

Algies Bay Ratepayers & Residents Association  
December 2013 Newsletter



Merry Christmas

Happy New Year

To all Residents and Ratepayers

**2013** has continued on from last year as a busy one for your Committee in particular seeing that the Seawall Construction for the northern end is moved through the Council process. We can report that all tenders are in, the successful tenderer will be advised soon with a start date expected Feb/March 2014.

According to Ian Murray of Councils Parks and Reserves, the consenting process has been delayed due to the amount of work needed for the Unitary Plan but expects it to come through early in the New Year.

We have also been working through Danielle Hancock, Park and Reserves on reviewing the playgrounds in Algies Bay and during 2014 you should see changes and positive improvements take place for all your children and grandchildren to enjoy. The research and planning that Council have undertaken for the playgrounds project has been done on consultation with interested members of the Bay.

Recently under the coordination of David Cammell, 2 working bees were held on the beach in an endeavour to clear the swimming areas of as much stone and debris before the Summer Xmas Break. Our thanks to Brian Algie, Malcolm Wakefield and all the other volunteers who turned up to help. This is true community service and is much appreciated.

Very shortly we will have located on the Yacht Club Building, facing the Road, a St John Defibrillator. Thanks to a considerable donation, it will be named in memory of the late Bruce Lawrence (39-97) a resident of 36 Gordon Craig Place, our sincere appreciation goes to his family for their support. Our Annual BBQ seems to just be getting more popular and our thanks to New World, Bruce Goodhue of Barfoot & Thompson, The McGregor Bros (Coffee from Auckland) for their sponsorship of this event.

Have a Merry Xmas and a great holiday into 2014,

Richard Papworth, Chairman

# Annual New Year Breakfast BBQ

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2014

Commencing at 8.30 am. Weather permitting

Location: Beach Reserve

Music will be provided by the: Mike Nesbit Jazz Trio



Mark this date on your calendar

Bring all the family and friends

Come and have fun

Gold Coin Collection

BYO – Drinks, cutlery, plates, tables, chairs

*Sponsored by New World Warkworth, Bruce Goodhue of Barfoot and Thompson Real Estate*

A word of advice to all boaties coming into the boat ramp over the holidays.....expect regular but ad hoc inspections of your fishing catches by the Ministry for Primary Industries

**Parking:** Please remember not to park on the boat ramps.

## **A bit of local interest – Origin of Algies Bay Street Names**

**Alexander Road**- named after Alexander Algies who was the first settler in the area in 1867

**Will James Ave** – after William James son of Alexander

**Deerness Crescent** – Alexander's wife Jemima Deerness who originated from Orkney Islands

**Mera Road** – An acronym of Algie family first names and of a launch built by two men.

**Mariners Grove, The Nook and The Glade** – named by the Morrison family who developed that area of the Bay

**Gordon Craig**- named after a well-known Orthopaedic Surgeon from Auckland who had a beach house on the waterfront in the area.

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