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February 2011

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# Up Coming Events



**& WSFC**

## **Raglan One Base Tournament 2011**

Thursday March 3<sup>rd</sup> - Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup> 2011

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Club Night February Wednesday 16th 2011

Open Night at club rooms with Decoro Fishing Simulator

**Everyone Welcome !**

## **Committee Meeting 7th February 2011**

7.30pm at Clubrooms

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# President's Report

Welcome back and also welcome to the new year! Hopefully it's been safe for you so far, unfortunately for some it hasn't been quite so. Our condolences go to the Page family for their loss of Andrea's husband Mark Sydney at Waihi recently.

This time last year we talked about New Year's resolutions, goal setting and experiencing the thrill of success. I hope some items got crossed off your respective bucket lists and a few new inspirations got added in your new year's resolutions. So how did you feel when you achieved those goals, was it like you thought it would be? Have you got photos? Do you use those photos to remind yourself how good it felt?

The point here is that it's a whole new year and life is short so make it count. So if you're looking for opportunities to achieve some of those goals, there's no shortage this year.

Somewhere in this issue you'll see a flyer for our open night being held on Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. This will be a night unlike anything you've seen at our club for some time. Wall to wall entertainment from 6:30 pm to 9 pm courtesy of Decoro, Coastguard, and Pure Fishing. It's not a commercial night nothing will be on sale, it's an opportunity to have a play on the fish fighting machine, see how to use flares, and learn even more, from someone who should know, about soft bait fishing. We'll also be doing a Top Gear type challenge with our fishing relay game outside and we'll also be having a BBQ. A gold coin donation is appreciated which we will be handing over to the Coastguard at the end of the night.

It doesn't stop there, two weeks later we'll be hosting the 2011 Buccaneer One Base at Raglan from March 2<sup>nd</sup> (Registration and Briefing) to March 5<sup>th</sup>. Registrations forms are in most Boating and Sportfishing shops around Hamilton, Te Awamutu and Cambridge and shortly Matamata, but if you haven't found one come along to the Open Night and you can register there as well.

This year is shaping up to be one of the best we've had for a very long time and it's only going to get better. This is one tournament you won't want to miss. On that front at the time of writing I know of at least one, maybe two marlin already caught off Raglan. The guys out from Manukau are regularly landing Marlin and seem to be seeing them almost of every outing. The albacore and skippies are everywhere off the west coast.

We boated two albies and one skippy in about 2 hours of trolling a couple of weeks ago. Snapper are a bit hit and miss thou. On the same mission we got just one fish, but others fishing both deeper and shallower than us did okay on the same day. But if it's snapper you want you don't have to go too much further than the Motuihe channel in Auckland. We spent two afternoons drifting with Soft Baits through there last Thursday and Friday and binned up both days on fish up to 4Kg.

Meanwhile Gamefish action on the East coast is also very exciting , the first fish weighed of the season was actually a 225Kg blue and that was preceded by a fairly good size Yellowfin. Following those captures there has been a steady stream of Striped & Blue Marlin, Short Bill Spearfish, Mahi Mahi, and a handful of Yellowfin and Bigeye Tuna from North cape to Waihou Bay. It's pretty exciting stuff if you don't mind a bit of wind (understatement right there) and rain from what's become a barrage of decaying cyclones from the tropics.

A month after the one base will be our second ever family fishing weekend for the season. This year it will held during the first weekend of April at Whangamata. So watch this space for more details.

Thanks to all those who participated in our survey. We ended up with more than 30 responses in the end. Also included in this issue will be a summary of those responses and some initial thoughts about how we're interpreted the responses and comments. If you have something you'd like to add after reading these responses then don't hesitate to contact either Me, or Alistair. The more input we can get, the more credible will be our strategic plan.

Well that's about it from me for now, so keep your selves safe and those lines tight and we'll hopefully see most of you on February 16<sup>th</sup>, YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS IT.

Cheers

Bob



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# ***Waikato Sport Fishing Club*** ***Catch Card***

Mr/Mrs/Miss Name: ..... Date: ...../...../.....

Address: .....

Address: .....

Club: ..... Membership No: .....

**I HEREBY DECLARE** that I am a financial member of a club affiliated to the New Zealand Big Game Fishing Council and that in accordance with the club and I.G.F.A rules, I have tagged or landed the fish described below and that all details given are true and accurate.

Species: .....

Time Hooked: .....

Time Boated: .....

Caught Where: .....

Boat Name: .....

Line Weight: ..... Kg

Courtesy Weigh:  Club: .....

Tag & Release:  Tag No: .....

Angler Signature: .....

Skipper Signature: .....

### **Caught On**

Bait:

Lure:

Fly:

### **Category**

Men's:

Ladies:

Junior:

Day Member:

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**Club Use Only** Fish: .....

Weight: .....Kg Length: .....cm Girth: .....cm Ref No: .....

I certify that the weight and measurements are correct and the tackle complies with the club and I.G.F.A rules.

Weigh Masters Name .....

Weigh Master Signature .....

# February Open Club Night

On Wed 16 Feb the Waikato Sport Fishing Club will have an Open Night at the Clubrooms in Grantham St, 6:30 - 9:00pm. We've organised a great night, featuring:

- **Kane Tapper from Decoro Fishing Tackle - with his Big Game Simulator**
- **Malcolm Dawson from Pure Fishing (NZ) Ltd leading a soft bait and speed jig clinic**
- **Dean Lawrence, CEO Coastguard Northern Region giving a distress flare demonstration.**

Kane tells me that getting the kids onto his Big Game Simulator fighting an 80 kg Tuna is a sight to behold!

And if you're chasing the marlin this year, or entering into our Buccaneer One Base Tournament at Raglan on 3 - 5 March, bring your gear down and Kane will calibrate it for you. Distress Flares - don't leave it until you're in an emergency before you try to remember how to discharge a distress flare.

Refresh yourself with the demo at the Open Night. Made the switch to soft baits yet? Do they work for you? Malcolm will tell you the tricks of the trade! and there will be other games on the night for you to partake in as well.

So bring the family down for a BBQ (gold coin donation) and drinks and join in on the events. It's an Open Night, so if you know anyone interested in fishing, invite them along as well. You don't have to be a member to attend this great night.

***Lock the date into your calendars and join us for what promises to be a fantastic night.***

Further enquiries to Alistair Lane,  
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Cheers, Alistair



# Waikato Sport Fishing Club

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Club Secretary: Leandre Sharp 07 871-9692

## OPEN NIGHT

6:30pm – 9:00pm

Wednesday 16 February 2011

WSFC Clubrooms, Grantham St, Hamilton

Interested in fishing? Know somebody who is? The Waikato Sport Fishing Club invites you to our 'Open Club Night' on 16<sup>th</sup> February at the Clubrooms on Grantham Street, Hamilton (on the riverside beside the public boat ramp & car park). A fantastic evening, featuring:

- **Decoro Big Game Simulator with Kane Tapper from Decoro Fishing Tackle**

- Feel what it's like to fight an 80 kg tuna
- Learn about the latest in sport fishing gear
- Bring your own gear and have it calibrated by the experts on the simulator - ready for this season's marlin!



- **Distress flare demonstration with Dean Lawrence, CEO Coastguard Northern Region**

- Appreciate the importance of carrying flares
- See first-hand how flares work
- Learn about the effectiveness of different types of flares
- Refresh yourself on how to use them – don't wait until it's too late!



- **Soft Plastic Fishing and Speed Jigging Clinic with Malcolm Dawson from Pure Fishing (NZ) Ltd**



- Test yourself in the skills competitions
- Enjoy the BBQ (gold coin donation – proceeds to Coastguard Northern Region)

Further enquiries to Alistair Lane, email [alistairlane@yahoo.com](mailto:alistairlane@yahoo.com) or ph 021 610 918

Well after a slow morning of only half dozen snapper which were all set free it was time to pull the pin.

While we were waiting for the boat trailer to be bought over to Kuotunu boat ramp (as the Matarangi Bar was a bit rough to return over) we decided to stop at about a kilometer off land just to see what there might be and to bide the time until we saw our vehicle.

Anyway next thing my line took off and I wasn't too sure what it was but there was certainly a good fight happening "maybe its a kingi!" So with the fishing nickname of "full drag" and a good 5 minute tussle here was a lovely Trevally beside the boat.



Weighing in at 5.03kg on 4kg line it was a great way to end what was otherwise an empty fish bin day!

Colin Steer

## Membership Renewals

Membership renewals for the new game fishing season (2010-2011) are now due. Attached in middle of newsletter is a membership form, alternatively you can download from our website

**[www.waikatosportfishing.co.nz](http://www.waikatosportfishing.co.nz)**

**Please post these completed from and payment to  
Membership, Waikato Sport Fishing Club,  
PO Box 9036, Hamilton, 3240**

# Team Alleviate

## Vanuatu Trip

September 2010

As the winners of the 2010 Buccaneer Boats One Base Fishing Competition Lucky Travel Prize Draw we would first and foremost like to thank Gerry and Jenny Gerrand for sponsoring this amazing prize and for their support to the Waikato Sport Fishing Club in this competition.

Finally a date and destination were set, families were sorted and we are off!

After hitting the airport and checking in it was instant holiday mode, we even had to run for the plane as we had relaxed a little too fast and a little too much over our morning coffee.

Flying with Air Vanuatu (all was good) then getting off the plane it was HOT, with an Island style welcome the experience had started.

Accommodation was at Breakas Resort about 5 mins by van from city centre and very nice.

With our first night upon us already we stayed at the resort for a local Melanesian style banquet which showcased the traditional foods and also included a traditional Kava ceremony which everyone could sample.

**Day 2:** Caught a bus (vans with plenty of seating) into the centre had a look around then boarded a boat to the Island of Iririki which is a resort about 2mins across the harbour. We went snorkelling at a small beach area lovely coral but better to come.

**Day 3:** Another bus to a jetty where we caught another small boat (also about 2mins) to Hideaway Island and spent most of the day there. This was beautiful snorkelling plenty of different fish and coral with a drop off that was amazing it went from beautiful scenery with white sand to a black nothingness.

This Island is also home to the only official underwater mail box in the world so of course we sent postcards home and also one to Buccaneer Boats letting them know that we were having a great time thanks to them.

Time to leave and you know that old saying "Its a small world" well its true! As we are walking along to catch the boat back who is coming toward us?! Only long time and well known members and supporters of the Waikato Sport Fishing Club - Murray and Pauline Page!

**Day 4:** A guided full day trip around the main Island of Efate stopping at beautiful swimming holes, lagoons etc and including a bit more snorkling, again experiencing the beautiful coral and fish life. This trip was a fantastic way to experience the culture from living conditions, to the woman doing the washing in the rivers with their children swimming beside them and although the people dont have a lot they are always smiling!

**Day 5:** Quiet day with not much open as it is Sunday. We did go to the Cascade Waterfalls which had a bit of a hike up but beautiful scenery and a lookout with a view back over the main centre. Nice relaxing day.

**Day 6:** Retail therapy. Better take a gift home for the family. Some things cheap some very expensive.

**Day 7:** Last day. At the resort they included a few things so this was the day to use them. Starting with a cooking class that included a guided trip into town to the 24 hour vege/fish market, then back to the resort to learn how to cook eye fillet, make raw fish etc. In the afternoon it was a half hour massage each - (ohh too good!) then when the team had finished it was time for a late lunch and swim to finish the day.

**Day 8** Airport at 5am to return home

Thank you again Buccaneer Boats and Waikato Sport Fishing Club this was a fantastic trip that the husbands shared with their wives and we all got to experience and enjoy a new culture.

Sorry there were no fishy tales to be had in this story but Andrew was told that there were no game fish around, although there were some "sharks at he docks" at the time if he wanted to spend his money, so he decided to save it for another time!

**Team Alleviate**

**Skipper** - Andrew Forkert

**Deckie** - Brother in law - Colin Steer

**Crew Member** - Friend - Gary Pitcaithly



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# Waikato Sport Fishing and Buccaneer Boats

*Buccaneer* Boats

## One Base Tournament

March 3rd, 4th and 5th, 2011 at Raglan

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Major Prize

Team Lucky Draw - \$4000 Travel Voucher from Buccaneer Boats

### Prize Pool of \$30,000

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Registration from 5pm & Briefing  
7pm, 2nd March 2011 at Raglan Club

\$55 per angler    \$20 Juniors Under 17    \$20 Day Membership

**Memberships:** Daily and Annual Available

(Must be affiliated NZSFC)

**All membership cards need to be sighted by tournament officials.**

One Base Entry From Downloadable from  
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# Buccaneer

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# WAIKATO SPORT FISHING AND BUCCANEER BOATS ONE BASE TOURNAMENT AT RAGLAN



**MARCH 3rd, 4th and 5th 2011**

**REGISTRATION & BRIEFING**

**March 2nd 5.00pm at Raglan Club**

All membership cards will need to be sighted by tournament officials.  
(photocopies will be accepted with entry forms).

\$55 per angler \$20 Juniors Under 17

\$20 Day Membership

Memberships: Daily & Annual available  
(Must be affiliated NZSFC)

Proudly sponsored by - **Buccaneer Pleasure Craft Ltd** - Hosted by the - **Waikato Sport Fishing Club**

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	Team Number	
Boatname	Callsign	
	Length	
Skipper/Angler 1	Club and Number	
Contact Address		
Contact Phone	Email Address	
Man/Lady		
Angler 2	Club and Number	
Man/Lady/Junior		
Angler 3	Club and Number	
Man/Lady/Junior		
Angler 4	Club and Number	
Man/Lady/Junior		
Angler 5	Club and Number	
Man/Lady/Junior		
We agree to abide by the rules and conditions of the tournament. (nominated Skipper to sign)		
Signed:		Date:
POST ENTRY FORM AND FEES TO: WSFC, PO BOX 9036, Hamilton		
Amount Paid		Cheque/Cash
Date Paid		
Receipt:		
<p>The Organisers will issue a receipt once completed entry form and fee have been received.          This receipt MUST be produced for the contestants numbered ticket at registration.          Once a receipt has been issued ticket money will not be refunded.          In the event of unfavourable weather conditions prizes will be drawn.          Briefing to be held Wednesday 2nd March 2011 at 7.00pm at Raglan Club Inc.          (One Team Member must attend the briefing.)</p>		

# Waikato Sport Fishing Club Members Survey 2010

In December 2010 we invited members to complete a survey so that we could get an initial view on their current thoughts and the value they get from belonging to the Club. The responses would be used in the development of the Club's 3 year Strategic Plan - an important part of ensuring that the Club continues to meet the wishes of its members and to be successful and grow.

We had 33 responses to the survey (about 24% of the total Club membership) – which is a typical response rate to surveys of this type around the world. I've summarised the results of the survey in the following graphs and have included comments on the main themes and drivers in the left hand column of the following tables. We'll now build on these results as we develop the Strategic Plan, and we'll undertake another survey at the end of 2011 to determine how far we've progressed this coming year.

On behalf of the Club's committee, I'd like to thank those of you who responded to the survey – there truly has been some great ideas put forward.

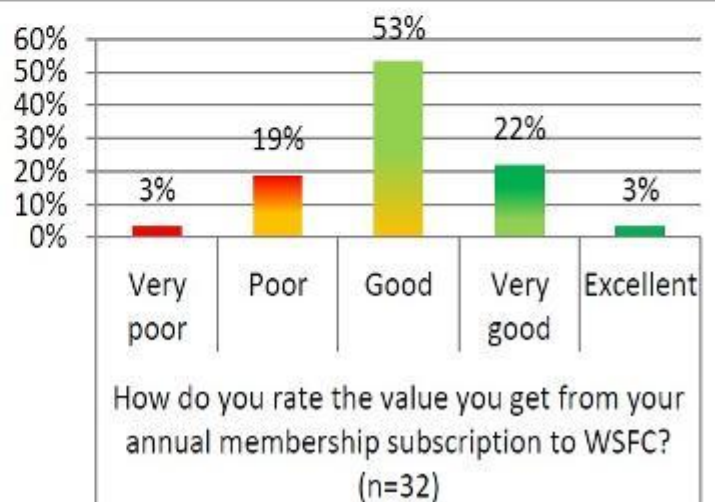
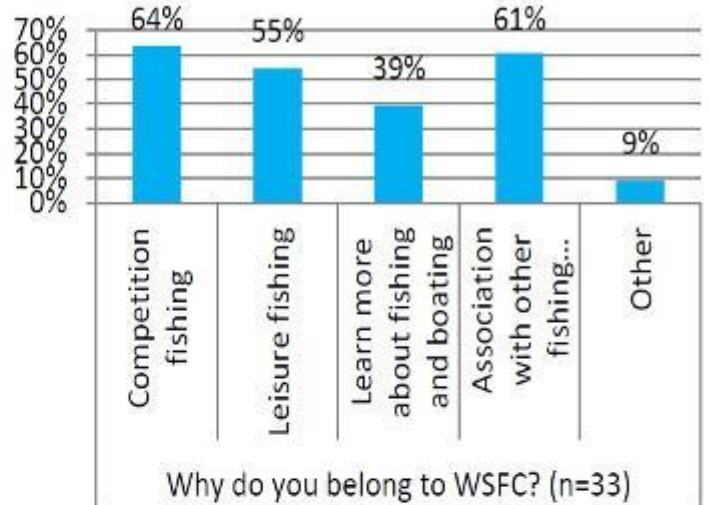
Alistair Lane

## WSFC Background

The purpose of this section of the survey was to get club members opinions on why they belonged to the Club, the value they get from it and their ideas on what more the Club could do to drive the Club in the direction that the members wanted.

Competitive, recreational fishing and association with other fishing colleagues came through as major drivers with over 50% of the respondents highlighting these three areas.

Members are generally satisfied with the value they get from their membership dollars, with 78% of the respondents indicating good to great value. Our challenge is to lift the 'poor – good' ratings higher through more focused activities within the Club.



## WSFC Background cont....

We had a great response to the question "As a member, what do you want from the Waikato Sport Fishing Club?" The individual responses are listed in the following table, but common themes included workshops and activities at Club nights, a more informative newsletter and website and the further development of the Clubrooms to provide both a social forum for members as well as appropriate displays and trophies synonymous with a Sport Fishing Club. We'll be building on these ideas as we develop the Club's 3 year Strategic Plan, and clearly communication and engagement with the Club members will be a key element of success.

And while we're on the subject of workshops and skills improvements on Club Nights –

**don't forget to lock in the Open Night on Wednesday 16 February at the Clubrooms (6:30pm – 9:00pm),**

featuring the Decoro Big Game Simulator, a Distress Flare demonstration by the Coastguard Northern Region and a Soft Bait Clinic. It's an Open Night so bring along some-one you know who's also interested in fishing – they don't have to be existing members of the Club.

Learn more about fishing and socialise with fishos	Fishing mates	A place to catch up and goss. To have comps.
Entry into fishing contests and general info from news letters	More information in newsletter, club nights - workshops to up skill	We need to belong to a club in the event of catching trophy fish
More promotion of the club	Access to peoples boats so I can go fishing 😊	Not so many competitions and more family outings
We really enjoy the family fishing comp at Shelly Beach, which is one of the main reasons we are members.	I've only been a member for 4 months but the competition factor interested me to start with, and being a registered fisher	Better use of Clubrooms. Needs to look more like a Fishing Clubrooms. Updated Catch board, photos etc. Keep trophies on display in cabinet
More information in Newsletter, like there used to be. Regular catch up dates. Raglan report - where the fish are. Also the ability to weigh fish at Raglan without having to ask for a courtesy weigh. Club nights with guest speakers and workshops. More information on website. The links to other websites for weather etc is good. Need club records on website along with catch updates that are up to date.	More information in Newsletter, like there used to be. Regular catch up dates. Raglan report - where the fish are. Also the ability to weigh fish at Raglan without having to ask for a courtesy weigh. Club nights with guest speakers and workshops	This club needs to offer better activities, networks, etc than other neighbouring clubs. To do this the leadership needs to be proactive and communicate clearly to its membership.

<p>To be able to weigh fish at Raglan by our Club. More informative Newsletter. Would rather pay a small fee and receive a more appetising meal at Club events such as AGM</p>	<p>A social interactive atmosphere. More tournaments, especially a ladies tournament either side of the one base tournament. A very comprehensive drive for a lot more sponsorship and also a huge drive for more members.</p>	<p>A very good look at the building we have and see what it would take to make it like the one at Whakatane where it is part of the restaurant scene in Hamilton as to get revenue for the club. It also needs to have a bar and pokie machines and for the fishing club to become a recipient as a trustee of the pokie machines.</p>
<p>Friendship, fishing stories, competition fishing</p>	<p>You seem to be doing as well as you can with the members count you have.</p>	<p>Fishing mates</p>
<p>Fellowship with other fisher people. To promote the sport of fishing as a sport in itself.</p>	<p>To meet other families with kids who like to go fishing.</p>	<p>The fellowship of members N.Z. wide.</p>
<p>To learn more about fishing and boating</p>	<p>Happy the way things are</p>	<p>Meeting with like-minded people</p>
<p>Contribution to the local community; learn more about fishing techniques; find new fishing spots</p>	<p>More family fishing comps and get-togethers</p>	<p>Association with other members</p>

We have beautiful clubrooms in a very desirable location. We should utilize them and have restaurant / cafe so we have nice place to go and socialize, hold events and our meetings. Decorated in fishing clubroom theme this will create an income for the club and a nice venue that we can use publicly and for private functions as well as the club will make money which will allow us to run events and support fishing /boating activates otherwise the club will unfortunately struggle and fade away as many others have. Sorry but selling sausages won't cut it over the next 3-12 years! We do not have to run the restaurant as there would be many good operators who would like to lease the opportunity and we could tender the operation out. If you would like to discuss plz call me. This is not a criticism of how our club is run now as I think its run very well it is just that I see an underutilized asset and a wonderful opportunity.

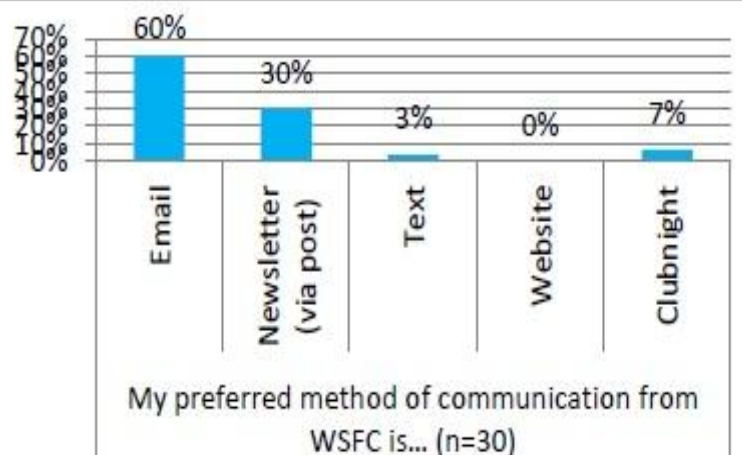
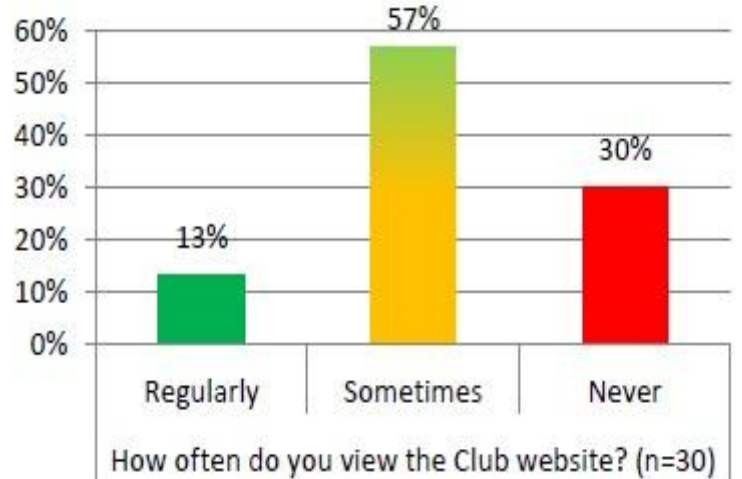
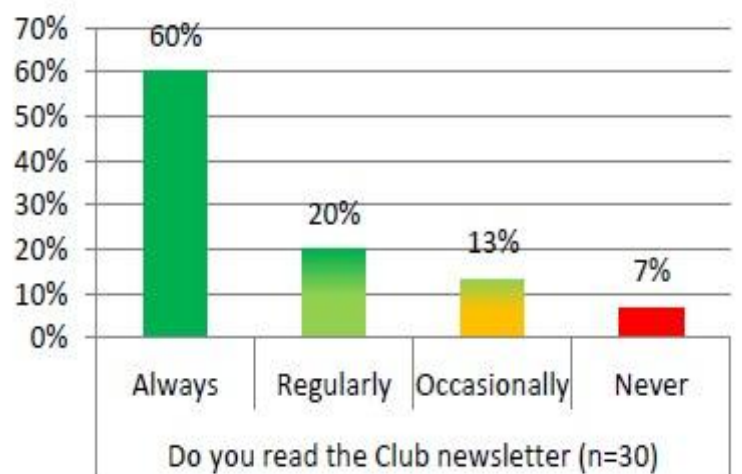
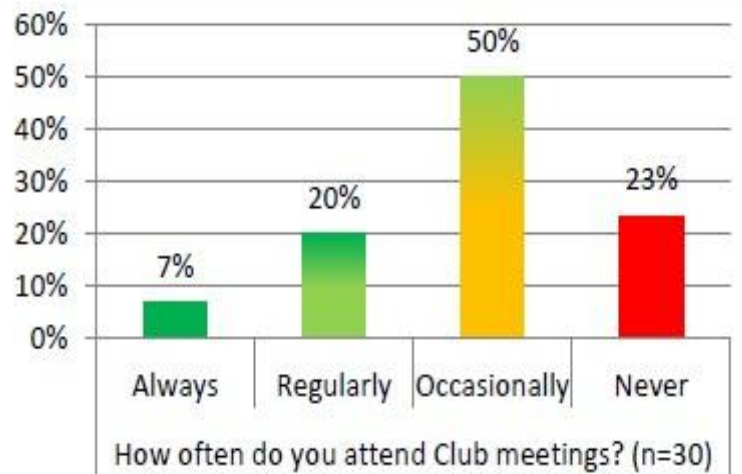
Thanks Founding member Ross Christensen.

## Communication

The members' response to the Communication theme indicates that there's a significant opportunity to improve in this area.

Nearly 75% of the respondents only occasionally attend Club meetings, if at all. And whilst 80% of the respondents regularly or always read the Club Newsletter, the Club website is only regularly visited by 13% of the members.

The challenge for the Club is to develop a proactive and engaging communication strategy, building on the ideas presented in the table above. Success in this area, ie informative newsletters, engaging and current website and Club Nights that focus on workshops and a learning environment to complement the social desires of the members, will result in a more engaged membership which will ultimately lead to a growing and more successful Club.





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### Membership Renewal

Name \_\_\_\_\_ M / F

Postal Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

#### Family Details:

Spouse (A) \_\_\_\_\_ M / F

Child (B) \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B.: \_\_\_\_\_ M / F

Child (C) \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B.: \_\_\_\_\_ M / F

Child (D) \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B.: \_\_\_\_\_ M / F

Boat Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Make: \_\_\_\_\_

Call Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

**Fees: Adult \$40.00, Family \$60.00 (2 Adults + Children 16 yrs and under as at 1<sup>st</sup> July 2010), Junior \$15 (16 Yrs and under as at 1st July 2010), Student \$20.00 (Must have Student ID card).**

Have you ever been banned or barred from any club in the past? YES/NO

I hereby agree to abide by the club rules.

Do you want you Newsletter Emailed. YES/NO

Do you give consent for your email address to be added to the NZBGF Council database? YES/NO

Signed By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

You can Download this form at

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# Joke of the Month

Earl and Bubba are quietly sitting in a boat fishing,

chewing tobacco and drinking beer when suddenly

Bubba says, "Think I'm gonna divorce the wife -

She ain't spoke to me in over 2 months."

Earl spits overboard, takes a long, slow sip of beer and says,

"Better think it over ..... women like that are hard to find."

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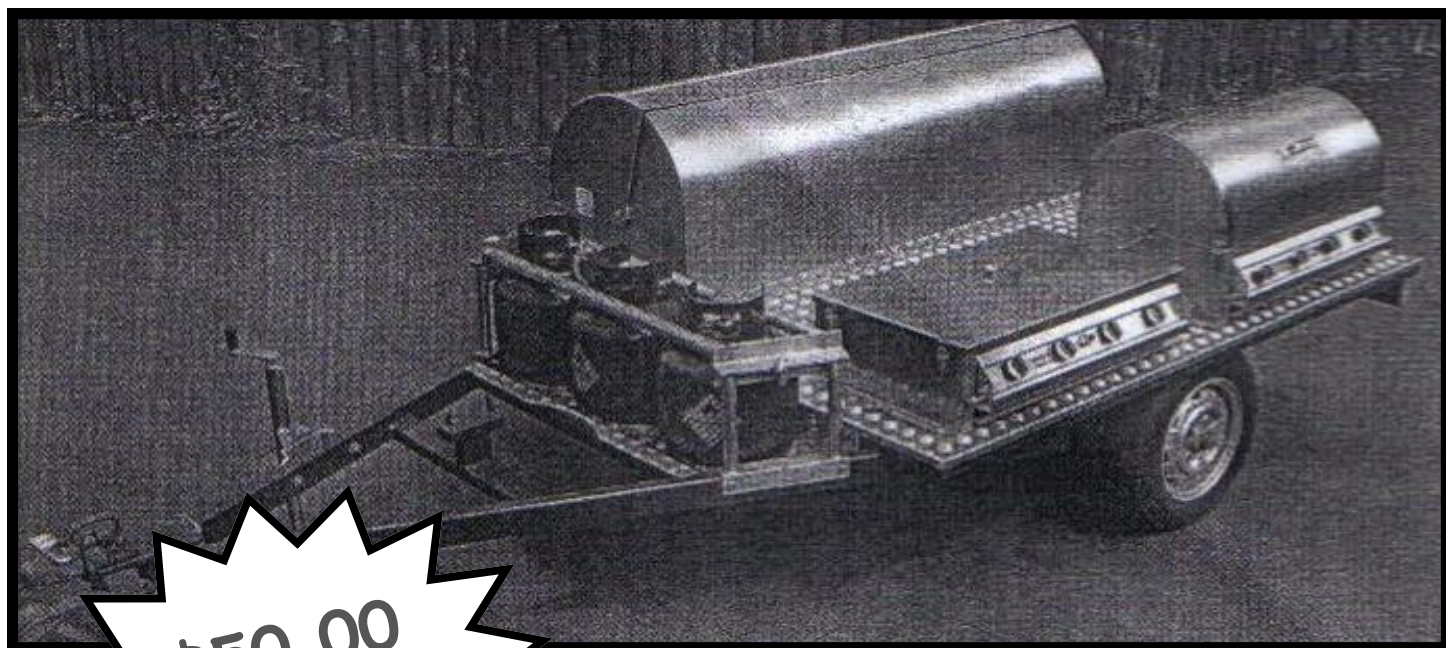
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