



# Steam Tug Lyttelton

Whakaraupo Lyttelton New Zealand

1907 to 2025

[www.tuglyttelton.co.nz](http://www.tuglyttelton.co.nz)

## Donate to preserve Our history Our Heritage

"If Helen of Troy could launch 1,000 ships I'd like to think 1,000 people of New Zealand could donate \$10.00 per month (\$120.00pa) to ensure the survival of this world heritage ship for future generations"

Mike Bruce

President

### A priceless treasure

The Tug is Lyttelton's own unique working maritime museum. *The oldest steam ship in the world today operating on salt water and under NZ maritime survey.* There is nothing else like her. Anywhere. A treasure that must be saved. She has played a big part in the Port of Lyttelton and New Zealand's maritime history for 118 years, she saw the Nimrod from her berth, was active during the two world wars. Helped the QE11 to her berth as well as the Dominion Monarch, the Marama, HMS Leander and 1,000 others

She was described as the pinnacle of Tug Boat design when she was built in 1907 and has outlived the era of sail and steam. Up until whatever it is we have now.

Is her time up as an icon of our maritime history? Destined to be scrapped or made a dive wreck of our coast?

With your regular financial support there is no reason The Tug can't survive and ply the waters of Whakaraupo for a further 50 years.

Do you wish to participate in a legacy? The Tug Lyttelton, you won't find anything more worthwhile.

Donate, make a regular subscription, join our volunteers and become a member.



*\*Actually it was her husband Menelaus and all but entirety of the Greek Army of the day, but we are not here to ruin a good story from our President Mike Bruce!*

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Tug Lyttelton Preservation Society  
12-3240-0131417-52

### Why the SS Tug Lyttelton #1 matters

#### In Support of Living History

World unique experience the only place on Earth you can ride and train on an active steam Tug

Whakaraupo has been her home port for

118 years a legacy worth preserving

Operated under Maritime NZ Survey and cherished by expert volunteers

We don't greenwash, we get our hands

dirty we keep our skills sharp to keep

history alive for those who come after us

We train steam to protect our heritage and skills

More connects us than divides us this ship

brings multi generational people together

What we do no one else can

Future generations need us to preserve our ancestor's legacy

We have something here that no one else in the world has.

We offer what no one else can, making

history relevant

A maritime and education centre