

Algies Bay Residents and Ratepayers Association (ABRRA)

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September 2016 Newsletter

Here we are with nearly 75% of 2016 behind us. This winter seems to have been the wettest for many years. In July, we had a severe electrical storm which caused a lot of damage to property and sensitive electrical equipment as well as power and communication outages. Hopefully, all those affected by this event are back to normal.

ABRRA Membership

Association membership is important for us as it provides huge benefits and demonstrates our strong financial membership when dealing with statutory authorities like the Local Rodney Board, Auckland Council, Auckland Transport and other key bodies. The authorities are aware of our strong membership and react favourably when we make requests for improvements to our bay.

However, during the year it is a challenge to get subscriptions for the current year paid up in a timely manner. We thank and appreciate those who have already made payment. For those who are still to pay please arrange during September.

For those new to the bay wishing to join, please visit our website or contact a committee member for details.

To check if you are a financial member, contact ngh@clear.net.nz.

A direct credit payment can be made to bank a/c 12-3105-0013354-00.

Peter Bishop –Melvin Jones Award

In July Peter Bishop, one of our committee members, received the highest international award in the Lions Club for outstanding services to the club and community.

Peter is deserving of this award as he works tirelessly for our community. His wife Ann must also be acknowledged for her support to Peter as well as also doing a lot for the community.

We recognised Peter and Ann during our last committee meeting.



Lions International recognises outstanding individuals by bestowing on them an award that is named for its founder, Melvin Jones.

This Fellowship Award (LCIF) is the highest form of recognition and embodies humanitarian ideas consistent with the nature and purpose of Lionism.

The recipient of this award becomes a model because of the exemplary service to his club and the community for which it serves.

Yacht Club News

Algies Bay will host the 2016 Pacific Rim International Schools team Sailing Championships from 24-28 September.

Teams will race in 420 class boats which aim to improve team sailing in the Southern Hemisphere.

It is expected that teams from countries such as Japan, Singapore, Canada, China, Malaysia and others will attend this event.



Again Algies Bay will host the National Secondary Schools regatta 23-28 April 2017. This year's event was spectacular and we can expect an even bigger regatta in 2017.

Main Boat Ramp

You may have noticed that gaps were widening on sections of the main boat ramp. Council has now completed repairs so we should continue to enjoy many more years of use from the ramp.

While on the topic of ramps, it has been noted that during low tide, care should be taken when launching boats. Sand has shifted towards the beach which is positive but has exposed some soft areas around the low tide mark.

Algies Bay Website

Our website is a great source of information about our bay. We are seeing more and more people visiting our site which is wonderful. It recognizes the effort which goes into maintaining the website which is managed by one of our committee members.

Regular input to websites is the key to its success so we are keen to hear from our residents if they have any interesting articles or items of benefit to Algies Bay.

Please continue to utilise our website www.algiesbay.co.nz

Signage & Lighting

Council has been advised that updated signage covering the latest dog rules will be installed prior to Labour Weekend. A gentle reminder to dog owners to comply with the new regulations as from time to time, rangers will be monitoring.

Also a new sign has been fitted in the boat layby area at the main boat ramp. **This is 5 minute parking only.**

New LED lights have been installed over the boat ramp and between the toilets and yacht club. The lights over the car park are still to be upgraded. The poles are to be upgraded as soon as new ones become available.