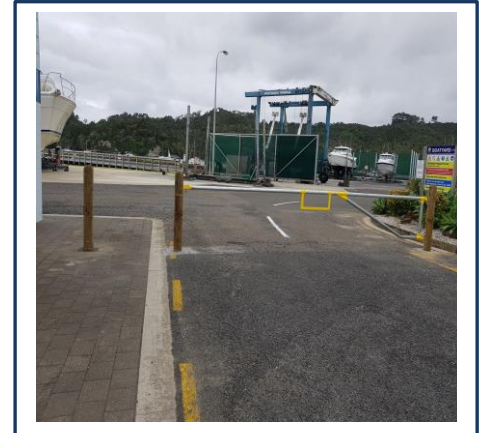


MARCH 2018



AT THE HELM

COMMITTEE

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Ben Carmichael	Yard Hand

All staff are contactable on 07 866 2456

or for

Emergencies 027 824 8228

FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Hello Members

Well what a summer. Sub tropical weather without leaving home and in the main conditions have been great for boating. The short bursts of extreme weather have tested parts of the Marina and we are aware some poles have failed. The team have this well under control with poles been replaced and more are on order.

These things remind us that our complex has had 28 years of wear and tear. If you notice things on your berth that may need some attention please bring them to attention of staff. They may not see the poles when you bump them or use them to assist getting the boat in the berth. We've all done it and it maybe these moments that help us identify issues early.

The wall project is progressing. We have come across a hurdle in that the section of wall that we are replacing has a reserve status on it. The only person who can remove this is the minister for Conservation Eugenie Sage who also happens to be the minister for Crown Land. The Society's Solicitor Joan Foret attended our last Committee meeting. Joan is confident we will be successful in getting the reserve status removed and the consent for the entire project can then be lodged.

At this stage we are still on budget however we are mindful a small over run may occur. Recent aerial photographs of the wall at low tide clearly show the extent of the rocks rolling off both sides of the wall into the Estuary and Marina. Again, the committee assures members the project will not proceed without the berth sales funding the project.

You may have noticed a new face in the yard! Wayne got envious of seeing everyone going boating while he was working. Hence Wayne has retired and we have employed Ben Carmichael as Waynes replacement. I would like to thank Wayne for his service and welcome Ben onto the team.

Safe boating

Calum McGillivray

POLES

Please be aware that we will be starting next week putting in some new piles, we had a break before and during Christmas.

If we need to move your boat we will be in touch, but we hope we can do all this work without doing that, please call me on 0274 500 828 if you have any problems with this.

We will try our best to get the piling done as fast as we possibly can.

KAYAKS / CHILLY BINS ETC

Please do not block up the pontoons with these. Remove as soon as possible, we must have easy safe access up and down the pontoons.

MARINA EXTENSION

We are getting close to having our final AEE in place, we just going through a process with our Solicitor, once that is complete we should be ready to proceed and apply for our consent.

Then it will just be that waiting game as Waikato regional council go through their steps making sure that we have all the information in place, so please be patient as most of you all know this takes time, as soon as we know more you will be informed.

If you have any questions regarding this, please feel free to call Dave Munday and Dave will talk through your questions – Dave 0274 500 828

WATER BLASTING

The marina offers a water blasting service of your vessel at a very reasonable labour rate of just \$50.

If your vessel is extremely dirty e.g. mussels or heavy fouling, we will charge extra as you would expect.

SHEDS

We are taking steady bookings for the sheds - its not winter yet but it will come around quick so make sure you are not out trying to work in the rain when you could be nice and dry and get the job done in a lot less time.

Give us a call and we can run through how the shed process works.

We look forward to your inquiries.

Elide Fire Suppression Balls –

The Marina office is offering these balls for sale at \$140.00 each

check out the website for

further information www.elidefireball.co.nz



BOAT RAMP – Reminder

For those using the boat ramp please be advised that there is **no** wash down facilities for your trailer or boat. The fire hose at the ramp is not for washing down.

BARRIER ARM

The new barrier arm under Daves' office (by public toilets) has now been installed. Its perfect for the bigger trucks with oversized deliveries onto the hardstand area

.6 OR 1 POLICY re Mediterranean Fan Worm

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP STOP THE SPREAD To help us stop the spread to our beautiful bays and harbours we're asking you to clean your hull (right down to the bottom of and under the keel, or dead wood, plus any nooks and crannies).

You can do this by either, getting your boat lifted and giving the hull a wash off to remove all biofouling or, arranging for a complete hull clean and antifoul if you haven't done this for a while. If your boat has a live bait tank or a bow thruster, you'll also need to check them, as they are problem areas for fanworms. Take a careful look at the sides of the live bait tank as this is a prime location for very small fanworms. They may look like a small worm the size of a match. Make sure that you dispose of any that you remove onto land – they will keep growing if put back into the sea.

Marina operators and regional councils in the top of the North Island will be making sure that visiting boats don't present a risk of introducing the Mediterranean fanworm into their waters.

All owners/skippers of visiting boats will need to show that they have either: antifouled their hull within the last six months; or lifted and washed their hull in the last month.

Please keep receipts of haul outs and/or antifouling or call your local marina for more information and advice about how to meet requirements. Even if you don't intend to visit a marina, you may get a spot check from a regional council representative while you're at anchor. Visit the website of the marina you intend to visit for more information on marina requirements and what you need to know about this pest before setting sail.

Check this link for more information - <https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/services/regional-services/plant-and-animal-pests/more-about-mediterranean-fanworm/>

Renting your Berths

If you privately rent your berth, you are not entitled to sub-let your berth or give permission for some else to use it. The owner of the berth is the person with full responsibility for whoever is in the berth. The berth owner may contact the office to get an ok to sub-lease the berth.

Please remember the 6 or 1 policy (see above) – the office needs to see proof of antifoul or hull wash.

We don't want to lose our Clean Below status and we want to safeguard all members vessels and visiting boats to the marina.

Also, we require a current insurance certificate of any vessels coming into the marina.



VHF CHANNELS

Don't forget that the channels have now changed. **Coastguard** channel is now **63** The **marina** channel is now **61**

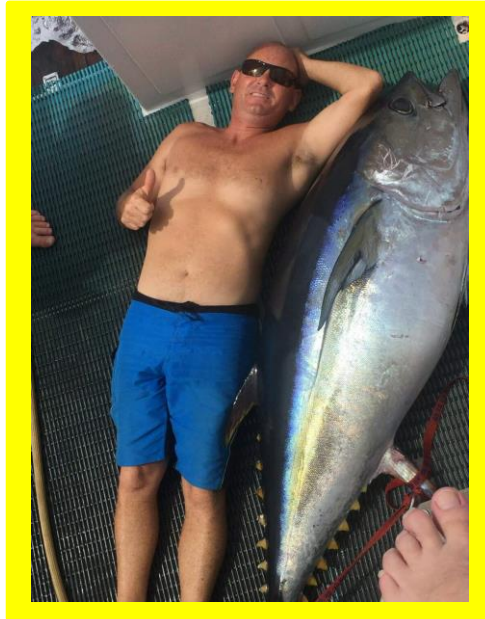
Because channel 61 is also the chat channel and fishing club channel it becomes impossible to have on continuously in the office. Your best method of contacting us is by phone. **07 8662456** or for Emergencies after hours phone **027 824 8228 OR Dave (Manager) 0274 500828**

Staff

We farewelled Wayne in February and welcomed Ben Carmichael in the role of Yard Hard. Ben is enthusiastic and learning fast.

The one that didn't get away !!

A BIG congratulations to Joe Brogan on the good ship Leilani for this great looking yellowfin. If any other boaties have some great pics we will gladly post them in our Marina Talk Happy hunting for the rest of 2018.



Boat Insurance

Please ensure the office has a copy of your current insurance, its easy to get us a copy, just email it to us - info@whitiangamarina.co.nz



We regularly update our Whitianga Marina Facebook page – including a weekly post of the current diesel price - keep an eye on our page for current information - don't forget to **'LIKE'** us !

Noticeboard – Weather Forecast – Health & Safety Current Hazards

- Don't forget to utilise the noticeboard – if you have a berth for rent, boat to sell, or if you are looking for a berth to rent – the noticeboard is a good starting point.
- We are posting a 3 day weather forecast on the office door.
- Keep an eye on Health & Safety Current Hazards Notification.



Safe Boating Everyone