

# Algies Bay Residents and Ratepayers Association (ABRRA)

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## May 2016 Newsletter

### Subscriptions

Just a friendly reminder, the \$10 Annual Membership subscriptions are now due.

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### NZ Secondary Schools Team Sailing Champs

The end of April saw 300 secondary school participants (31 schools) stretching from Kerikeri to the Marlborough Sounds and even as far as Rarotonga. The weather was simply brilliant and the behaviour of the young sailors was outstanding.

Congratulations to Kerikeri High School Open team on winning the regatta, followed by Kristin School in 2nd place and Wentworth College 3rd. Top Girls team Napier Girls' High School, 2nd girls' team and top of the silver fleet Diocesan School for Girls and 3rd New Plymouth Girls High School. Bronze fleet winners Glendowie College

Visit the NZTSA ([www.nzteamsailing.co.nz](http://www.nzteamsailing.co.nz)) website and click on the u-tube link. It explains what went on, along with some great aerial photography.

Due to its popularity, the organising committee has made the decision to use Algies Bay as the 2017 venue for this event. This is great news for the bay.

For more info on activities involving the Sandspit Sailing Club, visit their website [www.sandspit.org.nz](http://www.sandspit.org.nz)

### Northern End Beach Frontage

The landscaping complimenting the new sea wall has not yet been completed to everyone's satisfaction. The Committee is working closely with Auckland Council, a Coastal Consultant and Wharehine contractors to finish the grass and gardens. This area may be cordoned off to allow time for the grass to establish.

### Lawn Clippings on the Beach

Talking of grass, it has been reported that grass clippings have been dumped on the beach. This is not acceptable practice. We all take pride in the appearance of the Bay and no-one likes to see litter on our beach.



## **New Dog Access By-law Introduced October 2015**

There have been changes to the Dog Access By-laws across Rodney which affects Algies Bay. We take this opportunity to summarise the rules for Algies Bay.

- From Labour day weekend to 1st March dogs are prohibited from beach areas between 10:00am and 6:30 pm, otherwise off leash and under control
- From 2nd March to Friday before Labour weekend, off leash and under control
- At Snells Beach (southern section) and Algies Bay an additional rule for the parks adjacent to the beaches has been applied to support public safety and comfort concerns
- Owners pick up dog droppings immediately

Between 6.30pm and 10am, dogs are allowed off-leash in the parks at:

Algies Bay, all parks and reserves adjacent to the beach:

- Algies Bay Reserve
- Alexander Recreation Reserve
- Willjames Esplanade and Recreation Reserve
- Mariner Grove Algies Bay Esplanade Reserve.
- Outside of these hours dogs are to be on-leash.

## **Main Boat Ramp**

Recently we had the Council arrange for the trees overhanging the boat ramp access way to be trimmed as they had become a hazard.

Additionally we have installed a 5 minute restricted parking sign on the ramp access layby as this was being used as a permanent park.

## **ABRRA AGM 2016 Meeting**

The AGM took place on 23<sup>rd</sup> April and the Minutes can be viewed on the website: [www.algiesbay.co.nz](http://www.algiesbay.co.nz)

There was a good attendance which was pleasing to see. Presentations from Councilor Penny Webster and the Rodney Local Board members Beth Houlebrooke and Greg Sayers were most informative.

A major talking point was the Hill St intersection where Penny signalled some changes happening in the near future to help reduce congestion.

Attached is the list of the elected committee for 2016 and their assigned portfolios.

This list is also available on the [www.algiesbay.co.nz](http://www.algiesbay.co.nz) website.

We always welcome suggestions and ideas so feel free to contact anyone on the Committee.

## **New 240L Recycling Bins**

There has been feedback from a number of residents about the new bins. If you think you are going to have difficulty using/moving the bin, the following Council information may be helpful.

### **What is a *bin* hitch and how do I order one?**

A *bin* hitch allows you to effortlessly tow your rubbish *bin* behind your car. It is ideal if you have a long or steep driveway.

The *bin* hitch attaches to the *bin* handles and then to the tow ball of the car. The *bin* hitch can remain on the *bin* without interfering with collections.

### **How to order a *bin* hitch**

Contact Sulo-Talbot on 09 968 2180 or [order a \*bin\* hitch online](#)

### **Do you have questions or concerns about your new recycling bins?**

Come along to a drop-in session to talk with Auckland Council's Waste Solution Team.

They are keen to work with you to find solutions to issues you may have.

**Wednesday 25th May**

10am -12pm

Mahurangi East Community Centre

Snells Beach