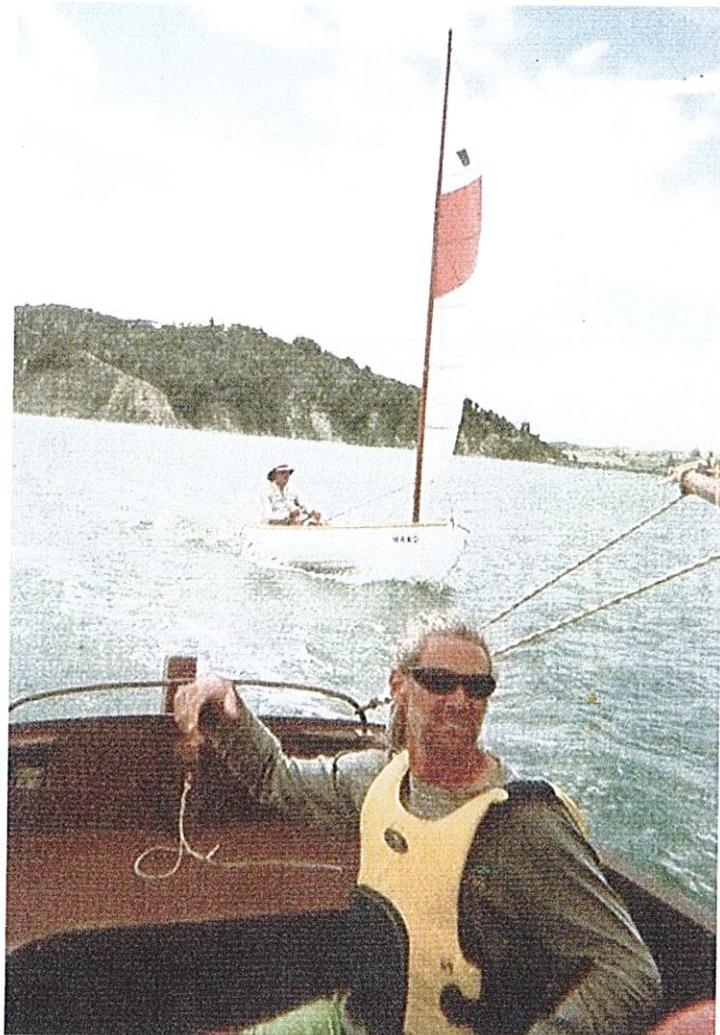


"WIND UP"



RAGLAN SAILING CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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Fund Raising Events

The Pot Luck Dinner, Saturday 3rd.March 2012

Many thanks to our club members, their families and friends who supported the Pot Luck Dinner held at the Sea Scout hall.

A wonderful meal was supplied by members among the delicacies a rabbit casserole.

Desserts were so tempting that one member was seen leaving the hall at the conclusion of the evening, clutching a very attractive looking dessert and spoon, I doubt whether they would have made it back to the car in two pieces.

Sir Peter Blake Memorial

Following the dinner we were treated to a fascinating and interesting illustrated talk by Rod and Liz Tombleson, who were part of a group that travelled last year to the Amazon for the Worldwide Expedition 2011, here they installed a concrete cross in Sir Peter's honour.

A most successful evening in so many ways, we had a great time raising \$316 for the maintenance of our boats.

Car Boot Sale 10th.March Te Kopua Domain

8.30a.m. and all is happening at our site in the domain, Gus and Sue have arrived with the gazebos, colourful pennants are strung across the front of the gazebos, tables and chairs are in position and the goods for sale arrive.

Congratulations to all those who contributed baking, clothing and nic nacs for the sales tables. A special mention for the children who staffed the tables and who hawked the cakes and lollies among the crowd when sales were slow.

There are so many people who made this day such a success, Jackie who master minded the idea, all the helpers at the stall, Pam who set up a coffee rescue table for our workers, Gus, Sue and Jill for a wonderful display of photographs historic and current, these created a great deal of interest to members and to the public, thanks also Zoe who secured our sales spot at short notice in the community area.

\$351.60 was raised by this stall.



Our sales tent, with budding sales people

**The “Wakaterere” at Te Kopua domain Sat. 10th. March
Rides \$5 adult, children free**

The Wakaterere looked magnificent and attracted a number of people wanting an experience on the water in this lovely old cutter.

Conditions were difficult for Chris and Gus who manned the boat all day with very little wind to assist them.

Many people enjoyed the ride, two older gentlemen took their first ride ever on the water, there were children of all ages, we did refuse a 6month old baby, the life jacket was too small!

Many thanks to Chris and Gus who sailed the yacht, Clare, Joy and Sarah who spent the day helping to fit life jackets, selling the trips and baby sitting.

• Money raised \$120



Clare- super sails woman!

These fund raising events have been run at short notice in response to a need for funding, primarily for the rescue boat "Chase" which urgently requires repairs.

Our sailing club would be unable to function on the water without the rescue boat.

The cost of the repairs is in the order of \$2,000.

The committee is most thankful and congratulates all those who rose to the occasion and mucked in to raise such a wonderful amount towards the expense of these repairs.

It has been a pleasure and great fun to be involved with these fund raising efforts.

New Zealand Dotterel (Tuturiwhatu, Red breasted dotterel)

Status: Protected, rare endemic.

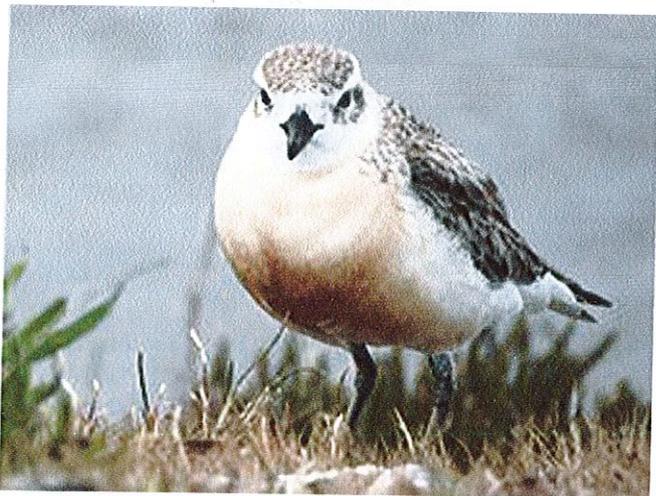
Distribution: New Zealand only, North and Stewart Islands. N.Z. Dotterels breed on beaches especially near stream mouths and estuaries. On Stewart Island they breed above the bush line but some descend to the tidal estuaries, mudflats and beaches.

Breeding pairs recorded on the northern ocean beach of the Raglan harbour.

Description: 25cm. A large squat, tame dotterel with large head and robust bill.

Population: c. 1400 birds

Diet: A wide variety of feeding habits, according to what is available.



Club Picnic

Sunday 25th. March at Okete Beach

Meet at Lorenzen Bay at 10.30 for briefing and to prepare the boats.

Weather permitting we will sail up the harbour to Okete Beach.

High tide 2.8m is at 12.40, we will need to be on the water early.

Bring with you food, drinks, sun screen, insect repellent etc.

The rescue boat "Chase" and one other motor boat will accompany us.

Please be on time, the tide waits for no man (or woman!).

Club Sailing Dates

Mar.25th. Sunday

H.T. 12.40 2.8m Launch time 10.40 Lorenzen Bay. Sail to Okete Beach for a picnic.

April 7th. Saturday

H.T. 10.20 3.2m Launch time 9.00 Lorenzen Bay Learn to Sail 12

April 22nd. Sunday

H.T. 10.40 2.8m Launch time 8.40 Lorenzen Bay Closing Day

May 6th. Sunday

H.T.9.50 3.1m. Launch time 8.00 Lorenzen Bay Winter Sail

June 24th. Sunday

H.T.13.10 2.7m. Launch Time 11.10 Lorenzen Bay Winter Sail

**IT IS IMPORTANT THAT PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS SIGN THEIR CHILDREN
IN AND OUT ON SAILING DAYS**

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