

## **December Newsletter 2009**

Just an update prior to the first round of the nationals

### **1/ Children's Lifejackets**

Does anyone have childrens lifejackets they can loan or donate to the club? We have sufficient adults jackets but require a supply of kids jackets for fundraising rides. If anyone can help please phone Steve 021965246. The Club also requires goods or services which would suit a raffle to be held on the beach. If you or your sponsor can oblige please let us know.

### **2/ 2010 Nationals**

Those who have not yet and wish to enter the nationals for 2010 must now email their entry to [secretary@thundercatracing.co.nz](mailto:secretary@thundercatracing.co.nz) before December 31. Those whose entry forms are received after December 24 will need to pay a \$200 late fee on top of the \$1800 entry. Payment terms or credit card payments can be set up with Gary by phoning 0294328794. As most are aware all boats must be sign written for the nationals. An entry form is attached.

### **3/ Sunday January 3 Round 1 at Whangamata.**

Roll call is at 8am in the Williamson Ave Reserve next to the surf club where boats will be taken onto the beach by the surf club. We require the copilot from each team to assist with beach setup and heat draws will not be posted until the beach is set up.

The prizegiving for Whangamata will be held at Mt Maunganui on Monday night. Note there is a liquor ban in the Whangamata reserve.

### **4/ Monday January 4 Round 2 at Mt Maunganui main beach.**

Boats must launch at Pilot Bay boat ramp on the harbour side of Mt Maunganui and motor around to be at the main beach by 9am. Trailers can be brought back to the beach if desired. Those with large amounts of gear can drop it at the surf club between 7.30 and 8.30 only. There is no parking for vehicles at the Surf Club.

Racing on both days will commence at 11 am and conclude by about 2.30 after which at least 6 boats will be required to give rides to the public for an hour. The beach area, safety bunting and buoys will remain in place until after the rides conclude.

### **5/ Prizegiving**

Prizegiving for both Whangamata and Mt Maunganui will be held at Rosie O'Gradys Irish Bar 290 Maunganui Rd from 6pm onwards. A Buffet meal will be provided for \$20 per head and drinks are discounted by 10% for Thundercat members. A discount voucher is also attached for use at any time.

### **6/ New Website**

The new club website is up and running this week thanks to the efforts of Michelle Radley from Black Pepper. However we require from each team a profile form to be completed as attached. Please complete the form today and send to [michelle.radley@blackpepper.co.nz](mailto:michelle.radley@blackpepper.co.nz) .

Have a merry Christmas and see you at Whangamata