

THE OTAGO MASONIC CHARITABLE TRUST
and
ELWING DISCOVERIES

STEWART ISLAND ADVENTURE

6 to 11 DECEMBER and 12 to 17 DECEMBER 2021

ELWING, the fourteen metre liveaboard YACHT, KAYAKS, RUBBER INFLATABLES, SNORKELLING, TREKKING and EXPLORING are the toys at your fingertips.

After 20 years of secondary school teaching we are well equipped to take young adventurers into these experiences, while at the same time giving them the opportunity to extend their Boat Safety knowledge and their academic qualifications.

Participants will meet at the **Bluff Real Journeys Ferry Terminal at 4.30 pm to commence the course.**

You will be met by Arthur, the skipper of Elwing and the provider of the Dayskipper Course. The group will travel together on the ferry to Stewart Island when you will meet briefly at the conference room at 6.30 pm to get established with the academic side of the course and they will then board Elwing and settle in for the remainder of the evening. The next day you will go ashore to the conference room to complete some of the academic studies as required in the course. You will live aboard Elwing during this time and will begin to experience some of the practical aspects of the course. The next day you set off to continue the practical aspects of the course, and enjoy, sailing Elwing as a group, kayaking, snorkeling etc.

The adventurers will also experience individually the use of a small outboard motor and dinghy.

This is a tailor made programme at a level to suit **young adult adventurers.**

The adventurers will travel aboard the Foveaux Express, back to Bluff, arriving at 4.30 pm on the final day of the adventure. They will then travel home, again by their own arrangement.

Have you ever imagined living on a large yacht? Traveling from bay to bay, exploring rivers, hideaway coves, experiencing remote reefs and sandy shores. Paddle kayaks up little creeks through the bush. Develop teamwork and leadership skills during all activities, PLUS extend your 'Safe Boating Knowledge' by completing the CBES (Coastguard Boating Education Service) Day-skipper, and at the same time adding to your academic qualifications with Unit Standard certification.

As well as a true adventure, this trip will enhance your appreciation of the environment, how to look after it, and to fully enjoy it. You and the other students on board, with the aid of Arthur, the skipper, will raise and lower sails, sail to a new anchorage each night, at the end of the day you will sit around discussing your experiences, and fill in your logs recapturing the adventures of the day.

This tailor-made programme will be an amazing and fulfilling experience for young people leaving school and starting a new aspect of their life in a unique part of New Zealand.

We look forward to helping you to put your adventure into action.

Yours faithfully,

Arthur White

Skipper.