



The Wisp

9 November 2022

Thanks, Burnesco



Members' Support Pays Dividends!

The team at Burnesco have come through for us yet again! Along with giving GBC members awesome discounts whenever possible, Tim Els and his team at Burnesco accrue loyalty points for the GBC every time one of our members makes a purchase. This week Cath collected \$500 of vouchers for the clubs use. The value this represents to a small not-for-profit organisation like us is extraordinary!

Please keep shopping at Burnesco Mt Wellington, and make sure they know that you're from the GBC when you check out.

From the Commodore...

Ramp Heroes!

There was another solid northeasterly last Sunday. This made for great fun for the race fleets - the Starling sailors, in particular, came home with big smiles. The learn-to-sail class experienced some epic rides and a few swims in the club Fevas. Congratulations to the Upskillers for smashing into the waves in their de-powered Optis.

But the northeasterly blows straight on our deck, so it also meant another challenging afternoon on the ramps recovering our sailors at the end of the day. Huge thanks to our ramp heroes Martin Clarke, Heng Loon Chee and Tracy Cooper for their marathon shift helping to land around 40 dinghies! And thanks to our Opti Open and Starling sailors who also pitched in to give a hand to the less experienced sailors.

Please come to the club on Sundays dressed to get wet, and lend a hand on the ramp if you can.

This Saturday at the Club

This Saturday, we're again trying to hold the first day of our Feva and Mistral (and anything else) Saturday Series with BBYC. This was blown out a couple of weeks ago, so fingers crossed for a better forecast this week. Our Saturday sailing is intended to be fun, informal racing, with starts and finishes off the GBC deck.

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.

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

I hope we get a day like this!



Photo: Auckland Libraries Heritage Collection

This Sunday at the Club

This Sunday is the "Around Browns" race. We'll be joined by BBYC and head off on our own little blue water adventure. Race fleets, please be rigged and ready to launch before the 9:00am briefing.

There are trophies for Opti Green, Opti Open, Starling Green and Starling Open.

Upskillers and Learn to Sail, see you at 9am for briefing. We'll get your boats out once the race fleets clear the decks.

BBQ on Deck - 20 November

We'll be sparking up the BBQs after sailing on Sunday 20 November, so please hang around, bring your families and BYO drinks.

Our galley team will be selling burgers \$5 each but you are welcome to bring your own picnic dinner and use the BBQ.

To help us with catering please pre-order your burgers by clicking on this [link](#). You'll pay at the galley window on the night.



Isla inspects Todd's BBQ cleaning skills

Club Keys

Members can apply to have a key to the club. This gives access to the boat sheds, so you collect and deliver your boat (or go sailing) any time. The cost of a key is \$75. Of this amount, \$50 is refundable when you no longer need the key and return it.

The payment and distribution of keys is not managed by the normal club Friendly Manager system. We ask that you make a payment direct to the GBC bank account. Once payment is received, Chanel will organise to deliver you a key.

If you would like a key, please get in touch with our Keeper of the Keys, Chanel Finnigan at chanel.finnigan@gmail.com.

Women on Water Weekend

Auckland Yacht & Boating Association and the Gulf Harbour Club are putting on a "Women on Water Weekend". The event is designed to provide an opportunity for women at every level of sailing - from novice to most experienced - to enjoy a weekend on the water, networking and with the emphasis on having fun!

The event runs from Friday 10 March to Sunday 12 March 2023. Friday is a familiarisation day, followed by two days of racing. The social programme runs across all three days.

More information [here](#).



WOMEN ON WATER WEEKEND ~ WOWW



A fun weekend on and off the water. Open to crews and individuals, experienced and inexperienced.

10 – 12 MARCH 2023

Organised by Gulf Harbour Yacht Club in association with AYBA.

Gulf Harbour is ideally situated to enjoy the fabulous sailing waters of the Hauraki Gulf.

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