

**Mid Winter Cruising**



16 intrepid Trailer Yacht Squadron members set off on their mid-winter cruise to Stronechrubie. Everyone had a great time and the weather was reasonably kind. The tramping experience proved a challenge for some, we hear.



**Have a mid life crisis - go troppo. Cruising the South Pacific**

**Friday 27 August 7:30pm**  
Megan Blakie and David Kennett along with Jack Russell Jodie set off for 6 months to Tonga. 2 years later they return after cruising Tonga, Fiji, New Caledonia and the East Coast of Australia. Come and hear about their adventures; you too might want to have a mid-life crisis. Megan was a reluctant sailor so make sure you bring reluctant partners along - she is now a convert and regularly contributes to yachting magazines. She has articles in August issues of Boating (about their cruise to Stewart Island) and Cruising Helmsman David is a RYA Yachtmaster Instructor and is happy to answer your boatie questions - he was a dinghy sailor who hadn't done much keeler sailing prior to "the adventure".

**Club Events coming up**

- 27 August Noggin n Natter South Pacific Cruising
- 28 August Support Boat Training course
- 3 Sept Helen Irvine Party
- 4/5 Sept Club Instructors Course
- 11/12 Sept Winter regatta
- 11/12 Sept Race Management Training
- 17 Sept Rules night (Noggin & Natter)
- Sat 25 Sept Opening Day
- Sept Trailer Yacht newcomer Clinic

**Commodores Comment**

When I stood to be your Commodore I said my intention was to have many people helping with tasks. Here is a project that you may be interested in doing. We require somebody on a volunteer basis to write the 1st draught of a business plan of the Club running an adult learn to sail programme. The topics are: the club's vision, buying Boats, Corporate match racing, managing & operating the programme, the number crunching etc. Please contact me directly on 027 389 6930 if interested."

**Helen Irvine's Party**

Helen Irvine is not dead. She is coming back to celebrate her 70th birthday. Everybody who knows her or doesn't know her are invited to her party at our club. Friday 3rd September any time after 5:30pm. Please Bring a Plate of Finger Food. The Club bar will be open.

**NPCL Yearbook**

This will be replacing the quarterly Easterly Magazine and will be published at the end of the season. Please send any articles, photos and news through to [viki.moore@xtra.co.nz](mailto:viki.moore@xtra.co.nz)

**Thanks Volunteers!**

A big team turned up to help Brian Parker with a number of maintenance jobs. Many thanks to all who helped out and enjoyed the lunch provided by the Club