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FROM THE QUARTERDECK



**A Report from
the Rear
Commodore**

Tony Bullard

I'm writing this article having just completing the last leg of the 3-handed race, from Kawau Island to Devonport, surfing waves under spinnaker on Brian and Bruce's Beale 33 - Calypso V. A fantastic race and race series with a splendid turn-out of 15 club boats.

Sadly, the sailing race series is coming to an end. It has been another great sailing season organised by our Sailing Master Andy Mason. This time with little covid disruption and the incredible America's

Cup race sprinkled in-between. At times, a little more wind would have been nice as several of us in B division run out of puff and did not finish. But if you are out there not moving like a sitting duck on the water, it's a perfect time to try your luck at fishing.

Mandy and I got our first opportunity to sail to Great Barrier Island in February after the Waitangi Weekend races and this was the first time, we've visited the island. It is a wonderful place and with 20-30 knot winds there and back on a broad reach, does not take too long. Our Davidson 28, U Choose, was a delight to sail there and back in these conditions. The weather forecast turned on us while we were there, so we decided to return home after four days, but we'll be going back soon.

It was great to see large turnouts at the club during the America's Cup racing. Our new 85-inch TV made for fantastic viewing and we had the added bonus of watching the boats return from our club's deck. We are extremely lucky to have a clubhouse like we do. If you haven't been down for a while, you're missing a lot. We are open Thursday to Sunday with free hot chips on Thursdays, free cheese boards on Sunday with yummy hot meals on Friday nights courtesy of Matt and his team from Platters. Stay longer on a Thursday and listen to our fascinating and



interesting sea talks organised by our Sea Talks, Publicity and Webmaster officer Geoff Evans.

If you have been down to the club recently, you'll notice the clubhouse is looking pretty good. We've repainted much of the interior of the club, reorganised the Sir Peter Blake Lounge and of course we have a new kitchen. The Management Committee is currently updating our asset management plan for works over the next 2 years. Our Haulage Master Nigel Wilson is currently replacing our haulage trolleys and we should have new ones in place before the winter haulage seasons begins. Potential new projects include a refurbishment of the toilets, the completion of stage 2 of the kitchen upgrade (the kitchen annex area), new interior lighting, an exterior paint of the clubhouse and new solar electricity panels to reduce our high power bills.

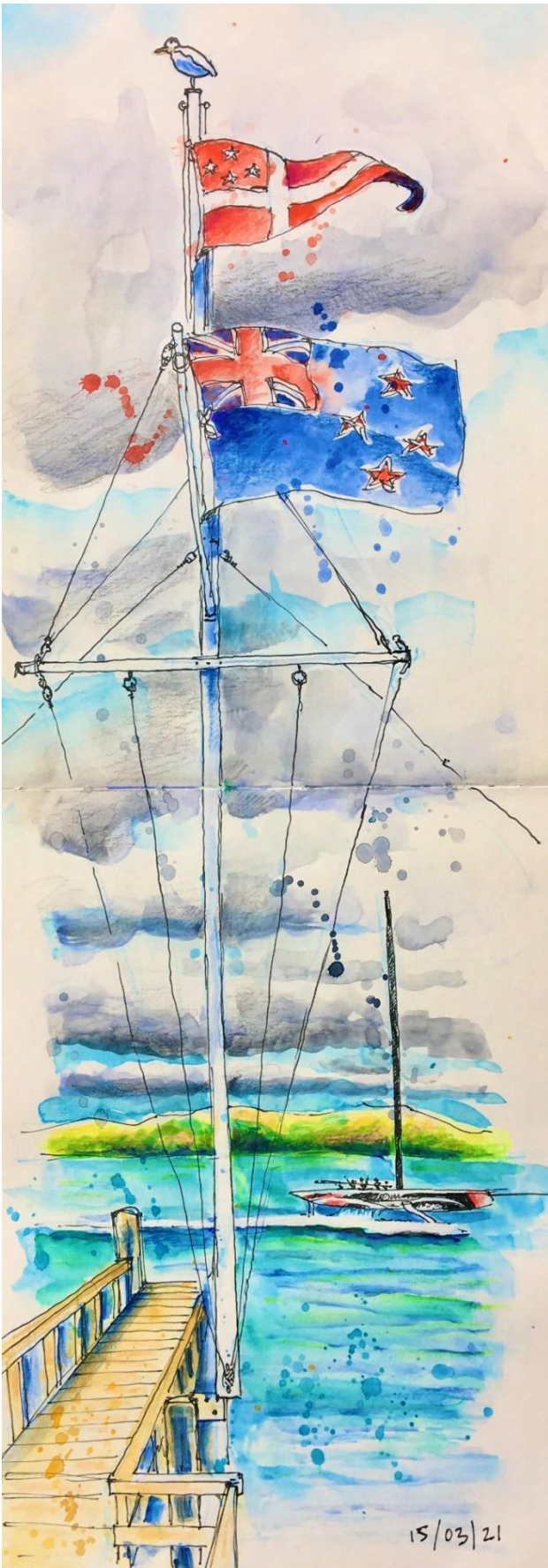
Anyway, there's lots more time yet to be out and about enjoying yourself on the water or land during this fabulous Autumn weather. We have the Easter cruise races to Kawau Island and Mahurangi this weekend with the last race for the year being the Single-Handed Race around

Rangitoto, Motutapu and Motuihe Islands on Saturday 17th April. If you can't join in the racing, please join us for prize giving and a champagne breakfast at Otarawao Bay (Sullivan's Bay, Mahurangi Harbour) on Sunday 4th April. Then please join us again for prize giving on Friday 23 April at the club for the single-handed race. Remember, the worst day boating is still better than the best day working.

Tony Bullard

Rear Commodore





Tony McNeight provided these illustrations above. They're a reminder of the amazing months we've enjoyed watching the Prada and America's Cup racing in our home waters!

A REPORT ON THE 3 HANDED GULF RALLY



Haydon Webster on Northerner sailing in the 3 handed race reported that his daughter wanted to crew.

His words – 'we already have three crew'.

Her words - 'but I won't touch anything'...

Thanks

We had exciting racing conditions for this year's 3-handed 3-day Gulf Rally with mostly clear skies, good viz and steady 15-20 knot E-NE winds, for the three days!



On Friday, the first leg to Te Koume, this meant for a choppy uphill slog with a difficult decision of either keeping to sheltered waters sailing south of Waiheke or the choosing the bumpier course to the north which despite the wind against tide chop out of Motuhie Channel, gave us a favourable wind shift as the wind backed into the NE. Renown chose to go north following the vastly experienced Mike Webster in Northerner and that paid off handsomely! Thanks go to Northerner who, as first boat home took her own time and then volunteered to anchor on the finish line and take the times of the finishers. It was a pleasant, sheltered anchorage in Squadron Bay. We swam and socialised the first night.



Zeppo, recently back from her round the North Island cruise, joined the fleet in time for the start of the second leg on Saturday morning. Thanks go to Danny Stewart on Kotuku for taking on the role of start boat. The NE winds held and gusted over 20 knots at times so this meant for a one tack (!) fast reach across to Kawau, and for most of us, a record passage. Thanks go to Peter and Raewyn Strathdee on Azure as finish boat at Kawau. The fleet anchored in Stockyard Bay just below John Duder's bach where the evening BBQ was held. We were a well-oiled and happy crowd and very grateful to the Sailing Social Committee presented us with a veritable feast including desert (thanks Emma and Lyn)!



John Duder was a gracious host, the bach is architecturally beautiful, with a great outlook and with interesting bird life.



The last leg on Sunday promised to be a downhill slide. The crew on Renown do get a little anxious at the starts, so thankfully Azure gave us a generously long start line that eased the tension, and then it was a low stress two-sail reach for



those of us in the no extras division, and some thrills keeping spinnakers flying in the shy reaching conditions down to Tiritiri Passage.



Then it was tacking downwind towards the finish at Devonport. Here's a quote from Mike on Northerner, 'we could not hold it (their spinnaker) and it ended up in the water, torn, with 15 minutes or more lost retrieving it from under the boat. Yuk. Crossed the line with remnants dragging behind us'.

Other than that, and a few bruises, a wonderfully exciting weekend's racing. Here's a summary of the results:

#	Extras Division Orange Flag		Overall Result			Total	Position
			Race 1	Race 2	Race 3		
43	Northerner	0.880	1	1	3	5	1
3246	Kudos	0.755	4	6	8	18	7
3374	Zeppo	0.705	8	7	1	16	5
6363	Sea Biscuit	0.795	2	3	4	9	2
6628	Calypso V	0.767	5	4	2	11	4
7635	Kotuku	0.800	8	8	7	23	8
9708	Athena	0.815	6	5	6	17	6
9776	Floki	0.815	3	2	5	10	3

#	No Extras - Green Flag		Overall Result			Total	Position
			Race 1	Race 2	Race 3		
1622	Pau Hana	0.710	1	1	1	3	1
2170	Hautere	0.736	5	6	6	17	6
3690	Tumua	0.715	2	4	4	10	2
5001	Renown	0.810	3	2	5	10	3
5609	Matai	0.715	7	5	7	19	7
9526	Time	0.720	6	7	2	15	5
NZL442	Explorer	0.850	4	3	3	10	4

Congratulations to the skippers and crew of Northerner and Pau Hana.

Thanks team!

Words - Geoff and Jane Evans - Renown





Easter CRUISE



plus KAWAU TO MAHURANGI
2ND - 3RD APRIL



EASTER CRUISE
Friday 2nd April



A DIVISION
WAHIEKE CUP

DESTINATION
Kawau Island

B DIVISION
JELICO CUP

DESTINATION
Kawau Island



KAWAU TO MAHURANGI
Saturday 3rd April



A DIVISION
TREASURERS TROPHY

B DIVISION
RJ GIBSON SHIELD



SPONSORED BY NEW WORLD DEVONPORT



After race: Prize giving will be conducted at the Easter Sunday champagne breakfast on Sunday 4th April. Everybody welcome.
For sailing instructions and notice of race visit dyc.org.nz





DYC EASTER FAMILY FUN



SUNDAY
4TH APRIL
FROM
1000HRS

DAY EASTER EGG HUNT,
FUN & GAMES,
BRUNCH & BUBBLES
PROVIDED

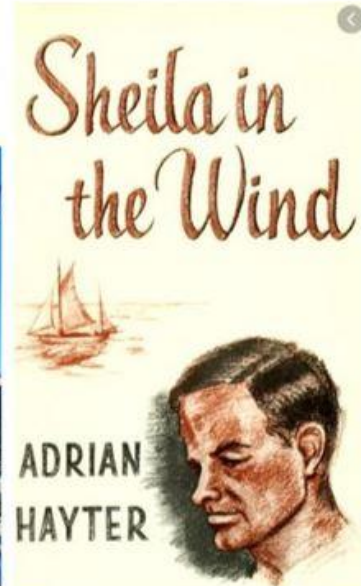
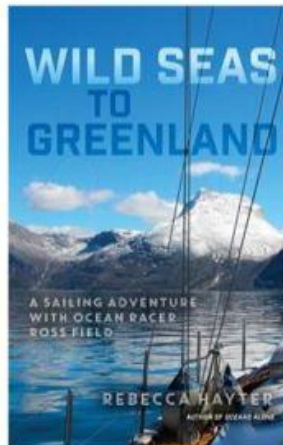


At Sullivan's Bay, Mahurangi
- all welcome by boat or car





DYC – Seataalks



Rebecca Hayter – Wild Seas to Greenland

Rebecca Hayter is well known as a yachting journalist within New Zealand, having spent over 12 years as editor of Boating New Zealand and as a contributor to high-profile overseas yachting magazines, including *Boat International*, *Super Sail World* and *Yachting World*, all based in UK; *Cruising Helmsman*, Australia; and *Yachts International* and *Sail*, both based in USA. Rebecca will talk about her new book *Wild Seas to Greenland* and republishing her father's popular book *Sheila in the Wind*.

7.30pm Thursday 22 April 2021

All welcome. The club bar will be open



CLASSIFIED ADVERTS

For sale: 12M Berth at Bayswater Marina. Contact Margaret Ridge on (09)4451899 or mobile 0211265709

Marina wanted

We are looking for a marina berth from 16 April at Bayswater Marina for our 10m launch. If you are hauling at DYC this winter we would like to discuss your berth.

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Boat for sale



1/3 share in a Peterson 46 Cutter Ketch, 1981
Includes ownership of 14 berth at Bayswater for only \$59,999



Strongly built, fast, comfortable and with a lovely light, spacious solid teak interior, 'Tiki' is a fine example of the legendary Peterson yachts that still circumnavigate the globe. With brand new B&G 7" chart plotter, B&G wind gear and auto pilot, plus a new stay sail, all added late last year, she handles like a dream - even for solo sailors. The ketch rig is famously easy to manage, not to mention looking positively majestic on the water. She has been in a well organised partnership since a complete restoration in 2006. A rebuilt Ford Lehman 75hp diesel engine (by Moon Engines) was added back then and continues to give faithful performance via a Hydralign folding prop. She cruises easily at 6 knots at 1500rpm, 7.5 knots at 2200rpm. Under sail however, she'll go even faster regularly hitting 9knots. Petersons are fantastic passage makers and the build quality surpasses probably any modern production boat. Very few people could afford to build such a vessel now. Sail wardrobe includes a 145% Genoa, staysail, twin-reefed main and mizzen, plus an MPS spinnaker in a sock. Tiki has two cabins, two heads with hot water showers, holding tank, two burner stove, electric Isotherm fridge, two 130amp house batteries, new start battery, near new 145w solar panel on the spray dodger and a current electrical WOF. Davits (added in 2019) hold an excellent Southern Pacific rib nicely on the stern, plus a 2.2hp Mercury outboard which was new in 2018. Being a partnership, owning a yacht like this means you have all of the fun without stretching the budget. You also have the surety of a 14m berth in an excellent location. A share in Tiki is available only rarely, but when one does come up it doesn't last long.

Contact Richard Lozeby (021 514 077)



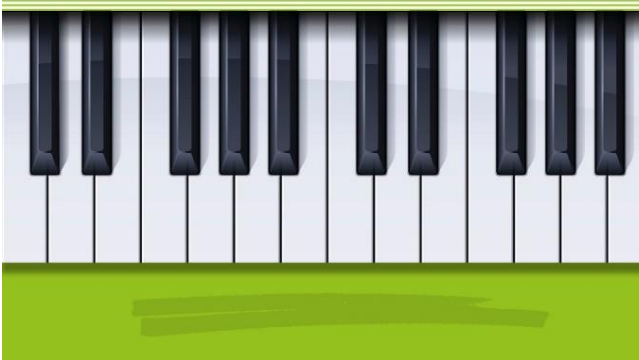
CLUB NOTICES:



Dear members,

Further to recent comms regarding the club piano, the committee wish to advise that one member has objected to its permanent removal.

The said member is keen to reinstate group 'sing alongs' as have been held in past years and wishes to use the piano as part of these. The committee fully support this initiative and look forward to hearing of the first planned event.



ATTENTION ALL DYC BOAT OWNERS

Vice commodore Blair Cliffe has undertaken an update of our boat details for the next Handbook and want to start in plenty of time. Your help would be much appreciated! The format to use is

Owner/s name; Boat name; Boat type; Boat make; Sail Number

For example; Blair and Emma Cliffe, Hautere, Keeler, Cavalier 39, 2170

Please send your updated boat details to blaircliffe@xtra.co.nz or text to 027 295 4426

Membership benefits Update

As members of Devonport Yacht club, you will notice on the bottom right of your membership card that there is a logo for Clubs New Zealand



What does that mean to you!

Clubs New Zealand have been around for over 100 years, originally as 'The Chartered Clubs of New Zealand' and most recently better known as just Clubs New Zealand. Clubs New Zealand Incorporated is a not-for-profit organisation that represents more than 300 chartered clubs across communities throughout New Zealand including Cosmopolitan Clubs, Workingmen's Clubs, Returned Service Associations (better known as RSA's – 98 in total), Commercial Traveller Clubs and Sporting Clubs. Each of our clubs are unique and have a different story to tell, it is our role to champion the club industry and to protect the interests, rights, and privileges of all our member clubs.



There are many benefits to being a member of Clubs New Zealand. We are best known for our sports tournaments (55 national events for members only – 14 sports), hospitality and representation to government for protecting the rights and privileges of non-profit entities like ours. Our best keep secret is perhaps our reciprocal rights among member clubs and our directory of commercial supporters you can see more of these benefits by visiting www.membermarket.co.nz

RECIPROCAL RIGHTS

Reciprocal rights and clubs go hand in hand, having members be able to visit other clubs helps to maintain the club community while also supporting interclub activities such as sports tournaments and events.

Clubs New Zealand administers the reciprocal rights arrangements on your behalf. We have model rules and different tools such as the Clubs New Zealand mobile app to make identifying authorised customers and visitors as easy as possible for your staff.

As a Clubs New Zealand member club our members will be able to enter and use Club facilities wherever their travels around the country may take them, likewise over 300,000 Club members will be able to visit and use our facilities.

Yachting New Zealand

Check out the Yachting New Zealand website for extensive information around the services offered by Yachting New Zealand and the many benefits available to members including discounts at major suppliers including yachting, wine, and hotel trades.

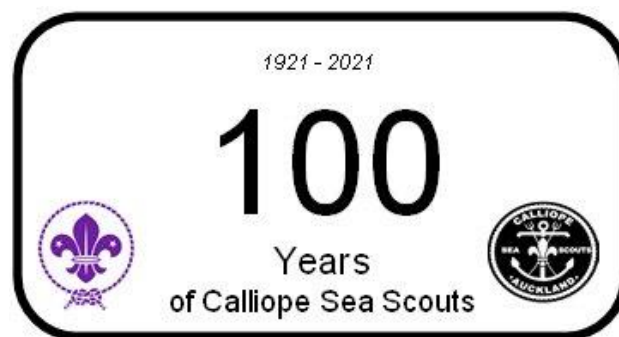
To benefit from these discounts, it is important you register with Yachting New Zealand first at

[www. https://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/](https://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/)

This is no charge for registering as your DYC membership already covers all costs related to membership of Yachting New Zealand.

A CENTENARY

The Calliope Sea Scout Group is turning 100 on the 25th June 2021. In order to celebrate this wonderful milestone we will be having a weekend of activities and displays to ensure our birthday party is a success. This will be over the period 24 – 26th June 2021.



If you have ever had an involvement with the Calliope Sea Scout Group over the last 100 years, then we would love to hear from you. And if you are able to assist in any way would make the party even better.

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Visit our Facebook Page :

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Stories from the Cockpit

Marina - Commercial dock facility.

Among the few places, under admiralty law, where certain forms of piracy are still permitted, most marinas have up-to-date facilities for the disposal of excess amounts of currency that may have accumulated on board ship, causing a fire hazard.

Mast - religious ritual used before setting sail.

Mile (Nautical) - A relativistic measure of surface distance over water - in theory, 6076.1 feet. In practice, a number of different values for the nautical mile have

been observed while under sail, for example - after 4 p.m., approximately 40,000 feet; in winds of less than 5 knots, about 70,000 feet; and during periods of threatening weather in harbor approaches, around 100,000 feet.

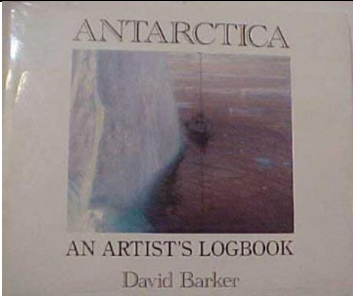
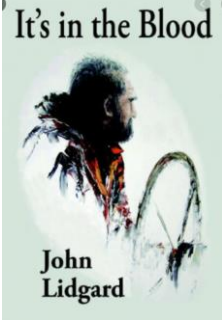
Mizzen - any object you can't find.

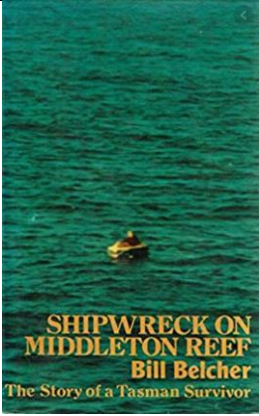
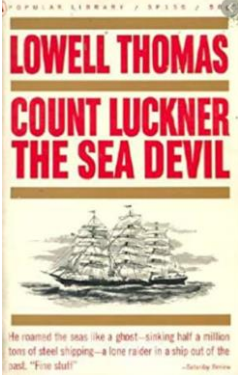
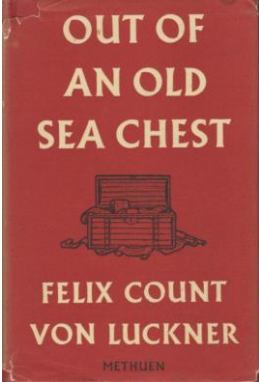
Mooring - The act of bringing a boat to a complete stop in a relatively protected coastal area in such a fashion that it can be sailed away again in less than one week's time by the same number of people who moored it without heavy equipment and no more than \$100 in repairs.

CR Leech ED* Past Commodore

DEVONPORT YACHT CLUB LIBRARY

The books reviews below have been supplied by our club librarian, Colin Tubbs.

<p>ANTARCTICA, AN ARTIST'S LOGBOOK DAVID BARKER</p> <p>This book contains the author's log which he kept during the incredible voyage through the strait of Magellan across the infamous Drake passage down to the Antarctic Peninsula. Encounters with whales, seals and penguins, the exploits of his crew mates and the mesmerising colours of the ice are all recounted and illustrated.</p>	
<p>IT'S IN THE BLOOD JOHN LIDGARD</p> <p>The author with input from his accomplished sailor and navigator wife, Heather, share the story of his own family's contribution to New Zealand sailing fame achieved throughout the second half of the 20th century.</p>	

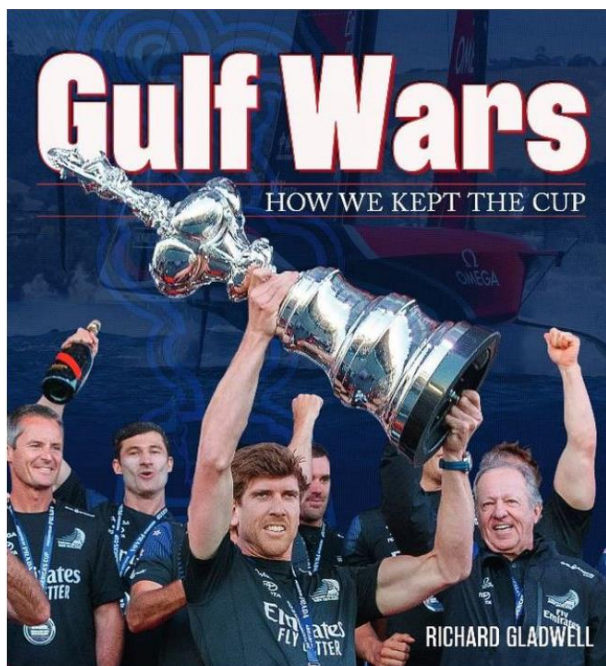
<p>SHIPWRECK ON MIDDLETON REEF BILL BELCHER</p> <p>This book opens with a breezy description of Bill's adventures before coming to New Zealand. The narrative then switches to the construction of his boat, the 1970 trans-Tasman single handed race from New Plymouth to Mooloolaba in Queensland and the building of his yacht to contest that event. The chapters then alternate between Bill at sea and his wife Aileen waiting in a growing agony of anxiety and frustration at Mooloolaba.</p>	
<p>THE SEA DEVIL LOWELL THOMAS</p> <p>The author introduces us to Felix Count Von Luckner—the sea devil—the man who destroyed a million pounds worth of allied shipping in the World War 1 but never took a life. This is a racy book full of breezy vigour and brimming with humour, full of admiration for this bold and jolly seadog who was so clean a fighter.</p>	
<p>OUT OF AN OLD SEA CHEST FELIX COUNT VON LUCKNER</p> <p>Following the conclusion of hostilities in 1919 the author travelled all over the world with his wife in his own sailing ship giving lectures and winning understanding for his country from its erstwhile enemies, particularly in the United States. He is an excellent raconteur and his book is full of amusing anecdotes.</p>	

All the above books were donated by Kevin and Sue Johnson



Book review from Boat Books

Wave the flag, stand up! The cup runneth over into a book...



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Gulf Wars

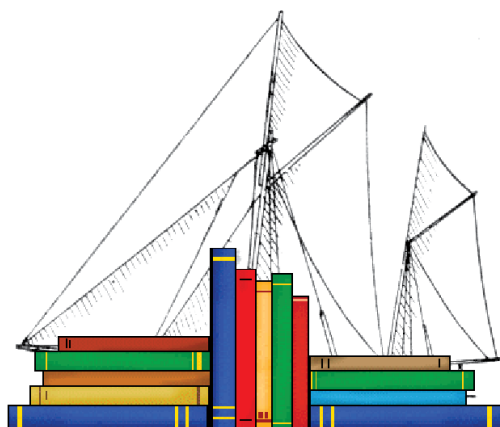
How We kept the Cup

By Richard Gladwell. Softback, 270mm x 290mm, pages, 0.28kg. Colour Photographs. Published 2021

A Pictorial souvenir record of EMIRATES TEAM NZ's win in the 2021 America's Cup. Beautiful photographs, details of the races , conditions and results from Day 1 until the final.

Richard Gladwell is a world-renowned sailing journalist and photographer who lives in Auckland.

He has covered International sailing events, including the America's Cups, Olympics and Volvo Ocean races for the past 30 years.



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