



From the Commodore...

Coastal Classic Weekend

I hope you enjoyed your Labour Weekend. Since 1982, for many in the sailing community, Labour Weekend has been the Coastal Classic weekend.

Congratulations to past commodores Simon Manning and Simon Tucker, GBC sailor Jack Manning and the rest of the crew on Kaizen. Kaizen carried the GBC burgee (and those of RAYC and RNZYS) to 7th place in Div 1B and kept the bigger boats honest! There's some great video on the [Kaizen Facebook page](#).

And congratulations to GBC sailor and holiday programme coach, Oliver Davidson, for finishing his first Coastal Classic on Bullistic at the ripe old age of 15.

Finally, a thank-you to Anthony McBride. When he's not volunteering at GBC as Learn to Sail Coordinator and committee member or at the Panmure Yacht and Boating Club, he's helping to organise the Coastal Classic for the New Zealand Multihull Yacht Club. Without volunteers like Anthony, our sport couldn't happen.



This Saturday at GBC

This Saturday, we're holding the first day of our Feva and Mistral (and anything else) Saturday Series with BBYC. This will be fun, informal racing, with starts and finishes off the GBC deck.

Please be ready to launch immediately after a very brief briefing at 9:00am. First warning signal will be 9:30am.

Please come down to the club to race a Feva, Mistral or any adult class. You can [hire a club Feva for \\$30 for the day](#). Sign up [here](#).

Register your entry [here](#) so we know you're coming. Or contact Paul Webber (021 996 394 or paul.webber@wedgewoodwhite.com) for more information.

This Sunday at the Club

This Sunday will be busy! We are running two sailing sessions and we welcome our Term 4 Learn to Sail class.

At 11am we'll hold a briefing for Fevas, Mistrals, and adult classes. Again, if you want to join in the fun, you can hire a club Feva for \$30 for the morning (we need the club Fevas for Learn to Sail in the afternoon). Sign up [here](#). If you need some help rigging a Feva we'll have people on the deck (and support on the water) to help out. We'll try to run three short races, with starts and finishes off the deck. You'll be back on shore by 12:30pm.

Then at 1:00pm we'll hold our briefing for our normal afternoon club racing. The aim will be to hold three or four "Season Points" races.

Race fleets, please be rigged and ready to launch before the 1:00pm briefing. Upskillers, you can get your boats out once the race fleets have cleared the deck.



The Sir Peter Blake Regatta

Entries are now open for the Sir Peter Blake Regatta, which will be held at the Torbay Sailing Club on Saturday 3 and Sunday 4 December 2022.

There is no racing at GBC on Sunday 4 December, and the race fleets (Opti Green, Opti Open and Starlings) relocate to Torbay for the weekend. GBC will set up our "Big Yellow" base camp tent. And we'll have RHIBs on the water supporting each fleet.

More information about the regatta is [here](#). Enter [here](#).

Please get in touch with your fleet convenor for more information and/or to let them know that you've entered. Opti sailors contact Brian Boyle at brianb@datacom.co.nz. Starling sailors contact Simon Tucker at simon.tucker@fonterra.com.

Learn to Sail and Upskillers will be at the club as usual on Sunday 4 December.



75th Anniversary Celebration Sub-Committee

We have formed a 75th Anniversary Celebration Sub-committee to... umm... plan the celebrations for our 75th season next year. Club Captain Tracy Cooper is running the show.

If you've got a talent for organising a party, if you would like to dig into GBC history or if you can design a better logo than this one, please get in touch with Tracy at 1treehill.mike@gmail.com.

Membership Invoices

Membership and building levy invoices have been emailed out. Please look out for them in your inbox (or junk folder). This might be a good time to [log in to your account](#) to check whether you have any other outstanding fees.

Any questions, please get in touch with David Davies at membersgbc@gmail.com.

Can You Store Our Trailer?

We've run out of room in the RHIB shed for our double-stacker trailer. Can you store it at your place?

The trailer dimensions are approximately 3m x 1.5m. We're happy for you to use the trailer in lieu of charging us to store it.

If you can help, please contact Cath Costello at cath@wedgewoodwhite.com.

