

## The Cutlass

November 2016

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE

**Gareth Edwards Commodore** 

The members of your Executive are listed <u>here</u>. They meet once a month to make decisions for the Club on your behalf. Please talk to any of them about the running of your Club.

- • Approved funding for repairs/maintenance to the BBQ
- Decided not to pursue a deep fryer for the kitchen due to likely compliance issues with the exit
- Discussed health and safety processes in light of a recent accident, and noted that a review of processes is being undertaken by the Sailing Committee
- Approved closure of the Club's office from 25 December to 16 January
- Agreed that a privacy policy be developed for the Club
- Agreed that the Club's IT requirements be reviewed

## PLENTY OF ENTHUSIASM FROM OTHER YACHT CLUBS

By: Theo Muller

V.C. Brent and I have been doing presentations about the 24-Hour Endurance Yacht Race at Mana Cruising Club, Evans Bay Yacht and Motor Boat Club and Royal Port Nicholson. We have been met with a great deal of enthusiasm from their members. I have also been encouraged to do a presentation at Plimmerton Boating Club and when I popped in there one Sunday afternoon recently to make arrangements for this presentation, several members of their extensive trailer yacht fleet were very keen to hear more about the race. They had already heard about it through the grape vine and a Mana member had already supplied them with a bunch of brochures and posters. Good news travels fast.

The presentation at Port Nicholson was a very happy affair. Skippers and crew had just returned from a long harbour race and they were hungry for information about the 24-Hour Endurance Yacht Race. They too had heard about it even before we started the presentation and they had lots of questions afterwards. Brent and I circulated for a good hour after the presentation and we picked up a number of 'count-me-ins'. They are a competitive bunch out there and they wasted no time on the planning process. At just about every table there were a bunch of guys (and girls) talking about how they were going to win this race.

The skipper of Blink, arguably the fastest yacht on Wellington Harbour, complimented us on organising this race and he and his crew would definitely be on the start line. He had toyed with the idea of an endurance yacht race several years ago and was very pleased that it was about to become a reality. "Good on you Lowry Bay Yacht Club for taking this on. Wellington has been waiting for such a unique and iconic yachting event for a long time", were his parting words. Brent and I were chuffed with such a positive reaction. Bring it on!



## **ALMANAC**

You can collect your copy from the clubhouse. They are available from the bar or on the shelf by the Sailing notices.