



# Algies Bay Residents & Ratepayers Association (ABRRA)

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## March 2016 Newsletter

We are already into 2016 and we trust you have all enjoyed the summer break. The bay was certainly busy during the school holiday which is good to see.

Unfortunately the weather beat us on 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan for our annual BBQ, which we know everyone enjoys. Hopefully the weather will play ball in 2017.

### ABRRA AGM

We have set the date for **Annual General Meeting**. It will be held 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2016 at the Betty Paxton Room, Mahurangi Community Centre starting at 10am. We encourage all residents to attend as it's an opportunity to hear about the past year activities and events as well as hear feedback from our guest speakers. Penny Webster will be our key speaker again this year and we are asking her to concentrate on key matters surrounding our immediate region. Additionally, we have our local Rodney Board members attending which again is a chance to chat with them.

If anyone is interested to join the committee, please contact us. We are a very active Association and work hard to ensure our bay is a safe and enjoyable place to visit

### Algies Bay Defibrillator

As a reminder, we have a defibrillator at Algies Bay located on the carpark side of the yacht club wall on Gordon Craig Place. **The code is 030**. First aid should be the first action before using the defibrillator.

There is a useful training video available on our website for those wishing to familiarize themselves with the procedure.

### Sandspit Yacht Club Events

There are several key yachting events foreseen in the bay. These are great events and a wonderful spectacle to watch so come along.

- Upper North Island Regionals 4-5 April involving 10 team and around 100 people
- Secondary Schools Sailing Championships 24-29 April involving 30 teams and 300 people. During this event the lower road on the beachfront will be closed for boat repairs and storage.

### Algies Bay Web Site

We have a great website which provides a huge amount of information about Algies Bay, the committee, restaurants, attractions, accommodation and events.

We have some awesome sponsors which are listed on our home page. Simply click on the sponsor icon which will take you to their website. Also we have a special relationship with Coastguard Kawau which can also be accessed with a simple click of the mouse via our home page.

We are seeing a lot of people taking advantage of this site.

We are recording:-

- close 800 visits/mth
- around 5700 pages
- 7 pages/visit average

For those of you with computers, please visit [www.algiesbay.co.nz](http://www.algiesbay.co.nz)

If you have any items or articles which you believe are of value to our website, please contact us



## Waste Services

Auckland's vision is for zero waste by 2040. New services are on the way to reduce, reuse and recycle more. Some key changes and dates for Rodney (Algies Bay)

- From April 2016 residents will receive a new larger recycle bin to replace the current crates
- From July 2016 the new bin service commences. Loose paper, cardboard, and other recyclables can be placed in the bins, including juice cartons such as Tetrapak. Collection will be fortnightly and dates may change from current
- Also Northland Waste is now offering a green waste collection. Visit [www.northlandwaste.co.nz](http://www.northlandwaste.co.nz) or call (09) 4258567
- February- November 2016a new annual rates-funded inorganic service is underway. Bookings can be made at [www.makethemostofwaste.co.nz](http://www.makethemostofwaste.co.nz)

## Warkworth and Snells-Algies Bay Wastewater Servicing Project

With the expected growth in our area, Watercare must plan for increased future demand on water and wastewater services.

A recent newsletter from Watercare has presented a summary of some potential wastewater servicing options. Watercare have set a date for a meeting to discuss and talk about the options and to share views.

The meeting is scheduled Tuesday 15 March 2016, 4-7pm at the Mahurangi Community Centre or Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 4-7pm at the Warkworth Masonic Hall.

Further information can be found at [www.watercare.co.nz-'work in your area'](http://www.watercare.co.nz-'work_in_your_area') or [warkworthsnells@watercare.co.nz](mailto:warkworthsnells@watercare.co.nz)

## Fish Carcasses on Beach



Photo taken 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016

Again we are finding fish carcasses on the beach which must stop. Some people believe that there is no harm done but this practice creates a safety issue to people, attracts sea birds which create a mess and dogs seem to relish the chance to scavenge and spoils the high standard presentation we aim for in the bay.

Public Safety & Nuisance Bylaw 2013, Auckland Council under Nuisances, Safety and Behaviour in any Public Place Part 2 Section 9(p) Beaches it states, ***“Not to clean or leave any fish or fish offal on a beach”***

Let's respect this and keep our beach safe and litter free

### A friendly Reminder

Many of us have enjoyed a fairly good summer at the bay and have returned to home base. Easter weekend will most likely be the final time this season people will return to the bay to enjoy the last of the good weather.

We urge those departing after Easter to make a final check of their property to ensure the house is secure and any items stored outside are locked or immobilized. Items such as fuel tanks, small outboard motors, bikes of all sorts, kayaks etc. seem to attract undesirables. From time to time we hear of pilfering/theft in our area.