

THE MARINA MAILER

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Marina Team News

Many boaties will be thinking about holidays and summer sailing trips with friends and family. The Marina Office team wish you all a safe and happy festive season.

Marina Supervisor, Bruce Thompson says, the 2017 summer is shaping up to be busy and the Marina is very short of visitor berths 12m and above.

If you're going away for more than a week, Bruce and the team are happy to arrange for your berth to be sub-let. The earlier you advise us of a vacancy, the more likely we are to rent it. A percentage of the rental income will be credited to your account. To take advantage of demand for rental berths, email the dates that your berth is available to: marina@nelmac.co.nz

The number of vessels visiting Nelson Marina peaks in January. Last summer the Marina had more than 944 visitor days in January alone, with occupancy of 100% in the trailer park, and over 95% on the pile moorings and pontoon berths.

The Marina Office is closed on Christmas day and will have reduced hours for the holiday period:

All Saturdays and Sundays: 9am – 12noon

Until Friday 22 December: Normal hours (8am – 5pm)

Monday 25 December: Closed

Tuesday 26 December: 9am – 12noon

Wednesday 27 – Friday 29 December: 9am – 2pm

Monday 1 and Tuesday 2 January: 9am – 12noon

Wednesday 3 – Friday 5 January: 9am – 2pm

Monday 8 January onwards: Normal hours (8am – 5pm)

The hardstand and haulout facility is closing on Friday 22 December 2017 and then reopens on Monday 8 January 2018. However, if an emergency haul-out or assistance is required, please phone: 03 546 7768.

Safety in the Harbour

We have a message to pass on from the Harbourmaster, Dave Duncan around speed limits.

This summer people going too fast will be fined under Maritime Rules. Speed rules ensure that the Marina is an enjoyable and safe place for everyone. When inside the Harbour area, if you are creating a wake, you are probably going too fast. In the Marina a 3-knot rule applies and in the inner Harbour the limit is 5 knots. Three knots is walking speed and five knots is a jogging pace.



Environment: Stop the spread of marine pests

Good progress is being made with cleaning up boats that have extensive biofouling.

A big thanks to all those who have cleaned their boat this year. A clean boat and antifouling is part of being a good biosecurity citizen. It ensures that boating remains enjoyable for everyone. A clean hull also extends your boat's life, and reduces both maintenance and running costs.

The Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI) is keen for you to help stop the spread of marine pests and are running a campaign called "Clean below – Good to go". MPI is asking the public to assist by noting the location any suspected marine pests, taking a photo and/or a bagged sample, and reporting it to MPI on **0800 80 99 66**.



Thanks to all those who completed the Marina berth-holder's questionnaire

There were 240 completed surveys and feedback is currently being independently analysed. The researcher says that satisfaction with Marina services and facilities was generally high, particularly for rubbish bins, toilets, marina staff, grounds and showers. A full analysis will be available in 2018.

Sabatayn Yacht Charters

There is a new face on A finger, who is ready for adventure...

She is 22m long and was designed and built in New Zealand as a marine archaeological research vessel with a Lloyds +100A1 hull. She has berths for 10 passengers and crew, a spacious interior, well-appointed galley and can carry a generous amount of fuel. Her main engine is a 'Gardner' 6LXB marine diesel. She has scuba diving and oceanographic equipment – including a hyperbaric chamber – food and camping gear, commercial film gear, kayaks and surf boards. She even comes with a professional chef, should you wish.

Sabatayn's owners, Matt and Nicky Peacey, have 30 years of experience running expeditions and are offering Sabatayn for charter in New Zealand, Australia and the Pacific Islands.

Matt says that while Sabatayn is ideally suited for remote island expedition support, "she is also the perfect yacht for a trip to Abel Tasman National Park. You are welcome to make suggestions about a dream trip, and I will work with you to make this happen. We will take you anywhere you want to go – anytime you want to do it."

To make your dream a reality, contact Captain Matthew Peacey: sabatayn@yahoo.com or 021 229 9661.

Make the holidays enjoyable for everyone

- Ensure your contact data, held by the Marina, is correct. We will need this in the case of emergency.
- Return trolleys to the road-end of your pontoon after loading or unloading your boat.
- Be vigilant about locking things away when your boat is in the Marina. Unfortunately, thieves don't go on holiday and particularly desirable items include fishing rods, electronic equipment, and outboard motors.
- Please be considerate when parking at the Marina and don't park in loading zones for an extended time.
- Double check your mooring lines as summer weather can be wild. Don't be satisfied with second-rate cordage or deck fittings.

Nelson Marina – highlights

- Nelson weather, food, wine, art, culture, outdoor activities and tourist attractions.
- No tidal rips or sea surges and sheltered from extreme weather elements.
- Easy access with dedicated visitor berths.
- Modern clean amenities and services, including laundry and showers.
- Close to city (eight minutes walking distance).
- Excellent sailing in Tasman Bay, gateway to Abel Tasman National Park and the outer Marlborough Sounds including D'Urville Island.
- A supportive and competent support industry from electronics, sail-making, marine engineering to general shipwright work.

Marina Noticeboard

- Most boaties know that their Electrical Warrant of Fitness must be up-to-date if they have a shore connection. We also need advice of expiry dates for these (some tags are for three months and some for one year) and the easiest way is to email us: marina@nelmac.co.nz
- Council has given a temporary approval to extend the work zones on the Akersten hardstand. This means that more boats can be worked on at one time, as contractors can remove anti-foul outside existing sanding zones. Increased environmental compliance is now in place with the laying of geotextile cloth on the ground to capture contaminants.
- Good news is the imminent arrival of new boat-stands for the hardstand and plans for further upgrades in 2018.
- The trailer park is being moved to a location closer to the Marina Office and will be fenced. This move, along with the installation of solar powered lighting in 2018, will improve security and capacity.
- Recycling bins are available for berth-holders to use alongside L finger and by the Marina Office. However, there have been problems with contaminated waste e.g. glass place in the cardboard bin, and domestic waste in the recycling bin. If using recycling facilities please follow the instructions, and if unsure take your rubbish home.
- Remember to check your mooring lines at least monthly. We have noticed that some lines, where they are attached too loosely to the deck ring bolts, are wearing on the unseen side where they chaff on the timber.



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