

THE MARINA MAILER

A quarterly communication from Nelson Marina

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Marina Team News

“The hot topic in the Nelson-Tasman region this year is the weather. The lack of rain has affected us all in some way”, says Bruce Thompson.

At the Marina, one effect of the long dry season has been the pontoons shrinking and becoming creaky with lots of trip hazards for warping boards. Please be careful when walking the pontoons. This will be resolved as soon as it rains enough to rehydrate the timber. Another effect is that we face the same water restrictions as the rest of the region. All berth-holders are urged to conserve water in order to protect the water supply for essential use in the longer term. Any reductions that you can make will be a great help.

A summer highlight was an influx of visiting boats from Waikawa, Wellington, and Picton – many joining local boats for the Nelson Regatta in January. Although high winds scuttled the actual races, there was a great atmosphere and the Marina accommodated many visiting boats. The Regatta was sponsored by Evolution Sales from Auckland and event photos are here: <http://tasmanbaycc.co.nz/nelson-regatta/>

The Marina continues to be busy and has more boats in it now than it did at Christmas. March is peak season and there are lots of extra people around the visitor berths.

Finally, there is a new face at the Marina Office. Jonathan Tomlinson has joined our Marina team and you will see him out an about on the pontoons frequently. Please introduce yourself and say hello.



Marina hard stand with its first boat on the new asphalt

Environment: Please look after our oceans

There have been recent incidents of holding tanks being discharged into the Marina. This is not on! We want to make sure the Nelson Marina is an enjoyable place to keep a boat, and that the sea remains safe and pleasant for everyone.

Attention is drawn to section 6.3 Discharge of pollutants, litter and rubbish of the Nelson City Council Navigation Safety Bylaw 2012 (No. 218). It is prohibited to discharge into Nelson Harbour waters any rubbish or substance of an objectionable nature, or which is likely to pollute the water. This includes oil, paint scrapings, glass, tins, bottles, paper, paper wrappings, plastic bottles, bags or containers, plastic and other litter. Also prohibited is depositing fish remains, dead animal, or vegetable matter into the Harbour. Fines of up to \$500 can be imposed for failure to comply with Bylaw conditions.

Read the Bylaw here: www.nelson.govt.nz/assets/Our-council/Downloads/bylaws/Bylaw-218-Navigation-Safety-2012.pdf

Communications: Please talk to us

Steve Thomas chairs the Nelson Marina Berth Holders' Association, which works with Nelson City Council to improve facilities in the Marina.

The Association has around 250 members and Steve asks Nelson boaties to join. Steve encourages berth holders to contact him, should they wish to attend a meeting or have their opinions brought up in meetings. Steve is also a member of the Marina Advisory Group, which is volunteer-based and was established by the Nelson City Council to provide advice on Marina development. Steve's contacts are email: stevethomas@nzboatsales.com and phone: 0274 459 197.

Another way to provide feedback is to talk directly to the Marina Office team, who are always happy to hear your views about facilities and services at the Marina. They are available 9.00am – 4.00pm. However, please note that over the Easter Public Holidays (Friday, Sunday and Monday) hours will be 9.00am – 12.00 noon.

The Marina Office has a 24-hour phone (03 546 7768) and can be contacted in emergency situations e.g. fire, sunk vessel or oil spill. Or you can email us on marina@nelmac.co.nz

Company Profile: AON Insurance



You may have seen an Aon branded ute driving around the Marina.

Matt Allsopp is the man behind the wheel; he is a Nelson local, a keen boatie, and part of the Aon Insurance brokers Nelson team. Dedicated to providing Marine Insurance solutions, Matt offers both local service and local knowledge. He has been in the Marine Insurance market for 25 years, arranging everything from local Insurance cover right through to vessel salvages in the Pacific Islands.

Aon is the world's leading insurance service provider, and in New Zealand has over 900 employees. It has been recognised that marine insurance costs are escalating – with this in mind, Aon has sourced alternative options for vessel owners. These options are cost effective and, most importantly, the quality of the cover has not been compromised, carrying the full Aon endorsement.

As a Marina user, you are required to have at least Third Party Liability cover. However, in the current market this cover has proven to be hard to obtain. Aon has secured insurers who are willing to offer this form of cover, and although we would encourage our clients to have full cover to protect your asset (including Liability cover), we acknowledge that this is not always possible. There are numerous options available for you.

Matt's passion is boating; it is in his blood. While he'll quite happily chat about all things boating to you, he will also be able to easily identify and talk through your specific requirements.

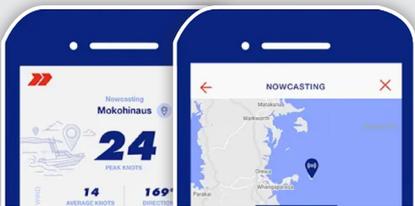
Get in touch with Matt today for a confidential and obligation-free chat. Email matthew.allsopp@aon.com Phone 027 403 6825.



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Marina Noticeboard

- Advance bookings for use of the hard stand remain essential. We already have bookings right through until May.
 - Security cameras have been installed in the hard stand area and trailer parks. These are monitored by Nelson City Council and the Police 24 hours per day.
 - Don't forget about the Marina Library, which is located in the main office! It might be small, but there is a large selection of books. You can take a book, or drop off a book.
 - There are fewer carparks than berths in the Marina carparks, so there can be occasional challenges trying to find a convenient space. We have added some 10-minute parking places on the east side for short term stays. We remind users not to park trailers in the carpark and to keep the disability parks free for vehicles displaying a Disability Parking Permit.
 - Argentinian Ants are a recent unwelcome visitor to our Marina
- and the Nelson City Council has organised for spraying of the foreshore and putting down bait.
- Berth holders are allowed to stay on their vessel in the Marina for a maximum of five nights per month. If you want to stay longer than this, a visitor permit is required from the Marina Office. The regulation exists because the Marina is not set up as a residential one and therefore has a maximum number of live-aboards (who pay an additional fee per month). The facilities, parking and power supply will not cope with more people. See clause 15 (A) in www.nelson.govt.nz/assets/Leisure/Downloads/marina/MARINA-Berth-Holder-Licence.pdf
 - Waste management at the Marina will be reviewed shortly and it would be great if berth holders could ensure they are minimising waste, recycling where they can, and disposing of waste appropriately.

Seaweek

Seaweek took place 2 – 10 March with the theme “Tiakina o Tātou Mōana – Care for our Seas” and activities were held in the region to celebrate our connection with the ocean.

If you want to find out more about how to care for our seas, go here: www.seaweek.org.nz



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