

The Cutlass



July 2019

From the Commodore

Max Meyers



The winter months have not deterred members from taking part in club activities. Friday club nights have been well attended. Evan and Adam have provided us with some good food and there have been plenty of activities and opportunities to socialise and learn. It was fabulous to see our very own A Pier Band at the recent new members' night and we look forward to seeing them again soon.

The winter series is the last racing event of the year before the prize-giving to be held at the end of August. The prize-giving will be an opportunity to celebrate success and show our appreciation to the people that make our club work. Be sure to come along to the club for a fun night.

30 June spells the end of the financial year. The financial statements are currently being prepared and reviewed for presentation to members at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 7 August. Diary this date now. A formal notice will be sent to all members in due course.

This month I would like to recognise and thank the many volunteers that have made our sailing programme possible. To mention a few: our vice commodore, Brent, has been ably assisted by Jamie and race officers, Bob and Ray, as well as Lynn on the start box/boat and Tony who has provided his boat for on-the-water starts. A massive thanks to you all for dedicating your time and energy to a successful sailing programme.

Finally, please consider if you would like to be part of a committee in the coming year. The commitment is not onerous, but every contribution of time is greatly appreciated.

Best regards
Max

What's Coming Up?

Sunday 7 July
Winter series Race Day 3
1.00pm start

Thursday 11 July
Technical evening
Session 4: Fuel systems
7.00pm

Friday 12 July
Club night and movie
Bar opens at 5.00pm
Meals from 5.30pm
Movie 6.00pm

Friday 19 July
Club night & wine-tasting
Bar opens at 5pm, Meals
served from 5.30pm

Saturday 20 July
LBYC presents the Hutt
Valley Ukulele Orchestra
Fundraiser – Tickets \$20
Bar open and meals available
7.00pm

Sunday 21 July
Winter series Race Day 4
1.00pm start

Sunday 4 August
Winter series Race Day 5
1.00pm start

Wednesday 7 August
Annual General Meeting
7.00pm in clubrooms

Saturday 31 August
Prize-giving
Details to follow

Celebrating success

Recent racing results



Winter series Race 1

Combined Division

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| First | Kaimai Flyer |
| Second | Kaea |
| Third | Kama II |



From the executive committee

Decisions from meeting on 25 June 2019:

- Six membership applications were approved.
- Agreement to adopt a new regulation and policy for life membership.
- Approval for concert-type events to apply level 2 bar pricing.
- The AGM date is set for Wednesday 7 August.
- The House and Cruising committees are to be combined and work together.

New members

A very warm welcome to:

Gary Craig
Chelsea Wright
Paul Dupree
Carl Nixon
Grant McNamara
Hayden Braddock

From the house committee

Diary these events coming up:



Prize-giving night (Saturday 31/8/19) – bring a plate

Commodore's dinner –Saturday 14/9/19



Pirates Night – Saturday 21/9/19

Opening Day – Sunday 29/9/19



Clean up day – Saturday 28/9/19



Christmas party - Saturday 14/12/19

Children's Christmas party (tbc)



From the Cruising Captain

Martin Payne



The past couple of months have seen several well attended cruising events, such as the life raft inflation and demonstration, in conjunction with Denray Marine. A presentation was given on life raft procedures, hydrostatic releases, and the effect of hypothermia in local waters.



There have been two raft-ups.

The first on the 3rd June arranged by Max and Mary saw eleven boats rafted up for the afternoon.



The second raft-up was initiated by Molly, on 16th June - and August Sun was eventually introduced to some of the LBYC boats – six in all.

More of these to come!

There were two Engines'n'Stuff technical nights, with the final in the series to be presented at 7.00 pm on Thursday, 11th July – Fuel Systems. If there is enough interest, a second course can be presented at some time in the future.

I am looking for 'Champions' for the following events (a champion will be given guidance and support in arranging/presenting these events):

- Visit to the Rescue Centre (Thursday 15th August)
- Launch Event (24th August)
- Electronic Navigation + equipment (12th September)
- First Time Crossing Cook Strait - Planning Night (17th September)

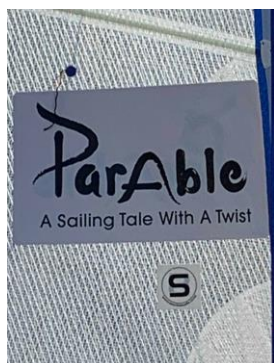
If you are keen to help, contact me on my email: cruisingcaptn@lbyc.org.nz.

In addition to the Steinlager event in October, we are planning some 'warm weather' events, such as MoB – Vessel manoeuvring + person recovery from the water (not the same thing!) and scheduling rendezvous in the Sounds....

Happy boating everyone.
Martin

Around and about

Sailability launch the new ParAble yacht



Don Manning QSM has been working behind the scenes to get ParAble out of the workshop and in the water. This little craft will be a welcome addition to the Sailability fleet as it has a payload of 220kg allowing larger disabled people to enjoy sailing. The first of its kind and a few little tweaks here and there still to come. Don intends to get the boat into production and has already received expressions of interest from other Sailability groups. The launch at Seaview Marina on Sunday 30 June was followed by a lunch for all attendees. Thanks Don, for the great work you do for Sailability assisted by an army of volunteers, many of whom are LBYC members.

Spring chickens get a surprise visitor!



On Thursday 20 June the Spring Chickens were honoured with a surprise visit from Hal Wagstaff, a past-Commodore and Life Member of LBYC.

Hal is also one of New Zealand yachting's most well-known personalities - past-president of Yachting NZ, yacht designer, Olympian, ISAF international judge and umpire, FNZIA, OBE.

Hal flew down to Wellington for a dinner at EBMBYC but told his family that if he was coming to Wellington, he wanted to be able to meet the Spring Chickens group on Thursday morning. Hal, his two sons Steven and David and Sue his daughter-in-law arrived for morning tea – just as well we had plenty to eat!

Hal reminisced about the old days at LBYC – named boats and skippers and races and shared memories with John Rushton, Steve Taylor, Keith Murray, Grahame Eathorne and others but also gave us a few pointers about current events such as the upcoming Americas Cup (thinks Ben Ainsley is pretty good), and displayed an interest in our 24 Hour Race.

See <https://alumni.whs.school.nz/high-achievers/hal-wagstaff/> for more of his accomplishments. You may be surprised at what you see.

John Hermans has a new obsession!



Congratulations to John and Anne on their purchase of a lovely Farr 40ft yacht "Obsession".

Rumour has it that John and the delivery crew drank all the rum aboard so had no choice but to head home where Anne was waiting with extra supplies at Seaview.

Mint Condition changes hands



Gillian Alderwick is the proud new owner of the mighty Mint Condition.

The cut-off for the August issue of
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From the editor

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