

### *Off to Akaroa*



“Jive Talkin” and “Rapid Ride” head off into the sunrise at the start of this year’s Lyttelton–Akaroa ocean race. The fleet endured a wide range of conditions on the journey from near calm to 30 knots plus.  
Results on the website [here](#)

### *Little Ships Club*

The Little Ships Club is a group of boating enthusiasts who meet regularly, usually with a guest speaker.  
As a result of the earthquake, they have made their home with us.  
The next meeting will be on Thursday 22 March at 8pm.  
Lyttelton yachtswoman Sue Stubenvoll will speak on her upcoming cruise to the South Pacific .  
All NPCL members welcome.

### *National Championships*

It’s the time of year when class national champs come our way.  
Next week sees the R Class skiffs battling for the Leander Trophy. A good fleet of 15 boats is expected and are sure to provide 3 days of thrills and spills. There will be a sprint series in front of the start box at the end of the contest on Sunday afternoon. This is run very close to shore and is great for the spectators.

The national 420 fleet will gather the following week. This event is also an important part of the selection process for the NZ team to go to the World Youth Champs. The local fleet has been putting in a lot of time training in anticipation of a good result. Here’s hoping!  
Lastly, we have the OK dinghy and Finn fleets here from March 15

### *Dates for the Diary*

Sat 25 Feb 1100 TY Canterbury Champs  
Keelboat Cauty Champs at Akaroa  
Wed 29 Feb 1830 Twilight Race 7  
Thu1–Sun 4 Mar R Class NZ champs  
Sat 3 Mar 1100 TY Single Handed Race  
1300 TY Points race  
Wed 7 Mar 1830 Twilight Race 8  
Thu 8–Sun 11 Mar 420 NZ Champs  
Sat 10 Mar 1100 TY Sumner Bay Race  
SI Finn Champs  
Canterbury Laser champs

### *Billets, houses to rent Wanted*

The NZ 420 Championships will be held here in early March. A big fleet of youngsters is expected. We are seeking billets for individual crews plus some family accommodation. If you can help with accommodation from approx 5 March thru 11 March, let the office know.

### *Advanced Sea Survival Course*

We have the opportunity to run one of these courses in the near future. Very useful for keelboat crews.  
If you would be interested, let the office know.

### *CYMBIC 90th anniversary*

The 90th anniversary of the Canterbury Yacht & Motor Boat Club occurred last year. The planned celebration of this event got overtaken by earthquakes and associated issues.  
To mark the occasion, there will be a function at the club on Saturday 24 March .  
Tickets now available from the office. \$20/head members \$30/head non-members.  
1920’s dress essential.  
Be in quick as space is limited—we have a 16 piece band!

### *Club Regatta 24 March*

This will be part of the 90th Anniversary celebration.  
Racing for everyone on Saturday, social to follow. Includes the Canterbury Starling Champs and Club Class Championships.