

9 March 2015

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Re; Thomas and Joseph Foster-Christie

To Whom it may Concern

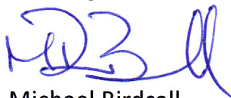
On behalf of NZ Marine Industry Training I visit Bernard, Tom and Joe several times a year to assess their boat building apprenticeships. This is a combination of skill and knowledge competency based training.

It is a pleasing to see the level of involvement from Bernard in the boys training as the 'hands-on' element is the most important attribute they will develop. The boy's enthusiasm and self motivation are a reflection of this commitment from Bernard.

It is important that these two apprentices are given every chance to be involved in our industry and get to share ideas and skills with other trainees from around the country at block courses etc.

Whilst the training is generally subsidised by NZ Marine (approx 60%) I am hopeful Tom and Joe will continue to have the support of all involved in completing their respective apprenticeship qualifications.

Kind regards



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Field Officer
NZ Marine