



Devonport Yacht Club News



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HOME OF THE DUDER CUP



FROM THE QUARTERDECK A Report from Commodore Natasha Strong



It was great to see so many members, both old hands and new, at the Club's working bee on Saturday. Hugh's list of tasks was largely completed before lunch time and the Club is looking much smarter. Thank you to all of you who came (some local and some from far and wide) and pitched in and thank you to the social committee for putting on a lovely morning tea once again. It's events like this, together with our sailing and social events, which bring it home to me what a wonderful Club we have.

It feels to me as though the sailing season is only just starting because our family has been busy every weekend with visiting relatives, children's activities, and the like, so we haven't made it out on Ladybird yet. We've missed the excitement of jostling at the start line (not quite America's cup but not far off it!) and the Club's beach BBQ's. We're hoping to get out before the year ends and, failing that, in early January for some relaxed sailing and family time. Whilst we haven't been out yet, I know many of you have been taking part in the Club's racing and getting out and about on the Harbour and further afield despite, the blustery spring conditions. The last races for the year are the Sir Peter Blake race on Saturday 10 December and the home again race on the Sunday. I'll keep my fingers crossed for great conditions. We hope to see many of you out in the Gulf soon. Row over for a cuppa if you find yourself in the



same bay as Ladybird...well...those of you who don't mind the early morning alarm of children. Otherwise, you might want to anchor further away!

I've been heading along to the Club for a drink on the occasional Thursday and Sunday evenings in the last couple of months and have really enjoyed both the company and the view. It's a different vibe to the Friday evening meals (which I also thoroughly enjoy). Come on down and shoot the breeze, I find we set the world to rights while catching up with our weeks, it's a great way to spend an evening.

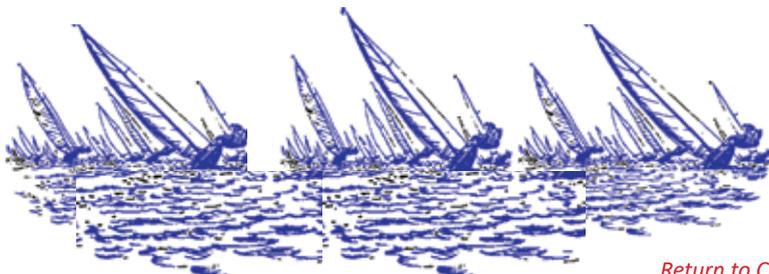
By the time you read this, the children's Christmas party will have been hosted with a new Father Christmas at the helm (the wonderful Mr Stone, Past Commodore and reprobate) and it will nearly be time for the Club's Christmas dinner and carols evening on 16 December. This is a marvellous evening with a beautiful Christmas buffet served by our excellent caterers, Blah Blah, and some fun and largely harmonious carols. We won't be able to make it this year (it is the same day as number one son's 13th birthday and carols are not at the top of his birthday wish list) but I'm sure it will be a fun evening as usual. Tickets are available over the bar or online, details are elsewhere in this newsletter and on our webpage.

Finally, as I end every report, come along to the Club for a drink Thursday to 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! Come along and join in with our racing and cruising programme, the sailing is varied and fun and the beach BBQs are relaxed and a good chance to catch up over a drink. We'd love to see you and your families making use of the Club and all it offers.

Have a safe and happy Christmas and new years' break with the sun on your face and the wind at your back.

Fair winds,

Natasha



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DIRECTORY UPDATE



A warm welcome to our newest members.

DYC NEW MEMBERSHIP

Member	Boat Name	Design	Sail#	Call sign
Family Membership				
Dawn Hendry & John Edwards	Leading Edge	Compass 790	4351	ZMU4301
Ordinary Membership				
Lindon Wahlrich	Ali Baba	22ft Kereru		
Associate Membership				
Colin & Terri Swager				
Logan Deimler & Tina Huesing				
Maureen McMillan				
Natasha Yang Jiao & Philip Duncan				



“RACE/CRUISE TO KAWAU ISLAND”

OPAK (Organisations Passionate About Kawau) are once again holding the above event at the Kawau Island Mansion House Reserve and we would like you all to consider putting a “Race / Cruise to Kawau Island” into your schedule of racing for your 2017 Calendar Year Book.

You could make it a weekend event - race up Friday night and be among the first to anchor at Mansion House Bay to get a prime position for “Music in the Gardens” and then use the KBC starters balcony to start a race homeward on the Sunday, special morning breakfasts can be organised by arrangement with the Kawau Boating Club. Alternatively cruise up Friday evening and then have a race around the island on Saturday morning before the event commences at 2pm. The Kawau Boating Club starters balcony is always available to boating clubs.

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Local Wines, Beer
& Fresh Food
Silent & Live Auction

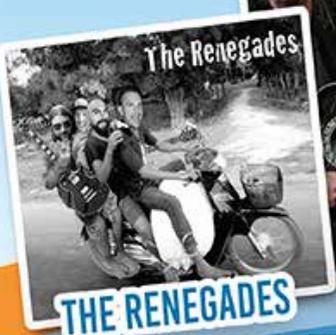
Buy Tickets Online!
Can include Ferry Transfer
www.musicinthegardens.co.nz

Adults: \$25
Children 10-17: \$10
Under 10 FREE

Kawau Cruise Ferry
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To Book Ferry Transfers

MUSIC IN THE GARDENS

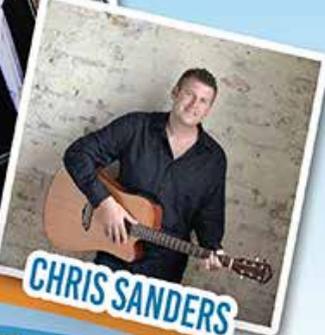
Mansion House Kawau Island
February 18 2017 2:30 pm Onward



THE RENEGADES



NAIROBI TRIO



CHRIS SANDERS



No dogs, fireworks, open burners or camping on the reserve. Kawau Island is free of some pests - help keep it that way.
visit: www.treasureisland.co.nz

Fundraising event for KERT, Camp Bentzon and Kawau Coast Guard.

[HTTP://MUSICINTHEGARDENS.CO.NZ](http://musicinthegardens.co.nz)

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NEW MEMBERS MEET AND GREET

On Sunday 11th December 2016 there is to be a Meet and Greet for new Members down at the Club, from 4.30pm.

All Members are invited to attend.

For new Members, come down to the Club and meet other new members, members of the Committee and some of the old hands.

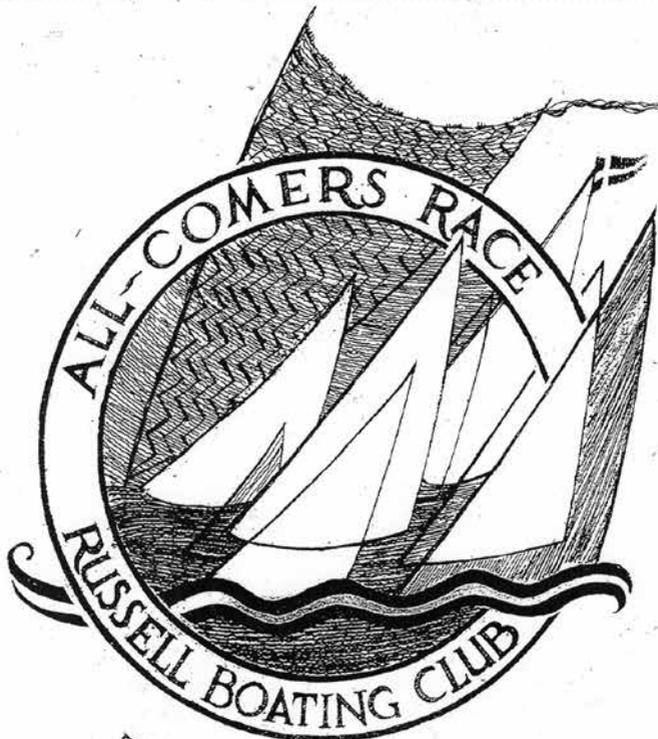
Very casual, we hope to see you there.



UP THE POLE WITHOUT A PADDLE FOR CHRISTMAS



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TALL SHIPS REGATTA

saturday **7**TH
January
2017

- OPEN to ANY TYPE of SAILING VESSEL w/ MATHULLS
- 22' (6.7m) MINIMUM LENGTH ON DECK.
- ALL EXTRAS / SPINNAKERS ALLOWED.
- COURSE & BOWS WITH THE BAY OF ISLANDS.
- NOON START OFF RUSSELL.
- A LIGHT-HEARTED RACE SAILED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL RULES for PREVENTION of COLLISIONS at SEA ... NO PROTESTS.
- ENTRY FEE **£30** PER BOAT.
- REGISTERS TO BE COMPLETED OR ON RACE DAY AT BRIEFING 9am. AT RBC CLUBHOUSE, MATAWHI BAY.
- SPOT PRIZES (NO HANDICAP PLACES)
- CONTACT: TONY HANLON 025 273 6367
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**DYC Social Club
Calendar alert**



**Christmas Dinner
And
Carol Singing
Friday 16th December**



Buffet dinner with dessert

Tickets will be available from the club bar

or

Purchase online

Pay to account 01 0137 0026279 00

(Put "Xmas Dinner" in particulars field and your name in the code field)

Adults \$35 per person Children under 12yrs \$15

Limited Tickets

Please Note: You must have your ticket on the night to receive your plate for the meal

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SeaweeK – Kaupapa Moana 2017 will take place from Saturday 25 February to Sunday 5 March 2017.

“Toiora te Moana – Toiora te Tangata – Healthy Seas, Healthy People”.



Devonport Yacht Club is encouraging members to help celebrate SeaweeK 2017 and support the Spirit of Adventure Trust. Come aboard the Spirit of New Zealand for a morning sail (0900 – 1230hrs) on Sunday February 26th 2017. The cost of the trip is \$60 but you will need to book up without any delay. Please book online at <https://www.spiritofadventure.org.nz/voyages/book?voyage=731da>

On your booking please indicate that you're from DYC so we know who is coming. This will be a different sailing experience from the Duder Cup open regatta, which is on the previous day!



MEDITERRANEAN FAN WORM

This month, representatives from the Northland Regional Council came to talk to Clubs at an AYBA meeting about regulations applying to visiting yachts.

The Mediterranean fan worm was found in Auckland in 2009 and now can be seen on hard structures such as rocks and wharf piles throughout. That includes the South coast of Waiheke and they were found in the mussel farm at Man-o-War Bay in 2014.

In Northland, juveniles were found in Marsden Cove and Port Nikau in 2012. There is an infestation in Parua Bay and divers are removing juveniles from the marina structures in Tutukaka.

Rules have been introduced with which visitors to the North will have to comply. Anyone visiting a marina in Northland will need to have evidence of a lift and clean within the previous month or evidence supporting that antifoul paint was applied within the last six months. Receipts from the Floating Dock or receipts for antifoul will be accepted. In a new initiative, our Haulage Master can issue a confirmation on Club letterhead stating date of launching after antifoul or slipping for a scrub. These will be printed on an 'on request' basis.

The Northland Council, using contract divers, checked 1009 boats at anchorages last year and this year the target is 1500. Two committee members had their boat inspected by divers last summer, so it does happen! If your boat is found to have fan worm on it you will be required to have an immediate lift and clean-at your expense. On arrival at a BOI marina, you will be expected to complete a compulsory detailed questionnaire.

The fan worm can form a monoculture of 1000 per square metre and Northland is hoping to keep the pests out of the Bay of Islands. If you break off a fan worm, both bits can grow. They spawn in winter, producing thousands more. The fan worm is a threat to scallops in Whangarei, as they can grow on the shell, preventing them moving and feeding. As well, they are a potential threat to the mussel industry. There is no known practical control measure.

Of course, the yachting will say "What about a lift and clean for the cruise ships and container ships, which probably brought the pest in the first place" and how do we apply antifoul to the underneath side of the keel, but these are questions for the future. The Marine Pathways plan, which is out for public submission now, could further impinge.

www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/marinepests
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biosecurity@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Graham Pettersen

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MEDITERRANEAN FAN WORM



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RESTORATION AND REBIRTH OF WELL KNOWN 22FT MULLET BOAT TAMARIKI L11

It began for us one Sunday morning, when I opened my emails and found one from my friend Jeff Cook, showing a photograph of what looked to be a boat hull in rather a forlorn condition sitting in a shed. He suspected it was a mullet boat and was asking me if I was able to identify her, given that I owned one and had been around them for a number of years. I recognised her straight away, as I had previously seen a pic of her taken by another enthusiast some years before. I mailed back to him and told him it was the 'mighty Tamariki'. His immediate reply was 'Oh thank God, I can stop them from cutting her up and taking her to the tip...'

She had been sitting in the shed, which belonged to the Auckland Council, for over twenty years and it seemed that the authorities wanted her out because they needed the room. They'd lost touch with who owned her and were simply going to get rid of her. Fortunately, before they did, they contacted Jeff, who worked for the Auckland Council in the biosecurity department and whom they knew as a wooden boat enthusiast (a Woollacott fanatic and owner of three). So, after having spoken with me, he was able to 'stay the execution' while I contacted the owner and let him know what was about to occur.

Russell Irwin bought Tamariki in 1980, fully intending to restore her after her years of being constantly campaigned, and many changes of ownership. She was soft and worn out and in desperate need of a refit. Sadly, and as often happens, new family and other issues intervened and the project came to a halt. But Russell remained involved with the mullet boat community and at different times, offered the boat to others to carry on where he left off. It was a rather daunting task for most and she languished in the shed, but importantly she was safe and dry, until that fateful Sunday morning email.

I immediately called Russell and told him what had passed between myself and Jeff and that began a chain of events which led to her being taken away from the Council shed to a place of safety. I knew my friend Martin had a trailer, so I called him and let him know what was happening and five days later we were on our way to the yard at Robertson Boats in Warkworth, and soon after to a weather proof shed at my brother-in-laws nearby. In the interim, Martin and I suggested to Russell that we might be able to take on the job of restoring her given that we are both boat builders and know what would be required. He agreed, with the condition that the boat would be rebuilt with the intent of including her back in the racing fleet, to be competitive again, where she belonged with her sisters. We were easily able to meet his conditions because that had been our idea from the beginning. So Russell was happy to pass her into our possession.

Our plan is to restore her hull to its original classic looks, faithful to the Chas Collings design and style but using modern materials and techniques, as was done with the highly successful 'Valeria' L8. She will be fitted out with an up-to-date modern bermuda rig and equipment. The end result will, we believe, be true to her and her class origins and also to her designer, builders, and custodians of the past. She will be the classic Tamariki- a high performance, race competitive, Mullet boat.

Tamariki has an impressive reputation and race record to live up to. Built in 1934 by Collings and Bell, she won her first Lipton cup in 1935 from Valeria and went on to win a total of thirteen races for the coveted annual trophy, the last in 1968, under the command

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of Dave Jackson. Her best season's performance saw twenty-one wins from twenty-one starts. The 100th Lipton cup will be sailed in 2021 and our intent is to have her well and truly sailing before then and tuned for another tilt at the coveted honour.

We hope that this project will whet the appetite and imagination of the Auckland yachting community and all those who have had the pleasure of her company in the past. We also hope she will be a rallying point of common interest for all who are interested in seeing this great boat sailing again.

Please contact either Rob Warring or Martin Robertson should you wish to contribute in any way, or have any queries or suggestions in that regard...or even just a bit of encouragement...!

Martin Robertson and Rob Warring

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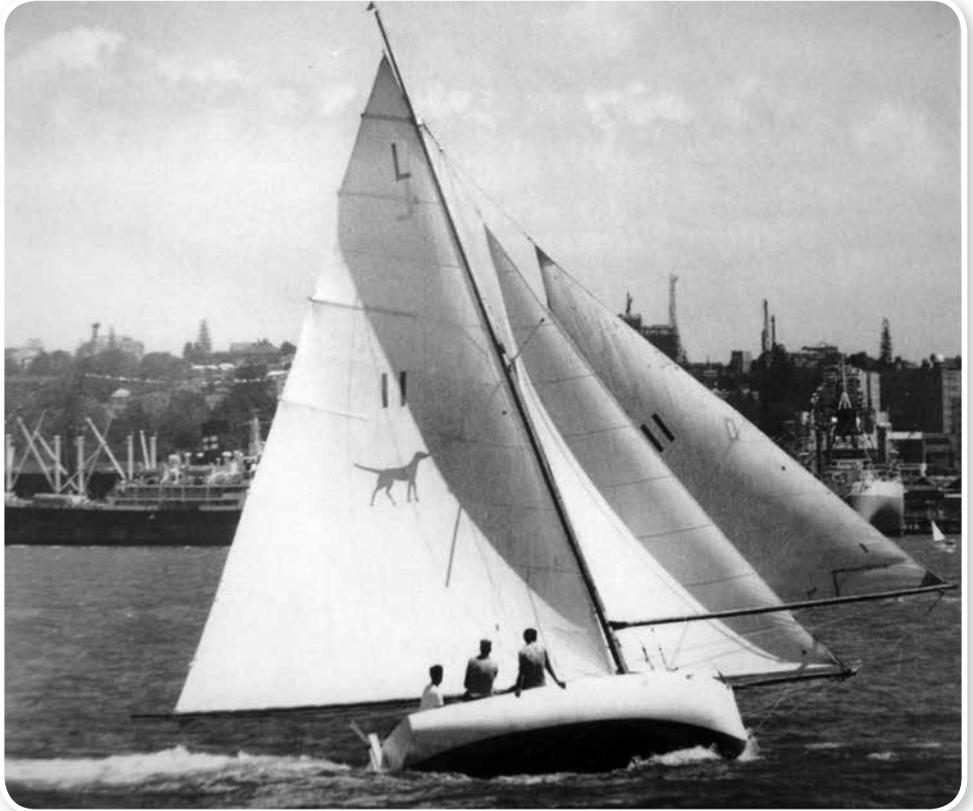
Givealittle-Cause-Tamariki Restoration Project



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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. All photos are from the Easter Cruise 2010, and are at Ponui Island.

Photo 1: The role of Tong Master was always a hotly contested by members at any beach BBQ.

Photo 2: A Champagne Breakfast was always a fun event.

Photo 3: The Children await the beach activities.

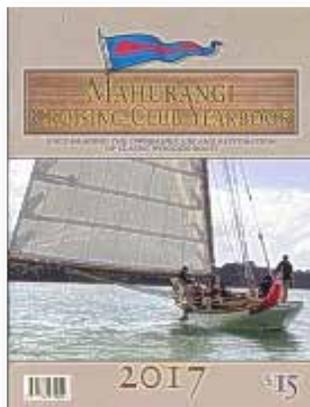
Photo 4: There were always those members who got right into the spirit of things.

Chris Leech ED

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Book Review **THE LATEST MAHURANGI CRUISING CLUB YEARBOOK FOR 2017 HAS ARRIVED.**



They have changed the name and decided to omit the word “Regatta” and to display the by-line “encouraging the ownership, use and restoration of classic wooden boats” more prominently to draw our attention to the fact that it is so much more than just an overview of this year’s regatta.

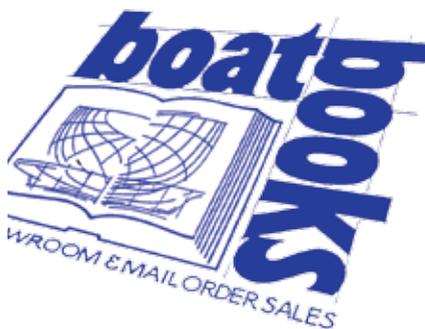
It still has fabulous photographs of the 2016 regatta, but also a wonderful article on the restoration and rebirth of the 22ft mullet boat “Tamariki”, an excerpt from Lin Pardey’s book “Taleisin’s Tales” which was reviewed in last month’s newsletter. An article by Phil van der Mespel on sailing round the North Island in “Waimanu”. Baden Pascoe’s thoughts on Clinker Boats. Kelly Grovehills writes about the “Soren Larsen” being transformed into Sir Ernest Shackleton’s ship “Endurance” and the trip to Greenland for the filming of a BBC documentary. This is back in 1982 but what a great story and again with some fantastic photographs.

Then there is a delightful article by Ian Free on trying to swap (or donate) the Mahurangi yearbook for other clubs’ yearbooks. He travelled the world, so to speak, and received mainly warm welcomes and admiration for this fabulous production.

And it still costs only \$15.00

Kind regards,
Marianne

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