



NEW ZEALAND  
**MARINA**  
Operators Association



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# **Marina and Boatyard**

**CONFERENCE 2025**



Draft program

## DAY 1

Wednesday 10 September

Crowne Plaza, 93 Beach Street, Queenstown



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**8:00am** Registrations open – please be seated by 8:45am

**9:00am** Conference opening from NZMOA  
Chair Chris Galbraith

**9:20am** Welcome to Queenstown with  
Queenstown Lakes District Council  
CEO Mike Theelan

**9:40am** Iraj Barabi, owner of Queenstown  
Marina and Watersports Ltd talks  
about his experience as a visionary  
stepping outside the traditional  
model of marina operations

**10:00am** A word from our partners

**10:20am** Morning tea in the trade show  
space

**11:00am** RealNZ Chief Executive Dave  
Beeche on infrastructure  
considerations for one of New  
Zealand's largest tourism entities  
where the purpose is 'helping the  
world fall in love with conservation'

**11:30am** Efficient by design: a practical look  
at lean thinking in action by  
Business Management  
Improvement NZ's Giles Day

**12:00pm** A word from our partners

**12:10pm** Lunch break in the trade show  
space

**1:10pm** Sally Gepp KC - an update on the  
year's key developments in  
planning and consenting and  
insights into future resource  
management law changes.

**1:40pm** Featured marina projects:

- Pine Harbour Marina's recabling project with GM Dave Whimp
- Design and delivery of Tauranga Bridge Marina's new breakwater with Tony Arnold
- The Okara Marina development Sharron Beck, Whangārei Marina

**2:40pm** A word from our partners

**2:55pm** Afternoon tea

**3:45pm** Updates from our manufacturers:

- Greg Kroef, Heron Construction
- Composite Pile Technology: a case study with Mark Baker, Wagners CFT
- Vikas Markanda, Dixon Stainless updates on emerging BRANZ standards

**4:30pm** Margaret Wind of NZMTA on crown  
investment in coastal assets.

**4:45pm** Event closes

**6:00pm** Pool tournament + Pizza - Harry's  
Pool Hall, 8 Brecon Street,  
Queenstown (ticket holders only)

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## DAY 2

Thursday 11 September

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**8am** Annual General Meeting of NZMOA  
- all welcome

**9am** Lesley Southwick, MAST Academy,  
on new training initiatives for our  
industry

**9:20am** Suzanne Davies MIA - big  
opportunities for the Australasian  
industry

**9:40am** Andrew Chapman, Gold Coast City  
Marinas

**10:00am** South-East Asia Marina Market  
Outlook and Opportunities for  
investors with Ekrem Reyhancioglu,  
Poralu

**10:15am** Morning tea

**11:00am** The results-driven team at Dalbora  
Marinas on driving lifestyle,  
innovation and customer experience  
opportunities

**11:30am** Fiordland is precious and since  
2006 a program has been in place  
to protect it from invasive marine  
species. With Kathryn McLaughlin,  
Environment Southland

**11:50pm** Brook McRae of Commercial Dive  
Specialists on innovative new tools  
and technology emerging from the  
exotic caulerpa war

**12:10pm** A word from our partners

**12:20pm** Lunch

**1:20pm** Economist Tony Alexander on  
how domestic and international  
forces will shape our industry

**2:20pm** Fire - a marina operator's worst  
nightmare. With Greg Prescott,  
Tauranga Marina, and Michael  
Gemmell, Gallagher Insurance

**3:00pm** A word from our partners

**3:10pm** Afternoon tea

**3:50pm** Innovations from the boatyard  
sector - large boats, water  
treatment and more

**4:10pm** Fiona Bycroft, CEO of NAUT  
presents on the future of electric  
boats

**4:30pm** Destination Queenstown Marina -  
a preview of tomorrow's visit with  
Keith Hogan, Bellingham Marine  
and Tim McMahon of Allume.

**5.15pm** Event closes

**7.00pm** Formal dinner with guest  
magician and comedian Brendan  
Dooley, Crowne Plaza Hotel.  
Dress code is formal but not black  
tie (ticket holders only).

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## DAY 3

Friday 12 September

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Provisional plan - times are being finalised and are subject to change

**9:00am** For those flying out on Friday evening, bag drop off is available at Crowne Plaza, 93 Beach Street

**9:30am** Meet at Steamer Wharf, 88 Beach Street, Queenstown

All aboard - boat trip to Queenstown Marina via the Earnslawy Slipway (to be confirmed)

Walking tour of Queenstown Marina

**11:30pm** Reboard boats

**12:30** Walk to next destination (approximately 10 minutes)

**1pm** Meet at Queenstown Mini Golf for lunch, 34 Brecon Street

**2:30pm** Event concludes

**3:30pm** Meet at Crowne Plaza for group shuttle to Queenstown Airport (pre-booking required)

Queenstown can be cold. Please dress warmly for a several hours outside in the elements - times are subject to change according to weather and other factors. Be alert for updates that will be emailed to addresses registered for the conference.

### GOLD



### SILVER



### BRONZE

