

NEW MEMBERS' INTRODUCTION NIGHT

INFORMATION AND RULES

The Te Atatu Boating Club has a steadily growing membership of around 600 financial members. The assets of the Club are unencumbered and have a value of approx 4 million dollars. A lot of credit for this goes to the pioneers of the Club who had the foresight and energy to start the ball rolling.

Like most businesses there is a management system in place. The Executive Committee is responsible for the management of the Club and is made up of:

Commodore

Mike Saunders

Vice Commodore

Andrew Somers

Property Officer

Keith Munro

Executive Committee

Lyn Salvidge
Tracy Hadwin
Paul Thompson
Rodger McIntosh
Todd Eddy
James Milligan

Staff:

Club Manager: Duthie Lidgard, Office: Sandy O'Neill,
Yardman: John Dormer, Bar Staff: Emily Sili, So'o
Fue, Rachel Hunter, Laila Waru, Audette Whitau.
Custodian: Joe Hamilton, Cleaner: Colleen Compain.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CLUB & THE RULES

The objectives of the Club are set out in the Constitution document as are the General Club Rules. Read them carefully, pleading that you weren't aware of a particular rule is not an acceptable defence if it is in the written rules.

MEMBERSHIP RULES

When you pay your fees tonight you will receive a probationary card. Your names are placed on the Club noticeboard for 3 months and are placed in the Club newsletter. This is to allow current members their right to object to any new membership. The objection must be in writing with a full explanation of the objection and addressed to the Executive Committee. There have been very few objections to date. Once your probationary period is over you will get a notice to call into the office and exchange your probationary card for a full membership card which gives you voting rights at all quarterly and general meetings. These cards are not posted out for security reasons. Please carry your card with you when attending the club as we do card checks at the main door, or you may be approached by security for identification if you are on club premises out of club hours.

GENERAL HOUSE RULES:

(These are just common sense matters)

Dress

A reasonable standard of dress is required at all times. Please read the notice above the bar that explains the dress code. Please leave dirty footwear at the door (after working on boats you can come in for lunch but when finished a tidy up is required). We also ask that members moderate their language out of respect for the women and children who attend the club, after all this is a family club not a working men's club.

Behaviour

Under no circumstances will any physical or verbal confrontation either on or near club premises be tolerated. Such behaviour will bring prompt disciplinary action from the Executive. If 2 members are involved then the 2 members can expect to be suspended (stood down for a period of time).

PLAYGROUND

For our younger members we have an outside playground. This is a family club and we do appreciate you bringing the young members into the Club. We find that the most popular family day is on a Sunday in the afternoon and evening. However, please do not let your children run around the club as they could get hurt or even burned if they run into someone with hot coffee or tea. Your children are your responsibility so please make sure you know where they are at all times. Whilst we have tried to make our club area as safe as possible for young children, as you know, with children anything can happen. Children are not allowed to use the adult pool tables.

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

This applies to the children of members who are under the age of 18. Children may apply for adult membership before turning 18 and will be exempt from paying the Nomination fee.

GUESTS

We encourage you to invite guests to join you at the Club. But here are a few rules on guests. You must remember to sign your guests in at the main entrance with your name and membership number as well. Read the instructions re-signing guests in, you must carry your club card at all times. When you leave, your guests must leave with you. Each guest is allowed a maximum of 12 visits per year only, why not invite them to join and you can nominate them for membership. You can only sign in 6 guests at one time unless you have approval of the Commodore or management.

BAR FACILITY

The Club bar is open every night of the week;
Monday to Wednesday 3.00pm till 9.00pm
Thursday 3.00pm till 10pm
Friday and Saturday 12.00pm till 10.30pm
Sunday 12 noon till 9.30pm.

However the bar person has the right at all times to close the bar at their discretion, usually if there are little or no members present. You have half an hour to finish your drinks after the bar closes. It is important that this rule is observed as the bar staff are

following instructions from the Executive to protect our liquor licence, and staff have to be ready to leave when the security officer arrives at a prearranged time to escort them to their cars. Your cooperation is essential.

RETURN GLASSES ETC TO BAR

Please return your glasses, jugs, bottles to the bar serverly before you leave, this allows us to have fewer staff, which in turn keeps the price of drinks down.

RESTAURANT

A very capable and friendly caterer runs our Restaurant.

Current hours for the Restaurant, February 2019.

Monday closed. Open Tuesday to Sunday 12.00pm till 9.00pm.

The menu does change regularly and there are specials most weekends. Again, to enable us to keep costs down, could you please return all plates etc. to the kitchen, and if you use one of our high chairs for youngsters please return it to where it belongs.

BBQ AREA

We have a BBQ area for your use at no charge, and you can obtain the key from the bar. This area is only available when the bar is open, but please feel free to use the BBQ area with your friends, or even for a birthday party. However, you cannot bring liquor into the Club grounds, as all liquor must be purchased from the bar. Please make sure that you clean up the BBQ and BBQ area before you leave. If you are having a large function in the BBQ area, write a letter to the Executive so that extra bar staff can be considered.

SOCIAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Club night is Thursday night, this is usually a busy night and as new members you may find that this is an opportunity to meet other club members. Or you may prefer to enjoy your own company and sit with your own group or family, and will find that members will respect your wishes. Our Club Captain makes the announcements of current events and forthcoming social occasions. These are also advertised in our regular newsletter and on the noticeboard. We have a lucky membership number draw on club night. All financial membership numbers are in the draw, this starts at \$100 and jackpots by \$100.00 per week to a maximum of \$1000. Members have to be present on the night to be able to claim the prize. Once the draw has been made you have 2 minutes to present your card.

We have a wide range of social activities and we try to create something for everyone, from the Quiz nights, music on the deck, party nights, barn dance, Xmas parties for the kids and one for the adults, the Club Picnic (normally at Motuihe), fishing competitions, a dinghy challenge, boat rally, to name but a few. Suggestions are always welcomed.

PAYMENTS OF ACCOUNTS

All Accounts are paid through the office, or can be paid by credit card or EFTPOS at the bar. Cheque payments can also be left at the bar.

We have an ATM in the main lounge for your convenience.

USE OF BOATING AMENITIES

Bookings for use of the hard site, service bays on the wharf, the club trolley, water blaster, boat cradles etc. are to be booked through the office, John Dormer is the Yardman and Sandy O'Neill is the Office Manager. For new members there is a stand down period of 3 months before members' rates are charged for these services.

SECURITY

We have 24-hour surveillance cameras all around the compound, wharf and clubhouse. There is a security gate that prevents non-members access to our grounds at night. If you need to obtain access all you do is swipe your membership card through the Swipe Card device, situated on the right hand side, then move your car forward and the gate will automatically open. To exit the yard simply drive to the sign on the gate and follow the instructions.

Please carry your card with you at all times as your card is needed for identification and to access the main door. Again just swipe the card through the Swipe Card device at the front door. When leaving, the sensor will open the doors for you. Visitors must not be brought into the club through the rear entrance. The main entrance must be used in order for them to sign the visitors' book.

CARS

Cars must be parked in the marked areas. Please do not park in no parking areas and be careful not to obstruct the ramps or access to the land end of the wharf. The parking area to the end of the wharf is for short term loading and unloading (members have 30 minutes to get their loading or unloading done). If you leave your car there you will be towed away by the Club's towing contractor. The yellow lined area in front of the Club is reserved for the Executive Committee only. It is the only perk they get for the work that they do.

SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE

The Club sponsors up to 4 Junior Members who have had their 15th Birthday, but not their 18th birthday and is still attending school, on the Spirit of Adventure Trust Cadetship. This cadetship costs approximately \$1800.00 for each child. The cadetship is on the sailing vessel "Spirit of New Zealand" and is for 10 days. These trips vary from going to Great Barrier, or the Bay of Islands and some even go sailing further down the island to Wellington. This is a fantastic experience for our teenage members. The parents are expected to contribute 10% of the cost and the club pays for the balance.