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**BUCKLANDS BEACH**  
YACHT CLUB

SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT

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Clean Club

# Clean Club Certification... what is it?

- In today's world, caring for our environment and protecting it for future generations is becoming increasingly important.
- The Clean Club certification is an initiative by Peter Burling and Blair Tuke that clubs and its members can follow to implement change.
- YNZ oversees this certification and works with clubs to achieve.

# Before

- BBYC like many other clubs had no organised system for dealing with waste or caring for the environment in which will live and sail our boats.

Waste can be from:-

Operation of the club:—

- **Restaurant...** Food scraps or any waste directly into 1 bin
- **Marina activities...** Water taps left on, waste to 1 bin
- **Administration...** Paper waste and general to 1 bin

# Implementation

- Worked with YNZ
- Formed a sustainability committee (4 members)
- Undertook an audit of the club activities
  - Areas included – bar, restaurant, marina, administration
- Resulting from the audit - a list of finding with corrective actions was created
- Club has set to work and completed many of the actions

# Working with YNZ

## Yachting New Zealand Clean Clubs

### BBYC

#### Introduction

Buckland's Beach Yacht Club is located in Half Moon Bay, Auckland. The club offers its members a wide range of activities both on and off the water. These include: keelboat and centreboard racing, learn to sail programmes for all ages, haul out facilities, marina facilities, fishing events, power events, family cruising and a restaurant and bar where fellow boaties can have a drink/meal together. BBYC began its environmental sustainability journey in 2021 with Helene Winter (board member). Helene began working with Green Gorilla to improve rubbish collection at the club and got BBYC involved with Litter Intelligence to begin regular beach clean ups and litter surveys of our local beach - Bucklands Beach. At the end of 2021 I (Brooke Switzer-Corbett) took over this role as Helene left the board. So far, I have run my own successful beach clean up and litter survey, formed a sub-committee for environmental sustainability at BBYC and registered the club with YNZ Clean Clubs. BBYC is rated as a three star clean club. The following progress towards the Clean Clubs actions is where BBYC is at currently and is a foundation for us to work on.


#### Clean Club Criteria

Action	Completed	BBYC's progress
Administration & Leadership ★(2 completed), ★★(3 completed), ★★★(5 completed)		
Have a dedicated environmental and sustainability representative on your committee	✓	Brooke Switzer-Corbett is the environmental sustainability representative for BBYC. Brooke is a member of the board and has formed a new sub-committee for environmental sustainability. So far, this sub-committee has 4 members. Brooke Switzer-Corbett: 0211698548 <a href="mailto:brookeellananeale@gmail.com">brookeellananeale@gmail.com</a> Other members include: Nick Treeman, Colleen Grayling & Lara Teodorescu
Create an environmental policy for your club	✓	The following environmental policy was created by Helene Winter in 2021: <a href="#">BBYC Environmental Sustainability Initiative draft 20 Sept 2021.docx</a>
Use paperless methods for club communications	✓	Most club communications are electronic: club newsletter sent by email, invoices sent by email, club events advertised on Facebook/Instagram




# After

- YNZ had been given a copy of the improvement plan.
- As actions are completed, YNZ was advised
- YNZ then award the Clean Club Certification on a graduated scale
- 1 Star .. 2 Star .. 3 Star
- BBYC has achieved the 3 Star award
- Improvements have included
  - 50% reduction in wastepaper
  - Beach cleans after cruising events
  - Recycling

# Where to from here?



Clubs are recognised as a one, two or three star Clean Club based on the number of achievements

	<b>1 Star</b> 13 criteria met
	<b>2 Stars</b> 21 criteria met
	<b>3 Stars</b> 30 criteria met



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