



A History of New Zealand Scows and Their Trades

By David Langdon

This beautifully presented book describes the 140 New Zealand scows from the aspect of an essential part of the early, and definitive, mercantile development of New Zealand. It covers the contribution that they made to all aspects of the growth of the nation, its industry and society.

The book is the result of 15 years dedicated research and a lifetime of enthusiasm by the author, David Langdon. It contains personal and family recollections, and many anecdotes recorded from scow sailors – capturing and recording for posterity a formative era long passed.

Many of the photos are in print for the first time and the author and publisher are indebted to several well-known New Zealand seafaring personalities, who have granted permission to use their archival material.

This book is without doubt an essential addition to any library, personal or institutional, that documents the craft, and the development of the nation.

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