


## Hire of Club Rooms

The Marakura Yacht Club rooms are available for hire for events and functions. Hall hire is conditional upon our Terms and Conditions

 Venue Hire Te Anau Marakura Yacht Club

**Or Contact:** Bernie McAtear  
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## Membership

Full membership of Marakura Yacht Club entitles you to various benefits including:

- ◆ Use of the facilities
- ◆ Use of club dinghies for training purposes
- ◆ Sailing instruction
- ◆ Coaching events
- ◆ Eligibility for Club Trophies
- ◆ Social events

### Fees 2023-2024 Season

<b>Junior</b>	\$ 90	(school aged children, includes LTS book)
<b>Senior</b>	\$ 130	
<b>Family</b>	\$ 180	(a couple living at same address or parents and all school aged children)

Those who crew on a regular basis for Club Members on their yachts are expected to join as a Full Member of MYC

**Social** \$ 50 (non-sailing Supporter of the Club)

**Join Online:** [Marakura.org/membership](https://www.marakura.org/membership)

## Marakura Yacht Club Mission

- ◆ To encourage and build the sport of yachting and yacht racing in Fiordland
- ◆ To provide coaching and education for all members
- ◆ To provide an organised yacht racing and social program for our members
- ◆ To maintain a standard of excellence in all aspects of our operations including maintenance and improvement of our facilities



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# MARAKURA YACHT CLUB

Te Anau  
est 1969

2023-2024 Season

## About MYC

Marakura Yacht Club was formed in 1969 and celebrated its 50th Anniversary in 2019. The club house was originally located at West Arm, Lake Manapouri during the original construction of the power station. Much work has been done by club members over the years to make the building what it is today.

Our club rooms are well equipped with dinghy storage and changing rooms downstairs, and a kitchen, bar, dining/common room upstairs. We have a judges box for the running of races and a balcony running the length of the building. This provides the perfect spot for those not sailing to enjoy our stunning view across the lake to the Fiordland mountains and is an excellent vantage point overlooking the area in which most of our "round the buoys" racing is held.

A number of our members sail to the many remote locations of Lake Te Anau and Lake Manapouri for weekends away. If you are visiting the area and plan to do some cruising contact one of our members via the club for some local knowledge or to see if there are others heading out.

## Learning to Sail

**Yachting New Zealand Learn to Sail Courses** for adults and children are scheduled during the Season. The courses have become very popular in recent years due to the hard work of the Coaching CoOrdinator Bronwyn Smith. Steff Braaksma will take over the role this season.

Training mixes practical exercises in the club house and time on the water. Activities depend on the time of year and weather conditions. Learn to Sail Courses provide an excellent foundation of the sport of sailing which for many develops in to a lifetime passion.



## The Club Fleet

Marakura Yacht Club has a fleet of Opti dinghies ideally suited to the young beginner sailor. Once the basics have been mastered children can progress to one of the club's five O'pen Skiff dinghies. Later on they can step up to one of the four Club Laser's which gives an opportunity to experience this class. The Club also owns two Sunburst Dinghies ideal for two-handed sailing.

## Coaching and Racing

Weekend coaching and training sessions are also arranged for Club Members. We draw on the expertise of our members but also bring in guest coaches.

The Season runs from October to April. The Calendar includes extensive Training and Racing opportunities, and a number of weekend Regattas both local and further afield.

## Crewing

There are plenty of opportunities to learn about yacht racing and gain the skills required to become a competent crew member on one of the privately owned trailer yachts within the club. Entering the sport this way allows you all the fun of sailing on the larger boats without the expense of buying one.



Bruce Keen presenting to Aani Tapper at Prize Giving. Aani continues as our Club Captain this year.



Even if there is no wind to sail there is fun to be had jumping off what is probably the most famous Jetty in New Zealand!



## Volunteering

We welcome those who would like to offer their time and assistance to the Club in various ways. You could learn to crew on a Safety Boat, or be helping out at Regattas. There are Working Bees throughout the season to maintain our facilities and gardens. We draw on the help of families of our Learn to Sail Members. If you live in the district or are new to the Te Anau/Manapouri area get in touch and see what is happening. We would love to hear from you.