



# The Devonport Yacht Club News

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## HOME OF THE DUDER CUP



## FROM THE QUARTERDECK

### A REPORT FROM VICE COMMODORE Geoff Evans



There are compensations to being school teachers; the long school holidays in the summer. Jane went to London to be with our daughter Emily in time for the birth of our first grandchild, Miles Thomas McGrath. We're now looking forward to our new role of doting grandparents! And I had time for some seriously adventurous sailing.

I sailed Renown around North Island with my brother, Howard. We could have gone in either direction, but we chose to go counter clockwise, up round Cape Reinga and down the west coast, to meet up with some friends and cruise the Marlborough Sounds.

There were five of us aboard for the festive season, and we enjoyed cruising Queen Charlotte and Pelorus Sounds, around D'Urville Island, then down to Nelson, to shelter from a storm for a few days. We then transited French Pass back to the outer Sounds. For the return trip up the east coast, we departed from Tory Channel, sailed non-stop up to East Cape. Once back in more familiar waters, we cruised the Bay of Plenty, Great Mercury Is, Great Barrier, and back home. Currently, fellow DYC club members Ken and Lee Smith aboard Matariri are also on a similar cruise. They also sailed down the west coast, have cruised the Sounds and plan to be back in Auckland on the 5th March. To hear more about these trips and see some of the photos come along to Seataalks on the 22nd March.

There was a good DYC fleet for the sailing over Auckland Anniversary weekend. The Night Race to Mahurangi was sailed in very light airs. We were doing well until the wind died out when we were in Tiri passage, so retired and



motored the rest of the way up. The Mahurangi Regatta was as amazing as ever. If you haven't been to one of these regattas I recommend you pencil it in for next year, and if you're not sailing there's easy access for those driving up from Auckland. It's a great opportunity to be amongst the classic yachts, as well as all the weird and wonderful craft that only seem to appear there. There's a wonderful atmosphere, with music and dancing following the racing. The next day, the DYC fleet met up for the Round the Islands race, with BBQ and prize giving in Lagoon Bay. We entered Renown in the Auckland Anniversary Day Regatta passage race to Princess Wharf and did well. The sailing committee are considering arranging a DYC fleet entry for next year.

The Lady's Helm Race was fun, and Judy and Mark Clough's new boat, Kiss, was really impressive, with her new sails giving her stunning speed! With the northerlies, the BBQ and prize giving was in Te Wharau Bay. The next day's race, Home Again, also started there, in very light airs. After some sail damage, we had on the North Island trip Renown is limited to sailing with a much smaller #3 genoa, and that is proving something of a handicap, although tacking is far easier!

As you will have seen in other DYC communications, there has been a change of venue for the DYC Ball. The Rocky Bay Ball is now the Oneroa Ball; so look out for more space and easier access, so those not racing can still get to the venue on the ferry/bus. The same features apply, good food, music, and dress code (i.e. formal dress, from the waist up!) and BYOB. It should be a lot of fun.

We have already hosted a couple of very good Seataalks this year. Richard Gladwell spoke about the America's Cup, and Nigel Meek, the Auckland Harbour Board senior pilot, spoke about the challenges of managing the big ships in the harbour. Fingers crossed; we have escaped much of the ferocity of the cyclones that plagued other regions of New Zealand this summer. I'm hoping weather ambassador Bob McDavitt will be able to explain more about this at his Seataalks in May.

Good sailing!  
Geoff Evans



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# DIRECTORY UPDATE



A warm welcome to our newest members.

## DYC NEW MEMBERSHIP

Member	Boat Name	Design	Sail #	Call Sign
<b>Family Membership</b>				
David Tyler & Life Zhao	Rangi Maria	28 ft Wright Nova	2740	ZMYZ013
Don & Joan Henderson	Cool Change	Orchard 39	3638	ZMQ9909
<b>Associate Individual Membership</b>				
Dave Alldred				
Doug Cochrane				



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## **BEST WISHES FOR A CHALLENGING TRIP**

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Daniel Leech (Skipper) and the crew as they undertake a circumnavigation of the North Island in a RNZN Chico 40 yacht.

They set off on the 22nd February and will arrive in Wellington on or about the 27th February. The boat spends about 2 weeks in Wellington, and included is participation in the 24hr challenge. They leave again for the return trip on the 19th March, stopping in at Napier, Tauranga before arriving back in Auckland on or about the 2nd April.

Chris Leech ED\*  
Past Commodore



## **HI!**

Val and Graham had the DYC flag flying high at Mahurangi. Then to be told BBQ moved to around the corner.



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# Courses

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## **Maritime VHF Radio Operator Certificate**



The minimum requirement for all users of Marine VHF Radio. Learn the correct operation of a Maritime VHF radio including distress and urgency procedures.

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Time: 8:30am—2:30pm

Cost : \$120

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# DYC – Seataalks



## Sailing around North Island

You don't have to leave the country to enjoy some seriously adventurous sailing. This summer two DYC yachts, Renown and Matarii circumnavigated North Island. Come and hear some of the highlights.

**SEATALKS Devonport Yacht Club**

**7.30pm Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018**

**All welcome. The club bar will be open.**

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Tickets only \$20



# HPYD 6

## The Design Sessions

Sun 11 March 1pm to 8pm

REGISTER NOW @ [www.hpyd.org.nz](http://www.hpyd.org.nz)

The High Performance Yacht Design conference “Design Sessions” will be held during the Volvo Ocean Race 2018 Auckland stopover.

The two sessions include a range of exciting, publicly accessible presentations and keynote addresses delivered by some of the top designers and engineers involved in the America’s Cup and Volvo Ocean Race.

Free evening (6:30pm) public lecture with Nick Bice who is responsible for the implementation of The Boatyard (the centre of shared maintenance)

For a full event programme and to register, visit [www.hpyd.org.nz](http://www.hpyd.org.nz)



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# HERE IS A SNEAK PREVIEW OF THE PROGRAMME

1.00pm – 3.00pm: Session 1

Burns Fallow (North Sails NZ) – “Wing Design – from zero to (almost) hero.”

Mark Battley (University of Auckland) – “Boats vs waves – how can we make sure the boats win?”

Stefano Nava (Doyle Sails) – “A reality check of sail simulation using RANS CFD”

Brett Bakewell White (Bakewell White Yacht Design)– “A new lease of life for old raceboats.”

Jarrad Wallace (Southern Spars) – “TP52 Rig Design”

3.00pm – 3.30pm: Afternoon tea

3.30pm – 5.30pm: Session 2

Michael Eaglen (McMullen & Wing) – “The McMullen & Wing story – where can the America’s Cup take us all?”

Mark Turner (Core Builders Composites) – “Use of digital manufacturing techniques in the construction of composite racing yachts”

Tony Stanton (Gurit) - "From Race Boat, to Superyacht's and beyond - how composite engineering allows designers to push the limits"

Bobby Kleinshmit (Emirates Team New Zealand) - “AC50 foil development”

Guillaume Verdier (Guillaume Verdier Yacht Design) – “IMOCA and Volvo design”

5.30pm – 6.30pm: Networking and refreshments

6.15pm: Doors open for public session

6.30pm – 8.00pm: Public session

Nick Bice, Neil Cox (Volvo Ocean Race) – “How has the one-design VO65 fleet performed and what are the plans for the future.”

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FROM LAND.**

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(Marine Pollution) Regulations 1998

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UNLESS YOU'RE  
FAR OUT**



Auckland Yacht & Boating Association



# THE ROCKY BAY BALL IS NOW THE ONEROA BALL!

**D**ue to demand for tickets, the annual DYC ball will now be held at Morra Hall, Oneroa on the same date of 10th March. This means there are now 40 more tickets available if you missed out or would like to bring friends or family. Tickets are \$25 from the bar later this week or you can order them through online banking to DYC, account number 01-0137-0026279-00 (please put your name and Oneroa Ball as reference and email Sue Johnson at [kjboat@xtra.co.nz](mailto:kjboat@xtra.co.nz) to confirm).

The address is 115 Ocean View Road, Oneroa, which is about 5 minutes walk from the ferry at Matiatia or 10 mins walk from Oneroa, Owhanake or Surfdale. See:

<https://www.google.co.nz/maps/place/Morra+Hall/@-36.7829291,174.9973676,15z/data=!4m5!3m4!1s0x0:0x141d27e6c0ddf655!8m2!3d-36.7821029!4d175.0055612>

There are also plenty of taxis, shuttles and buses from the ferry. There is a 5.10pm ferry from Devonport which will get you there before 6pm, and there are 11pm or 12.30am ferries back to Auckland (note, not direct to Devonport).

The hall is bigger and in a great location so it promises to be a fantastic night out! Includes dinner & music - BYO drinks.



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# THE MEANING BEHIND THE GUN SALUTE

Recently (Friday 9th Feb 2018) there were a series of gun salutes from the Naval Base, and the ship HMNZS Manawanui who was coming into the Naval Base for the last time, and flying her 12m long Decommissioning Pennant. The details below show how many rounds are fired, and for whom, and on what occasions. This is an extract from BR 1834 which is used as the guide lines for the RNZN

## 0103. Royal Salutes

All Royal Salutes referenced to in this section consist of 21 guns.

a. A Royal Salute is to be fired from all Her Majesty's ships present which are authorised to salute, and from a fort or battery from which salutes are usually fired, in honour of the following personages:

(1) The Queen; The Duke of Edinburgh; Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

(2) Any other member of the Royal Family; a foreign Crowned Head or Sovereign Prince, or his or her consort, a Prince or Princess who is a member of a reigning foreign Royal Family; The President of a foreign Republican State.

(3) The Pope is to be regarded as a foreign Sovereign.

b. The salute is to be fired on the following occasions:

(1) On their arrival at, and final departure from, any place in the countries of the commonwealth; but a Royal Salute is not fired when a ship flying a foreign Royal Standard or President's flag passes a saluting battery but does not intend to berth in its vicinity.

(2) On their going on board, and again on leaving, any of Her Majesty's ships; but a Royal Salute will not be fired when a Royal personage, having hoisted his or her Standard in one of Her Majesty's Ships, leaves that ship temporarily, nor shall the ship take part in a Royal Salute fired by other ships while the Standard being saluted is hoisted in her, unless it is considered advisable to do so for some special reason.

## 1133. Scale of Gun Salutes for Foreign Flag Officers

a. The following scale, in which the maritime powers generally have concurred, is to be observed in reference to the interchange of salutes between Her Majesty's ships and foreign ships of war which bear the flag of a Flag Officer or the broad pennant of a Commodore or a Captain commanding a squadron or division:

Sovereign	21 guns
Admiral of the Fleet or Flag Officer who ranks with a Field Marshal	19 guns
Admiral	17 guns
Vice Admiral	15 guns
Rear Admiral	13 guns
Commodore or Captain commanding a squadron or division	11 guns

In the recent case of HMNZS Manawanui, she fired 11 rounds (Saluting a Commodore ashore), and the shore replied with 7(Saluting a LtCdr (CO) afloat).

Chris Leech ED\*  
Past Commodore

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# MEMBERSHIP GUIDE

## WHERE TO GO FOR WHAT



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### Hauraki Gulf VHF Frequencies

Service	Channel	Coverage	Transmission Source
Distress Maritime Radio	16	Complete	Sky Tower
Coastguard	64	Inner Gulf	Moehau
Coastguard	60	Outer Gulf	DYC
Devonport Sports Radio	77	Line of Sight	Sky Tower
Forecast & Nowcasting	19	Inner Gulf	Cape Rodney
	20	Outer Gulf	
Boat-to-Boat	6 & 8	Line of Sight	
Boat-to-Boat Repeaters	03	Western Gulf	Kawau – Grey Heights
	62	Tamaki Strait/Gulf	Waiheke - Maunganui
	65	Outer Gulf	Moehau
DYC Pre Race Start:	77	Devonport Sports Radio	
DYC Post Race Start:	62	Boat to Boat,	Finish Boat

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# STORIES FROM THE PAST



TORPEDO BAY  
NAVY MUSEUM

Over the coming months, I will include some old naval sayings, which will intrigue all and offer an explanation as to their origin.

## Did You Know

**Hard to Fathom** - a fathom is an old nautical measurement used for distances and depths. The Admiralty defined as 6.08ft (2m) or one thousandth of a nautical mile 6080ft (1853m) usually to make calculations easier it was rounded down to 6ft. The word comes from the old Anglo-Saxon word faeom 'to embrace' which referred to the distance along outstretched arms of a person when about to embrace. If a sailor, taking soundings could not find the exact depth, it was 'hard to fathom'.

**All at Sea** - one is said to be all at sea if you are in a state of confusion or bewildered - it is derived from the position of a ship that has lost its bearings.

**In the Doldrums** - this is a term that may have come from the shore into naval use in the days of sailing warships. The doldrums are the equatorial regions of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. The weather conditions in these areas result in extended periods of calm or squalls and hurricanes/cyclones.

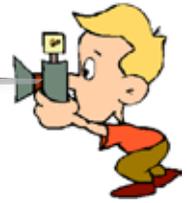
**Humble pie** - this word comes from the Elizabethan period when the commoners ate an 'Umble' pie, essentially a pastry lid on a stew of offal.

**Whistle up a/the wind** - this term is used to describe an activity that is not entirely likely to succeed. In the days of sail, sailors did not whistle aboard ship because it could be confused with the Bosun's call. However there was one exception. If a ship was becalmed, sailors would whistle in the direction they wish the wind to come from hence 'whistle up the wind.'

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.

## Last Month's Photos.

Photo 1: A great shot of some of the younger members of the club. Adrienne Nana looking on.

Photo 2: A great shot of some of the younger members of the club. The music was great

Photo 3: A great shot of Daniel and Kelly, now married with a gorgeous daughter Savannah.

She is the love of my life.

Photo 4: A great photo of some of the beach games. Desiree Coleman guiding them all.

Chris Leech ED\*

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## Book Review

# **ALL THE OCEANS - Designing by the seat of my pants.**

**By Ron Holland. Hardback, 1.80kg, 225mm x 235mm, 200+ colour photographs and Illustrations.**

**Published February 2018.**

**A memoir, 70 years in the making.**

**G**rowing up on a beach in New Zealand, Ron Holland's life was destined to be connected to the sea. After failing High School, Ron completed his first ocean sailing voyage at 15 years of age. A year later he began a wooden boatbuilding apprenticeship and embarked on a journey which determined the rest of his life.

Ron's first yacht design was launched at the age of 19, from which he rapidly made a name for himself as one of the most sought-after and celebrated designers in the highly competitive world of International Racing, before advancing to bigger things. His seminal influence on the (then) new category of Superyachts brought him fresh success, new contacts, and the introduction to a world of fascinating personalities: Business Tycoons, Royalty, and Rock Stars.

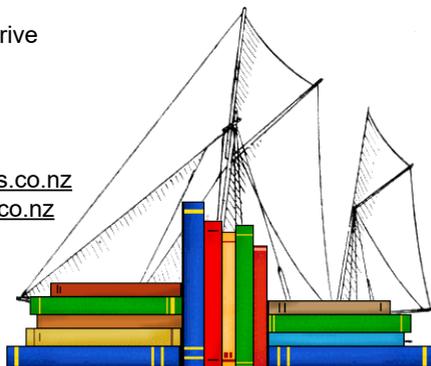
In the course of his career, Ron developed unique relationships with many International Clients; allowing him an intimate view of social and economic trends during the early days of the new millennium.

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