



**Commodore's Corner January/February
2022**

Hi everyone hope you had a good break and got out to the coast over the holiday season, it was a great run of weather after Christmas ,we managed to get out a few times on the boat and a get in a couple of dives.

The fishing was really good, we didn't have a problem getting a feed and the diving was really good with heaps of paua and crays in close.

No club results for January clubcomp with big swells that weekend.The Ngawi Big 3 has been cancelled this year due to covid restrictions but our club weekend is still on the 19th and 20th of February so get out if you can.

Also the Ngawi/ Pukemanu challenge was meant to be held next month but due to current covid restrictions our committee has decided not to go ahead with it but just run our clubweekend as normal.

Hope to see you out there good luck.

Commodore Heath



Heaviest Fish for the Season

BARRACOUTTA:	Liz Warren	3.75
BLUE COD:	Ian Warren	2.97
BLUE NOSE:	Ian Healy	6.04
GROPER:	Raegan McGregor	15.97
GURNARD:	Ian Warren	1.35
JOHN DORY:	Warren Edwards	1.10
KAHAWAI:	William Roseingrave	2.36
KINGFISH:	Raegan McGregor	17.1
RED COD:	Rob Glanville	3.16
SNAPPER:	Sue Callister	.85
TARAKIHI:	Daniel Udy	2.56
TREVALLY:	Stacy Riddell	1.67
TRUMPETER:	Raegan McGregor	6.66



IT WAS A TOUGH YEAR,
BUT - f@#ck it! I MADE IT....



Charlie was "forked" if he could work this one out???

Someone put an ad "Car for Sale" in the paper. No one believed it, but one old man responded and went to see the car.

The lady actually sold him a Mercedes, which had done just 12,000 kms, for \$1. She handed him the papers and the car keys. Deal done.

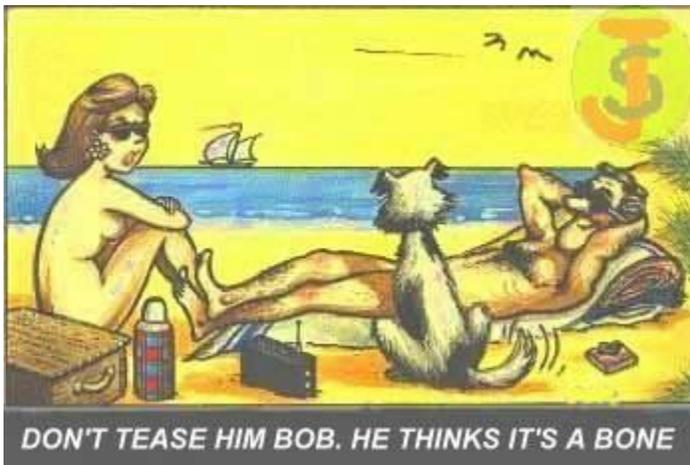
As the old man was leaving, he said I would die of suspense if you don't tell me why this car was sold so cheap?

The lady replied "I am just fulfilling the will of my deceased husband, where all money received from sale of his Mercedes would go to his Secretary ..."



LEGASEA
FISH FOR THE PEOPLE

CARE



Cursing him again, the desperate Taliban staggered away, over the hill.

Several hours later, he crawled back, almost dead, and gasped, "They won't let me in without a face mask!"

A new spin on an old joke.

A fleeing Taliban terrorist, desperate for water, was plodding through the Afghan desert when he saw something far off in the distance. Hoping to find water, he hurried toward the mirage, only to find a very frail little old Jewish man standing at a small makeshift display rack - selling COVID face masks.

The Taliban terrorist asked, "Do you have water?"

The Jewish man replied, "I have no water. Would you like to buy a mask? They are only \$5."

The Taliban shouted hysterically, "Idiot Infidel! I do not need such an over-priced western adornment. I spit on your masks. I need water!"

"Sorry, I have none, just masks - and only \$5!"

"Pah! A curse on your masks! I should wrap one around your scrawny little neck and choke the life out of you, but . . . I must conserve my energy and find water!"

"Okay," said the little old Jewish man. "It does not matter that you do not want to buy a mask from me, or that you hate me, threaten my life, and call me infidel. I will show you that I am bigger than any of that. If you continue over that hill to the east for about two miles, you will find a restaurant. It has the finest food and all the ice-cold water you need. Go In Peace."



Jesus was originally going to be named Brian until Mary stubbed her toe on the Font!

Just A note to All FINANCIAL TRACTOR USERS . Once you have finished with the tractor & parked it up, PLEASE LOCK IT UP. Commodore Heath



Radio Watch Channel 4.

First call up from 7.30 am

WeighMaster.

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**Next Club weekend 19th & 20th
FEBRUARY, 2022.**



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A reminder to all our members.

Pukemanu Boating & Fishing Club requires ALL Boat Owners to belong to the Cape Palliser Marine Radio Association.

Please ensure you have paid your fee, if you have'nt, please go to WWW.cpmr.org.nz

"Siri, why am I so bad at relationships with women?"

"This is Alexa."



Commodore Heath with a couple of nice Blue Cod

Teacher: What do you call a woman in heaven?

Johnny: An angel.

Teacher: A crowd of women in heaven?

Johnny: A host of angels.

Teacher: And all women in heaven?

Johnny: Peace on earth. 8:39 PM



A great catch of “Carrots”

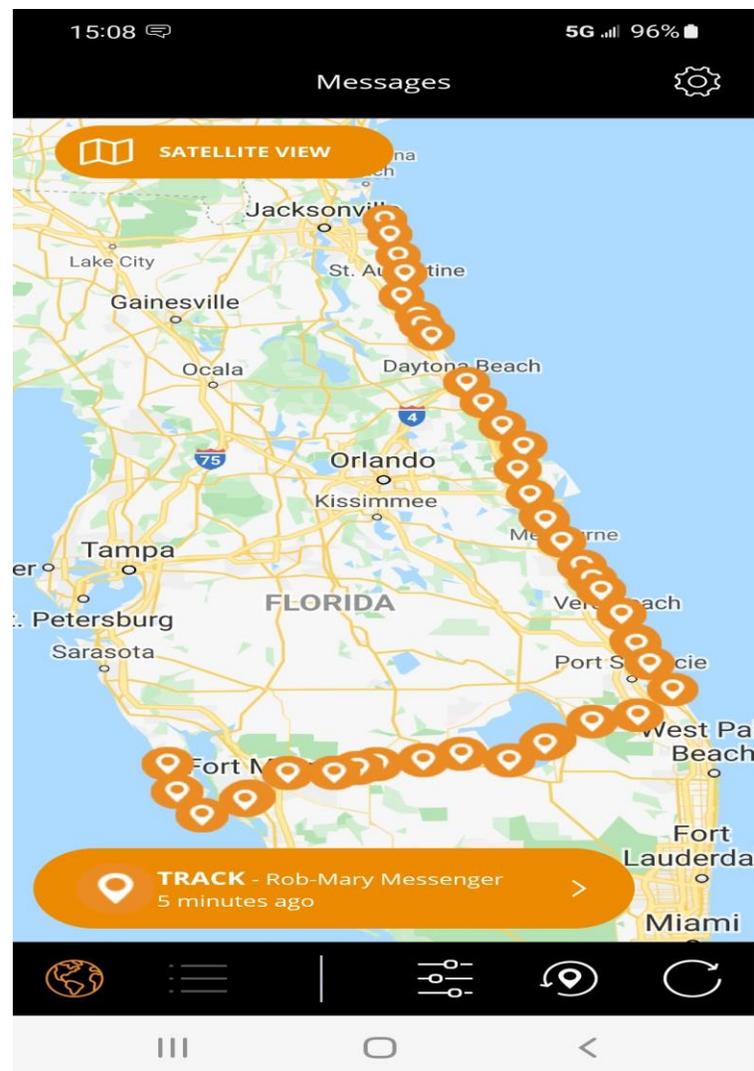
I waved to a man because I thought he waved at me. Apparently he waved to another woman. So to get out of the awkward situation I kept my hand up and a taxi pulled over and drove me to the airport. I am now in Poland starting a new life.

The following Email is another from my good friends Rob & Mary, detailing their delivery voyage over the festive season.

Dear Friends near and far,
Remember when I would email an annual year end message wrapping up our activities and adventures for the previous year? Now I seem to be on steroids sending updates almost monthly! 🏃 As most of you know by now, we

have been rolling stones gathering no moss and making more friends while making lemonade out of lemons. We hope you have had a wonderful holiday with your family and friends wherever you are. Our holiday time is basically an opportunity to recharge our batteries after a couple voyages. If I waited until the end of the year to wrap up our news, this would be 10 pages, not two!

The one travel tale I will write about here is the delivery we made on a 42' Mainship trawler from Pta. Gorda, FL (think W. Coast) to the Chesapeake which took 12 days shortly after Thanksgiving. Rob's brother joined us as a deckhand and I was demoted from Admiral to galley slave but that was OK as we did get the chance to dine out quite frequently at some of our favorite restaurants.



This is our voyage path, and while we were crossing Lake Okeechobee from W. to E. to N. Occasionally we were escorted by dolphins. As we were crossing Lake Okeechobee our neighbors Billy and Meg buzzed us in their seaplane which was a fun scene.



After transiting the lake and locks on either side we were making our way up the Intracoastal Waterway aka: ICW heading north. The weather was favorable and we were making about 90 miles a day. Fortunately the height of the Rachel Lynn was only 20 ft. above water level so we were able to pass under a majority of the bridges without waiting for a drawbridge opening. We docked each night at a marina and got underway by 6:30 am. With the shorter daylight hours we couldn't safely be on the move more than 10-11 hrs/day since we were in the ICW. We had many wonderful highlights on this voyage and one that touched us not only visually but viscerally when we witnessed the Space X launch from the steering station of Rachel Lynn on Dec. 2nd. Cape Canaveral is about 40 miles N of Melbourne and at 6:12pm we could see the trail of the launch and hear & feel the rumble of Stage One discharging from the rocket. My photo really doesn't do the scene justice.



The following day we we passed the Space Coast/Cape Canaveral coast which is approximately 25 miles long. Can't really see much from the deck of the boat as the launch pads are so far off in the distance. We have flown over it before, it's impressive.

Once we got to St. Augustine we opted to go out the pass and put the pedal to the metal so to speak in the Atlantic as the weather was favorable and we could run all night, taking watches. This way we could run at 10 kts +/- and make some time. The night was clear, saw plenty of stars without interference of artificial lighting. Of course we had to keep an eye for ship and boating traffic. The small boat traffic was occasional and heading south, who in their right mind goes north at this time of year? ☐👁️

When we were passing Savannah we did pass a car carrier exiting the pass. No doubt those car dealers were happy to get a fresh shipment. Hear so much about the Supply Chain that is backed up with everything from corks to cars. We stayed on the outside until we reached

Charleston. Dinner onboard that night was delish lasagne that neighbor Megan had prepared and gifted us for the voyage.



Around 8:30 a.m on Dec. 5th we were in the pass heading into Charleston and back up in the ICW. Split Pea Soup fog hit a couple of miles in so that slowed our progress down considerably for a few hours. We did pass a few other boats as they did show up on our radar. It felt good to be tied up at the dock in McClellanville, SC in the early afternoon, in time to have lunch at one of our favorite eateries; TW Graham. Found out they were going to be closed for dinner that night so we made it there in time for a delicious sea food lunch and take out for another day. We are in Bubba Gump territory and the fresh shrimp, crab, flounder, scallops and all the fixins are so fresh. It was interesting to notice many of the other patrons in this down home restaurant seemed "upscale" but they had probably made the 45 min. drive from Charleston?? and not coming off a 5 day voyage. After lunch I went walkabout in the village and had a chance to meet and chat with a few locals. Christmas decorations were hung and fun to see in many yards. Sadly I am unable to download these photos as I have already gone over my limit!! When I returned to the Rachel Lynn around 5PM, the guys were having a whiskey and I headed to the laundry facility and

shower to do some cleaning up. This is not a traditional "marina" but the facilities are just fine.



(note the seaplane amongst the birdlife!)

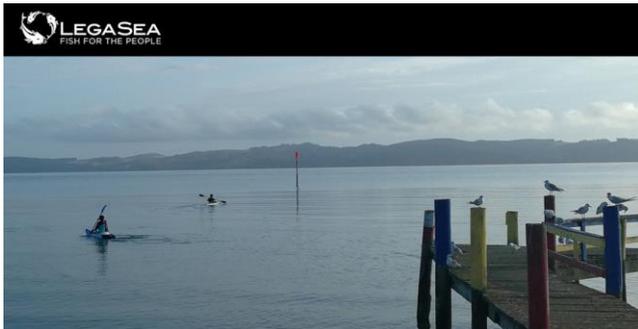
The following morning we were up before the sun and underway at day break. The day was calm and cool with temperature dropping...as we passed by Myrtle Beach and that area north of McClellanville we noticed quite a bit of new construction going up along the waterway. Unfortunately the architectural style doesn't seem to fit the scenery as nicely as the traditional late 1800s style that are still standing and prevalent along much for the ICW and have stood up to many storms. The new mini McMansions just don't seem to be as practical, but what do I know about housing when I have spent a majority of my adult yrs. afloat? We had to keep our speed down as we went along as there were many "no wake" zones to respect. Around 4 PM that afternoon of the 6th we heard a "Mayday" call on the VHF radio. We were actually passing the area where the 31' sailboat had gone aground as it was attempting to come through the Shallotte Inlet. We could see the boat bouncing on the ocean side. The tide was going out and they must have

clipped a corner and needed a tow. Once docked at the marina in St. James, NC that evening I came across the guys from the local Sheriff's dept that had assisted in the rescue. They said 4 souls on board were OK and Sea Tow was towing the folks to their marina...it was going to be awhile. We managed to avoid Sea Tow, our good friends, that help boaters with problems at sea/lake. That is a good thing.

Thank you Rob & Mary . ☺ (The rest of Rob & Mary's Voyage will be in the March Newsletter.)

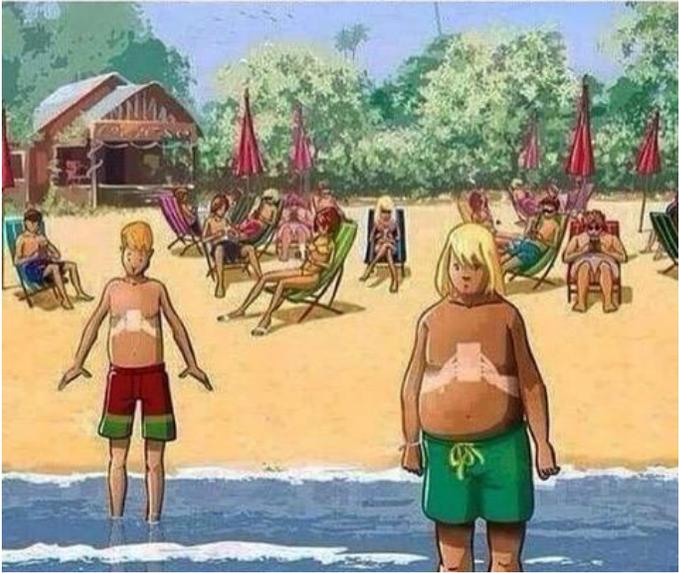


Here's a few "Clever" Business Names.



The funniest thing I heard an elder says, "My generation had Wonder Woman, your generation has to wonder if it's a woman" 🤣🤣🤣

The tan-lines of the next generation...



"Lemon Pickers Needed" - ad in the newspaper.

Ms Sally Mulligan of Papakura, Auckland, read it, and decided to apply for one of the jobs that most New Zealanders are not willing to do.

She submitted her application for a job in Te Puke as a Lemon Fruit picker, but seemed far too qualified for the job.

She has a liberal arts degree from the University of Wellington , and a master's degree from Otago.

For a number of years, she had worked as a social worker, and also as a school teacher.

The owner studied her application, frowned, and said, "I see that you are well educated, and have an impressive resume.

"However, I have to ask you, have you had any actual experience in picking lemons?"

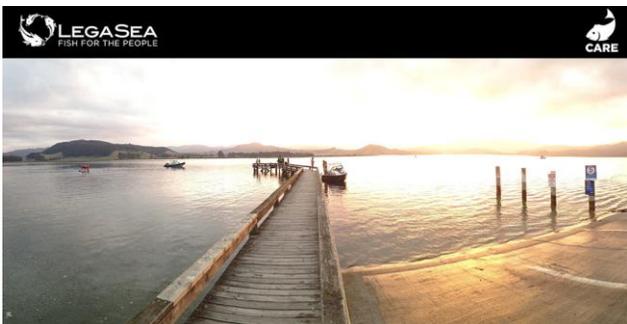
"Well, as a matter of fact, I have," she said... "I've been divorced three times, owned two FORDS, voted twice for Winston, and once for Jacinda."

She started work yesterday.



Flipper & Crew in amongst the Tarakihi. 😊

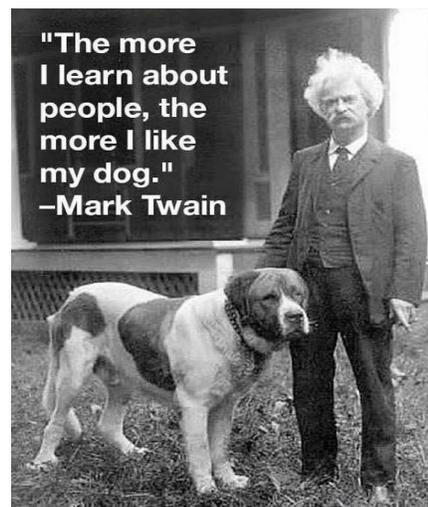
Did you notice that most of the proper household cleaning agents are Mr Min, Mr Muscle, Mr Sheen, Mr Clean.....and women are complaining that men don't help around the house 😞



February 8th is the deadline for a bunch of submissions that must be sent to Fisheries New Zealand. Our NZ Sport Fishing Council fisheries team is busy developing responses to proposals for hāpuku, bass, crayfish and scallops.

Submissions on proposed changes to the management of blue cod on the South Island's east coast are due by 4 March.

For all these precious creatures we will be advocating for the Minister to make conservative decisions. We can help restore marine biodiversity by increasing the abundance of fish in the water.



Yep so true unfortunately.

The Following are the RULES for this season's Photo Competition.

1. Photos have to be from this season 2021/2022
2. They need to be about sea, boating, fishing, related to things our club does.
3. Send to Editor with details of who took the photo, when it was taken and if you want it entered in the competition.
4. Editor will put in this season's folder for judging by our Commodore before AGM.
5. Commodores decision is final.
6. Club reserves the right to put on facebook/website. Hard copy on Pukemanu Hotel wall (if is a winning photo).



I need to re-home a dog.
It's a small terrier, and
tends to bark a lot.
If you're interested, let
me know and I'll jump
over my neighbor's
fence and get it for you.

My mate, Tit rang me to tell that he had been "made redundant." To be blunt he was sacked. Oh Oh

Me: "Whatever will you do now?"

Tit: "Well, we'll go down to the pub"

Me: "Oh - surely you won't drown your sorrows in drink"

Tit: "No, I'll just give them a swimming lesson"

I want this guy to run for parliament. He is laid back, looks intelligent and appears to have what most politicians are lacking.



LegaSea and the NZ Sport Fishing Council are members of the Deep Sea Conservation Coalition (DSCC). Together we have launched a new campaign on the streets of Ponsonby to create awareness of the damage being done by bottom trawlers on the high seas.

Street artist Cinzah created this spooky, but beautiful mural of an orange roughy with a bottom trawler reflected in its eye.



The mural was painted to coincide with a South Pacific regional fisheries meeting this week, where New Zealand has continually argued against stricter regulation on bottom trawling to protect seamounts, instead shoring up New Zealand's international bottom trawlers, the only fleet still bottom trawling on seamounts in the region's international waters. This year's review of the rules governing bottom trawling has been pushed to 2023, but the DSCC points out that this shouldn't delay Government action.

"All six New Zealand vessels authorised by the New Zealand government to trawl on seamounts in the South Pacific belong to companies with recent convictions for illegal trawling in closed areas," said Karli Thomas of the DSCC.



"Their fishing permits expire in April, and there is no reason to delay action until 2023. Fisheries Minister David Parker could end the destruction and protect these precious deep-sea ecosystems with the stroke of a pen, by simply refusing to re-issue high seas permits to a handful of trawlers owned by companies that have shown they can't be trusted."



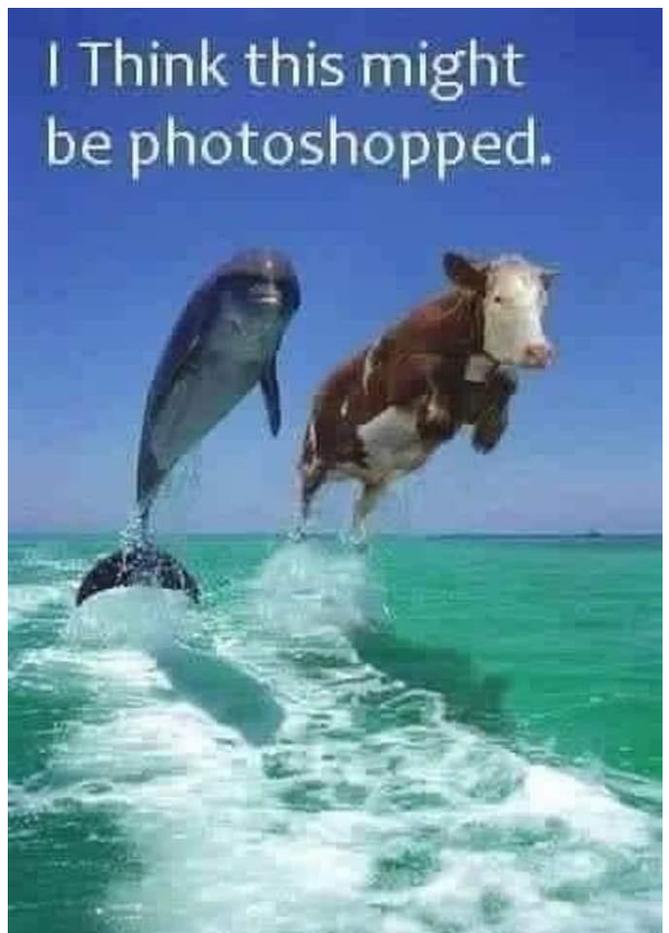
Stacey Riddell with a beaut Groper!



The Riddell whanau had a Great dive at Tora, Heath said they had to wait for Campbell to go to bed before they could get in the water. 😊

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BP Martinborough Automotive



Nah! I got this shot off Tora last week. True!

The awkward moment when you're so focused on taking a photo that you lose Nanna.



I have waited many years to say this: Will you marry me?"
The princess turns around, smiles, and says, "Pardon?"



This guy was a cut above the rest. Just saying

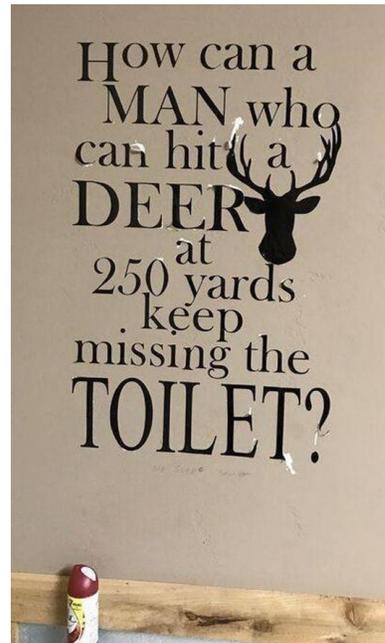
If voting could really change things, it would be illegal.

Boydy sat there waiting for his new doctor to make his way through the file that contained his very extensive medical history.

After he finished all seventeen pages, he looked at him and said, "Boydy, you look better in person than you do on paper."

A man is madly in love with a princess and wants to propose, but an evil witch has cast a spell on him, and now he can say only one word a year. So he waits 14 agonizing years—accumulating all his words—before approaching his beloved.

Finally, the big day arrives. When he sees her, his heart skips a beat. He gathers his nerve, drops to his knees, and intones, "My darling,



Liz got me to make this sign . just saying.
☺

