



Kerikeri Cruising Club
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April 2018 Newsletter

Commodore's Corner

The end of daylight saving sees another summer pass. Weather-wise, not one of the better summers that I can recall.

Being in the winterless north, Easter has finally bought us a great spell of weather allowing a large group of members to catch up in Opunga Cove, for a beach BBQ and potluck dinner.

Many thanks to Kit and Sharron for transporting all the gear, there and back. An enjoyable time was had by all, socialising on the beach.

Sunday morning bought with it a couple of rather novell happenings, and I assure you that they were real, and not related to April Fool's pranks. Firstly, in order to reinforce the myth, that, not only does the easter bunny exist, but can also swim, some sad parents left real rabbit poo in their cockpit, to convince their young son that a real bunny had delivered the Easter Eggs.

Sad eh.

A former purple racing boat, recently converted into a family cruiser, caught two good size snapper before breakfast, whilst anchored in the bay.

Breakfast on the beach, consisted of banana pancakes dripping with maple syrup followed by more sausages. Great to see a good turnout. Remember, that these events are open to all members, and are a good way of getting to know new people.



Easter Cruise Photos

Above top left - Past Commodore's (from left) Andy August, Doug France & Pete Woods & Commodore, Peter Wilson. BBQ & shared food.

Below: Easter Sunday Breakfast Pancakes were surprisingly tasty.



Centreboard



Kerikeri Primary School Having a Go at Sailing

Aevril Hibbard (above left) & Doug France, Rear Commodore (above right) show Kerikeri Primary School senior students how to sail over four days in late March.

Kiwi Team Racing

On April 28 a New Zealand Team Racing sailing team called “Kiwi Team Racing” will be travelling to the United Kingdom to compete at the British Open Team Racing Championships vying for the “Wilson Trophy”.

This New Zealand team is representing Kerikeri Cruising Club and is made up of Reuben Corbett, Frank Dair, Maeve White, Matt Bindon, Shae Donahoe and Sean Herbert.

The “Wilson Trophy” is widely regarded as the premier team racing event in the world attracting some of the worlds most skilled exponents of the discipline, along with many fleet racing and match racing world champions and Olympians.

This year’s event, the 69th, takes place on the 4th, 5th and 6th May at the ‘theatre of dreams’ that is West Kirby Marine Lake.

There are 32 teams competing at this year’s event from the United Kingdom, Ireland, U.S.A and New Zealand.

We wish them all the best.

Keelboat



This year's Beds R Us Ladies Series has attracted a good fleet of boats. Rikki (above left) is tied for first with Physical Favours on the points table so it's winner takes all in the last race of the series on Sunday 8th April.

The series has a variety of boats sailing. The largest is Cotton Blossom II (above right) & the smallest is Lelant a pied piper that is being sailed single-handed.



Join Us On Facebook

Make a request to be added to the group. It will be handy, whether on the water or not, for Club members to connect with each other, sharing news & views, & updates on their travels, as well as photos & videos.

For more serious fare, you can also join the Kerikeri Cruising Club Boating Education page on which Gill Durham has posts useful information, advice & upcoming Coastguard Education events.

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