



# Orakei Yacht Club

“The Best *little* Yacht Club in the World”

**Event: OYC Committee Meeting**

**Venue: Stenbeck’s Remuera**

**Date: Tuesday 29th September 2015**

**Time: 6:00 pm**

## Minutes

1. Committee: Greg S, Graham Barker, Ian Kohler, John Rountree, Barrie Campbell, Neville Paul & Greg P.
2. Apologies: John Robb
3. Minutes of the last Meeting – 21<sup>st</sup> April 2015

On the [www.orakeiyachtclub.co.nz](http://www.orakeiyachtclub.co.nz) website.

Moved as a True Record: Ian Kohler

Seconded: John Rountree

4. Financial Position

The club presently has \$1905 in the cheque and Interest Bearing Accounts.

Since the last meeting . . . we have purchased some more RC Equipment for resale, repairs to the Rods and 5 knot markers, as well as an investment in digital controllers.

This investment is shown as a net cost of \$663 at this stage. We believe that if the present problem is not able to be solved, we should be able to recover this by on selling. Further investigation will follow.

Prizes and engraving is high, as it includes the purchase of 4 Trophies for the seasonal Mark Foy Series', the two most recent being finalized by my eldest brother, still I am sure you will be pleased with the result when you see them.

We hold \$267 of stock of RC servos, controllers and batteries, which have a sale value for the club of \$300. Most of the \$600 of stock at the last meeting, has been sold at modest profit, although some has been absorbed by the odd failure, which comes through buying direct on the internet.

Subscriptions:

The committee has set the subs for the Year Ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at \$70 per year, including partner, and that subscription notices be sent out in October.

Confirmed: Greg Stenbeck

Seconded: Graham Barker

5. Update from the Commodore

Greg S updated the committee in regards to the Orakei Basin construction work.

A meeting on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October should give a better idea of progress and when we will be able to return to sailing at the Basin.

Concerns: There is concern, that the car stop barriers, after much communication has been installed along the edge of the car park and not set in 1 ½ metres.

6. Digital Controllers

The Digital Controller Subcommittee, Greg S, Greg P and John Robb, made the decision, based on successful trials, to bring in a decent sized shipment, to introduce them into Orakei Yacht Club, and then hopefully the Electrons, and so solve the problem of Crystals and clashes.

All three had tested the particular test model, without a problem. Unfortunately, the shipment would appear to not be to the same standard. We are still pursuing a solution, however, if a suitable solution is not found shortly, they should be put on Trade Me, to recover the cost..

7. Alternative Venue

The use of the WIYC facilities has been a savior for our club, and the turnout has been fantastic.

As mentioned the return to The Basin is presently unknown.

The committee agreed to give Chris Morton and Tony Baker a bottle of Rum each, as a gesture of Thanks.

8. Results and Events

- a. The first race day of the Spring Series, and so the Annual MF Series begins on 1<sup>st</sup> October, this Thursday.
- b. It was agreed it is too late to hold our regular Winter Solstice, and that the Christmas Dinner/AGM/Prize Giving be held in mid-November in conjunction with a celebration of the Opening of the Orakei Basin.
- c. The Winter Champs should be held prior to the Christmas Dinner/ Prize Giving to keep the Annual event in 2015, and that the Summer/Club Champs be held in February.

9. DATES Established

1. Spring Series – 1<sup>st</sup> October - Still at Westhaven.
2. Winter Club Champs – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November – \$10 - Hopefully at Orakei Basin
3. Christmas Dinner/AGM/Prize Giving – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November – Host Greg Stenbeck
4. Recommence of Racing in New Year – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2016
5. Summer Club Champs . . . Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2016 - \$10

10. GENERAL

a. Ski Club Locker . . .

The membership of the Ski Club should be continued, and on the return to the Orakei Basin, the use of the Ski Club Bunker be pursued.

b. 5 knot Markers . . .

The 5 knot markers have been assembled and ready for completion and setting, as soon as we return to the Basin.

Obtaining official authorization should be pursued.

c. Mark Foy Handicaps

There has been some comment on the handicapping. It is appreciated that many may not know what the criteria used is.

After robust discussion, the committee expressed support of Greg Paul, that the criteria be published on the OYC website.

Mark Foy “is a club system designed to give all competitors the opportunity to achieve podium positions”.

d. Celebration of Des Townson . . . Boat Designer/Builder

There is a special weekend at the Viaduct Basin organized by the Classic Yacht Club Group, that annually celebrates a NZ designers/builder. This year it is Des Townson, and the Electrons have been asked to partake with a static display but also a sailing display.

We have a base number at the moment, if anyone can help, it will mean a mix and match so easier for everyone.

It is a terrific opportunity to show off the Electron, promote the class.

e. Auckland Anniversary Regatta

There has been another move made on the Westhaven Venue. That many R/C yacht groups race around the Westhaven Basin. While this will produce a terrific spectacle, we are having to fight to keep the traditional area, off the end of the pontoon. Your support would be appreciated.

Meeting Closed at 7:30 pm