



Reminder **TALL SHIPS** **Come and Help**

The rain -- good news for the new year and for the Tall Ships hangi?

Tall Ships is just over a week away and preparations for it are well underway.

Come and join in. Here is what is happening over the next week. If you can help on anything contact the listed co-ordinator. Thanks.

Monday 4 January

-- set up the hangi pit, just turn up

Tuesday 5 January

-- check lightbulbs, contact Jonathan 403 7349

Wednesday 6 January -- set up banner on Russell Wharf, contact Christine 403 7968

Thursday 7 January

- cut and rake the grass on the reserve, weed eaters needed, contact Jonathan 403 7349
- tent arrives 5 pm(ish)

FRIDAY 8 January

- preparing veges, from 1 pm, just turn up with vege knife and/or peeler
- cleaning the mussels,
- setting up tent, band platform, lights, toilets, tables, water supply and all, just turn up
- making lunch for workers, just turn up
- set up banner on reserve, contact Christine 403 7968

TALL SHIPS DAY, SATURDAY 9 January

Hangi -- all day

- packing hangis, from 9 am
- helping with hangi, all day, see Antony George on the day
- serving hangi, evening, see Antony George on the day
- making lunch for workers, just turn up

Boat Registration and Race Briefing -- from 9 am

- selling/cooking breakfast at registration, contact Jay 403 8537
- selling hangi tickets at registration, contact Christine 403 7968

T-Shirts and Raffles

- coordinating and selling raffle tickets, **volunteers URGENTLY needed**, 9 am to 10.30 am and 4 pm to 8 pm, contact Christine 403 7968
- helping sell t-shirts, 9 am to 10.30 am and 4 pm to 8 pm, contact Sandra 403 8537

After Race Function

- manning entry desk, 1 hour or so shifts, 3.30 pm to 9 pm, contact Bronwyn 403 7799
- setting up and checking koha buckets at bars and entry desk, contact Christine 403 7968
- working at the bar, approx. 1 hour shifts, 4pm to 1am, contact Maddy

- look after band members, 4pm to 10pm, contact Bernard 403 7205
- issuing liquor bracelets in club house, contact Simon T 021 489 876

Sunday 9 January -- clean up in the morning, just turn up, lunch after

Photo from Simon Taylor



LIFE AFTER TALL SHIPS

-- on 23 January we have the Greybeards v Mud Crabs cricket match on the sand bar south of Motukiekie Island

-- 5 February -- birthday party Russell Boating Club Inc 40 years old

-- 14 February (Valentine's Day) sees the return of the soon to be internationally famous Russell Ukulele Orchestra

-- 27 February -- casino night

-- AND NEW to Russell Boating Club: SHORT SHIPS RACE on Saturday, 27 February, 2016

A very scaled-down version of Tall Ships Race; this one for "hand-powered" vessels. The race is for the benefit of the Club, and is being organized by the Russell Lady Kayakers. All boats that use paddles or oars are welcome, with the public being most welcome to join in on this lively race around a bit of the Bay. Speed is to be counted, but, like Tall Ships, fun and zaniness also will be

part of the day. We'll be having three races: men's kayaks, women's kayaks and rowing boats (shorter course). Awards and spot prizes will be given out, and an afternoon picnic will cap off the event. More details will appear in both the upcoming RBC newsletters and in the January and February Russell Lights. We are planning for a 10:00 a.m. starting time, with staggered departures, expecting kayakers to complete the course in about an hour. For rowed boats the course will be shorter, but with some tricky bits. The entry fee will be \$10, 1/2 of each fee to go to the RBC, 1/2 for awards.

What we'd like help with are: a few motor boats to be stationed as monitors, a few prizes for winners, and any ideas and suggestions you might want to send us. Please come join us and bring friends to join or cheer us on. All one needs is a small boat, a paddle or oars, and knowledge of how to tie a bowline.....

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from Russell Boating Club committee

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