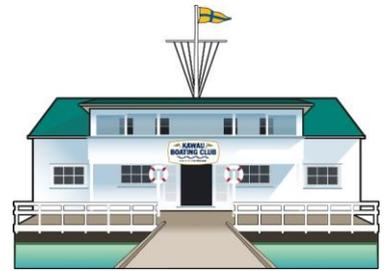


Kawau Boating Club:

31 August 2016 Update



Less than six weeks to go until the Kawau Boating Club opens its doors to welcome you and celebrate the beginning of what will be another great sailing and boating season.



Your committee has spent many hours this winter working towards creating an even more welcoming place for everyone to spend some prime time. The library area is getting a makeover and a new walk-in chiller/freezer will soon be installed to free up more space inside the club house. Materials have arrived and work is underway to upgrade the ablutions block, thanks in part to a grant from the Rodney Local Board. Both the ladies and men's showers will have new plumbing and bright easy to clean linings. New washbasins and tile surrounds are being installed and the whole area completely repainted, inside and out.

Unfortunately, applying for the appropriate resource consents, engineering reports and building permits for a pontoon and new deck in front of the club, is still a work in progress. The Resource Consent was issued this week, filing the building permit paperwork and delays with council mean actual work is unlikely to start until after this season when we hope to have sufficient funding in place to have it all completed for the start of the 2017/18 season. Also on our "to do" list is the upgrade to 24/7 fuel supplies. But this is dependent on other resource consent issues which look to be moving in the right direction. We will keep you informed on this one.

OPENING DAY FOR THE CLUB: confirmed as Friday 14th October at 10am

The club will be closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays until December 8th when it will be open 7 days a week.

The fuel barge has been organised for the first week in October to ensure supplies of both diesel and petrol are available as soon when the club opens.

FIRST BIG EVENT - LABOUR WEEKEND

Robyn and Davo have confirmed music will be on hand to enliven Saturday. The Pipi Pickers bluegrass 4-person band for Saturday 22 October. Music will start about 4 or 5pm for three hours. (More info to come via the Kawau Boating Club Facebook page.) Robyn writes – "The band is amazing with Jenine Abarbanel on bass and vocals, Barry Torkington on guitar, Nathan Torkington on banjo and Gary Bigwood on mandolin, guitar and vocals. Many locals will have heard them at the Sawmill or Whangateau Folk Club evenings. No cover charge but a donation on the day towards band costs would be appreciated."



Also on for Labour Weekend – the Mahurangi Cruising Club Cruise and regatta. All are invited to join the

racing on Sunday. There will be a Mark Foy start. Skippers briefing from 10am in the clubhouse. Prize giving from 6pm.

Dinghy Camp Cruise Weekend one week after Labour Weekend. If you are interested in participating contact Blaire Cliffe on 027 2954 426.

5-17 December: the RNZYS has scheduled two weeks of Youth Training. Though most of the action takes place on the Lidgard House lawn, the Bon Accord Bar and Bistro (see below for more on this name) provides three meals a day for several dozen youngsters. So please help Robyn and Davo out by making early bookings for dinners during this period.

Other events which are planned, but dates not confirmed:

- An afternoon/evening with guest speakers from the Ministry of Fisheries. Everyone is invited to come along and learn all about what these guys and gals do, and about fisheries in your region. Questions will be welcomed
- A book launching and PowerPoint presentation evening for Lin Pardey's latest book release – *Taleisin's Tales, Sailing Towards the Southern Cross*.

Other Notices:

David and Robyn have given a formal name to their business, which operates as a separate entity within the club. So you can now tell folks you have sailed to the *Kawau Boating Club* to eat and drink at the *Bon Accord Bar and Bistro*.

Affiliated Clubs receive priority when it comes to booking events and using the KBC starting and finishing facilities. Their members receive discounted KBC fees. At this time, the Sandspit Yacht Club, Devonport Yacht Club, Milford Cruising Club, RNZYS and Outboard Boating Club of Auckland are affiliated clubs.

Invoices will be sent out in the next ten days for the 2016/17 season subscriptions. If you renew by direct credit, post or online, your membership card will be immediately re-activated which will ensure it can be swiped to receive your bar discount. Your subscription payments will all go towards ensuring we get a pontoon and new deck installed within the next year.



14 OCTOBER 10AM:	CLUB REOPENS
22 - 24 OCTOBER:	LABOUR WEEKEND
22 OCTOBER:	Pippi Pickers playing, late afternoon to evening Mahurangi Cruising Club Rendezvous
23 OCTOBER:	Mahurangi Cruising Club Mark Foy Race, all welcome
29 OCTOBER:	Dinghy Cruise
5-17 DECEMBER:	RNZYS Youth Training Programme
31 DECEMBER:	New Years Eve – Eat, Drink and Dance

The Kawau Boating Club Committee

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Bon Accord Bar and Bistro Hosts – Robyn and David Lee