

**NEW ZEALAND TRAILER BOAT FEDERATION INC AGM**  
**AUCKLAND OUTBOARD BOATING CLUB**  
**DELEGATES REPORT BY KEN STEPHENS 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2009**

Auckland Outboard Boating Club is in full swing getting ready for what we hope is a great summer, just like last summers. Auckland has experienced a good old wet and cold winter. After our Annual General meeting we had quite a bit of movement to our flag holders positions on the OBC Committee.

Commodore -	Mr Fraser Alder
Vice Commodore -	Mr Don Glass
Club Captain -	Mr K Clark – new
Vice Club Captain-	Mrs L Hall – new

Two new executive committee members joined the group and they are:

Mr Mark Culley  
Mr Jeff Wood

Club Secretary-	Mr Gilbert Van Schaijik
Treasurer-	Mr Richard Guise

Events at Auckland OBC are increasing every year with three separate fishing and fun events.

1. Early March is our Family Fishing Competition, open to all members and friends must have OBC registered boat.
2. Children's only Fishing Competition held on OBC Club Piers.
3. Nauti Girls fishing Competition will this year be on 31<sup>st</sup> October, this involves a day fishing for the ladies and then a fun evening held at the club with all members attending in fancy dress costume... theme this year is "A Good Old Hoe Down". We are always booked well before the due date.

Our events team has started running an "Overnighter Stay" in local bays. Format is all members meet approx 3.30pm on an elected beach by the organizing team, where drinks and nibbles will be held on the beach. This is a great opportunity for first time boaties whom haven't stayed out overnight before, to try it in the comfort and support from fellow members. This team put on just too many, I haven't been able to list them all, but they are great for the Club.

**Technical Team** runs by Don Glass and David Graham with the help from Kevin Hall. This team is always looking at ways of promoting and making boating at Auckland OBC easier and safer for all our members. They have adapted to only allow life jacket standard 5823 -2001 and 5823 – 2005 and any equivalent brands.

**Property Team** chaired by Mrs Pat Withers, team members are Gilbert Van Schaijik, Will chopping and Ken Stephens. This team is working hard to keep the club grounds and all amenities up to its highest presentation and condition. This year we purchased our 3<sup>rd</sup> tractor and we have replace most of our Club House roof. We also installed a new speaker & sound system in the Club, along with a new flat screen TV and over head projector, plus many other improvements.

Our membership total is 1848. Like most clubs we have a problem with lack of room for permanent hard stand boat storage, with a waiting list of about 250 genuine owners waiting. There are ways to shorten the list and hopefully our new Executive Committee will endeavor to work on this problem.

Auckland OBC is looking forward to a long and safe summer for our members and their guests on land and water. We hope all NZTBF members have a great summer on the water.