



Algies Bay Residents and Ratepayers Association

Website: Algiesbay.co.nz

4th Quarter Newsletter

Daylight saving has already begun which signals the onset of summer. Already the weather has the feel of summer which reinvigorates us after the winter period.

We have some great facilities in our bay for us all to enjoy. The reserve on the beach front is a wonderful place for family and visitor gatherings. There is an excellent playground for the children, a free BBQ and a petanque court for fun. If anyone wants to organize and run a local petanque competitions feel free to use the court.



Bus Service

The Kowhai Connection is running a service from Algies Bay Monday to Saturday. It does not run on Public Holidays. Details of the service can be found on the Auckland Transport website. <https://at.govt.nz/bus-train-ferry/bus-services/kowhai-connection/>



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 summarize 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.

Other Rules (cont)

Playgrounds

- Dogs must be on-leash when in the vicinity of any playground
- At all times, dogs are prohibited on all playground surfaces and equipment

Roads, private ways, and council-controlled car parks and boating areas

Dogs must be under control and on a leash on all

- Formed public roads (including any street, highway, access way, service lane, and any footpath, cycle track, bus stop and berm within the boundaries of the road);
- Private ways;
- Council-controlled car parks; and
- Council-controlled boating areas (including any wharf, jetty, boat ramp, boat marshalling area).
- For the avoidance of doubt, this rule does not apply to any unformed road, or any walkway, track or road within or surrounded by a park.

Go to Auckland Council website for more comprehensive information:-

www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/

NZ Day Skipper Certificate

Coastguard is running the course over 14th and 21st Nov 2015 at Mahurangi Vineyard "The Factory" at 1/3 Hamatana Rd, Snells Beach. The course is 15hrs from 8:30am – 4:30pm per session. Registration can be made on line at the Coastguard website. Course cost is \$240/ person

Summer Boating

While on the subject of boating, with the onset of summer we'll see an increase in ramp use and boating activity.

There will be times when the ramp is busy, so to avoid issues, complete any preparation prior to entering ramp and minimize any delays launching and retrieving boats.

It is important that everyone using the beach and ramp facility respect the general rules. For example, swimmers keep clear of the boat ramp area and boaties keep a watch out for swimmers as well as respect the 5 knot rule when leaving and returning to shore.

Sandspit Yacht Club



The Sandspit Yacht Club has a number of events coming up over the next 12 months. It is always a wonderful spectacle to see the races happening in our bay. We will keep you posted on events as they arise.

- Next event Mahurangi College Forms 1-4 regatta Monday 23rd November
- Sunday 29th November open day 12 – 3pm
- The Algies Bay Residents and Ratepayers Cup Sunday 6th March 2016.

Fish Cleaning

Recently there have been some irresponsible people gutting/fileting fish at the boat ramp leaving carcasses on the beach.



Photo taken at ramp 7th Oct 2015

It's timely to remind fishermen that gutting and fileting fish either at the ramp or along the beach is not permitted. This practice creates a safety issue to people, attracts sea birds which create a mess and dogs seem to relish the chance to scavenge. If anyone sees this happening we suggest a quiet word with the offenders or contact our committee members with relevant information.

Beach Clean-up

Date 5th December at 8am. Come help us out to prepare the beach for Christmas