

Stabi-Craft Marine Limited

Adventure with Confidence

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Stabi-Craft Marine open service centre

Invercargill's newest indoor pool isn't likely to have winter swimmers queuing up – Stabi-Craft Marine's service centre pool is designed for taking outboards to water rather than people.

Manager Paul Adams said the centre was based on an automotive model of doing everything on site.

"We started by asking 'what do we need?' then planned the centre accordingly. Of course, the obvious answer when dealing with boats and outboards was 'water'. So we built an indoor water testing facility."

Service centre manager Dave Snodgrass described the set up as the best facility out.

There's plenty of room for the service team to spin spanners in the modern workshop that features the latest technology, including computer-based diagnosis equipment.

"The technology in boat motors is constantly evolving – in the past few years it's really leaped ahead," Mr Snodgrass said.

"Keeping up with the play is vital."

Licensed to service Yamaha, Evinrude and Johnson motors, Mr Snodgrass will happily tackle any motoring challenge – no task is too big or too small as far as he's concerned.

"From the little dinghies right up to the biggest cabin cruiser, we cater for all boats – both aluminium and fibreglass," he said.

There's plenty of advice on offer and he's happy to organise Warrant of Fitness checks or any repairs needed.

He had a simple piece of advice for boaties who forget to service their motors.

"The AA only go as far as the beach."

With over 20 years experience working on marine motors, Mr Snodgrass said while operator error contributed to a variety of mechanical woes, neglect also created problems.

"Your boat might float but it's the motor that powers you home – if that breaks down far offshore, you have a serious situation."

Winter was the ideal time to service boat motors and ensure they were in shape when summer rolled around.

"People park their boats away and forget about it but winter is the time to get your boat fixed, not two days before you want to launch it at Labour Weekend."

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