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COMMODORE'S CORNER

From DOUG FRANCE - COMMODORE

I wish to thank all the hard working staff and committee members who have shown good will, enthusiasm and who work together to make an even greater club.

The unusually changeable weather has made some events less seasonal than expected but has filled the water tanks! The first time we have ended the summer with so much water.

Some issues with the FNDC have been resolved, with minor changes for trailer parking. It's good to record that generally, parking behaviour is improving. It does help that the police rib was here over the summer with their vehicles in attendance,

The centre boarders have had 2 autumn regattas so far this year, with 20 boats competing from Kerikeri High School, BOI Yacht Club, Opua Sailing and our own enthusiastic sailors. I would like to see some more but it is a start.

As we are trying to encourage more participation of centre board sailing we encourage owners of boats that are sitting unused in sheds to be donated to the club. Donators names will displayed on their boats.

We need more helpers for our youth sailing programme as we continue to increase youth participation in the club. 4074045

Please help us to pot people who are using our rubbish collection illegally; just a car number will do. We have had reports of garden waste being dropped off, as well as obvious home rubbish being dumped. As a club member you pay the bill.

Sadly we say goodbye to past Commodore Tony Shields.

The social committee have an especially enticing programme over Easter...see you there.



HOUSE & SOCIAL REPORT

From PETER WILSON - REAR COMMODORE

The restaurant and bar ran throughout the holiday period. YTD combined Sales as at 1st of Feb over this and the previous two years are \$79,661, \$62843, \$29,775. Numbers over this period fluctuated, with some nights not breaking even. Next summer, we will need to decide whether opening only three or four nights a week might be better fiscally.

Friday 12/2/16 saw the biggest number of meals served, ever. Which had the staff on their toes for the night, but they coped admirably. Charles has initiated a more upmarket menu for Saturday nights and to compliment this we have added some premium wines to the selection available. We are now opening Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. We will monitor numbers as we go into the winter, to see whether three days a week is sustainable.

A planned club picnic for 17th Jan had to be held in the clubhouse because of indifferent weather. Still, a most enjoyable time was had by all, and many thanks to Neil Burson, who very generously provided the liquid refreshment and some cake. Something to do with some annual celebration he was having on the day.



Feb 14th was the Commodores BBO held up Te Puna inlet. The day didn't look to flash, but the bay he chose was perfectly sheltered, and a great time was had by all. The use of "The Ark" made life so much easier, coupled with having Harcourts large gazebo to cook under. Numbers were down, which was disappointing. In saying that, the 30 odd people who did attend enjoyed bubbles with a special gift for the ladies

for Valentines Day. More photos page 3.

We held a drinks and nibbles function on Friday 26th Feb to welcome the club's new members. About twenty new members attended, along with a similar number of committee members. A pleasant social hour was followed by most dining in the restaurant downstairs.

The centreboard regatta and the ladies race participants, met in the clubhouse after their respective races on Sunday 28th Feb, and were treated to gourmet nibbles prepared by Charles and Daniel which was much appreciated.



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Regatta Ramblings gives us an insight into what happens in the background of the BOI Regatta Week, along with a thank you to all sponsors, volunteers and others involved.

Exciting news from YNZs media releases featuring our own Paralympian entrant in **Rio 2016 Paralympic Games** Chris Sharp, along with Blair Tuke and Peter Burling's success at the 2016 49er World Championship.

As space allows the 'stories on the sea' will be published; out-of-date transcripts are just as interesting for their adventures.

If you have something to share, feel free to send it along.

Cheryl Rymer Editor

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As finances permit we will need to upgrade some of the clubhouse furnishings—chairs in particular also to have enough furniture for both upstairs and downstairs, so we are not carting stuff up and down the stairs all the time, which is hard on the paintwork.

The Good Friday Cooked Breakfast and Bucks Fizz \$15 8.00am-10.00am. We really need numbers for catering purposes so let the kitchen know or call 407 9434. Cruise details will be announced nearer the time.

The next major social event on the calendar is the "Woolshed Party" on the 30th April in the clubhouse. We have Paul Godden and his band playing, who have a happy knack of getting everybody up and moving. Also Leanne McKinnon and



some friends have offered to show us "Line Dancing" properly. So mark it in your diary now. It will be a great night. Spurs and whips optional.

Have fun on the water before winter arrives.



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KEELBOAT REPORT

From Craig Jones

The sailing program very much at the sharp end of the summer sailing series with the end of daylight savings is now less than a few weeks away! Ten races have now been sailed in the Scottronic Wednesday series with just one to go, and the final race in the Craigs Investment Partners rum race series will have been completed by the time you read this.

Scottronic Technologies Wednesday Night series

Race 8 was another of those days when the forecasts suggested that we should all have stayed in bed. All credit to Pete Woods who had Physical Favours on the start line, but being the only A Division boat there he joined a slightly larger B Division (two boats there) to race in a wind that barely reached 18 or so knots. Blue Newport withdrew Valentine from the race due to sail damage, which left Andy August skippering Aalita to take home the day's booty.

Race 9 fared only slightly better with two starters in each division, this time sailed in up to 25 knots. While Deep Throttle (Tony Dalbeth-Hudson) led Bob Donaldson's Demonstrator home by over 5 minutes it was Demonstrator that reversed the tables on handicap. The PHRF result had just 8 seconds between them, this time going to Deep Throttle. B Division had Stray Cat (Peter Hooper) revelling in these conditions and left Aalita in her spray, literally.

And so to race 10 which was sailed in winds gusting to almost 30 knots. Physical Favours failed to make it to the start line through an engine failure and Demonstrator failed to finish in A Division so Animal Biscuits and Deep Throttle were left to fight it out. Animal Biscuits capsized on the ride from Flat Island to the Te Puna buoy, being passed by Deep Throttle reportedly doing almost 20 knots at the time. Deep Throttle took line honours but not to be outdone Animal Biscuits did a magnificent slow motion capsize just after finishing. Unfortunately not caught on camera! So handicap went to Deep Throttle. In B Division Valentine led the race from start to finish and in doing so took the handicap prize from Aalita and Stray Cat.

Deep Throttle has established a handy lead ahead of Animal Biscuits and Physical Favours in the A Division handicap series, the latter two both tied on points. Aalita also has a handy lead in B Division, followed by Valentine and Stray Cat. In the PHRF section Deep Throttle leads Physical Favours by just one point with Demonstrator in third place.

Craigs Investment Partners Summer Rum Race series

Eight knots or so from the north saw the twelve yachts set out on a 7 mile course in race 8, the fleet being led home by Paul White's Learning Curve. Handicap in A Division went to Commodore Doug France's Cotton Blossom II followed by Physical Favours and Learning Curve. In B Division we saw the new-to-our-club Ross 930 Mean Streak being well sailed by Murray Williams, hitting the start line first and leading them all the way home. Handicap results went to That Girl (Pete Mclea) followed by Mean Streak and Wakanui (Daniel Wise). These B Division boats were also the first three on handicap in the fleet results.

Race 9 by contrast had 20 plus knots from the NW but there were still thirteen starters out there. Demonstrator did everything right, taking line plus handicap in A Division with Physical Favours coming in second followed by Cotton Blossom II. Garry Colebrook followed up a poor performance in the previous race by cleaning up in this one, doing the 'triple' by taking both line and handicap in B Division and also the fleet handicap prize. Second on handicap in B Division was Aalita with Wakanui third.

This series, also with one more race to be sailed, is still close enough in A Division to spring a surprise. Physical Favours is hanging on by just three points from Demonstrator with Learning Curve four points further adrift but with a dnc (Did Not Compete, worth 6 points) still to be discarded. Aalita leads B Division by a healthy ten points from Vim and Mathias (Richard Pilling) which are separated by a single point.

Willis Sails Coastal Series

The weather forecast for race 1 in this series forced the plug to be pulled and this race (the 30 miler) will now be sailed on Sunday April 10th. Race 2 in the series, the Nine Pine race, will be sailed as scheduled on 6th March, which will have come and gone by the time you read this. This is a two-race series with both races to count.

Blair Boats Ladies Series

The first race in this three-series was a very light affair with teams of women aboard Rikki, Cotton Blossom II and Aalita. We'll let you know in the next edition who helmed the former two, but do know that Shirley August was telling Andy to mind his own business. Rikki led Cotton Blossom II home in this very slow race but was beaten by Cotton Blossom on handicap. Had she not been beaten by the time limit Aalita would have taken out the race so commiserations to Shirley's team.

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Poor Knights race update

The result of this race had been delayed due to a protest that was not upheld. The confirmed results for the general handicap section has Learning Curve in first position followed by E-Nine (Jay Howell) from Russell second and Kia Kaha (Chris Hornell) from Opua third. In fourth position was the 12m trimaran Ave Gitana owned by KCC club member Antonio Pasquale. The PHRF section was won by E-Nine from Kia Kaha.

Go to www.kerikericruisingclub.org.nz/sailing/keelboat-racing/race-results to view the latest race and series results on the club's web site.

Races to be sailed:

March	Race	Start time	Sponsor
11 th	Friday Rum Series race 10	18:00	Craigs Investment Partners
13 th	Ladies Series race 2	14:00	Blair Boats
16 th	Wednesday Series race 11	18:00	Scottronic Technologies
20 th	His and Hers race (Mark Foy sta	art) 14:00	Blair Bots
April			
3 rd	Ladies Series race 3	14:00	Blair Boats
10 th	Coastal Series race 1 (30 miles)) 11:00	Willis Sails

Then on Sunday May 3rd we have the start of our winter series. Make sure that your boat has been slipped and your crew has been booked.

Route 66 Coastal Race

Pete Mclea will be defending his single handed title in this race, being sailed while I type this up. The race starts at Richmond Yacht Club in the big smoke and finished at Marsden Cove. Pete has another thirty yachts to compete against in his division in an overall fleet of seventy. We wish him the very best

Skippers and interested parties meeting

A final reminder about the meeting for skippers and other interested parties that will be held at the club on Friday March 18th upstairs in the Teapot bar commencing at 7:30 pm. Please be there to share your views on what we can do to improve your sailing program for next season. We already have a short list of ideas to discuss that includes more or less racing, more or less of the serious racing, ditto the less serious side, longer or shorter series, mark foy races (also known as pursuit or handicap start races), destination races, more alternative courses, race time limits, an 'opening day' race. We need your ideas, the more the merrier. Please make an effort to be at the club to share your thoughts. And why not a meal downstairs beforehand?

Happy sailing.



CENTREBOARD REPORT

From DERRY GODBERT

Our club learn to Sail programme has restarted with a good burst of activity and helpful weather. We have been getting 30 plus sailors of a variety of levels and ages enjoying the learning process, managed by Brian and helped by Neil Ric and others; we have had up to 29 boats on the water. The programme continues till the last Saturday of the school term, the 16th of April.

After School sailing on Mondays is also reasonably active with a number of families enjoying an evening sail sometimes followed up with a quiet sausage sizzle supper at the lake side.

Our first Autumn regatta on the 28th was very successful with 19 boats getting on the water; the largest group being the Handicap fleet involving Mistrals, 3.7s, Starlings, Lasers and a 29er. 420s and Optimists made up their own one class fleets. The wind varied from 2 pleasant 8knt races to one flat calm end of race 4 which was only finished by 6 boats. This days racing was part of a series so the results will be carried forward. Sincere thanks to the club for putting on a great after race feed. The next race in the series is on the 6th of March.

The Team sailors have continued to train in earnest (some also sailed in the Sunday regatta). We have 16 sailors coming up from Whangarei on the 12th and 13th of March to train with two Kerikeri teams for the two days.



First learn to sail day of the Autumn session.





Brief report on NYA meeting 25th February 2016.

Clubs present were: Kerikeri 4 reps, Taipa, Waitangi, Whangarei CC. Doug France was our Chair in place of Graeme McCarty who is not well but Lyn very staunchly fronted up as secretary.

Main points covered were: - [not in order]

- 1, Club reports, all the reps present were moderately positive, Susan Perry for Bol YC reported that Rob Heilkema was actively coaching for the club at least four times a week focusing mainly on learn to race sailors. Opua were said to be using 420s for adult learn to sail. Joan from Whangarei CC says they are in discussion with "Sail Northland Trust" [Angela Smith and Alan Clarkson] who would like to develop a sailing centre at Parua Bay.
- 2, Tony Dalbeth raised the topic of what CB pathways our clubs have and how we could integrate them and "market" the product to get more centreboarders sailing in the Bay. It was moved that NYA write to all the clubs, outlining their known strengths and asking them to suggest what options [if any] they think could help the NYA clubs to integrate their sailing pathways. [Get more sailors sailing together]
- 3, Doug reported discussion with NRC re Fan worm infection.

Our marina is free, checked and 3 juveniles removed. Nearest infection Tutukaka.

Cost of clearing a marina could be many \$1000s so need to be clean and cautious!

Suggest Club "authorises" volunteers / contractors, to check marina / boats occasionally???

Proposed that we ask YNZ and NRC to hold a meeting with club reps perhaps at the next NYA meeting to deal with the problem.

Lots more discussion too much to fit here.

4, At the last meeting in November Graeme suggested we try a combined club cruise from Waitangi to Opua to Russell, back to Waitangi. The idea is to involve families, on Solings originally but more recently use any range of keelers, have lunch at one of the clubs and involve some sort of fun activities along the way. All sorts of ideas present themselves!

With Graeme being absent last night the idea was just tabled with the suggested date of 18th or 17th of April. Any comments?

Next NYA meeting is 19th of April.

Derry Godbert [club rep]



Kerikeri Cruising Club Courses, 2016

Club members, always enrol with the Club to get discount.

This is the first time in 5 years that there has been sufficient interest to run a Coastal Skipper course at the Club. It may well take another 5 years to run another one, so if you want to do it, enrol now! Further details of all courses at http://bit.ly/KccCbeCourses2016

Venue	Course	Dates	Times	National Price	Members' Discount Price	Notes
Kerikeri Cruising Club Tea Pot Room	VHF Radio Operator/Short Range Radio Certificate	11, 12 April	6:30 – 9:30 pm.	\$116	\$65	
Kerikeri Cruising Club Tea Pot Room	Maritime Restricted Radio Operator	11, 12, 14 April	6:30 – 9:30 pm.	\$160	\$90	
Kerikeri Cruising Club Tea Pot Room	Coastal Skipper	Thursday 5, 12, 19, 26 May, 2 June. Saturday 7, 14, 21, 28 May, Tuesday 31 May	Week days 6:30 – 9:30 pm Saturdays 9:00 am – 5:00 pm.	\$785	\$513	Dates and times include written assessment but oral assessment time TBC.





Bay of Islands Sailing Week boasted ninety entries plus the eight Millennium Cup super yachts.

How does it work and all come together? We start with the AGM in May with monthly meetings from then on, made up of a committee of six. The committee consists of volunteers from the four yacht clubs in the bay. Each yacht club must be represented. Members have designated tasks which collectively bring the regatta together - i.e. sponsorship and advertising, notice of race and sailing instructions, bar duties and bar staff, media and newsletters, along with race officers, judges, and staff to man the ribs and start boats. Each chore has a deadline which must be achieved for the regatta to progress.

There's not a lot to do during the year, but it revs up to almost 'frantic' by December. Everything and everybody must be booked and in place by the end of the year - January is 'bringing it all together' for registration day as the first day of Bay of Islands Sailing Week.

There is a total team of fifty working together on each and every race day, conducting races and getting results to the race hut, while the ground staff is busy with shore management for each evening at the tent; cold beer and music......

Saturday after the regatta everything is dismantled; buoys, anchors and warps are washed and dried - post regatta maintenance is done ensuring everything is in working order and available for the following year.

There is over a thousand man hours collectively to make this regatta function efficiently. Coming from volunteers this is a massive effort.



Bay of Islands Sailing Week Committee: John Grant (Chair), Ray Haslar, Andrew Riddell, David Hope-Lewis, Lesley Haslar, Helen Horrocks & our Event Coordinator, Melanie MacDiarmid.



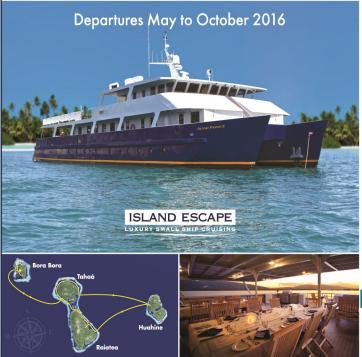
See you all again, race days January 25th-27th 2017

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tos), comments, and videos. It will be handy, whether on the water or not, for Club members to connect with each other, sharing news and views, and updates on their travels, as well as photos and videos.

For more serious fare, you can also join the Kerikeri Cruising Club Boating Education page on which Gill Durham has posted a lot of very useful information and advice. It also details upcoming *Coastguard Education* events.



First Para-Athletes selected to represent New Zealand at the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games



Para-Sailors Richard Dodson, Andrew May and Chris Sharp have been selected by Paralympics New Zealand (PNZ) to compete at the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games, taking place 7-18 September 2016. The announcement was made jointly by PNZ and Yachting New Zealand in central Auckland, today.

The three members of the Para-Sailing crew become the first set of Para-Athletes to be selected to the New Zealand Paralympic Team. Pending final qualifying results, selection announcements for up to another seven Para-Sports will be made in coming months, to create a total team of between 25-45 Para-Athletes. New Zealand is aiming to win 18 medals, including 12 Gold, this year in Rio.

The Para-Sailing crew is made up of a former America's Cup sailor and multiple World Champion, and a double Paralympian (1996, 2000). The crew will compete in the 3-person keelboat event (Sonar).

Richard (Rick) Dodson will be well known to many kiwis as the onboard Strategist for Team New Zealand's successful 1995 challenge and 2000 defence of the America's Cup. This will be Dodson's first Paralympic Games, after being diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis in 1997 and beginning Para-Sailing in 2012

Dodson will be joined by double Paralympian, Andrew May. May first competed at the Atlanta 1996 Paralympic Games with a team in the Sonar class and then again at Sydney 2000 in the single-handed 2.4mR. May achieved 6th place at both Games. The third and final member of the crew, Chris Sharp, has been sailing since he was a young boy and more recently, has raced sport boats and Flying 15's. Chris was thrilled to receive a call up from Dodson in late 2014.



Burling and Tuke secure 4th consecutive 49er World Champs in impressive style



Peter Burling and Blair Tuke have won their fourth consecutive Olympic 49er World Championship after successfully defending their crown in Clearwater, Florida, further extending their unprecedented string of regatta victories to 24 straight wins.

Peter Burling and Blair Tuke have taken the 2016 49er World Championship in impressive style securing the title defence with two races to spare.

Clearwater has thrown high winds and big waves, as well as light air days at the Olympic skiff and multihull fleets contesting their 2016 world championships, yet the phenomenal kiwi 49er pair have come out on top once again. Not even a hand injury, suffered by Tuke early in the event, was enough to derail the pair who taped up and pushed on.

Going into today Burling and Tuke were 28 points ahead of the pack and this morning they used the day's first two gold fleet races to open enough of a points lead to secure the 2016 49er World Championship.

A massive 45 point margin was required to get into this uncommon unassailable position before sailing the last 25-boat gold fleet race and the final top ten double points medal race. They went on to place 12th in the final gold fleet race and then 3rd in the medal race and take the title by 41 points.

"We were really happy to go out there with a pretty healthy lead going into the day but still a bit of work to do," says Peter Burling. "And we're absolutely stoked to go out there and finish it off with a couple of races to spare. It's always a pretty nice way to do it."

Anthony (Tony) Wyn Shields (1930 - 2016)

Born in 1930, the son of two generations of orchardists, Tony grew up on his father's orchard in Christchurch and after his marriage to Ann in 1954 he took over the running of the orchard. There they stayed for the next 24 years raising a family of 3 children, Peter, Robyn and Andrew.

At the age of 12 Tony was introduced to sailing where he found he was pretty good at it enjoying success primarily in Z class, X class, and R class yachts. At the age of 15 Tony had built his first boat which was one of several he built during his sailing life. During the following 35 years Tony represented Canterbury in many national events and held several national titles and a stream of podium finishes.

During one such yachting contest at Waitangi Tony fell in love with the warm winds and blue water of the Bay Of Islands and in 1978 he sold the family orchard and he, Ann and Andrew moved to Kerikeri.

In Kerikeri Tony retained his love of the land as an owner and manager of citrus and kiwifruit orchards as well as his own pruning business. After a short time he bought the bright green Chico 30 "Reefrunner" to the Bay of Islands and competed in many Epiglass series, Coastal Classics, Feltex regattas and in 1989 the 2-handed Round the North Island race. Tony also competed in two offshore events to Noumea and to Fiji.

Throughout his life Tony was a dedicated administrator to the sport he loved so much, holding committee positions at the Canterbury Yacht and Motor Boat Club, the NZ R Class Squadron, and the Kerikeri Cruising club, all of whom bestowed Tony with life membership. In 2000 Tony received an Honours award from Yachting New Zealand for service to yachting.

Even after Tony retired from on-the-water racing many KKCC members will remember Tony as the unwavering, unequivocal, unrepentant handicapper, race day officer, or mooring line rope splicer.

Tony leaves behind his wife Ann of 61 years, children Peter, Robyn and Andrew, son and daughter in law Mike and Erna, and grandchildren Sam, Jasmin, Toni, Jessica and Henry.



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No reports this month from the:

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We welcome letters from Members. These letters are considered the honest opinion of the author and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the Club or this newsletter. All letters must be signed by a club member and should not contain personal remarks. We prefer to publish your name, but realise that this does not suit everyone.

NO LETTERS THIS MONTH

We wel	come the	following	new	members:
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