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WHILE OUR HATCHES ARE BATTENED DOWN

We're planning on getting back to work soon as – but safely

Here at City of Sails Marine we have been beavering away, using all the online and phone-based tools to talk to boat owners who want to list with us – and with clients who want to buy.

But right now it's difficult to show a boat as marinas are closed and we can't get aboard. Talking to vendors and appraising the boat before presenting her to the market is essential – and while photos and videos of a boat are helpful for buyers, there's nothing like a face to face conversation about a boat, even if the faces are two metres apart.

We're hoping that Level 3 of the lockdown will allow individuals to get aboard a boat, even if it's under the guidance of another at the required safe distance.

So - need to list or wanting to buy, call us now: Blair Harkness Ph 021 245 8809 or Janis Marler, 02165866, or send a note to info@cityofsailsmarine.co.nz

Website: www.cityofsailsmarine.co.nz

ARMCHAIR ADMIRALS - STAY WHERE YOU ARE FOR NOW

During the coronavirus lockdown many of us have taken up a role usually reserved for the mid-winter low - the Armchair Admiral position. So it's time to take aboard some musings from **Yachting New Zealand chief executive David Abercombie**:

In his words: – *Like many people, I'm encouraged by the progress this country is making in tackling COVID-19 but now is not the time to take our foot off the pedal. The sooner we can get this thing under control, the sooner we can return to some semblance of normality. Stick to the rules, no exceptions.*

Our sport is in a good position to ride out this massive disruption, given most clubs go into hibernation in the winter anyway, and we don't have mass gatherings of people when we do meet to go sailing. Regattas can also be tightly controlled and ways of minimising contact can be implemented.

I appreciate this is all having a profound impact on life as we know it but, rest assured, Yachting New Zealand are determined to continue to support clubs.

Clubs are the lifeblood of the sport and play a critical role in many communities so, once again, I'd like to remind everyone that retaining your membership is critical to your club's survival.

AMERICA'S CUP DATES – FOR YOUR DIARY

Here is the latest update on Cancellations and agreed Dates for the forthcoming America's Cup:

April 23-26, 2020: First (1/3) America's Cup World Series event in Cagliari, Sardinia (CANCELLED)

June 4-7, 2020: Second (2/3) America's Cup World Series event in Portsmouth, England (CANCELLED)

December 17-20: Third (3/3) America's Cup World Series event in Auckland, New Zealand

January 15-February 22, 2021: The PRADA Cup Challenger Selection Series

March 6-15, 2021: The America's Cup Match

AC75 launch dates:

September 6 – Emirates Team New Zealand (NZL), Boat 1

September 10 – American Magic (USA), Boat 1; actual launch date earlier but not released

October 2 – Luna Rossa (ITA), Boat 1

October 4 – INEOS Team UK (GBR), Boat 1

For more details, go to: www.americascup.com

CITY OF SAILS MARINE – A BRAND NEW BOAT FOR YOU

City of Sails Marine and NZ Boat Sales – Bringing Boats of Distinction to the North

These two top brokerages have been working together over the past four years to bring discerning boat owners a huge range of both new builds and used boats. We have seen enthusiastic support for the Aquila range – pictured below is the outboard driven Aquila 36, and the luxurious and ultra

spacious Aquila 48. And we have other boats in this range and price to suit you. Just call Blair Harkness or Janis Marler in Auckland on 021 245 8809.



Aquila 36



Aquila 48

The Aquila Story

Recognized globally for its high-quality, advanced composite manufacturing capabilities, Sino Eagle Yachts builds Aquila Power Catamarans in a state-of-the-art facility to exacting standards. With one of the most talented teams in the industry providing the combined knowledge and extensive experience, Aquila has established a game changing new standard of power catamaran innovation.

First launched in 2012 through a partnership between Sino Eagle Group and MarineMax, the world's largest power boat retailer. With development, design and manufacturing firms including J&J Design Group and Seaway, the team set out to develop a new, purebred power cat unlike anything in the marketplace today. So if you want the comfort, stability, low draft, economy and incredible living space of a catamaran but are not interested in sailing, then Aquila is your solution.

HANSE 508 FOR SALE IN AUCKLAND

Virtually new, sail her with two

We're offering a 2019 year Hanse 508, available now in Auckland at far less than the new landed price. Be quick as she's only 5 months new. All taxes paid. A beautiful luxury cruising yacht, with generous cockpit, twin wheels, superb forward visibility, simplicity and efficiency of self-tacking jib, bowthruster – the Hanse 508 immediately convinces as a true blue-water yacht for comfortable long distance sailing or coastal cruising with a minimum crew.

Call us now to book an inspection when we get to Level 3 – Blair Harkness on 021 2458809 or Janis Marler on 021 245 8809 or submit your inquiry to info@cityofsailsmarine.co.nz or check our website: [Hanse 508 for sale.](#)



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Hanse 508 – Sister Ship

While We're in our Big Bubble...



They're in theirs - today Skipper chose The Lodge while that damn cat moved in next door. Busy mokopuna made the mini bubble just before lockdown school started...

Boat Names – Send us the Story

With thanks to ***Scuttlebutt***

The US digital yachting newsletter Scuttlebutt has asked readers which musical group inspired the most boat names, and they were overwhelmed with how many people named boats after songs.

Boat names like Samba Pa Ti (Carlos Santana), Aliens Ate My Buick (Thomas Dolby), Althea (Grateful Dead), and School's Out for Summer (Alice Cooper). Hundreds came to light in the US.

Do Kiwi boat owners do the same thing? Send [Skipper](#) your name, your boat's name, a pic, and the song and perhaps the band or performer that inspired you!



Skipper's Log

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