



Mainsheet

21 April 2016



COMING UP

- This Sunday 24 April -- the soon to be internationally famous Russell Ukulele Orchestra is back again -- come and listen, watch the sunset, have a meal
 - Whatever Wednesday -- each Wednesday from 2 pm -- whatever you want to do, play cards, chess, scrabble, do a jig-saw puzzle, or just have a chat. Bring your favourite board game along. Tea and coffee provided. All welcome.
 - Friday 29 April -- return of the jackpot draw. Details below. Be there between 6 pm and 7 pm to be in to win.
 - Saturday 14 May -- Herb Kingi Cup followed by dance, with the Russell Ukulele Orchestra.
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JUNIOR SAILING PRIZE GIVING



On Friday 22 April -- the full moon -- we had the prizegiving for the 2015 Junior Sailing season. Well attended by our great young sailors and their parents and a good night had by all.

Congratulations to Max Miller, winner of the David & Tchantia Trophy (a glorious wooden shield for junior sailing), Kaembal Taylor who got the Epiglass Cup for Optimist sailing, and Isabelle Welling recipient of the Longbeach Cup for small boat sailing. A Bay of Islands Sailing Week cap and North Sails t shirt were given to Ruby and Grace in recognition of their sailing skills.

Brett Avery was presented with a cake and a card as thanks for organising the junior sailing.

Thanks to everyone helping with junior sailing, and to all our junior sailors for being there.



EASTER RAFFLE RESULTS

The winners of the Easter Raffle raising funds for our 40 Years, 40k Challenge Building Fund are:

Trish -- half day electric bike hire from Adventure for Good

Deann -- two boxes of Macadamia Butter Toffee Crunch from Makana Confections

Trevor -- A "Picnic Pleasures" hamper from Christmas Hampers NZ.

A big thank you to our donors Christian and Tyronne, Action for Good; Carole and Brian, Makana Confections; Gail and Jeff, Christmas Hampers NZ.

POOL GAMES

Our pool table is very popular, games being played every club night. Later, this winter, we will run another pool tournament (or maybe two) so start your practicing now.

Just one reminder -- you should be paying \$1 for each game played. You can pay at the bar. Thanks.

AGM AND NEW COMMITTEE

WINTER MAINTENANCE CLOSURE

The club house is going to be closed from Monday 11 July until around 28-31 August for winter maintenance and repairs. This will include some repair work on the sub-floor and other work in and around the club house. Maybe even some redecorating?

We will try to open the bar and kitchen one night a week during this period, but that will depend on exactly what work is underway. And even then the club house might be a bit basic.

If you want to help, note these dates. We will give more details closer to the time.

JACKPOT DRAW RETURNS

We are re-introducing the jackpot draw for members. Starting on Friday 29 April we will be drawing a club member's name out in a draw for a cash prize. But you have to be there to claim it. Name drawn and the person is

The AGM is only a couple of months away on 24 June.

Our Club depends on voluntary help, including on the committee. We struggled last year to find enough members willing to volunteer to join the committee and/or be flag officers (commodore, vice-commodore, rear-commodore, secretary, treasurer, club captain).

Several of the existing committee are not going to stand again at the AGM so we need YOU to help us out. Let's not have the same struggle this year to fill the committee positions.

If you want to help your club out, if you want your club to prosper, think about joining the committee. Just let any committee member know if you are interested (the committee list is at the end of this Mainsheet).

SPECIAL MEETING

We held a special meeting on Tuesday 29 March as an opportunity for people who can't get to our AGM to say what is going well and to make suggestions for things we could do better.

The meeting was well attended and started with some heads-up talks on our finances, our 40 years, 40k challenge building fundraiser, junior sailing and on how our club depends on its members' voluntary efforts.

Lots of discussion and suggestions from the floor followed.

The full record of the meeting will be in the next Mainsheet.

not there? Well, then the prize jackpots and another name is drawn a week later. And so it goes.

This prize starts at \$50 and increases by \$10 each week until it is won. If the prize gets to \$500 then the drawing of names will continue until the prize is won.

It is only open to current members, the draw will be some time between 6 pm and 7 pm each Friday night, and the person whose name is drawn must be present to collect the prize.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

We have three classes of membership -- corporate, full and associate. Some people are trying to join as Associate members when they should be joining as Full members.

To remind everyone Associate membership is only for people without boats (e.g. social member only, boat crew) OR on a once off basis for a visiting boatie.

If you own a boat then Full membership is the option for you.

DEFENDING HIS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

This weekend Bruce Trotter is down in Auckland defending the sailboard national championship he won last year.

We wish him well, and look forward to printing his regatta report in the next Mainsheet.



RACING NEWS

Our popular evening racing finished with the end of daylight savings. Next in the racing calendar is the Northland Spars and Rigging Two Handed series. Two days of racing so far -- both wet -- one more to come.

The first race was out around Paramena Beacon and back. Here is a race report from Johnboy (*Jiminy Cricket*):

Once we got to Tapeka we got more than we bargined for, more wind than expected and large sea state. *Jagged Edge* put in a reef then did a headsail change, meantime Brett on his own was long gone. *Jagged Edge* and *Sky Rocket* were neck and neck at Paramena, *Jagged Edge* shook her reef out for the reach home.

So a lay out and reach/ run home, with the wind dropping at the latter stages.

And we were out in the RAIN!!, buckets of it

Places on the first day were *Caprice* 1st, *Sky Rocket* 2nd, *Jagged Edge* 3rd, *Jiminy Cricket* 4th.

A week later day 2 of the series started in the rain. The photograph above shows the view from the start box when the rain had (sort of) stopped.

Four boats, three short races, three different winners. [A rough running commentary](#) of the

three races is here. Overall places for day 2 of the Northland Spars and Rigging Two Handed Series were *Sky Rocket* 1st, *Caprice* 2nd, *Jiminy Cricket* 3rd, *La Tosca* 4th.

JUST CRUISING



E-Nine heads south, a short account received on 30 March:

We are spending our 2nd night at Great Mercury Island after about four days of sailing with stops at Mimiwhangata, Tutukaka, Mokohinau's and Great Barrier. Saw a marlin jumping on the way across, and followed this nice two masted classic (see photo) for a while. The Mercury's are quite scenic and worth the long sail to see. We will probably head into Whitianga Friday for a couple days. At first the marina wasn't going to allow me a berth due to not having a fan worm certificate...my one night at Tutukaka has them worried I might be contaminated...

If you have a cruising story you would like to share (maybe like steaming a launch around New Zealand, hint, hint) just email it to info@russellboatingclub.org.nz and we can put it in the newsletter.

HISTORY CORNER

All those pennants and flags hanging from the ceiling -- what boat clubs and countries are they from? Lyndsay Alexander has photographed all of them, and written up a first draft account of each flag. A copy of this draft will be at the club soon so you can check it out and add what else you know about our flag collection.

As we reported in the last newsletter David Hope-Lewis has donated a copy of the programme for the Bay of Islands Regatta held at Russell on Wednesday 26 December 1951.

Pages on the history of the regatta and the instructions for the regatta have been scanned and [a link to them is here](#) (this is a 5.8 MB file).

Another point of interest in the regatta programme. One of the harbour races was a race for keel yachts of about 12 miles. The winner got to hold the T.R. Clow Challenge Cup for a year (and got a 10 pound prize as well).

We now know this cup as the Russell Cup.

The 1951 winner of the race for keel boats was *Roiaata*, owner B W Pollock. *Roiaata* is a John Alden designed carvel kauri planked 32 footer built in 1935 by Tercel Brothers for A and G Grimson. Her sail number was F45. She had an impressive race record, including the RNZYS Savory Memorial Cup at the Auckland Regatta in 1937, 1951 and 1954. Was rolled off Rabaul during a storm and sailed on to Tonga for repairs to her split coamings. And had a go at the Sydney Hobart race about 1968, but retired from the race. Among her owners was John Senior from 1956 to c1959.

(Information from the Classic Yacht Association of New Zealand website.)

Our club house is a great venue to rent for parties, weddings, anniversaries. If you are interested in renting it [here is a form setting out the terms of rental](#). Or ask Simon Taylor.

We offer a **CLASSIFIED AD SERVICE** for members wanting to buy or sell or rent anything nautical. Cost \$5 for up to 30 words, \$10 for 31-50 words. Images extra. For enquiries or to place an ad in the next Mainsheet email info@russellboatingclub.org.nz

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