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**OFFICIAL NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE OMOKOROA BOAT CLUB
INC
SUNDAY 30 June 2024 at 3-00 PM**

AGENDA

- WELCOME
- APOLOGIES
- MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (as attached)

Motion: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 25 June 2023 as circulated, be taken as read and that they are a true and proper record.

Moved:

Seconded:

- COMMODORE'S REPORT
- FINANCIAL REPORT – Adoption of Annual Statement of Accounts
- SAILING REPORT
- REMITS / RULE CHANGES
- ELECTION OF OFFICERS
- GENERAL BUSINESS
- PRIZEGIVING

COMMODORE'S REPORT

Commodores Report 2024

The past year has been a busy and challenging one full of ups and downs. Despite that, much has been achieved by our hard-working committee.

Early in the year, the committee agreed that one of their priorities was to explore the possibility of erecting a covering/canopy over some of the deck leading from the member's lounge. The committee received five or six quotes, all of which were over the \$20,000 threshold. During a well-attended extra ordinary meeting in November 2023, a presentation from the preferred supplier (Sunvue) was given, and a display of the construction process and products was left for members to view. An application for \$20,000 grant was submitted to the Lions Foundation. Despite all the hard work and time involved, it was unsuccessful. Further funding options are still being explored. However, the criteria by many funding organisations have been tightened. It is hoped that the new committee will be able to carry on this good work and find an agreeable funder so this much needed and wanted pergola can proceed.

Carpet tile replacement

Also discussed at the EGM, and then put on hold, it was recently decided by full committee that the carpet badly needed to be replaced. After negotiating a price decrease with the preferred supplier, a deposit has been paid. The carpet should be installed by time the AGM is held.

Furniture and fittings

New roller blinds, tables and chairs inside and out on the deck, (including a new Jack “n Jill chair) larger TVs in the members lounge and racing area, have been purchased through the year.

Building and maintenance

Upgrades and on-going maintenance have taken place in and around the Club, including installation of a new extractor fan in the men’s toilets, new LED lighting installed throughout the members lounge and bar areas, additional security lighting around the Club rooms as well as on the exterior of the boat shed, for the safety of staff and patrons.

An eco-friendly and cost-effective heat transfer system was installed between the main restaurant area and the conservatory, following feedback from members about the temperatures in this area.

Front area of the Club has been concreted and re-landscaped, providing a more appealing and user-friendly entrance way. The red boat has attracted a lot of attention and still needs a name! Thanks to the LOTSW boys for their time and hard work on this project. Exterior painting has been completed.

Insurance

This continues to be one of our biggest expenditure items each year. A new valuation was required in 2024, and committee agreed to continue with AON, who have been very approachable and supportive. A new insurance scheme (through Yachting NZ) has been agreed with NZI/ CPF, which includes Building, Marine, Public Liability, Vehicle and Business Interruption cover.

Two claims were made in 2023, one for damage to the courtesy van, and one claim to replace and repair the three large umbrellas damaged in the June 2023 storm. New covers have been purchased. The three umbrellas are presently being stored in the boat shed, mitigating any further damage during winter.

Incorporated Society changes.

The OBC is required by law to update the constitution, Whilst the existing one was extremely well written by previous committee members, the OBC constitution must now be updated to comply with the new 2022 Incorporated Society Act. The old Act was originally written in 1908. This is work in progress and we thank John and Marcus for their involvement. The new OBC constitution must be completed by 2026, with member consultation planned in the near future.

Events and activities

The club again proved a popular venue for many Christmas events and functions in 2023.

The annual kids Christmas party was a huge success. Many thanks to Fee. Louise T, Santa and all his helpers for making it such a fun day for the kids. Also, to Victor for the kid’s food and ice cream.

Music on the deck proved very popular over the lovely summer months and evenings. Events ranged from the crowd-pleasing Kokomo to the Omokoroa songsters, who entertained on St Patricks Day. Tribute bands, such as the Beatles, Elton John, Dolly and Kenny, and Fleetwood Mac, were enjoyed by all those who attended.

Pool and darts comps continue to be popular, and the Trash and Treasure Day was a new fun event.

Quiz nights, Jokers Wild and Member' night raffles and draw still entice members, despite the impact of increasing competition

The annual fishing competitions, held earlier this year, were popular and well sponsored. Thanks to Stew who has, as always, done an amazing job of organising the comps as well as obtaining sponsors.

The junior sailing programme was a great success this year (see John's report) with plenty of parent helpers and adult volunteers assisting the cadets learning to sail. Grateful thanks once again to John, Sydney and all the sailing crew for volunteering their time, skills and experience.

Health and safety

The health and safety committee have achieved a lot throughout the year.

The security and fire systems have both had maintenance checks and upgrades. More discussion and work is yet to be done, to ensure compliance with fire regulations and Council requirements.

The Omokoroa Community Board were very receptive to members concerns about lighting, parking, footpaths and safety barriers, some of this work was completed by Council, some by the Club.

An application was made to lease the old, disused scout den for storing the OBC boats and equipment nearly two years ago with, frustratingly, no outcome and or decision back from Council as yet.

Bar

The Bar committee have made several supplier changes through the year. These were led by Ken Atkinson, who sadly passed away early new year. The bar revenue continues to be monitored closely, with external auditing every month and the bar committee working with Fee and the bar staff to monitor stock levels, bar sales, costs and returns in what is now a very competitive environment.

Kitchen

The increase in local hospitality venues has seriously impacted the kitchen operator. Patronage continues to fluctuate, making it extremely difficult to plan ahead for staffing and purchasing of food.

Feedback from members suggest the quality has improved, but many still find the prices inhibitive.

New kitchen equipment needed to be purchased as many items broke or became unsafe to use, due to their age.

Members Survey

The committee appreciate the constructive feedback from members and much of the work completed this year has been in response to the surveys.

This feedback, along all the changes in the local hospitality environment, has resulted in upgrades, and additions to the Club IT system, which are in a separate agenda report.

Moving forward:

The Omokoroa Boat Club has grown substantially over the past few years, increasing in membership from 769 in August 2018, to around 1050 currently. Along with this increase, the Club is also experiencing other changes, (some mentioned above) including:

- Compliance with Health and Safety, and Fire regulations
- Legal changes to constitutional rules for Incorporated Societies
- Increase in bar opening hours.
- Opening of other local hospitality venues, which provide many other options for members.
- Increase in responsibilities for OBC committee members, volunteers, as well as paid staff.

These changes led the 2022-2023 committee to look at re-defining the roles and responsibilities for staff and committee as well as plan for the future management and catering needs of the Club.

The then committee agreed to look at what was working well for the Club, as well as explore other options to future proof and mitigate risks for the future operations of the club and the members.

This has led to many proposals being put forward to staff and many more hours spent on consultation between staff and committee. The Club has always acknowledged Fee's effort and dedication, over her 14-year tenure, and in her current role as Club Manager. As such, the committee actively sought Fee's expertise and experience to be involved and contribute to the future direction of the Club. The committee, as the employer, also needs to ensure the best interest of the Club and the members is being upheld during what has turned out to be a lengthy consultation process. An HR/employment consultant was also contracted last year to provide advice, support staff and committee as well as assist with the staff employment contracts. Despite the offer of training, flexibility in hours and clearer job descriptions and reporting structure, (which more clearly define roles and responsibilities, and alleviate some of the on-going risks to the Club) negotiations have now stalled. Given all this, we acknowledge our staff and thank them for all their hard work and dedication to the Club. Consequently, staff have recently been being offered a pay increase relevant to their new roles and responsibilities. We are still awaiting some to return their signed employment contracts.

Unfortunately change can be an unsettling time for all parties, and this whole process has not only proved lengthy, but resulted in an on-going, unhealthy undercurrent and a tension throughout the whole committee, as well as between committee and staff. This tension has resulted in the resignation of most of the incumbent committee, including the elected officers. To everyone stepping down, especially our treasurer Donna and secretary Vicki, a huge thank you for everything you have done and achieved.

Those involved, including myself, believe they have been transparent, more than fair, and acted in good faith, bending over backwards to ensure staff requests were met. The committee also know that it is important to focus on what is best for the Club and you, as members, ensuring that the best possible structure is set up for the future of the Club, so it can continue to grow and thrive, especially in these competitive and challenging financial times. As the new committee navigate their way through all these changes and challenges, we wish them all the very best and trust they will continue to work towards reaching a mutually beneficial, and honorable, agreement for all.

Cory
Commodore
June 2024.

The Commodore's report for 2023/24 has been circulated and should be taken as read.

Moved:

Seconded:

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Financial Reports for the year ended 31 March 2024 have been circulated to all members.

Moved:

Seconded:

SAILING REPORT

OMOKOROA BOAT CLUB AGM 2024 SAILING AND RESCUE BOATS REPORT

It is hard to believe that in October 1988, the then Club Patron Tod Stocker organised the purchase from Reporoa of five Optimist sailing dinghies for \$500.00. To put it bluntly “they were not new”! On return to Omokoroa, Tod organised a group of “good old boys” to repair and repaint Optimists 1 to 5 and turn the ugly ducklings into - well not swans but certainly cygnets! Lionel Harper, David Woods, Greg Molesworth and others got stuck in and in January 1999 Junior Sailing restarted in Omokoroa. Alan Roberts and Greg were the first tutors and other Club sailors turned to and assisted. So we have now completed 25 years.

Junior Sailing 2023-2024

We had 55 children throughout the summer, some stayed and some didn't. (This makes a total of about 1,100 attendees since 1999.) We planned 14 sail days but the weather reduced that to nine outings.

Our hard core junior sailors were, on fine days, blessed with a flat sea, kind breeze and some fun sailing events. Our parents are magnificent and help us help their young sailors get on and off the water. The results are to follow in the Annual Prizegiving to follow the AGM.

We also held our annual Waitangi Day sail where adults take over our sunburst dinghies and sail for the Golden Centreboard – a fun event!

Senior Sailing

Again the weather has played a major part in the sailing season.

The winter series consisted of five events between May and July, and we had six yachts competing. The summer series is sailed in two stages, before and after Christmas with a total of 16 events planned including four trips to Karewa Island.

The summer sessions sailed by eight yachts including a Weta trimaran and a trailer yacht.

Results in the Prizegiving to follow.

Generally, we sail for fun but it gets quite competitive at times! (Voices have been raised.)

Rescue Boats

The Club has four RiB rescue craft. The main boat is Tod Stocker and is fully equipped with Radio, VHF, GPS and gear. This RiB has a 30HP OBM and has proved its worth. The secondary RiB is T. Edwards and the third is Dick Coulston. Both these craft have 9.9HP 4/OBMs and have hand held VHF radios and gear.

A recent addition is a 3m Honwave Rib that has no motor and is being evaluated. All RiBs assist in our Junior Sailing and other Maritime events and crewed by sailing or fishing members of the Club.

I would like to pay tribute to the following groups:

First, our parents who get stuck in, bring their young sailors, help rigging and derigging (the young sailors love the wash down!).

Secondly, our tutors Richard, JK, Winston, Gerry, Jo and Paul, Adrian, Lee and Serena, Sebastian, and Louise. Also the skippers whose yachts support Kids on Keelers.

Thirdly, the LOTSW group, most of the above but including David, Peter, Alf and Brian.

Fourthly, the Club Committee for its support of our activity although many do not sail!

Last but not least, Sydney who compiles attendance lists, computer data and also helps on sail days.

We look forward to the next 25 years which will mean our Optis are knocking on a bit!

John Budden
Sailing Convenor

The Sailing report for 2023/24 has been circulated and should be taken as read.

Moved:

Seconded:

REMITTS / RULE CHANGES

Motion #1:

Honorarium – 2023 / 2024 Last Year of the Honorarium

In accordance with Rule 6 (iv), the honorariums for the year 2023 are as follows:

- Commodore: \$14,500.00 per annum
- Secretary: \$12,000.00 per annum
- Treasurer: \$14,500.00 per annum

Honorarium Discussion for 2024

- **Commodore:** Clarrie, as Commodore, has chosen to forgo the honorarium.
- **Payroll Management:** Helen Paterson from EPS has offered to manage the payroll free of charge (FOC). This arrangement is seen as a measure to maintain the integrity of the Club by preventing any potential conflicts of interest.
- **Secretary:** It is suggested that the Secretary should receive \$250.00 per monthly committee and AGM meetings only. However, it is noted that the incoming Secretary might choose to perform the role without compensation.
- **Treasurer:** Due to the significant workload, it is proposed that the Treasurer should continue to receive an honorarium. However, it is noted that Marcus as the incoming Treasurer might choose to perform the role without compensation.

Moved:

Seconded:

Exciting Changes to Our Club Memberships!

New Membership Card System: Starting in July, we will introduce an improved membership card system:

- **In-House Card Printing:** We will now print your membership card in-house. Please be patient as we implement this new system.
- **One Card, Many Benefits:** You will now have a single card to use each year. Please carry this card at all times, so you can scan for benefits while at the club.
- **Rewards and Convenience:** Load money onto your card for seamless transactions and enjoy rewards for using it at the club.
- **July Bonus:** Instead of the early payment discount, if you renew in July, \$10 will be loaded onto your new card as bar tab credit. You can also load additional money onto your card for further use.

Temporary Membership Extended: We're thrilled to announce that our Temporary Membership is now available for an extended period of 8 to 12 weeks. The fee for this membership is now just \$40 per person. Please remember, this membership is designed for temporary visitors to the club and should not be used continuously.

Single Membership Discounts:

- **Joining Fee:** Reduced to \$100.
- **Annual Fee:** Reduced to \$80.

Family/Double Membership:

- **Joining Fee:** Continues at \$200.
- **Annual Fee:** Remains at \$125.

Early Payment Discount: Pay your membership fee before July 31st to receive a \$10 discount, applicable to all membership types.

Membership Expiry Reminder: All memberships will continue to expire on June 30th, ensuring members are aware of the renewal deadline.

We are constantly seeking new ways to enhance your club experience, and we believe these updates will provide greater value and convenience. Thank you for being a part of our club!

Motion # 2 Entrance Fees and Annual Dues

The nomination fee is fixed at \$200.00 and will be reduced to \$100.00 for single applicants. The annual Family subscription is set at \$125.00, and the Single subscription is set at \$80.00. These fees will be discounted by \$10.00 if paid before 31 July 2023, and the discounted amount will be allocated to your card for use as a bar tab.

Any subscriptions outstanding on 31 August 2023 will be regarded as lapsed.

Please note, a surcharge of 1.5% and 2.5% will be applied to card transactions due to high bank fees. Instead of tapping, you will need to swipe or insert your card.

Moved:

Seconded:

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- 1 Patron
"That Terry Edwards be appointed as Club Patron for the ensuing year."

Moved: Seconded:

- 2 Accountant
"That PFK Tauranga be appointed as Chartered Accountant for the ensuing year."

Moved: Seconded:

- 3 Office Bearers
"That nominations for the following office bearers have been received and approved"

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| ○ Commodore | Clarrie Beardsmore |
| ○ Vice Commodore | John Budden |
| ○ Club Captain | Marcus Annan |
| ○ Secretary | Janet Cantlon |
| ○ Treasurer | Marcus Annan |

Committee Members

- Jason Anderson
- Peter Hinton
- Rod McLeod
- John Garnett
- John Budden
- Samantha (Sam) Henry
- Ian Blunt

Moved: Seconded:

- 4 Appointment of Handicapper
"That Alan Roberts be appointed as Handicapper for the ensuing year."

Moved: Seconded:

Life Memberships

No nominations received for Life membership

Moved: Seconded:

GENERAL BUSINESS

Moved: Seconded:

MEETING CLOSED There being no further business the meeting closed at

Prize Giving

(Right after AGM before the Bar opens)

Welcome everyone to the exciting AGM Prize Giving ceremony! We have an array of fantastic trophies and certificates to award, celebrating the outstanding achievements of our members in various categories. Let's dive right into the awards!

1. Darts Trophy: First up, we have the Darts Trophy. This award recognizes the skill and precision of our darts players.
2. Pool Trophy Singles & Doubles & Anthony Avery Cup: Next, we move on to the Pool Trophy. This prestigious award acknowledges the excellence and expertise of our pool players. We have two categories: Singles and Doubles.
3. Fishing Trophies: Now, it's time to honor our passionate anglers.
4. Sailing Trophies: Next, we recognize the accomplishments of our skilled sailors.
5. Certificates for Juniors: Last but certainly not least, we have the Certificates for Juniors.

We would like to capture the above winners in Group photos and we will compile a detailed write-up for our website and press release. This way, we can share the excitement and celebrate the accomplishments of our members with the wider community.