








Kororāreka Launch Rally Entries

Boat Name	Skipper	Boating Club	Launch Design	Year Built	Launch Description	Photo
Lady Ellen	Bruce Mitchinson	Russell Boating Club	Mc Geady	1950	Lady Ellen was built, at number 1 Summer St, Ponsonby, Auckland, for J Richards, and is named after his wife Ellen. Originally powered by a 4cyl engine, with an auxiliary wing motor, there are stories that they made the trip up to Fiji and back. The Collard family became the new owners in 1961, and replaced the engine with a 6cyl Lees Ford Diesel motor with a hydraulic Paragon gearbox in 1986. We took ownership in 2017, and carried out an extensive refit. A classic example of a 1950's sedan launch.	
Lourena	Tim Hall	Bay of Islands Yacht Club	Athol Burns	1963	Lourena is a solidly built high bowed bridgedecker designed by Athol Burns in Plimmerton for Cook Strait conditions. Lourena has been moored in the Bay of Islands for the last 20 years and is currently owned by Pete Richards (of Undine fame) and his Wellington based family.	
Volantis	Stephen Pepperell	RBC	Jorgensen	1967	Volantis was built as a charter fishing boat in the Kenepuru Sounds, Marlborough in 1967 and spent the first 20 years of her life working that area. In the late 80's she was sold and steamed south to Stewart Island where she remained in charter for a further 20 years. She was leased for a period to a Salmon Farm to ferry workers to and from the farms as well as having hydraulic winching gear fitted to lift and lower the farms mooring blocks. During her time in time in the deep south she was lengthened by 4 feet and had her cabin extended. In 2016 The Pepperell's, who now reside in Russell purchased her and steam north undertaking and extensive refit in Riverhead before arriving in the BOI in late 2022. She now calls Russell home and is regularly used as a committee boat for the various local regattas.	
Seabee	Brett Stanaway	Whg Cruising Club	Harold Saunders	1965	Built for the Tuna fishing industry Seabee worked out of Greymouth for almost 40 yrs crayfishing out of Tauranga in the off season. Purchased by Brett and Linda in 2014 Seabee was in quite run down condition and required a major refit. Brett and Linda live aboard permanently and have taken Seabee from Cape Reinga to fiordland and the bottom of Stewart Island	
Pathfinder	Peter O'Neil Donn	BOIYC	Collings & Bell	1947	https://waitematawoodys.com/tag/pathfinder/	
Ranoni	Theo Stubbe	Bay of Islands Yacht Club	Charles Gouk	1911	Ranoni has been built 1911 in Auckland at Beaumont Street by Charles Gouk for the Rushbrook Brothers, the first automotive dealer in Auckland. She is looking back at more than 100 years of history. During the 2nd World War she was comandered as Z 38 by the NZ Navy and was mostly stationed at Barrier Island. After being based for a long time in Whangarei she found her way up to different owners in the Bay of Islands and is since 2019 owned by Katharina and Theo of Opuia. Ranoni is being used as a liveaboard in the summer and is much loved and well looked after.	
L'avenir	Dan Cumming	NA	Roger Carey	1957	Ex commercial fishing boat, it was retired from fishing a year ago. We are tidying her up and converting it to a pleasure boat whilst spending some time out and about on her!	

Unity	Gary Semmens	None	Morgan - Colin Neill	1970	Unity was a ex fishing boat. Now private. Has previously done a bit of sunbathing on the beach.
KORAWAI	Matt Cooper		Owen woolley	1964	Built by owen Woolley, 1964. Very original but well maintained-a "lucky Woody" in as far as it hasn't had any horrendous kiwi D.I.Y luntics add fly bridges etc to the boat. We've owned KORAWAI for 4 years- gave the coamings etc a re- fresh- remodelled the head & galley and addressed some electrolysis. Fingers crossed.
Alma G	Jeff Crooks. Arvida Boiyc		Collins & bell	1922	Famous deep Sea Charter boat. Once owned by Zane Grey
Liberator	Grant Semmens	Kerikeri Cruising Club	Jorgensen	1982	Ex Commercial fishing boat. Mussel boat in Marlborough Sounds. Tug boat in Picton. Fished all around NZ. Now pleasure boat based at Doves Bay
Lady Crossley	Jamie Hudson	0	Colih Wild	1947	0
Stella Maris	Richard Cunningh:0		Converted Trawler	1959	Stella Maris is an ex fishing boat. Built in Australia by Alf Jansen in 1959 from Australian Hardwood. Crossed the Tasman to continue her fishing careea in Tauranga in the mid 90's. Then convered to a live aboard in the mid-2000's Home Port is Opua.



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