

# Kawau Boating Club Incorporated – 2020 AGM

6 pm Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Sandspit Café, Sandspit Wharf

**Attendees:** Trevor Ready, Lynn Ready, Martin Farrand, Beth Houlbrooke, Rob Munro, Kathryn Sinclair, John Sinclair, Mark Newcomb, Mike Mahoney, Fay Richardson, John Whisker, Craig Bettley, Judith Bettley, David Lee, Robyn Lee, Lin Parady, David Haigh, Mike Harvey, Margaret Harvey, Philip Ridder, Annette Ridder

**Proxy Received from:** Kim McDell, Luke Davids

**Apologies :** Apologies received from: Lyn Hume, Kim McDell, Luke Davids, Andrew Aitkin

1. **Quorum:** Meeting a quorum with 21 attendees and 2 proxies
2. **Approval of Previous AGM minutes:** Minutes and Financial Report from previous AGM were published as agreed on the club website and circulated at this meeting. No matters raised in relation to the minutes and previous financial report. Approval of minutes and financial report Moved Beth Houlbrooke Seconded Fay Richardson. Agreed by all.

### 3. **Chairman's Report:** Trevor Ready

Since June 2014 we've come a long way as Kawau Boating Club. The original concept of retaining Kawau Island Yacht Club after it's closure by the RNZYS for various reasons was first muted by Evan-Innes Jones and David Innes. I believe there was a considerable amount of alcohol consumed on the night in question to help with the decision-making. Eventually after managing to get the support of 4 more volunteers the founding group was formed consisting of Evan Innes-Jones, David Innes, Martin Farrand, John Sinclair, Dave Jeffery and Trevor Ready.

We managed to negotiate a lease with the RNZYS and set about to form the Constitution and a name change to Kawau Boating Club so as to include the residents and general property owners on Kawau Island and also the all encompassing boating fraternity.

We managed to put together enough people and some funds to get open Labour weekend of 2014. These funds were provided by the six founding members as a loan of \$5000 from 5 and a generous offer of as much free transport and freight as Dave Jeffery could supply with his water taxi. The funds enabled us to open a liquor account with Lion Breweries and get enough stock to get us through the weekend.

It was a very successful opening with literally hundreds turning up through the course of the weekend and we ended the weekend with about 300 members signed up and paid and also had about \$40,000 in the bank plus the stock that was left so we were on the right track.

I distinctly remember the day we turned up to get the place ready to open it was infested with rats and the vats hadn't been emptied so the vermin were having a great time. With the help of my wife Lynn and Helen and Dave Jeffery, Lin Parady, Marie of Kawau Cruises and who-ever poked their nose in the door to see what was happening we managed to clean up and removed all the rubbish and rat

poop until it presented in a reasonable state. I hired two ladies from the Warkworth RSA to work the bar, Marie took over the catering for the weekend and I recall Lin Pardy helping as a waitress to assist with the food. Martin was appointed Club Captain and made any necessary speeches. All in all a great effort to start a new venture. After the opening for the weekend we basically closed again for a little bit of a refurbishment and used John Sinclair's skills as an architect to make some internal changes to give a bit more room.

During all this time we had our meetings at Martins premises of Forbes packaging in Albany and there were many of them to put together the administrative side of KBC it was during one of these meetings that we decided we needed to fill the fuel tanks for the ensuing Xmas holiday period that was looming and promising to be a long hot one. A gamble since we actually did not have enough funds to buy the fuel, relying mostly on selling a large proportion of the fuel before payment was due.

David Innes was our Secretary Treasurer at the conception but was starting to struggle with the pressure due to health, so had to sadly resign.

Lin Pardy had started to attend our meetings to offer support and offered to take over as our secretary/treasurer she also offered to finance the fuel cost until it became self-funding. This was a tremendous help as we needed all available funds to fulfill our wish list of improvements that we had decided needed to be completed.

Over the years we have spent around 5 hundred thousand on repairs and refurbishments including decks, toilets, bar, kitchen, walk in chiller/freezer and our biggest expense the addition of the pontoon to the wharf. All from subscriptions and donations.

Martin's assistance in providing the funds to extend the deck around the building on the eastern side and also using his launch Moehanui to deliver all the materials has been a tremendous help.

Lin's financial support was in place for 2 years and we were eventually able to fund the fuel through the club funds, unfortunately we got a little ahead of ourselves and the refurbishments picked up with gusto as were keen to get everything done. So needless to say we needed to fund the fuel from an outside source again so Lynn and I picked up the tab for a couple years.

While trying to get open for our first season I was tasked with the unenviable job of trying to hire someone preferably a couple to manage the premises for us. It was during this process that David and Robyn contacted me from Italy and showed some interest. We did all interviews on Skype and we must have struck a chord as here they are and still today are doing a great job and operate their own business within the KBC. It certainly hasn't been without its difficulties and I could probably talk for hours on that and undoubtedly so could Davo and Robyn. However congratulations to them for taking up the challenge and making a success of the bar and bistro, they have made a substantial investment in their own infrastructure to ensure the comfort of the staff they bring to the Island to assist with the operation.

Probably the biggest challenge that we have faced as a committee has been the management of the fuel and trying to get a petroleum company to come on board and ease some of the burden. Evan Innes Jones exhausted himself negotiating with first GAS and then Go Fuel managing to achieve heads of agreement with each company for nothing to come of them as they both saw the logistics of Kawau Island as too much of a risk. When Evan resigned Kim Mc Dell came on board and took up the task of negotiating with Go Fuel and once again was let down. However, along came Hauraki Express and Gull and after a large number of emails and meetings, copious coffees, visits to Kawau

Kim and I to a lesser extent managed to get an agreement on paper with HE and today we no longer have the burden of the maintenance and carrying the cost of stocking the tanks all within reason of course. The joint venture with KBC, HE and RNZYS is a fantastic outcome after all these years of dealing with huge delivery and compliance costs that affected the price at the pump not only with KBC but also KIYC in the past.

It has been pretty tough going to get to where we are ! But get here we did and I believe that all those that have been involved can look back at what has been achieved to date with pride and a sense of achievement. We have proved that the existence of KBC is an extremely vital part of Kawau Island and the Hauraki Gulf and hopefully will remain so for many years to come just as KIYC did for all those years.

Throw in amongst it all the year of COVID and it says it all really.

I am extremely proud to have been a part of a small energetic group of people that has strived to meet the goals that we listed 6.5 years ago. I would like to extend my thanks to Evan Innes-Jones for inviting me along for the ride its been mostly fun.

Tonight we will hopefully change some of the old guard and add some new blood with fresh ideas to continue the challenge of improving on what so far has been a huge success.

Thank you all

Trevor

#### **4. Club Captains report**

Presentation of Captains Report from Martin Farrand : Thanks for the report Trevor. Good to look back on our history and what we have achieved. We are lucky to have a good relationship with the RNZYS, good committee and Davo and Robyn operating the Bistro and investing in the Island to make their business successful. All the great work over the years from John, Evan and Kim on the fuel. Certainly the fuel has been an ongoing challenge and looking forward to a long and successful relationship with Hauraki Express and Gull thanks to the huge effort from Kim. Huge thanks to you Trevor for your skills in hospitality and your commitment to the club. Thank you.

#### **5. Secretary/ Treasurer Financial report and presentation of the annual financial accounts for approval:** Annette Ridder

Final year end accounts prepared by KGA Accounting Plus, Warkworth attached.

Year end Profit of \$31,849 with final lease reconciliation to RNZYS and with BABB included in the accounts. Thank you to RNZYS for \$2,875 incl GST for COVID-19 Relief which has been fully passed onto BABB.

<b><u>Memberships</u></b> for the	<b>2019-2020</b>	<b>2018/2019</b>
Income for Membership (excl GST)	\$67,912	\$74,912
Membership Donations	\$468	\$290
Pontoon Donations	\$5,000	\$16,355
<b>Total Memberships</b>	<b>812 Members</b>	<b>819 Members</b>

#### **Membership Breakdown**

Silver Card PrePaid	N/A	120
Gold Card Prepaid	100	100
Online	453	
Through Clubhouse	259	

The 2019-2020 season was the last season that our income was impacted by pre-paid Gold membership. Huge thank you to Fay Richardson, Fiona Driver, Stephen Horsley and Davo and Robyn for all their work they do on membership and our website.

Membership for 20/21 season progressing well with 419 Members so far of which 39 are new. (23 at Clubhouse, 396 online) 4 Affiliated clubs paid. (Milford CC, Sandspit YC, OBC Akl, Weiti BC)

**Pontoon** Total Marine Services build and installation of the Pontoon was completed for a total cost of \$251,703.95. As at the end of September we have \$89,510 owing on our loan to BNZ. The pontoon remains the asset of the Kawau Boating Club Inc. Challenges getting code of compliance certificate. Trevor has received confirmation from the council that we are exempt from CCC and Banz have accepted this. Mike Mahoney will followup. Beth has advised to let her know if we need any assistance to get this resolved.

#### Current Balance

Current funds on hand at 23/11/20 is \$71,777.92

with Bills to Pay(Liabilities) incl GST of:

- \$13,226.38 2019-2020 lease washup to RNZYS (To be finalised with RNZYS)
- \$9,621.07 Martin Farrand for Deck and Club Maintenance
- \$287.50 Outline Design - Steve Horsley Newsletter and Website services

And Accounts Owing to KBC

- Bon Accord Bar and Bistro 2019-2020 Season Lease washup \$7,947.49

**Final Current Balance \$56,590.46 and Pontoon Loan Bal of \$78,493.67**

Acceptance and Approval of Finance Report has completed by KGA Accountants not audited Moved by Martin Farrand and Seconded by Rob Munro. Approved by all.

Questions in relation to accounts to be followed up by Annette Ridder, Treasurer with KGA Account Plus.

- Should depreciation for equipment exposed to marine circumstances be higher than 10%?
- Should Pontoon have commenced depreciation in the 2019/2020 season?

#### **6. Fuel Update**

Agreement has been signed with Hauraki Express, Gull Fuel, RNZYS and KBC. New Fuel system is now in place with work in progress with Gull Fuel to get swipe card system working for 10c per litre discount for members. Until this is in place we are running the discounted price so members are not disadvantaged. All fuel deliveries arranged by Hairaki Express and to be done out of Bistro opening hours so Bsitro and Club not required to close for deliveries. This will be a huge improvement. Club receives 6c per litre for all fuel sold.

Huge vote of thanks to Kim McDell and Trevor Ready for all the work to get this in place for the start of the season.

## **7. Nomination of new committee members and approval**

Resignations received from Trevor Ready, Martin Farrand, Kim McDell and Rob Munro. Huge vote of thanks for all they have done for the club and getting us to where we are today.

Nomination for new committee member received for Luke Davids as new committee member nominated by Kim McDell and seconded by David Lee.

Existing committee members Mike Mahone, John Whisker and Annette Ridder to continue. Nominated Mike Mahoney to be Club Chairman and John Whisker Club Captain. Nominated by Trevor Ready Seconded by Martin Farrand. Approved by meeting. We need to put the call out for more committee members.

Lin Pardy offered to assist with Publicity.

Committee and Officers as Approved

- John Whisker – Club Captain
- Mike Mahoney – Chairman (extension approved)
- Annette Ridder – Secretary/Treasurer
- Fay Richardson – Membership Administration
- Stephn Horsley – Website Administration
- Luke Davids

Since the meeting David Haigh and Bryn Sutherland have volunteered to be on the committee as well.

## **8. General business**

### **Membership**

Membership Fees: Fees set at start of season with ratification to be at AGM be raised to cover gst. Proposed by Trevor Ready and seconded by Annette Ridder. This is the first increase since opening in 2014. Approved by AGM

- Family/Dual Season Membership is \$172.50 with \$10 discount for members of Affiliated Clubs
- Individual Season Membership is \$115 with \$10 discount for members of Affiliated Clubs

Whilst membership numbers are going well and a number of New Zealander's will be out on their boats this season we need to continue publicise the club purpose and getting the season membership donations to keep the facility open. We discussed increased publicity, organising events like cooking or cook book, talks that attract members without impacting the BABB business.

We also need to have info up in the club house explaining about the KBC, purpose, history, founding members board and committee list and pictures. Trevor has board to go up. Incoming

committee to investigate and involve members to assist. Also look at how we can work with RNZYS to promote the club to all their members.

Fay requested that a reminder needs to go out to encourage members to renew well before christmas so they receive their membership cards. Robyn happy to organise newsletter to be sent out.

#### **Repairs to Seawall**

Seawall at West end of the property is badly eroded. Quotes are being obtained and provided to RNZYS to discuss and approve repairs as per the lease agreement.

**Support for Ban on Scallop Dredging in Kawau Bay.** Proposed by John Whisker and seconded by Rob Munro that the KBC supports a ban on scallop dredging in Kawau Bay due to the damage it does on the scallop beds and the spat. This damage means there are less scallops that grow to maturity. AGM endorsed support for the ban particularly if it applied to set areas of the Bay. John to progress investigation into supporting this initiative.

**John Sinclair raised a vote of Thanks to the out going founding members and all they have contributed to the success of the club. Special thankyou for all to Trevor Ready and Lynn have done including thanks from David and Robyn for all the support they have given to their business over the past 7 years.**

Meeting closed 7:32pm with Drinks and nibbles provided to attendees.  
Thank you to all those who came along to support the Club.

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1. Apologies

Lyn Hume.

2. Attendees

Full Name	Current Member Y/N	Signature
Annette Riddler	Y	A Riddler
Philip Riddler	Y	P Riddler
Mark Newcomb	Y	M Newcomb
Mike Mahoney	✓	M Mahoney
Fay Richardson	✓	F Richardson
MARTIN FARRELL	✓	M Farrell
Rob Mears	✓	R Mears
BRUCE REAY	✓	B Reay
Don Williams	✓	D Williams
Craig Bettley	✓	C Bettley
Judith Bettley	✓	J Bettley
Kathryn & John Smeaton	✓	K Smeaton
David Lee	✓	D Lee
Robyn Lee	✓	R Lee
<del>John</del> John Tardley	✓	J Tardley
LIN PINEY	✓	L Piney
David Harkyn	✓	D Harkyn
Beth Houlbrooke	✓	B Houlbrooke
Mike Harvey	✓	M Harvey
Margaret Haining	✓	M Haining