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2 Welcome to the 2005/6 season of Glendowie Boating Club and a special welcome to this season's new members. The Annual General Meeting was held on June 28. Thank you to those who attended.

3 The commodore's report was presented along with the Annual Financial Report by Susan Lowe. The budget set has ensured the only change to fees is the \$10 increase to cover the new Yachting New Zealand levy.

6 I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the club to thank the outgoing committee members - James Stonyer, Steve Collett, Bob Gordon and Chris Field for the years of dedicated service they have given to GBC. We also extend our thanks to Nanda MacLaren who is stepping down as Assistant Secretary. Nanda has made sure the mailbox is cleared and banking done. In her role as Arrow Editor she collated and published our regular newsletter among other duties. Thank you for all your support.

Dates to Diary

11 Sep- Opening
tember Day

We have some new members on the committee this season: Rob Craigie, Elizabeth Andrew, Peter Todd and Deborah Tindal.

An updated list of the current committee and their contact details can be found on the back page.

Subscriptions

Early indications show lockers are going to be at a premium this season so **please** ensure that the subscription form you will receive shortly is completed and returned promptly. The collecting of subs is a big job and the allocation of lockers and publishing of the year book cannot be completed until these are received.

If you are not renewing your membership please let us know so we can reallocate your locker and key.

If you need to sell your boat we can assist you with "[resail](#)" on our website. Contact Marcello Lardies by email at lardies@paradise.net.nz. For those who are selling optimists contact sailing master Dave Glen on 09 5286476 as there may be new members looking for boats.

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Roster

The roster section of the subscription form is a guide to assist with allocating club duties, please complete this. You will be rostered on during the season as the duties are integral to the club running smoothly.

Sailing is not far away so I look forward to seeing you all out on the water. If you have any queries feel free to contact me at home 09 524 8048.

Tom Kool

From the Sailing Master

Mid-Winter sailing opportunities

Following on from last year's successful experiment, we propose to hold some winter sailing, taking advantage of favourable afternoon tides on the following dates:

Date	High Tide	Report Time
31 July	1548	1300
14 August	1352	1200
28 August	1413	1200

This sailing will be a mixture of mini-races and coaching, and in the event of inclement or 'robust' weather we will stay indoors for some rules and protest discussions.

Hopefully we will see a good turn-out of both Opti Open, Opti Green, LTR and Starling sailors for these pre-season sessions.

Opening Day – Sunday, 11 September

The 2005/06 season will open on Sunday, 11 September. Historically we have generally tried to get the season underway prior to the school holidays so as to be certain of getting in as many sailing days as possible before senior exams impact.

With the 11 September opening, we will get in 2 sailing days before the holidays. The Opti group going to Noumea will be away for Week 2 and it is proposed that we will sail Week 3 in the last weekend of the holidays.

David Glen

PRIZEGIVING

The Prizegiving was an enjoyable event held at the Glendowie Tennis Club on 28th June.

A powerpoint presentation on the history of the club and the plans for the new clubhouse was given by John Woodyear-Smith and Michelle Chapman. This was followed by the presentation of silverware to the successful sailors and refreshments for all.

Optimist News

GBC are going to be well represented in the New Zealand Opti teams sailing in overseas regattas over the next 5 months. Frankie Lardies and George Kool are members of the Asean team competing in the Asean Championships in Malaysia in August. Paul Nicholls has been selected in a team to sail in the IODA Asian Championships in Thailand in September. Ashleigh Lamberg goes to Japan in August to sail in the All Japan Junior Regatta and to Noumea in late October along with Jake Stanley-Harris in a New Zealand Opti development team to sail in the New Caledonian National Championships. Frankie and George will also be representing NZ at that regatta.

Congratulations to all our representative sailors and we wish them well in the forthcoming regattas. The Club is grateful to the governing body for making these terrific opportunities available to our promising sailors.

A very successful fund raising evening was held in May at the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron. Just under \$30,000 was netted. Thanks to the many GBC members who supported this event.

Kohi Yacht Club hosted a youth regatta on June 19 to raise further funds for the Opti teams. A four race regatta was held in predominately light air with most of the Worlds and Asean team members racing. Ashleigh Lamberg, unable to make the first race, convincingly won races 2 and 3 and finished 8th overall out of 31—an impressive result since she had to carry the points for the DNC in race 1.

Given the size of our club GBC Opti sailors are punching well above our weight. From what we saw towards the end of last season even when Frankie, Paul, Hamish, Andrew and others move on to P's and Starlings we have some very talented sailors in our Open fleet and they will be hotly pursued from the wealth of talent coming through the Green and LTR fleet.

Lloyd Lamberg

The following report from Peter Nicholls about the Opti Nationals just missed the last Arrow, so here it is—better late than never!

NATIONALS AT TAIPA

GBC had a very successful Nationals this year with probably our best results with Frankie (6th) and George (8th) both finishing in the top 10 with Paul just missing the top 10 with a well deserved 11th.

Both Frankie and Paul were disappointed in being so close to the Worlds Team and Second Team respectively, however Frankie and George will travel with the second team to Malaysia (Port Dickson) for the Asean Regatta. Paul is the first Reserve if one of the sailors withdraws. Overall a great result and well done by our senior Opti sailors.

Ashley and Jake both had good regattas with both of them obtaining 3 results each in the top 10. The conditions at times were difficult with every sailor getting caught by wind shifts. A little more consistency particularly with the starts in the big fleets will see both Ashley and Jake finish near the top of the fleet next year.

Hamish was consistent in the middle of the fleet with a 102nd but sometimes struggled in

the light airs. Rosie finished a very creditable 147th in her first big Regatta showing dad she has what it takes to compete.

Tom Peet, David Collins, Michael Sharps, Ana Reid and Chloe Lowe all had creditable performances in their first Nationals.

Well done to the whole race squad.

In the **GREEN FLEET**, Jacob Tyndall, Victoria Sharps and Phoebe Kool had gutsy performances completing 6, 6 and 4 of the 7 races respectively.

Peter Nicholls

This photo, taken by Elizabeth Andrew, shows our 'home' for the Nationals, for which a big Thank You to Mercury Marine.



Building Update

In the last few months since the previous update the Club have moved forward in a number of areas regarding the building project.

We now have a complete set of building consent and construction documents. This has enabled us to have a comprehensive cost estimate prepared and we have also been able to go out to builders for tenders. This process has been necessary in order to further our funding applications.

The Club has also appointed a professional fundraiser (Sports Solutions) to assist us move the project forward. Currently we have a number of funding applications in and hope to hear back about these in the next few months

The committee also agreed that in order to make the whole project more palatable to funding agencies the building work has been broken down into various stages. These are basically piling, decks and sheds etc. Although this should make the work more manageable for the club operations during construction and should also make the construction simpler, it will probably be less cost effective. This trade off of cost versus convenience will hopefully get the building going sooner.

Dave De La Mare

Coastal Marine Charges

A report from John Woodyear-Smith

Marcelo and I attended an Auckland Yachting and Boating Association (AYBA) meeting where the Auckland Regional Council (ARC) gave a presentation advising of their intention to raise additional funds under the guise of a "Coastal Occupation Charge".

The ARC are looking to exploit an opportunity under Section 64A that the Resource Management Act (RMA) has provided which essentially gives them the right to charge for the occupation of the foreshore and seabed. While the official line is "The RMA requires that all regional councils **must** consider whether or not they should have a coastal occupation charging regime for activities in the coastal marine area", it is likely to happen. The legislation also gives them the right to back date these charges to the introduction of the RMA in 1991. GBC would be exempt for part of this as we had a Foreshore Licence which expired in 2000.

The coastal marine area is defined to include harbours and sea from high water out to the 12 mile territorial limit. This encompasses marine farms, wharves, jetties, moored boats, boatsheds and marinas. Under the RMA, any money raised from a charging regime is required that it be used to "promote sustainable management of the coastal marine area".

A Coastal Occupation Charge is defined as "a charge for the use (often the private use) of public coastal space, which can no longer be used, enjoyed or accessed by the public".

At this stage, the ARC are canvassing affected/interested parties with the idea with a formal consultation process starting in September/October. We, as a club, have the opportunity to have some input into the terms of reference.

There is no suggested methodology decided for calculating this charge however it is likely based on floor/site area and it has been suggested that the most favoured method (by the ARC) is using the surrounding residential housing values. This was vehemently opposed by the large contingent of people attending the meeting as many facilities are the very reason that the housing exists eg Gulf Harbour and West Harbour marinas. It also unfairly targets inner city locations like GBC for a disproportionate chunk of the money raised.

As GBC has been granted a 35 year Coastal Permit (formerly Foreshore Licence) in 2005, we need to be proactive to ensure that we minimise any impact on the club and its members by this new charge. It is ironic that the club's new plans were altered to meet specific requests from the ARC to enhance access to the public. Now it is looking like that after making the changes at additional expense, we will be charged again.

POINTS FOR DISCUSSION

GBC members paid for the access to the beach (coastal marine area) many years ago when there was no access.

The current and proposed decks do not impede the access to the coastal marine area, they enhance it.

GBC have only 16-18 programmed sailing days per year out of 365 (lets not mention training).

The decks have lighting provided after dark at members expense which gives 24 hour access.

Graffiti which is done by the public using the coastal marine area is cleaned and paid for by members.

The ARC made GBC modify its plans to increase the access to the coastal marine area as part of the submission which now we are being asked to pay for again.

Other clubs have additional income from bar, restaurants, hireage and gaming machines.

GBC as part of the conditions imposed by objectors and endorsed by the ARC have precluded us from any of the above for the next 35 years.

The percentage of floor area v deck space (39%) which is accessible to the public already needs to be taken into consideration.

The percentage of inside floor space allocated to the storage of patrol boats needs to be taken into consideration as the ratio of boats to sailor is a requirement imposed by Yachting NZ and cannot be charged out as locker space.

If you would like to make comment on this to be included as part of the Club's submission to the ARC, please contact John Woodyear-Smith on 528 4986 hm, 570 1865 bus or johnws@xtra.co.nz.

Optimist Gala Dinner

The major fundraiser to help support the top 10 Opti sailors in NZ to attend two international regattas was held in May at the RNZYS. The Opti Gala Dinner was attended by 150 people who enjoyed an evening of fine wine, a light supper, a lively auction, and a very entertaining talk by Don Cowie. The sailors were there to help out on the night. Overall \$30,000 dollars was raised a fantastic effort by all involved. Thank you to the GBC members who managed to make it along and to those who donated auction items.

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