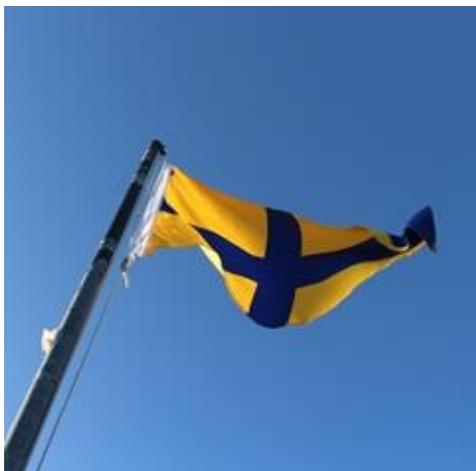


Kawau Boating Club:

22 March 2016 Update



Almost Easter, summer winding down but still the KBC has been buzzing each weekend. During the quieter mid-week days a fair number of cruisers have been using the club as a place to stretch their legs and hide from the winds that seem to die down at the weekend. The "Swap a Book" library and indoor children's play area has been a favourite hangout during these windy days. The new playground equipment, installed by the RNZYS on the lawn at Lidgard House has been well used by Kawau Boat Club members.

Thanks to Honda Marine...

When Vector announced they would be shutting down the electricity for four days to upgrade the Kawau Island Power Supply, Honda sent over a 7 KVA Generator to supplement the clubs standby generator and ensure the club could provide food and showers and pump fuel. So other than the first morning of the outage when only a limited amount of food was available, the club was in full swing while helicopters flew from one end of the island to the other and 70 men worked to install new power poles and lines.



Above left: But soon, Honda NZ came to the rescue with this extra generator
Above right: Even with limited electricity, Robyn and Davo kept the welcome mat out.

St Patrick's Day

Last week was a busy one with 3 annual fishing competitions and a fun night celebrating St Patrick's Day (an annual event from now on!). St Patricks day happened to fall on Thursday which is 'Curry Night' so green curries were a hot favourite!



That's a new use for a sail cover!

Camp Kawau Fishing Tournament 2016

The WISC, NZFS and Camp Kawau Fishing Tournament 2016 took place at the KBC and was a great success. All the weigh-in and celebrations took place around the Bon Accord outside bar area. With its pop up bar next to the laundry area, and with a separate IPOD sound system, groups of up to 60 folks can have private functions in the Bon Accord bar area while KBC members and visitors can still enjoy the camaraderie of the clubhouse.



Easter Weekend

It looks like being a good one, weather and activity-wise!

Devonport Yacht Club, The Stewart Class Association and the Mahurangi Cruising Club all have scheduled rendezvous for Friday night at the KBC. It is Good to see the Kawau Boating Club serving its purpose and being like an outstation for the seven clubs which have become affiliates.

Mahurangi Cruising Club will be having their annual Easter Mark Foye Race on Saturday in North Cove skippers meeting at 11AM, Pardey's Wharf, all welcome. The Stewart 34's will be holding two races starting in Bon Accord Harbour.

Live music will brighten the weekend with Ash McMahon playing from 1830 Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon from 1600 hours.

On Sunday our Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held at 8am sharp. Bring the kids along and join in for a fun egg hunt and egg and spoon race (donations of chocolate eggs the day before for hiding would be appreciated). If weather does not cooperate we will postpone to Monday morning.

Several of the KBC summer staff will be leaving after the Easter Weekend, returning to their overseas homes to enjoy another summer in Northern climes. I know we all enjoyed having them here and hope they have fond memories of this special Island.

Jo and Daniel saying their last farewells....



ANZAC Day

Preparations are going forward for the annual ANZAC day commemoration at the KBC. Although all details are not finalised, location and time of the main ceremony is confirmed as the KBC at 1230. This time is chosen to work in with the arrival of the ferry.

Autumn Hours

Please note- the club will be open only 5 days a week after Easter weekend. It will be closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Opening Hours:

Monday, Thursday and Friday (closed Tues/Wed): 10am – 8pm

Saturday/Sunday: 9am – 8pm

Note that kitchen generally closes 8pm however with the shorter days and inclement weather the Lees may close earlier if no one is around so please call to book/check our hours if you wish to dine. **09 422 8845**

Laundry and bathroom facilities will remain open for the use of members on Tuesday and Wednesdays.

Winter Closing: Last day Monday after Queens Birthday Weekend, June 6th. Reopening Friday, October 7th 2016

Website - www.kawaubootingclub.nz

The two best ways to keep abreast of activities and information about the Kawau Boating Club are either the website or follow us on **Facebook – Kawau Boating Club**. Robyn and David keep the facebook page up to date with day to day information such as power outages, water supply info etc.



Finally - thanks to our members old and new. Your support is really appreciated. Your membership fees are all we have to pay for upgrades and maintenance of these facilities. The KBC committee is currently preparing a resource consent application for a new deck to open up the area at the entrance to the clubhouse and also for a fueling pontoon. Ablution block upgrades courtesy of a grant from the Rodney Local Board are already scheduled. We will keep you informed of the proposed winter works as plans are firmed.

Kind Regards

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