



'UPWIND'

November 2018

THE HOME OF UNMODIFIED RADIO YACHTS.
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Annual General Meeting 2018 and Prize Giving



Commodore **Kevin Webb** (right) presented the trophies assisted by **Bruce Watson** (left).

Kevin was awarded the Hobby World Cup for winning the Summer Series, the Mongoose Cup for winning the Autumn Series. He also won A Division part 1, was 3rd in the Spring Seies,

Bruce was awarded the Anniversary Weekend Regatta Cup and the President's Cup for winning both regattas.



Reuben Muir (photo left from last year) was not able to attend due to work commitments. He won the Winter Series, which has the Hobby City Cup, and the Spring Series. He also won A Division part 2, was 2nd in the Autumn Series, 3rd in the Aggregate Match Race Series.



Richard Plinston (left) was awarded the Match Race Cup for winning the 2017 series. He won the Aggregate Match Race Series, was 3rd in the Summer Series, 2nd in the Winter Series, and was 2nd in the Anniversary Weekend Regatta.



Neil Purcell (left) won both the B Division part 1 and B Division part 2. He was 2nd in the Summer Series and Spring Series and was 3rd in the Winter Series. He was 2nd in the Aggregate Match Race Series and was awarded the Aquapro Challenger Trophy as he will challenge for the Match Race Cup.



John Macaulay (photo left from last year) was also not able to attend. He was 3rd in the Autumn Series and 3rd in the Anniversary Weekend Regatta.

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New Zealand Radio Yacht Squadron

Secretary/Treasurer Report

Membership remains steady at around 19 although many sailors turn up from time to time. We are now a fairly mature club with some members suffering non sailing ailments such as Pneumonia, eye problems and even a stroke. We have lost a member in Gary Mackenzie who sailed a few times with us. Andrew Chong also passed away. He was a member two years ago. Our Patron and long standing member Ivan Fraser is getting over a dose of Pneumonia. He may be able to attend the AGM.

The squadron remains in good shape financially although we have discounted parts at times which has had a small effect on the bottom line. We are not intent on making a profit so long as it will not be necessary to go to the members for a hand-out.

Parts remain a problem and we have tried to stock up on these whenever they become available. The importer is tardy and the retailer is being pressured to keep us supplied. Servo Trays are of particular concern. Sail Servos fail from time to time and we should be able to continue to source these from an offshore supplier.

It has become necessary to hand over the reins after a number of years due to a physical inability at the moment; or at least to play an active role in the affairs of the squadron. I wish the group well and thank all concerned for their best wishes. I am not selling my boat yet, hoping that full movement is restored.

Peter Andrews

Statement Of Income And Expenditure For The Year Ended 30 September 2018

2016/17		2017/18
5040.68	Balance as at 01 October	4423.47
	Income	
380.00	Members subscriptions	357.00
413.60	Race day entry fees	423.80
80.00	AGM Raffles	60.00
392.40	Sale of equipment (servos and parts)	516.30
7.62	Interest (Net of tax, chq duty)	2.64
1268.90	Total Income	1359.74
	Expenditure	
51.78	AGM Catering (2017)	120.08
630.90	Trophies engraving	811.20
45.00	Printing/Stationery	45.44
124.00	Venue Hire	120.00
26.50	Raffle prizes	21.30
800.31	Purchase of stock for resale	466.25
1527.99	Total Expenditure	1584.27
4423.47	Balance as at 30 September	4198.94

Stock	Asset	Cost Price	Est Value
Sept 2018	Sail Set, Servos, Cord set,	\$365	\$352

President's Report

This year, all the marks have been maintained or replaced by Wayne Carkeek. Wayne bought new buoys and rope and new concrete weights were cast. Brighter colours were used as some dark ones were hard to see. Replacement was easy for those buoys that were close to shore. For those further out Hugo Cruz, a friend of Wayne's, helped using a paddle board and later my dingy was used by Wayne to complete the changes.

The pond has mostly been clear of weed and scrub this year. Summer is coming, though, and with the increased heat there may be outbreaks of algae. The dredging that was completed a

couple of years ago reduced the dead vegetation in the silt so we can hope that we don't get a repeat of the gasification that lifts the bottom up to the surface.

When the pond was dredged the council also replaced the wooden weir gates with aluminium boards. They made the weir too high and I removed the top board which reduced the pond level by 75mm. This level is still slightly too high and the water was too often over the path. The boards overlap each other and had become stuck together, probably by algae growing between them. I modified a spring compressor and intended using this to force the boards apart

so that I can replace the current top board with one that has been cut down.

With the rain over winter, the pond is just fresh water. In past years I made the flap valves leak so that some salt water flows in each high tide. This prevents the water from stagnating, helps keep it cool over summer, and increases the salt level to kill the algae. Without first lowering the weir there would be too much water over the path so that must be done first.

Everyone worked well together at the pond again this year, making this an enjoyable set of competitions and fun days. This has kept the attendance at a good level with several new members joining and some previous members returning.

Richard Plinston, NZRYS President

Racing Report

This year we had a good turnout for racing with a total of 28 boats competing, though 8 of these were only present for one or two seasonal series days. These may have sailed with us on fun days, preferring not to compete. The most on one day was 17 boats with another day having 15 turn out.

The total number of races sailed in the four series was 165, a loss of three compared to the maximum possible. These races were lost due to light winds and the scores for the day were scaled upwards. Sixteen of the boats had race wins, though the top four competitors won more than half the races: 91/165.

136 of the races were refereed by competitors, several others were refereed by non-competing members. The racing committee can chose to dispense with referees if there are only a few competitors or the wind is light.

Number	Name	Races	Total	Average	Wins	Places	Refs
1	Richard Plinston	143	651	4.55	12	48	22
104	Ian Power	84	543	6.46	4	13	5
11	Russell Green	6	60	10.00	0	0	0
12	Terry O'Neill	122	834	6.84	3	12	12
14	Daniel Leahy	9	80	8.89	0	0	0
15	Laurie Glover	138	898	6.51	7	20	9
196	Reuben Muir	112	372	3.32	27	45	7
2	Tom Clark	54	262	4.85	6	15	5
21	Peter Andrews	23	160	6.96	0	2	4
24	John Hinton	30	272	9.07	0	0	1
3	Wayne Carkeek	142	776	5.46	8	21	10
30	Kevin Webb	132	544	4.12	25	34	10
33	Bruce Watson	99	478	4.83	11	29	11
37	Foster Watkinson	86	695	8.08	4	4	3
4	Andy Spierer	57	529	9.28	0	0	0
48	Steve Streater	6	59	9.83	0	0	0
5	John McCaulay	90	399	4.43	10	28	10
51	Patrick O'Hanlon	21	184	8.76	0	2	1
6	Neil Purcell	153	695	4.54	27	30	12
66	Brian Stiff	6	54	9.00	0	0	2
70	Alan Smith	69	442	6.41	7	7	2
75	Phillip Brain	5	48	9.60	0	0	1
77	Matt Robbmarkham	6	45	7.50	0	0	0
82	Simon Adamson	39	286	7.33	1	1	0
85	Mike Renner	30	300	10.00	0	0	0
87/88	Hans Koerselman	11	96	8.73	0	0	0
92	Sam Bullock	3	17	5.67	1	0	0
94	George Stead	73	336	4.60	9	22	9

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
held in the AAFL clubrooms
on Sunday 28 October 2018.**

Present:

President Richard Plinston and 18 members. In welcoming members President Richard appreciated the larger gathering this year as compared to the previous year.

President Richard acknowledged the presence of Patron Ivan and Peter Andrews. Peter feels he should stand down as Secretary/Treasurer.

Mike Renner agreed to take the minutes of the meeting.

Apologies:

John Macauley and Reuben Muir

Minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting:

The minutes were read by Mike Renner and confirmed.

Matters Arising:

The buoys have been replaced, thanks to Wayne Carkeek.

The availability of spare parts was discussed, including whether these can be printed. Unfortunately, such replacements wouldn't be strong enough.

Election of Officers:

Commodore

Kevin Webb

Neil/Richard

President

Richard Plinston

George/Neil

Secretary/Treasurer

Mike Renner

Kevin/George

Sailing Committee

Reuben Muir

Richard/Neil

Tom Clark

Terry/George

Neil Purcell

George/Kevin

George Stead

Wayne/Alan

Laurie Glover

Wayne/Neil

Financial Report:

The club traded at a small loss for the year but as President Richard noted, the club has accumulated funds sufficient to last many years.

Subscriptions:

It was agreed to hold the annual subscription to the current rate of \$25, discounted to \$20 if paid on the day of the AGM.

Secretary's Report:

Current membership stands at 19 paid up members.

The club has lost several members through sickness and death over the last year.

President's Report:

President Richard mentioned that the buoys have been painted bright colours to make them easier to see. Weed continues to be a problem in the pond, coming from the adjacent undredged pond.

Racing Report:

A total of 28 boats competed over the year, even though there were only 19 members. Half the races were won by a very small numbers of members.

Sailing Programme:

A sailing programme has been published in the Upwind newsletter.

Wayne Carkeek was invited to speak to suggestions he had previously made regarding efforts to assist newer members become more competitive more quickly, including reducing the 7 race day series to 6 race days, and utilising the 7th day for creative racing, such as reverse grid races, fun events, etc.

Wayne also raised the idea of race winners acting as mentors to those who finish last, giving hints that might help them. After discussion it was considered that the idea had a lot of merit but that maybe more organic support would be preferable to be forced to be a mentor.



Several members sailed a few races before the AGM started.

There was substantial discussion regarding how the skill of the newer members can be improved to make for closer racing across the fleet.

It was agreed that the Sailing Committee should look at ways to achieve this. There were, however, several matters relating to the sailing programme that were discussed and resolved:

“That over the next 3 convenient lay days that there be isolated racing”. Bruce/Tom

“That the race referee call the marks on handicap race, to assist the newer members of the club”. Bruce/Wayne

Presentation of Awards

Commodore Kevin presided over the awards for the various sailing series.

There being no further matters to discuss, Cindy was thanked for putting on the food and refreshments, and the meeting was closed.



Incoming Secretary/Treasurer **Mike Renner** (left) and retiring **Peter Andrews** (right) performed the administration of the AGM.

Photos were taken by Tom Clark, George Stead, Terry O'Neill and Laurie Glover.

Fifteen membership subscriptions were taken at the AGM. This bodes well for an increased membership this year and good attendance for the racing series.



The McCaw Cup C Division Match Racing series was sailed prior to the start of the AGM, in time for the cup to be presented to Foster Watkinson.

Racing Schedule 2019 - Approved

28 Oct 18		AGM	
4 Nov 18		Summer	1
11 Nov 18		Summer	2
18 Nov 18		Summer	3
25 Nov 18		Summer	4
2 Dec 18		Aggregate 1	
9 Dec 18		Summer	5
16 Dec 18		Summer	6
23 Dec 18	Christmas	break	
30 Dec 18	New Year	break	
6 Jan 19		Aggregate 2	
13 Jan 19		Summer	7
20 Jan 19		Autumn	1
27 Jan 19	Anniversary	Regatta	
3 Feb 19		Aggregate 3	
10 Feb 19	Waitangi	Fun Day	
17 Feb 19		Autumn	2
24 Feb 19		Autumn	3
3 Mar 19		Aggregate 4	
10 Mar 19		Autumn	4
17 Mar 19		Autumn	5
24 Mar 19		Autumn	6
31 Mar 19		Autumn	7
7 Apr 19		Aggregate 5	
14 Apr 19		Winter	1
21 Apr 19	Easter	Fun Day	
28 Apr 19	ANZAC		
5 May 19		Aggregate 6	
12 May 19	Mothers Day	Fun Day	
19 May 19		Winter	2
26 May 19		Winter	3
2 Jun 19	Queen's B'day	Fun day	
9 Jun 19		Winter	4
16 Jun 19		Winter	5
23 Jun 19		Winter	6
30 Jun 19		Winter	7
7 Jul 19		Aggregate 7	
14 Jul 19		Lay Day	
21 Jul 19		Spring	1
28 Jul 19		Spring	2
4 Aug 19		Aggregate 8	
11 Aug 19		Spring	3
18 Aug 19		Spring	4
25 Aug 19		Spring	5
1 Sep 19	Father's Day	Fun Day	
8 Sep 19		Aggregate 9	
15 Sep 19		Spring	6
22 Sep 19		Spring	7
29 Sep 19		Lay day	
6 Oct 19	Presidents	Regatta	
13 Oct 19		Lay Day	
20 Oct 19		Fun Day	
27 Oct 19	Labour Day	Fun Day	
3 Nov 19	AGM		
10 Nov 19		Summer	1
17 Nov 19			2
24 Nov 19			3
1 Dec 19		Aggregate 1	
8 Dec 19			4
15 Dec 19			5
22 Dec 19	Christmas	break	
29 Dec 19	New Year	break	

Prize Giving continued



Ian Power won the C Division part 1.



Laurie Glover won C Division part 2. He was awarded the 'Most Improved Sailor' trophy.



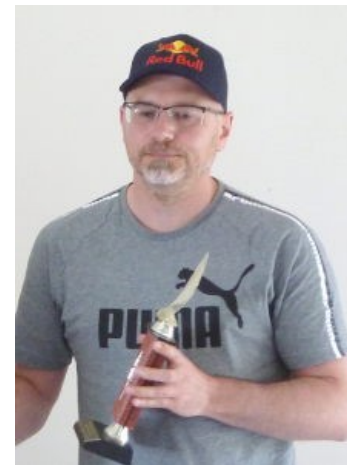
Terry O'Neill was 2nd in the President's Cup Regatta.



Foster Watkinson won the McCaw Cup C Division Match Race.



Tom Clark won the Fraser Cup B Division Match Race. He was also 3rd in the President's Cup Regatta.



Wayne Carkeek was awarded the Services to Radio Yachting trophy for his work on the buoys this year. He was also awarded the Sandbagger's trophy.

Weir gates - Lowering the pond

Part 2 - Executing The Plan



As usual the weir gate was overflowing some excess water as it had been raining during the last 24 hours.



Adding the half board to the weir gate was sufficient to stop the overflow and keep the south face of the weir clear to work on. A flexible cable on the battery powered drill meant that the drill could stay on shore and it reduced the weight that needed to be held while the drilling was done.



Wire was looped through the holes and the expander was tried. The first attempts failed as the wire stretched and the device reached its limit. New holes were made that were closer together and the wire rethreaded through these.

Finally there was some movement, enough that I could get a bar into the gap in order to use a hammer to drive it apart.



With the top board replaced by the half board a torrent of water was released.

Richard Plinston - NZRYS President.

Report on the Club Boats

Club Boat 19 - John Perkin

This one has been taken regularly to the pond.

The battery box had broken away from the support plate taking the front screw hole away as well. The keel could not be removed to allow this plate to be replaced. An alternate place for the battery was tried using a clothes peg to hold the battery to the mast, this didn't work as well as hoped. Pulling out the servo tray gave sufficient access to glue the battery box



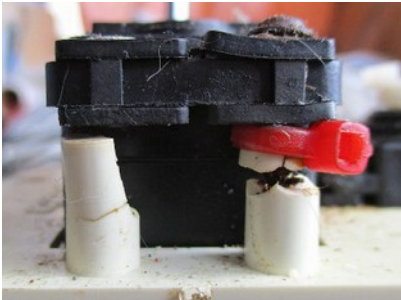
to the support plate using a single screw.



There had been incidents where the sheet hooked over the rudder servo horn so the push rod was reattached underneath the horn to prevent this.

Club Boat 96 Savannah - Gerald Moss

This has been out of use for some time.



The servo posts on the tray were split and shattered. These were cut away, including the rudder servo's.

Small blocks of wood were glued to the tray and underneath to take the servo screws. Note that a notch is required to allow clearance for the servo wiring when inserting them.



Pulling the receiver apart revealed that a pin had broken off the crystal. The transmitter was very old and due for retirement so a 27MHz transmitter and receiver from a 2.4GHz upgrade to one of my boats, along with 27.095Mhz crystals were used as replacements.

Club Boat 112 - Garrick Rocard

This boat has not had much use and is generally in very good condition.



Some time ago I had pulled this apart to reinforce the keel box area with plywood strips glued to the keel box and that reach forward along the inside of the hull. These take the strain of the keel and help to prevent the hull cracking and leaking around the keel box.



A perspex bracket was added to the support structure. The part C3, which is supposed to support the mast, often fails by breaking the web in front of the post or

by the arms cracking, or both. This leads to the deck sagging under the rigging load.

This support is cable tied to the post and rests on the support plate. The notches fit around the mast step screw sockets.

Some fettling was needed around the dip at the top of the keel to get it to seat fully in the socket.

Club Boat 11 - John Dowler

Kneeknocker was donated to the club after John had to return to the USA.

This is in rather poor condition inside the hull with the servo tray broken and repaired, and needing replacement. The exterior is in good condition. The mast support had broken and a strut had been added by John to the mast with this passing through the step to the hull bottom.



this was separated as no other way of removing the mast was available. Some work is needed to get the mast to sit in the step again.

The sails are very worn out and need replacing. The character of the boat should be restored, marking sail replacements as the originals were.

Richard Plinston - NZRYS President.

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MEMBERSHIP & MEMBERS AMENDMENT APPLICATION

Members – please complete if you or your boat details have changed

Name:.....

Postal Address:

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Contact Phone No

.....Home
Bus.
Email

Name of Yacht:

Make/Model:

Radio Frequency*:

Sail No*

*** Please check radio frequency with NZRYS register before buying a boat with shop supplied radio crystals**

I wish to apply for membership @ \$25.00 per annum.
 (\$20.00 if under 21) until April, thereafter reduced rates.
 \$10.00 extra for each additional radio frequency. (Max' 1 additional frequency)
 \$1.00 per official race weekend – payable at the pond.

I understand that the above details are to be available for the Committee and hereby agree to abide by the rules of the New Zealand Radio Yacht Squadron N.Z.R.Y.S.

Signed by

Applicant.....
 on thisday of201...

Please post to:

The Secretary
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 Mairangi Bay, Auckland

Note: Membership expires 30th September each year.

Member's Frequencies

If you are not in this table then you may not have been financial in 2018 and your frequency may be reassigned to a new member.

27 MHz		
26.995	48	Steve Streater
27.020	01	Richard Plinston
27.045	6	Neil Purcell
27.145	4	Andy Spierer
27.245	96	Club boat
29 MHz		
29.885	37	Foster Watkinson
29.925	92	Simon Adamson
29.745	24	John Hinton
29.765	2	Tom Clark
29.775	230	Kevin Webb
29.785	11	Club boat ex Dowler
29.825	68	Gary McKenzie
29.905	6	Neil Purcell
29.985	45	Steven Sharp
40 Mhz		
40.790		Club Boat
40.870		Bruce Watson
40.890	33	Bruce Watson
72.350		Toot Tug
2.4GHz		
2.4 Ghz	1	Richard Plinston
2.4 Ghz	3	Wayne Carkeek
2.4 GHz	5	John Macaulay
2.4 Ghz	8	Roger Chisnall
2.4 Ghz	9	Mike McCaw
2.4 Ghz	11	Russell Green
2.4 Ghz	12	Terry O'Neill
2.4 Ghz	14	Dan Leahy
2.4 GHz	15	Laurie Glover
2.4 Ghz	21	Peter Andrews
2.4 GHz	33	Bruce Watson
2.4 GHz	4/40	Geoff Atkinson
2.4 GHz	35	Bruce Bower
2.4 GHz	47	Roger Hawkins
2.4 Ghz	55	Ian Bergquist
2.4 GHz	64	Garry Irwin
2.4 GHz	66	Brian Stiff
2.4 Ghz	70	Alan Smith
2.4 Ghz	75	Phillip Brain
2.4 GHz	80	Andrew Chong
2,4 Ghz	84	Ivan Fraser
2.4 Ghz	85	Mike Renner
2.4 Ghz	86	Pat Vyas
2.4 Ghz	87 88	Hans Koerselman
2.4 Ghz	92 196	Reuben Muir
2.4 GHz	94	George Stead
2.4 Ghz	99	Carol Bergquist
2.4 Ghz	101	Richard Plinston
2.4 Ghz	104	Ian Power
2.4 GHz	270	John Hotham
2.4 Ghz	478	Daniel Bush

Systems using 2.4GHz do automatic channel searching and do not clash with each other.