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Auckland Maritime Foundation grants get our youngsters on the water.

The 420's eager to get out in the water

In a whole variety of ways the charitable grants given by the Auckland Maritime Foundation, in accordance with their obligations as a charitable Trust structure, provide valuable and practicable benefits to the local sea-going community around the Marina. Here are some recent examples of spreading a little goodwill.

The full list of grants for 2016-17 are in the Trustees Annual Report inside

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The Grangers 420 gets christened

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#1 New 420 training yachts at Buckland's Beach

An Auckland Maritime Foundation grant has provided Bucklands Beach Yacht Club with a new 420 class dingy, one of six recently launched for the club's youth training programme.

Guest speaker at the launching and christening function at the club's east boat Olympian Bruce Kendall was spoke of the rich sailing history of the local area. This area has produced more Olympic sailing medals than any other club in New Zealand' said. Each boat was named after sailors who started out at the Bucklands Beach Yacht Club. His and Commodore Allan Kearney thanked all the sponsors who included Bryant Marine, HMB Electrical and Grangers Restaurant.

#2 Sea Scouts hard labour rewarded

Three years ago 'Sollitude' was lying forgotten on a mooring at Shelly Park.

Before

After

Relaunching day at the Marina

The yacht, an Alan Wright Variant 22, has now been totally restored and re-launched at Half Moon Bay Marina a few weeks ago in an event to celebrate three hard years of toil by the Howick Venturer Sea Scouts.

A huge number of hours by the boys and their Venturer Leaders including Alan Holt, Garth Pickett and Steve Sargent plus some healthy assistance from the Marina with a grant from Auckland Maritime Foundation plus the generous use of hard stand space and facilities means the boat have a beautiful craft capable of cruising the gulf for many for years to come.

The boat was donated 'as-is' by Mr Colin Sollitt of Howick but a 'clean-up' turned into a massive job. There's literally not an inch of surface on the boat, inside and out, that hasn't needed work' says Alan Holt who got the project started. 'We can't thank the Marina and our many other supporters at Half Moon Bay too much. Boatbuoy, The Boat Builders, Doyles, Steelotts and Ray Bryant who have all helped tremendously'. The Holt family have been hard-holders at the Marina for 36 years.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER 2016

Here for you every day

A message from the Chairman of Trustees, Mr Brooke Archbold

The factors that make up our annual report change little from year to year but prudent management combined with good market conditions have allowed us to considerably improve our financial position in the last 12 months. Healthy levels of operating revenue generated in most sections of our business have allowed us to reduce indebtedness significantly while continuing our long-time practice of making provision to ensure our facilities and operational performance are maintained at a high standard.

Our business model has remained the same for many years. The numbers have grown as we have developed different parts of our operation, but our capacity to serve the local boating fraternity differs in only minor respects from the day the Marina left the eighties. It is pleasing to note therefore that with this vigilant approach and a 'holding pattern' we have been able to continue to meet our charitable objectives whilst still allowing sufficient forward provision for the large costs of maintenance involved in our watery environment. We believe our structure and set-up as a non-taxable charitable entity remains a successful model, with operational performance and governance of which we can be proud.

Tenancy demand throughout the Marina has remained strong as we play an ever increasing role in providing services to the local community. Demand for berth space accelerated with occupancy reaching 100% and waiting lists growing apace. The value of, and demand for berths in our Marina continued to increase, with berth sales often being made within days of going to market and prices continuing to rise.

The total retirement of all bank debt related to the redevelopment of the shopping centre complex is a notable highlight in the accounts and a pleasing achievement.

Total net assets of the Trust, at over $21million, is a comparable position to that of recent years and the Trustees are comfortable with our financial position.

At the end of the year, following the 21 year review, the Auckland Council's massive 400% increase in land value ground rental charges were announced and subsequently a provision was made. At the end of the year, following the 21 year review, the Auckland Council allowed us of a massive 400% increase in our head lease ground rental charges. For berth holders, the impact of the additional Council charge represents an increase of 13% in annual berth fees. We have formally objected and challenged this increase, and made appropriate provision in the year-end accounts for the formal arbitration process. It is likely to be a lengthy event as we work through the issue.

Our financial reporting this year has been made under the new standards for Charities which came into effect from 1 April 2015. As a result the accounts are now consolidated to include our subsidiaries, including Marina Projects NZ Ltd.

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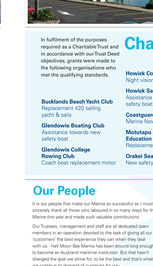
The major maintenance project in the berths area during the year was the completion of the resealing of car parks – those serving the Eastern piers, and the boatyard. This work included the renewal of the original water-main which had served the berth areas since the Marina was built 36 years ago!



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Charitable Grants

In fulfilment of the purposes required as a Charitable Trust and in accordance with our Trust Deed objectives, grants were made to the following organisations who met the qualifying standards.

Bucklands Beach Yacht Club
Replacement 420 sailing yacht & sails

Glendowie Boating Club
Assistance towards new safety boat

Glendowie College Rowing Club
Coach boat replacement motor

Howick Coastguard
Night vision goggles

Howick Sailing Club
Assistance towards new safety boat

Coastguard Northern
Marine Now-casting

Motutapu Outdoor Education Camp
Replacement truck

Orakei Sea Scouts
New safety boat

Panmure Lagoon Sailing Club
New safety boat

Ponsonby YachtClub
New outboard motor for safety boat

Waiheke Sea Scouts
Repairs & repaint two Sunburst dinghies

Yachting New Zealand
VHF radios - World Youth Sailing Champs

Spirit of Adventure
Youth training voyages

Our People

It is our people that make our Marina so successful so I must sincerely thank all those who laboured in many ways for the Marina this year and made such valuable contributions.

Our Trustees, management and staff are all dedicated team members in an operation devoted to the task of giving all our 'customers' the best experience they can when they deal with us. Half Moon Bay Marina has been around long enough to become an Auckland maritime institution. But that hasn't changed the goal we strive for, to be the best and that's what we continue to demand of ourselves for you.

Regrettably we lost three of our long-time valued employees to retirement during the year We hope Dot Pierrepont, Jill Beebe and Gordon Berry are enjoying their new lifestyles.

Overall 2015-16 was a year with lots happening and plenty of upside. We're loving it!

On behalf of the Trustees

Brooke Archbold
Chairman

Half Moon Bay Marina
Here for you every day

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Spirit of New Zealand 2017 Voyage Winners Announced

And the 2017 winners of the six fabulous 10-day voyages on the 'Spirit of New Zealand' training ship provided by the Auckland Maritime Foundation are ……

Brodie Campbell Orewa College
Nikita Handisides Massey High School
Jessie Houston Macleans College
Baxter Kinney Waiheke High School
Dan Ryan Otago Boys High School
Hazell Watson Smith Western Springs College

For a taste of what wonderful thrills and experiences these lucky young people have in store here are a couple of excerpts from the Spirit of New Zealand' website:

> *"This programme is the best way to up your courage, unlock your potential and make life-long friends. The Spirit is about overcoming ALL obstacles and this starts now. Start your adventure today!*
>
> *"You'll be one of over a thousand young Kiwis each year who get on board to experience the trip of a life-time. You'll leave with a whole new set of skills, lots of new friends and a new confidence to take on the challenges in life*

"The best 10 days of my life"

All together now ...pull

Work in progress on H pier

Installation of the new finger corner brackets and power modules is now well underway on H Pier and should be complete in a week or two.

Teams of builders, plumbers and electricians with their tools, plus materials, make a crowd along the length of the pier when they are at hand at it! Apologies to 'H' berth-holders for the inconvenience.

It's a huge upgrade and we are getting plenty of positive response from those now using the new facilities now fully completed on B pier. The work, with I pier next, will be spread over a number of months. Berth-holders will be given ample notice in advance of the work reaching their pier.

Where are the ferries?

The new Half Moon Bay ferry terminal is complete and looks even more inviting. The pontoon is in place and waiting. So where are the ferries? The ferry company has advised for the new terminal to open has just gone by but April is being rumoured. Believe it or not.

PHEW!

All calm on the Yard

A quick word of thanks to our hardstand-customers for your consideration in making life and business on the hard yard as smoothly over what has traditionally been the hectic time leading up to Xmas.

Like last year, it was very busy but in a steady way and minus the perils that has been, for so long, the norm at this time. And again, like last year, the steady flow continued over. And again, like last year, the weather conditions caused a few through January. Maybe the weather conditions caused a few postponements. Whatever the reason, tension dropped and voices remained calm.

MARINA LOG

All hands on deck...

Painters

Electricians

Riggers

Plumbers

April..?

Georgia on our minds

It's not too often we get the serious players from downtown in our midst but 'Georgia' paid us a short visit for a clean-up. The 3.6 draft, Transpacific 52 came out for an antifoul by BoatSpray, stepped snugly into our Travelift slings, and was here and gone in a sweat. Everyone was happy. We might go looking for more!

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