



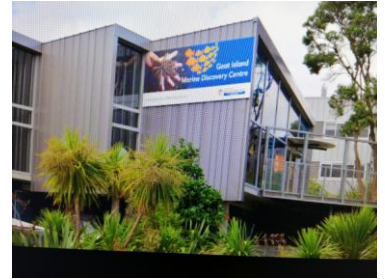
Auckland Fleet Newsletter – October 2020

Finally, after all the disruptions caused by the coronavirus pandemic this year, we managed to have the Annual General Meeting of the IYFR Auckland Fleet: 50 members, partners and guests met in the Northcote Birkenhead Yacht Club on the Birkenhead Wharf and enjoyed wonderful views, lovely weather, great (careful) socialising, delicious food and a very entertaining and informative guest speaker, Commander Layamon Bakewell.



Having had some thoroughly enjoyable events prior to the lockdown in March (reported on at the AGM), planning for the next events in the calendar is well in hand:

Sunday 8th November. Visit to Goat Island Marine Discovery Centre, tour of Leigh historic sites & lunch at the Leigh Bar. Meet at the Discovery Centre, 160 Goat Island Road, at 11am to take part in a very informative and fun tour of the Discovery Centre. More information about the Marine Discovery Centre available on the website www.goatlandmarine.co.nz/about/ and there is a small



admission fee which goes to support the Discovery Centre operations (details on the website).



Following this visit Peter Scott is available to take people on a short tour of the area surrounding Leigh and entertain you with stories of the history of different sites while you take in the fabulous views.

And after the fabulous views, some fabulous food can be enjoyed at the

Leigh Bar while soaking up the great atmosphere and admiring the beautiful polished macrocarpa tables and fittings in the Bar – more fascinating history here! **Numbers needed! RSVP by return email or by the 1st November 2020 at the latest!**



If you'd like to make a weekend of it (or stay longer) you can book into the Leigh Apartments – deluxe, self-contained accommodation. Visit www.leighapartments.co.nz to see what they're like and phone or text Peter Scott (021825902) to book in. First in first served so be quick!



Wednesday, 2nd December – Christmas Dinner: Sails Restaurant, 103-113 Westhaven Drive, Westhaven Marina. Arrive between 6.45pm and 7.15pm. 3-course dinner (set menu – details available on request). Cost of dinner: \$70 plus drinks, pay on the night.

The restaurant is doing a special deal for us so we need confirmation of numbers – **please RSVP to Margaret Johns by 27th November 2020 at the latest; also advise any dietary requirements.** Friends and family welcome to join in the Christmas celebration and enjoy delicious

food and the great views over Westhaven Marina. Plenty of free parking available at the door!!

Details of the Area3AGM programme taking in America's Cup events in 2021 will be forwarded later in the year.