Date		Accident R	Ref:	
Location		Reg		
Source				
File Category				
Name of injured or rescued party	Injuries			
Name of Deceased	 Fatality			
Age	From:			
Previous Experience				
Conditions:				
Number in Party		PFD Worn?		
Kayak Type		TID WOIH.		
Description				
Authorities Involved				
Cause				
Determined				
Lessons Learned				
Additional Information				

Date		Accident R	Ref:	
Location		Reg		
Source				
File Category				
Name of injured or rescued party	Injuries			
Name of Deceased	 Fatality			
Age	From:			
Previous Experience				
Conditions:				
Number in Party		PFD Worn?		
Kayak Type		TID WOIH.		
Description				
Authorities Involved				
Cause				
Determined				
Lessons Learned				
Additional Information				

Date	6/07/1974			Ace	cident Ref:	7/74 f atalitysolo
Location	Lake Horowhenua, I	Manawatu			Region	Manawatu
Source	Whitewater NZ web	Whitewater NZ website				
File Category						
Name of injured or rescued party	unknown		Injuries			
Name of Deceased	young male		Fatality	Drowning		
Age			From:	NZ		
Previous Experience						
Conditions:	calm in the morning	, wind increasi	ng from 1.15 ₁	pm 		
Number in Party	1 solo			PFD Worn?	Not worn	
Kayak Type	Penguin, fibreglass t	ouring kayak				
Description	A young man purchased a kayak on Friday evening (5 July), and apparently put-in to the lake at Lake Horowhenua Domain on the Saturday morning (6 July) in calm conditions. He was wearing a green jersey and black trousers, and no lifejacket. He paddled to the far shore, then headed south. There was no wind till 10:30am, but the wind steadily increased to 18 kmh between 11am and 12pm, with a gust of 36kmh at 11:40am. His vehicle was noticed on early on 7 July at Lake Horowhenua Domain, and a police search commenced on Monday 8 July. The kayak was found partly-full of water at the northwest end of lake. Separately, the paddle was found on 7 July. The body was found on the lake on 21 July. The retailer of the kayak said a sprayskirt had not been purchased with the kayak but was on order.					
Authorities Involved	Police					
Cause	Inexperience, no PF	D worn				
Determined Lessons Learned						
Additional						
Information						

Date	22/10/1974			Acc	ident Ref:	10/74fatalsolo
Location	Lake Tekapo		Region Ca			Canterbury
Source	Whitewater NZ webs	site				
File Category						
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	male Australian touri	st	Fatality	Drowning		
Age	22		From:	Australia		
Previous Experience						
Conditions:	Calm in the morning after 4pm and 56 k				n gusts of 2	8 kph to 4pm, 37 kph
Number in Party	1 -solo			PFD Worn?	Not worn	
Kayak Type	8 foot fibreglass cand	oe (probably a	recreational s	tyle kayak)		
Description	Tekapo to Motuari alone, lightly eladelifejacket. From 1: and 56kmh at 7pm A search was communifrom the western si searching, no body Lake Tekapo is up	ki Island. Con (in jeans, flan 15pm the win . The lake bed menced that n hore, along w was ever rec to 130 m dee cussed paddli	nditions at danel shirt, jand came up, came rough. hight, and agrith socks, jacovered. p and filleding the kayal	eparture were ndals and a pl with gusts of ain the next r ndals and a p with cold, gla	e fine and calastic parka) 28kmh to 4 morning. The addle. Despacial water	pm, 37kmh after 4pm ne kayak was recovered
Authorities Involved						
Cause Determined						
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						

Date	20/01/1983		Accident Ref: 1/83SF				
Location	Lake Waiuku		Region Auckland				
Source	old G. Eggar NZ Water Safety files; NZ police report						
File Category	fatality -lake						
Name of injured or rescued party	n.a.	Injuries	n.a.				
Name of Deceased	Colin William Taylor Male	Fatality	Drowning				
Age	17	From:	Waiuku, Auckland				
Previous Experience	Not known	110111					
Conditions:	Not known						
Number in Party	one (1)		PFD Worn? NOT WORN				
Kayak Type	Not known						
Description	A man drowned in Whiriwhiti Lake, near Waiuku, when his kayak overturned. The accident happened about 2.30pm. A rescue helicopter based at Piha was called in to help surf lifesavers in the search. The body was not recovered until late afternoon. Mr Taylor was not wearing a lifejacket. Police report notes the deceased became trapped in lake weed when swimming to shore. Name of lake given as Otamatearo, Whiriwhiri Rd, Waiuku						
Authorities Involved	Police, helicopter, SLSC						
Cause	Capsize and entrapment in lake wee	ed.					
Determined Lessons Learned	No other information available						
Additional							
Information							

Compiled P. Caffyn 1/6/06 -FM record No. 1 Comms Carried

Date	12/02/1983			Acc	ident Ref:	2/83 S F
Location	Between Pakatoa an	d Great Barrier	islands		Region	Auckland
Source	NZ Police report 23/3/1983; G. Egarr Water Safety Council files; press clippings					
File Category	fatality -sea					
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	Steven Mark Price Male		Fatality	Drowning		
Age	22		From:			
Previous Experience	Minimal; kayak purcha	ased only a week	before the inci	ident		
Conditions:	Not known					
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn?	lifejacket	worn
Kayak Type	noted as a fibreglass	canoe but assu	med as a sing		.,	
Description	On 12 February 198 paddle to Great Barr fibreglass canoe a w in the navy. Police w following morning a Is. Another aircraft s launch Deodar arrivone of the jacket slee flying out to the isla	3, Steven Mark ier Island. At the eek before, and were informed to light aircraft so sighted a body and ed on the scene eves. Mrs Price and, but was told described as for	a Price, 22, set the inquest, the lathough he hat Mr Price when the car in the water of the moted her hund the canoe co	t out in a canoe e deceased's was an experie was missing ab noe on the south in the NW side d a lifejacket the sband had consould not be take	ife noted he need canoei out 7.45pm h side of Ha of the islanded to his was idered setting on the pla	r husband had bought the st, he had spent six years on 13 February. The ppy Jack (Motukahaua)
Authorities Involved						
Cause Determined						
Lessons Learned Additional						
Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn 1/6/06 -FM record No. 2 Comms Carried

Date	3/2/1986			Acci	ident Ref:	2/86SF
Location	New River Estuary,	Invercargill			Region	Southland
Source	G. Egarr NZ Water Safety Council files; Police statement 2/6/86					
File Category	fatality -sea (estuary)				
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	Morton Alexander N	liver	Fatality	Drowning		
Age	64		From:	Invercargill		
Previous Experience	Police statement notes He had been kayaking	Mr Niven was n	ot experienced	for rough weath	er conditions	
Conditions:	Sudden squall	ľ		T		
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn?	NOT WO	RN
Kayak Type	Not known		1	TID WOIH.		
Description	Clifton. He was wea	ring a wetsuit a	and a helmet, at about 4.45p	and had a lifeja om, and Mr Niv	cket strappe en was cau	ards an area known as ed to the front of his ght out on the estuary. River mouth.
Authorities						
Involved	Police					
Cause	Capsize in sudden so	quall.				
Determined						
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn 1/6/06 -FM record No.3 Comms Carried

Date	27/7/1987			Acci	ident Ref:	7/87\$F	
Location	Whangape Harbour,	Pawarenga Be	ach		Region	Northland	
Source	G Egarr NZWSC files; press clippings						
File Category	fatality -sea	71 11	<u> </u>				
Name of injured			Injuries				
or rescued party							
Name of Deceased	Ratahi Waita Harawi Male	ra	Fatality	Drowning			
Age	16		From:	Assumed loca	ı1		
Previous Experience	Not known						
Conditions:	High tide, severe flo	oding and extre	emely gusty o	conditions			
Number in Party	1			DED Warra	NOT WO	PN	
•	N 1			PFD Worn?	NOT WO	KIV	
Kayak Type	Not known						
Description	Press clipping notes	Hawawira had seen between 1), and fish net l en found by 29	been with a r 1200 & 1300l bag were four 0/7/87.	nan and a 13yr hrs heading out	old boy, ch to the Pawa	check set fishing nets. secking a net just after arenga Beach area. The ach.	
Authorities Involved							
Cause Determined							
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information							

Compiled P. Caffyn 1/6006 -FM record No.4 Comms Carried

Date	6/12/1987		Accident Ref: 12/87GrpRNI			12/87GrpRNI
Location	Greymouth; Grey Ri	ver bar	Region West Coast			West Coast
Source	Typewritten incident	from Eric van	Toor; hand v	vritten report fro	m Peter G	arlick
File Category	rescue -sea (river mo	uth)				
Name of injured or rescued party	Lesley Hadley		Injuries	Nil		
Name of Deceased	not known		Fatality	not known		
Age	30 -40yrs		From:	Greymouth		
Previous Experience	Lesley Hadley with mi		experience. Eri	e van Toor with co	onsiderable	s/k experience.
Conditions:	Lumpy sea and tide HW time not checke	beginning to el	ob after the to	p of the tide.		
Number in Party	3; Eric van Toor, Pet	er Garlick and		PFD Worn?	lifejacket	worn
Kayak Type	2 Nordkapps; third b	oat used by PC	3 unknown.			
Description	The party arrived at Blaketown lagoon about midday, about high tide. The plan was to paddle out to sea between the two breakwaters. On the river, Peter said he was OK, but Lesley appeared a little unsure. Waves were breaking intermittently on the N br/water. Eric realized the situation could get serious and shouted to the other two to turn back. They were still some distance inside the br/w. PG turned without difficulty but LH turned toward the N br/w. EvT lost sight of Lesley but heard a fisherman shout from the S br/w/. EvT paddled out to sea and found LH capsized. He presented the stern of his kayak to LH and started towing. Sea was lumpy and they were losing ground. EvT told Lesley to let go of her kayak and for her to climb on his kayak stern. Making no headway against the river's tidal flow, EvT decided to land at Cobden Bch; to the Nth. LH had slipped off the deck, but climbed back on. PG meanwhile had sought assistance from a fishing boat. The boat picked up Lesley, and took her back via the bar, while EvT paddled. LH had been in the water ≠ 1.5hrs. It had taken PG 45min before he could land on the S br/w. Because the tide had turned, the boat skipper wanted to get back in over the bar; no attempt was made to recover LH's kayak.					
Authorities Involved	Mr Fishburn, skipper	of 'Towai.'				
Cause Determined	Bad decision making by Eric van Toor to take two inexperienced paddlers over the Grey River bar. HW tide time not checked. Conditions were not checked from the tip of the S br/w. No rescue attempt was made by EvT to get LH back in her kayak. PG was in a borrowed boat, that didn't fit properly and there was a problem with the rudder.					
Lessons Learned	The Grey River bar is one of the most hazardous bars in all New Zealand. Many fishing boats and larger vessels in years gone by have capsized on the bar, with numerous fatalities. It is not a plae to take inexperienced kayakers. Conditions on the bar should have been first inspected from the breakwater tip, and HW time checked. River flow plus ebb tide create a flow of 5kn+ over the bar. Group and solo rescues should have been practiced before such a trip.					
Additional Information		beach, 5 miles of been over the eck of tools. If	to the N. The bar for mon it had not be	only fisherman ths. He readily a en for his taking	located by greed to p	PG, had been refitting ut to sea but had to spend

Compiled P. Caffyn 1/6/06 -FM record No.5 Comms Carried

Date	12/9/1989		Accident Ref: 9/89SF				
Location	Abel Tasman National Park; Tonga	a Is/Bark Bay	area Region Tasman				
Source	Water Safety NZ fatality listings (15/4/04) -record No. 1815						
File Category	fatality -sea						
Name of injured or rescued party	n.a.	Injuries	n.a.				
Name of Deceased	Tiger Bass Homer Martin Male	Fatality	Drowning				
Age	22	From:	overseas tourist				
Previous Experience	Not known	110111					
Conditions:	not known						
Number in Party	1		PFD Worn? not known				
	n at 1-n a		PPD WOFII: NOT KNOWN				
Kayak Type	not known						
Description	Homer Martin's body was found d was a tourist using a hired craft. So	rowned on a r ome reports pl	rocky coast in the Tonga Island -Bark Bay area. He aced say it happened near Mosquito Bay.				
Authorities							
Involved							
Cause Determined	Needs further information						
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information							

Compiled P. Caffyn 1/6/06 -FM record No.6 Comms Carried

Date	17/10/1991			Acci	dent Ref:	10/91GrpF		
Location	Marahau, Abel Tasn	rahau, Abel Tasman National Park Region Tasman			Tasman			
Source								
File Category	fatality -sea							
Name of injured	n.a.		Injuries	n.a.				
or rescued party								
Name of Deceased	Englebert Joseph Bus	sch	Fatality	Drowning				
	24							
Age	34		From:	not known				
Previous Experience								
	Not known							
Conditions:								
Number in Party	2			DED IV 0	Lifejacke	Worn		
-			1:0: 1 :	PFD Worn?	Lifejacke	. WOITI		
Kayak Type	Not known; decease							
Description	Busch was kayaking He decided to swim	with a friend w	when he fell o	out of his kayak	and could	n't get back in.		
	The decided to swim	ioi snore, but e	nowned. He	was wearing a r	пејаскет.			
Authorities Involved								
Cause	Needs further inform	nation.						
Determined								
Lessons Learned								
Additional Information								
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Compiled P. Caffyn 1/6/06 -FM record No.7 Comms Carried

Date	24/10/1992		Accident Ref:	10/92GrpRI				
Location	Conway Flat, east coast South Islan	d, south of K	aikoura Region	Canterbury				
Source	Chch Press 26 October '92 -PC Press Clippings file -updated by JKA							
File Category	3 paddlers injured -1 kayak broken in half							
Name of injured or rescued party	constables Blue Young, Craig Prior. No name for 3rd. Injuries shoulder injury to one paddler; knee injury requiring surgery, minor to third paddler							
Name of Deceased		Fatality						
Age	varied	From:						
Previous Experience	probable Lyttelton to Akaroa paddle							
Conditions:	Conditions: Large dumping surf 15 knot NE lies							
Number in Party	16 in Tofino doubles, 1 in a single		PFD Worn? worn					
Kayak Type	Tofino broken in half							
Description	24 October 1992 Police party paddling from Kaikoura to Christchurch on charity fundraising trip. Description: Group on beach starting second day of trip. One double kayak carrying Alan Tucker and John Kirk-Anderson successfully departed through dumping surf. Second kayak, carrying Constable Craig Prior in front and Blue Young in rear, mistimed sets and caught in dumping surf. Kayak folded through front cockpit, injuring Constable Prior's knee. Constable Young received a minor shoulder injury, and another police officer injured his shoulder when dragging broken kayak from surf. Check this report as J K-A was supposedly walking the beach to check conditions. Party was accompanied by HMNZS Kiwi, navy vessel on a training exercise.							
Authorities Involved	not stated in press clipping							
Cause	Cause: Poor judgment of surf condi	tions.						
Determined	Lessons: Dumping surf has potentia	ul for serious	iningy					
Lessons Learned	Discipline must be exercised when	facing delays	due to conditions.					
Additional Information	Surf conditions kept the first, and of Poor judgment occurred frequently		leave beach offshore all d	ay				

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P. Caffyn -9 February 2004/ updated JKA -FM record No.8

Date	27/6/1993		Accident Ref: 6/93SRescHyp			
Location	Lyttelton Harbour		Region Canterbury			
Source	Chch Press 28 June 1993. PC press	clippings file				
File Category	rescue -sea (harbour)					
Name of injured or rescued party	Michael McPhillips.	Injuries	Treated at Chch hospital overnight for hypothermia			
Name of Deceased		Fatality				
Age	47	From:				
Previous Experience	Intermediate experience, low skill level					
Conditions:	Mid winter; strong southerly winds	to 35 knots				
Number in Party	Solo paddler		PFD Worn? not known			
Kayak Type	Fibreglass Nordkapp, coloured yel	low.				
Description	27 June 1993. The coastguard was called out to rescue a canoeist who had been spotted clinging to his kayak about 400 m offshore. McPhillips had been kayaking on his own when the storm struck. His Norkapp kayak capsized but he managed to hold on to it. His paddle float had been blown from his grasp. Winds gusting up to 35 knots hit the area about 3.30pm, which also capsized yachts. It was a southerly storm. Two other kayakers returned from Quail Island, having with no problems with the conditions. They knew when the conditions would change and had also received a warning when setting out.					
Authorities Involved	Canterbury Volunteer Coastguard,	Ambulance, V	Westpac rescue chopper			
Cause Determined	Inferred lack of listening to forecass Inexperienced paddler out solo? Inappropriately dressed for cold wa No signalling devices such as flares	ter immersion				
Lessons Learned	Awareness of forecasts; practice of rescue skills; dressing for cold water immersion; carry signalling devices such as flan	res or radio				
Additional Information						

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P. Caffyn -9 February 2004 -FM record No.9

Date	14/8/1993	Accident Ref: 8/93SFDr				
Location	Otago Harbour	Region Otago			Otago	
Source	Grey Star 16 August 1993. PC press clipping file					
File Category	fatality -sea (harbour) -canoe		ī			
Name of injured or rescued party	n.a.	Injuries	n.a.			
Name of Deceased	Anthony Graham Page	Fatality	Drowning			
Age	17	From:	Dunedin?			
Previous Experience	Not stated					
Conditions:	Strong winds and waves					
Number in Party	Solo paddler		PFD Worn? life	vest v	vorn	
Kayak Type	Not stated -assumed single kayak					
Description	14 August 1993 Body recovered from mudflats at Harwood at 10am, 16 August. This was 300 m from where the boy's canoe turned up on Sunday 15 August. Senior constable Lox Kellas of Portobello, said it appeared Tony fell victim to strong winds and waves which buffeted the harbour on Saturday (14 Aug). Police believe Tony drowned, but were mystified by what happened to his life vest and sandshoes that he had been wearing. (unclear from press release if it was a canoe or kayak)					
Authorities Involved	Police					
Cause Determined	Assumed capsize by solo paddler and drowning or succumbing to hypothermia due to strong wind and waves on the harbour. Time of year suggests cold winter temperatures and cold sea. Inappropriately dressed for cold water immersion? No signalling devices such as flares or radio					
Lessons Learned	Inferred lack of listening to foreca Inexperienced paddler out solo? Inappropriately dressed for cold w No signalling devices such as flare	ater immersion				
Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -9 February 2004 -FM record No.10

Date	25/4/1994			Acc	ident Ref:	4/94GrpResc
Location	Queen Charlotte Sou	ınd, Marlborou	gh Sounds		Region	Marlborough
Source	Sea Canoeist Newsle	etter 51. June-Ju	uly 1994			
File Category	rescue -sea					
Name of injured or rescued party	George Murray & Ji	ll West	Injuries	Mild hypother	rmia and as	thma attack
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.		
Age	52		From:	Christchurch		
Previous Experience	George with paddling	experience arour	nd Banks Penin	sula, the Marlbo	rough Sound	ls and Nelson to ATNP.
Conditions:	Strong southerly win	nds blowing to	the west alon	g the sound; up	o to 0.8 m c	hop
Number in Party	approx. 40 attending	KASK forum	at	PFD Worn?	worn by	both
Kayak Type	Sea Bear II; double l	kayak; unladen				
Description	25 April 1994. Party was caught by strong southerly winds on return from a group paddle. At Allports Island, a launch was requested to carry those paddlers who were uncomfortable with conditions. George Murray and partner Jill West were paddling a Sea Bear double for the first time and were flipped off the top of a wave. Jill drifted from the kayak to retrieve the two paddles. George turned the kayak upright with assistance from Glyn Dickson. George has an asthma attack. They were spotted from the launch, picked up with the kayak and taken to Picton. George commented he had trouble controlling the unladen kayak in the windy conditions. (see also Add. Info. below) From JKA: JKA assisted Jill who had swum after the paddles. Unable to make headway towards the double kayak, JKA waited until Glyn had helped George onto the launch, then formed a raft to get Jill out of the water. Launch collided with the raft on approach, before a line was passed. This line became entangled with the propeller, threatening Glyn, before it was freed.					
Authorities Involved	Ambulance called to	assess condition	on of George	at Picton. No t	reatment re	quired.
Cause Determined		nfidence in abi	lity and previ	ous experience	. Glyn, QK	strong windy conditions, manager, failed to warn to
Lessons Learned	I *	tion information information is the manage they all left April 1981 with the control in the cont	on sheet given ager of Paddli Allports Island onditions eve	to customers sing Perfection and Another double when lying a	says load that the time, ble with Jill	e kayak in those did not pass this
Additional Information	From JKA: Description: JKA ass double kayak, he wa out of water. Launch entangled with prope	ited until Glyn collided with	had helped C raft on approa	leorge onto lau ach before a lin	nch and the	en formed raft to get Jill

Compiled P. Caffyn. 9 February 2004 -FM record No.11

Date	27/5/1994		Accident Ref:				
Location	Wellington Harbour		Region	Wellington			
Source	Chch Press 28 May 1994. PC press	clipping file					
File Category	rescue -sea (harbour)		_				
Name of injured or rescued party	Not stated	Injuries	Four hypothermic, two w needed resuscitating. Hop				
Name of Deceased		Fatality					
Age		From:					
Previous Experience	Inferred no previous experience						
Conditions:	early winter; harbour not rough						
Number in Party	14 in five Canadian type canoes, on	e	PFD Worn? not know	'n			
Kayak Type	Canadian canoes						
Description	27 May 1994. 15 people in five Canadian canoes, strapped together to form a raft, tipped over and swamped opposite the Ngaurana Gorge entrance about 12.50pm. Group included 12 unemployed 16 to 25 year olds and three supervisors on a Conservation Corp expedition. A Ngaio resident rang Police, and the police launch Lady Elizabeth 3 picked up all 15 people soon after. The water was very cold and the group had been in the water about 20 minutes before the launch arrived. The wind was gusting up to 20 knots. Sergeant Trenwith said the harbour was not rough and conditions were reasonable safe. The party had followed correct safety procedures and stayed huddled in the water near the canoes. Four people were suffering from hypothermia, two of whom were unconscious and needed resuscitating Another member of the party, in a single kayak, went for help after the accident.						
Authorities Involved	Police. Hospital. Rescue by Police l	aunch					
Cause	Wrong use of Canadian canoes. No						
Determined	Inappropriate clothing for cold water		•				
Lessons Learned	Choice appropriate craft for conditions Awareness of skill levels with inexperienced people Awareness of forecasts; practice of rescue skills; dressing for cold water immersion; carry signalling devices such as flares or radio						
Additional Information							

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P. Caffyn 9 February 2004 -FM record No.12

Date	1/9/1994			Acci	dent Ref:	9/94SRescHyp
Location	Lake Taupo, North I	sland			Region	Waikato
Source	Grey Star; 2 Septem		ress clipping	file		
File Category	rescue -lake	•	11 0			
Name of injured or rescued party	Taupo man, name not stated Injuries Mild hypothermia; treated overnight at hospital			l overnight at Taupo		
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	20		From:			
Previous Experience	Not stated					
Conditions:	Late winter; lake con	nditions not sta	ted			
Number in Party	Sole paddler			PFD Worn?	not know	n
Kayak Type	Not stated					
Description	Police were notified	after a lake fro odiac inflatable water. The wa	ont service sta e boat to rescu ater is freezin	tion attendant h ie him. 'He was	eard the ma a very cold	capsized 100m offshore. an's calls for help. The d young man when they
Authorities Involved	Police; Fire Service					
Cause Determined	Inferred lack of liste Inappropriately dress Inexperienced paddle No signalling device	sed for cold wa er out solo?	iter immersio			
Lessons Learned	Awareness of foreca practice of rescue sk dressing for cold wa carry signalling devi	ills; ter immersion;	res or radio			
Additional Information						

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P. Caffyn -9 February 2004 -FM record No.13

Date	4/2/1995		Accio	dent Ref:	2/95SRescNI		
Location	Breaksea Island, Breaksea Sound. F	Fiordland.		Region	Southland		
Source	NEM, Grey Star, 9 February 1995. PC press clipping file. KASK newsletter No.55, p2.						
File Category	rescue -sea		•				
Name of injured or rescued party	Kazutomi Yoshida.	Injuries	None. Picked u condition.' Phy	p by fishingsical exha	ng boat in a 'distressed ustion?		
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality	n.a.				
Age	26	From:	Japan.				
Previous Experience	74 days paddling from Picton down the	e east coast of	the South Island fr	om Picton.			
Conditions:	Summer; assumed moderate seas						
Number in Party	Solo paddler		PFD Worn?	assumed v	worn		
Kayak Type	Arctic Raider. Sisson Industries.						
Description	8pm, Saturday, 4 February 1995, a Island. He had to be lifted from his would not have lasted there another returning to Port. Kazu then advised Island. Kazu stated to PC that he turned ba deciding it was too dangerous to co had two flares, strobe light, and an another returning to Port.	kayak onto to night. The fold Te Anau Po ck off Coal Fontinue on his	he fishing boat b ishing boat staye blice that he had River (between D own. He had no	oy crew me d in the are abandoned agg and B Mtn. Rad	mbers, who said he ea Saturday night, before I his trip around the South reaksea Sounds), io set or VHF radio, but		
Authorities Involved	Rescue by fishing boat						
Cause Determined	Lack of previous experience for the Appropriate decision made to stop of fishing boat while paddling back in	the trip, howe	ever it appears he				
Lessons Learned	Thorough research of areas to be pa Need to carry a Mtn. Radio set, and				ditions.		
Additional Information							

Compiled P. Caffyn. 9 February 2004 -FM record No.14

Date	4/6/1996	Accident Ref: 6/96DColI				
Location	Lake Tarawera, North Island		Region Bay of Plenty			
Source	NZ Herald 4 June 1996. PC press clipping file; KASK n/l's 63 p.23, 64 p.1, 65 p.12					
File Category	collision -kayak hit by power boat		_			
Name of injured or rescued party	Bryce Packard	Injuries	foot injury; shoulder hit by boat			
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality	n.a.			
Age	29 & 25	From:	Auckland			
Previous Experience	Bryce Packard was a professional sea k	ayak guide.				
Conditions:	Mid winter; lake conditions not sta	ted				
Number in Party	Four, in two double kayaks		PFD Worn? not known			
Kayak Type	Sea Bear Packhorse double					
Description	4 June 1996 -about 11.30am. Aucklanders, Bryce Packard 29 and Ali Roigard 25, paddling a Sea Bear in company with a second rented double kayak, were about 500m from shore when a runabout struck the middle of the kayak, directly between the two paddlers. The impact capsized the kayak and threw both paddlers into the lake. The submerged kayak then acted as a ski jump, the boat became airborne, narrowly missing Sue Giddens and Cameron Carter, who were paddling alongside in a second rented kayak. They saw the boat on a collision course some 50m away. Bryce stuck his paddle in the air and started yelling. Bow paddler, Ali, felt the boat brush against the back of her head, while Bryce received a blow to his shoulder and cut to his foot. Two Wellington men on the 6m boat turned back to pick up the four paddlers. They had been on the water for about an hour, when the accident happened at 11.30am.					
Authorities Involved	Complaint was laid with Rotorua Po	olice.				
Cause Determined	Power boat driver failing to maintal side of between the two paddlers, a	in a proper lo fatality or ve	okout. If the boat had struck the kayak a little either ery serious injuries would have resulted.			
Lessons Learned	Both Glyn Dickson and Paul Caffyn listed practical advice on collision avoidance in n/l 63never assume a boat has seen you, plan evasive action to avoid an approaching boat, -brightly coloured clothing, paddle blades and rig a 'chopper' flagLast ditch efforts: an air horn or firing a flare, and capsizing if collision unavoidable.					
Additional Information	MSA response was no action taken In early September, the power boat District Court to a charge of danger Act. His lawyer said due to glare fr	as a complair driver, Gary rous driving u om the sun, h sponsibly. Per	Kingston, age 41, pleaded guilty in the Upper Hutt ander section 65 of the Maritime Safety Transport be failed to see the kayaks. The judge said he had analty was up to 12 months jail or up to \$10,000			

Compiled P. Caffyn 13 February 2004 -FM Comms Carried record No.15

Date	14/6/1996		Ac	cident Ref:	6/96DRescHyp
Location	off Patio Bay; Waiheke Island. Hau	raki Gulf		Region	Auckland
Source	Grey Star, 15 June 1996. PC press of	clippings file			
File Category	rescue -sea		1		
Name of injured or rescued party	Not stated	Injuries	Checked for	hypothermia	on Waiheke Island.
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality	n.a.		
Age		From:	Auckland		
Previous Experience	not stated				
Conditions:	Mid winter; night; sea conditions no	ot stated			
Number in Party	Three		PFD Worn?	NOT WC	ORN
Kayak Type	One double and one single kayak	<u> </u>	112 ((0111)		
Description	14 June 1996 Three men in a double and one sing double capsized, as they both paddl danger of capsizing. A passing yac Coastguard. A rescue boat picked u taken to Waiheke Island, where the the three men had no lifejackets or of the state o	ed on the san ht heard their p the two me y were check	ne side. The side cries for help in the water ed for hypothe	ngle paddler and alerted after about	tried to help but was in the Auckland Volunteer 15 minutes and they were
Authorities Involved	Police; rescue by Auckland Volunte	eer Coastguar	·d		
Cause Determined	Inferred inexperienced paddlers, ca No radio or signalling devices carri- Inappropriate clothing for cold wate No lifejackets worn	ed.		conditions.	
	No mejackets worn				
Lessons Learned	Inexperienced paddlers not to paddlers practice of rescue skills; dressing for cold water immersion; carry signalling devices such as flar wear a lifejacket				
Additional Information					

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P. Caffyn 9 February 2004 -FM record No.16

Date	21/9/1996		Accident	Ref:	9/96GrpResc			
Location	Sumner Bar, Christchurch, South Is	land.	Re	gion	Canterbury			
Source	Chch Press, 23 September 1996. PC	Chch Press, 23 September 1996. PC press clippings file						
File Category	rescue -sea (race)							
Name of injured or rescued party	no injuries	Injuries						
Name of Deceased		Fatality						
Age		From:						
Previous Experience	Race organizer Anne Woodley claimed	competitors w	ere experienced kayake	rs us	ing craft built for the sea.			
Conditions:	Surf conditions on bar							
Number in Party	Up to 13 people tipped out of kayak	cs.	PFD Worn? not	knov	wn			
Kayak Type	Nine kayaks; at least two 5 person r	acing kayaks	, 1 double					
Description	21 September 1996. Nine kayaks set off from Lyttelton, in a race to Sumner, at 10am, with four turning back before reaching Lyttelton Heads. Conditions described as stiff easterly conditions and confused seas. Seven kayakers were forced to abandon their kayaks on the Sumner bar. All were picked up by rescue craft after spending up to 10 minutes in the water, and were ferried to shore cold, but unharmed. Mark Foster was in a five person kayak that sank on the bar, said it had flooded when two spray skirts had popped. The five decided to get out before the craft rolled. This boat had lost its rudder coming around Lyttleton Heads. Only two kayaks, out of nine entered, finished. Race was won by a double.							
Authorities Involved	Police. 2 rescue helicopter, police, a	ambulances, s	even rescue craft, in	ludi	ng Canterbury CG			
Cause Determined	The Sumner bar is not easy to read a Inappropriate choice of route for a s	Failure to cancel a sea kayak race in choppy and windy conditions. The Sumner bar is not easy to read from seawards. Inappropriate choice of route for a sea kayak race Inappropriate use of use of racing kayaks on the sea -with the assumption that the five person kayaks did not have bulkheads.						
Lessons Learned Additional Information								

P. Caffyn 13 February 2004 -FM record No.17 Compiled

Date	15/10/1996		Accident Ref: 10/96GrpCOW			10/96GrpCOW
Location	Sumner, Christchurc	h			Region	Canterbury
Source	Letter to the editor, Chch Press, 18 October 1996; PC press clipping file					
File Category	rescue -sea					
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.		
Age			From:			
Previous Experience						
Conditions:	Strong offshore wine	ds				
Number in Party	Two			PFD Worn?	not know	n
Kayak Type	not stated					
Description	15 October 1996. Two kayakers, including C. Smith, had been kayaking offshore for several hours outside the breakers, ready to land on the beach, when 'we were swept out to sea in sudden gale force conditions before capsizing. After abandoning our boats, and swimming for an hour in extremely difficult conditions to reach the shore, I can assure Del Hurley (Canterbury CG) that it was not a situation we took lightly. Again, I thank those involved in the rescue.' Del Hurley had noted in the Press (October 15) that 'anyone who sets out in a kayak in weather like that, need their brains looking at.' Letter from C. Smith notes the 'weather forecast was for a clearing southerly, and as I understand it, the squall warning did not come through until later in the morning'.					
Authorities Involved	Canterbury Coastgua	nrd				
Cause Determined	Kayakers caught by	sudden offshor	e wind chang	e.		
Lessons Learned	Would these kayaker Swimming for an ho the kayaks. They mu	ur in late winte	er temperature	e seas for shore,	seems moi	re risky than staying with
Additional Information	ChCh press report fr	om Del Hurley	October 15 r	needs locating.		

Compiled P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM record No.18

Date	14/3/1997			Accid	ent Ref:	3/97GrpFCol
Location	Porirua Harbour, Wel	lington.			Region	Wellington
Source	Grey Star, 17/3/97, 7/	11/97, 14/3/9	8, Sunday Sta	r times 23/11/97	- PC pres	ss clipping file
File Category	fatality -collision					
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	Shaema Nijam Abood		Fatality	Died in hospital	, followin	g the collision
Age	17		From:	Iraq		
Previous Experience	Assumed no experience					
Conditions:	Not stated, but inferre	ed calm seas				
Number in Party	Educational training §	group -sport ar	nd	PFD Worn?	not know	n
Kayak Type	Double -possibly a sit	on top				
Description	14 March 1997. Abood and her younger sister were paddling a double kayak or sit on top, on Porirua Harbour. 18 year old Moti Shawn Tomasi, part of the same educational group, on a rented jet ski, was showing off, doing doughnuts (tight circles). The rental operator/ jet ski instructor Terry Thompson (went out on another jet ski) and told Tomas his ride was over, pointed to shore and told him to return. Tomasi headed towards a jetty as such speed that Thompson thought he would collide with it. He swerved around the jetty, and went directly for the kayak with Miss Abood and her little sister. 'Just before he hit, the older girl grabbed the little girl from the front of the kayak. She could see him coming. Then I saw her fly into the air.					
Authorities Involved	Police					
Cause	Failure of jet skier to	keep a proper	lookout.	ki rantal anarata	r	
Determined Lessons Learned	Both Glyn Dickson and Paul Caffyn listed practical advice on collision avoidance in n/l 63. -never assume a boat has seen you,-plan evasive action to avoid an approaching boat -brightly coloured clothing, paddle blades and rig a 'chopper' flag					
Additional Information		uilty to a man lict, and Toma d trial was aba other trial dat	slaughter cha asi was releas andoned after e was to be so	rge in Wellingtored on bail to face someone attemp	n high cou	

Compiled P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM **Comms Carried** record No.19

Date	19/3/1998		Accident	Ref:	3/98GrpRescNI		
Location	Akaroa Harbour, Canterbury		Re	egion	Canterbury		
Source	Chch Press 20/3/98 -PC press clippi	ing file					
File Category	rescue -sea						
Name of injured or rescued party		Injuries	Cold but not distres	ssed w	hen rescued		
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality	n.a.				
Age		From:	Christchurch				
Previous Experience	Assumed nil, as on a school camp.						
Conditions:	Strong southerly wind conditions						
Number in Party	Instructor, nine boys and a teacher		PFD Worn? Wor	rn by a	all in party		
Kayak Type	Kayaks believed to by Necky Amar	uk double ka	yaks. Instructor in N	lecky	single		
Description	19 March 1998. Group from St Thomas of Canterbury College in Chch were on a kayak trip from Wainui Beach when a southerly struck suddenly about 2.30pm and overturned two kayaks. The instructor sent the rest of the group, still in kayaks, back to shore. Instructor left with four boys and felt they should all swim to shore. One boy made it to shore. Skipper of Akaroa cruise boat spotted the party about 3.15pm when it was about 100 m from shore. The four boys and instructor were picked up by the boat, cold but unhurt, after spending about 40 minutes in the water. All were wearing lifejackets. Manager of the YMCA Wainui Park, site of the school camp, said he was alerted to the capsize by someone observing from shore. The observer called him on a cellphone and had seen the rescue while making the call. The group were in an area where the cruise boat normally did not visit, and they were lucky the launch took a different route that day.						
Authorities Involved	Sightseeing launch sighted the pado	llers in the se	a and affected a resc	ue.			
Cause Determined	Failure to check weather forecast Failure to carry signalling devices, s Failure to carry a VHF radio Poor decision making by the instruc	ctor?					
Lessons Learned Additional Information	Weather forecasts must be checked. Flares and a VHF radio should be c	, particularly arried an inst	in the Banks Peninsi ructor with inexperio	ula are	a for southerly changes. paddlers.		
information							

Compiled P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM record No.20

Date	1/4/1998		Ac	cident Ref:	4/98DRescHyp			
Location	Sandy Bay, Marahau, near Abel Ta	sman Nationa	al Park	Region	Tasman			
Source	Grey Star, 2 April 1998; Chch Press	Grey Star, 2 April 1998; Chch Press 3/4/98; PC press clipping file						
File Category	rescue -sea							
Name of injured or rescued party	Aviv Tal	Injuries	Mild hypothe surgery and o		d at Motueka doctor's water taxi			
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality n.a.						
Age		From:	Israel (touris	sts)				
Previous Experience	Inferred rental kayak so assumed no ex	perience prior	to the trip					
Conditions:	2m seas and 35 knot offshore winds	2m seas and 35 knot offshore winds						
Number in Party	Two in double kayak; Aviv Tal and		PFD Worn?	not know	n			
Kayak Type	Double -Norski Gemini II rented fro	om Marahau						
Description	difficulties 200 m offshore near Gu were tipped out. They righted the ke the kayak kept capsizing as they we hour, Mr Tal set off to swim to show was sighted by sea kayak guide Her rain and choppy seas. He was pickedirect line with the offshore wind at the time we got out there', he said. I her on the boat.'	The report of an off shore wind and being blown south do not correlate. From the capsize point to Split Apple Rock is heading south, the direction an off shore wind comes from and it is more likely						
Authorities Involved	Commercial water taxi located swir	nmer, search	ed for and pic	ked up the w	oman on the kayak.			
Cause Determined	Capsize in strong offshore(?) wind rescue. Conditions were described as 2m se		•	lares or VHF	radio carried to call for a			
Lessons Learned	Capsize in strong offshore wind con Ignorance of danger of offshore win Inability to check forecast? No AM Flares and other signalling devices	nds. /FM radio or	VHF radio. ed, particularl	y in rental ka	ıyaks			
Additional Information	The water taxi was on an unschedul out of the park because of the conditaxi. Without this sighting, Tal (who shore) may not have reached shore been blown out into Cook Strait with	tions. Tal want said if the wind re	s exceedingly it would have emained at 35	fortunate to taken him a knots offsho	be spotted by the water mother hour to reach re; the kayak would have			

Compiled P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM Comms Carried record No.21

Date	1/8/1998			Acci	dent Ref:	8/98GrpResc	
Location	Tauranga Harbour				Region	Bay of Plenty	
Source	Clipping received from D. Herrington. PC press clipping file. Exact date unknown.						
File Category	rescue -sea						
Name of injured or rescued party	No names		Injuries				
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.			
Age	14 & 12		From:				
Previous Experience	Inferred no prior exper	rience					
Conditions:	Night; sea condition	s not stated					
Number in Party	Four - three aged 14	, and one aged	12	PFD Worn?	NOT WO	PRN	
Kayak Type	Craft built for 2 pade	dlers? -probabl	y a Canadian				
Description	six hours after they I police at 7.30pm and about the group's int some of the group he was sent in the direct cold and wet youths	Four teenagers were eventually rescued by a Tauranga Volunteer Coastguard rescue boat, more than six hours after they left shore at Omokoroa, 15 km N of Tauranga. Coastguard was contacted by police at 7.30pm and immediately launched a vessel form Omokoroa, but had little information about the group's intended route. A shore search party combed the coastline at the same time and some of the group heard the boys' cries for help from somewhere across the water. The rescue boat was sent in the direction of the cries and the boys were located and rescued within the hour. The cold and wet youths were found on a sandbank on Matakana Is. at 8.30pm. The craft was built for two paddlers and none of the four was wearing a lifejacket.					
Authorities Involved	Police; Tauranga Vo	lunteer Coastg	uard.				
Cause Determined	Inexperienced group Insufficient time for	trip to be achie	eved.				
Lessons Learned	Insufficient information was available for the searchers for what the boys were doing and were they were likely to be. Plan of trip start and finish, plus approx. timing should be with a competent person who can contact Police in the event of the party failing to turn up on time.						
Additional Information							

Compiled P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM record No.22

Date	2/9/1998			Acc	ident Ref:	9/98SResc	
Location	Piha Beach, west of	Auckland			Region	Auckland	
Source	Grey Star, 3/09/98						
File Category	rescue -sea						
Name of injured or rescued party	40 year old tourist		Injuries	-no injuries sta	ited		
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.			
Age	40		From:				
Previous Experience	Not stated						
Conditions:	2m winter surf condi	itions					
Number in Party	One			PFD Worn?	not know	n	
Kayak Type	clipping says canoe						
Description	mean, 2 m winter sur caught in a strong rip Lion Rock, called 11 after the paddler. An	On 2 September 1998, a 'stupid tourist' took a heavy unsafe canoe to sea at Piha, and capsized in mean, 2 m winter surf on the northern side of the notorious Lion Rock. Within minutes, he was caught in a strong rip and swept out to sea. Another man who witnessed the incident, from the top of Lion Rock, called 111 but halfway through the call, his battery died, so he stripped off and dived in after the paddler. Another call had gone to Piha Surf patrol, and Nick Kinghorn and his daughter launched the inflatable rescue boat. They rescued both the paddler and swimmer 40 minutes later.					
Authorities Involved	Piha surf patrol						
Cause	Wrong type of craft (if a heavy can	oe) and an igi	norant tourist.			
Determined							
Lessons Learned	2 m surf is not the pl	ace for a Cana	dian canoe				
Additional Information							

Compiled P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM correcord No.23

Date	24/9/1998		Acci	dent Ref:	9/98SRescNI		
Location	Wellington Harbour, near Somes l	sland.		Region	Wellington		
Source	Grey Star 25/9/98 -PC press clipping file						
File Category	rescue -sea	_					
Name of injured or rescued party	No name stated	Injuries	not stated				
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality	n.a.				
Age		From:					
Previous Experience	Unknown						
Conditions:	Late winter, choppy seas						
Number in Party	One		PFD Worn?	NOT WC	ORN		
Kayak Type	Single kayak		-22 ((0111)				
Description	24 September 1998. A kayaker was rescued from the chilly and choppy waters of Wgtn. Harbour after spending more than an hour in the water. Constable Andy Cox said the man's kayak was seen near Somes Is. about 1.30pm. The police launch was put on standby, but the man was found a short time later by the crew of the Westpac Trust ferry. Captian Phil Snow said the man was found almost 2 km from where his kayak was found. He was clad only in shorts and a jersey but was wearing a wetsuit.						
Authorities Involved	Wharf Police; Rescue by Westpac	trust ferry					
Cause Determined	Capsize in windy and choppy com A fortunate sighting of the kayak l Failure to carry appropriate rescue	y Somes Islan	nd led to a searc	h and rescu	ue.		
Lessons Learned	Ignorance of forecast and conditions by assumed inexperienced solo paddler. Appropriate rescue signalling devices, such as flares of VHF radio should be carried. Following a capsize by a paddler with no self rescue skills, the paddler must remain with the kayak, which is more likely to be sighted than a swimmer in the water.						
Additional Information	Yet another exceedingly fortunate	sighting and r	escue.				

Compiled P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM record No.24

Date	9/2/1999			Acci	dent Ref:	2/99SResc
Location	Lake Wakatipu, near	Queenstown			Region	Otago
Source	Chch Press 11/2/99 -	PC press clipp	ing file			
File Category	rescue -lake			Γ		
Name of injured or rescued party	Matt Rip, attorney		Injuries			
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	32		From:	L.A. USA		
Previous Experience	Not known					
Conditions:	Strong southerly win	nds				
Number in Party	One			PFD Worn?	not knowi	n
Kayak Type	Not known					
Description	Rip was spotted on the lake, about 7.30pm, in trouble in strong southerly conditions. Skipper of the lake steamer 'Earnslaw' Ray Green, detoured his vessel and Rip waved to him, obviously in distress but 'I couldn't take him on board as it was too rough. So I managed to get him to go to Hidden Island. We shepherded him there and he went aground. An hour later, we called to pick him up.' 'He would have died of cold overnight or drowned, one or the other, 'noted Ray Green					
Authorities Involved	Rescue by historic st	eam vessel.				
Cause Determined	It is not clear if this particle the conditions. Lack Obviously no flares	of understandi	ng of local w	still in the kaya eather condition	k but exper	riencing difficulty with ce of weather forecast.
Lessons Learned	Paddlers must be aware of the level of skill and experience with respect to paddling in a new area. Lakes appear placid, but Lake Wakatipu (also Hawea and Wanaka) experience strong northerly and southerly winds, drawing up or down the lakes.					
Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM record No.25

Date	31/3/1999		Ac	cident Ref:	3/99SResc			
Location	Grey River bar; Greymouth, West C	Coast, South	Ísland.	Region	Westland			
Source	West Coast messenger 31/3/99 -PC	press clippin	g file					
File Category	rescue -river mouth							
Name of injured or rescued party	German woman tourist -no name stated	Injuries	Nil. Wet and	frightened v	when rescued.			
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality	n.a.					
Age		From:	German tour	rist				
Previous Experience	Assumed nil.							
Conditions:	River is generally flat calm; strong	River is generally flat calm; strong ebb tide						
Number in Party	One		PFD Worn?	not know	'n			
Kayak Type	Green kayak, assumed short recreat	tional kayak						
Description	Living Stream hostel has rental kayaks on a tidal creek that drains into Blaketown Lagoon which opens into the Grey River, ≠ 600m upstream from the Grey River bar. The woman got into trouble on an outgoing tide (assumed swept downstream from the lagoon). Local Blaketown man, Kevin Rodden was watching his sons bodyboarding at the tip head and was able to throw the distressed woman a rope and pull her from the water near the river mouth. The canoe has since not been found. She was relieved to be on terra firma and grateful for Kevin's quick thinking rescue.							
Authorities Involved	Nil; Local resident							
Cause Determined	Woman's ignorance of the strength Assumed she was unable to paddle She should not have been paddling	back upstrea	m.					
Lessons Learned	Hostel should have warning signs for Inexperienced paddlers should not a The Grey River downstream of Bla fully equipped sea kayaks. It is the	paddle on sw ketown Lago	iflty moving ti on is only suit	idal river wa table for exp	ters.			
Additional Information								

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P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM record No.26

Date	5/5/1999			Acc	ident Ref:	5/99GrpRescHyp	
Location	Waikanae, 65km NE	of Wellington	<u> </u>		Region	Wellington	
Source	Grey Star 6 May 199			4 -6. Aug -Sept	t 2001.		
File Category	rescue -sea (4 stude						
Name of injured or rescued party	Not known		Injuries	Three taken by precaution aga		e to a medical centre, as a nermia.	
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	young		From:				
Previous Experience	12 adventure and touri 4 instructors -moderate						
	Strong southerly win	•	meu ivames n	ot stateu.			
Conditions:	Strong southerry wil	ius					
Number in Party	16			PFD Worn?	assumed	worn	
Kayak Type	kayaksdoubles & s	singles					
Description	weather. A police S& Waikanae about 1pn The KASK n/l No.94 compiled by the coustatement of 11 sea k recovered. One grouthrough, were able to fishing boat. Group to	A polytech group had to be rescued from a kayaking trip near Waikanae, after being caught in bad weather. A police S&R spokesman said the group were well equipped but got into difficulties off Waikanae about 1pm. Kapiti and Waikanae Coastguard vessels helped the group to shore. The KASK n/l No.94 has a detailed report by Cathye Haddock, which was adapted from one compiled by the course tutor -location, names and date are not stated. Cathye notes the media statement of 11 sea kayaker and 4 instructors was incorrect with four students rescued and 4 boats recovered. One group of 6 students & 2 instructors went south. and after the southerly front came through, were able to get safely to shore, despite several capsizes. Some gear was picked up by a fishing boat. Group that went N (6 & 2), 2 students and 1 instructor went in through surf, while rest headed back south. Strong wind capsizes, boats blown away. Rescue initiated.					
Authorities Involved	Police, Kapiti and W	aikanae Coast	guard, Ambul	ance			
Cause Determined	Group caught offsho conditions and losing (numerous contribut Police noted the fast	g their kayaks. ing factors liste	Rescue skills ed in the KAS	not taught pric K n/l report.)	or to the ope		
Lessons Learned	Contracts need to be drafted for the responsibilities of contract instructors Skill building needs to be progressive, and basic skills need to be practised before allowing students onto open coastal waters Students not to be given leadership opportunities until competent with personal skills Conservative approach to impending weather and sea conditions to be adopted Marine VHF radio to be purchased and carried by the tutor on marine based field trips (info from KASK n/l)						
Additional Information	radio and the other water, first aid kit an the instructor and for	up had some for ith an EPIRB. d spare clothin ar (5) students	orm of comm Both groups g. The group turned back s	unication, both carried flares, that went north outh. 3 went in	with cell p towlines, sp n, 3 went as the sea, los	hones, one with VHF pare split paddle, food hore through surf, while	

Compiled P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM Comms Carried record No.27

Date	12/6/1999		Accident Ref:	6/99GrpRescHyp				
Location	Wellington Harbour		Region	Wellington				
Source	Sunday Star Times 13 June 1999 -P	C press clipp	ing file					
File Category	rescue -sea		Γ					
Name of injured or rescued party	Maurice Kennedy	Injuries	Maurice taken to Hutt ho hypothermia	ospital, checked for				
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality n.a.						
Age	50+	From:	Wellington					
Previous Experience	Both with some previous sea kayaking	experience						
Conditions:	Night; strong northwesterly winds; Breaking 0.5m seas; 35 knot winds	Night; strong northwesterly winds; choppy sea and overcast sky Breaking 0.5m seas; 35 knot winds						
Number in Party	Two; both paddling plastic Looksha	ı	PFD Worn? worn by	both paddlers				
Kayak Type	Single, plastic Lookshas, yellow co	lour	TTD TYOM.					
Description	The two paddlers, Maurice Kennedy and Susan Cade, set off from the Petone foreshore for a night paddle out to Somes Island in Wellington Harbour. The weather forecast was not checked before launching. Maurice lacked skill for the choppy conditions in the dark and a decision was made to try and go with the wind to Eastbourne. During turning, Maurice broached and capsized, losing his paddle. Conditions were too rough for rafting up to effect a rescue. Susan's tow rope was in a hatch, and she lost sight of Maurice. She was unable to make voice contact then with Maurice. Susan headed for Somes Island, where she set off a flare, which was sighted by Eastbourne Radio Station. The station contacted the ranger on Somes Island who met Susan near the island's jetty. A commercial harbour cruise boat also saw the flare and searched with a spotlight after being informed of a kayaker in the sea. Maurice remembered a torch in his kayak and the cruise boat saw the torch and rescued Maurice. A police launch found Maurice's paddle. Maurice was treated for hypothermia at Hutt Hospital. Without the torch enabling a rescue, it is highly likely that Maurice would not have been located and would have succumbed to hypothermia and drowned.							
Authorities Involved	Police; cruise boat & Police launch							
Cause Determined	Inferred inappropriate clothing wor Maurice lacked inexperience of nig No navigation lights were carried by Susan fortunately carried a flare to allowed the cruise boat to locate and	ht paddling in y either padd signal the nec	n choppy conditions. ler. ed for a rescue, and the tor	ch used by Maurice				
Lessons Learned	Appropriate clothing must be worn The latest marine forecast should b Rescue signalling equipment shoul Night navigation lights should be c conditions. Given the conditions and lack of M been aborted. On the water, Mauri	e checked be d be carried learried and ex	fore launching. by every member of a grouchibited particularly during the paddling experience, the	g pitch black overcast e trip should have				
Additional Information								

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P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM record No.28

Date	17/10/1999		Accident Ref:	10/99GrpRescI					
Location	Cook Strait		Region	Cook Strait /Wgtn					
Source	Grey Star 18 October 1999 Chch Pr	Grey Star 18 October 1999 Chch Press 19/10/99 -PC press clippings file							
File Category	rescue -sea								
Name of injured or rescued party	Kynan Bazley	Injuries	Vomiting, unconsciousne	ess					
Name of Deceased	n.a	Fatality	n.a.						
Age		From:	Christchurch						
Previous Experience	claims both were experienced sea kayal	kers (statement	from Arthur Collins)						
Conditions:	Bouncy seas								
Number in Party	Two		PFD Worn? not know	n					
Kayak Type	Single kayaks; model not known	I	IID WOIH.						
Description	Two Chch sea kayakers, Dr Arthur Collins & so called professional adventurer Kynan Bazley, set off 6am from Tory Channel across Cook Strait for Makara. 3 hours out, Bazley started to get sick, 'so we rafted up and rested a bit.' After Bazley took a sea sickness pill, it was clear it was not having the desired affect. 'We were bouncing up and down a great deal.' Dr Collins called 111 for help and the police sent the Wgtn. police launch and Westpac helicopter. The men were found when they put marker dye in the sea, and Mr Bazley, who by then had lost consciousness, was winched to safety about 12.30pm, taken to Wgtn. hospital, & discharged a couple of hours later. The police launch collected his kayak and Collins. 'It was bad luck Bazley suffered from sea sickness and even worse that he suffered a rare reaction to the pills Dr Collins gave him to feel better. It wasn't a full blown reaction but his arm muscles started going into cramp.								
Authorities Involved	Police; Wellington police launch an	d Westpac T	rust rescue helicopter						
Cause Determined	Either unawareness or ignorance of Failure to take preventative precaut Dr Collins claims an allergic reactic suggests a really bad case of sea sic	ions to sea sion to the sea s	ckness, such as Scopodern	n patches.					
Lessons Learned	Need to be aware of preexisting me Need to ascertain beforehand if alle			pen sea trips.					
Additional Information	Collins took the appropriate action able to call in a swift rescue with hi			on of Bazley, and was					

Compiled P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM record No.29

Date	10/1/2000		Accident	Ref:	1/00SF		
Location	Pakawau Estuary, Golden Bay, Sou	th Island	Ro	egion	Tasman		
Source	Chch Press, 11/01/00 -PC press clipping file' MSA report 99 0419						
File Category	fatality -solo sea kayaker -possible e	epileptic fit re	sulting in capsize ar	nd drov	wning		
Name of injured or rescued party	n.a.	Injuries					
Name of Deceased	Andrew Heal, journalist	Fatality	Possible epileptic fi	it resul	ting in capsize and		
Age	28	From:	Auckland				
Previous Experience	Father stated his son was a keen and co	mpetent kayak	er; who could release !	himself	from a sprayskirt but could		
Conditions:	Calm sea, fine weather						
Number in Party	One		PFD Worn? not	know	n		
Kayak Type	Single kayak	I	TID WOIH.				
Description	Andew Heal was found by his moth	per and fiancé	e in an unturned kay	zak in	Pakawan Estuary, close		
Description	to the family's Golden Bay bach, about 1pm on Sunday, 10 January 2000. They spent about an hour trying to resuscitate him. His father stated Andrew had been successfully operated on for a brain tumour 14 months previously, but his illness had left a legacy of occasional epilepsy. The accident happened in fine weather and calm sea conditions. A sprayskirt was not worn at the time						
Authorities Involved							
	Inferred capsize and drowning follo	wing an enil	entic seizure				
Cause Determined							
Lessons Learned	Not to paddle solo if a pre-existing	medical cond	ition is likely to cau	se a ca	ipsize.		
Additional Information							
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P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM record No.30

Date	2/3/2000			Acc	ident Ref:	3/00GrpF	
Location	mouth of Kakanui R	iver, south of (Damaru, Sout	h Island	Region	Canterbury	
Source	Grey Star 3/3/00, 9/3/00 & Chch Press 4/3/00; PC press clippings file						
File Category	fatality -sea						
Name of injured or rescued party	n.a.		Injuries				
Name of Deceased	Ricky Kenneth String	ger	Fatality	Presumed dro	wned, possi	ibly taken by a shark.	
Age	27 male		From:	Oamaru			
Previous Experience	Unknown						
Conditions:	Surf conditions						
Number in Party	Two. Ricky Stringer	and a 37 year	old	PFD Worn?	NOT WC	DRN	
Kayak Type	Single kayaks, mode	l unknown					
Description	2 March 2000. The two Oamaru men paddled out of the Kakanui River mouth and were heading around to Campbell's Bay, about 11km SW of Oamaru about 5pm on Thursday, 2 March. The companion reached shore safely at Campbell's Bay when he spotted his friend's kayak overturn beyond the surfline. Neither man had been wearing lifejackets. The alarm was raised by the companion and extensive shore and air searches were carried out with no sign of Mr Stringer. 9/3/00 clipping notes the two men had surfed into the beach at Campbells Bay. The companion remained on the beach while Stringer paddled back out to sea and then got into difficulties. A brown gym shoe belonging to Stringer was found, just north of All Day Bay, 2 km south of where he went Missing. It had been damaged with part of the heel missing. Damage was considered by a forensic scientist to have been caused by a shark bite						
Authorities Involved	Police						
Cause Determined	Not clear from the cla lifejacket. Probable known.	lippings. Sound e inexperience	ls like a capsi in surf condit	ze in the surf a ions. If and wh	nd drownin en the shar	g through lack of wearing k attacked will never be	
Lessons Learned	Lifejackets must be	worn for surf la	andings and la	aunchings.			
Additional Information	Local fishermen and Attributed to increas					aters off Kakanui.	

Compiled P. Caffyn 14 February 2004 -FM record No.31

Date	4/10/2000			Accio	lent Ref:	10/00 S F
Location	Kawakawa Bay, Firt	h of Thames. N	North Island		Region	Auckland
Source	Grey Star, 5 October	2000. PC pres	s clipping file	e; MSA report 0	0 0580	
File Category	fatality -sea	_				
Name of injured or rescued party	n.a.		Injuries	n.a.		
Name of Deceased	Vaughn Leon Maddr	en	Fatality	Drowned; body Beach	recovered	l 11/10/00 on Kawakawa
Age	26 -male		From:	Papakura		
Previous Experience	Family member descri	bed Mr Madden	as experienced	in the operation of	of kayaks; h	e possessed safety equipment
Conditions:	Met service forecast	, issued 1316hi fternoon, beco	ming 2545kn	by evening. A l	ocal fisher	all areas. W winds 30 kt men estimated the wind e.
Number in Party	One (1)			PFD Worn?	NOT WO	RN
Kayak Type	Orange Pacer, sitont	op model; 2.72	m long; made	under franchise	e by Kerik	eri Viking kayaks.
Description	≠ 1600hrs, Maddren launched his kayak from the Kawakawa beach to go fishing. At 1615hrs, he was seen by a witness paddling with his bow into waves ≠ 100m offshore. Maddren was seen to fall of his kayak after being struck by a large wave. His kayak was seen to drift downwind, out of his reach. Maddren appeared to struggle for ≠ 5min before he disappeared from view. The witness called a local fisherman who was able to launch his vessel from the bay's launching ramp within 10 min of receiving the call, but was unable to sight the paddler. At ≠ 1625hrs, the kayak, paddle, bait bin and shoes were recovered from the shoreline. Ak CG were notified at 1712hrs, and CG advised police. At 1715hrs, an air and sea search was initiated, with police and CG vessels and two helicopters. The search was called off at 1917hrs. On 11 October, Maddren's body was recovered on Kawakawa Beach. Police stated the tragedy was caused by a failure to wear a lifejacket. Boats, the police launch Deodar and aircraft were to join the search today but police said the chance of finding the man alive were remote.					
Authorities Involved	Police & CG vessels	, Police Eagle	and Westpac	helicopters		
Cause Determined	Maddren was wearing heavy clothing but not wearing a lifejacket, when he fell off the SOT kayak, in dangerous weather/sea conditions, without wearing a lifejacket. He was unable to board or retain hold of the SOT, which blew downwind of him. Inferred capsize, not staying with the kayak, and drowning. The paddle was not secured by a paddle leash to the deck of the SOT The kayak should not have been launched in gale force conditions The kayak was not suitable for operating in high winds or rough seas					
Lessons Learned	Ignorance of forecast and conditions by assumed inexperienced solo paddler. Appropriate rescue signalling devices, such as flares of VHF radio should be carried. Following a capsize by a paddler with no self rescue skills, the paddler must remain with the kayak, which is more likely to be sighted than a swimmer in the water. Lifejacket should be worn. A paddle leash should be used with SOT kayaks					
Additional Information	MSA recommended kayaks sold.	that Viking Ka	iyaks include	an approved saf	e operation	n manual with all

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P. Caffyn 31 May 2006 -FM record No.32

Date	29/7/2001	Accident Ref: 7/01SRescNI			
Location	Wellington Harbour		Regio	m Wellington	
Source	Grey Star 30 July 2001				
File Category	rescue -sea		T		
Name of injured or rescued party	Petone kayaker	Injuries	Not stated		
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality	n.a.		
Age	male age ?	From:			
Previous Experience	Inferred little experience				
Conditions:	Offshore winds				
Number in Party	One		PFD Worn? NOT V	VORN	
Kayak Type	Unknown				
Description	29 July 2001 (28th or 29th) Police ridiculed a Petone kayaker w be rescued at the weekend. Sergean fishing net off the Petone foreshore paddle and was pushed further into became worried and went to a nearl wharf police	t Tom Ireland late in the m the harbour t	d, said the Petone man horning. Because of stronowards Eastbourne. A v	ad kayaked out to check a ng winds, he was unable to vatching family member	
Authorities Involved	Police				
Cause	Ignorance of the strength of offshor	e winds			
Determined	Titute the Constant				
Lessons Learned	Listen to the forecast. Stay close to shore with strong offs! Wear a lifejacket. Do not wear gumboots. Carry appropriate signalling device		-		
Additional Information					

Compiled P. Caffyn 20 Feb. 2004 -FM record Comms Carried No.33

Date	6/11/2001	Accident Ref: 11/01SFOW					
Location	Waihau Bay, Bay of Plenty. North	rth Island Region Bay of Plenty					
Source	Grey Star 7/11/01, Chch Press 8/11/01 -PC press clippings file						
File Category	fatality -sea -canoe?						
Name of injured or rescued party	n.a.	Injuries	n.a.				
Name of Deceased	Carlos Hemopo.	Fatality	Presumed drowned				
Age	15	From:					
Previous Experience	Unknown						
Conditions:	Inferred strong offshore winds						
Number in Party	One		PFD Worn? assumed	not worn			
Kayak Type	clippings both state canoe						
Description	6 November 2001 A 15 year old boy was swept out to sea in a canoe at Waihau Bay on Tuesday afternoon. His canoe was found around 2pm by the Waihau Bay coastguard. Rescue helicopter pilot Ron Taylor said today it appeared the boy went out in the canoe to fish when the sea was calm. However the sea became rough as the boy ventured further out and he was seen clinging to the side of the canoe in the afternoon. Sergeant Floyd Pratt of the Te Kaha police, said there was little hope in finding Hemopo alive. He got into difficulties in high winds which took him out to sea.						
Authorities Involved	Police; Fixed wing aircraft; Waihau	Bay coastgu	ard; rescue helicopter				
Cause Determined	Solo paddler swept offshore by high drowning.	n winds; cand	e capsize; separation fron	n the canoe and presumed			
Lessons Learned	Listen to the forecast. Stay close to shore with strong offs! Wear a lifejacket. Carry appropriate signalling device. Stay with the capsized canoe or kay	s and or radio	•				
Additional Information							

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P. Caffyn 20 Feb. 2004 -FM record No.34

Date	16/11/2001		Accident Ref: 11/01DRescHyp				
Location	Sumner Bar, Christchurch, South Is	land.	Region Canterbury				
Source	Chch Press 17 November 2001 -PC press clipping file						
File Category	rescue -sea						
Name of injured or rescued party	Not stated	Injuries	Treated for hypothermia at Chch hospital				
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality	n.a.				
Age		From:	Christchurch				
Previous Experience	Not known						
Conditions:	Not known						
Number in Party	Two		PFD Worn? lifejacket worn				
Kayak Type	Double fibreglass kayak						
Description	16 November 2001. A man was treathe Sumner bar, spilling both occup shore and an ambulance was called spokesman for the Sumner Lifeboar Scarborough resident, and searched	ants into the for the man, t Institute said for its passes	othermia after a double kayak capsized on sea. The man and woman both managed to swim to who was wearing a lifejacket by no wetsuit. A d they were alerted to the deserted kayak by a engers for more than an hour. After learning the pair eval operation for the kayak, which was towed to				
Authorities Involved	Ambulance; Sumner Lifeboat Instit	ute					
Cause	Capsize due to inferred inexperience	e of the Sum	ner bar.				
Determined	Failure to self rescue and pump the						
Lessons Learned	The Sumner bar should be avoided Particularly on an ebb tide, with bre A wetsuit should be worn if paddlir Appropriate signalling devices should be avoided.	eaking seas, t ng in surf con	this bar is very difficult to read from seawards.				
Additional Information							

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P. Caffyn 20 February 2004 FM record No.35

Date	13/1/2002			Ac	cident Ref:	1/02SRescI
Location	Taramakau River bar; south of Greymouth. South Island Region West Coast			West Coast		
Source	Grey Star; 14/01/02	-PC press clipp	oing file			
File Category	rescue -river mouth					
Name of injured or rescued party	Not stated		Injuries	Slightly dam	aged nose	
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	39		From:			
Previous Experience	No known					
Conditions:	Not stated					
Number in Party	One			PFD Worn?	not know	'n
Kayak Type	Assumed river or tri	athalete kavak	-	11D ((UIII)		
Description	13 January 2002. Po River and been swep onlookers who imme by the time it arrived	olice were alert out to sea appediately raised l, Chris Cown if the helicopter	prox. 500 m, a the alarm. Th in a Hughes 5	about 4pm. The Greymouth 00D had seen	he incident we rescue helicon the man and	is kayak in the Taramakau vas witnessed by several opter was called out, but I towed him to shore with d for a slightly damaged
Authorities Involved	Police; Rescue helice	opter; local hel	icopter			
Cause	Capsize in swift flov	ving river; swe	pt out to sea o	ver river bar		
Determined	West Coast since has					
Lessons Learned	West Coast river bar	s are to be avo	ided by all ka	yakers.		
Additional Information	This twit was fortuna	ate to have bee	n spotted by l	ooth bystande	rs and the pa	ssing helicopter pilot.

Compiled P. Caffyn 20 February -FM record Comms Carried No.36

Date	22/1/2002	Accident Ref: 1/02SF				
Location	Castlecliff, Wanganui, North Island]	Region	Taranaki	
Source	Grey Star; 23 January 2003					
File Category	fatality -sea		<u> </u>			
Name of injured or rescued party		Injuries				
Name of Deceased	Bruce Raupita	Fatality	Drowning			
Age	44	From:	Castlecliff, Wang	ganui.		
Previous Experience	Not stated; presumed minimal					
Conditions:	Surf conditions?					
Number in Party	One		PFD Worn? no	ot know	n	
Kayak Type	Not known					
Description	22 January 2002. The 44 year old Castlecliff resident fell out of his kayak and could not smembers of the Surf Lifesaving Serbut died that night.	swim back to	it. He was pulled f	from the	water by two surfers and	
Authorities Involved	Police; Surf Lifesaving Service					
Cause	Capsize and inferred separation from	m kayak.				
Determined	Inferred no self rescue skills Inferred poor swimming skills Inferred no lifejacket worn					
Lessons Learned	Lifejackets must be worn by inexpe If no self rescue skills, a capsized p	erienced kaya addler should	kers. I stay with their ka	yak.		
Additional Information						

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P. Caffyn 20 February 2004 -FM record No.37

Date	30/3/2002		Accident Ref: 3/02GrpRescNI			
Location	Rangitoto Island				Region	Auckland
Source	MSA report 02 2891	: PC files				
File Category	rescue -sea					
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	Unknown		From:			
Previous Experience	Clients with no previou	us experience. Le	ead guide with	11yrs exp;		
Conditions:	0055hrs Forecast wa further wind warning					to 25 kt in the pm. A
Number in Party	17 - Two guides, on	ie assistant & 1	4	PFD Worn?	assumed v	worn
Kayak Type	Nine kayaks; 8 doub	ole Sea Bears; a	and one single	; lead guide in a F	3arracuda	a single
Description	for Rangitoto Is. At CG VHF Ch 21 repoclients back at kayak proceeded with the rone kayak losing heabegan to drift downward. Second guide at Lead guide determin without a guide were lead guide called Ak responded to the call kayak then capsized	1250hrs, lead gort of wind speeks, wind had increturn trip. At a adway. 2nd guiwind. Lead guiddvised the ground to continue a approx. 400 nd CG for assistals and a the polywith a towline were towed	guide and 2 cled averaging creased to 21 pprox. 1325h de took this led told paddle ip to return to the trip. A the upwind of tance; shortly a ice rescue he fouling his rewards Okahu	lients were climbin 21 knots, gusting the kt. Lead guide judiers, group encount cayak in tow. Shorers to turn into the part and a guide a seafter 2nd guide mallo was called to loudder. CG & policibary. At ≠ 1503hr.	ng Rangit to 27kts a lged wind tered stron rtly afterve wind and brifting do eparate grade a simi ocate all k ce craft as s, CG arr	ng SW conditions, with wards, a second kayak d took the 2nd kayak in ownwind. 4 kayaks
Authorities Involved	CG, police helicopte	r; police launcl	h			
Cause Determined	Lead guide thought he could beat the predicted change to SW. Also said in his experience Met. forecasts were usually conservative. Proceeding with the return trip from Rangitoto when conditions were unsuitable for the level of experience of the clients. Poor communication between lead and 2nd guide in term of lead guide heeding advice of the 2nd guide.					
Lessons Learned	MSA opinions & rec has issued a wind wa No trips with inexper Guides and managen Management to regu That the lead guide v	arning or more rienced clients ment to be in collarly monitor t	severe conditions with wind complete agree the SOP requi	tions for the area of anditions exceeding ement on safety issignments to ensure	of operating 20 knows sues before	ts. re a trip
Additional Information	the other reached Ok Lead guide had a SK towlines. Fergs kaya	kahu Bay. Seco KOANZ level 2 aks did not have ince advised M	ond guide and certificate; 1 e a current co (SA that a SO	d assistant were in 1 yrs experience. Immercial licence	a double Both guid as require	

Compiled P. Caffyn 5/06 -FM record No.38 Comms Carried

Date	7/5/2002			Ac	ccident Ref:	5/02GrpRescNI
Location	Eastern Beach, Auck	land, Willow I	Park Christian	Camp	Region	Auckland
Source	MSA accident investigation report No.02 2891					
File Category	rescue -sea	<u> </u>				
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.		
Age	9 -10 yrs		From:	Auckland		
Previous Experience	Children with no expertake the same lesson the					bserved a kayak instructor
Conditions:					8 1	cher, but offshore winds.
Number in Party	7 primary school chi	ldren, one teac	her	PFD Worn?	not knov	vn
Kayak Type	Green, single seat ka	yaks; no spray	skirts; lifejac			
Description	Afternoon of 7 May 2002, group of 7 children and 2 adults were carrying out a kayaking lesson off Eastern Beach, Auckland. Kayaks were rented/provided by the Willow Park camp. The teacher (Miss Sam Galloway) was shown the equipment by camp staff and then left to transport it to the beach. Teacher gave instruction on the beach and a safety briefing. Wind picked up during the lesson and the teacher called the children together and said to stop paddling. One child of Korean nationality, was seen drifting away from the beach. He was shouted to stop paddling but didn't. The parent paddled out to the child and rafted up alongside until CG arrived approx. 20min later. At approx. 1430hurs, AMRC were alerted by a couple walking along the beachfront. Howick CG responded, and a rescue helicopter was directed to the vicinity. It hovered above the two kayaks as the CG vessel arrived. Parent & child were approx. 300 m off the beach when rescued. Parent & child were provided with warm clothing on the launch, and the kayaks taken to the Howick CG HQ.					
Authorities Involved	CG, rescue helicopte	er				
Cause						ing the kayaks offshore.
Determined	The rescued Korean MSA recommended					
Lessons Learned	submit a safe operati	onal plan (SOI the park provicing the use of the	P) to the ARC led appropria- ne safety boat	, and to obtain the information on all school	in a commerce n and advice trips.	on the safe operation of
Additional Information	The camp had a safe The camp did not ha					teacher.

Compiled P. Caffyn 30 May 2006 - FM record Comms Carried No.39

Date	10/6/2002	Accident Ref: 6/02GrpRescNI			
Location	Mangawhai Heads, south of Whang	garei, North I	sland Region	Northland	
Source	Chch Press; 12 June 2002				
File Category	rescue -sea		D 1 111	11 1 1 1	
Name of injured or rescued party	Not stated	Injuries	Rescued paddlers were	cold and shaken	
Name of Deceased		Fatality			
Age		From:			
Previous Experience	Assumed minimal to basic				
Conditions:	Strong offshore winds				
Number in Party	17 students and 3 leaders. Party lead	der	PFD Worn? not kno	wn	
Kayak Type	Not stated if single or double kayak	S			
Description	10 June 2002. A group of 17 stude. Warkworth, were paddling in an est which suddenly turned rough. Three together for safety. The two adult st Heads. After the alarm was raised a the rescue was completed by 2.10pt knot winds.	tuary at Mange kayakers we tudents and a tallopm, the	gawhai in Northland, bef ere swept out to sea, whe leader were swept 6.4kn rescue helicopter arrive	ore heading out to sea, re they rafted their kayaks nout to sea from Manawhai d half and hour later and	
Authorities Involved	Northland Emergency Services Tru	st helicopter			
Cause	Inferred ignorance of weather forec Inferred ignorance of the danger of		offshara by offshara win	do	
Determined			·	15	
Lessons Learned Additional	Remain close to shore or do not pad Do not take inexperienced paddlers			ons	
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P. Caffyn 20 February 2004 -FM record No.40

Date	10/12/2002		Accid	ent Ref:	12/02SF
Location	Whitewash Head, Banks Peninsula,	South Island		Region	Canterbury
Source	Chch Press, 12/12/02, 22/8/3; Grey	Star 11 & 13	/12/02; see also	additional	information
File Category	fatality -sea		•		
Name of injured or rescued party		Injuries			
Name of Deceased	Matthew Stephen Davies	Fatality	Drowning		
Age	24	From:	Christchurch		
Previous Experience	Previous trip from Scarborough to Tayl	or's Mistake; 1	minimal experience	e; some pac	Idling on the estuary.
Conditions:	Calm; SW winds of 10 knots				
Number in Party	One		PFD Worn?	buoyancy	y vest worn
Kayak Type	Multisport fibreglass kayak; 4.55mx	x62cm beam.	No bulkheads. N	No decklin	nes
Description	Matthew Davies launched from the overdue to the Police who carried of kayak was found at 6.30am 2.4 km 11/12/02). The search for the body Beach (no date) which was that of I was said to be wearing a wearing a said to be relatively calm, with SW	ut a shoreling off Taylors N was called of Davies; weari dark coloure winds of 10	e and helicopter s Mistake on 11 De If (GS 13/12/02) ng a woollen sled buoyancy vest knots, wave heig	search. The ce, with part a bout a body eveless very when he land to form of 0.3 r.	e blue deck/white hull ddle floating nearby (GS y was found on Sumner st and a sprayskirt. Davies aunched. Conditions were n and NE swell of 1.5 m
Authorities Involved	Police; Rescue helicopter, Police, C	anterbury Co	oastguard; fixed v	wing aircra	aft
Cause Determined	John Kirk-Anderson provided a rep He noted a kayak without bulkheads recover from. Thus the cause is caps decklines) and drowning.	s will go into	a Cleopatra's Ne	edle, and	would be difficult to
Lessons Learned	JKA: Sea kayaks should have a min aid should be worn at all times. Pad carried, suitable for both day and ni equipment to assist searchers. Kayai in the event of a night search.	dlers should ght. Names a ks and equip	dress for immers and contact detail ment should carr	ion. Distro ls should b y some re	ess signals should be be clearly marked on flective material to assist
Additional Information	Both JKA and PC have copies of the JKA.	e coroner's re	eport, plus the rep	oort for th	e coroner written by

P. Caffyn 22/02/04 -FM record No.41 Compiled

Date	13/12/2002		Accide	nt Ref:	12/02GrpResc
Location	Lyttelton Harbour, South Island]	Region	Canterbury
Source	Chch Press 14/12/02; KASK newslo	etter 101, pp	16, Bugger File rep	ort by J	KA
File Category	rescue -sea				
Name of injured or rescued party	Rachel Alexander & a team from her company	Injuries	Mild hypothermia	ı; torn fo	orearm tendons
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality	n.a.		
Age		From:	Christchurch		
Previous Experience	Only 4 of the 11 had previous paddling	experience; 7	were novices with no	o previou	s paddling experience.
Conditions:	Gale NW winds				
Number in Party	11 inexperienced and two TopSpor	ts	PFD Worn? as	ssumed v	vorn
Kayak Type	Five double Tofino kayaks and 3 si	ngle kayaks			
Description	13 December 2002. The party, led by Len Smyth of TopSports, left Cass Bay at 12.30pm in calm conditions, and paddled to Quail Is, where they BBQued. At 1410hrs, a NW wind developed with whitecaps visible. They set off back to Cass Bay, but Rachel Alexander capsized; winds were 25 - 30 knots from the NW. A Tofino then capsized and the two paddlers let go of the double. The paddler in the front of Len Smyth's double called the Police on a mobile phone and Police, Coastguard, Ambulance, Fire Service and a rescue helicopter were called out. A passing ferry was waved down by Rachel. A total of six paddlers were in the water by this time. Ferries picked up those paddlers, but there was confusion as to who was still in the water. Del Hurley noted wind gusts were to 45 knots with waves half a metre high and steep. At 16.38 Len Smyth called police from Church Bay and said all people were accounted for.				
Authorities Involved	Police; St Johns Water Rescue team	n, Diamond H	farbour Fire Brigad	le, ferrie	s, rescue helicopter
Cause Determined	A gale warning was in force for Co afternoon. The trip leader, Len Smy the sudden increase in strength of the sudden increase to turn everyone	th of TopSpone NW, result	orts, ignored the for ing in the numerou	recast. T	he group was caught by
Lessons Learned	Listen to the weather forecast and d Do not take novice paddlers on the				ning is forecast.
Additional Information	JKA wrote a detailed three page rep	oort on this in	cident for the KAS	SK news	letter.

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P. Caffyn 21 February 2004 -FM record No.42

Date	8/1/2003			Acc	ident Ref:	1/03GrpRescHyp
Location	Lake Rotorua				Region	Bay of Plenty
Source	Chch Press 9 January	v 2003				
File Category	rescue -lake	<u></u>				
Name of injured or rescued party	Not stated. Two Eng	lish tourists	Injuries	Woman with i hospital	mild hypoth	nermia, admitted to
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.		
Age	26 & 23		From:	England		
Previous Experience	Inferred minimal exper	rience				
Conditions:	Night; lake condition	ns not known				
Number in Party	Two; male aged 26 a	and female age	d 23	PFD Worn?	NOT WO	ORN
Kayak Type	Two single kayaks; r	model unknow	n			
Description	8 January 2003. Two tourists had been out drinking before deciding to paddle out to Mokoia Is. They had been drinking with friends at a lakeside holiday park at Koutu, before leaving about midnight in two single kayaks. Concerned friends called the police at 3am when the pair had not returned. A full scale search followed. They were spotted off Waiteti at Ngongotaha (8 km NW of Rotorua) by a resident after 7am, one kayak towing the other. The pair were not wearing lifejackets. Police commented: 'they had gone on the lake after drinking, on a lake they didn't know, without lifejackets or lights which are essential in a kayak at night. They could have been run over by a larger boat heading out fishing. There are a lot of things they should not have done.' The woman was suffering mild hypothermia and was taken to Rotorua hospital.					
Authorities Involved	Police; Rotorua Distr					-
Cause Determined	radio or mobile phon	ne.	ut night, with	out lifejackets a	and without	signalling devices, VHF
Lessons Learned	Not to paddle after d Carry appropriate sig Carry a light source Lifejackets must be	gnalling device on each kayak	s at night for night pade	dling		
Additional Information						

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P. Caffyn 26 February 2004 -FM record No.43

Date	25/4/2003	Accident Ref: 4/03GrpResc			
Location	Hauraki Gulf, North Island		Region	Auckland	
Source	NZ Herald 28 April 2003, Grey Sta	r 28 April 20	03; PC press clippings file	;	
File Category	rescue -sea		r		
Name of injured or rescued party	Not stated	Injuries	Woman rushed to hospital exhausted and in shock	al seriously ill; man	
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality	n.a.		
Age	22 & 34	From:	Auckland?		
Previous Experience	Not known				
Conditions:	Night; conditions not stated				
Number in Party	Two; woman aged 22, male aged 34	4	PFD Worn? lifejacke	ts worn	
Kayak Type	Two single kayaks; male was paddl	ing a triboat,			
Description	25 April 2003. A first date couple were paddling home from Rangitoto Island, when the woman was tipped from her kayak by the wake of a passing ferry. Her date jumped from his kayak to support her and the began a 3 km swim towards the lights of Auckland. Both wearing lifejackets, they commenced their swim about 7.45pm. The bloke had a small Maglite in his mouth, but this was unnoticed by passing boats. About midnight they were close enough to shore for a St Heliers woman to hear their cries and she contacted police. The police helicopter located the couple 500m off Ladies Bay, and two policeman were flown out, and jumped some 10m into the sea. They handed the couple (who were wearing lifejackets) extra flotation devices and stayed with them until an inflatable rescue boat arrived. The woman was frothing at the mouth and her eyes were rolling. On shore, the woman had a body temp of just 25°C, was rushed to hospital. A policewoman spotted the man's torch from Ladies Bay.				
Authorities Involved	Police; Police helicopter, coastguare	d			
Cause Determined	Inexperienced kayakers paddling at Sea kayaks with a minimum of two No signalling devices, radio or mob	bulkheads sh	nould be used at night, not	a triboat.	
Lessons Learned	Carry appropriate signalling device Stay with the kayak if capsized and not have had bulkheads. Know how to do a two kayak rescu	unable to sel	res, VHF radio; mobile ph f rescue. The tri boat no de	one oubt flooded as it would	
Additional Information					

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P. Caffyn 24 February 2004 -FM record No.44

Date	8/9/2003			Accie	dent Ref:	9/03SR
Location	Pines Beach, near m	outh of the Wa	imakariri Riv	er	Region	Canterbury
Source	John Kirk-Anderson	, KASK newsle	etter 100, 8/9	2002 p.8		
File Category	rescue -sea			-		
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries	Hypothermia, i toggle.	ninor skin	injuries from holding bow
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality			
Age	44		From:			
Previous Experience	No previous experienc	e, had owned ka	yak for 4 mont	hs		
Conditions:						
Number in Party				PFD Worn?	buovanc	y vest worn
Kayak Type	QK Penguin			TTD WOIH.	o droj diro,	, vest wern
		with only a litt	la kovokina a	vnarianca consi	zad and d	rifted about 1 Akms south
Description	of his start point, to He was wearing a bu While he had practis unable to re-enter th	near the mouth toyancy vest, a ted re-entering to kayak after eid d up by the Wa	of the Waims cotton top an his kayak bef ight or nine at timak-Ashley	akariri River. d Lycra shorts. ore , he had onletempts. A passi Surf Rescue Gr	y done so i ng vehicle	n calmer waters and was saw him and raised the was flown by helicopter
Authorities Involved	Waimak-Ashley Sur	f Rescue Group	p			
Cause Determined						
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						

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Date	29/9/2003			Acci	dent Ref:	9/03GrpResc
Location	Lake Taupo				Region	Waikato
Source	Grey Star, 30/09/03;	PC press clipp	ings file	<u> </u>		
File Category	rescue -lake					
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality	n.a.			
Age			From:			
Previous Experience	Assumed nil					
Conditions:	Strong offshore wind	ds				
Number in Party	Two; father and son	from Pukekoho	e	PFD Worn?	not know	n
Kayak Type	Rented single kayak	<u> </u>		TID WOIN.		
Description		A father and so	on escaped hy	pothermia yest	erday after	strong winds overturned
A valle quitties	blew them off course kayaks were swept a were able to stand at	e about 1pm. T way. They wer	he man and h e blown onto	is teenage son value a bed of raupo	were near th about 40m	tailrace when the wind ne tailrace when their offshore, where they no raised the alarm.
Authorities Involved	Not stated					
Cause	Inexperienced paddle	ers caught by s	trong offshor	e winds.		
Determined						
Lessons Learned	Listen to the forecast	t, and find out a	about local co	onditions.		
Additional Information						

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P. Caffyn 24 February 2004 -FM record No.46

Date	9/12/2003			Acci	ident iter.	12/03SFDr
Location	North Coast, Stewart Isla	North Coast, Stewart Island, vicinity of Xmas Village Bay Region Stewart Island			Stewart Island	
Source	Chch Press 23/12/03; PC safety file reports; PC coroner's report; canoe specification sheet					
File Category	fatality -sea -solo					
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	Rinitz, Lawrence Guenter	r	Fatality	Presumed dro	owned	
Age	56		From:	Germany		
Previous Experience	Approx. 5 hours paddling o	n Patterson	Inlet. No prior	experience before	re visiting Sto	ewart Island.
Conditions:	Not known at time of dea	ath				
Number in Party	One			PFD Worn?	not know	n
Kayak Type	Old Town model 'Otter';	plastic; no	bulkheads; r	no decklines; 2.	9m long; la	rge cockpit; green
Description	9 December 2003. Rinitz paddled from Halfmoon Bay to Bugaree Bay where he was last seen at the hut on 9 Dec. travelling towards Christmas Village Bay area, where he intended to climb Mt. Anglem. No clear time intentions were left with Innes Dunstan, who eventually contacted police. On 21 Dec. his yellow pack liner and day pack (with binoculars & first aid kit) were found washed up on the beach near the Christmas Village shelter hut. Helicopter searches of the coast from Halfmoon Bay to Yankee River on two days failed to find Rinitz or his kayak. Rinitz bought the kayak in Invercargill, stating he was going to paddle on Patterson Inlet. He was told the kayak was unsuitable, but a combination of cheap price and stubbornness led to the purchase. He also purchased a light sprayskirt, lifejacket and aluminium shaft paddle. Rinitz was carrying his clothes & food in a yellow (Mtn Safety?) plastic bag, in the cockpit, and presumably between his legs, as the seat is fixed in position.					
Authorities Involved	Police; Chartered helicop	oters for co	astal search			
Cause Determined	Either a wave punched in the light sprayskirt, or Rinitz capsized, with the large cockpit kayak flooding, and the plastic bag floating free. With inferred no pump, bailing devices, or knowledge of self rescue procedures, Rinitz was unable to empty and reenter the kayak. With no decklines, and the kayak probably standing on end (Cleopatra's Needle), he separated from the kayak and succumbed to either hypothermia or drowning. Rinitz was inexperienced, paddling the wrong kayak, and did not have appropriate rescue signalling devices. The north coast of St.Is is subject to strong tidal stream movement through Foveaux Strait; and subject to strong westerly winds and chop.					
Lessons Learned	-Kayaks used on the oper flotation in the event of a -Decklines should be fitte -Sea kayakers on the outs -On the outer coast of Ste signal coverage) should b -Distress signals should b -Trip details, timing and i paddler becoming overdu	a capsize. ed, to ensure side coast of the coast of the carried of carried, intentions	re contact can of Stewart Isla d, either a VF suitable for be	he maintained and should dres IF radio or Moo oth day and nig	with a caps ss for cold w untain Radio	sized kayak vater immersion. o set (or mobile phone if
Additional Information	PC contacted Innes Duns and Sgt. John De Lury of the kayak salesperson wa with recommendations as Coroner's inquest held In	f the Inverous received s listed in '	cargill Police, also, and PC Lessons Lear	re further information wrote a 3pp remed.	rmation on l	Rinitz. A statement from

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P. Caffyn 19 March 2003 -FM record No.47

Date	28/12/2003			Acci	dent Ref:	12/03GrpRes
Location	Collingwood, Golde	n Bay, South Is	uth Island Region Golden Bay			Golden Bay
Source	Grey Star, 29 Dec. 2	003; KASK ne	wsletter 108,	pp 1819; PC pr	ess clipping	gs file
File Category	rescue -sea					
Name of injured or rescued party	Not stated		Injuries	Both treated for	or mild hypo	othermia
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.		
Age	22 & 25		From:	Japan; France		
Previous Experience	Inferred nil experience					
Conditions:	Inferred offshore wi	nds and ebb tid	le			
Number in Party	2 - Two female tour	ists; 22 yr old		PFD Worn?	Lifejacket	ts worn
Kayak Type	Inferred rental kayak	s from Colling	wood backpa	ckers		
Description	28 December 2003. The two women went kayaking about 2.30pm; probably in rental kayaks. They were caught on an outgoing tide, boosted by a recent flood in the Aorere River, and were swept out into Golden Bay. The backpacker hostel owner reported them missing after 7pm and a search was begun. Takaka police asked Collingwood boatie Des Miller to check out a sighting by a Milinthorpe resident of an orange blob in the water off Tukurua Beach. Mr Miller said they came across the first kayaker by pure luck, clinging to her upturned kayak, 7 km off Tukurua. They found the second tourist, also clinging to an upturned kayak, 2 km further on off Onekaka. The pair boarded the rescue boat 'surprisingly chirpy' when they were found and boarded it without help. "However they would not have wanted to be out there any longer" The second woman was rescued just on nightfall. They were both wearing lifejackets.					
Authorities Involved	Police; Local boatie					
Cause Determined	Must have been an o	ffshore wind a omen were wea ble to located t	s well. Both caring lifejacke	apsized, and wi	th no self r emained w	fresh in the Aorere River. escue skills, were stuck ith the kayaks, so the here was a competent
Lessons Learned Additional	Carry signalling dev Always remain with			none or VHF ra	dio.	
Additional Information						

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P. Caffyn 24 February 2004 -FM record No.48

Date	4/1/2004			Acci	dent Ref:	1/04SFCol
Location	Okiwi Bay, south of	French Pass; S	outh Island		Region	Nelson
Source	Chch Press 6/01/04;	NEM 6/01/04;	KASK news	letter 108. p 18		
File Category	fatality -collision -sea	a		•		
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	Richard Taylor		Fatality	Killed by impa	act from po	wer boat
Age	30		From:	ex. pat Kiwi o	n holiday f	From London
Previous Experience	Not known					
Conditions:	Flat calm conditions	, sunny day				
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn?	not know	n
Kayak Type	Plastic sit on top kay	ak; bright yello	ow in colour			
Description	4 January 2004. About 5pm, Richard Taylor, who was paddling some 200 m offshore, was struck by a powerboat towing a sea biscuit. As well as the driver, there were two observers on the boat, which was turning to pick up the person who had fallen off the biscuit. The people on the boat were 'unaware of the collision until they saw a body in the water." They picked up Taylor, and took him to shore, where he had a pulse and was breathing, despite a bad head injury. He died when being loaded onto the rescue helicopter. The collision occurred about 5pm. Sunset that day in Nelson was 9.03pm. Conditions were calm when the accident occurred.					
Authorities Involved	Police; Rescue helice	opter				
Cause Determined	Failure to keep a pro	per lookout by	the boat driv	er and observer	S.	
2000	Wellington paddler, She said the bright y not in the ski lane.					he accident. as calm, & the kayak was
Lessons Learned Additional Information		ton Meo, 55, W tted one charge	Vellington cor e, under the N	nmercial lawye Iaritime Transp	ort Act, tha	victed and remanded for at while being the master I to have sufficient
		to ensure the v	essel was nav	vigated properly	and failed	l to have sufficient

Compiled P. Caffyn 24 February 2004 -FM record No.49

Date	16/2/2004		Accident Ref:	02/04SNIROW				
Location	Rarawa Beach, near Houhora Harbo	our, Northlan	d. Region	Northland				
Source	Chch Press 18/02/04, BoP Times 19	Chch Press 18/02/04, BoP Times 19/02/04; reports from Iona Bailey; PC safety file						
File Category	rescue -sea -solo -sit on top							
Name of injured or rescued party	Stacey, Gordon	Injuries	Not stated					
Name of Deceased		Fatality						
Age	37 male	From:	Tauranga					
Previous Experience	Nil. Stated some boating experience and	d an experienc	ed diver.					
Conditions:	Strong offshore winds; swell of 1.5	m						
Number in Party	1		PFD Worn? Lifejacke	t worn				
Kayak Type	Sekat, SOT, ≤3m long; plastic. Colo	our not know						
Description	16 February 2004. Stacey's long lin drove to he Wagener Park motor ca launched at 8.30am, but turned back kayak was flipped over by a wave; lagain and the kayak was quickly ble this away. His lifejacket kept riding 10.30am, his friend raised the alarm co-ordinated a search in strong wind Stacey was located by the helicopte and the kayak another mile to seawage.	mp and hired k to put on a he tried lying own out of re over his hea n, with emerg ds and difficu r at 12.25pm	l a sit on top kayak. He dro lifejacket and tell a friend on it to prevent it flipping ach. He decided the paddle d (he had not done up the ency services phoned. Far alt sea conditions, at sea, o , 3.4 miles offshore, his pa	ove back to the beach and of his intentions. The g, but he was flipped off e was useless & threw waist strap). Approx. North Coastguard Radio in shore and from the air. ddle 100 m further out,				
Authorities Involved	Police;Far North Coastguard Radio	, 3 Bay of Isla	ands fishing boats, Northla	and Rescue helo.				
Cause Determined	Flipped off sit on top kayak in strong offshore wind conditions; unable to stay in contact with kayak. -ignorance of the danger of offshore winds -lack of carrying suitable signalling devices -inappropriate choice of kayak -the thin nylon twine deckline could not easily be grabbed -the paddle could have been used for signalling to rescuers -waistband of lifejacket was not fastened -no previous kayaking experience							
Lessons Learned	-Stay off the sea in strong offshore duse the appropriate craft for condit decklines for hanging onto in case ducklines for hanging of the formation of th	tions. A minit of a capsize. person g devices for o		a kayak, and solid				
Additional Information	The police have spoken to the persoquestioned as to where he was goin was so rough. At least Stacey told a led to his life being saved.	g. The rescue	ers had a lot of trouble sigh	ting Stacey as the sea				

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P. Caffyn 19 February 2004 -FM record No.50

Date	20/2/2004			Accio	dent Ref:	2/04GrpFOW
Location	Bay of Islands, Nortl	h Island			Region	Northland
Source			C pr. clipping	file; pers comn	n. Pauline l	Moretti, Tony Dumper
File Category	Capsized kayaker dro					, J 1
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	Phillip Edwards		Fatality	Drowning		
Age	41		From:	Kaikohe		
Previous Experience	Not known					
Conditions:	Strong offshore wind Poor viz. with rain sl	ds; air temp. ≠26 howers. NW 26	18°, water tem 0kn winds, gu	np. ≠17.5°; seas sasting 25 -30kn.	moderate t	o rough in exposed areas.
Number in Party	2			PFD Worn?	Not worn	
Kayak Type	Two single kayaks; r	nodel unknow	n; old fibregla		ls or buoya	ncy bags
Description	20 February 2004. Two men from Kaikohe, 40s, kayaking from Wairoa bay. Between 1300 & 1400 hrs. they paddled out round the Brampton Shoal toward the Kerikeri Inlet to go diving. Was calmish when they left. They were diving. Conditions roughed up very quickly. They couldn't make it to inlet so turned round and tried to get back to Wairoa Bay. Got separated by about 100 m and got swamped and overturned. Between 1630 & 1700hrs, both kayaks capsized. One diver grabbed his flippers, snorkel, used tyre tube and mask from his semi-submerged boat, and made it back by swimming to Wairoa bay. Didn't know what happened to Edwards. Approx. two hours after the capsize, he raised the alarm. Wairoa/Brampton is directly opposite Tapeka Pt. Wind would have been blowing in that direction. Rescue vessels arrived about 1945hrs to commence a search in fading light. A semi-submerged kayak was located ≠2100hrs, 0.4nm SE of Bramption Buoy towards Simpson Pt. A body was then found, just below the surface, ≠200m from the kayak, dressed in running shoes, shorts, parka, T shirt, but not wearing a lifejacket or buoyancy aid. The deceased's kayak was found next day up the Rawhiti Inlet.					
Authorities Involved	Police; Rescue helico	opter; four resc	cue vessels			
Cause Determined	-Inferred inexperienced kayakers caught by offshore winds. One paddler swimming to shore to call for a rescue, the drowned man not wearing a lifejacket, and not staying with his kayakKayaks used with no integral buoyancy, either bulkheads or buoyancy bagsLifejackets were not worn -No signalling devices for calling a rescue -Inferred no pumps or bailing devices -Inferred no knowledge of basic self or group rescue techniques -Deceased was inappropriately dressed for cold water immersion					
Lessons Learned	-Wear a lifejacketStay with a capsized -Sea kayaks must hav -Carry appropriate si -Listen to the marine -Dress appropriately -Leave intentions of -Sprayskirts must be -Listen to the forecas	we a minimum gnalling device forecast for cold water trip and return worn on cocky	es; and or VH immersion time with cor pits	F radio or mobil	le phone	
Additional Information	with his kayak. Dece suitable for sheltered one kayak seat was n	eased's kayak, I estuary or pro not fixed in pla It off. The kaya	≠ 3.2m long, otected waters ce, and had that it had a nur	old, fibreglass, l ; no bulkheads on the appearance of	large open or other bud f an old ply	lifejacket and stayed 1.5m long cockpit, oyancy; no sprayskirts; wood school type seat, it either had previously

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P. Caffyn 24 February 2004 -FM Comms Carried record No.51

Date	24/2/2004		Accident F	lef:	2/04GrpStr.W
Location	Port Chalmers, Dunedin		Reg	ion	Otago
Source	Otago Daily Times 25/02/04; PC Press clipping file				
File Category	Rescue services called to three kaya			scue	involved
Name of injured or rescued party	Three men from a local surf lifesaving club	Injuries	Nil		
Name of Deceased		Fatality			
Age		From:	Dunedin		
Previous Experience	Unknown				
Conditions:	'Mayhem' conditions on the harbou	or with gale fo	orce winds		
Number in Party	3		PFD Worn? Not w	vorn	
Kayak Type	Not known	-	TID WOIH.		
Description	24 February 2004. Numerous mem	bers of the pu	blic, who spotted the	rio 1	paddling from Dunedin to
	Port Chalmers at night (early evening Rescue. When the kayakers finally Safety & Safe Boating adviser) that training run down the harbour. 'The in gale force winds clothed the way men were dressed only in 3/4 wetsut to happen,' he said. They had also to gale.	came ashore they were se at doesn't exc they were or lits and appear	at Back Beach, they to nior members of a loc use their absolute stup being without lifejach ared to be very cold.	ld M al lit idity cets They	Ar Lewis (Maritime fesaving club on a in being on the harbour or flotation devices.' The were an accident waiting
Authorities Involved	Police, Maritime Search & Rescue				
Cause Determined	As lifesavers, these blokes may hav lifesavers on surf skis, however for should have been worn.				
Lessons Learned	-Wear a lifejacket -dress for cold water immersion				
Additional Information					

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P. Caffyn 25 February 2004 -FM record No.52

Date	2/5/2004			Acc	ident Ref:	5/04GrpRescNI	
Location	Mount Maunganui				Region	Bay of Plenty	
Source	Iona Bailey report M	Iay 2004; PC ii	ncident databa	ase file			
File Category	TI-1			A few minor s	aratahas		
Name of injured or rescued party	Unknown		Injuries	A few fillions			
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age			From:				
Previous Experience							
Conditions:	Mild with little wind	l. 1 -2m seas br	eaking 100m	offshore			
Number in Party	3			PFD Worn?	worn		
Kayak Type	Plastic Puffins						
Description	kayak had the rear h three were well dres 6pm one of the kaya of Rabbit Island. He North Rock. The on headed to shore whi assistance and the C Maunganui SLC. Fo was then so thick tha until the fog lifted. I carried by the kayak	2 May 2004. The three paddlers launched approx. 4.30pm from Shark Alley at Mt Maunganui. One kayak had the rear hatch cover removed and a large plastic bin inserted into the hatch opening. The three were well dressed, with hats, lifejackets and jackets, and the trip was for fishing. About 5 pm one of the kayakers, the least experienced, was caught by a wave washing over the rocks north of Rabbit Island. He was unable to re-enter his kayak, and dragged his kayak onto what is known as North Rock. The only signalling equipment carried by the group was a flashing light. One paddler neaded to shore while the other two waited for rescue at North Rock. At 7.04 CG received a call for assistance and the CG rescue vessel was launched. An IRB was also launched from the Mt Maunganui SLC. Fog had developed and the IRB did not sight the paddlers until 7.44pm. The fog was then so thick that the IRB crew could not sight shore and were instructed to remain offshore until the fog lifted. Flares set off the beach could not be seen. The IRB deployed a sea anchor carried by the kayakers. At 9.30pm the party landed at Mount Beach. Apart from a few scratches from the rocks, otherwise the paddles were unharmed.					
Authorities Involved	CG and SLC						
Cause Determined	Underestimation of capsize. Apart from carried. The party hat The kayaker who ca	head torches and no tow rope	nd a flashing but carried a	light, no emerg paddle float an	ency rescu	oding of kayak after the e signalling equipment was	
Lessons Learned	Marine forecast show Rescue drills should Hatches should never Tow ropes should be A cellphone or VHF	be practised in or be removed for carried by all	realistic con- from kayaks. paddlers or a	ditions. t least one per s	group. Frescue aut	horities	
Additional Information	The group were fort	unate it was a v	varm evening	;.			
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Date	16/5/2004		Accident Ref:	5/04GrpSurfI
Location	Front Beach, Flaxmill, Coromande	lel Peninsula Region Waikato		
Source	Report from Karen Knowles. PC in	cident databa	se file	
File Category		1		
Name of injured or rescued party	Karen Budd	Injuries	Torn thigh ligaments	
Name of Deceased		Fatality		
Age		From:		
Previous Experience	Eight months prior paddling experience	e; YakityYak c	lub leader's trip course comp	leted
Conditions:	Surf under 0.5m in height			
Number in Party	8		PFD Worn? Worn	
Kayak Type	Unknown	L	TID WOIII.	
Description	16 May 2004. Eight paddlers in sin Karen, after paddling into the beach	gle sea kayak	S	d - hl
	swept the kayak into her leg. First t Knowles phoned for an ambulance incident, Karen Budd was lifted int	after pulling	Karen Budd from the wate	
Authorities Involved	Ambulance; first response fire team	1		
Cause	Inferred failure after exiting the coo			/ak.
Determined	Kayak swept by a broken wave ont	to the thigh of	the paddler.	
Lessons Learned	When surfing into a beach, maintai or stern of the kayak.	n view of sur	f, exit the cockpit quickly a	and go to either the bow
Additional				
Information				

Compiled P. Caffyn 25/5/06 -FM record No.54

Date	30/5/2004		Accident Ref:	5/04SRHyp			
Location	Otago Harbour. Otago.		Region	Otago			
Source	Grey Star 31/5/04; PC press clipping file						
File Category	Solo paddler capsize, rescue, hypot	hermia	.				
Name of injured or rescued party	Dave Palmer.	Injuries	Mild Hypothermia				
Name of Deceased		Fatality					
Age	39 male	From:	Port Chalmers.				
Previous Experience	Seven year's sea kayaking						
Conditions:	Choppy sea, cold conditions						
Number in Party	1		PFD Worn? Lifejacke	et worn			
Kayak Type	Unknown		IID Willi. Englesia	-			
Description	30 May 2004. At 11.30am, Palmer race. His rudder cable snapped and and Palmer opted to paddle home. So rogue wave capsized him. His roll fout of the water, he slipped and the Palmer was wearing: a thermal top, waterproof bag around his neck and (Palmer was a volunteer). Rescue be the rescue boats using his cellphone dexterity in his hands. Just as he fel the water, about 1 km S of Quaranti temp. was 32°C, 5°C below average after 2 hours.	he had to do Sea was 'bit of ailed and he kayak floated light trousers called 111. oats were lau to the was about the was about and in mild	a makeshift repair. By this choppy' but he was comfor slid out of the kayak. Whe dout of his grasp. If and lifejacket. He had a He was patched to Port Cluched, but couldn't find Pe was in trouble with light at to lose consciousness, Pown to Dunedin hospital be	stime, the race was over table with conditions. A en trying to pull himself cellphone, which was in a nalmers fire service officer almer. He had to direct fading and fading manual almer was plucked from y rescue helicopter. His			
Authorities Involved	Fire Service, rescue boats, rescue he	elicopter					
Cause	Capsize in cold, chilly weather, with	h unsuccessfi	ıl roll, and failure to self r	escue.			
Determined	Kayak drifted away. Onset of hypothermia through cold	water immer	sion and inappropriate clo	thing worn for			
	immersion.			_			
	Life saved by carrying cellphone ar	ound his nec	k, and prompt rescue folio	wing the 111 call			
Lessons Learned	-Dress for cold water immersionIf this was a tri-boat (no bulkheads have allowed an attempt at re-enteri-Ensure kayak has decklines for har-Stay with the kayak after a wet exit swimmer in choppy seasCarry signalling devices on the life Palmer's life was saved through carry prompt response from the rescue se Without the cellphone, he would ha	ing the kayak aging onto aft and capsize jacket or bod rying a cellph rvices.	a, also better visibility if a ter a capsize and wet exit. better visibility for rescue by. none in a waterproof bag a	rescue is called in. ers than looking for a bround his neck, and			
Additional Information	Sought additional info. from OSKA	-Palmer not	a member of the Otago s/	k network.			

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P. Caffyn 10/08/04 -FM record No.55

Comms Carried

Yes -cellphone

Date	3/7/2004		Ac	cident Ref:	7/04SFDr		
Location	Reotahi Beach, near Marsden Pt, W	Whangarei, Northland. Region Northland			Northland		
Source	NZ Herald 5/7/04; Grey Star 6/7/04; PC press clipping file						
File Category	Drowning of solo kayaker -Suicide						
Name of injured or rescued party		Injuries					
Name of Deceased	Pearson, William Keith Fatality Drowning						
Age	43	From:	Whangarei				
Previous Experience	Clipping says Pearson fished regularly	in the area fror	n his kayak.				
Conditions:	Not known						
Number in Party	1		PFD Worn?	lifejacket	worn		
Kayak Type	Possibly a SOT plastic (info. from N	Northland car	noe club mem	per)			
Description	3 July 2004. Pearson fished regularly from is kayak and had been out all day 3 July. At 6.30pm another fisherman found Pearson's empty kayak tied to a buoy 200 m offshore in Bream Bay. The man's car was found parked at Ruakaka, as a helicopter, plane and 7 Whangarei Coastguard vessels joined the search on Sunday 4 July. Police were contacted Sunday afternoon by a woman who found the man's body wedged under a pohutukawa tree on Reotahi Beach, at 12.30pm. This is 7 km NW of where the kayak was found. Pearson, who was not a diver, was found wearing a parka. lifejacket, wetsuit, leggings and work boots. Police comment: "We've no idea yet about a cause of death. We're not sure whether there might have been a medical condition involved."						
Authorities Involved	Police, Coastguard, fixed wing and	helicopter.					
Cause Determined	Needs additional information from inferred suicide	police or inq	uest report.				
Lessons Learned	Needs additional information from	police or inqu	est report!				
Additional Information	Advised by Jim Lott that this is dete DOES NOT NEED INCLUSION IN	ermined as a S	Suicide. 7 STATISTIC	es s			

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P. Caffyn 10/08/04 -FM record No.56

Date	10/7/2004		Accident Ref:	7/04GrpNIResc			
Location	Kapiti Island		Region	Wellington			
Source	Kapiti News 14/7/04, Dom. Post 13/7/04; marine forecast -PC press clipping files						
File Category	Rescue of two overdue paddlers -no injuries						
Name of injured or rescued party	Not stated	Injuries	Nil				
Name of Deceased		Fatality					
Age	32,33	From:	Paraparaumu, Wellington	1.			
Previous Experience	Clipping notes experienced kayakers						
Conditions:	Unknown. Rec. marine forecast for Kapiti 0512 -2359hrs Sat, for out to Kapiti was variable 5 kt becoming S, 10 kt mid am, rising to 15 kt & gusting 25 kt during afternoon. Smooth seas, becoming slight in pm. Fine weather						
Number in Party	2		PFD Worn? not know	/n			
Kayak Type	Not stated						
Description	Two experienced Paraparaumu men, 32 & 33 left Paraparaumu Beach at noon for a trip to, then around Kaptiti Island and back. They were not expected home until after dark. When they failed to return by 10pm, a search & rescue operation was initiated including Kapititi and Waikanae coastguard. By 12.20am, the pair were located, fit and well and the island, after a fire was spotted on the western side of the island. DS (Det. Sgnt) Dickie said one of the kayakers had been tossed out of his kayak ≠5.30pm, so the pair landed on the island for a rethink, especially as conditions had deteriorated. DS Dickie said, although the kayakers were well equipped with wetsuits, flares, and dry clothing, it highlighted the need for all boaties to leave clear instructions with family or associates about trip intentions and to have another plan in place.						
Authorities Involved	Police; Waikanae & Kapiti Coastgu						
Cause Determined	Leaving too late in the day to complete the trip? Conditions deteriorating for level of experience Failure to accept forecast worsening weather and sea conditions in the afternoon? If conditions were too much for one paddler's experience, then correct decision was made to land and wait. Could VHF radio or a cellphone have been used to contact friends/family from the west side of the island?						
Lessons Learned	-Ensure sufficient daylight hours for -Check on ability to call a rescue wi -Intentions and fail to return time w suggests, a contingency plan for over	th VHF radio ere obviously	o or cellphone from west significant to or cellphone from the cellphon	ty, but as the DS			
Additional Information	Insufficient information on the resc Needs follow up from WSKN.	ue, kayaks, e	quipment, experience.				

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P. Caffyn 10/7/04 -FM record No. Comms Carried 57

Date	19/07/2004		Accident Ref:	7/04SRHypOW			
	Off Takapuna Boat Ramp, off M	Milford Beach	Region	Auckland			
Source		'North Shore Times' 20 July 04; PC press clipping file					
File Category	Capsize at night by wind on gro	up training pad		* *			
Name of injured or rescued party	Tim McPherson	Injuries	After 3.5 hours in the wa and heart was in an unev	ter, suffered hypothermia, en rhythm.			
Name of Deceased		Fatality	,				
Age	34 male	From:					
Previous Experience	Says experienced kayaker, on a reg	ular weekly padd	le with his kayak group				
Conditions:	Rough water and strong offsho	e winds. Mid w	rinter. Night.				
Number in Party	Group ?		PFD Worn? buoyancy	y vest worn			
Kayak Type	Not stated. Triboat?						
Description	Mr McPherson was on a weekly paddle with his kayak group. Nearing the Takapuna boat ramp, he was a bit ahead of the group, when he hit rough waters and strong winds, which pointed the kayak bow out to sea. He struggled to turn back to the beach, but had already drifted 300 m offshore, when a gust capsized him. The wind sent the kayak barrel rolling away. Unsure if his friends has seen him, he tried calling out but the offshore wind prevented this. Wearing a buoyancy vest, he started swimming for the beach with his paddle and dolphin torch. After 30 min of strong kicking, he found himself further away. 'I knew I had to get to the beach or I'd be the drowned man on the front page of tomorrow's paper.' After about 3 hrs, when the first rescue boat went past without seeing him, he thought he'd missed the only chance of rescue, so he stopped kicking to conserve energy for the am. He was found about 11.20pm when the police launch Deodar 2 went over to investigate what they thought was a bottle in the water, some 150 m away. He suffered hypothermia and his heart was in an uneven rhythm. Doctors said if he hadn't been found when he was, he wouldn't have survived.						
Authorities Involved	Police						
Cause Determined	Capsized at night by strong offshore winds and separated from the kayak. Although paddling in a group, had separated from the rest of the paddlers. May have been a triboat with no decklines (sounds very light if it was barrel rolled away). Buoyancy vest worn, and dolphin torch carried (why wasn't this spotted by searchers?) Obviously no VHF radio, cellphone or flares carried on the paddler or buoyancy vest. Insufficient information on how rescue was initiated -paddling mates most likely. No info. on clothing worn.						
Lessons Learned	 Listen to the latest forecast before paddling. If starting a paddle in a group, stay in the group until landing. Carry appropriate signalling devices for night paddling; head-torch, torch, night flare, VHF and/or cellphone. Ensure kayak has decklines to stay in contact with a kayak after a capsize and sealed storage compartments for buoyancy, so the kayak floats. Stay with a capsized kayak. It is easier for rescuers to see than a body in the water. 						
Additional Information							

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P. Caffyn 12 October 2004 -FM record No.58

Date	22/9/2004	Accident Ref: 9/04GrpRhyp					
Location	Lake Rotorua		Region	Bay of Plenty			
Source	Iona Bailey report, met. service report, PC press clippings file						
File Category	Group rescue		lm				
Name of injured or rescued party	Not known	Injuries	Taken to hospital to be tr	eated for hypothermia			
Name of Deceased		Fatality					
Age	9 -15 years	From:	group from Auckland				
Previous Experience	Assumed nil experience for the children	n					
Conditions:	Described by police as atrocious. O	ne metre swo	ell and SW winds gusting t	to 40 knots.			
Number in Party	12 children & 4 adults		PFD Worn?				
Kayak Type	Not known		TID WOIH.				
Description	12 children & 4 adults, part of an Auckland based outdoor trust group in Rotorua for the school holidays, were crossing from Mokoia Is to the Ohau channel about 1pm. Surveyors, working on a boat on the lake saw the group leave Mokoia Is and were so concerned, they contacted emergency services. A rescue helicopter was diverted from another job to help find them. Just as it arrived, the pilot saw the first of several kayaks overturn in the choppy waters. With the helicopter guiding it, the surveyors boat was able to intercept and rescue the kayakers, who were brought ashore at Sulphur Pt, on the city side of the lake, and taken to hospital for treatment for hypothermia. Some kayakers managed to make landfall south of the Ohau channel. Police Det. Sgt. Wilson was uncertain if the group would face prosecution, as it was a decision that could only be made after consultation with the harbourmaster. No member of the group would comment on the incident.						
Authorities Involved	Police, rescue helicopter, hospital						
Cause Determined	Paddling in gale force winds and choppy seas, in late winter, in conditions well beyond the assumed low/nil level paddling experience of the school children. Assumed failure to check the lake forecast before launching Assumed lack of any emergency signalling equipment such as VHF radio, flares or mobile phone with which a pick up of the group from Mokoia Is could have been arranged.						
Lessons Learned	Need to check local forecast before Need to carry emergency rescue sig Dressing for cold water immersion Paddling in conditions appropriate	nalling equip					
Additional Information	Met service forecast issued 11.11an The forecast issued 3.49am was for Recorded conditions at the Rotorua to 39 knots. Air temp. of 12.5°C.	SW 10 knot	s, rising to 25 by afternoor	1.			

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Date	26/09/2004]	Accident Ref:	9/04Fx2Dr1Resc.	
Location	Waipaoa River mouth, near Gisl	orne	ne Region Gisborne		
Source	Newspapers 27 -28 Sept. 04; rep	ort and photos f	rom John Humphris; MSA	report 6/05	
File Category			1		
Name of injured or rescued party	11 year old nephew	Injuries	11 year old with hypothe	rmia	
Name of Deceased	Clutterbuck, Aaron McClutchie, Hemi Damian	Fatality	Double drowning		
Age	27, 27 & 11	From:	Gisborne		
Previous Experience	Assumed all three were novice pado	lers			
Conditions:	Rough and cold.				
Number in Party	3		PFD Worn? no PFDs	worn	
Kayak Type	Scupper Pro SOT single kayak.	4.5m l, 0.65m v	112 ((0111)		
Description	At 5.30pm, two men and an 11yr old boy launched a SOT kayak to set a fishing net, off the Waipaoa River, near Gisborne. Net was 60m long. Two hatch covers were removed, with two people sitting fore and aft, sitting astride the hatch areas. The inner end of the net was secured ashore. While setting the net to seawards, weights attached to the outer end fell into the aft (open hatch). The kayak stern flooded, leading to a capsize. This was ≠ 100 m offshore. No lifejackets were aboard. The 11 year old swam ashore and raised the alarm at 5.45pm. The boy was thrown clear of the net by one of the men and told to swim for the shore. The thrower then swam after him, turned to see where the other man was and saw him tangled in the net. He then swam back to help and apparently got tangled himself. The river is the largest around Gisborne and was running fairly fast and they lost contact with the kayak as soon as it capsized. Helicopter and Coastguard searches failed to find the two men. The kayak was recovered Sunday night on a sandbar and a paddle found About 1 km offshore. The boy was taken to Gisborne Hospital with hypothermia. The body of McClutchie was found in the river on 3 October, and that of Clutterbuck on 6 October near the river mouth.				
Authorities Involved	Gisborne Volunteer CG, Police,	helicopter and f	ixed wing aircraft, S&R te	eams	
Cause Determined	Inappropriate use of a single sit on top kayak by two men and a boy. Lifejackets not worn by the two men. Warm clothing not worn. Drain holes in the cockpit/seating area had been plugged. The fore and aft hatches of the sit on top had been removed prior to launching.				
Lessons Learned	Sit on top kayaks should not be kayak is lost. There are no intern Lifejackets were not worn.			ntegral buoyancy of the	
Additional Information	Sit on top details: Length 4.5 ma Two hatches only. 12" x 22" (r Colour variegated orange/yellow MSA report completed 23/6/o5	o round, screw-	in 6" centre hatch.)	ity 158.8 -181.4 Kg	

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P. Caffyn 20 January 2005 -FM record No.60

Date	3/11/2004		Accident Ref: 11/04FSHyp/Dr		
Location	Cable Bay, Pepin Island. northeast of	of Nelson	Region Nelson		
Source	Nelson Mail; interview with Nick V	Voods of Cat	ble Bay Kayaks.		
File Category			death due to hypothermia or drowning		
Name of injured or rescued party		Injuries			
Name of Deceased	Mark Stephen Cubbin	Fatality	Hypothermia/drowning		
Age	37	From:	Motueka		
Previous Experience	Extensive outdoor experience but no sign				
Conditions:	At 1pm, prior to launching in Cable Forecast was for light southwesterli The wind freshened to 20 knots mid	ies and daytii			
Number in Party	One		PFD Worn? buoyancy vest		
Kayak Type	Looksha, plastic, yellow in colour.				
Description	Mark had applied for a guiding position with Cable Bay Kayaks. He had been supplied the KASK handbook to study, and was given a full briefing on safety equipment and emergency procedures by Nick Woods prior to launching for a 5nm paddle around Pepin Is. from Cable Bay to Delaware Bay on 3 November. Mark was lent a Looksha plastic kayak by Nick for the trip. Mark was told of HW at 2.09pm, as he was to paddle up the estuary from Delaware Bay to the Cable Bay Kayaks base, no later than 4pm. By 4.30pm, Mark had not arrived and a search and rescue operation was instigated by Nick Woods. Earlier a farmhand had noticed a kayak drifting several hundred metres offshore in Delaware Bay. About 7pm, the kayak was found on Delaware Bay beach, & separately a body wearing a sprayskirt and buoyancy vest, and a paddle with inflated paddle float attached. A tether which had secured the paddle float inside the cockpit had either been undone by Mark probably during a self rescue attempt.				
Authorities Involved	Police, Nelson Search & Rescue tea	ım, search air	rcraft and 3.5m Niad RIB boat.		
Cause Determined	Pepin Is. to eat a pack of sandwiche tip of the island. He capsized, exited tether line was undone, and the pade paddle (with paddle float attached) contained in an emergency bag on t	es. The wind of the cockpit of the slipped a Mark was un he kayak dece onshore wire.	scenario is likely. Mark stopped on the outside of had lifted when he resumed paddling around the N t, and attempted a paddle float self rescue. The float away from under the decklines. Swimming after the nable to swim back to the kayak. A flare pack was ck. Mark could have swum to the shore of the island, ind. He succumbed to hypothermia/drowning while bly with the paddle.		
Lessons Learned	 Paddle floats should be secured to allow the paddle float rescue and sh Mark, quite lean in physique, onl Clothing should be either worn or c 	o the deckling tould not be only had two lay arried on/in the scue, a padd	the kayak in the event of cold water immersion. Iler should remain with the kayak, not only to allow		
Additional Information	Coroner's inquest was held on 14 M An incident report was supplied by page of the kayak and paddle float v Coroner's inquest report on file.	Nick Woods	s to P. Caffyn, and a report by P. Caffyn with photo		

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P. Caffyn 20 January 2005 -FM record No.61

Date	1/01/2005		Accident Ref:	1/05GpRNI			
Location	Entrance to Tory Channel, Marlbord	ough Sounds	Region	Marlborough			
Source	Report compiled by Susan Cade with comments from Mike Wilkin; KASK n/l No. 122						
File Category	Capsize in Tory Channel; rescue by	fishing boat					
Name of injured or rescued party	Susan Cade	Injuries	Nil Cold & mid shock				
Name of Deceased		Fatality					
Age	48	From:	Wellington				
Previous Experience	Experienced multiday paddler						
Conditions:	Marine forecast for 15kn S. Ebb tidal stream flow in T.Ch. entrance; intermittent heavy breakers across part of entrance; weather tide; raining						
Number in Party	2		PFD Worn? Yes				
Kayak Type	Susan Cade in a Nordkapp; Mike W	ilkin in a QF	112 ((011)				
Description	Plan was for a clockwise circuit of Arapawa Is. From C. Koamaru, the S wind was increasing slightly, with SC paddling close to shore & MW further out. Approaching Perano Head, both wind & tidal stream conditions grew steadily worse. 2 km from the entrance, MW took a beeline across a bay while SC hugged the shore. MW was getting cold; shivering and his hands had seized onto the paddle. MW waited by the entrance, and both went into the channel hard against the Arapawa Is shore. Sea appeared calm and flat inside. SC suggested paddling directly across to an old whaling station on opposite side of the channel. MW took off, but had to broach in 3 large breakers. SC was capsized by a large breaker. Exited the cockpit; tried to set up a paddle float self rescue. SC was swept seawards, out of the entrance, by the ebb tidal stream flow. A woman at the Perano homestead, saw the capsize, alerted Joe Heberley, and took a fishing boat out. SC was rescued, the kayak lifted on board. She was taken to the Heberley's jetty, then rushed up to the house for a hot shower and food. MW was not aware that SC had capsized. He paddled across to the jetty, but couldn't stand up on shore. He was hypothermic.						
Authorities Involved	Joe Heberley's fishing boat						
Cause Determined	Uncertainly of slack water time at the Decision to cross Tory Channel who and leaving SC to paddle effectively SC failing to roll or self rescue in readd more clothing when starting to	ile still in a p y on her own ough conditio feel cold. Poo	otential rough water zone out of vocal communicat ns. MW is a hypothermic or communication betwee	tion range & sight. Estate, through failure to en the 2 paddlers.			
Lessons Learned	Awareness of the onset of hypother. Maintaining communication betwee Paddling in close proximity to the o Turning back when both paddlers a If the woman at the Perano homest there is a high chance SC would have	en paddlers, r other paddler, gree conditio ead had noted	e comfort and paddling p so as not to be out of voons are too risky. I sighted SC capsize, with	lan. cal communication range. h a rapid rescue response,			
Additional Information	Both SC and MW carried paddled f full camping equipment. SC had an John Kirk-Anderson and Cathye Ha	EPIRB; MW	a VHF radio & space blace	anket.			

Compiled P. Caffyn 2/6/06 -FM record No. 62 Comms Carried

Date	10/2/2005		Accident Ref: 2/05GrpSRescNI					
Location	Sumner, Christchurch	Region Canterbury						
Source	Press 11 February 2005. PC press cl	Press 11 February 2005. PC press clipping file						
File Category								
Name of injured or rescued party	Unknown	Injuries	Nil					
Name of Deceased		Fatality						
Age	Unknown	From:	Unknown					
Previous Experience								
Conditions:	Change to strong offshore wind							
Number in Party	Two		PFD Worn? not known					
Kayak Type	Unknown							
Description	pair capsized her kayak after the win Sumner lifesavers who had been tra- pair to shore just after 8pm. St John Ambulance were called but	nd had whippining went o	ng caught out by a strong wind change. One of the ped up the swell near the mouth of the estuary. ut in their inflatable rescue craft and brought the e kayaker were injured.					
Involved	Lifesavers and St. John ambulance							
Cause Determined	Inferred change from calm condition							
Lessons Learned Additional Information	Ensuring a check of the marine fore	cast before I	aunching.					
Compiled	P. Caffyn 25/05/06 -FM record No. 63	Comms	Carried					

Date	21/6/2005 Accident Ref: 6/05\$RescNI					6/05SRescNI
Location	10km southeast of O	punake; off Pu	ketapu Rd		Region	Taranaki
Source	PC press clipping fil	es; 22/6/05				
File Category	Capsize solo paddler	, rescue				
Name of injured or rescued party	Derek Cruikshank male, farmer		Injuries	Nil		
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	49 male		From:	Kapuni		
Previous Experience	Not known					
Conditions:	Rough seas, gusty w	ind conditions	; mid winter t	emperatures		
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn?	not know	n
Kayak Type	Not known		<u> </u>	TTD WOIH.		
Description		enant two hour	o in franzina i	votors off the se	outh Toron	aki agget hafora haing
	A capsized kayaker spent two hours in freezing waters off the south Taranaki coast before being plucked to safety by helicopter. Police said if it had not been for the quick actions of his fishing colleague onshore, Kapuni farmer Derek Cruikshank would have perished in the rough seas. Police, two teams of ambulance paramedics, Opunake lifesavers with two inflatable rescue boats, and a crowd of onlookers had gathered on the cliff top to watch the rescue. A rescue helicopter dropped two rescue divers into the freezing waters, about 800 m offshore, just before 10am. The trio were picked up and returned to dry land about 10.10am, after Mr Cruikshank had spent almost two hours in the water. A gust of wind tipped Mr Cruikshank from his sea kayak as he was setting fishing lines off Puketapu Rd, about 10 km SE of Opunake.					
Authorities Involved	Police, rescue helico	pter, Opunake	SLC			
Cause	Capsized by a gust o		etting fishing	lines.		
Determined	Unable to self rescue	·.				
Lessons Learned	Need to check marin	ne forecast before	ore launching			
Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn 1/06/06 -FM record No.64

Date	29/09/2005			Acc	ident Ref:	9/05GrRNI
Location	Lake Tarawera				Region	Bay of Plenty
Source	Iona Bailey report; E	Bay of Plenty T	imes; pers. co	omm with Roto	rua harbou	rmaster
File Category			1			
Name of injured or rescued party	Twin brothers; name Males	s unknown	Injuries	One boy admi	tted to hosp	pital with hypothermia
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	17		From:			
Previous Experience	Novice paddlers					
Conditions:	Gusty SW wind, 10	- 15 knots, gus	ting to 25-28	knots. Air tem	p. 9°C, raini	ing, water temp. 10°C
Number in Party				PFD Worn?	one with	PFD, one not
Kayak Type				FFD WOIII:	one with	TTD, one not
Description	On the leat day of the	-: l1: d 4	. 17 11	1		yaking on Lake Tarawera.
	They were staying in and Stony Pt. A river twin wearing a lifeja strong offshore wind which was blown aw Neither boy was wear equipment. Fortunately a builder boat to rescue the pa One boy was admitted.	r rented accom r kayak 'Dance cket, paddled = ls. In winds gus ray. The other bring clothing s working on a ir. Their mother ed to hospital w	modation on r' model was 200m offshe sting 25 -28 k twin, with no suitable for in house nearby er, who was a with hypother	the W shore of provided for the provided for the prefrom their prots, the boy whifejacket, start mersion, nor day, spotted the bolso watching, a mia but made a	L. Tarawer neir use at the protected bayas capsized ted swimmi- lid they carr bys and was lerted a rura rapid recov	ra, between Waitangi Bay he rental property. One
Authorities Involved						
Cause	The chain of events	leading to this	incident appe	ar to be:		
Determined	-last day of the holid -strong offshore wind -cold air and water to -no safety gear or em -inadequate clothing	ds emperature nergency signal	lling equipme			
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information	harbourmaster.	•	•			w Land, the Rotorau
	Iona noted: 'I wonde without being certain	r if people offen the users are	ering rental ac experienced c	commodation, or at least fully	should allo informed of	w kayaks to be used f the risks.

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P. Caffyn 2/06/06 -FM record No. Comms Carried 65

Date	5/11/2005		Accident Ref: 11/05\$FOW			11/05SFOW
Location	Onekaka, Golden Ba	ıy			Region	Tasman
Source	Al Rynn report; PC					
File Category	Solo SOT kayaker fi	shing; offshore	e winds; capsi	ze; drowning		
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	Rupert Martin Male		Fatality	Hypothermia /	drowning	
Age	34		From:	England		
Previous Experience	Limited paddling in No	orth Island prior	to incident			
Conditions:						nds, 25kn easing to 10kn S d by local on the day of
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn?	Lifejacke	et worn
Kayak Type	Ocean River SOT; a	luminium shaft	paddle with			
Description	The deceased was a 34 year old male British tourist who launched from the beach directly in front of the backpacker's accommodation, to go fishing at approximately 8am on 5 November 2005. Rupert had been out the previous evening in the same kayak, fishing with his fiancée who, along with the backpacker manager's partner, were both of Japanese origin. She was also paddling the same type of kayak. According to reports, as she had struggled to paddle back to shore in the conditions of the previous evening, she didn't venture out with Rupert on the morning of his disappearance. The Shambala Backpackers manager was away on the 5 November 2005, but his partner stated she had suggested that conditions in the morning of the incident were 'too windy', but obviously she allowed Rupert access to the kayak and equipment. The manager's partner also thought that Rupert's wife would be accompanying him fishing. It is assumed that after experiencing difficulty returning to shore the previous evening she decided not to venture out on the morning of 5 November 2005. Rupert's exact departure time from the beach is unknown, but was known to be around 8am. His fiancée saw him at this point and also sighted him fishing approximately 1 km out to sea at 9am and 10am. By 11am she could see no sign of him. Police were informed of Rupert's being missing at 6pm on 5 November 2005. The kayak was found by fishermen at 9.40am on 6 November 2005, approximately 1 km west of Taupo Point in Wainui Bay. Rupert's paddle was picked up approximately seven nautical miles out from the same area at 9am on 6 November 2005 (See attached sketch map). Rupert's body was discovered by a local resident on 7 November 2005, approximately 100 m southeast of Tukurua motor camp. Police were informed of this at 6.50am. Rupert's body was approximately 3 km northwest of his launch point.					
Authorities Involved	Police; fishing boats	; two fixed win	ng aircraft			
Cause Determined	Capsize while fishing in offshore wind conditions; paddler separated from kayak & paddle; unsuitable clothing for cold water immersion; 10 hour delay before police were notified of the overdue paddler. Hypothermia leading to drowning. The SOT had a secure set of decklines, but no rudder or paddle leash; it was a combination of blue, black and white colours. Seals of the two hatch lids were peeling back off the deck. When Rupert's body was found, the zip was half way down on the lifejacket. with neither buckle fastened. It had ridden up over Rupert's head, only remaining on the body due to the LJ being caught under his arms. No trip intentions plan was filed; no emergency rescue signalling equipment was carried.					
Lessons Learned	Paddlers need to, dress for cold water immersion, to check the local marine forecast, lodge a trip intentions plan, carry appropriate emergency rescue signalling equipment. Backpackers, who loan/rent kayaks to tourists, need to provide a safety briefing, check the marine forecast, carry out basic paddling/rescue briefing, and note a trip intention's time of return. Lifejackets should be worn securely fastened around the chest and waist. The use of SOT kayaks is not appropriate for offshore windy conditions. Rental/loan kayaks need to have regular checks made on craft buoyancy, for instance the seals and tie downs on hatch lids. Kayak colour, paddle blades, lifejacket and parka should be bright colours. Paddles should be secured to SOT kayaks by a paddle leash.					
Additional Information	The Al Rynn incider Caffyn affidavit wer Inquest yet to be held MNZ were supplied An advisory notice f	e supplied to the d. with copies of	ne Nelson Conthe the above inf	oner on 24 Magormation.	y 2006.	ddle were found, and P.

Compiled P. Caffyn 1/6/06 -FM record No. 66 Comms Carried

Date	30/12/2005			Acci	ident Ref:	12/05SNI
Location	Aramoana, north of	Dunedin			Region	Otago
Source	press clipping, Grey	star 31/12/05				
File Category	Paddler overdue, res		copter search			
Name of injured or rescued party	Not known; male		Injuries	Nil		
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	26		From:	USA		
Previous Experience	Not known					
Conditions:						
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn?	now know	vn
Kayak Type	Not known			TTD WOIII.		, -
	A 26 year old Amor	an tourist was	found burall	hut quita amba	massad' aft	er a late return from a
Description	kayaking trip resulte man left Purakaunui 4pm, after which the by land. Mr Aitken said peop them.	d in a helicopte , 23km northea ; alarm was rais	er search last a st of Dunedin sed. The man	night. Snr Sgt S at 11am, but f came ashore at	Steve Aitker ailed to mal Aramoana	n of Dunedin, said the ke a rendezvous there at and made his way back ald notify those expecting
Authorities Involved	Police, helicopter					
Cause	Trip plan change wi	thout notification	on of pick up	party.		
Determined						
Lessons Learned	Communication equ communication with	ipment, such as	s mobile phon	e, or VHF radi	o, should be	e carried to allow
Additional Information		пертек ар ра				

Compiled P. Caffyn 31 May 2006 -FM record Comms Carried No.67

Date	18/01/2006			Acci	dent Ref:	1/06GRNI
Location	Plimmerton				Region	Wellington
Source	Dom. Post 19/1/06;	PC press clippi	ng files			
File Category						
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age			From:			
Previous Experience						
Conditions:	Gale force winds an	d rough sea coi	nditions			
Number in Party	2			PFD Worn?	not know	n
Kayak Type	Double?			TID WOIH:		
Description Description	18 January 2006. Twearly evening. They	were found cliney were having ty while the oth	nging to the s g little succes ner managed t	ide of a kavak a	and trying t	nerton and Titahi Bay o kick their way towards ale force winds. One man
Authorities Involved Cause Determined	Westpac rescue helic	•				
Lessons Learned Additional						
Additional Information						

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P. Caffyn 1/6/06 -FM record No. Comms Carried 68

not carried?

Date	3/03/2006			Accident Ref:	3/06\$&RNI			
Location	South of Whangapar	oa Peninsula		Region	Auckland			
Source	PC press clippings fi							
File Category	Search for missing so	olo kayak fishe	r, after kayak	located by a yacht				
Name of injured or rescued party	Not known -male		Injuries					
Name of Deceased			Fatality					
Age	Not known		From:	Auckland				
Previous Experience								
Conditions:	Winds gusting to 40	Winds gusting to 40 knots						
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn? not know	/n			
Kayak Type	Not known		•	222 ,, (222)				
Description	Emergency services searched coastlines north of Auckland, after an empty kayak was found floating in the sea about 5.25pm on 3 March, by a yacht; in winds gusting to 40 knots. Kayak contained fishing gear and fish. CG's northern region operations director, Dean Lawrence, said 5 CG boats, 2 police boats and the police helicopter were searching the area. Search was suspended overnight. On Saturday, 4 March, a motorist telephoned CG to advise he had picked up a man whose kayak had blown out to sea at Winstones Cove on the North Shore.							
Authorities Involved	Police, CG, helicopte	er						
Cause		ot state if it was	s a capsize on	the water, or the kayak w	as blown offshore from			
Determined	the beach.							
Lessons Learned		ooatmaster said nce the the kay	later that if the was found	he kayak owner's name and this would have saved a				
Additional Information								

P. Caffyn 1/06/06 -FM record No.69 Compiled

Comms Carried

not carried

Date	2/8/2006			Acci	dent Ref:		
Location	Thumb Point to One	tangi Bay, Wai	heke Island		Region	Auckland	
Source	Incident Database File						
File Category	rescue/ safety						
Name of injured			Injuries				
or rescued party			, and the second				
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
A	Not Known		_				
Age	Not Kilowii		From:				
Previous Experience							
Conditions:							
Number in Party	2			PFD Worn?	not know	n	
Kayak Type	Kayak, type unknow	'n	<u> </u>	TTD WOIH.			
· · · · ·			T.1 1	1.00 1.1	1.	1	
Description	Two men kayaking a	around Waihek	e Island got 1	nto difficulties	sparking a s	search.	
	One of the men cam	e ashore about	10am and rai	sed the alarm. V	Winds guste	d up to 30 knots and	
	there were swells of	2m.					
	Auckland Coastguar	d spent much o	of the night se	earching for the	missing ka	yaker. Six boats searched	
	the coastline & surro	ounding area.					
	The missing kayaker	r eventually ma	de his own w	ay to shore.			
Authorities	Auckland Coastguar	·d					
Involved	Auckland Coasigual	u					
Cause							
Determined							
Lessons Learned							
Lessons Learneu							
Additional							
Information							

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No.70

Comms Carried

not carried?

Date	6/10/2006			Acci	ident Ref:	
Location	Evans Bay, Welling	ton			Region	Wellington
Source	DP 6/10/06					
File Category	Rescue/safety					
Name of injured	Male		Injuries	Hypothermia, treated in hospital		ospital
or rescued party						
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	Unknown		From:			
Previous Experience						
Conditions:	Extreme					
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn?	buoyancy	vest worn
Kayak Type	Not known			TID WOIH.	<u> </u>	
Description	kayak. Was capsized seeing him disappea	l a second time r. Maritime pol here he was ev	& lost his ka lice search for	yak. A member him in an infla	of the publatable boat,	is paddle, but got back in lic called police after they found his kayak first m was wearing two thin
Authorities Involved	Maritime Police					
Cause						
Determined						
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No.71 Comms Carried

Date	11/10/2006		Accident Ref:				
Location	Okoroire Waterfall, Waihou River, Sth Waikato Region Waikato						
Source	WT 12/10/06, 13/10/06, Chch Press 14/10/06						
File Category	fatal/safety						
Name of injured or rescued party	Unknown, age 71	Injuries	Cuts & bruises				
Name of Deceased	Dale Frankum Fatality Missing, presumed drowned						
Age	68	From:	Auckland				
Previous Experience	Recreational kayakers, plenty of experi						
Conditions:	Normal river conditions, normal river flow, treacherous section of river (Okoroire Waterfall)						
Number in Party	2		PFD Worn? lifejacke	t worn			
•	Plastic SOTs.		TFD WOIN: Mejacke	t Wolli			
Kayak Type							
Description	Police believe a danger sign warning of rapids had been deliberately removed. Two elderly kayakers, both got into trouble after going over Okoroire waterfall. One managed to get out on rocks and get help, the other went missing presumed drowned. Search ensued, the missing man's wetsuit, lifejacket. PFD & wetsuit bootie was found following day. Search was called off 13/10/06. Not known if body was recovered, more information require						
Authorities Involved	Police, police divers, jetboats used.						
Cause	Lack of knowledge of the river. Wa	rning sign re	moved.				
Determined							
Additional							
Information							

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No.72 Comms Carried

not carried

Date	1/11/2006		Acci	dent Ref:	11/06FSDr		
Location	Rogers Beach, near Pukehina	Region Bay of Plenty					
Source	Maritme NZ Accident Report. BPT	2/11/06, 3/1	1/06				
File Category	fatal/safety	,					
Name of injured or rescued party	n.a.	Injuries	n.a.				
Name of Deceased	Phillip Smith -male	Fatality	Drowning				
Age	39	From:	Rotorua				
Previous Experience	Described by companion as having a lobut had not done a lot of kayaking,	t of boating ex	perience in the ba	y in dinghie	es and small pleasure boats,		
Conditions:	Fine weather. Calm, flat, sea. Offsh Sea temp approx 14 °C.	ore breeze. N	Aax wave heigh	t at 12.00 1	.8m. Wave period 5.7s		
Number in Party	1 -solo kayaker		PFD Worn?	lifejacket	worn		
Kayak Type	A Perception Minnow-2.9m length.	0.74 wdth, I	ntact, satisfactor	y condition	1.		
Description Authorities	On 1/11/06 at 9.30am Phillip Smith and his companion borrowed a neighbour's kayak and drove 1 hour to Pukehina Beach to set a long-line. Once there, they baited hooks before Smith put on a buoyancy vest and paddled more than 1 km out to sea to set the long-line. Smith instructed his companion to pay out the fishing line from the shore. Some time later (neither party had a watch or mobile phone with them) after waiting for the kayak to return his onshore companion became anxious & raised the alarm. The companion could see the kayak, but could not make out if Smith was still one board. He asked a householder to call emergency services and then drove to the Pukehina surf club to raise the alarm. Once he returned the Police and Surf Club lifesavers had arrived. At approx 13.30 Tauranga Volunteer Coast guard broadcast an urgency (PAN) message and contact was made with a nearby recreational vessel (the KGB). A search ensued involving the KGB and the Surf Club IRB. About 2.5km from shore the boats sighted the kayak. Soon after the KGB spotted a lifejacket in the water and found the fisherman's body floating in the vest. He was upright and had his head out of the water but wave conditions meant water was lapping into his mouth. He was wearing rugby shorts and the buoyancy vest. The Surf Club IRB recovered the body and the KGB picked up the kayak which was about 1km further out to sea. The Kayak was still afloat but about 2/3 full of water.						
Involved	Pukehina Voluntary Fire Brigade, T				·		
Cause Determined	Death by drowning. A level of 0.4 r factor or contributing to the drownin. It was surmised that either the fisher unstable, leading to capsize. With the kayak swamped it would be equipment, impossible to reboard. The Fisherman may have become endrowning.	ng. rman fell out nave very littl	or sufficient wa	nter entered	the kayak to make it istance or appropriate		
Lessons Learned	Apart from the buoyancy aid he had out of the canoe and was unable to go The fisherman's blood contained m	g alone 1km from shore in a kayak not suitable for use on the open sea. aid he had no communication or safety equipment and it is assumed he fell inable to get back in. Intained methamphetamine in sufficient quantity to be considered a risk m mental confusion, exhaustion or muscle cramps.					
Additional Information	Only equipment in the kayak was a longline. Smith was described as being fit and P. Caffyn -FM record No.73	d a good swi	nmer.	ishing line,	, hooks, clips for the		
Compiled	1. Carry ii - Tivi iecoru ino./5	Comms	Carried NO				

Date	25/11/2006			Acci	dent Ref:	11/06\$RHyp
Location	Lake Te Anau				Region	Otago
Source	Chch Press 27/11/06					
File Category	rescue -lake					
Name of injured or rescued party	Unknown		Injuries	Lips were blue admitted to So	e, and he su outhland Ho	ffered complications was spital critical care unit
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.		
Age	35	From:				
Previous Experience	Unknown					
Conditions:	Cold waters. Norma	l lake condition	ıs.			
Number in Party	1			DED Warm?	NOT WO	RN
•	Kayak, type unknow	in.		PFD Worn?	1101 110	ICI V
Kayak Type						
Authorities Involved	alarm by contacting responded, swam ou was ashore. A passir DoC office. The man The man suffered co	mother. The m t to man, and b ng tourist and a n was not wear emplications (un	an's head was rought him as doctor assiste ing either a w nknown) and	s going under we shore. The man ed, and survival etsuit or lifejac was hospitalise	vater, and ar 's lips had t l blankets w ket.	ing on shore raised the rm was raised. Motelier urned blue by the time he ere brought from the
Cause Determined	Capsize, cold waters					
Lessons Learned	No wetsuit & lifejac	ket worn. No p	protection fro	m cold waters/	or floatation	n assistance.
Additional						
Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No.74 Comms Carried no comms carried?

Date	2/1/2007		Acci	dent Ref:	1/07GPR
Location	7km out from Pukehina Beach			Region	Bay of Plenty
Source	BPT 04/01/07				
File Category	rescue -sea				
Name of injured or rescued party	male and female	Injuries			
Name of Deceased		Fatality			
Age		From:			
Previous Experience					
Conditions:					
Number in Party	2		PFD Worn?	not know	'n
Kayak Type	Kayaks, type unknown		TID WOIH.		
Description	A man & woman in kayaks had to	he towed ash	ore by a Surf Li	fe Saving	Ray of Plenty hoat after
Description	Drifting 7 km out from Pukehina E	Beach in the di	irection of Plate	Island.	Bay of Fiency boat after
	The alarm was raised by concerned	l family memi	hers		
	The man was ranged by conserned	# 1411111 J 1114111			
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Authorities Involved	Surf Life Saving				
Cause					
Determined					
Lessons Learned					
Additional					
Information					

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No.75 Comms Carried

Date	13/1/2007			Acci		1/07GrpFDr	
Location	Waikaia River, Sout	hland			Region	Southland	
Source	GES 19/01/07						
File Category	fatality -river						
Name of injured or rescued party	n.a.		Injuries	n.a.			
Name of Deceased	Denis Squires	Penis Squires Fatality					
Age	48		From:	USA			
Previous Experience	Not Known						
Conditions:	Not known						
Number in Party	two (2)			PFD Worn?	not know	n	
Kayak Type	Kayak, type unknow	7 n	I_	TFD WOIH:		-	
· · · · · ·	<u> </u>		37 '1 '	121 1 12			
Description	American kayaker d 13/1/07. The body w	isappeared on V vas recovered 1	Waikaia river 8/01/07 after	while kayaking a large tree was	; with a Jap s moved usi	anese companioning a hand winch.	
	The body was still in	n the submerged	d kayak.				
	The river description states no rivers of no many meandering co	ote -Grade 1. No	arr's Otago S otes: 'Often th	outhland Canoone deepest chan	eist's Guide nels tend to	e, para 6.21/0 of flow into willows in the	
Authorities Involved	Police, Gore SAR, p	olice divers, he	licopter				
Cause							
Determined							
Lessons Learned							
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information							

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No. 76 Comms Carried

Date	9/2/2007		Accide	nt Ref:	2/07\$FDr		
Location	50 nautical miles off Milford So	lford Sound, Fiordland Region Southland					
Source	Chch Press 13/02/07 (2), 16/02/07, 21/02/07, GES 3/03/07, Chch Press 3/03/07						
File Category	fatality -ocean						
Name of injured or rescued party	n.a.	Injuries	n.a.				
Name of Deceased	Andrew McAuley	Fatality	Missing, presume	ed drown	ned		
Age	39	From:	Australia				
Previous Experience	Highly Experienced						
Conditions:							
Number in Party	1		PFD Worn? n	ot know	n		
	A Mirage		FFD WOIII:	ot know	11		
Kayak Type Description	Andrew McAuley was in final s		T	1 . 50			
Andhantian	coast of Milford Sound. He mad						
Authorities Involved	RCCNZ, police, search helicopt	ers, fishing boat	s, cruise boat				
Cause							
Determined							
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information	Many more clippings, see And	ew McAuley In	quest File				

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No.77 Comms Carried

Date	19/2/2007			Acci		
Location	Lake Wakatipu, Que	enstown			Region	Otago
Source	Chch Press 21/02/07		1			
File Category	rescue -lake	,				
Name of injured or rescued party	not know		Injuries	cold and exhau	ısted. Treat	ed overnight in hospital
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.		
Age	Young		From:	Taiwan		
Previous Experience	Not known -assumed n	il				
Conditions:	Strong waves on lake	e; water temp.	estimated at l	oetween 9°C and	d 12°C	
Number in Party	tour group			PFD Worn?	lifejacket	worn
Kayak Type	Kayak, type unknow	n				
Description	Search for a young Taiwanese guide kayaking in a rented kayak on Lake Wakatipu began at 8pm. He was found by 3 searchers in a boat at about 11pm, clinging to his upturned kayak & exhausted, wearing only shorts & a lifejacket. Paramedics said the man would have lasted only another 15 minutes in the freezing waters, and that his survival was 'a miracle.' The man told rescuers his kayak had capsized near Queenstown Gardens Point and he was dragged, clutching the upturned kayak 4 kms across the lake by strong waves. The guide had been kayaking off Queenstown early Monday evening with his tour group, but was missing when the party returned to shore. Tour group advised Coburn and Hughes in a boat of missing guide. Tour group advised to call police. They searched for 3 hours and tracked down man in the water by turning off their boat motor and listening to the screams.					
Authorities Involved	St Johns, local boat of	owner, police,	deputy harbor	ır master		
Cause Determined	-inexperience -failure to stay with t -failure to carry any o					
Additional						
Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No.78 Comms Carried

Date	23/2/2007			Acci	dent Ref:		
Location	Gisborne Coast, near mouth of Wairoa River Region Gisborne						
Source	Incident Database File (NZPA article)						
File Category	rescue/safety	·					
Name of injured or rescued party	Sandy Gibson -male		Injuries				
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age			From:	Gisborne			
Previous Experience	Six years experience.						
Conditions:	Wairoa River mouth	'raging'					
Number in Party	1			DED Worm 9	not know	·n	
				PFD Worn?	not know	11	
Kayak Type	Not known						
Description	Sandy Gibson manag of the Wairoa River.	ged to drag him	nself onto a sr	nall island, afte	r his kayak	overturned at the mouth	
Authorities Involved Cause Determined	Two fishermen who Locally based helico. He was en route to W. Police, local helicopt	pter. He was re	escued by a ho	elicopter & a ro	pe/tyre.		
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information							

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No.79

Comms Carried

not carried?

Date	27/5/2007		Accident Ref:	5/07SFDr		
Location	Lake Rotorua		Region	Waikato		
Source	WT 28/05/07, TDP 28/05/07, 29/05	5/07, 21/12/0	7, coroner's inquest files a	& emails PC to police		
File Category	fatality -lake -solo		•	•		
Name of injured or rescued party	n.a.	Injuries	n.a.			
Name of Deceased	Toni Thomson -female	Fatality	Drowning, but coroner f was myocarditis.	ound a contributing factor		
Age	34	From:	Rotorua			
Previous Experience	Moderately experienced; 2 -3 years pad	ldling, attended	d 2 courses run by C&K Mt	Maunganui shop.		
Conditions:	The weather conditions on the lake westerly. Waves of up to 2m at N e 14°C. S&R personnel estimated with	end of lake, 1	m+ in central part of lake.	Lake water temperature of		
Number in Party	one		PFD Worn? Buoyand	ey vest worn		
Kayak Type	Challenge 5 fiberglass single kayak	. Yellow dec	k, white hull, wt 22 kg. Lo	ength 5 m, beam 59 cm.		
Description	Toni Thomson, an experienced kayaker, informed her husband she was going for a paddle on Lake Rotorua and that she was taking her cell phone in a dry bag. No return time or route to be paddled was specified, as she was a regular paddler on the lake (up to 4 times a week). The exact time she departed is unknown, but was thought to be before 9.30am. Lake and weather conditions at that time consisted of a light easterly breeze, with a mean speed of 7.4 kph (4 knots). By 10am the wind had swung to a near gale-force southwesterly, which persisted all day and created a chop of up to 2 m. At 1300 her husband checked, but could not see her on the lake. He checked again at 2pm, and after no sign again, subsequently contacted the police. SAR were notified at 2.45pm. Toni's kayak was located at 1620 hrs by a Coastguard Vessel, at the northern end of the lake. Toni's body was recovered by helicopter at 1651hrs approx 500 m west of the kayak. The kayak was found upside down with paddle & partially inflated paddle float attached. The rear hatch was open and contained half a bucket of water. Toni was wearing her PDF & neoprene sprayskirt when found. A ziplock bag containing her cellphone was located in one of the PFD pockets. The bag contained water.					
Authorities Involved	Police, SAR					
Cause Determined	Toni was caught on the lake by a sucapsized in deteriorating conditions but clipped the float around the pad not known if Tony attempted to use Unable to re-enter the kayak, with ithe kayak and drowned. Toni's clothing of polypro longjohn adequate for paddling in calm winto It is surmised that Toni either misses	s and came ou ldle shaft, ins e the cellphor insufficient su ns, long sleev er lake condit	at of the kayak. Toni attentead of sliding over one one. Approximately, the paddle flowed top and paddling jacketions, but not for immersion.	ppted a paddle float rescue f the paddle blades. It is pat, Toni lost contact with et, and gym shoes was on in the 14°C water.		
Lessons Learned	 weather forecast must be sought before launching trips intentions and a return time should be left with a responsible party in winter, paddlers should dress appropriately for immersion, not just paddling two forms of emergency communication should be carried; cellphone in a waterproof bag (not just a ziplock), VHF radio, day/night flare, and either a PLB or EPIRB. wet exit and self rescue skills need to be practised in a range of conditions 					
Additional Information Compiled	Coroner's inquest held 20 December from Greymouth. Findings released P. Caffyn -FM record No.80	1 8 December		·		
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Date	8/7/2007			Acci	dent Ref:	07/07 S R
Location	Whanganui Bay, western side of Lake Taupo		ake Taupo		Region	Waikato
Source	WT 9/07/07, GES 9/		•			
File Category	rescue -lake	01101 (3)				
Name of injured			Injuries	Hypothermia		
or rescued party						
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.		
Age	29 -male		.	Tours		
Previous Experience	2) -maic		From:	Taupo		
1 revious Experience						
Conditions:						
Number in Party	1			DED IV. 0	not know	<u> </u>
				PFD Worn?	not know	11
Kayak Type	Not known					
Description	friends, who had wo nearby. He was flow	ken to find hin n to hospital &	and a kayak treated for h	were missing.	ing to a roc The kayak	ek & barely conscious by was found floating
Authorities Involved	Emergency Services	, a Rescue Hel	icopter			
Cause						
Determined						
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No. 81 Comms Carried

Date	19/8/2007			Acc	ident Ref:	
Location	Kaituna River (flows out of Lake Rotoiti) Region Bay of Plen			Bay of Plenty		
Source	WT 20/08/07, 21/08/09					
File Category	Fatal					
Name of injured			Injuries			
or rescued party						
Name of Deceased	Matthew Stidham		Fatality	Drowned		
	22					
Age	23		From:	USA		
Previous Experience	Not Known					
	Swollen river					
Conditions:						
Number in Party	2			PFD Worn?	not know	/n
Kayak Type	Not Known					
Description	An American Touris	st died yesterda	y, after being	wedged betwe	en two fall	en logs. He was kayaking
	on the (swollen) Kai	tuna River.				
	A second kayaker he	elping in the sea	arch was also	believed to be	missing, bu	ut turned up.
Authorities						
Involved	Not Known.					
Cause						
Determined						
Lessons Learned						
Lessons Learneu						
Additional						
Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No. 82 Comms Carried

Date	28/9/2007			Acci	dent Ref:	9/07GPR
Location	Kapiti Coast -trip to	Kapiti Island.			Region	Wellington
Source	DP 30/09/07					
File Category	search -sea					
Name of injured or rescued party	n.a.		Injuries	n.a.		
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.		
Age	not known		From:	Wellington?		
Previous Experience	not known					
Conditions:						
Number in Party	2 (two)			PFD Worn?	NOT WC)RN
Kayak Type			-	TID WOIN.		
Description Description	T . 1 1 1				1	nd in the afternoon. At
Description	that stage, about 4.30pm, they were 200 - 300 m apart and lost sight of each other. The alarm was raised at 7pm by the missing paddler's partner. Coastguard boats began searching between 7.30 and 8.30pm, and searched until 9.30pm when the two CG boats were stood down by police when the missing kayaker was reported as having made landfall north of Waikanae. The kayakers were not wearing lifejackets and police suspected they had been drinking alcohol. The men claimed their lifejackets had been stolen. No basic safety equipment carried, for what was apparently a planned return trip to Kapiti Is.					
Authorities Involved	CG boats, Waikanae	& Paraparaum	u rescue boat	ts, police		
Cause	two paddlers not foll	owing the pod	principle of p	paddling close t	ogether	
Determined	PFDs should be wor			Ţ	_	
Lessons Learned Additional	Emergency comms. Paddle in a pod, and	should be carri				
Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No 83 Comms Carried

Date	21/12/2007			Acci	dent Ref:	Grp.Res
Location	Lake Wakatipu, Que	eenstown			Region	Otago
Source	ChPr 22/12/07					
File Category	Group rescue					
Name of injured			Injuries	treated for hyp	othermia	
or rescued party			•			
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.		
Age			From:			
Previous Experience						
Conditions:						
Number in Party	2			PFD Worn?	not knowi	n
Kayak Type				TFD WOIH.		
Description	T . 1 1	4 4 . 4 . C 1	.41	11 D 6 1		from Lake Wakatipu
	where they spent at I A member of the pul	blic raised the a	s in the water alarm just afte	er 7pm.		
Authorities Involved						
Cause						
Determined						
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No 84

Comms Carried

not carried?

Date	28/01/2008 Accident Ref: 1/08SR						
Location	Orewa Beach, Auckland				Region	Auckland	
Source	WT 29/1/08, ChChPr 29/1/08						
File Category	rescue -sea -						
Name of injured or rescued party	not known		Injuries	nil			
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.			
Age	20 -male From			Auckland			
Previous Experience			1101111				
Conditions:	strong offshore bree	ze					
Number in Party	Solo (1)			PFD Worn?	Lifejacke	et worn	
Kayak Type	not known		<u> </u>	TTD WOIII.			
Description	the sea for five hours inflatable rescue boa towards the beach. F offshore breeze and	A kayaker had a lucky escape when he was spotted by lifeguards off Orewa Beach, after floating in the sea for five hours. Lifeguards saw what seemed a splashing quite a distance offshore. An inflatable rescue boat was launched and about 2.5 km offshore, came across a man swimming back towards the beach. He had set out earlier in the morning in a kayak to go fishing and, with a strong offshore breeze and currents, the kayak had taken on a bit of water and he had fallen out. The man about 20 was wearing a lifejacket. He had been in the water about five hours.					
Authorities	Onavia SI SC inflate	bla masaya baa					
Involved	Orewa SLSC, inflata	idie rescue doa	l				
Cause Determined	capsize in strong off	shore wind and	I separation fr	om kayak.			
Lessons Learned	1. check weather for 2. do not get separate 3. carry at least two	ed from your k	ayak	ng offshore wind	ds.		
Additional Information							

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Date	04/02/2008			Acci	dent Ref:	2/08GPR
Location	Lake Rotorua				Region	Bay of Plenty
Source	GES 5/2/08					
File Category	rescue -lake -group					
Name of injured			Injuries	Exhaustion		
or rescued party						
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age			From:			
Previous Experience						
Conditions:						
Number in Party	3 (three)			PFD Worn?	NOT WO	DRN
Kayak Type	two kayaks (single a	and double?)		TTD WOIII.		
			aan wha had :	talson a nair of 1	zovelce out	from Ngongotaha without
Description	lifejackets. Both kay	aks capsized dealled police. He ed, the resident	umping the m le also launch t had pulled a	nen into to the water his own boa	ater. A lak	reside resident saw they e time a helicopter and
Authorities Involved	Rescue by private bo	at; helicopter a	and ambulanc	e dispatched		
Cause	inexperience					
Determined						
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						
information						

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Comms Carried

comms not carried

Date	23/05/2008	Accident Ref: 5/08GrpF					
Location	Lake Poreura		Region	West Coast			
Source	GES 23/5/08; ChPr and GES 24/05/	/08; GES & C		out 3/2009			
File Category	fatality -lake -canoeing						
Name of injured or rescued party	Martin Holmes	Injuries					
Name of Deceased	Alan Hill	Fatality	Drowning/hypothermia				
Age	45	From:	Dobson				
Previous Experience	both men experienced recreational boat		ng experience not known				
Conditions:	Strong winds	Strong winds					
Number in Party	Two (2)		PFD Worn? NOT WO	ORN			
Kayak Type	Canadian Canoe with outboard mot	or					
Description	Gwo men out duckshooting on Lake Poreura in a Canadian Canoe with a stern mounted outboard strong winds overturned the canoe. and men clung to fuel cans that had spilled from the canoe but Hill was not able to reach the shore due to the extremely cold water temperature. Body recovered by Police divers 40 m from shore in 3 m of water. Both men were experienced recreational boaters and had intended to shoot ducks in two lakes eparated by a stretch of water. Men drove to a third lake (Poreura) and weather was initially calm. Both men were dressed for the cold but had forgotten to bring lifejackets. As the pair set off, it was becoming gusty and they decided to stay within 30 m of shore. As shooting progressed, the boat was up to 70 m offshore. The canoe was hit by a strong gust of wind(abeam) which rolled, tipping both nen out. One man clung to the side of the canoe and was not overly concerned. Other man, also langing to the other side, was more concerned. The canoe was being blown to the opposite lake side steep/bush/rugged). The pair decided to cut loose two 20 litre containers from under the canoe eats, and abandon the canoe. First man rolled on his back and clutching a container, was able to cick towards shore. Other man struggled, and lost his plastic drum floatation. Unable to support his companion, Holmes reached shore and raised the alarm. Canoe, body recovered next day.						
Authorities Involved	Police, CG volunteers, local fire dep	•	•				
Cause Determined	Ino lifejackets worn, not staying wit Instability of canoe with stern mour	No lifejackets worn, not staying with the canoe, no emergency comms. Instability of canoe with stern mounted outboard motor?					
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information			Counied not carried				
Compiled	P. Caffyn -FM record No 87	Comms	Carried not carried				

Date	26/07/2008		Accident Ref: 7/08GrpFDr			7/08GrpFDr	
Location	Mount Maunganui				Region	Bay of Plenty	
Source	DP 26 & 297/07/08; Chch Press 26/7/08						
File Category	Fatality/safety/weath	er					
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries				
Name of Deceased	James Moore	Fatality	Drowning				
Age	33		From:	Rotorua			
Previous Experience	very experienced waka	ama paddler					
Conditions:	Heavy seas; storm sea, 7m swell 60 to 70 knot winds						
Number in Party	4 PFD Worn? not known						
Kayak Type	waka ama outrigger	canoe					
Description	500 m offshore when a decade. Wind gusts One of a group of fo Pilot Bay in Taurang Shortly after setting while the remaining About 500 m off Lei His friends made it to made it too dangerou His body was sighted	James was training for a 66 km canoe race in Hawaii. 500 m offshore when he got into difficulties. Met Service described conditions as the worst storm in a decade. Wind gusts of 70 kph. One of a group of four who set out in outrigger canoes from Maketu, about 1.30pm to paddle to Pilot Bay in Tauranga Hbr. Shortly after setting out, one of the group cracked his hull on the Maketu bar and returned to shore while the remaining 3 continued. About 500 m off Leisure Is, Mr Moore's canoe capsized and his friends lost sight of him. His friends made it to shore. A search ensued but was called off when high winds and 6 -7m swells made it too dangerous. His body was sighted from the air at 11.30am on the 25/7/08. Cellphone in waterproof pouch carried around Moore's neck.					
Authorities Involved	Police; volunteers an	d friends of M	r Moore				
Cause Determined	paddling in storm conditions; worst storm in a decade according to MetService. overconfidence?						
Lessons Learned Additional Information							

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Comms Carried cellphone carried in waterproof pouch

Date	17/09/2008			Accident	Ref:	9/08Grp/Res
Location	Lake Te Anau			Re	gion	Southland
Source						
File Category						
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age			From:	army		
Previous Experience	now known					
Conditions:	difficult					
Number in Party	2 (two)			PFD Worn? not	know	'n
Kayak Type	double					
Description	Two kayakers taking Kayak took on water Safety boat also ran from Te Anau and u Treated by ambuland	r in difficult con into difficulties plifted the two	nditions abou s and was una kayakers.	t 11pm. ble to assist them so		gency services responded further treatment.
Authorities Involved	Ambulance; army					
Cause						
Determined						
Additional						
Information						

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Date	08/11/2008		Accident Ref:				
Location	Grey River		Region	West Coast			
Source	GES 10/11/08, 11 and 12/11/08; Ch	ch Press 10	& 13/11/08				
File Category	fatality -river -canoe						
Name of injured or rescued party		Injuries	n.a.				
Name of Deceased	Nicholas McAlister	Fatality	Drowning				
Age	32	From:	Greymouth				
Previous Experience							
Conditions:	Minor Grade 1 rapid on the Grey Ricalm conditions and a sunny day	Minor Grade 1 rapid on the Grey River, downstream from Taylorville. calm conditions and a sunny day					
Number in Party	Five; 3 kids 4, 9 and 11, adults 38,3	2	PFD Worn? not by a	dults; kids only			
Kayak Type	Canadian Canoe; modified oars as p	oaddles		-			
Description	Canadian canoe was launched from McAlister (11), Morgan McAlister (Canoe capsized on family canoeing Morgan McAlister were tipped out; Morgan. Mr McAlister was swimmi with a stern rope. Mr Hook lifted the submerged canoe, but lost sight of Mup straddling the upturned canoe an warmed up the youngest boy, he ser The Police dive squad attempted to heavy rain flooded the river. River several days later, 2.5 km upstream	(4), Mr Hook trip, in a sha the canoe ro ing approx 1: e three boys Mr McAlister d paddled it int the two old recover the b levels droppe	(38) from Blenheim with llow rapid, 4 km upstrear lled twice more before M om behind the canoe and (all wearing PFDs) onto to Mr Hook swam Bradley to the river bank with the ler boys off for help, and but were unsuccessfied and the body was disco	n his son Braeden (9) n from river mouth. All but r Hook was able to free trying to tow it to shore he upturned semi- to shore, but tiring, ended two other boys. While he all but it was called off after overed snagged on a tree			
Authorities Involved	Police; dive team; rescue helicopter	; volunteer fi	re fighters; CG and local	jet boats			
Cause	Capsize in minor rapid with ignoran	ice of canoe	capsize recovery drills.				
Determined Lessons Learned	Failure of two adults to wear PFDs.						
Additional Information	Coroner's inquest held in Greymout Coroner Richard McElrea said Cana	th 27 August adian Canoes	2009. were unsafe. Also blame	d the reluctance of West			
	Coast residents to use lifejackets.						

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Date	11/6/2009			Acci		06/09GrpRwaka
Location	Port Taranaki (New	Plymouth)			Region	Taranaki
Source	YAH, PC press clipp			<u> </u>		
File Category	Safety/ Rescue	8				
Name of injured			Injuries	Hypothermia		
or rescued party						
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
	16]			
Age	16		From:	Taranaki?		
Previous Experience						
Conditions:						
Number in Party	6			PFD Worn?	not know	n
-	waka			TFD WOIH:	not kno w	
Kayak Type						
Description	4 teens and 2 adults s rescued by tugboat.	survive waka s	inking Tarana	akı Coast. 5 sw	ım to shore	, a 16 y ear old was
	l same of tage tan					
Authorities						
Involved						
Cause						
Determined						
Lessons Learned						
Lessons Learneu						
Additional						
Information						

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Comms Carried

8/7/2009		Accider	nt Ref:	05/09GrpR
Waimakariri River		Region Canterbury		
Chch Press, PC Newspaper Clippin	ıg	<u> </u>		
river rescue				
Bob Hunt	Injuries	hypothermia		
n.a.	Fatality	n.a.		
85 -male	From:	Christchurch		
paddling since 1971, other physical exp	periences such	as tramping, canoein	g, campi	ng.
Tuatara Brass Monkey Kayak Race	2			
big group of racers		PFD Worn? bu	uoyancy	vest worn
Tri-athlete boat	•			
deep and he couldn't climb up the shead above water for 15 minutes up	steep bank. B ntil fellow rac	ob was cold and tir ers and safety offic	red and s cers pull	struggled to keep his ed him to shore, he then
moving water (river.) Bob has capsized in other events be condition and significant chance of	efore, he shou wet exit.	ld dress for immer	sion if h	e anticipates rough
	Waimakariri River Chch Press, PC Newspaper Clippin river rescue Bob Hunt n.a. 85 -male paddling since 1971, other physical expanding since 1971, other physical expanding since 1971, other physical exposed and was separated from the separate fr	Waimakariri River Chch Press, PC Newspaper Clipping river rescue Bob Hunt Injuries n.a. Fatality 85 -male From: paddling since 1971, other physical experiences such Tuatara Brass Monkey Kayak Race big group of racers Tri-athlete boat Bob capsized and was separated from his kayak deep and he couldn't climb up the steep bank. Behead above water for 15 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness. Helicopter arrived after 30 minutes until fellow racelost consciousness.	Chch Press, PC Newspaper Clipping Tiver rescue	Waimakariri River

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No 92 Comms Carried

not carried

Date	27/08/2009			Acci	dent Ref:	8/09\$Rwaka
Location	Kairaki Beach				Region	Canterbury
Source	Chch Press, PC New	spaper Clippin	g	_		
File Category	wama ama capsize			_		
Name of injured or rescued party	Lloyd ?		Injuries	mild hypotheri	mia	
Name of Deceased	n/a		Fatality	nil		
Age	35 -45		From:	Chch		
Previous Experience	very fit swimmer					
Conditions:	strong wind, big sea	, Waimakariri I	River measur	ed at peak flow	1040 cuseo	es
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn?	NOT WC	PRN
Kayak Type	outrigger canoe, wal	ka ama				
Description	Canoeist survived ro	ugh sea after s	wimming for	2 hours		
	Lloyd paddled out o left his canoe, bobbe Lloyd was carried a Wetsuit worn.	ed in the waves	for 2 hours b	efore he swam	igh sea, wa to shore.	s swept from his canoe,
Authorities Involved	paramedics, police					
Cause Determined	a decision to launch					
Lessons Learned						nead bobbing up and re is very little chance of
Additional Information	Lloyd was wearing a	wet suit				

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No 93 Comms Carried

Date	10/10/2009		Acci		10/09SRhyp	
Location	Grey River Bar			Region	West Coast	
Source	GES, PC Newspaper Clippings file					
File Category	Rescue -river bar -					
Name of injured or rescued party	male	Injuries	hypothermia			
Name of Deceased	n/a	Fatality	nil			
Age		From:	Germany (ove	erseas touri	st)	
Previous Experience	Assumed no previous					
Conditions:	lumpy conditions on bar; swift mov	ving current o	f Grey River			
Number in Party	two (2)		PFD Worn?	NOT WO)RN	
Kayak Type		<u>l</u>	TTD WOIII:			
	A German tourist was rescued by 2	C C:	1 1 ,	·	4 17 5 11	
Description	mate struggled against the river bar German tourist's kayak unsuccessfu early stages of hypothermia, on to a paddler then came along and emptie into the kayak and towed the surfbo along and picked them all up.	to attempt to ally. They plants surfboard. It and righted	get assistance. seed the Germa His English man I the overturne	Two surfern tourist, whate came back d kayak. O	rs attempted to empty the ho was showing signs of ek to help. An unrelated one of the surfers climbed	
Authorities	Greymouth surfers, Johnny Harris &	k Haysley M	cMaster			
Involved	inavnarianae and stunidity					
Cause Determined	inexperience and stupidity Dress appropriately for the conditio	n the Garma	n tourist and hi	e English n	anta wara only waaring	
Lessons Learned	shorts and not wearing PFD. Learn to perform rescue if you are p	oaddling in a	group.	s English ii	late were only wearing	
Additional Information	Both were using kayaks from Living After 2nd incident, P. Caffyn reques manager of not allowing use of loan	st Colin Sonr	eveld of MNZ		on the Living Streams	

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No 94 Comms Carried

not carried

Date	7/11/2009		Acci	dent Ref: 11/09SUICIDE
Location	Lake Wakatipu			Region Southland
Source	GES, PC news clipping, 17/11/09, 1	18/11/09, 20/	11/09	
File Category	fatality -lake -SUICIDE			
Name of injured or rescued party	n/a	Injuries		
Name of Deceased	Gellert Csaba Mudra	Fatality	SUICIDE	
Age	41	From:	Hungary, but 1	resident 18 months Queenstown
Previous Experience	strong kayaker and swimmer			
Conditions:				
Number in Party	one (1)		PFD Worn?	NOT WORN
Kayak Type	hire kayak		IID WUIII	· · · - · · /
Description				
	DETERMINED AS A SUICIDE. This record not to be included in drawn and the suicide of the suicide	owning statis	tics.	
Authorities Involved	Police, helicopter, divers			
Cause	Suicide			
Determined	2 25kg weight attached to legs			
Lessons Learned				
Additional Information	Contact with Queenstown Police co	nfirmed a su	icide.	

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No 95

Comms Carried

not carried

Date	11/12/2009			Accident Ref:	12/09GrpFfish		
Location	Hauturu (Clark) Isla	nd, off Whanga	amata Region Auckland				
Source	GES, WN, PC news clippings, 12/12/09, 18/12/09, 21/12/09; MNZ Lookout June 2010 p.9						
File Category	fatality -sea SOT-fisl	ning			_		
Name of injured or rescued party	n/a		Injuries	n/a			
Name of Deceased	Maurice Bede Philip	S	Fatality	drowning			
Age	24		From:	Waikato			
Previous Experience	not known						
Conditions:	moderate seas						
Number in Party	two (2) on a double			PFD Worn? NOT WO	DRN		
Kayak Type	SOT, double, yellow	, plastic kayak	; fore & aft h	atches; decklines, one pad	dle only.		
Description	Two kayakers launched a double SOT, with only one paddle between them, for an evening of fishing off Whangamata. They shared the paddling and drank alcohol. Neither man was wearing a lifejacket. At the fishing spot, they removed an anchor from the aft hatch, and anchored stern on to moderate seas. Seas slopping into the aft hatch were not observed. After 20 minutes, the men realized the kayak was getting low in the water and closed the aft hatch. As they tried to raise the anchor, the SOT capsized. Both men began to swim toward nearby Hauturu Island. One man was swimming strongly but, stopping to check on his companion, he realized the other man was out of sight. Unable to find his companion, he swam to the island where he was seen by members of the public and rescued. The body of Phillips was recovered two days later by police divers.						
Authorities Involved	Police; aerial and sea						
Cause Determined	dropped an anchor, a Miscommunication not a swimmer.	and the hatch we search was del	ras left open o ayed by 20 m	en water. The rear hatch lecausing the kayak to becordinutes, they thought they l	ne swamped and sink. nad a stranded paddler,		
Lessons Learned	 ensure hatches after closed after opening at sea, especially the aft hatch with is out of sight of paddlers. include a pump or bailer with the kayak. carry at least two forms of emergency marine comms. carry one paddle per person, and a spare take apart wear a PFD 						
Additional Information Compiled	P. Caffyn -FM reco	rd No 96	Comme	Carried			
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Date	20/12/2009		Accident Ref: 12/09SoloResc				
Location	Otago Harbour			Region	Otago		
Source	ODT pr. clipping						
File Category	solo -sea -rescue						
Name of injured or rescued party	not named		Injuries	signs of hypothermia; ta discharged	ken to hospital and later		
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	62-male		From:	Dunedin			
Previous Experience	not known						
Conditions:	high winds - at time of the rescue: air temperature of 7°C and water temperature of 13°C.						
Number in Party	solo			PFD Worn? Worn			
Kayak Type	not known						
Description	spotting a capsized p Bay in Otago Harbo pushing him to a sar After rescue, the ma	paddler clinging our. Strong wind odbar, where he on was wrapped	to his kayak ds apparently was rescued in a survival	came up quickly, capsiz after spending half an ho	winds, 500 m off Company ing the paddler, and our in the water. ng signs of hypothermia		
Authorities Involved	Rescued by Dunedin	n CG, Marine S	&R, and Otag	go Regional Rescue helic	opter		
Cause Determined	Local Marine SAR of forecast. So failure to listen to			ange was well forecast, a forecast.	and she hit exactly as		
Lessons Learned	Listen to the forecas Dress for immersion						
Additional Information	photo of CG boat re						
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Date	25/12/2009			Acci	dent Ref:	12/09GrpR
Location	Wellington				Region	Wellington
Source	Wellington Scoop 20	5/12/2009				
File Category						
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age			From:	Wellington		
Previous Experience						
Conditions:	usual wet and windy	7				
Number in Party				PFD Worn?	not know	n
Kayak Type				TID WOIH.		
Description	after getting into trouissued a warning for craft after 11 kayake and capabilities of the All sparked call-outs Elizabeth III. CG bo To add to this, anoth	while because of kayakers to pa ers within a 36 later craft due to for emergency ats, rescue helicer two kayaker rning 4 kayaker	strong winds y attention to hour period for strong winds y services with copter and po es had to be girs safely to lar	s on the harbour the weather an ound themselve in and around h one incident r lice patrol staff ven advice not nd in Wellingto	c. As a resud know the sin situation Wellington requiring the were called to head out in Harbour,	e Police launch Lady
Authorities Involved						
Cause						
Determined Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No 97 Comms Carried

Date	19/03/2010			Accio		3/10SR
Location	Leigh, Hen and Chie	cken Islands	Region Northland			Northland
Source	Northern Advocate	(website) 22/3/2	10			
File Category	search/rescue					
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries	n.a.		
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.		
Age	31year male		From:			
Previous Experience	Believed to be first ma	ajor ocean paddle	; said to be ill-	equipped		
Conditions:						
Number in Party	one (1)			PFD Worn?	lifejacket	worn
Kayak Type	kayak, blue, 4m lon	g	•			
Description	Attempted paddle of	f 50 km round t	rin at 9am he	came exhausted	hefore ma	king the islands
Authorities Involved Cause Determined	at 1.40pm while drift too far out to sea to Man had no idea of	n and Chicken Ingawhai, and stating, to say he paddle to shore where he was, we to locate the niched.	Islands on the ill on his way was tired and . He rang aga was in a blue nan, who was	to the islands, to needed a rescue in 20 minutes la kayak, but had a	od 50 km t he paddler e. Man was iter to ask v a cellphone	
Lessons Learned Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No 98

Comms Carried Cellphone

Date	29/03/2010			Accid	ent Ref:	3/10GrpR
Location	Between Orokawa Bay and Waihi Beach Region					
Source	NZ Herald (website)	30/03/10				
File Category	rescue, sea					
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries	shock/laceration	s/bruising	5
Name of Deceased			Fatality	Nil		
Age	40 year male		From:	Tauranga		
Previous Experience	Inexperienced kayaker					
Conditions:	3m swells/northerly	drift; heavy sea	as			
Number in Party	Two in a double kay	ak		PFD Worn?	lifejackets	s worn
Kayak Type	double kayak					
Description	Two men, both wearing lifejackets fell out of their double kayak 100 m offshore, between Orokawa Bay and Waihi Beach about 9am. The pair had gone out into seas with 3 m swells and a northerly drift. When the pair got into trouble, the friend managed to swim to shore to try and raise the alarm. Two people on shore saw the 40 yr old Tauranga man, who was blowing a whistle to attract attention, struggling in the water for about 30 minutes. The 2nd man managed to haul himself onto some rocks but was trapped under a 75 m high cliff, where members of the Waihi Surf Lifesaving club could not safely get to. Police eventually called a Waihi Mines Rescue team to help winch the man to safety. One swam to shore for help, the other struggled in the water for 30 minutes blowing a whistle to attract attention before scrambling onto rocks under a 75 m cliff face and had to be winched to safety.					
Authorities Involved	Police/Mine Rescue/	St Johns				
Cause Determined	-inexperience -underestimating skil -assumed no emerger					
Lessons Learned Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No 99 Comms Carried only a whistle

Date	05/04/2010			Acci	dent Ref:	4/10FRiver
	Mararoa River				Region	Southland
Source	Chch Press 7/04/10			<u>'</u>		
File Category	fatality -river					
Name of injured			Injuries			
or rescued party			•			
Name of Deceased	Kenneth Mark Tressl	er	Fatality	One male		
Age	45 -male		From:	Invercargill		
Previous Experience						
Conditions:						
Number in Party				PFD Worn?	not know	'n
Kayak Type	kayak					
Description	Press note states: Pol	lice have name	d the Inverca	rgill man who d	lied while l	kayaking in western
	Southland on Monda Maraoa River.	iy. Kenneth Ma	ark Tressier, ²	15, arownea am	er railing n	rom his kayak in the
Authorities						
Involved						
Cause						
Determined						
Lessons Learned						
Additional						
Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No 100

Comms Carried

not known

Date	29/06/2010		Accident Ref: 7/10SFfishsit on top				
Location	Ohiwa Harbour					Bay of Plenty	
Source	Whakatane Beacon/Eastern B	ay News/D	Daily Pos	t, 6 -9 July 2010			
File Category	Search/Fatality		-	-			
Name of injured or rescued party		In	njuries				
Name of Deceased	Marquis John Reed Jeffrey	rquis John Reed Jeffrey Fatality One male; presumed drowning				vning	
Age	71		From:	Ohope			
Previous Experience	not known						
Conditions:	Conditions said to be poor by	a fellow k	kayak fisl	nermen who was	to join Je	rffrey at 7am.	
Number in Party	One			PFD Worn?	NOT WC	ORN	
Kayak Type	Ocean River Largo kayak		•	-			
Description	Believed to have embarked on a kayak fishing trip. On 6 July the family contacted Police. Police, Search and Rescue volunteers and Coastguard then launched a search including a helicopter and several boats. His car was found near the water, along with tie down straps and cellphone. His lifejacket was found at Jeffrey's flat. On 25 June, Jeffrey wanted help to fit out a newly acquired orange SOT for fishing. On 28 June, an experienced kayak fisherman fitted an anchor and pulley system, and recommended an external container for a deck pulley system. However Jeffrey elected to store the anchor, chain and rope in the SOT's watertight hatch. Despite a thorough land, harbour and sea search commencing on 6 July, no trace of Jeffrey or his SOT were found. The coroner concluded if the hatch was open when the SOT capsized, the 'inside would have filled with water' and the SOT sank.						
Authorities Involved	Police/Whakatane Coastguard	/ land sear	rch and r	escue, helicopter			
Cause Determined	Coroner's inquest of 28 June, fishing from a SOT kayak on removed to access the anchor the interior void filled with w communications, and no one of Jeffrey's body and the SOT	or about 29 the hatch ater, and it aware of hi	9 June 20 cover wat sank. W	010. Best guess i ashed away or th ithout any form	s when the SOT capof marine	e hatch was psized; either way emergency	
Lessons Learned	Trip intentions, and overdu At least two forms of emer SOT hatches should not be PFDs should be worn, and of emergency communication	gency mari removed a have attach	ine comr at sea unl	nunications shou less secured and	ld be carr conditions	ied s are calm	
Additional Information	45 people searching at the hei ontop nor body of Jeffrey wer			ith 70100km of 6	coastline o	covered. Neither the sit-	

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s Carried not carried

Date	04/07/2010			Acci	dent Ref:	4/07GrpR	
Location	Island Bay				Region	Wellington	
Source	Hokitika Guardian/C	revmouth Star	5/07/11				
File Category	Rescue	<u> </u>					
Name of injured			Injuries	medical attenti	on at hospi	ital	
or rescued party							
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	not known		From:				
Previous Experience	not known						
Conditions:							
Conditions:							
Number in Party	Two single kayaks			PFD Worn?	not know	n	
Kayak Type	Two kayaks						
Description	Beach on 4 July. A r beach at Island Bay, A police boat on the and rescue staff were	I onshore requifound halfway nember of the with one of the harbour at the e also sent to the ere found onshore halfway to di	ring medical atto drowning apublic told poet kayaks still time arrived attentions. 'They surrowning.'	attention. after they fell or after they had se floating about 3 at he bay about cked in a lot of	ut of their keen two kay 1.15pm. 10 minutes water. The	kayaks at a Wellington yaks washed up on the slater. Maritime search y obviously fell out of	
Authorities Involved	Police/Police Boat/N	Iaritime Search	and Rescue				
Cause							
Determined							
Lessons Learned Additional							
Additional Information							

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Date	24/09/2010			Aco	ident Ref:	9/10GrpRCom
Location	Lake Wakatipu, Que	enstown			Region	Otago
Source	Otago Daily Times					
File Category	Rescue -lake -group					
Name of injured or rescued party	not known		Injuries	nil		
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.		
Age	1820		From:	Queenstown		
Previous Experience						
Conditions:	A fast-moving south	westerly front				
Number in Party	25			PFD Worn?	Assumed	Worn
Kayak Type	single kayaks					
Description	capsized. Kawerau kayakers. Four Que Adventure Southland	Jet, TSS Earnsl enstown Resort d was billed bet Resort college n September. on of young ac	aw and Princ t students wer tween \$1400- students brou	ess Cruises were brought ashores \$2,685 to help aght ashore after	ere all divertore following pay for the er the kayak	g the incident. Kawarau Jet-led rescue of one student capsized
Authorities Involved	Queenstown harbour	r master, Kawa	rau jet.			
Cause Determined						
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information	Marty Black advised He advised the rescu			the lake shore	e, with road a	access above the shore.

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Comms Carried

comms carried

Date	06/12/2010			Acc	cident Ref:	8/12/10F2Dr
Location	Lake Wakatipu, Que	enstown			Region	Otago
Source	Chch Press/Grey Star	r PC press clip	ping file; Cor	oner's finding	s and PC rep	port for the coroner
File Category	Search/Fatality		1			
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	Raphael Serge Soubri Yoann Luicien Georg	ier ges Firdion	Fatality	Two males. (Cause of deat	th was drowning.
Age	21 and 24		From:	both French	nationality;	working in Queenstown
Previous Experience	Novice paddlers					
Conditions:	Strong southerly win Lake temperature was the temp. to 5°C.	nds of 2030 l as 10°C. By 10	knots up to 1.:	5 m breaking s emperature wa	seas. ss 9°C, with a	a wind chill factor reducing
Number in Party	Two			PFD Worn?	lifejackets	s worn
Kayak Type	3.5m long, fibreglass	s old style recr	eational kayal	k; large cockpi	it, no spraysł	kirt, no decklines
Description	Hidden Island. They local tourist boat ope back to Queenstown. up a nearby hill. The At 9.53 pm, a panick the middle of the lake until the bodies were	About 9am, the two Frenchmen paddled from Queenstown to the south side of Lake Wakatipu, by Hidden Island. They were wearing lifejackets but had only one paddle between them. At 11 am, a local tourist boat operator warned the men of an approaching southerly change and offered a ride back to Queenstown. The men thanked him for his advice but ignored his warning, wanting to walk up a nearby hill. They did note the boatie's contact number. At 9.53 pm, a panicked call was made to boatie's cellphone from the Frenchmen saying they were in the middle of the lake taking on water. Four boats and a night vision equipped helicopter searched until the bodies were found at 1 am by the helicopter. For full details, see both the P. Caffyn expert witness report (with map, kayak photos, and table of weather conditions) and the coroner's findings.				
Authorities Involved	Police /rescue helico	1 0	•			
Cause Determined	sprayskirt, no decklin between the 2 men. The Apart from the cellpl flares, VHF radio, PI the lack of any form The Frenchmen shou mainland. Both youn	nes, no built in They carried no hone carried, the LB or cellphon of light made ald not have ign men were of	n buoyancy, no o clothing suithe men had no ne in a waterpithe night sear nored the weath f slight build a	o rudder, no putable for a colo waterproof e roof bag. Althoch boat and ather warnings and wearing or	ump or bailed weather chemergency coough the metal helicopter was advice/offer and shorts and short	r of transport back to ad tops.
Lessons Learned Additional	 kayaks for use more than 200m offshore should be fitted with integral buoyancy, bulkheaded compartments or air bags. All round decklines should be fitted. One paddle per person should be carried plus a spare. Cockpits should have sprayskirts fitted. A pump or bailing device should be carried. local weather forecasts should be sought before launching. local knowledge on weather and conditions should be sought and heeded paddlers should dress for immersion according to water temperature at least two forms of emergency communications should be carried paddling and capsize/rescue drills should be practised before open water paddling a waterproof emergency light should be attached to a paddler's lifejacker or a head torch suitable for signalling should be carried at night. Inquest was held at Queenstown on 2 Sept. 2011. Expert witness report provided by P. Caffyn. 					
Information	Coroner's findings d				out report pro	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,

Comms Carried

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cellphone carried but not in a waterproof bag

Date	05/03/2011			Acci	dent Ref:	07/03/2011	
Location	Horahora River, Wh	angarei			Region	Northland	
Source	Northern Advocate/	Web News/Gre	y Star 14/3/1	 1			
File Category	Search/Fatality		,				
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries				
Name of Deceased			Fatality	One Male			
A 90	30		T	Auckland			
Age Previous Experience	30		From:	Auckianu			
1 revious Experience							
Conditions:	reported that quite a	sea was runnin	g offshore				
Number in Party	one (1)			PFD Worn?	NOT WC)RN	
Kayak Type	SOT kayak						
Description	Went out to check fi when kayak found w	shing net at riv	er mouth bety	ween 3.30am an	ıd 6am. Fr	iends raised alarm 7.30am	
	Reported that the deceased has been partying and drinking. Also that no PFD was worn. No one had been told of the early morning trip. The man's body was located 250m north of the Horahora River mouth on 6 March.						
Authorities Involved	Police Search and Ro	escue/Coast Gu	ard/Land Sea	arch and Rescue	/Police spo	otter plane.	
Cause	Not wearing a lifejac	cket.					
Determined							
Lessons Learned							
Dessons Dear ned							
Additional Information	Police advised said a March.	a Tsunami alert	was in place	following a ma	gnitude 9 e	earthquake in Japan on 4	

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Date	15/5/2011			Acc	ident Ref:	5/11GrpResc	
Location	Lake Wakatipu; 100	m off lake sho	re, Queenstov	wn gardens	Region	Otago	
Source	www 16/05/11; em M	www 16/05/11; em Marty Black					
File Category	lake -rescue -oversea	s tourists					
Name of injured or rescued party	?		Injuries	warmed up in	an ambular	ice	
Name of Deceased	n.a.		Fatality	n.a.			
Age	20, 21 -males		From:	Saudi Arabia			
Previous Experience	assumed tourists with n	il experience					
Conditions:	police stated choppy	lake condition	is were not su	itable for kaya	king		
Number in Party	two (2)			PFD Worn?	lifejacket	s worn	
Kayak Type	?		•				
Description	Two Saudi Arabian men had to be rescued from Lake Wakatipu off Queenstown after they had fallen out of their kayaks about 2.30 pm. Aged 20 and 21, after being spotted in trouble, they were rescued by jet boat operator Kawarau Jet. The men were assessed by St Johns and later discharged after warming up in an ambulance. Police stated the men were spotted about 100 m out from shore at Queenstown Gardens after one of them had toppled out of his kayak. Being unable to swim, he grabbed his friend's kayak and capsized him as well. 'They were in the water about 9 min until the KJet pulled them out of the water.						
Authorities Involved	Police, ambulance, je	et boat					
Cause Determined	Inexperience						
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information	rental kayaks?						

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Date	04/06/2011		Acciden	t Ref:	6/11GrpR
Location	Pigeon Bay, Banks Peninsula		R	egion	Canterbury
Source	Chch Press 6/06/11				
File Category	Rescue -sea				
Name of injured or rescued party		Injuries			
Name of Deceased		Fatality			
Age		From:			
Previous Experience					
Conditions:					
Number in Party			PFD Worn? no	t know	vn
Kayak Type			TTD WOIN.		
Description	A kayaker was rescued after he w	vaa blassen asst te	a saa maan Danka Da	nin aul	shout 12 20mm and was
	taken to Christchurch hospital on was plucked out of the water by h	4 June. He was	kayaking with ano	ther pe	erson in Pigeon Bay and
Authorities Involved	rescue helicopter				
Cause					
Determined					
Lessons Learned					
Lessons Learned					
Additional					
Information					

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Comms Carried

not known

Source File Category Name of injured or rescued party Name of Deceased Age Previous Experience Conditions: Number in Party Kayak Type Description Description Andrew Clark spent more than 3 hrs in cold lake waters when his craft sank near Mokoia Is forcing him to swim 6 km back to Ngongataha. Clark was on holiday with his family from Sydney, and borrowed a kayak from the rental property where they were staying. He left about 8-45 and thought he would be back about 1 lam. He paddled from Nyelman has borrowed and thought he would be back about 1 lam. He paddled from blue swim blue kayak was getting lower, then taking on water and rapidly sinking. Very quickly it was submerged and the kayak was standing up in the water. He clung onto the kayak for 15 min before deciding to swim back to Ngongataha. While swimming he would yell for help. Clark was heard by 2 fishermen fishing by Waitetia stream mouth, but they could not see him. They went back to the lodge where they were staying and were able to spot Clark with a telescope. They went back to the lodge where they were staying and were able to spot Clark with a telescope. They went back to were worse than the physical effects. Police thought Clark had swam approx. 6 km to get back to shore. Authorities Involved Cause Determined Lessons Learned 1. thoroughly check borrowed paddlecraft for leaks, and integral buoyancy 2. wear a PFD 3. carry at least two forms of emergency marine comms. 4. leave rip intentions and call out time with a responsible party 5. dress for immersion	Date	07/07/2011			Accident Re	f: 5/11\$Resc			
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Date	01/08/2011			/11SRsit.on.top					
Location	Matata		Region B	Bay of Plenty					
Source	Whakatane Beacon 3/8/11; eastern	bay news 4/0	8/11						
File Category		-	_						
Name of injured or rescued party	Darryl Bisset -male	Injuries	hypothermia						
Name of Deceased	n.a.	Fatality	n.a.						
Age	47	From:	Matamata (Bay of Plenty)						
Previous Experience	little bit of kayaking on Lake Karapiro;	not good at sv	vimming						
Conditions:	sloppy	sloppy							
Number in Party	one (1)		PFD Worn? lifejacket w	orn					
Kayak Type	small SOT kayak -borrowed								
Description	Mr Bisset and his wife set a Kontikito wind it in, and went to the local con the beach offered the use of a ka getting sloppy and he couldn't see his shore. Kayak was rolled by a wave kayak. His wife, watching from sho launched a family dinghy. Light wa Bisset. Only minutes from giving up into it. CG boat was guided in fadin	Mr Bisset and his wife set a Kontiki off Matata and he tried to wind it in about 3pm. He was unable to wind it in, and went to the local camp ground to find someone to help recover the KonTiki. A lady on the beach offered the use of a kayak, which they went and got. About a km offshore, sea was getting sloppy and he couldn't see his KonTiki. He was feeling uneasy, so decided to head back to shore. Kayak was rolled by a wave and capsized. He freed his legs and clung to the paddle and kayak. His wife, watching from shore, called 111. Within 12 minutes, two Matata firefighters had launched a family dinghy. Light was fading, but observers on shore guided the men via radio to Bisset. Only minutes from giving up, he clung to the side of the dinghy but was too weak to climb into it. CG boat was guided in fading light to the dinghy, and Bisset was taken by the CG vessel to Whakatane; admitted to hospital but later discharged.							
Authorities Involved	Police, CG, Fire Brigade, ambulanc	e, hospital							
Cause Determined	-underestimating paddling ability ar -used a borrowed SOT with no resci -no emergency marine comms. carri	ue equipmen							
Lessons Learned	Bisset was very fortunate that his w and very fortunate both the fire brig for a rescue.	ife observed ade men and	the capsize and rang 111, CG crew were so prompt in	responding to the call					
Additional Information	On 2/08/11, Bisset and a friend head it had 13 snapper on it.		was a comical	nissing long line;					
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Date	10/08/2011			Acci	dent Ref:	8/11GrpF
Location	Wellington Harbour				Region	Wellington
Source	Grey Star 1146/8/11	;		<u> </u>		
File Category	fatality -sea					
Name of injured			Injuries			
or rescued party	Carrage Miller					
Name of Deceased	Cameron Millar		Fatality	missing, presu	med drowr	ned
Age	19 -male		From:	Hamilton		
Previous Experience						
Conditions:						
Number in Party	two (2)			PFD Worn?	NOT WO	ORN
Kayak Type	single kayaks		<u>, </u>	112 // 0111/		
Description	Millar became separ found the man's yell	ow kayak on siter. Both paddl poor weather lend bitterly cold	hore about six ers capsized, ed to the searc temperatures	k km from Ward but his partner the ch for Millar be	d Island; a from Lowe ing cancel	Ward Island. Searchers rucksack and paddle were or Hutt made it to shore led. The capital et on the water.
Authorities	Police, CG					
Involved	-inexperience?					
Cause Determined	-lack of rescue skills -not wearing a PFD -marine comms. not	carried				
Lessons Learned						
A dditional						
Additional Information						

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Date	29/8/2011			Accident F	ef:	8/11SF
Location	Lake Hawea			Reg	on	Otago
Source	ODT 13/9/11; Mtn. 3	Scene; ST 12/9	/11 PC clippi	ngs file		
File Category	fatality -lake -solo		- 11			
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	Rene Weisswange		Fatality			
Age	25		From:	Germany		
Previous Experience						
Conditions:	calm in the morning	, strong wind g	ot up in the a	fternoon		
Number in Party	one (1)			PFD Worn? NOT	WC	ORN
Kayak Type	small plastic recreati	onal kayak, app	prox. 3m long	g; green colour, no bu	yaı	ıcy, no decklines
Description	township to Timaru when he used a mob Police were informe evening. A team of I beach below the villa	Creek on the earlie phone to cond morning of 3 l 1 searchers, usage about 1pm	astern shore ontact a friend 1/8 that Mr Wing a helicop on 31/8. His	. Veissange had failed to ter and boat, found his paddle was found abo	hea tur ka ut 6	tle from Lake Hawea and from about 12.55pm on up at work previous yak washed up on the 00 m further east along the perience was unknown.
Authorities Involved	police, boats, helicop	pter, land S&R	teams			
Cause Determined						
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						

Compiled P. Caffyn -FM record No 111

Comms Carried

mobile phone carried

Date	19/8/2012			Acciden	t Ref:	08/12GrpResc	
Location	Tukituki River, Hau	moana, Hawke	s Bay	R	Region	Hawkes Bay	
Source	NZH p20.08.12ress	NZH p20.08.12ress PC press clipping file					
File Category							
Name of injured or rescued party	not known		Injuries	hypothermia for the sea water and was		nd she had swallowed g when rescued	
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	44 and 4		From:	not known			
Previous Experience							
Conditions:	river mouth weather conditions r	not known					
Number in Party	2 -two			PFD Worn? No	OT WO	PRN	
Kayak Type	double kayak (SOT?)					
Description	12.45 pm and dragg was wearing a wetsu kayak and swept qui shingle island just of David Goodman was disappear underwate on the board and pacrescuer who had gon	A 44 year old man and his 4 year old daughter were rescued after their double kayak flipped about 12.45 pm and dragged them out to sea at the mouth of the Tukituki River at Haumoana. The man was wearing a wetsuit but the daughter had gumboots on. They were left clinging to the upturned kayak and swept quickly out to sea by the river current, and left them stuck on the edge of a small shingle island just offshore. Lifejackets were not worn. David Goodman was one of many people fishing & whitebaiting at the river. He saw the two disappear underwater so he got his longboard and paddled out to the shingle island. He got the girl on the board and paddled with her back to shore. The girl's father swam back to shore with another rescuer who had gone out with Mr Goodman. Both the girl and her father left in an ambulance.					
Authorities Involved	Ambulance, police,	while CG and h	nelicopter wei	re placed on standb	y.		
Cause Determined	Ignorance of swift fl Perhaps inappropriat	owing river and e craft used?	d bar conditio	ns.			
Lessons Learned Additional							
Information							

Compiled P Caffyn FM record 114

Comms Carried

not carried

Date	22/8/2012		Accident Ref:	8/12grpresc			
Location	Hollyford River mouth		Region	Southland (Fiordland)			
Source	Southland Times, web news; interview with the four students						
File Category							
Name of injured or rescued party	Sara, Phil	Injuries	nil				
Name of Deceased		Fatality					
Age		From:	Greymouth				
Previous Experience	2nd year Greymouth polytech. outdoor kayaking experience. Greg Lee, Phil Pa	students, all walzer. Rata Lov	vith whitewater experience and rell-Smith, Sara Dwyer	l rolling skills but little sea			
Conditions:	Forecast good for 5 -10 knot varial the day.			m for a short time later in			
Number in Party	4 -four		PFD Worn? WORN				
Kayak Type	plastic sea kayaks	•					
Description	to Milford Sound. A full day had be Greg, Phil and Rata crossed the bar came out of her boat. Greg came in was out of his boat after trying to cominutes then Greg decided he had the Phil and Rata had recovered Sara's 8.45am. Greg and Sara were rescued by Jeff member arrived, Greg was on the brescue her. The girl was cold, but Greg was ondered.	The four were on an expedition paddle down the Hollyford River, over the bar and down the coast to Milford Sound. A full day had been spent observing conditions on the bar. Greg, Phil and Rata crossed the bar without any trouble, but Sara was capsized in a breaker and came out of her boat. Greg came in and tried to carry Sara to shore, but lost her off the kayak and was out of his boat after trying to come back in over the bar. Greg and Sara swam for 20 - 30 minutes then Greg decided he had to swim to shore. Phil and Rata had recovered Sara's kayak, and finally decided to make a Mayday call on the radio at 3.45am. Greg and Sara were rescued by Jeff Shanks of Milford Helicopters. By the time he and a crew member arrived, Greg was on the beach but Sara was still in the water and a scoop net was used to rescue her. The girl was cold, but Greg had a wetsuit on. They were both flown to Milford while a fishing boat took Rata and Phil to Milford.					
Authorities Involved	Police, helicopter						
Cause Determined							
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information							

Compiled Comms Carried

Date	25/8/2012			Acci	dent Ref:	08/12soloresc
Location	Waikanae Beach				Region	Wellington
Source	Kapiti Observer 30/0	08/12 PC Press	clippings			
File Category						
Name of injured or rescued party	Cassandra Moore		Injuries	treated for mile bruising	d hypotheri	mia, and some body
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	not known		From:	Kiwi lass living in UK		
Previous Experience	not known					
Conditions:	not known					
Number in Party	1 one			PFD Worn?	WORN	
Kayak Type	not known					
Description	she had hired with he flipped. 'She was 20 the 2nd floor of the I Jo called the police,	er parents from the parents from some out from some out from some output of the parents of the parents from her output ou	n Johnsonville shore and all I lose downstain G Kapiti Coas I min, the crev r kayak, unable when she wa	e. About 9.45am could see was to rs could not see st, which sent out www. was looking for le to hold on with s pulled on boar	n, her mother the bottom what was hat two boats for Mrs Mooth cold han rd a CG res	s, one from Paraparaumu ore, who by the time she ds.
Authorities Involved	Police, two CG rescu	ue boat, ambula	ance			
Cause Determined	Inexperience? Overestimating skill: Inappropriate craft?	S				
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						

Compiled P Caffyn FM record 115

Comms Carried

Date	09/10/2012		Accident Ref:	10/12grpresc			
Location	Wellington Harbour		Region	Wellington			
Source	NZ Herald, press clippings, webs re	NZ Herald, press clippings, webs reports, Dom Post clipping					
File Category							
Name of injured or rescued party		Injuries	none stated				
Name of Deceased		Fatality					
Age		From:	Wellington				
Previous Experience	undergoing training by Fergs's kayaks	for a Cook Stra	ait crossing				
Conditions:	Wind gusts to 45 knots Gale warnings forecast						
Number in Party	8 in the party		PFD Worn? WORN				
Kayak Type	Sea Bear +						
Description	Kayaks. They encountered strong was gust to 45 knots, capsized. He was soon after. His unmanned kayak be The 3rd and 4th kayakers tipped ou an on-board radio. Two other less experienced kayake group had set out from. Mr Gilmord Freyberg Beach. The response from Police was quick Fergs Kayaks general manage, Davin a sheltered area near the overseas	Two other less experienced kayakers who held back, returned to Fergs Kayaks, from where the group had set out from. Mr Gilmore (fomer Nat. MP) and another kayaker, still upright, paddled to					
Authorities Involved	Police						
Cause Determined							
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information							

Compiled Comms Carried comms carried

Date	22/11/2012			Acci			
Location	Lake Dunstan				Region	Otago	
Source	OTD webnews, Grey	yStar press clip	ping 23/11/12	2			
File Category	solo paddle, rescue a	ıfter kayak drif	ted away				
Name of injured or rescued party	not known		Injuries	no injuries			
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	61 -male		From:	Dunedin docto	or		
Previous Experience	?						
Conditions:	landlocked lake						
Number in Party	1 (one)			PFD Worn?	not knowi	n	
Kayak Type	?			112 // 0111			
Description	leaving him stuck or year old man paddle He tethered his kaya A resident heard the down the lake, spark The man and his kay The Clyde CG was o	A Dunedin doctor sparked an emergency callout yesterday afternoon after his kayak drifted away eaving him stuck on an island in Lake Dunstan. Constable Doug Winter of Cromwell said the 61 year old man paddled out to the island for a day of fishing near the wetlands area of the lake. He tethered his kayak but the wind came up and it drifted away. A resident heard the mans's calls for help and a 2nd person spotted the upturned kayak drifting down the lake, sparking two calls to emergency services about 5pm. The man and his kayak were picked up by residents in boats. The Clyde CG was called out but stood down. An ambulance was called as a precaution but the man lid not require medical attention.					
Authorities Involved	Police, CG local resi	dents					
Cause Determined	Complacency in 'tet A properly tethered	hering' kayak? kayak will not	drift away wh	nen wind lifts			
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information							

Compiled Comms Carried not carried

Date	21/12/2012			Acci	dent Ref:	12/12solo f atal		
Location	Brod Bay, Lake Te	Anau			Region	Southland		
Source	Chch Press 26.12.12	, Grey Star 24/	12/12 -PC Pro	ess Clipping file	;			
File Category								
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries					
Name of Deceased	Luca Ruffato		Fatality	drowning				
Age	22		From:	Italy				
Previous Experience								
Conditions:	unsuitable lake cond	itions on the F	riday					
Number in Party	1 -Solo			PFD Worn?	Body four	nd with PFD		
Kayak Type	old recreational style	large cockpit,	fibreglass ka	yak, approx. 3.6	6 m long			
Description	and the state of his e and in poor repair ar December RUFFATO another work mate's RUFFATO trying on kayak and a backpac by 11.00pm call the fibreglass and plywork RUFFATO was light work and re-assembly	Constable James Ure of Te Anau said if Ruffato has been better acquainted with the area's weather and the state of his equipment. The bright red canoe Ruffato had gone out in was about 30 years old and in poor repair and unsuitable for the weather conditions on Friday. "On Friday the 21st of December RUFFATO has told one of his flatmates, Alex CAVALLARI, of his plan to borrow another work mate's old kayak and go out kayaking on Lake Te Anau. CAVALLARI observed RUFFATO trying on an old lifejacket to fit prior to walking away from the address carrying the old kayak and a backpack towards the lake. The last thing that RUFFATO said was: "If I am not back by 11.00pm call the rescue people". The kayak is a very old open top kayak constructed of fibreglass and plywood. Possibly 1960's - 1970's vintage. It appears to have very little free board. RUFFATO was lightly clad, wearing shorts, t-shirt and street shoes. When his flatmates finished work and re-assembled at the flat at around about 11.00pm it was discovered that none of them had seen him since he had departed with the kayak.						
Authorities Involved	Police							
Cause Determined	Police were notified. At around about 0420hrs Police conducted an aerial search using a helicopter equipped with night vision goggles. They conducted a sweep of the southern end of the lake and shoreline in good conditions. Nothing was found and the search was suspended till 0830hrs. During the night RUFFATO's flatmates conducted shoreline searches by torchlight. They also hired the Kepler Water Taxi, operated by Steve SAUNDERS. At approximately 11.35hrs they located RUFFATO deceased on the western shore of Lake Te Anau north of Brod Bay. RUFFATO was deceased lying in water only several metres from the shore. He was still wearing the life jacket. The kayak was a few metres away full of water but still buoyant and the paddle was also a short distance away."							
Lessons Learned Additional Information	The contact at the Te	e Anau Police is	3:					
	James URE ph DDI 03 249 8434 cell 027 922 5650							

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Comms Carried

Date	13/02/2013			Accident R	ef:	2/13solorescue
Location	Tauranga Harbour			Reg	ion	Bay of Plenty
Source	NZ Herald 13/02/20	13 Press Clippi	ng File	<u> </u>		
File Category	solo paddler -rescue		<u> </u>			
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries	Hospital-hypothermia	che	ck up
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	40's		From:	Tauranga		
Previous Experience	Not known		110111			
Conditions:	Not known					
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn? Not k	now	rn
Kayak Type	Not known		<u> </u>	TID WOIH.		
			11 20	attempting to turn his	1 .	1
Description	water, then tied hims before he was rescue out to assist the man	self to a water red. He was resc and stayed wit	nark and calle ued by Jeff D h him until he	ed for help. He was the crite was collected by a be	ere f es fo oatie	or more than an hour or help, Mr Dent paddled
Authorities	Police					
Involved	Not known					
Cause Determined	Not known.					
Lessons Learned	Inexperienced					
Additional Information						

Compiled Comms Carried not carried

Date	26/02/2013			Acc	ident Ref:	02/13Grpresc
Location	Matakana Island, Ta	Matakana Island, Tauranga Harbour Region Bay of Plenty			Bay of Plenty	
Source	NZ Herald, 26/02/20)13 PC				
File Category	Grpresc					
Name of injured or rescued party	Edwin O'Dea Daniel Pendwarden		Injuries	none stated		
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	23 and 21		From:	Tauranga		
Previous Experience	Not known					
Conditions:	not known					
Number in Party	two			PFD Worn?	Worn	
Kayak Type	Not known		<u> </u>	TFD WOIH:	***************************************	
Description Description			41	Motoloon	Taland in 4h	ne Tauranga Harbour
Description	Channel near midnig to tie up to a channe pair decided to take Island with only the catamaran anchored them back to his yac	ght. An open had marker. The control of their clothes of it lifejackets on just offshore. The where they were the were	ntch started to bell phone, what if, due to them in Once reaching the catamarant were clothed a	fill up with wantch was in a wan weighing the island to owner got in and feed, staying	ater. The kay vater proof come down, and the pair ran 5 his dinghy tong for the ni	yak sank as the pair tried ase, did not work. The
Authorities Involved	Harbourmaster					
Cause	Not known					
Determined		1				
Lessons Learned	Proper clothing? Ina	dequate comm	s?			
Additional Information						

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Comms Carried

cellphone carried

Date	3/6/2013			Acci	dent Ref:	06/13soloresc			
Location	Kau Bay, Miramar F	Peninsula, Well	ington Harbo	ur	Region	Wellington			
Source	www.stuff.co.nz 03/	06/13							
File Category	solo -rescue								
Name of injured	not known		Injuries	Hospital -mild	hypotherm	iia.			
or rescued party									
Name of Deceased			Fatality						
Age	30s		From:	Not known					
Previous Experience	Not known	lot known							
Conditions:	Not known	Not known							
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn?	WORN				
Kayak Type	not known								
Description	Male paddling, and spray skirt did not fit properly, kayak started to take on water. The kayak capsized, the man then spent 30 mins trying to upright his kayak then decided to swim to shore. The kayak was found at Kau Bay at the top of Miramar Peninsula, at 2.45pm Maritime Police and Coastguard launched a search and rescue operation, which was called off at 4pm when ambulance staff picked the man up near Point Halswell. He was taken to hospital for a check up and discharged shortly after.								
Authorities Involved	Martime Police, Sea	rch and Rescue	, Coast Guard	d, Ambulance.					
Cause Determined				re allowing wat	er to be tak	en on, and inexperience?			
Lessons Learned Additional	Proper equipment? I	nadequate com	ms?						
Additional Information									

Compiled Comms Carried no comms?

Date	1/10/2013			Acci	dent Ref:	10/13grpresc
Location	Maretai Beach		Region			South Auckland
Source	NZ News 01/10/13 P	C				
File Category	Grp Rescue					
Name of injured	not known		Injuries	Not known		
or rescued party			•			
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	14 and 15		From:	Auckland		
Previous Experience	Not known		110111.			
P						
Conditions:						
Number in Party	2			PFD Worn?	WORN	
	Not known		<u>l</u> _	TFD WOIH:	,, 014,	
Kayak Type			1 . 3 6			
Description	equipment however f	ailed to check ne of them pho	conditions. Toned his moth	The two were sw ner to say they w	vept out, ha were strande	edly well prepared with d a cellphone in a sealed ed. They then set off the
Authorities	Police					
Involved	Failure to check wear	ther				
Cause Determined	Failure to check wea	iner				
Lessons Learned	Check conditions.					
Additional						
Information						

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Comms Carried

both cellphone and PLB

Date	1/12/2013			Accie		12/13double fatality	
Location	Lake Tarawera				Region	Bay of Plenty	
Source	web links						
File Category	Double Fatality on I	∟ake					
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries				
Name of Deceased	Zoujie Cai Zexuan Cai		Fatality	Double Drown	ing		
Age	40 and 6 From			Auckland			
Previous Experience	nil						
Conditions:	Calm, clear water, 5	0 metres off sh	nore.				
Number in Party	2			PFD Worn?	No		
Kayak Type	Circa early 70's, larg	ge cockpit, recr	eational kaya	k			
Description	year old was wearing Witnesses report that approximately 8 min Emergency services at 11am. Constable I were paged straight within 5 minutes and onlookers one man I kayak to the shore. I lifejacket were recovered.	Father and 6 year old daughter 50 metres off shore when their two person kayak capsized. The 6 year old was wearing an adult sized life jacket. Witnesses report that the life jacket came off. Witnesses report that the Father tried to save the daughter by holding her up out of the water for approximately 8 minutes after they fell out of the kayak. Rescue services were alerted straight away. Emergency services were at the scene, 300 m from the shore about 10 minutes after getting the call at 11am. Constable Fraser said that the rescue helicopter went out straight away, and the coastguards were paged straight away. A member of the coastguard who lived nearby had his boat in the away within 5 minutes and was at the scene in 10. The pair slipped below the water surface. Among onlookers one man had been swimming out to save them and another women was dragging her kayak to the shore. The pair drowned before services got there. The upturned kayak, paddle and lifejacket were recovered first. The man's body was recovered at approx 4pm, the girls body a little over and hour later. The water was seven to eight meters deep with three to four metres of weeds at the bottom.					
Authorities Involved	Police, Search and R						
Cause Determined	Inability to swim, fa	·				ning experience.	
Lessons Learned	Proper PFDs to be fi	tted for EACH	person, unde	rstanding risks.	?		
Additional Information							

Compiled Comms Carried not carried

Date	3/1/2014]	Accident Ref:	01/14grpresc				
Location	Godley Head, Banks Peninsula		Region	Canterbury				
Source	Press Clipping 03/01/14							
File Category	Group Rescue	_						
Name of injured or rescued party	Michael Ricky	Injuries	nil					
Name of Deceased		Fatality						
Age	47 and 17	From:	Christchurch					
Previous Experience	First open sea kayaking experience, j	previous experie	nce in bays only.					
Conditions:	Strengthening North West winds	Strengthening North West winds.						
Number in Party	Two		PFD Worn? Worn					
Kayak Type	Not known		TID WOIN					
Description Authorities	Two men, Step father and son, se and on the return trip North West twice forcing them to seek shelter. They had no communication, or further dry in the alcove. The were unable with anyone. Michael's wife raise coxswain Paul Lawson said two be SAR were able to narrow down to 5am the two were found under the a swimmer to collect the men, but Helicopter arrived and winched to	Two men, Step father and son, set out around Lyttleton Habour for a fishing trip. Spent the fishing and on the return trip North West winds had picked up, struggling to paddle their boat capsized wice forcing them to seek shelter by pulling into shore. They found a small alcove to take shelter. They had no communication, or flares with them, wearing lifejackets and wet suits they were kept lary in the alcove. The were unable to move in any direction. The pair had not left any intentions with anyone. Michael's wife raised the alarm to SAR services late that night. Sumner Lifeboat coxswain Paul Lawson said two boats were sent out at 4am with spotlights to search for the pair. SAR were able to narrow down the search area based on current wind and current conditions. At fam the two were found under the Godley Head lighthouse. The SAR team had planned on sending a swimmer to collect the men, but the sea conditions were treacherous. At 6.30am the Westpac Helicopter arrived and winched the pair to safety. SAR Co-ordinator Logan Penrose said that the winch was difficult and long. The pair were checked by Paramedics and did not require anything further.						
Involved	Esilone to about any ditions in ad-		i ll-i f	ailana ta lanna intentione				
Cause Determined	Failure to check conditions, inade or take communications.							
Lessons Learned Additional Information	Check conditions, take adequate someone who it able to raise the	equipment le co	d.	leave intentions with				

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Comms Carried

not carried wife phone for rescue

Date	13/1/2014			Acc	ident Ref:	01/14solo f atality		
Location	Pouawa, Gisborne				Region	East Coast		
Source	NZ Herald 13/01/14							
File Category	Solo -fatality sea.							
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries					
Name of Deceased	Jesse Laki Tamatea		Fatality	Drowning				
Age	25	25 From: Not known						
Previous Experience	Not known							
Conditions:	Strong off shore con	aditions						
Number in Party	Two			PFD Worn?	Not worn			
Kayak Type	Two single kayaks			TID WOIII.				
Description	Jesse Tamatea and h	:		1-:1	411			
	the woman and took was reported to have returning to rescue t alerted at 4.40pm an and another aircraft	her back to sho e fallen out of h he kayaker whe d search operat was launched. The te team operation	ore. The boat is kayak. He en he saw the ion launched The Police Nans were called	was only able was not wearin kayaker disapp involving surlational dive tea d off at 3pm wl	to carry the g a life jack bear beneath f lifesaving m arrived the	e, got in his dinghy rescued woman to shore. Jesse ket. The dinghy was in the water. Police were crew, rescue helicopter the following morning to ons deteriorated. It was		
Authorities Involved	Police, Search and F	Rescue, Rescue	Helicopter, N	lational dive tea	am.			
Cause Determined	Inexperience, not we	earing PFD, stro	ong off shore	conditions				
Lessons Learned	Adequate experience	e to check cond	itions, assess	and mange risl	k. Wear PFI	D.		
Additional Information								

Compiled Comms Carried not carried

Date	14/1/2014			Acci	dent Ref:	01/14grpresc
Location	Lake Waikaremoana	l			Region	Bay of Plenty
Source	The Gisborne Herald	1 30/01/2014				
File Category	Group Resc -Lake					
Name of injured or rescued party	Not known		Injuries	Not known		
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	unknown, six ,12		From:	Not known		
Previous Experience	Not known		Trom.			
Conditions:	Strong winds					
Number in Party	three			PFD Worn?	not know	n
Kayak Type	Not known		•			
Description		hildren on kava	ıks were unah	le to paddle ba	ck into their	r campsite due to strong
And notes						
Authorities Involved	DOC					
Cause	Strong Winds and fa	ilure to determ	ine condition	S.		
Determined						
Lessons Learned	Check conditions an	d be able to ass	sess them acco	ording to ability	of the gro	up.
Additional Information						

Compiled Comms Carried?

Kaiti Beach, Gisborr The Gisborne Herald Solo kayak with dog Not known	1 14/01/2014	Injuries	Not reported	Region	East Coast	
Solo kayak with dog		Injuries	Not reported			
	gs at sea.	Injuries	Not reported			
Not known		Injuries	Not reported			
	THOU KHOWH					
		Fatality				
38	From:	Not known				
Not known						
not known						
one plus two dogs			PFD Worn?	not know	n	
Sit on top kayak.						
38 year old women with two dogs out paddling off Kaiti beach, the craft capsized, the woman's partner swam out to help rescue her and assist her the dogs to the beach. Emergency services were called out to assist but were stood down once it was clear the woman was safe.						
Police, Emergency S	Services					
	ed, "It was the	wrong decision	on to take the do	ogs out on t	he kayak." Lack of	
	nitations and us	ore chility				
se aware of clair IIII	macons and us	ors ability.				
5.	gt Lexmond report xperience.	xperience.	gt Lexmond reported, "It was the wrong decision	gt Lexmond reported, "It was the wrong decision to take the do	gt Lexmond reported, "It was the wrong decision to take the dogs out on t xperience.	

Compiled Comms Carried

Date	18/1/2014			Acci	ident Ref:	01/14grpresc
Location	Urenui.				Region	Taranaki
Source	Taranaki Daily New	s Online 18/01	/2014			
File Category	grp rescue		-			
Name of injured	Not known		Injuries	Nil reported		
or rescued party						
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	not known	From:	Not known			
Previous Experience	Nil					
Conditions:	High Winds					
Number in Party	Four			PFD Worn?	WORN	
Kayak Type	Not known		<u>l</u> _	TTD WUIII:	,, 014,	
Description 1		1 .1.111		.1 . 1	1.1	north. Two of the boys
	swam into a nearby helicopter winched t	bay and their ki	ayaks ended that of the bay.	ip on anomer b	each furthe	i norm. The Rescue
Authorities Involved	Rescue Helicopter, S	Surf Lifesaving				
Cause	High winds; lack of	experience.				
Determined	<i>g</i> ,	1				
Lessons Learned Additional Information						
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Compiled Comms Carried not known

Date	14/02/2014			Acci	ident Ref:	02/14solo -resc	
Location	90 Mile Beach				Region	Northland	
Source	Emails and phone ca	ılls from Kristir	ne				
File Category	solo -rescue -surf						
Name of injured or rescued party	John Kristine		Injuries	Nil reported			
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	52 and 50s		From:	Wellington			
Previous Experience	Kristine had limited ka	yaking experienc	ce, while John	was more a more	e experienceo	l paddler.	
Conditions:	Southerly Breeze picked up throughout day and a rising swell.						
Number in Party	Two			PFD Worn?	WORN		
Kayak Type	Fibreglass Sea Kaya	k		TID WOIH.			
			dronung on 2	2 Ionuani and 1	Q days lata	r reached Cone Painge	
Description	Kristine and John launched from Takapuna on 23 January and 18 days later reached Cape Reinga Feb 10 2014. After camping there for three days, Kristine was reportedly apprehensive to continue down the coast due to a previous incident at Palliser Bay where she lost all her equipment and was rolled around in the surf. However, they both continued down toward Ahipara against advise from four paddlers that she had asked for advice from regarding this part of the trip. On Feb 14th they started the day at 3am, from Motuopao Island, with the hope of getting to Ahipara that day. Kristine was pushed out by John through the surf, where John was reported to try six times before he was able to get out, apparently damaging his seat in the process. The southerly breeze picked up and the swell lifted. They past Middle Bluff which has a lee landing on the north side which had been used by other paddlers. About half way to Ahipara, after 1214 hours of paddling and some discussion they decided to land. While looking for a place to land and paddling side my side, a wave picked John up and he headed into shore. Kristine remained outside the breakers. There was an issue with the VHF radios and reportedly John could hear Kristine but could not reply. So Kristine with no word from John triggered her EPIRB not wanting a repeat of the Palliser Bay incident. Kristine reported that she was unaware what would occur if she triggered the EPIRB.						
Authorities Involved	Maritime Rescue Co	ordination, Res	scue Helicopt	er, Fire Service	, Police, Su	rf Lifesaving Crew	
Cause	Lack of experience,	lack of confider	nce in ability	in surf landing	s, ceded to	pressure from co paddler	
Determined	re continuing agains		хрепенсеа р	addiers.			
Lessons Learned	and Fire Service, plu	e Coordination as surf RIBS fro asked him to co	om Ahipara to ontact the Pol	be dispatched ice. Within 30 i	. John had minutes Kri	Whangarei Helicopter meanwhile stopped a istine and her kayak were ed.	
Additional Information							

Comms Carried VHF, EPIRB carried

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Date	25/03/2014		Accident Ref	
Location	Wellington Harbour		Region	Wellington
Source	www.stuff.co.nz 25/03/2014			
File Category	Grp resc-			
Name of injured or rescued party	Not known	Injuries	Nil reported	
Name of Deceased	N/a	Fatality	Nil	
Age	15 and 16	From:	Levin	
Previous Experience	Students learning to kayak.			
Conditions:	Began with fine conditions, turned	to 25 knot he	adwinds on the return tr	p.
Number in Party	17-seven rescued		PFD Worn? Worn	
Kayak Type	single and double kayaks	<u> </u>	TID TOTAL	
Description	15 high school outdoor recreation s	tudente plue t	wo teachers were out in	Wellington Harbour
Description	paddling back from Somes Island to for help using a VHF radio about 12 were stuck north of the island due to "weather in the harbour was margin experience." While some in the group managed to the Lady Elizabeth IV, assisted by t	o Petone whe 2.20pm and Moo the 25 knot all and the gradule bac	n winds picked up in the Maritime Police found th headwind. Senior Sarge oup got out of their dept k on their own, seven stu	afternoon. A teacher called em just before 1pm. They nt Dave Houston said that, in in terms of skill and
Authorities Involved	Maritime Police.			
	Strengthening Head Winds, Strong	currents and	l lack of experience in de	Paling with these situations
Cause Determined	Strengthening Head willds, Strong	currents, and	rack of experience in di	anng with these situations.
I assess I				
Lessons Learned				
Additional Information				

Compiled Comms Carried VHF radio carried

Date	25/03/2014		Accident	Ref:	03/14-Grp-Resc	
Location	Mokoia Island, Lake Rotorua		Re	egion	Bay of Plenty	
Source	Rotorua Daily Post, 25 & 26 /03/20)14 -two print	ed pages in safety fil	le		
File Category	Grp Rescue					
Name of injured or rescued party	two males -Not known	Injuries	Taken to Hospital to	o be cl	necked	
Name of Deceased	n/a	Fatality				
Age	early 20s	From:	Australia			
Previous Experience	The pair told Mana Adventures they ha	d experience ir	n kayaking.			
Conditions:	Strong southerly winds -Kawarau J before they found the pair. "It was choppy," he said. "We drove aroun	pretty tricky t	to be honest with lov	v light	and it was reasonably	
Number in Party	Two 2		PFD Worn? not	know	n	
Kayak Type	open type (olden days) canoe, acco	rding to the je				
Description	hit by high winds. The pair, paddled when their kayaks took on water an rescued. The Kawarau Jet, neighbou when they had not returned by the the Jet drove around for an hour seafopm. The Coast Guard was paged a	Two Australian tourists were rescued from Lake Rotorua after a kayaking trip to Mokoia Island was hit by high winds. The pair, paddled to the island in rented kayaks. They were on their return trip when their kayaks took on water and sank. They were in the water for two hours before they were rescued. The Kawarau Jet, neighbours of the rented kayaks, Mana Adventures, went out searching when they had not returned by the return time of 4pm. They were rescued by the Kawarau Jet after the Jet drove around for an hour searching in choppy conditions and bought back to the shore by 6pm. The Coast Guard was paged at two minutes to six and were down at the shed at 6.10pm. They were not required at this point. However, did state that they should have been notified earlier as they are the National Rescue Unit.				
Authorities Involved	Police, Kawarau Jet, Rotorua Coast	guard				
Cause Determined	Lack of local experience, and known Mana Adventures owner, Donna Sowere their standby rescuers in case the pair when they weren't back by could have been a different outcom boats out after that." She said the pair had told her they have the said the pair had told her they have the said the pair had told her they have the said the pair had told her they have the said the pair had told her they have the said the pair had told her they have the said the pair had told her they have the said the s	olomon, said lanyone was latheir due time. We know I	Kawarau Jet, their no ate returning. She sa e of 4 pm. "If we'd v Kawarau Jet closes a	eighbo id she vaited t 5pm	asked them to search for for the coastguard it so we don't like having	
Lessons Learned	Solomon, said, 'She said the pair hat to the island, which is about 5 kms were confident they could make it. made it to the island but on the way wrong." She said they were found of	from the lake We kept an eg back they we	front. "We told then ye on them as they we ent against the wind	n it wa vent or and th	as a long way but they ut. They told us they'd at's where it went	
Additional Information	http://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/news and a follow-up about the CG not h co.nz/rotorua-daily-post/news/artic Here's Mana's own website: http://www.manaadventures.co.nz/o	naving 'sold' i le.cfm?c id=	ts services very well	l:	http://www.nzherald.	

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Comms Carried

Date	20/4/2014			Accid	lent Ref:	04/14	
Location	Motunau Beach			Region North Canterbury			
Source	The Journal of the K	ASK Inc No 1	70 AprilMay	2014; The Press	PC 20/04	/14 and 22/04/14	
File Category	soloresc		1	T			
Name of injured or rescued party	Phillip Cartier		Injuries	None reported			
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	19 -male		From:	Germany			
Previous Experience	seven years kayaking e	xperience plus v	white water skil	ils.			
Conditions:	becoming north west	t 20 knots ever	rywhere in the	e evening. Rough	n sea in the	knots south of Kaikoura, e north easing. North East g to 35 knots for a time.	
Number in Party	one			PFD Worn?	Yes		
Kayak Type	Prijon Kodiak						
Description	On the morning of S surf and was give a land Averaging 6 kph. He pants over top, with a PFD had a SPOT me leaving he checked the based weather service wind. At about 3pm 2 km offshore, the way wind. At 6pm he had essentially got picked SAR and Westpac Hof the type of vessel	Phillip was heading part way through a trip down the eastern coast of the South Island. On the morning of Sunday, 20 April Phillip decided not to launch at Conway Flat due to the dumping surf and was give a lift to Gore Bay prepared to travel down to Motunau 30 km away. He was Averaging 6 kph. He was wearing two thermal tops, a pair of thermal pants with lightweight pants over top, with a pair of water shoes. He was not wearing a waterproof jacket, his inflatable PFD had a SPOT messenger attached and a waterproof case on the front held a small light. Before leaving he checked the MetService weather, plus swell conditions on his Smartphone plus a Norway based weather service. He launched at 10am into reportedly a 1.9 meter swell and light south west wind. At about 3pm as he neared Motunau he realised he was about 3.5 km offshore. Usually only 2 km offshore, the wind was blowing him offshore. He was making no headway into the offshore wind. At 6pm he had made no headway, he activated his SPOT using the SOS function, this essentially got picked up by Rescue Coordination Centre in Wellington who then tasked Police SAR and Westpac Helicopter. The only information they held was the location. They were unaware of the type of vessel that was in trouble. The paramedic crew were also trained in water rescue. They used night vision goggles (NVG) to search. Helicopter located Phillip.					
Authorities Involved	Police, Rescue Helic	•					
Cause	Strong winds and cur	rrents. Lack of	local knowle	dge regarding cu	irrents and	l winds.	
Determined	continued from descr	wintion					
Lessons Learned	The helo directed Mo Detailed four page re	otunau fishing	boat to pick u tht to 11 Journ	ıp Phillip and his ıal of KASK No	s kayak. 170.		
Additional Information							

Compiled Comms Carried Spot carried

Date	3/5/2014			Acci	dent Ref:	05/14grpresc
Location	Motu River, Opotiki			Region Bay of Plenty		
Source	New Zealand News	03/05/14				
File Category	Grp Resc-river					
Name of injured or rescued party	Not known		Injuries	Nil Reported		
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	Not known		From:	Not known		
Previous Experience	Not known					
Conditions:	difficult conditions a	and strong curr	ents reported.			
Number in Party	two			PFD Worn?	yes	
•	river kayaks			FFD WOIH:	<i>y</i> es	
Kayak Type	-			34 . 71		
Description	left clinging to a roc They triggered the e by the Greenslea Res	k. The kayaks a mergency beac scue Helicopter	and gear were ons which the	lost in the diffi	icult condit	f them slipped and was ions and strong currents. odies and were rescued
Authorities Involved	Police, Maritime Res	scue, Rescue H	elicopter			
Cause	Difficult conditions					
Determined	Carry Locator beaco	no on the need	lor			
Lessons Learned	Carry Locator beaco	ns on the padd	ier.			
Additional Information						

Compiled Comms Carried PLBs carried

Date	9/6/2014			Acci	ident Ref:	6/14solorescue	
Location	Marsden Point, What	ngarei			Region	Northland	
Source	Press clipping, 10/6/	14					
File Category	solo, rescue						
Name of injured or rescued party	not stated		Injuries	none noted			
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	62 -male		From:	rom: Reotahi, Whangarei			
Previous Experience	not known						
Conditions:	rough seas; weather warning in place for Northland with heavy rain, gale force winds and atrocious conditions on the water						
Number in Party	1 -solo			PFD Worn?	not know	n	
Kayak Type	not known			112 ((0111)			
Description	The 62 year old male left work at the Marsden Point Refinery about 6.30pm to kayak across Whangarei Harbour to his home in Reotahi (police said). When he had not arrived home at 9.20pm, police were alerted and a search launched using the Whangarei Coastguard and Northland Emergency Services Trust helicopter. About 1am on 10 June, the man was located about 1.5 km off the coast near Ruakaka Beach. Northland Police S&R's senior sergeant Cliff Metcalfe said the actions of the man were bordering on 'stupid' and he placed rescuers lives as risk. "There was already a weather warning in place Mr Metcalfe said the man was pushed out of the harbour by the strong wind and outgoing currents, and he was extremely lucky to be found. He was found after more than six hours in rough seas. 'The incident was a reminder that people needed to check the weather conditions before they go out in a boat. People also need to take some form of communication, such as a cellphone or marine radio so they can let others know if they get into trouble.						
Authorities Involved	Whangarei Coastgua	rd, police, Nor	thland Emerg	ency Services	Trust helico	pter.	
Cause Determined	Inability to assess wind and outgoing tidal stream conditions. This man was fortunate to have a friend who called in a rescue at 9.20pm.						
Lessons Learned Additional Information	check the weather check tidal stream di carry two forms of er						
Information							

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Comms Carried not carried

Date	11/7/2014			Accident		7/14 soloresc
Location	Taranaki coast, 74 kms off Cape Egmont Region Taranaki					
Source	Chch Press, 12 July					
File Category	solo resuce					
Name of injured or rescued party	Scott Donaldson		Injuries	bruising		
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	44 -male		Fuame	Rotorua		
Previous Experience			From:	Rotorua		
Trevious Emperience						
Conditions:	easterly winds and s	easterly winds and seas				
Number in Party	1 solo			PFD Worn? yes		
Kayak Type	purpose built 'kayak	with enclosed	d pod on fored	leck		
Description	strong easterly wind	gmont, Scott sp s. , unable to char	ent six days h	unkered down in the	e craft'	sing to NZ 's cabin, drifting before roblems with a rudder,
Authorities Involved Cause Determined	Taranaki rescue heli	copter, winch r	escue			
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						

Compiled Comms Carried Yes

Date	27/7/2014		Accident Ref: 7/14grp resc			
Location	Waikato River			Regi	on Wa	ikato
Source	28/7/14 Grey star					
File Category	group rescue, canoe					
Name of injured or rescued party	not stated		Injuries	nil		
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	father and son		From:	Waikato?		
Previous Experience			rioni.			
Conditions:						
Number in Party	2 two			PFD Worn? Both	nen woi	re PFDs
Kayak Type	Canadian canoe			TID WOIN.		
Description			£ 4h1-1:	c, when cries for help	1	4 1 1.:1 4
	Canadian Canoe, the Cambridge in an ina The Waikato River I with their Canadian	e police arrived accessible locati arbourmaster v canoe.	and found th on. was called fro	ccess the stranded fath e pair on the Waikato I m Hamilton to assist a cold and wet, they we	River bar nd rescu	nk, north of ned both men along
Authorities	Police, Waikato Rive	er Harbourmas	ter			
Involved	I					
Cause Determined	Inexperience?					
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						

Compiled 25/11/14

Comms Carried

not carried

Date	31/8/2014			Acci		8/14
Location	Mapua Estuary				Region	Nelson
Source	Nelson Mail 2/9/14					
File Category						
Name of injured or rescued party	father, mother and 1 daughter	3 year old	Injuries	nil		
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age			From:			
Previous Experience						
Conditions:						
Number in Party	3 -three			PFD Worn?	All three	wearing PFDs
Kayak Type	single kayaks		1	TTD WOIH.		
		I 12 man ald de	vy ah tan vyana	matumina ta Ma	mua often le	avaling around Dahhit
Authorities Involved	A father, mother and 13 year old daughter were returning to Mapua after kayaking around Rabbit Island when they got into difficulty in the Mapua Channel's strong outgoing tide in the Waimea Inlet. Just before 3pm, the mother tipped out of her single kayak and was being was being washed out to sea. The father who was also being swept out to sea in his single kayak, called police on his cellphone. Meanwhile the daughter capsized and swam to shore to raise the alarm. CG Nelson were contacted by police and the CG vessel picked up the father about 2 kms from shore, just outside the estuary and the mother was picked up by the Mapua ferry. Coastguard Nelson, police, Mapua ferry,					
Involved	Inexperience with tic	dal conditions i	n the Menue	Channal		
Cause Determined	Lack of paddling/res	cue experience				
Lessons Learned	The father's cellphor	ne allowed for	a prompt resc	ue response.		
Additional Information						

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Comms Carried

cellphone carried and used to call for rescue

Date	22/10/2014		Accident Ref:	10/14soloresc				
Location	Pukerua Bay, Wellington West Coa	st	Region	Wellington				
Source	24/10/14 Stuff website link -Kayaker rushed to hospital after capsizing							
File Category	solo rescue							
Name of injured or rescued party	not known	Injuries	treated at Wellington hos	pital for hypothermia				
Name of Deceased		Fatality						
Age	50s -male	From:	Pukerua Bay (NZ)					
Previous Experience								
Conditions:	13°C sea temperature; conditions w	13°C sea temperature; conditions were good (police unsure of why the capsize happened)						
Number in Party	1 -solo		PFD Worn? Yes					
Kayak Type	kayak -nothing else noted							
Description	The man is his 50s fell out of his ka When he realized he couldn't re-ent which he had in a lifejacket pocket. The kayaker then called his wife an Kapiti CG and the rescue helicopter local in a runabout heard the marine paddler and rescue him. Three men Bay when they heard the radio rescu The Paraparaumu rescue vessel rend Mana Marina. 'He didn't seem to be in the best of in trouble. He had swallowed a lot of	er the kayak. After about d asked her to head out to e radio chann in the runaboue call. dezvoused whealth. If he'	the called 111 using a cell minutes police lost contain phone for help. The search for him. While they ell call for help. This local put who found him were distinct the divers, and took the	phone wrapped in a plastic ct with the man. were on their way, a managed to find the ivers, diving off Pukerua man and his kayak to the				
Authorities Involved	Police, CG vessel, rescue helicopter	•						
Cause Determined								
Lessons Learned	PFD worn, and capsized paddler use ie comms were carried.	ed plastic baş	g wrapped cellphone to cal	l for help,				
Additional Information								

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Comms Carried

Cellphone in plastic bag

Date	22/10/2014			Accident Ref	:	searescsolo	
Location	Pukerua Bay			Region	n	Wellington	
Source	22/10/14 web			<u> </u>			
File Category	solo kayaker rescue				_		
Name of injured or rescued party	male paddler 50s		Injuries	swallowed a lot of wate hospital for treatment for	r; t or l	taken to Wellington hypothermia.	
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	50s		From:	Pukerua Bay, Wgtn	_		
Previous Experience							
Conditions:	capsize into 13°C se	as, 300m off th	ne Mana Coas	tline	_		
Number in Party	1 solo			PFD Worn? PFD wo	orn		
Kayak Type	not known				_		
Description	111 from a cellphone and told police he wand a local runabout The man lost contact Conditions were good Paraparaumu CG repraised by police for	Male capsized at midday off Pukerua Bay, 300m offshore, unable to get back into his kayak, called 11 from a cellphone wrapped in a plastic bag, that he had in his lifejacket pocket, and told police he was in trouble. He also phoned his wife; Westpac helo and Kaptiti CG set out, and a local runabout with local divers, who heard a marine radio channel call for help. The man lost contact as he became fatigued. Conditions were good. Paraparaumu CG rendezvoused with the divers and took the man and his kayak to Mana marina. Praised by police for wearing a PFD and carrying means of comms but police were unsure of how the capsize happened					
Authorities Involved	Westpac helo, police	c, CG, local div	vers in a boat				
Cause Determined							
Lessons Learned	Vital to wear a PFD	and carry emer	gency comm	S.			
Additional Information							

Compiled P Caffyn 655/15

Comms Carried

Date	21/12/2014			Accident Ref:			
Location	Papamoa Beach, Bay	y of Plenty		Region	Bay of Plenty		
Source	NZ Herald; PC press	clippings					
File Category							
Name of injured or rescued party	no names		Injuries	male going purple and co father nor daughter were	oughing a lot; but neither admitted to hospital		
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	50s / 18		From:	not known			
Previous Experience	not known						
Conditions:	Not especially bad, but rips had become particularly dangerous along this stretch of beach						
Number in Party	2 -two			PFD Worn? male not	wearing PFD		
Kayak Type	two person kayak or	sit on top					
Description	Man in his 50s, and Johann Coulson, age wearing a lifejacket, the rear of his surfbo	Just after lunch on Sunday, a kayak flipped in surf, near Grant Place, 4 kms from Papamoa SLSC Man in his 50s, and daughter 18, thrown into the water, swiftly being pulled out to sea by a rip; Johann Coulson, aged 12, went to the rescue with his surfboard; he rescued the man who was not wearing a lifejacket, was struggling to breathe, about 40 m from shore. Johann helped the man grab the rear of his surfboard and he paddled into the beach; meanwhile a passing runner swam out and rescued the daughter who was wearing a lifejacket.					
Authorities Involved	Papamoa surf lifesav	ing club					
Cause Determined	inexperience; male r	not wearing a P	FD. No comm	ns carried.			
Lessons Learned Additional Information							
Information							

Compiled P Caffyn 5/5/14

Comms Carried

Date	22/12/2014			Acci	dent Ref:		
Location	Lake Taupo near Tu	rangi			Region	Waikato	
Source	NZ Herald						
File Category	Fatality, lake, heart a	nttack presume	d				
Name of injured	no name		Injuries				
or rescued party							
Name of Deceased			Fatality	Presumed hear	t attack and	l drowning	
Age	51 From: Turangi						
Previous Experience	not known						
Conditions:	not known						
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn?	not know	n	
-	not known			PFD Worn;	not know	11	
Kayak Type		.1 T		. 2		11.	
Description	Man was pulled from resuscitate him. Policeman said the d One media report sta	rowning is bel	ieved to have		-	ees were unable to	
Authorities Involved							
Cause	Heart attack presume	e, subject to po	st morte.				
Determined	-	,					
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information							

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Date	7/1/2015			Acci	ident Ref:	FatalseaSUP	
Location	Whangamata				Region	Waikato	
Source	Chch Press, Gr Star						
File Category	Fatality, sea, solo						
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries				
Name of Deceased	Aime Louise Russell		Fatality	Swept under moored yacht; drowning			
Age	15 Waikato						
Previous Experience	very little assumed						
Conditions:	strong outgoing tidal stream, daytime, light wind						
Number in Party	2 on one paddle boar	rd (SUP)		PFD Worn?	bum bag	inflatable	
Kayak Type	SUP (stand up paddl	e board)	•				
Description	about 2pm and the S Russell was submerg Her friend pulled her	UP was swept ged for several r free, got her of firefighters and	under a yacht minutes. onto a paddle I police did C	moored to a py board and a pas PR, got a pulse	ylon. One p ssing boat h	ong outgoing current at erson jumped clear and nelped bring Russell to her enough to get her	
Authorities Involved	police, St Johns, Fire	e service					
Cause Determined							
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information							

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Date	10/1/2015			Acci	dent Ref:	rescue-sea	
Location	Eastbourne				Region	Wellington	
Source	Grey Stat						
File Category	sea rescue						
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries	mild hypotherr	nia to 38 y	ear old woman	
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	38		From:	Wellington?			
Previous Experience	not known						
Conditions:	strong northwesterly wind						
Number in Party	two (2)			PFD Worn?	PFD wor	n	
Kayak Type	not known						
Description	38 year old mother, shore so she clung to	o a buoy, while anized a marine put their rescue	her daughter broadcast or boat in the w	raised the alarn the emergency	n (paddled channel a	nd then members of the	
Authorities Involved	Maritime police, Mu	ıratai yacht clul)				
Cause Determined							
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information							

Compiled 5/5/15

Date	10/1/2015			Acci	dent Ref:	grp fatality
Location	Bark Bay, Abel Tasman National Park Region Tasman Bay					
Source	Grey Star and Press					
File Category	medical event/fatalit	y in sea kayak				
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries			
Name of Deceased	not known	Fatality	jellyfish sting t	hought to	have caused heart attack	
Age	30		From:	England		
Previous Experience	not known, presumed r	novice				
Conditions:	settled?					
Number in Party	tourist group			PFD Worn?	PFD wor	n
Kayak Type	sea kayak?					
Description	A tourist collapsed, v Appears to have been	while kayaking	in the Abel 7	Γasman Nationa	l Park, and	l died.
Authorities	?					
Involved						
Cause Determined	heart attack?					
Lessons Learned						
Additional Information						

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Comms Carried assumed carried with guide

Date	20/2/2015		Accident Ref:	fatalitysolosea					
Location	Waiau River bar, Te Waewae Bay,	Southland	Region	Southland					
Source	Chch Press, Grey Star, Southland Ti	imes							
File Category									
Name of injured or rescued party		Injuries							
Name of Deceased	Paul Horrell	Fatality	drowning						
Age	51 From: Arrowtown								
Previous Experience	said to be experienced on lake for hunti-	aid to be experienced on lake for hunting and fishing but this was his first time on the Waiau River.							
Conditions:		Outgoing tide, strong SSW onshore choppy sea conditions wift outgoing movement of the river with an ebb tide							
Number in Party	Solo 1		PFD Worn? PFD wor	n					
Kayak Type	Minnow, 3m long Perception kayak	; big cockpit	, no buoyancy						
Description	he said to his mates he was going fo At that time, in Te Waewae Bay, a s was ebbing. Thus increasing the rive Noted that the water speed over the Inferred that Paul had either capsize out to sea with an outgoing tide, ont When last seen, he was wearing jean When found, 300m east of confluen kayak close by, wearing a HutchWi No alcohol or drugs were found wit	Paul joined his mates at a crib on the Waiau River, for hunting and fishing. After lunch. about 3pm, he said to his mates he was going for another paddle. He was wearing gumboots when he left. At that time, in Te Waewae Bay, a strong SSW was blowing, creating a rough chop, and the tide was ebbing. Thus increasing the river flow over the bar. Noted that the water speed over the bar would have been deceptively strong. Inferred that Paul had either capsized on the river, not far upstream of the river bar, and was swept but to sea with an outgoing tide, onto choppy SSW conditions on Te Waewae Bay. When last seen, he was wearing jeans, black sweatshirt and gumboots. When found, 300m east of confluence of river and Te Waewae Bar, his body was bare foot with his kayak close by, wearing a HutchWilco buoyancy vest. No alcohol or drugs were found with the autopsy.							
Authorities Involved	Police								
Cause Determined	Inferred no sea paddling experience Inadequate clothing and footwear w	capsize on river and swept over river bar to sea in a 3m long recreational kayak. Inferred no sea paddling experience. Inadequate clothing and footwear worn for immersion Inferred no emergency comms. carried.							
Lessons Learned									
Additional Information									

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Comms Carried

Inferred NO

Date	22/2/2015			Accident	Ref:	fatlaity -solo Med. event		
Location	Tauranga Bay, south	of Westport		Re	gion	West Coast		
Source	Grey Star and Press;	PC press clipp	oings; Nick K	een Westport Police				
File Category			1					
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries					
Name of Deceased	Christopher Black		Fatality	Heart attack, initiall	y, fo	llowed by drowning		
Age	51		From:	Westport				
Previous Experience	not known							
Conditions:	settled							
Number in Party	1 one 1			PFD Worn? Yes				
Kayak Type	plastic recreational k	ayak, approx.	3m long, larg	e cockpit				
Description	Christopher was fishing from a 3 m rec. kayak, approx. 30 m from shore. He had been long lining for three hours in the Tauranga Bay, when he was observed to have capsized. He was found face down in the water, approx. 5pm about 30m offshore.							
Authorities Involved	Police, off duty doct	or, emergency	services					
	heart attack, capsize	and drowning						
Cause Determined	neart attack, capsize	and drowning						
Lessons Learned								
Additional Information								
intormation								

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Comms Carried

assumed nil

Date	25/2/2015			Accident F	ef:	grp rescue		
Location	Lyttleton Harbour			Reg	ion	Canterbury		
Source	Chch Press							
File Category	group rescue in the l	narbour						
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries					
Name of Deceased			Fatality					
Age		From:						
Previous Experience								
Conditions:	group blown off cou	group blown off course by southerly winds						
Number in Party	3 (three)			PFD Worn?				
Kayak Type	sea kayaks?			TID WOIH.				
Description	Three kayakers were Head, when a witner	Three kayakers were blown off course by a southerly wind change, and swept north to Lyttleton Head, when a witness on shore called police about 3pm. Westpac helo and Canterbury CG were dispatched. One kayaker was pulled from the water by the Quail Island ferry and two others were						
Authorities	W I I I	00						
Involved	Westpac helo, police	e, CG						
Cause								
Determined								
Lessons Learned								
Additional Information								

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Date	4/4/2015			Acci	ident Ref:	rescuesolosea			
Location	Wairarapa Coast; Oc	ean Beach, we	st end Paliser	Bay	Region	Wellington			
Source	Stuff								
File Category	solo inflatable rescu	e wild sea cond	itions						
Name of injured or rescued party	female		Injuries						
Name of Deceased			Fatality						
Age	25		From:	Masterton					
Previous Experience	not experienced								
Conditions:	strong offshore northerly winds; the NW is pretty viscous								
Number in Party	1 solo woman			PFD Worn?	Yes				
Kayak Type	inflatable		<u> </u>	TID WOIH.					
Description	Young woman went coast off Ocean Bear Large waves almost She kept the boat go She hoped that famil Shortly after 11.30ar by the Police launch "I just tried to paddle Emergency services Ocean Beach. She had	Young woman went out on her mother-in-law's inflatable kayak to check a craypot, 500 m off the coast off Ocean Beach, when the powerful NW wind dragged her 2.5 kms offshore. Large waves almost tipped her out twice, and the kayak began to fill with water. She kept the boat going forward into the wind and made sure she didn't fall out. She hoped that family members on the beach knew of her predicament and would raise the alarm. Shortly after 11.30am, she spotted the Westpac Rescue helo coming to her rescue, followed closely by the Police launch Lady Elizabeth IV, which was battling gusts of up to 128 kph. "I just tried to paddle up to them and they just pulled me up and in." Emergency services were called out after the woman was spotted in distress about 2.5 kms off Ocean Beach. She had a lifejacket on but was struggling against the wind. Woman was taken to Wellington on the police boat, which battled 'bloody awful winds'							
Authorities Involved	Police, rescue helico	pter							
Cause	inexperience; stupid	woman going	out in offshor	re conditions					
Determined	inexperience; stupid woman going out in offshore conditions								
Lessons Learned Additional Information									
information									

No

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Date	4/4/2015			Acci	dent Ref:	fatalityłakesolo		
Location	Lake Coleridge, 100	m from the pov	wer station		Region	Canterbury		
Source	Chch Press, Grey Sta	ar,						
File Category				_				
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries					
Name of Deceased	Hamish Duncan		Fatality	assumed drow body not recov	ning ⁄ered			
Age	20	20 From: family from Hastings						
Previous Experience	assumed novice paddler							
Conditions:	choppy lake surface.	, weather deteri	orated later;					
Number in Party	1 -solo			PFD Worn?	Not worn			
Kayak Type			L	TTD WOIH:	1,00,011			
	A	C 11:	. (1: 1	1 1 .	1' '	CI .		
Description	A trainee soldier was A member of the pul Police. The caller the stay afloat. A rescue Search and rescue te To date (10 May 201	olic saw the ma ought the paddl helo arrived ab ams and teams	n fall from her was about 5.15pm have been se	is kayak about a 150 to 200 m of search by wharching where I	4.40pm on offshore and ich time the	Saturday and called I said he was struggling to e man was out of view.		
Authorities	Police, dive squad							
Involved	inexperience							
Cause Determined	mexperience							
Lessons Learned								
Lessons Learned								
Additional Information								

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Date	7/4/2015			Acci	dent Ref:	grpfescsea			
Location	Taieri River Mouth,	Otago			Region	Otago			
Source	Media ODT, Grey S	tat and Press		_					
File Category	group rescue at sea								
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries	hypothermia both flown to l	Dunedin ho	spital			
Name of Deceased			Fatality						
Age	both 26 years old		From:	Balclutha					
Previous Experience	not known	ot known							
Conditions:	day was fine until a southerly blew threw and that is what caught them out								
Number in Party	2 tow			PFD Worn?	Yes				
Kayak Type	double			TFD WOIH:					
		. 1 C 1	т.	'' T.1 1 . C		1			
Description	Two men were plucked from rough seas near Taieri Island, after clinging for hours to an upturned kayak. The 26 year olds from Balclutha were winched aboard the Otaga Regional helo about 5pm after spending nearly four hours in the water. Helo owner said the pair were extremely lucky to be found as they were drifting about 1 km south of Taieri Island; sea conditions were choppy with a southerly blowing blowing about 30 knots and their kayak was completely sunk, making it extremely difficult to spot. The wife of one of the paddlers raised the alarm when the men failed to make contact. Police started a water search but decided the helo was necessary because of the approaching weather.								
Authorities Involved	Police, rescue helo, l	nospital							
Cause									
Determined									
Lessons Learned									
Additional Information									

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Date	3/5/2015			Acci	dent Ref:	fatalitysurfsit on top		
Location	Muriwai Beach, wes	t coast of Auck	cland		Region	Auckland		
Source	Press clippings, ema	ils						
File Category								
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries					
Name of Deceased	Dean Mitchell		Fatality	Drowning				
Age	51	From: Glenfield, Auckland						
Previous Experience	not known	oot known						
Conditions:	rough seas, large sur	rough seas, large surf,						
Number in Party	one (1)			PFD Worn?	Not worn			
Kayak Type	sit on top							
Description	into the water. Police from his kayak. Wor emergency services. Police, Westpac held found about 3.20pm The inquest officer, experience, and othe on front and no deck Kayak boat it was – Tim Muhundan 6.5.	Police, Westpac helo, CG, and Muriwai surf rescue conduced a search for Mitchell whose body was						
Authorities Involved	police, rescue helo, (CG Muriwai su	rfclub					
Cause Determined								
Lessons Learned Additional Information								

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Date	30/5/2015			Acci		5/15grpresc	
Location	half a kilometre offs	half a kilometre offshore from Rangitito Is Region Auckland			Auckland		
Source	Grey Star 2/6/15; PC	press clipping	files				
File Category	grp rescue by CG of	delirious fema	le kayaker fro				
Name of injured or rescued party	not known		Injuries	checked at Aucher own steam		hospital but left 'under	
Name of Deceased		Fat					
Age	19		From:	USA			
Previous Experience	not known; assumed no	ovice paddler					
Conditions:	not known	not known					
Number in Party	tour group with Ferg	g's Kayaks guid	le	PFD Worn?	assumed `	Yes	
Kayak Type	?			TID WOIH.			
Description	A young 19 year old	from IICA wa	s rescued by	CG Sat. 30 Max	ofter she h	acomo mildly	
	hypothermic' on a gi teachers, when tour g but then went into m she was assessed by CG duty officer note to bring her to shore	uided trip to Raguide noticed so pore of a deliriute a paramedic. Ted 'She was con	angitoto Is. Whe was delirion CG called Then taken to uscious but ur	Ith a group of fous 6 kms out from the fout fout fout the 19 Auckland City Inable to paddle	ellow university on shore. If you old backnown to spital. Which is where the second to	ersity students and She seemed to perk up k to the mainland where hy the decision was made	
Authorities Involved	CG						
Cause	Was this sea sicknes	s?					
Determined Determined							
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information							

Compiled 5/1/16 Comms Carried Yes

Date	6/07/2015		Accident Ref:				
Location	Waiotahi Beach, nea	r Opotoki, E B	ay of Plenty		Region	Bay of Plenty	
Source	NZ Herald; Grey Star clippings, web						
File Category	solo, fishing, fatality						
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries				
Name of Deceased	Graeme Allan Whiri-	Гаі	Fatality	Drowning			
Age	21		From:	Whakatane			
Previous Experience							
Conditions:	described as rough; on shore winds						
Number in Party	One, solo,			PFD Worn?	No		
Kayak Type	red single SOT						
Description	21 year old man fell from his kayak in the eastern Bay of Plenty. An Opotoki woman saw a kayaker paddling out in rough water just after lunch. She thought conditions were a bit rough. The man was not wearing a lifejacket. Police and CG searched the area after being alerted by family members at 1pm Eastern Bay of Plenty police rural police rural response manager Mark van der Kley told the Whakatane Beacon the man's kayak was brought in by the waves 'almost immediately'. His body was found near the shore by a friend about 1km from where he disappeared from at Waitotahi Beach in Opotoki. The man was wearing only shorts and a T shirt.						
Authorities Involved	Police, CG, helicopto	er, family					
Cause	No PFD, no emerger	ncy comms, no	t dressed for	mmersion			
Determined							
Lessons Learned Additional Information							

Compiled P Caffyn10/7/15

Comms Carried

No

Date	25/09/2015		Accident Ref				
Location	Lake Tekapo		Regio	n Canterbury			
Source	Press clippings; 29 Sept+; web repo	orts					
File Category							
Name of injured or rescued party		Injuries					
Name of Deceased	James Murphy, London Daniel Hollnsteiner, New York	Fatality	Both young men drown	ed			
Age	20, 21	From:	GB and USA				
Previous Experience	assumed no prior paddling experience						
Conditions:	Gusty 20 - 25 knot southeasterly. A midday. Between 1 and 5 pm, the w Metservice forecast (including Lake	vind graduall	y increased, ranging fro	m 3043 kph. The			
Number in Party	11 (eleven)		PFD Worn? Yes				
Kayak Type	three plastic doubles and 5 single pl	astic kayaks	TID TYONIN				
Description Description	Approx. 2pm Friday, 25 September	2015, 11 Mo	onash university students	hired kayaks from Lake			
	Tekapo hire company AquaNorts, and head unguided onto the lake with calm conditions. They kayaked uninstructed under a 'freedom hire' purchase. Aquanorts was run by Kylee Smith and her partner Ricky Harnett. About 3.20pm Aquanorts become concerned about the group as wind strength on the lake increases. Smith claims a strong easterly wind whipped up the calm lake in 15 - 20 minutes. Smith claimed it was a freak wind! They did not call emergency services till 4.31pm; 50 mins after the weather changed. Police noted five of the group capsized, including Murphy and Hollnsteiner. The other six paddlers reached Motuariki Is and lit a fire to attract a rescue. (Why were no emergency comms carried; VHF radio, flares, cellphones, PLBs?) Tekapo helicopters rescued three near Lake McGregor. Tekapo helicopters rescued all 11 paddlers, including the two deceased. James Murphy reached Motuariki Is safely but went back into the lake to save a friend. Distance Tekapo-island-Tekapo about 15 km, probably 4 hours paddle.						
Authorities Involved	Police, rescue helicopter,						
Cause Determined	recommended paddling area. Also ne boatshed'. Kylee Smith, claimed it versuse of the two young men drown Group. (???) One lass was picked up reached the island lit a fire to attract Aquanorts should have provided fla	The kayak hire business AquaNorts claimed the 'freedom hire' purchase group were outside the recommended paddling area. Also not to paddle to Motuariki Is because of the distance 'from the boatshed'. Kylee Smith, claimed it was a freak wind that cut up Lake Tekapo. Cause of the two young men drowning has to be lack of emergency communications carried by the Group. (???) One lass was picked up walking along the lake shore to seek help, while those who reached the island lit a fire to attract help. Aquanorts should have provided flares; perhaps a VHF radio?					
	(cellphone reception unknown)	1.1.1.1	1. 1 .	10 1 0 1 1			
Lessons Learned	It is apparent the weather change too increase was forecast. The company comms were carried by the group. (should have	ensured that at least two	o forms of emergency			
Additional Information							

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Comms Carried

No

Date	26/10/2015 Accident Ref: 10/15grp resc						
Location	Wellington Harbour	; 200m from M	atui Somes Is	es Is Region Wellington		Wellington	
Source	Web	Web					
File Category	Grp rescue						
Name of injured	not known		Injuries	nil			
or rescued party	_						
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age			From:	Wellington?			
Previous Experience							
Conditions:	wind whipped up ch	oppy seas					
Number in Party	3 (three)			PFD Worn?	no		
Kayak Type	SOTs						
Description	The East by West ferry diverted course Monday afternoon to save a trio of kayakers who got into trouble about 200 m from Matiu Somes Is. The ferry picked up the kayakers and dropped them at the island after one man fell off his SOT and could not get back on. The man was gripping the stern of his friend's SOT, as a cold wind whipped choppy seas around them. Another paddler, who had lost his paddler was attempting to get himself to the island using his hands. Seeing their plight, the ferry went to their rescue and pulled the wet and cold kayakers aboard. A witness said the same ferry had approached the three kayakers earlier to see if they wanted help while it was on its way to Petone, but they were waved off. Ferry skipper Brandon Leask said he was piloting the ferry away from Petone wharf towards Matui-Somes when he spotted two people on one kayak. "One of them had fallen off and was hanging onto the back of a second kayak. With their paddles drifting away, they were hauled onto the ferry. "The guy in the water had been quite a long time and only had a T shirt and shorts on, so he would have been getting cold. The two soon got back in the water to join their mate on the island; to catch the next ferry home.						
Authorities Involved	Commercial Welling	gton ferry					
Cause Determined	The ferry skipper no	ted there was p	orobably a bit	of inexperience	and they d	lidn't look at the forecast.	
Lessons Learned Additional Information							
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Comms Carried ob

obviously not

Date	14/11/2015 Accident Ref: 11/15solorescue						
Location	Wellington Harbour entrance Region Wellington			Wellington			
Source	Web; Dom Post 15/11/15; press clipping files						
File Category							
Name of injured or rescued party	Craig Lanceley		Injuries				
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	32		From:	Carterton			
Previous Experience							
Conditions:	cool windy condition	ns					
Number in Party	1 (One) solo			PFD Worn?	Yes but ta	ıken off	
Kayak Type	sitontop green colou	r Predator \$3,0	000 value				
Description	Watched by friends, he had paddled out at about 1pm on Saturday from Tarakena Bay at Moa Point before a series of mistakes in cool, windy conditions nearly put a tragic end to his first kayak trip. "I got overeonfident and went further than I should have even on a nice day, I was pushing my luck," the Carterton plant nursery worker said. "It was just utter stupidity." The launch point was sheltered but as soon as he got around Moa Point, large breaking waves flipped the boat. Unable to get back aboard because of the pummelling waves, he signalled for help with his paddle but he was too far away for his friends to see. Pulled toward the open ocean by the kayak, he decided to let go and swim for the Moa Point rocks nearby. But waterlogged shirts underneath his lifejacket dragged him down, so he took off the lifejacket to remove them, but then realised he was unable to put the life jacket back on because of the waves. Desperately looking for instructions, he spotted its label: "Do not remove life jacket under any circumstances.""I was just like, I'm gone." He battled the current for half an hour, clinging to the jacket and trying to side-paddle back to the beach, before deciding to make for Pencarrow Head lighthouse, visible on the opposite side of the harbour.						
Authorities Involved	Maritime police; reso	cue helicopter;	Wellington (CG			
Cause Determined	He swam for two hours and got close enough to hear the surf before running out of strength as the cold water took its toll. By then his friends, including the owner of the \$3000 kayak, had notified emergency services. About 5pm, Lanceley saw the Westpac rescue helicopter in the distance, but felt he had not been seen and was ready to give up when the winchline appeared. Maritime police constable Rob Grant said police were notified at about 2.30pm of a missing kayaker. Lanceley was "very, very lucky" to be found, he said.						
Lessons Learned	before they spotted I A trained Wellingtor harnessed Lanceley, The helicopter flew I few hours later. Land would be a lesson fo	ellington coast Logan Taylor Lanceley. In Free Ambulat before they we him back to bac celey was grater of others.	guard and We said the four nce paramediere both winc se and he was eful to all thos	ellington Airpor member crew w c in a wetsuit w hed to safety. s taken to Wellin se who helped sa	rt emergency as searching as lowered ngton Hosp	y services. g for about 20 minutes	
Additional Information	"I feel irresponsible. Maritime police had He was a bit sore and "I feel like I've cheat	recovered the labruised, but h	kayak and ret noped to be ba	turned it to his fack at work on I	Monday.	roud of."	

Date	9/12/2015			Accie	dent Ref:		
Location	one kilometre offshore from Bell Block, New Plymouth Region Taranaki				Taranaki		
Source	web					1	
File Category							
Name of injured	not known		Injuries	none			
or rescued party							
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	40		From:	Taranaki?			
Previous Experience							
Conditions:	not known; implied	wind and curre	nt prevented	the man from re	turning to	shore	
Number in Party				PFD Worn?	Yes		
Kayak Type				TID WOIII.			
Description	0 December 11 55a	m police were	alarted to a k	ovokar who had	consized o	pprox. one km offshore	
	from Bell Block, New Plymouth. Police contacted CG and the rescue helo. The helo arrived, dropped a crew member into the water, and with the paddler was winched up to the helo. The 40 year old man was wearing a lifejacket but not a wetsuit. He thought his kayak was sinking. He claimed waves and current prevented him from returning to land. The man reportedly called emergency services himself after finding a hole in the bottom of his kayak and tipping out. He had a cellphone with him when dropped off a the beach by the helo. 'The bloke who was in the water had a lifejacket on (and) was still holding on to is kayak'.						
Authorities Involved	Police, CG, Taranak	i Rescue helico	pter				
Cause							
Determined							
	Lucky the paddler ha	od o oollmb					
Lessons Learned	Lucky the paddler ha	ad a cempnone					
Additional Information							
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Comms Carried cellphone

Date	19/12/2015			Acci	dent Ref:	12/15double resc
Location	Waikato River mout	h			Region	Waikato
Source	NZ Herald 19/12/15					
File Category			1			
Name of injured or rescued party			Injuries	none		
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age			From:			
Previous Experience						
Conditions:						
Number in Party				PFD Worn?	Yes	
Kayak Type	double kayak		<u> </u>	112 // 0111		
Description	Two people have been rescued from the Waikato River after their kayak sank just before noon. The pair were drifting towards the river mouth, and firefighters commandeered a private boat to reach them opposite the Waiuku Forest. The Coastguard also launched a vessel in a rescue operation that the police and ambulance service also attended. "Someone on the shore called it in after they noticed the kayak had sunk and the people were in trouble," a Fire Service spokesman said. "A significant rescue operation was immediately put in place." It is believed the two people were wearing lifejackets. Back on shore, they were assessed by ambulance staff to determine if further medical attention was necessary. "By all accounts it could have been a very serious situation for the kayakers and it was fortunate they had lifejackets on," the Fire Service spokesman said. "The firefighters lifted them out of the water and they were suffering from mild hypothermia."					
Authorities Involved	Fire Service; CG; pri	vate boat com	mandeered			
Cause						
Determined Lessons Learned						
Additional Information	more info required					
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Date	24/12/2015			Acci	ident Ref:	12/15 -grp/resc	
Location	1.5 kms of Waiiti Be	each, end of Pu	kearuhe Rd		Region	Taranaki	
Source	web						
File Category	group; one paddler rescued by helicopter; SOT kayak fishing						
Name of injured or rescued party	Mike Finch		Injuries	nil			
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age			From:	Taranaki			
Previous Experience							
Conditions:	choppy						
Number in Party	5 (five)			PFD Worn?	Yes		
Kayak Type	Sit on tops						
Description	VHF distress call ma off Waiiti Beach, at Two of the paddlers SOT. The Taranaki winched him to safe The last two paddler Mike Winch was tak	the end of Puke stayed with the rescue helicopte ty. All the pades took two hou	earuhe Rd, Nt e paddler whil er was tasked dlers were we ers to paddle b	th Taranaki. CO le the other two , and having loc earing wetsuits back to shore.	G alerted pole or returned to cated the manual lifejack	lice. o shore towing the empty an in the water, tets.	
Authorities Involved							
Cause Determined	put it on properly. I in. By the time I real Then when I capsize	put it on slightl lized I was losi ed, there was no	ly askew and l ng a bit of co	because the sea ntrol I decided	ı was a bit cl	le of the kayak, I hadn't hoppy, water was coming k in, and told the boys.	
Lessons Learned	Value of carrying a The need to ensure h	VHF radio. natch covers are	securely fast	tened.			
Additional Information							

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Comms Carried

Yes. VHF radio

Date	22/1/2016			: 1/16 -grp/resc			
Location	Whakatane		Regio	Bay of Plenty			
Source	Grey Star						
File Category	Group Rescue waka ama						
Name of injured		Injuries	One person taken to ho	spital			
or rescued party							
Name of Deceased		Fatality					
Age	Unknown	From:	Whakatane				
Previous Experience							
Conditions:	Swell from the tropical cyclone was	s hammering	the area. Rough condition	ons on river bar			
Number in Party	Unknown		PFD Worn? Unknow	vn			
Kayak Type		<u> </u>	TID WOIN.				
		1	. 1 1				
Description	Surfers plucked paddlers to safety in a dramatic water rescue when a waka ama capsized crossing the Whakatane bar this morning. Those on board were believed to be undertaking navigation practice at the time, were pulled from the water. St John Ambulance said one person was taken to Whakatane hospital for treatment. Eye witnesses who arrived early for a fishing tournament, cancelled because of rough conditions, described the vessel riding a massive wave when it suddenly rolled. Recreational surfers who were nearby, immediately raced to the aide of the stricken paddlers, pulled them onto their boards and brought them to shore. One paddler was picked up by the Coastguard vessel. The waka ama attempted to get over the bar and unfortunately there have been a number of large waves and it pulled them up from behind and tipped them up. A mayday call went out immediately and Coastguard and the harbour master raced to the scene but struggled to get close because of rough seas. The stricken craft is beached upside down on Wairaka Rock at the mouth of the Whakatane river.						
Authorities Involved	Coastguard, St John Ambulance						
Cause Determined	Conditions too rough for waka ama	to cross the	oar.				
Lessons Learned							
Additional Information							

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Comms Carried Unknown

Date	11/6/2016			Acci	ident Ref:	6/16 solo resc
Location	Grey River bar		Region West Coast			West Coast
Source	Grey Star, Chch Pre	ss 13/6/16				
File Category	Solo resc whitewate	r kayak				
Name of injured or rescued party	Jethro Nicholson		Injuries	Admitted to G shortly before		l in a moderate condition Saturday
Name of Deceased			Fatality			
Age	22		From:	Nelson		
Previous Experience	Limited white water ex	xperience				
Conditions:	Rough bar condition	ns, breaking sea	as, ebb tide, so	ome floodwater	after heavy	y rain
Number in Party	1			PFD Worn?	Inflatable	not inflated
•	White water pleatic			PFD WORH:	Illitatable	not minated
Kayak Type	White water, plastic					
Description	Nicolson launched from Blaketown lagoon 1.5kms from the bar. He had two friends on shore. He got within 10m of the Blaketown tip head and called for help. Soon after he made decision to jump out of his kayak but a wave prevented a friend from pulling him to safety. Nicolson was clad in trousers, merino jersey, coat and inflated PFD. Nicolson was eventually pulled to safety when two friends and port worker Greg O'Donnell threw him a life ring and hauled him onto the tip head. On shore but exhausted, Mr Nicolson could barely move. His temperature had dropped to 32°C so he was taken to Grey Base hospital to warm up and check for water inhalation.					
Authorities Involved	St John Ambulance					
Cause	Lack of experience					
Determined						
Lessons Learned	Greymouth artist Br	ian Hunter film	ued the rescue	. Was widespre	ad on new	sites and social media.
Information	The kayak washed a					sies and social media.

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Date	16/6/2016		Accident Ref: 7/16 grpresc					
Location	Whangaparoa Penni	sula	Region Auckland					
Source	NZ Herald							
File Category	Group rescue							
Name of injured	Unknown		Injuries	One kayaker had slig	tht hypothermia			
or rescued party								
Name of Deceased			Fatality					
Age	20s		From:	Unknown				
Previous Experience			From:	Chanewh				
P								
Conditions:	2025 knot offshore	winds						
Number in Party	2			PFD Worn? Yes				
Kayak Type	Double kayak		•					
Description		received a dist	ress call from	two kayakers in trou	ole off Whangaparoa			
	The Coastguard resc and another either st They were plucked t was treated for sligh	Peninsula just after 11.20am on 16 July. The Coastguard rescue vessel Hibiscus Rescue One responded and found one person in the water and another either still on or clinging to their kayak near Army Bay. They were plucked from the water and taken to a waiting ambulance onshore, where one of them was treated for slight hypothermic. Coastguard praised the pair for carrying a marine VHF radio which enabled them to make the distress call.						
Authorities Involved	Coastguard, St John	Ambulance						
	Underestimated the	offshore wind	conditions					
Cause Determined	onderestimated the	onshore wind	conditions					
Lessons Learned	Carriage of VHF rac	lio vital for this	rescue					
Additional								
Information								

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Comms Carried Yes VHF radio

Date	24/7/2016			Accident Ref:			
Location	Lake Rotorua			Region	Bay of Plenty		
Source	Web & Grey Star						
File Category	Group Rescue						
Name of injured or rescued party	Unknown		Injuries	Three were taken to Rot	orua Hospital ED		
Name of Deceased			Fatality				
Age	Unknown		From:	2 local 2 tourists			
Previous Experience	Unknown						
Conditions:	Rough, with the lake	e very choppy.	1.5 m swells	and winds of 35 knots			
Number in Party	4			PFD Worn? Yes			
Kayak Type	Unknown		L	TID TOTAL			
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Description	Two locals and two tourists tried to kayak to Mokoia Island from Ngongotaha. Despite the conditions looking okay from shore, around 200-300 meters out the group hit a strong westerly and realised they wouldn't be able to get themselves back in. One person then capsized and was unable to re-enter. The four were wearing life jackets and carried a cell phone with them. CG Rotorua by someone onshore who had seen the man capsize. Once the CG team located the group, it was a full-on rescue. One boat and three CG volunteers were involved.						
Authorities Involved	Coastguard, Rotorua						
Cause Determined	Inexperience of loca	l conditions					
Lessons Learned	Importance of weari	ng a PFD and e	emergency co	mms.			
Additional Information							

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Comms Carried

Cellphone carried