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HOME OF THE DUDER CUP



FROM THE QUARTERDECK A Report from Commodore Natasha Strong



Firstly, thank you to everyone who came to the AGM last month. It would be great to see more of you there next year. The AGM is a good way of finding out who does what at the Club and at the moment it's the only open forum we have for members to raise issues and ideas in person (although, if we approve the new rules later this year, we'll have a twice yearly open forum for members for this purpose – watch this space). Thank you to the social committee, who put on a supper to follow the AGM as they do every year. It is much appreciated and a good chance to catch up over a cuppa.

At the AGM we remembered members who have passed away this last year and we re-elected our Patron (Pippa Lady Blake) and Vice Patron (the Commanding Officer of HMNZS Philomel), together with the other usual officers and position holders. Thank you to our retiring members – Matt Kemp (Commodore), Bill Jaques (Treasurer), Scotty Richardson (Bar Manager), Marje Ward and Catherine Ford (Clubhouse Captain), Wendell Dunn and Hugh McGuire (General Committee). I have enjoyed working with all of you, some for a number of years! We will surely miss you at our meetings but hope to see you down at the Club for a drink and a meal or out on the water over the coming months. Welcome to our new committee members - Tim Ridge (Bar Manager), Grant Daniel, Matt Plowman, and Mathew Rushton (all general committee members). I'm looking forward to a fun and productive year.

The list of who is doing what this year is included in this issue (photo of the general committee to come in the next issue). You can read



Matt's Commodore's report from the AGM in this issue too. We still haven't filled the Treasurer or Clubhouse Captain roles. Please, give me a call or send me an email (09 445 2131 / commodore@dyc.org.nz) if you could help with either of these roles. I have certainly found that the more I've involved myself in the Club, the more enjoyable and fun it is.

Keep an eye out for social events coming up. We have a wine tasting on 6 August, tasting 8 wines from 8 regions, with cheese and crackers. The wines will be presented by the Master himself - Mr Bob Campbell MW. Tickets are \$20, details on our website. The Thursday education evenings are picking back up with the next one planned for August, more details in this newsletter and to follow via email. The sailing committee has nearly finished putting together the sailing programme for the 2016 / 2017 season. There will be some old favourites as well as some surprises, including a 2017 version of the very memorable Issy Bay ball our Club was famous for (there were some photos in last months' newsletter).

We have changed the date of the Special General Meeting to discuss and (hopefully) approve the revised rules for the Club. The new date is 27 September 2016. The change is to give the new general committee time to get their feet under the table and their heads around the new rules, before we put them to a vote as a Club. We'll send the final version around once we've finished the redrafting that came out of the two workshops we held earlier this year. I would love to see all of you at the special general meeting. This is a great opportunity for us to re-shape important aspects of the Club, such as membership types, decision making processes, and the like, so the rules assist us rather than hinder us well into the future.

Finally, come on down to the Club for a drink Thursday or Sunday or for a drink and a meal on Fridays. The food and company are both excellent and we have the best outlook in Auckland, right on the water! We'd love to see you and your families.

Fair winds,
Natasha



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COMMODORE'S REPORT TO 2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



The following is a summary of my Commodore's Report presented to the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 19th July 2016.

I am pleased to present my Commodore's Report for the 2015/2016 year.

Many of our achievements and results are now summarised in the Club's Financial Accounts as part of the "Statement of Service Performance".

Accordingly, I will on briefly touch on a few additional points and acknowledgements.

Financial Results

The Club's financial performance, this year, is down on prior years, and this is disappointing. The Club continues to achieve an operating and cash surplus but after allowing for non-cash expenses (depreciation of close to \$40,000), an accounting loss resulted.

This poorer financial result is mostly related to a decline in clubhouse hire and bar income (both somewhat interdependent).

There are, and will be, a number of new initiatives with a focus on improving this part of the Club's operations. These include further enhancements to the interior and exterior of the Club, the road frontage, new signage, and the new website.

Sailing

My thanks to the sailing master and team for a great sailing calendar over this past season, culminating in our prize giving last month.

Again, we have had a year with a variety of events and destinations which have been well attended. Our participation levels are particularly pleasing in relation to our big events of the year, including the Duder's Cup, our Easter Cruise, and the shorthanded events.

My thanks also to the team who assist the sailing committee, including our start and finish boats, and of course the starting team.

Haulage

Haulage has had another busy and successful year.

The main challenge has been the new Health & Safety rules and ensuring our haulage activities remain on top of this.

Derek and his haulage team have done an outstanding job in implementing necessary changes to ensure we can continue to operate this very important part of the Club.

Social Committee

The social committee continue to be strong supporters of the Club through various social activities, as well as supporting other Club events throughout the year.

A particular highlight was the 110-year anniversary celebrations held last year, which were a huge success.



Education Evenings

We embarked on a revitalised series of education evenings last year, led by our Rear Commodore Geoff Evans.

These six evenings were well attended and covered a number of different and interesting topics. Some have been open to the public, as part of our wider community involvement. My thanks to Geoff, and I look forward to these continuing.

Membership

The Club's membership is relatively stable, at 335 as at May 2016. Some initiatives are in pipeline to improve member engagement and attract new members. These will be rolled out in the coming year.

Health & Safety

The Club has had a significant focus on Health & Safety matters this past year, in particular with haulage as noted earlier. This will be an ongoing area of improvement and monitoring by the Club.

Rules rewrite

I would like to record my thanks to the rules rewrite Committee, Natasha, Sue, Wayne, and Bill. It has been almost two years of effort and we are now close to holding a Special General Meeting.

My thanks also to those members who attended one or both of the forums or submitted feedback.

Finally, a few thank yous.

To my fellow flag officers, Natasha and Geoff, thanks for your significant support of me over these last two years.

Also, to our President and immediate Past President, my thanks for your support and encouragement.

Thanks also to the general committee and all the members of the various sub committees, who help keep this place running so smoothly.

A particular acknowledgement to those officers and committee members retiring this year:

Bill Jaques
Scott Richardson
Marje Ward
Catherine Ford
Wendell Dunn
Hugh Maguire

I also acknowledge the support of my immediate predecessor John Ford, for his continuing support of me as Commodore, over these last two years.

Matt Kemp
Commodore

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CLUB OFFICERS 2016/2017

Patron
Vice Patron
President
Commodore
Vice-Commodore
Rear-Commodore
Clubhouse Captain
Haulage Master
Sailing Master
Publicity Officer
Works Manager
Bar Manager
General Committee
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer
Secretary
Safety Officer
Auditor
Honorary Solicitor

Pippa Lady Blake
Commanding Officer HMNZS Philomel
Peter Strathdee
Natasha Strong
Geoff Evans
Hugh Pollock
Vacant
Derek Snowball
Andy Mason
Maurice Alderwick
Hugh Pollock
Tim Ridge
Matthew Rushton, Matt Plowman, Grant Daniel
Vacant
Matt Kemp
Peter Skogstad
Kevin Johnson
Don Hounsell
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DIRECTORY UPDATE



A warm welcome to our newest members.

DYC NEW MEMBERSHIP

Member	Boat Name	Design	Sail#	Call sign
Associate Membership				
David Short & Linda Summerfield				
Associate Membership				
Matthew Mellor	Admiral E	22 ft Townson Pied Piper		

MOVIE NIGHT FUNDRAISER

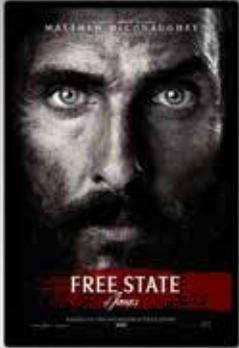
7.30pm (in the foyer) to 10.30pm on Monday the 29th August, 2016
at "The Vic Theatre" - Victoria St, Devonport.

Please join us for a fun filled night premiering the
"Free State of Jones"

At the same time support **Ruby Wangford's** efforts to go on a **Habitat For Humanity Build Trip to Siem Reap, Cambodia**, in December, 2016, helping families living with poverty housing.

Tickets are just \$25.00 per person or alternatively (\$30.00 per person with a glass of wine or an ice-cream or popcorn)

Email Ruby at this email: ilzzy_wangford@vodafone.co.nz to book your seats.
All payments to be made in advance (no door sales)
Habitat Build: (Westpac Bank) - 03 1395 0261268 001
Please give us your name and phone number on the reference
We will supply loads of spot prizes , goodie bags for everyone & some awesome raffle prizes (total worth up of \$1700) up for grabs so be sure to bring some spare change to be in to win.
We are **very proud** of our major sponsors - a big thank you to you all!






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CHANGES TO THE MARITIME MOBILE REPEATER ALLOCATIONS

Maritime radio channels will be changing on 1 October 2016.

New Zealand, along with a number of other countries, is required to change some maritime VHF repeater channels to make space for newly allocated international services for ship tracking and data services.

New Zealand will be moving a few private VHF repeater services, most Coastguard VHF repeater services, and all NowCasting weather services to accommodate these changes.

The frequency changes will take place in New Zealand on October 1 2016, before the peak summer recreational boating season when VHF radio services become busy. This ensures New Zealand is ready for the changes that come into force internationally on 1 January 2017.

This will affect Nowcasting and the Coastguard channels. The Radio Spectrum Managements information page is at: [This will affect Nowcasting and the Coastguard channels. The Radio Spectrum Managements information page](#) There are lots of other links to information therein.



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THE WORLD MASTERS GAMES

The World Masters Games are to be held here in Auckland from 22nd to 28th April 2017. The sailing component is being held out of the Torbay Sailing Club.

The Youth Worlds is similarly held at Torbay Sailing Club though between 14th and 20th December 2016.

If anyone would be interested in volunteering at these events, we are looking for on and off the water people to make the events a success.

At the World Masters Games, the 25th will be a day off with no sailing. There will be two courses running for the Laser and Weta classes. Onshore, there are lots of fun social events being organised.

The contact person for the World Masters Games is Ian Clouston.

The contact person for the Youth Worlds is Kim Admore from Yachting New Zealand.
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NOTICE

The next Rules Meeting has been changed to the 4th Tuesday of September - September the 27th.



CLUB LIBRARY

The Club now has a substantial library available to members. Thanks to Colin Tubbs for heading up this effort. The books are available on an honour basis. They are located, 100 or so at a time, in the area near the bar on the west side of the building. Colin rotates the books every 2 or 3 months, because there is not enough space to display all of them at once. Be sure to make some time to check on what is offered.

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GET BEHIND THE NZL SAILING TEAM AS WE COUNTDOWN TO RIO 2016!

The Rio 2016 Fan Guide has everything you need to know to follow the NZL Sailing Team at the Rio Olympic Games - event information, sailor profiles and details on how to follow our progress on social media, and when to set your alarm for LIVE action on SKY TV. <http://www.yachtingnz.org.nz/racing/olympic/2016-olympic-sailing-team>.

BOAT – YOUNGBLOOD, 1987 - YOUNG 88

Owners – Liz and Matt Plowman

Lives – Bayswater Marina

Winter maintenance – anti-foul, clean and polish hull, change boom vang tackle, upgrade cockpit winches, sail drive service, engine service, re-paint hull stripe (if we get time)!

We have owned Youngblood for 7 months. We are the 2nd owners, with the first owners having her for 28 years. She is set up for cruising and that is how we have/will use her. We took her away on our honeymoon in Feb this year; sailed up to the BOI for 3 weeks, and have done a bit of gulf cruising on the long weekends this summer. We intend on spending a lot more time exploring the gulf on her and the next big trip will be to Barrier. We just have to find the leave from work! We will do the odd bit of club racing, but definitely in the cruisers / no extra's division. She is our first boat and has so far treated us very well! We have had a great first summer on her!



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STORIES FROM THE PAST



Over the coming months, I will include some old naval sayings, which will intrigue all and offer an explanation as to their origin. (Reproduced with kind permission of the RNZN Museum)

Toe the line:

Conform to laws, rules or doctrines

When a ship's crew was called on deck, sailors would stand in neat rows with men in each row lining their toes along a seam running between two deck planks.

Touch and go:

Uncertain; risky

Two dangerous circumstances were perhaps the origin of the expression 'touch and go'. A ship that touched the bottom would get off as quickly as it could. Two ships that transferred goods or people from one to the other got so close that they touched.

Try a different tack:

Try an alternative course of action

Ordinarily, a ship didn't sail in a straight line with the wind directly behind it. In order to progress a ship was required to change direction, or tack, according to the direction of the wind.

Turn a blind eye:

Ignore

At the Battle of Copenhagen in 1801, Nelson was signaled an order from the Admiral of the Fleet. Nelson put his telescope to his blind eye so as not to see the order; thinking that to carry out the order would have endangered his ships on nearby shallows.

CR Leech ED*

Past Commodore



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PICTURES FROM THE PAST



This article is in the series in which I intend to highlight some of the early historical photographs from the Archives of the Devonport Yacht Club. All photographs published in these articles remain the property of the original owners; they are included on the condition that they are not reproduced in any other form without prior permission of the owner, or their representative.



Can you identify the main features and location of these photos? All answers to the author. However the answers will be in the next newsletter. If there are any corrections to my answers please let me know. If you have any photographs that you think would be of interest to fellow members, then please eMail to me, with details.

I have gone back into the archives and found four wonderful old photographs, of which I know little about. So if anyone can identify the place and the people, please let me know.

Photos 1 -4: The building of the Dinghy Ramp. It was all manual labour in those days, and the catch cry was "Do not let the pipe go". Who can identify all the members, especially the children.

Chris Leech ED*

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TO THE ICE AND BEYOND.

Sailing Solo Across 32 Oceans and Seaways..

By Graeme Kendall. Hardback. 0.48kg, 205 pages, 160mm x 238mm, Colour photographs, Published 2016.

Kiwi yachtsman Graeme Kendall was the first person to sail the Northwest Passage solo non-stop. Sailing east to west, he knocked off the “Everest of sailing” in just 12 days - the fastest recorded - as part of his extraordinary solo circumnavigation of the globe. This is a story of determination, meticulous planning and rugged courage. All alone for 193 days in his purpose-built yacht Astral Express, Kendall crossed 28,000 miles of ocean, facing some of the Earth’s most terrifying seas.

An enthralling adventure, To The Ice And Beyond is an inspiration to all of us to live our dreams, and never to give up.

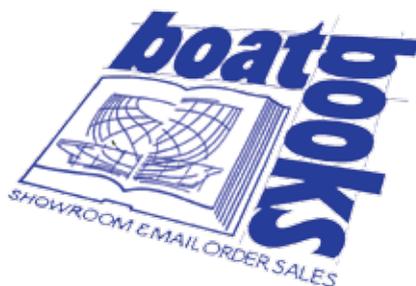
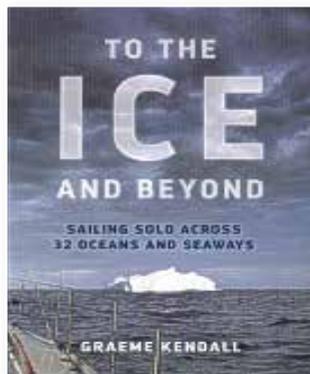
Graeme Kendall MNZM (Member of the New Zealand order of merit) is a highly experienced sailor who has sailed in many different parts of the world, including ocean racing. Born in Christchurch, he has sailed since he was a teenager and as an adult has owned several well-known classic heritage yachts including Galatea and Pastime. In 1986 he sailed in the Whitbread Round the World Race with Digby Taylor aboard NZI Enterprise. The following year Graeme and his friend Stan Pearson sailed his yacht Astral Rose in the inaugural two-handed Melbourne-to-Osaka race. He has been self-employed since the age of 25, with a business career that culminated in farming and residential property.

Graeme currently lives in Auckland where he is a charter yacht skipper. His boyhood dream has always been to sail solo through the Northwest Passage.

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Kind regards,
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