1. "Jameelah" Owned by Peter and Raewyn Dunlop. Built in 1994 by Honner Marine, Devon, UK. Designed by Drascombe Lugger. 5.72m yacht.



2. "JR" Owned by Alan Clark, entered by Scott Roxsborough. A 15'6" John Welsford designed yacht, built in Belgium



3. "Luiarna" Owner: Andrew Blaymires. Length 5.5 metres.1938 18 foot "V" class mullety kauri yacht. Unknown builder. Yacht, Merit Award, 2005 Parade. Previously owned and used on Rotoiti by Gus Gardner for many years.



4. "Rapido" Owned by Gary & Catherine Sigley. Built in 1976, a Jack Holt designed, 11'3" yacht built by Gary Sigley



5. "Grace" Owned and built by Grahame Harris 2015, a TREAD LIGHTLY design by John Welsford. Built over a 3 year period from Meranti ply - fibreglassed over (up to the 2nd chine). The original 14ft design has been 'stretched' to just under 17ft and she carries approx. 230 litres of water ballast. Grace flies a 4 sided "balanced lugsail" of approx 130 sq ft, has twin skegs and twin rudders. She has a 15hp Yamaha outboard mounted in



the cockpit. Her name Grace, is a play on the design name "Tread Lightly"

6. Spare Number

7. "Te Mawhero" Owned by the Rotorua Young Mariners. A 17' Sea Scout Cutter, 1995 fibreglass hull with wooden gunwhales etc. Completed by a local boat builder



8. "Jessie Rose" Owned by Richard and Christine Amery. Built in 2010 from meranti and kauri, a 16' Port Sorell Skiff. Designed by Selway Fisher and built by Jeremy Sievers.



- **9. "Matuku"** Owned by Paul Tombleson, a 12' early 1920's clinker dinghy. NO PHOTO
- 10. "Tibik Awan" Owned by Brian & Lois Palmer.Built 2015, a 16' macrocarpa strip plank canoe designed by Glen L Witt, built by Brian Palmer



11. "Geese Fly In Pairs" Owned by Ian and Julia Milne. A 20' ply Annapolis Wherry Tandem designed by Chesapeak Light Craft and built in 2015 by Ian Milne. Wherries are Traditional to the river Thames, where they were a "water Taxi" you would hail to move you up and down the river. Over centuries they evolved to be dry and stable, but very fast to get paying customers



from place to place quickly. The Annapolis Wherry Tandem honours the Thames Wherry tradition and is a development of *Chesapeake Light Craft Boats* one man Annapolis Wherry first launched in 1998. The Annapolis Wherry tandem was designed by John C. Harris of Annapolis, Maryland USA.

12. Trevor Crawford in his unnamed 8' clinker dinghy.



13. "Piri" 12'6" Kauri clinker dinghy owned by Tim Brown. Unknown designer & builder. Unknown age. She was restored from a wreck in the 90's.



- **14."Luna Sea"** Entered by Richard and Joy Malthus, a 1910 14'6" kauri clinker dinghy. Designer unknown, maybe built by a Mr Miller in Dunedin NO PHOTO
- 15."Victoria" 6 metre steam launch owned by Wayne Larsen. Built around 1930. Hull purchased by Wayne Larsen in 1996, single skin kauri plank, transom stern, wheel steering to internal rudder gear. Speed approx. 6 knots. Engine designed & built by Wayne Larsen in 1992. Vertical double column twin simple expansion condensing

steam engine with Stephenson link motion reversing gear. Bore 2.25"x stroke 2.75". Approx. 350 rpm & 4 hp at full power. 1.75" x 1.375" conventional 3 valve condensate pump system discharges into 13 litre recovery tank. Simple keel type condenser 1" dia. x 6'10' long. Boiler feed by 2 single action feed pumps with 10 mm ram dia. Drawing



water from recovery tank pumping water to boiler through exhaust feed water heater. Bypass valve to regulate boiler water level. Coal fuelled vertical fire tube boiler with wet fire box, constructed of quality boiler plate and pressure vessel welded. 76 x 3/4" copper fire tubes expanded into tube plates. Heating surface 20 sq.ft. Safety valve 120 psi. Propeller 3 blade right hand 15.5" dia. x 25" pitch. 1" stainless shaft.

16. "Romany" Owners: Russell and Marie Ward, Builder: Alec Baxter Built: 1994, Length: 20'. Modelled on working launch of the late 1880's, Romany is a traditional boat constructed in the very heavy workboat style. She features hardwood keel, spotted gum ribs & copper fastened kauri planking. The boiler is teak lagged vertical firetube with a wet firebox. Firing is by coal for a working head of 100 psi. The exhaust steam is condensed via a keel condenser and the water returned to the hot well for reuse. The engine is a single cylinder Bolton design - 3 inch bore, 4 inch stroke. Feed and air pumps are driven off the engine. Reverse is by Stevensons link. Auxiliaries fitted are a steam



Windermere kettle, boiler feed injector and whistle. The propeller is a 3 blade17" dia. 24" pitch. 10lbs of coal provides fuel for an hour or so. It takes about 1/2 an hour to raise steam from cold. Sadly the builder, Alec Baxter died when the hull was almost finished and purchased by the present owner.

17. **"Kaka"** Owned by Simon Moore. A 15'6" kauri and mahogany lifeboat buit in Petone 1910. She has been on the lake all her life and in the family for over 70 years. NO PHOTO

18."Little Lady" Owners: Bill & Cherry Fowler.

Built 1901/2 for the Tauranga Harbour Masters. Eventually washed up on Mt. Maunganui sand dunes. After many years she was rediscovered, repaired and taken to Omokoroa where she was used for private fishing. Originally named "Safari", she has been owned by Bill & Cherry for many years. They renamed her "Little Lady" and gave her a make over which included extending her to 7m. Relaunched November 2007 Length: Originally 6.1m, now 7m.



## 19. Spare number

20. "Mako" Owned by Paul & Cheryl Adams, 28' kauri clinker launch built by Okawa Bay Boat Builders in 1924.



## 21. Spare number

22. "Elva" Owners; Grant & Gillian Cossey. Built by Collings and Bell in 1911, vintage

kauri launch, Elva was displayed at the 1912 Auckland Boat Show. The name originates from one of Mr. Collings three daughters. Owned by Hugh Preston, she was used around Auckland, Kawau and Great Barriers Islands. Elva was purchased from north of Auckland by Malcolm Pearce in 2002 in need of a coat of paint and a bit of normal boat type maintenance.



Purchased in 2004 by Grant Cossey and Nigel Brock. Length: 22 feet, **6.6m.** 

23."Arapawa" Owned by Mary Taylor, entered by Mary's daughter Rachael & Warwick Jamieson, Probably built by Ernie Lane around 1906 to 1915. Length: 9.2m Used in the Sounds as a ferry to Arapawa Island. Brought to Rotoiti in 1996 by Michael & Mary Taylor and has been in every parade since the start of these annual parades.



24. "Zambuca" Owned by Buzz & Patsy Rathbone. 24' launch designed and built in

1967 by Tony Mason. Built of cedar plank and fibreglassed. Interior wood of mahogany.

Powered by 170hp petrol Volvo Penta inboard outdrive.

Brought from Tauranga – previous owner was Bill Mitchinson.



25. "Ellen" Owned by Helen and Grant Wallace. Length: 8 metres. Of strip plank cedar she was built 2006 from a "plug" taken off an old abandoned hull found in Kopu. She is a "Milkmaid" design by Bailey & Lowe built by Malcolm Sowman. "Ellen" is powered by a 29 HP diesel with standard straight drive.



26. "Nautilus" Owned by Robbie & Anne Sinclair. Kauri planked vintage launch built by Lane's in Auckland 1948. Has been on Lake Rotoiti since 1996. Before that at Tauranga. Length: **8.5m** Owned by Buzz Rathbone and Gus Gardner 1996 to January 2012.

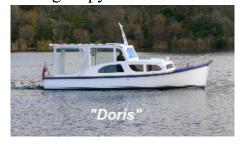


27."Windsong" Owned by Jim & Shirleyanne Burch, a 27' Shipbuilders design, built 1960 of D/D ply construction.



28. "Doris" Owner: Peter Taylor. She was built in 1950 at the Deeming shipyard in

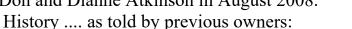
Opua for a wealthy farmer who owned land on the Purerua Peninsular in the Bay of Islands. She has spent all her life in the BOI and was used to pull barges and take supplies from Kerikeri, Opua and Paihia. Her statistics are 24 ft long, 8 ft beam carvel hull with 1 inch kauri plank on close framing. She has a new Kobota 27 hp diesel and gearbox but apart from that, is in original condition. A friend and I motored



her down from Kerikeri to Westhaven (23 hours at 6.5 knots and just as well the sea was calm!) and from there she was transported to Rotoiti.

Renovated by Tony Mitchell in 2007 with a total repaint, new roof with 2 hatches and new glass.

29."Achernar" the brightest star in the constellation Eridanus and used to determine south. Renamed "Betty" by Adm."Bull" Halsey in the War years. Purchased by Don and Dianne Atkinson in August 2008.



**1939** The only launch designed by R L Stewart a well



known yacht designer for his father. Built by Collings & Bell that year in their yard in St Mary's Bay, now known as Westhaven. Plans are in the NZ Maritime Museum. Kauri plank construction, Hull 30ft 10in, Beam 9ft 2in.

When war broke out Achernar was taken over by the Navy. In the latter part of the war Admiral William "Bull" Halsey, US 3rd Fleet, used the boat when on Rest and Recreation in Auckland renaming her Betty. Admiral Halsey despite committing what is considered one of the greatest blunders in naval history (Battle of Leyte) went on to become US Fleet Commander in 1945. After the war Achernar was shipped to the US but was dropped and broke a number of ribs enroute in Fiji. She was shipped back to NZ.

Achernar had a number of owners from that time on in Auckland - Mr Seager of Seagers Engineering Takapuna, Tauranga - local Surgeon Harry Gilbert, Thames - Mr Bill Cotton, and then back north spending most of her time in the Bay of Islands, around Great Barrier, the Gulf and Mayor Island - Dr Graham and Andrea Witney. 1984 saw a major refit and a flying bridge added at the Lane Motor Boat Co in the Tamaki River.

1993 gearbox & shaft replaced, new motor was able to be lowered and moved aftwards so as to be accommodated under the rear seats in the main cabin & forward seat in the cockpit.

2008 upon purchase the flying bridge was taken off and she was restored by Mike Lowe as close as possible to her original colours and shape.

30. "Carbis Bay" Owned by Tracey Mackay and Maureen Clarkson, a 28' Launch built by the Hill family in 1986. She is a Salthouse KB760 design.



31."Lady Glad" Owners: Marcus & Jan Wilkins and family. Commissioned in 1981 by Mr. Marshall-Lee, she was built with kauri hull and teak decks by Bill Visser of Kingfisher Boats, Tauranga, on the lines of tugs operating in the North Sea off Holland. The present owner heard of the Lady Glad and subsequently purchased her incomplete, having her completed by Bill Visser. She was launched in 1987 at Taheke and has been on Lake Rotoiti ever since. Length 6.4m.



32."M V Snark" Owners: William & Caroline Main, Length: 7.8m mullety. Originally built in 1912, the hull was found in the mud at Tauranga by Geoff Main and rebuilt by G.Main & N.Macky in 1990. Relaunched in 1992. Since then has entertained many people on Lake Rotoiti.



33. "DIANNA" Bob & Jane Smith.

Length **8.2m**. **1936** Carvel built Vintage Launch designed by John Atkin.

Diana has had a major refurbish and was relaunched in September 2008.



34. "Maggie" Owned by John Mace and Kaye Lillico. Designed and built by Roy Parris 1982, she is an 18'6" launch.



35. "Richmond Rose" Owned by Sir Douglas Graham, the 26' kauri planked, Logan vintage launch is thought to have been built around 1908. The shoal-draft launch is powered with a 9.9hp four stroke outboard motor through a well near the transom which pushes her up to nine knots.



36. "Smuggler" Owned by Allan Clark and skippered by daughter Jocelyn. Length: 18 feet, Beam: 6 feet, Draft: 1 foot 8 inches

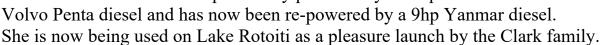
She was built from a design by Eric Cox at Governors Bay in Christchurch

for a Mr J. A. White in 1960.

She was originally built as a gunter rigged diesel powered double ended motor-sailer.

In 1996 a new hull was built for her, reportedly due to storm damage.

The boat was purchased by Allan and Ronda Clark from Mrs Gillian Marks in 2003 and a new cabin-top was put onto the boat. The boat was previously powered by a 10hp



37. "Princess" Owners: Allan and Ronda Clark. Length: 6.9 metres. Beam: 1.85 metres. Draft: 550 mm

She was built by Allan Clark mainly with Fijian Kauri and plywood. The hull being two layers of diagonal plywood strips over stringers and frames then fibre glassed.

She was painted by Gloss Boats Ltd at Westhaven.

The engine is a 30 hp Kubota diesel with a twindisk marine gearbox supplied by Chris Moon Engines Ltd of Avondale.



38. "El Capitan" Owned by Tony Mitchell. 35' mahogany launch built in 1963. Designed by Chris Craft and built by Tanner.



39. "Kotuku" Owned by Allan & Dianne Estcourt. This 5.2 m. carvel planked hull was

home built by S.G. Estcourt and Sons in Blenheim in **1959**. The design was published in Popular Mechanics as a tender for small yacht races. A cabin was added and a 1935 Singer Nine car engine installed. Planking is West Coast Kahikatea and decks were canvas covered.



Originally moored in Havelock and used in Pelorus Sound.

Moved to Picton about 1970 and a Tohatsu outboard installed. Subsequently sold and repurchased 20 years later. Cabin had been replaced but hull was in original condition. The cabin was modified, hull recaulked and new propeller shaft fitted in preparation for a new diesel inboard.

40."Zillah" Owned by the Prior Family, 28' Pelin designed, glass over ply launch, built in the late seventys.



- 41."Manowai" Owned by Dennis Walsh. A 32' kauri planked launch built around 1921 possibly built by Bailey & Lowe, designer unknown. NO PHOTO
- 42."Chug" Owned by Paul East.

She is a 22' Kauri Clinker built in **1930** by an unknown builder.

Motor: 10hp 2008 Nannidiesel. Cruise speed: 7 Knots.

"Chug" started out life as a ships lighter in the Northland area. The original 10hp Lister-Petter diesel motor was thought to have been installed in the early 1950's. Chug was



rebuilt/restored 25-30 years ago by the then Okawa Bay owner at which point the cabin structure was added. She was named "Chug" at that time. Chug has undergone a further minor restoration and a re-power with the Nannidiesel.

43. "Louise" Owned by Glenn & Michaela Baker, 32' Kauri launch built in 1992 by Calvin Berriman, designed by Bruce Askew.



44. "Haumoana" Owned by Dave and Glenys Wilson. 31' Kauri launch designed and built by Colin Wild in 1947.



45. "Relax-ay-voo" Owner: John Duncan, Length: 9m, Designed by Bruce Askew.



46."Fancy Free" Owned by David and Janet Grace, a 28' launch designed by Frank Pelin, she was built in 1984 and is of glass over ply construction.



47. "Te Whara" Owned by the Coupe & Stewart Families, entered by Bruce Stewart. 32' 1916 Bailey & Lowe Vintage Kauri Launch.



48. "Alberta" Owned by Jon & Lois Dustin. 28'6" Kauri launch. Designed and built in R N Burgess & Co's yard, Judges Bay, Parnell and launched in December 1913. In 1925 the original Petrol Motor was replaced with a Sabb 16HP (the word 'Sabb' being a local Norwegian synonym for toughness and reliability).



She was rebuilt by Maurice Reynolds in the 1960's and again more recently.

Alberta was used for racing (8 knots) on the Auckland harbour and as a pleasure craft. She spent 99 years of her life in Auckland with various motors and as a fishing boat. The last motor was a 16HP 2 Cylinder Sabb but unfortunately it sucked up some weed and overheated. This caused the head to crack and unfortunately we could not fix it so replaced it with a 3 Cylinder Volvo Penta 36HP. Far too much power for the size of the boat, although very handy when approaching a Jetty.

49. "Aratu" Owned by Ross Green. 5.2 metre kauri launch built in 1923 by Archy Logan originally as a race yacht. The mullet hull was converted around 1940 to what it is now.



50."Aroha" Owned by Warwick Hutchinson. 21' carvel planked kauri hull launch designed & built by C E Thompson in Dargavillle 1949 for the late Frank & Millie

Macklow. Fitted with a Scottish Kelvin Ricardo E4 cylinder petrol (or parafin) engine - 2 sets of 2 cylinders with seperate carbs on each enabling either pair to be switched off. Motor designed by Anton Bergius of Glasgow & many were fitted to Scottish trawlers. Conrad Bergius (nephew) lives in Auckland and is a diesel mechanic.



Hauled from Dargaville to Rotoiti by road and launched at Mourea in **1950**. The launch has spent all its time on Lake Rotoiti at Otaramarae Bay. It maintains its original colours, accessories, trims, tools, striped canvas cushions, manuals and warrantee. Sold in 2002 to Warwick Hutchinson who then named her after his mother (Aroha Avis Hutchinson) "AROHA" - who also had purchased the family holiday batch in Otaramarae Bay in 1950.

## 51."Cappy" was built in 1953.

Designed and built by Baileys, Length: **8.5m**. Spent early life at Paremata - owned by Mr. Roberts in early 1960's. In early 1980's sold to Mr. Pain and became neglected. A local boat builder Brian Billings was next owner and in 1986 she was relaunched in river at Mana after being completely rebuilt in a shed at Craters Edge. Cappy spent short time at Napier before



going to Waikawa where, after owner's financial troubles, she was sold to Ron Spinks of Christchurch in 1988. At Ron's funeral 3-4 years later the story was told of how he, with his mate, his lunch box and a big bottle of gin, had motored "Cappy" to Lyttleton. Purchased by Kevin Wild in 1992 she was altered to make her more comfortable. With her wood burning stove worth its weight in gold during Lyttleton winters, she was always the boat for socialising. Owned by John Anderson since 1998, she was refitted at Peter Marks yard in Tauranga. Now kept at Otaramarae.

52. "Lady Mary II" Owned by Ivan Staite. A 22' Carl Augustin designed and built plywood launch. Built 1960. Designed and built by Carl Augustin in 1960. Lady

Mary II is a 22 footer with a generous 7ft 9 in beam. The flare in the bow carries back to the transom and gives extra space as well as a dry ride in choppy seas. The cockpit offers 1.8 metre headroom, the cabin equipped with stove and dinette has 1.5 metre headroom. Power is supplied by one Ford 10 series



E93A motor. The boat was purchase by Ivan & Judith Staite in 1994 after spending 4 years out in a paddock. A shallow V (5degrees) at the transom and the well flared bow provide easy riding with minimum pounding, a quick lift onto the plane and a steady, straight running ride with good downhill stability.

53. "Kereru" Owned by Buzz Rathbone and Gus Gardner since 2009. Kereru is a 30 ft. Kauri Launch built by Brin Wilson in 1965 for Frank Pidgeon hence the name Kereru. As well as being a family cruising boat she was also used for deliveries around Kawau Island.



54. "Pegusus" Owned by Peter Pittar. 23' launch built 1975.



55. "EM" Owned by Noel & Colene Nicholson. 30' Kauri launch designed and built by Robertson in 1970.



56. "Marjorie Rosa" Owned by Fraser Wilson, a 9.4 metre 1930 vintage kauri launch designed and built by Sam Ford, recently refurbished and a new cabin built by Tony Mitchell from Otaramarae.



57."Miss Kathleen". Owned by Barry Green, a 27'6" Logan designed and built, 1902 kauri planked wooden displacement launch built in Auckland by Logan's for a wealthy family in Whangarei. Used for pleasure boating she spent most of her time in the Bay of Islands. Subsequently used for long line fishing. The motor is a 30 hp David Brown and is 50 years old. The vessel was



rebuilt in 1989 at a cost of \$22,000. Purchased by the present owner in late 1997 from Captain Richens, an old sea captain.

58. "Lake Charmer" Owned by Ross and Julie Candy, 7.8 metre Kauri and mahogany launch. Designed and built 1964 by Max Carter.



59. "Caravel" Owner: Richard Stevens. Built: 1962. Length: 6.1m. Built by the late Norm Keen for the late Chip Stevens of Hauparu Bay.

Kauri planked (carvel) construction with teak decks and mahogany cabin. Powered by original 75 hp Volvo Penta BB70 petrol engine (approx 1700 hours from new). Caravel was styled after the Thames police launches of the 1950 □s and design criteria included that the engine



was not to encroach on cabin space, she had to accommodate guests in the cockpit or in the cabin (sitting headroom) without undue changes in trim and her dimensions were limited by the existing shed and cradle. Norm, a master craftsman, created this beautiful example of traditional boat building at his boat yard in Okawa Bay during the winter of 1962. She was launched on Christmas Eve and has been a familiar sight on the Lake ever since. **Launch, Merit Award, 2005 Parade.** 

"Caravel" features as the cover story in "Boating NZ" February 2015.

- **60."Waihaha"** Owned by Peter and Prue Birt. A 1923 Bailey and Lowe built carvel planked veteran launch. 8.5 metres long.

  NO PHOTO
- 61. "River Lady" Owned by Sean and Jenni Mickleburgh. A 27' ply boat designed by Phil Bolger in the USA. She is what he called a "Sneakeasy" and designed to travel under minimum power at a good lick without creating a wake. Built around 2006.



**62."Firefly"** Owned by Rod and Florence Prosser. Built:1882. A 25' counter sterned launch restored during 2008, she is considered likely to be the oldest launch to still be in operation in the country.

It is understood that she was built north of Auckland in 1882 although details of her history remain a mystery. It is likely that she was used to ferry supplies to farms and islands.



Midway through last century she was used in a practical role on Lake Manapouri when the power station was under construction.

Allan Clark, a previous owner, suggests that she has never been used with a sail and believes that she has been powered by at least six different engines at different times. She is now powered with a Stuart Turner two cylinder, two stroke petrol engine enabling her to reach speeds of around five knots.

63. "Otira" Owned by the Tino Rawa Trust and entered by Nathan Herbert. 1901 20'

Kauri Oil Launch (meaning not steam). Designed and built by the Logan Bros. This launch has a lot of history and has spent most of her life around Christchurch, Kaiapoi, Charteris Bay, Lyttelton Harbour and has morphed through a number of forms. In 2014 she was fitted with a new Lombardini Marine 20hp diesel.



- **64. "Escapada"** Owned by Geoffrey Saint-Gesmain. NO DETAILS, NO PHOTO
- **65.** Spare number
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- **67.** Spare number
- **68."Vondera II"** Owned, designed and built by Allen Young over the last 22 years.

A 16'6" mahogany finished speedboat.



Revenge

**69."Revenge"** Length: 36'. Built by Charles Erik Thompson and Son Aratapu in 1905 but no other details, of fine Scandinavian origins, she resided on the Kaipara Harbour for 110 years until 2015 when purchased by the current owner Michael Marston who

relocated and relaunched her 1 October 2015 on Lake Rotoiti.

She is of carvel plank counter stern design, built of kauri with puriri cross floors and pohutakawa ribs and is fixed by copper nails and roves.

Built & launched at a cost of 95 pounds, she originally had a cast iron wheel "which was flaming cold on frosty

mornings". The mast is now a flag pole on a front lawn at Tinopai.

She was built as a sailing fishing boat for Morgan Bros who sold her to Edgar Brown who sold to the Fisheries Branch of the Marine Department in late 1930.

Early on she evidently had a Twigg 40hp, which the Fisheries Department replaced with a Kelvin-Ricardo 24-30hp "paraffin engine" in October 1930.

The Fisheries Department then sold her to their skipper Bunny Tilby in 1948 who then sold her to Colin McPike who sold her to Bill Pook who sold her to Bob Moyle in 1968.

Bob Moyle had Eric Williams convert her to a pleasure vessel (i.e. new cabin, bulwarks and hull work etc) which is the state she is still in today.

Bob Moyle also replaced the 4 cylinder Ford with the current 6.2 litre straight-6 Ford diesel of 150HP.

Sold by Bob Moyle in about 2012 to Fiona Johnson & Peter Cathro, who then sold to Michael Marston in 2015.

70."Smuggler 2" Owner: Todd Marston. Designed and built by Carl Augustin in 1970. Length: 7.3m. 1st Owner, Jack Lopdell. Used mainly on Lake Taupo until present owners father purchased boat in 1983. Has been all over since, but mainly on Lake Rotoiti. Previously named "La Moete".



71. "Silver & Gold" Owned by Kevern & Craig Rogers. (Son and grandson of the original builder/owner) 1953 15' runabout designed and built by Verdun Rogers. After many owners, Kevern purchased the boat that his father built and he learnt to ski behind.



**72."Capri"** Owned by Mark Dimock, **18'** Mahogany Runabout, designed and built in **1957** by Chris Craft.



73. "Suzie" Owned by Bruce and Margaret Goodwin. A 16' Cris Craft designed, New Zealand built runabout. She was built 1935 using Kauri.

She has been in the Goodwin family since 1955 and used as a family ski boat, abandoned in 1975, relocated around 15 years ago and restored in 2011.



**74."Razzleberry"** Owner: Richard Thomson. 1948, 17' Chris Craft mahogany runabout. She was built by Chris Craft and delivered to Macy's Wawasee Slip in Syracuse on 4 February 1948.



This model was one of Chris Craft's most popular runabouts (1,880 were built). Razzleberry is hull number 1193 and she still has her original engine. She will do 40mph+. Richard bought her from Greenwood Lake, New York in early 2009 and the boat was shipped to New Zealand from Cincinnati, Ohio.

75. "Rum Runner" Owned by Leith Menzies The vessel was designed by Leo Young of Manurewa who built a number of similar ski boats in the period 1950 to 1980's. "Rumrunner" is a "Drago" design of Leo's built by John and Leith Menzies at Manurewa and launched in 1970. The hull is ply over kaikatia frames,



power is now a 1974 Ford 250 cu inch 6 cylinder petrol engine of 200 HP driving a shaft propeller through a Leo Young tunnel drive. The vessel was owned by my brother and I for around 10 years and then sold. We purchased it back from the second owner in May 2004 and have restored her to her original specifications. The original engine was a 1968 Ford Falcon 3.6 litre 6 cylinder rated at 135 HP. This engine was replaced in January 2005 with the later model 250 cu in Ford Falcon and again in 2008 with a 2V "Bathhurst" 1974 Falcon motor. The vessel is **18'6"** long.

**76."Polaris"** Owned by Monte Jones. 14' runabout designed by Richard Hartley and built by Monte Jones and others 1959. Richard Hartley designed, open outboard runabout - "Starflite".



Polaris was built in 1958/1959 by Monte Jones aged 16 years, together with Don Stewart and Keith Brown, both aged 15 years.

Built originally as per plan and cabin and bunks were designed by the builders and added in 1960. The hull bottom was fibreglassed in 1963 and the rest of the hull and cabin were dyneled in 1978.

Up to 3 people have slept on board at times while cruising on Lake Taupo. Originally powered by a 1947 3.6hp Scott Attwater outboard, then an 18hp Evinrude, followed by a 40hp Evinrude. Currently powered by a 1968 40 hp electric start Johnson. The auxilliary motor is a 1957 3hpElto.

Polaris was runner up for best amateur built boat in its class in the 1963 Auckland Boat Show. She was also in the 1970 Auckland Boat Show and was the oldest boat in the 1977 Auckland Boat Show.

Polaris has been used extensively from the Bay of Islands to the Nelson Lakes, and also the Waikato and Whanganui Rivers. It's interesting to note that the vessel has given pleasure to five generations of the owner's family.

A lot of the fittings were made by hand by the boys, such as pulleys for the steering and the hatch for the anchor warp. The top windscreen was cast from patterns, hand finished and chromed. Stainless steel strips were also made by them. The duckboard on the stern was made out of an old Kauri writing desk lid. Meranti quarter inch three ply was used over Kaihikatea frames and stringers. Aerolite glue with copper nails and bronze screws for fastening. The hull was treated with Metalex rot preventative. The current trailer was designed by the owner in 1970. All steel work was cut by hand. The winch is home made, using a cog off a old bit of machinery and then cutting the small pinion gear out with a hacksaw.

The handgrips on the trailer were off an old Masport lawn mower.

77. "Giovedi Sognare" Owned by Peter & Linda Wallis, 21' John Hacker designed classic Mahogany speed boat. Built 2014 by Peter Wallis.



78."Judy H" 19'6" Mahogany Runabout owned by Shawn & Cathy Vennell.
Replica of Dodge Watercar.
Built 2005 by Bernie @ Joe Dale Boatbuilders



**79."Jasper"** Owned by Arthur Fulton. A 5.5 metre Mason Marlin kauri runabout built in 1968, designed and built by Mason.



**80."Miss Belair"** Owned by Tim & Pam Aurisch. Built in 2005 by Kelly Hanson from Dargaville. Built from meranti ply and mahogany, 4.7 metres long.



**81."Memphis"** Owned by Philip Jones, 1959 mahogany speed boat, 19'6". Designed and built by Chris Craft.



- **82."Harp n Atom"** Owned by Don Brown with crew Dave Heald. A 1963 17' Chris Craft mahogany speed boat. NO PHOTO
- **83."Bootlegger"** Owned and built by: Greg Roy, launched December **2005.**Designed by Ken Hankinson, 19'6" Barrelback modeled on the late 1930's barrelback runabouts as built by American companies such as Chriscraft and Hacker Craft. She is powered by a marinised 350 c.i.Chev with a 1:1 marine gearbox.



**84.** "Shilo" Owned by Rick Cooper. Designed by Grace Craft, builder unknown.

A 4 metre speed boat.



85."Skinny Boat" Owned by Ross Birchell This 12'6" Albatross Sports Mk3 was built

in England in 1953 for Sir William Stevenson who owned her until 1990. The boat has lived on Lake Rotoiti all its life and is powered by a Ford 100E engine with a top speed of 33 mph. Although built from aluminium this boat's age and history on Rotoiti makes it something special.



## Albatross local history (1950s-60s) as recalled by Richard Stevens.

Campbell Motors (Queen St Auckland) were the NZ agents.

The Beamish-White family at Okataina Lodge had a fleet as "Drive U-Self" hire boats, including a 4-seater with Coventry Climax version of the engine and one of the two seaters had a factory alloy-framed full height 4-pane glass windscreen.

They also had a set of hull jigs and did all their own maintenance on site including reskinning.

These boats took a hammering and were eventually replaced by outboard-powered craft.

Les Warner ran a small hire fleet from his home at Hinehopu. (I recall as a kid seeing one as a crumpled mess after crashing into the jetty at speed.)

There was also a hire fleet on the Rotorua lakefront. These were painted red. One allegedly sank and was never recovered.

There was also a fleet at Queenstown. These may have been the remnants of the Rotorua hire fleet.

The boat in these fleets may be doubleups. I do not know how many boat there actually were in total.

In addition to the Stevensons and ours there were two more on the Lake during the '60s. One was the Annabel family, the other the McDonalds. (I saw their boat in Auckland a few years ago, complete and painted black)

These boats are the MG Midget of the water. They don't have excessive power in their standard format, but they are fast, nimble, well designed and beautifully built with excellent handling. They are simple, cheap to run, easy to maintain and, above all, great fun.

These boats have held classic status worldwide for many years now and are highly collectible.

It is pleasing to see that they are finally acknowledged on Rotoiti.

**86."Mickey Mouse"** 12'7" Albatross Sports Runabout Mk III. 1956 Owned by Richard Stevens. This is a NewZealand new, 2 owner boat and has been on Rotoiti all its life. Privately imported by the Steele family (Moose Lodge Bay), purchased by the Stevens family in 1967 (\$750.00) and used



extensively on the Lake as teenagers' transport. Underwent an engine rebuild and repaint (original colour) in 1980 and remained unused until the engine was started December 2010. This boat is otherwise unmolested and all original, including the comprehensive owners maintenance manual and has an alloy luggage rack and rubber buffers on each transom corner which were factory options.

87. "Havana" Owned by Aaron Carthew. A 5 metre runabout built in Wanganui around 1955 and used on the river around the mid 1950's, then moved to Cambridge, then on up to Omaha beach for 30 years. In 2013 Aaron brought her down to a farm in Te Awamutu, cleaned her up and now spends her time as a family cruiser on Lake Arapuni and Karapiro.



**88."La Perla"** Entered by Rosie Dunphy, a 15'3" Albatross Climax Continental built by Albatross Marine 1961.



**89. "Seconda Mano"** Owned by Mark Dunphy. Designed and built by Carlo Riva, an 18 foot 1957 ski boat.



90. Unnamed, owned by David Preest, a 19 foot Pelin Aqarius built in the 1970's. Construction is fibreglass over ply.



91. "Miss Nicola" Owned and built by Stefan Bennett. Designed by Stefan Bennett/Hartley, she is a 5.8 metre speed boat.



92. "Marauder" Owned by Paul Mes. An 18 foot Hartley designed runabout built during the 1970's. Builder unknown but restored by Paul Mes.



93. "Suzy Q" Owned by Graham, Ryan and Suzy Castles. A Mason Marlin 20ft hull that they bought as a bit of a wreck. The cabin was completely rotten and the hull had a lot

of delamination and rot. The interesting thing was that it was a shaft drive and it is 20ft. Most of the Marlins have out drives and are smaller.

Unfortunately they could not get any history on the original boat. After repairing the hull and beefing up the engine bearers etc they hand scraped the hull back to bare timber, painted the inside and glassed and faired the hull. They did all the engineering etc them selves and fitted a Lexus engine. They made



the steering column up and used the original column shift for the gear change. The decks are all Mahogany with yellow Cedar inlay. The restoration was completed in 2012.

94."The Red Pig" Owned by Ross Birchall, built by Bryce and Ross Birchall, a Hartley Gladabout runabout with fibreglass over plywood construction. Powered by a 70 hp Johnson outboard. Built: 1970, Length 15'9".

Entered by Ross Birchall and Rod Monson.



95. "Pomme Waka" Owned by Ross Birchell This 15'6" Albatross Continental was built in England in 1964, imported to New Zealand 2012 and restored here. Powered with a pre cross flow 1500 Ford, she is one of the last five boats built by Albatross Marine.



96. "Albie" Owned by Dave Paul. 1954 12'6" Aluminium Ski boat. Built by Albatross Marine Ltd.



97."Mirante" Owners: Wayne & Gill Butt. Length: 4.6m. Designer: Ray Sargent. Built in 1997 by Wayne Butt. A wooden gentleman's runabout (1940's style). Chris Craft replica. Runabout, Merit Award, 2005 Parade.

