



Mainsheet

29 July 2015

Kia ora. Welcome.

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REMINDER -- we are looking for a part-time cook to provide meals on our weekly club nights and for functions. For more details see the notice board or contact Andrew 4037177 or email info@russellboatingclub.org.nz Applications close on Monday 3 August.

MEMBERSHIP SUBS

It is time to pay membership subs for the 2015-2016 year. We will be sending out invoices to all members early in August.

As discussed at the AGM, our Club is facing increased running expenses for the next year – an increased levy to Yachting New Zealand, higher insurance costs, as well as from increases for power etc adds up to roughly \$4,000 more expenses. We also have a kitchen upgrade, slip upgrade, formed access to the club house and other improvements that need paying for.

We are increasing our subscription income to help pay for this. We expect this will give us about \$3,500 extra in subs income for the year.

The last time membership subs were changed was three years ago.

The new rates (gst included) are:

Associate Member	\$50, a \$10 increase
Associate Family Member	\$70, a \$25 increase
Full Member	\$90, a \$10 increase
Full FamilyMember	\$130, a \$40 increase
Corporate Member	\$510, a \$60 increase
Junior Member	\$25, new this year
Racing Fee	\$60, no change
Joining Fee (once off)	\$20, no change

Why are the increases greater for family members?

A family membership is for two people. Before, a family membership was just 12.5% more than a single membership. Now there is a 40-44% difference between a family membership and a single membership, which we think is fairer.

Who should join as a Junior Member?

We are wanting to encourage junior sailing. For most juniors the only sailing cost will be the course fees for the junior sailing programme. You do not need to be a junior member to be part of this programme. The only time you need to join as a Junior Member is if you are going sailing or racing at other clubs.

Why is the racing fee unchanged?

The racing fee is in addition to membership fees, so racing members will be paying the membership increase. Also we

want to encourage racing because it is one of the objects of the Boating Club.

What is the membership subscription year?

The membership year runs from 1 September to 31 August in the following year. To be fair to those new members who join towards the end of a subscription year, anyone joining for the first time after 1 June is counted as a financial member until 31 August of the following year.

What income have we been getting from membership subs?

Last year we received in \$10,278 membership subs and \$1,252 in racing fees after gst was paid. This is about 7% of our annual gross income.

How do our subs compare with other boat clubs in the Bay of Islands?

Category	Bay of Islands	Kerikeri	Opua	Russell (2015-2016)
Junior (under 18, no voting rights)	\$85	\$50	\$25	\$25
Single Social/ Associate, no voting rights	\$85	\$50 (also for crew for one year only)	\$70 (social member, visiting cruiser, race crew)	\$50 (social member, once off visiting boatie race crew)
Family Social/ Associate, no voting rights	--	--	\$95 (social member, visiting cruiser, race crew)	\$70 (social member, once off visiting boatie, race crew)
Single Full, voting rights	\$155	\$183	\$150 (\$110 if over 65 years old)	\$90
Family Full, voting rights	\$165	\$195	\$175 (\$130 if over 65 years old)	\$130

Racing Fee	?	\$5 per race	fee per series	\$60 for year's races
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RAFFLES

Delay buying that meat for the weekend. Every Wednesday evening we will be raffling off a meat pack or two. You have to be in to win.

DARTS AND POOL TOURNAMENT

The Bowling Club, RSA, Swordfish Club and the Boating Club are having a round robin pool and darts tournament. The first round was at the Bowling Club, with the Boating Club coming second.

Last week play resumed at the Swordfish Club. Here is Simon's report:

Another great turnout from RBC members at the second round robin at BOI Swordfish Club last night [23 July] ... unfortunately our form was down a bit on the previous week and we ended up 3rd equal on points ... Bowlers are still way over the horizon ahead so a concentrated effort by opposition clubs is on the cards for the next couple of meetings to haul them back in.... next thursday [30 July] is at the R S A same 6.00 muster with games kicking off 6.30... All welcome to come and enjoy the fun rivalry and cheer the boat club team on...

The fourth round is at the Russell Boating Club on Thursday 6 August,

VOLUNTEERS

There are lots of little jobs that need doing to keep the Club running. Most can be done by volunteers. Over the next few Mainsheets we will list a few jobs and ask for volunteers to do them. Starting with:

Club night helpers – make visitors welcome, help in the kitchen and the bar during the busy times. If we get enough volunteers we can set up a roster where you have a turn once every month or so. Contact Simon Taylor (027 499 1123) or Andrew Riddell (4037177) to volunteer, or email info@russellboatingclub.org.nz

CCTV – we have a closed circuit tv system at the club. Three or four volunteers needed to help Tony look after this system, especially with reviewing footage where necessary. There are Privacy Act provisions on viewing of footage that we must comply with. Contact Tony Hanlon (027 273 6387) or email commodore@russellboatingclub.org.nz

Membership publicity and marketing – how can we encourage more members? – do you have lots of ideas that you want to put into practice? Sounds like you might be the ideal person to take on a membership publicity and marketing role. Contact Helen Ough Dealy (027 2244 115) or email info@russellboatingclub.org.nz

Slip master – When the slip upgrade is completed we will need a slip master to run it. And someone to take the

teams registering from 1800 hrs, play starting at 1830 hrs. Come along and support own team.

bookings. Interested? Contact Andrew Riddell (4037177) or email info@russellboatingclub.org.nz

Are you a dog-owning, dog-loving boatie with an hour to spare to talk about your dog? Just a few questions and you will score some free dog food and treats and go in the draw for a mystery prize. Interested? Contact Helen at DOC on 09-4070308 or email hodealy@doc.govt.nz by Monday 17 August

From your Committee: Tony Hanlon (Commodore. commodore@russellboatingclub.org.nz), Simon Taylor (Club House Captain), Andrew Riddell (Secretary-Treasurer, info@russellboatingclub.org.nz), Terry Bundell (co-opted), Jay Howell, Jonathan MacInnes (co-opted), David Nicolson, Helen Ough Dealy, John Seal.

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