



MAHURANGI CRUISING CLUB

ENCOURAGING CRUISING AND THE OWNERSHIP, USE AND RESTORATION OF WOODEN BOATS

NOTICE OF MAHURANGI REGATTA 2026

- The Annual **Mahurangi Regatta** will be held on Saturday the **24th January 2026**.
- Mahurangi Cruising Club (MCC) conducts the sailing events on the Mahurangi Harbour from the 'Jane Gifford' (or an alternative if unavailable) as the committee start/finish boat.
- Sailing finishes at 1600 hrs.
- The Regatta will be held in the classes and divisions outlined below.
- Division and yacht entry criteria is defined and adjudicated by the Regatta Committee of the MCC.
- These races will be governed by the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea and by the Sailing Instructions - not by the International Sailing Federation's Racing Rules of Sailing.
- BBQs are provided at Scotts Landing beside the Marquee area, but BYO food and drink.
- Prizegiving to be held at Scotts Landing from 1800 hrs or as soon after, as the results are confirmed.

MAHURANGI REGATTA DIVISIONS

A Class For yachts previously registered as A class yachts and all other pre 1985 yachts over 12.20m (40ft) LOD unless an exemption is granted to sail in another division by the Regatta Committee. They sail for the A Class trophy and the Logan Trophy.	Start time 11.00	Orange 	\$50
Mahurangi For wooden boats of pre-1955 design. Only all wooden construction is permitted. Includes Mullet Boats other than L Class.	Start time 11.20	Red 	\$50
L Class 22' Mullet Boat	Start time 11.20	- L - Sail Insignia	\$50
Traditional Spirit For boats of any age, type, material and construction which conforms to the traditional spirit of a design predating 1955 and is not eligible for the Mahurangi Cup ie is a modern design but which is a close replica and built in the spirit of a traditional design but perhaps has more modern materials or construction. Includes H28 Class.	Start time 11.20	Blue 	\$50
Mid-Century Classic For yachts of any construction designed before 1985 and are longer than six metres on deck and not eligible for the Mahurangi Cup Division or the Traditional Spirit Division. Includes Stewart 34 Class and Reactor 25 Class.	Start time 11.40	Green 	\$50
Te Haupa For traditional small sailboats under 20 feet length overall. This would include all traditional New Zealand Classes like Zeddies IA's etc. but would not include modern fiberglass classes like Lasers. It also includes any other wooden traditional style of boat such as sailing outriggers, proas, sharpies and sailing dories.	Start time 12.00	Yellow 	\$30
Sailing Dinghies Frostbite, Mistral, Zephyr, Sunburst, and other centreboard Classes.	Start time 12.10	White 	\$20

Notes

- The A Class Division course is around Moturekareka through Blanch Channel and return.
- Te Haupa and Sailing Dinghies start is after the other divisions not before as in previous years.
- The H28 class is in the Traditional Spirit Division because while some of the boats are wooden and meet the criteria of the Mahurangi Division, most in the class are constructed of fibreglass.
- Some classes such as Stewart 34, have their own division prize awarded by their Class Association but race in the Mid-Century Classic Division.
- We do not take entries for any boats designed after 1985, **unless** they are of Traditional Spirit of a pre-1955 design; or in the Te Haupa Division where all wooden boats are eligible to participate.
- Yachts **built** later than 1985 are eligible if **designed** prior to 1985 and faithful to the original design.
- Please fly appropriate division flag (reuse from last year!) - not available at Sullivans Bay as before.
- Notice of Regatta and Sailing Instructions available to view or download from our website.

What you get for your Entry Fees

Entry into the Mahurangi Regatta, membership of the Mahurangi Cruising Club and a copy of the current MCC yearbook (2026). The entry fees help pay for printing the Yearbook, race management costs and publicity, communications and maintenance of our assets. There are also growing costs to improve the Mahurangi Regatta and the rest of our sailing events. We provide various liquid prizes, polishing and engraving of the trophies and costs for race managers and assistants.

Entries

Entry to the Regatta can only be made online.

Entries must be submitted with payment **by midnight** Thursday 22 January 2026.

Online entry procedures:

1. Open mahuranguicruisingclub.org, click 'Documents' in the menu bar and 'Online Regatta Entry'
2. Fill in the fields with as much information as possible and then 'Submit' your entry.
3. You will receive an auto-acknowledgement email with payment instructions.
4. Pay using your bank's online payment system the appropriate entry fee for your regatta division .
5. Our account number at ASB: 12-3095-0126805-00
6. Use the skippers name and boat name as code and reference.
7. Notify us by return email when you have paid.
8. After receiving payment, we'll send an email receipt to confirm your entry to the Mahurangi Regatta.

No Late Entries No Beach Entries

International Regulations For Preventing Collisions at Sea

These races will also be governed the International Regulations For Preventing Collisions at Sea 1972

- Please consult the Official NZ version - Maritime NZ Rules Part 22: Collision Prevention
- Note these Regulations differ from Racing Rules in some important matters such as when overtaking and right of way close to start and turning marks. No tactical luffing is allowed.
- Any recourse for a collision or incident between vessels is through your insurance company according to your policy and/or through the NZ Courts and not the Mahurangi Cruising Club, Regatta Committee or a Protest Committee (there is none).
- Please be aware that this can be a very expensive exercise.
- Avoid contact with other yachts and boats in the harbour at all costs !

General Information

Place Names

On NZ Maritime charts some place names do not appear with their commonly used names. Sullivans Bay is marked as Otarawao Bay. Scotts Landing where the prize-giving is held is not named on charts. It is situated between the wharf carpark at the end of Mahurangi East Rd and Casnell Island and is easily recognised by the the Scott Homestead, the only building on the waterfront.

Regatta Courses

For information about the courses sailed in the Regatta, please consult the **Sailing Instructions 2026**

Clearways and Fairways

Keep clear of anchored and moored vessels. Be aware that boats may swing into the clearways on a change of wind direction or change of tide.

PLEASE ANCHOR WELL CLEAR OF THE COURSE AT ALL TIMES.



**MAHURANGI HARBOUR REGATTA AREA MAP
NOT TO BE USED FOR NAVIGATION**

Scotts Landing Wharf and Pontoon

The wharf is only accessible by yachts at high tide. At low tide it almost dries out. Please use the wharf only for the transfer of people and supplies and not for docking. Ensure the working side of the pontoon is kept clear at all times especially when tying dinghys to the wharf.

Parking at Scott's Landing

There will be no available parking at Scott's Landing. The road narrows towards the end. Pickup and dropoff only. Please park street-side where possible and walk. Kept clear for emergency vehicles and property access.

Sanitation

Some portaloos will be provided at Scott's Landing. Please use your vessels holding tank responsibly. Do not discharge boat sewage from vessels within the harbour. This is very important with the large influx of vessels in the harbour for the weekend. The Mahurangi Harbour supports a large area of marine farming and we wish to keep the water quality high and also clean and safe for swimming. Please use rubbish bags to take garbage back with you.

Prizegiving

There will be a prize-giving at Scotts Landing at 1800 hrs or as soon after, as the results are confirmed.

Tides for the Mahurangi Harbour

SATURDAY 24 JANUARY 2026

Low Water 05:44 hrs 0.66m
High Water 12:06 hrs 2.90m
Low Water 18:19 hrs 0.66m

SUNDAY 25 JANUARY 2026

High Water 00:23 hrs 2.73m
Low Water 06:30 hrs 0.74m
High Water 12:51 hrs 2.81m
Low Water 19:05 hrs 0.66m

MONDAY 26 JANUARY 2026

High Water 01:11 hrs 2.73m
Low Water 07:28 hrs 0.74m
High Water 13:39 hrs 2.81m
Low Water 19:54 hrs 0.66m