine must run with stock Grey and Red coils.
- 4. Spark plug can be any standard type (unmodified) and must have its washer installed.
- 5. NO "stroker" crankshafts allowed.
- 6. NO other after market parts allowed, eg aluminium carburettor isolator block (or other even if only cosmetic in terms of colour etc)
- 7. Any factory issued standard carburettor may be used, WT 603, WT 644, but can be substituted with a stock WT-257 (NO modifications.)

- 8. Any exhaust system with water cooled manifold is allowed. All boats must meet the current NZMPBA noise rules.
- The engine must be equipped with a recoil starter used as the primary means of starting the engine, the standard Zenoah recoil can be substituted with an "Ezy Start" recoil. Belt starting is only allowed as a secondary means of starting the engine.

5th **Proposal:** To align the current T1 Thunderboat rules with the above, make the following adjustments to Stock T1 Thunderboat as follows:

- 1. Re name: STOCK THUNDERBOAT (P1)
 - 9. Engine Specifications as per P1 class in General Rules.

(Remove ALL notes regarding Engine Specifications under T1 Class rules as these will now be noted in General Rules)

Electric Classes Proposal

- 1. N2 ltd and E ltd
 - a. Change to N2 and P (this keeps the class names in line with other organizations here and overseas)
 - b. Remove motor limitations and make motor choice open.
 - c. Change maximum battery capacity from 12000 to 6000 mah.
 - d. Drop the Nimh chemistry batteries
 - e. All other specs for these classes to remain unchanged.
- 2. Q class
- 3. Retain Open electric class rule as is.
 - a) 6s (cell) Lipo 22.2v
 - b) Minimum hull length 865mm (34 inches)
 - c) Other specs for the class copied from the smaller classes
- 4. Keep 1/8 scale electric Hydro as future class at this time.

This gives us 2,4 and 6 cell classes in hydro and offshore, which allows for plenty of scope for members to build and run electric boats. The lower battery capacity keeps a 'limitation' on the power available in the boats and compensates for the open motor rule.

We retain Open electric to allow other boats (riggers and 8,10,12 cell setups) to be able to run where numbers permit. Open electric as a class still allows boats from other classes to enter, and Open electric oval as an event at the Nationals would include any class boat.

Lipo Batteries

I thought that I would share a bit of what I have learned about lipos.

The lipo or lithium polymer battery has been the one main big thing that has brought Fast Electric boats into being serious racers. Lipo batteries are made up of separate cells that each have a nomimal voltage of 3.7 volts. This is how a packs rated voltage is set, eg. a 2 cell (2S) pack is 7.4v, 4S 14.8v and so on. The lipo battery also has a capacity measured in milli amphours or mah. This

will vary depending on the cell size but 5000mah is a common size used in FE. Lipo batteries also have a 'C' rating. This rating gives us the maximum discharge current that the battery is designed to handle. For example, a 5000mah 40C pack will be designed to discharge a maximum constant current of 200 amps. That is 5000mah or 5 amps x 40. Suffice to say that the harder you push things, the less long they last!Why do lipos puff? Lipos do not like to be over discharged. The two ways of doing this are running them for too long or taking too high currents out. The best recommendation is to ensure that your batteries can handle the current draw of the motor and when running to not use more than 80% of the batteries capacity. So for a 5000mah battery it should only need 4000mah to recharge back up. I personally set my boats up so that they will use around 80% for a 5 lap heat race. There are a number of variables that effect current draw so testing is a must to get things right.

The lipo cells when fully charged will be around 4.2 v and you should use the balance function on your charger to balance charge each pack before race day. This balances each of the cells so that the pack will work and deliver the best performance. During racing fast charging is fine. After use lipos need to be storage charged. This function on the charger takes the cell voltage to 3.85v. This is important to keep your batteries in good condition when not in use. Lipos are best stored in a cool place. The fridge is ok but do not let them freeze.

I hope that this gives a little better understanding of lipos, yes basic but simple. Lipos are an evolving technology but are simple enough to learn about, there is plenty of information online and I recommend offshoreelectrics.com as a fantastic website resource.

Peter Anderson.

North Island Champs

Labour Weekend at Tauranga

Labour weekend has come and gone...the entry for this year's NI Champs was quite low at about 11 or so, unfortunately Murray S suffered a failed water pump at Hunterville on his way to the Bay from Marton, and was destined never to make it, with that no show and another withdrawal saw the demise of a couple of the Nitro events...

Regardless of the numbers there was still a lot of racing to get through in one day, so we started very early with drivers breif at 8am and first race underway by 8.30am!

We had the best weather that day I ever remember for a Labour Weekend event! That allowed plenty of really fast close racing among all the events, with especial note in T1, with all so even it really is a fun event, most starts with all boats within a few metres of each other...

Interestingly, along with T1, Stock Gas Mono and Stock Gas Tunnel were the 3 best supported classes, and with low numbers in attendance that's saying something!

The day rolled on with much fun and banter, lunch was kindly taken care of by Ash's wife Megan, who again does such a terrific job for us in that department, her home made chocolate cake was sooo good!

Ash and Megan had set up camp at the lake Friday night in their caravan which allowed us to set up much of the venue Friday afternoon, so a massive thanks to you both, it's that sort of effort and commitment that helps the BOP Club tick...

Karl M, a new member to the BOP club enjoyed his first event and did very well in Open Electric, and with his introduction now sees the BOP club with 3 firm exponents of fast electric craft, I am sure more will follow as time goes on...

We finished up the day around 4.30pm with everyone satisfied with a good days racing done and dusted...

Overall Results.

| Open Electric 1 P Anderson 2 P Botha 3 K Martin | 2000 1200 750 |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Stock Gas Mono 1 B Clarke 2 T Christiansen 3 P Botha 4 A Adlington 5 T Riddiford | 1850 1169 938 915 700 |
| Stock Gas Tunnel 1 B Clarke 2 P Botha 3 T Riddiford 4 T Christiansen | 1525 1044 1000 150 |
| T1 Thunderboat 1 J Turvey 2 T Christiansen 3 S Trott 4 B Clarke 5 T Riddiford | 1800 1338 1144 900 152 |
| Open Gas Mono 1 T Christiansen 2 B Clarke 3 T Riddiford | 1500 1125 25 |
| Open Gas Tunnel 1 B Clarke 2 T Christiansen 3 T Riddiford | 850 800 725 |
| Open Gas Hydro 1 T Christiansen 2 J Turvey 3 B Clarke | 1400 825 400 |

Regs, TUI.

Regatta Report- The 2014 Hamilton 100 Offshore, Round 2 June 15th.

Once again the day greeted us with mirror calm conditions. The weather forecast was for the same for the rest of the day, and so the scene was set for yet another 100 minutes of sprint racing.

Practice was short and sweet, for most a couple of laps were enough to settle the nerves and boats were ready to race.

We had 14 entries for the event and we split the field evenly into two groups, and this year decided to keep the nitros and petrol boats separated. Main reason was to give the nitros a fair run, and secondly to avoid advantaging the one or two petrol boats that end up getting a free run with the nitros. With 5 nitros and 9 petrol boats it wasn't going to be easy but there were enough free bods with the odd friendly spectator roped in, around to be able to make sure everybody had a pitman.

Group 1, heat 1 was the first heat to break the glass calm mirror surface of the lake. Steve Trott and Random Chaos (yeah he's fixed the spelling!), finished the heat in fine style, leading the field with a healthy 30 laps, followed by Kerry O'reilly with the one and only Super Boat light B class on 26 laps, with Leon Jacobs finishing 3rd with 23 laps.

Next up the Petrol Boats in Group 2, Despite winning the start and leading for 15 of the 20 minutes, a broken shaft relegated Big Red placing to second equal for the heat with Terry Riddford's Jaffa on 27 laps each. The heat was won by Leigh Marsden's Lucky Break with 36 laps.

Round 2 for the nitros meant it was time for Steve Trott's annual engine rebuild, he thought he'd be tricky and do it two weeks earlier, but the boat had other ideas and the flywheel came loose 3 laps into the second heat. After having a few issues in the first heat, Matt McGovern came back with vengeance to convincingly win the second heat with 24 laps followed by Kerry O'Reilly and Leon Jacobs dead-locked with 17 laps.

Round 2, Group 2 saw Big Red back in fine form and after winning the start again went on to take out the heat with 32 laps, followed by Matt Bindon with 25 laps and Terry Riddiford on 21 laps.

Standings at the end of Heat 2 had Big Red leading with 59 laps, Lucky Break in second place with 52 laps and Jaffa sitting on 48 laps, and Kerry O'Reilly's B class Macho in 4th place with 43 laps.

The final heat for Group 1 was a close fight for Matt McGovern and Ian Jacobs with Ian finally overcoming with 71 laps and Matt ending up with 70 laps, and Kerry O'Reilly in 3rd class with his B boat with a very respectable 63 laps.

The final heat for Group 2 was the pseudo Grand finale and was marked by one of the more bizarre racing incidents I've seen for a while. Big Red made a grade start and was enjoying a great dice with Bruce Clarke's Clarke Engineering, when Big Red developed a stutter when turning left around the middle buoy of the back straight. The dice with Big Red and Clarke engineering had gotten so close that when Big Red stutter to an immediate halt Bruce had no where to go than straight up the back of the Big Red, leaving a nice triangle shaped hole, from the left sponson of the cat, in the process. Turned out a water line had come adrift in Big Red and when she turned left, all the water sloshed to the carb side of the boat and giving her a big gulp of nice fresh water. Thanks to a quick rescue Big Red and an observant pitman seeing the dislodged water cooling line she went on to win the final heat with 94 Laps.

Second place in the final went to Leigh Marsden's lucky break with 82 laps and third place saw Tony Christiansen's Hot Fuzz on the podium for the first time in the day with 76 laps.

Final result or the day saw the usual suspects with P2 boats dominate, with Big Red Taking out the Hamilton 100 followed by Leigh Marsden's Lucky break in second place and Terry Riddiford's Jaffa in third place. Matt McGovern was the first of the C1's in a very respectable 4th place overall, not a bad result given that he spent the first heat considering whether to change to his P2 boat. Tony Christensen started to show some good pace as the day progressed which was good enough to get him into the top 5.

Special thanks to:

- The guys that helped out in the rescue boat for the day, sorry I've forgotten who you were this time around. It's a difficult and sometimes scary job and we really appreciate you guys helping out.
- Birmy Korving and others for taking care of the lunchtime barbecue and keeping everybody fed.
- Tony Christiansen and others for helping with the lap counting.
- Matt Bindon for organising the event and course set-up and take down.
- All those who stayed around to help cleanup and attend the prize giving.

Class Placings

| Class | Class Points |
|-------------------|--------------|
| В | |
| Kerry O'Reilly | 400 |
| C1 | |
| Matt McGovern | 400 |
| Leon Jacobs | 300 |
| Ian Jacobs | 225 |
| Steve Trott | 169 |
| P2 | |
| Bob Gutsell | 400 |
| Leigh Marsden | 300 |
| Terry Riddiford | 225 |
| Matt Bindon | 169 |
| Brian Hely | 127 |
| Mike Rockliffe | 95 |
| Р3 | |
| Tony Christiansen | 400 |
| Bruce Clarke | 300 |

| Place | Name | Class | Total |
|-------|-------------------|--------|-------|
| | | 0.0.00 | Laps |
| 1 | Bob Gutsell | P2 | 153 |
| 2 | Leigh Marsden | P2 | 134 |
| 3 | Terry Riddiford | P2 | 120 |
| 4 | Matt McGovern | C1 | 110 |
| 5 | Tony Christiansen | P3 | 107 |
| 6 | Kerry O'Reilly | В | 106 |
| 7 | Matt Bindon | P2 | 97 |
| 8 | Leon Jacobs | C1 | 97 |
| 9 | Ian Jacobs | C1 | 94 |
| 10 | Bryan Hely | P2 | 65 |
| 11 | Steve Trott | C1 | 47 |
| 12 | Bruce Clarke | P3 | 33 |
| 13 | Mike Rockliffe | P2 | 0 |
| 14 | | | |
| 15 | | | |
| 16 | | | |

Regatta Report- The 2014 Taupo 100 Offshore, Round 4 August 23rd.

Lake Taupo, New Zealand's largest lake with enough wind reach from any direction to give us a bit of wave action for decent offshore conditions......you'd think! Well that's how I usually start the Taupo offshore roundup, but this time was different. The weather forecast was for a 15 knot southerly blowing right up the lake, and the weather forecast actually delivered!

We had a nice manageable entry of 19 boats registered for 7th running of this event. A bit of a godsend really as Matt B had to pull-out due to Family commitments, Kerry had to work, and Dave L had sold the Blue rescue boat. So it was to be Birmy and I to run the day. Again we ran 3 groups but mainly because we finally figured out that if we split the field into thirds, you had a third racing, a third pitting and a third available for manning rescue boats and pitting. Unfortunately we were about an hour late in getting started which exacerbated the impact of the extra heats of racing. The strategy paid off though, as everybody pitched in and did their bit, made for a very pleasant day's racing. With some further tweaking this might be a winning formula.

With scrutineering, money grabbing, drivers brief and practice for each group out of the way it was time to go racing.

The conditions stayed breezy and challenging, but manageable for most of the day with most drivers adapting to the conditions and some exiting racing.

The exception was some carnage when Steve Trott and Wayne McNaught had a coming together at Buoy 4 resulting in severe damage which took Steve's boat out for the rest of the day and the season.

By the end of the second final heat, it looked like Big Red had it in the bag with a clear lead of 155 laps over Darryl Hansen on 134 Laps. BUT, it's never over until the fat lady sings, and as often happens at Taupo, the wind dropped off as the day came to an end, coinciding beautifully with the running of the heat three final. There was a fair bit of puckering going on as we watched Tony Christensen and Hot fuzz take advantage of the calm water and turn up lap after lap after high speed lap.

When it all did finally come to an end, it was the P2 boats lead by Big Red for the win by 2 laps on 155 laps, and Tony Christensen's Hot Fuzz in a close second, with 153 laps and Darryl Hansen in 3rd with 134 laps, Nigel Wong in Fourth with 114 laps and then Peter Collier rounding out 5th place with a C2 boat, Miami Vice with 106 laps.

Special thanks to:

- Birmy and those who manned the rescue boat all day. It's a difficult and sometimes scary job and we really appreciate you guys helping out.
- Kerry O'reilly, for securing the venue and sorting out the local council and Harbour master.
- Matt Bindon for organising all the front end stuff like creating the entry forms and collating the entries.
- Birmy Korving and Tania O'Reilly for taking care of the lunchtime barbecue and keeping everybody

 fed
- All those that helped with Lap counting and Race directing.
- Birmy Korving, White for the course set-up and take down.

• All those who stayed around to help clean-up and attend the prize giving.

Overall Placings

| Name | Eng | Laps | Overall |
|-------------------|-------|------|---------|
| INGINE | Class | Lups | place |
| D 1 0 1 11 | | 455 | |
| Bob Gutsell | P2 | 155 | 1 |
| Tony Christiansen | P3 | 153 | 2 |
| Darrell Hansen | P2 | 134 | 3 |
| Nigel Wong | P2 | 114 | 4 |
| Peter Collier | C2 | 106 | 5 |
| Pieter Lokum | P2 | 95 | 6 |
| Terry Riddiford | P2 | 93 | 7 |
| Wayne McNaught | C1 | 90 | 8 |
| Steve Trott | C1 | 82 | 9 |
| Birmy Korving | P2 | 80 | 10 |
| Matt McGovern | C1 | 79 | 11 |
| John Belworthy | Р3 | 73 | 12 |
| Brian Hely | PX | 64 | 13 |
| Leon Jacobs | C1 | 55 | 14 |
| lan Jacobs | C1 | 51 | 15 |
| Murray Smithson | P2 | | 16 |
| Malcolm Belworthy | C2 | | 17 |
| Leigh Marsden | P2 | | 18 |
| Trevor McLellan | P3 | | 19 |

Class Placings

| Class | Points |
|-------------------|--------|
| C1 | |
| Wayne McNaught | 400 |
| Steve Trott | 300 |
| Matt McGovern | 225 |
| Leon Jacobs | 169 |
| Ian Jacobs | 127 |
| C2 | |
| Peter Collier | 400 |
| Malcolm Belworthy | 300 |
| P2 | |
| Bob Gutsell | 400 |
| Darrell Hansen | 300 |
| Nigel Wong | 225 |
| Pieter Lokum | 169 |
| Terry Riddiford | 127 |
| Birmy Korving | 95 |
| Murray Smithson | 71 |

| Leigh Marsden | 53 |
|-------------------|-----|
| P3 | |
| Tony Christiansen | 400 |
| John Belworthy | 300 |
| Trevor McLellan | 225 |
| PX | |
| Brian Hely | 400 |

Regatta Report- The 2014 Rotorua 100 Offshore, Round 5 September 20th.

There was going to be no question about the weather for this event, same as last year, crap,crap and more crap! We arrived to the venue to find a stonking northerly blowing directly onshore. With a forecast for heavy rain and already threatening skies, some of us wouldn't have taken a lot of convincing to leave everything in the car and go home. But we came to race and race we did, whoever won this round was going to deserve it.

For the first time in a long time we didn't have the IRMS, so it was back to old school tally sheets. The field was only 10 boats which quickly got smaller as the day wore on. Thanks To Erin and her sister (Yes I forgot her name!) for taking care of the lap scoring for most of the racing and Tony C for calling the laps.

We ran two sets of heats, mainly nitro boats in the first heat and everybody else in the second heat. Was pretty hard going for most, but the conditions suited the Nitro boats especially the beautifully balanced C1 boats of Matt Bindon and Leo Jacobs. Boats that can get airborne and land flat are always going to be hard to beat.

The petrol boats struggled in the conditions, taking mouthfuls of water on a regular basis, resulting in frequent "flameouts". But eventually after some judicious use of race tape to block up air vents to the point that water intake was minimised while still allowing enough air to run in the conditions,

The day was punctuated by heavy rainfall and gale force winds. If we were lucky, the Rain would come between races so we could cower under the Gazebos around the side of the Scout hall.

So once it was all said and done, the final results were remarkably close. Big Red Shared Line honours with Leon Jacobs' first equal on 94 laps each, then Tony Christiansen and Matt Bindon were left to share 3rd place with 82 laps each, some very respectable lap scores given the conditions.

Luckiest dude of the day award went to Matt McGovern who was packing up under what was found to be a broken window on the second floor of the scout hall, when a wind gusts dislodged a decent sized shard that landed right next to where he was working.

Thanks to Birmy and the others whose names I forget for manning the rescue boat for the day and also to Birmy for sorting out lunch for everybody.

Thanks to all those we competed in the three northern rounds, there's been some new names and boats emerge into the top 5 placings this year, there'll be some very interesting racing next year.

Overall Placings

| Name | Eng | Laps | Overall | Overall |
|-------------------|-------|------|---------|---------|
| | Class | | place | Points |
| Bob Gutsell | P2 | 94 | 1 | 400 |
| Leon Jacobs | C1 | 94 | 1 | 400 |
| Matt Bindon (C1) | C1 | 82 | 3 | 225 |
| Tony Christiansen | P3 | 82 | 3 | 225 |
| Birmy Korving | P2 | 62 | 5 | 169 |
| lan Jacobs | C1 | 52 | 6 | 127 |
| Leigh Marsden | P2 | 52 | 7 | 95 |
| Terry Riddiford | P2 | 36 | 8 | 71 |
| Birmy Korving | P2 | 28 | 9 | 53 |
| Bruce Clarke | P3 | 4 | 10 | 40 |

Class Placings

| Class | Points |
|-------------------|--------|
| C1 | |
| Leon Jacobs | 400 |
| Matt Bindon (C1) | 300 |
| Ian Jacobs | 225 |
| P2 | |
| Bob Gutsell | 400 |
| Leigh Marsden | 300 |
| Terry Riddiford | 225 |
| Birmy Korving | 169 |
| Р3 | |
| Tony Christiansen | 400 |
| Bruce Clarke | 300 |
| PX | |
| Birmy Korving | 400 |

Club News

Wellington Model Power Boat Club

Another great year at WMPBC. We ran four rounds of Offshore of which rounds 1 and 4 counted towards the National series and rounds 2 and 3 were club events, to which any visitors are welcome. All laps are tallied up below and Leigh Marsden followed up his 2013 National series win with the

Wellington top score for 2014. For once it was better weather too with no bad weather days except the postponed August event that was run in September under sunny skies. Roll on 2015 we are running the same format again.

| Name | # | WMPBC | Rnd 1 | Rnd 2 | Rnd 3 | Rnd 4 | Total | Overall | WMPBC |
|-------------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| Leigh Marsden | 131 | Υ | 110 | 130 | 104 | 124* | 468 | 1 | 1 |
| Pieter Lokum | 83 | Υ | 106 | 146* | 95 | 104 | 451 | 2 | 2 |
| Peter Collier | 23 | Υ | 105 | 118 | 98 | 110 | 431 | 3 | 3 |
| Terry Riddiford | 32 | Υ | 95 | 91 | 56 | 96 | 338 | 4 | 4 |
| Wayne McNaught | 5 | Υ | 80 | 51 | 76 | 119 | 326 | 5 | 5 |
| John Belworthy | 76 | Υ | 54 | 128** | 100** | 35 | 317 | 6 | 6 |
| Nigel Wong | 261 | Υ | | 127 | 111* | 37 | 275 | 7 | 7 |
| Darrell Hansen | 31 | Υ | 33 | 87 | 63 | 35 | 218 | 8 | 8 |
| Malcolm Belworthy | 77 | Υ | 73 | | 55 | 79 | 207 | 10 | 9 |
| Tony Rutledge | 43 | Υ | 76 | | 102 | | 178 | 12 | 10 |
| Trevor McClellan | 250 | Υ | | | 55 | | 55 | 20 | 11 |
| Murray Smithson | 69 | Υ | | | 43 | 0 | 43 | 23 | 12 |
| Rudy van Vlerken | 204 | Υ | | | 33 | | 33 | 24 | 13 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Visitors | | | | | | | | | |
| Tony Christiansen | 106 | | 89 | | | 124* | 213 | 9 | |
| Bruce Clarke | 12 | | 79 | | | 116** | 195 | 11 | |
| Trevor Emerson | 78 | | 36 | | | 122 | 158 | 13 | |
| Brendon Kirk | 97 | | 117* | | | | 117 | 14 | |
| Matt Gay | 66 | | 109** | | | | 109 | 15 | |
| Ray Ticehurst | 65 | | 69 | | | | 69 | 16 | |
| Birmy Korving | 286 | | 69 | | | | 69 | 17 | |
| Jeremy White | 126 | | 59 | | | | 59 | 18 | |
| Matt McGovern | 61 | | 56 | | | | 56 | 19 | |
| Keith Ewing | 27 | | 50 | | | | 50 | 21 | |
| Wayne Mowbray | 28 | | 50 | | | | 50 | 22 | |
| Morgan Plummer | 39 | | | | | 14 | 14 | 25 | |

^{*}Winner on the day ** most laps in a heat

| Most | laps in heat, by Round | Laps |
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| 1 | Matt Gay | 28 |
| 2 | John Belworthy | 32 |
| 3 | John Belworthy | 26 |
| 4 | Bruce Clark | 30 |

I think these clubs may have had some event too.

Bay of Plenty MPBC

Wairarapa Model Power Boat Club.

Marlborough, Taranaki, Taupo, Central Club, Manukau, Manawatu, SUHA, Christchurch?

Bright Ideas -

Actually does anyone have any they want to share, this is your mag, share your secrets.

2015 NZMPBA CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

HIGHLIGHTED = Presidents Cup Points Regatta.

Notes: Club Days can be postponed 1 week as required

BOPMPBC holds a "Twilight" Club Event every Thursday during Daylight Savings.

JANUARY

| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 3RD |
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| BOP, TARARUA & WELLINGTON CLUB DAY | 4TH |
| WAIRARAPA CLUB DAY | 11TH |
| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 17TH |
| TARARUA CLUB DAY | 18TH |
| SUHA SILVER CUP AKL | 17TH /18TH |
| BOPMPBC SMI OFFSHORE SERIES 1 | 24TH |
| FEBRUARY | |
| BOP, TARARUA & WELLINGTON CLUB DAY | 1ST |
| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 7TH |
| WAIRARAPA CLUB DAY | 8TH |
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| TARARUA CLUB DAY | 15TH |
| TARARUA CLUB DAY WELLINGTON OFFSHORE NZ RND 1 | 15TH 15TH |
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| WELLINGTON OFFSHORE NZ RND 1 | 15TH |
| WELLINGTON OFFSHORE NZ RND 1 HMPBC CLUB DAY | 15TH 21ST |
| WELLINGTON OFFSHORE NZ RND 1 HMPBC CLUB DAY SUHA BOP WORLD CUP | 15TH 21ST |
| WELLINGTON OFFSHORE NZ RND 1 HMPBC CLUB DAY SUHA BOP WORLD CUP MARCH | 15TH 21ST 21ST / 22ND |
| WELLINGTON OFFSHORE NZ RND 1 HMPBC CLUB DAY SUHA BOP WORLD CUP MARCH BOP, TARARUA & WELLINGTON CLUB DAY | 15TH 21ST 21ST / 22ND 1ST |
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| BOP & HMPBC CLUB DAY | 21ST |
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| NZMPBA NATS ENTRY CONFIRMATION SENT | 28TH |
| APRIL | |
| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 4TH |
| NZMPBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS & AGM BOP | 2ND > 5TH |
| TARARUA & WELLINGTON CLUB DAY | 5TH |
| WAIRARAPA CLUB DAY | 12TH |
| BOP & HMPBC CLUB DAY | 18TH |
| TARARUA CLUB DAY | 19TH |
| BOPMPBC SMI OFFSHORE SERIES 2 | 25TH |
| MAY | |
| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 2ND |
| WELLINGTON CLUB OFFSHORE | 3RD |
| BOP, TARARUA & WELLINGTON CLUB DAY | 3RD |
| WAIRARAPA CLUB DAY | 10TH |
| BOPMPBC CHAMPS | 16TH |
| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 16TH |
| TARARUA CLUB DAY | 17TH |
| SUHA SEAFAIR TROPHY AUCKLAND | 23RD / 24TH |
| MARLBOROUGH CHALLENGE | 30TH / 31ST |
| JUNE | |
| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 6TH |
| BOP, TARARUA & WELLINGTON CLUB DAY | 7TH |
| WAIRARAPA CLUB DAY | 14TH |
| HAMILTON OFFSHORE NZ RND 3 | 20TH |
| TARARUA CLUB DAY | 21ST |
| BOP & HMPBC CLUB DAY | 27TH |

JULY

| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 4TH |
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| BOP, TARARUA & WELLINGTON CLUB DAY | 5TH |
| WAIRARAPA CLUB DAY | 12TH |
| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 18TH |
| BOPMPBC SMI OFFSHORE SERIES 3 | 18TH |
| TARARUA CLUB DAY | 19TH |
| SUHA TARANAKI DIAMOND CUP | 25TH / 26TH |
| AUGUST | |
| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 1ST |
| BOP, TARARUA & WELLINGTON CLUB DAY | 2ND |
| ASHBURTON SPEED RUNS | 8TH / 9TH |
| WAIRARAPA CLUB DAY | 9TH |
| WELLINGTON CLUB OFFSHORE | 9TH |
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| BOP 2 LAP SPRINT WEEKEND | 15TH / 16TH |
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| BOP, TARARUA & WELLINGTON CLUB DAY | 4TH |
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| WAIRARAPA CLUB DAY | 11TH |
| BOP 2 LAP SPRINT WEEKEND | 17TH / 18TH |
| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 17TH |
| TARARUA CLUB DAY | 18TH |
| NOVEMBER | |
| BOP, TARARUA & WELLINGTON CLUB DAY | 1ST |
| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 7TH |
| WAIRARAPA CLUB DAY | 8TH |
| BOPMPBC SMI OFFSHORE SERIES 4 | 14TH |
| TARARUA CLUB DAY | 15TH |
| BOP & HMPBC CLUB DAY | 21ST |
| WELLINGTON OFFSHORE NZ RND 6 | 22ND |
| FINALISE 2016 CALENDER OF EVENTS | 27TH |
| SUHA BOP GOVERNORS CUP | 28TH / 29TH |
| DECEMBER | |
| HMPBC CLUB DAY | 5TH |
| BOP, TARARUA & WELLINGTON CLUB DAY | 6ТН |
| WAIRARAPA CLUB DAY | 13TH |
| BOP & HMPBC CLUB DAY | 19 TH |



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