



Affiliated to Rebus NZ Incorporated

Established 25th September 2019, Rebus Club No: 19106

Bank a/c details for direct credits: 12-3084-0029743-00

***Meetings: 9.30 am, second Wednesday each month, except January,
at Gulf Harbour Yacht Club, Laurie Southwick Parade, Gulf Harbour.***

Apologies to Secretary: rebusgulpharboursecretary@gmail.com OR 027 321 9713

MEETING Wednesday 8th OCTOBER 2025.

Club Speaker: Hugh Pattison, "Husqvarna."

Guest Speaker: Phillippa Pitcher, from Macular Degeneration NZ.

From the President: Last month we farewelled our member, friend and Welfare Officer, Pam Naylor, who leaves us to start a new chapter of her life with family in Australia. Best wishes, Pam, and many thanks for your service to our Club.

Spring has arrived. Some warmer days are hopefully heralding a beautiful Summer – fingers crossed – time to get planting!

As mentioned at the September meeting, the Committee is delighted to announce that Rob Lorden has come onboard, and will be Vice President for the remainder of the year. Thank you, Rob, we look forward to your input and fresh ideas. Gwyneth Manning, who joined the Committee recently, is working with Verna Harford organising trips, events, and an assortment of interesting visits to fill our leisure time. Recently, a group of us went to Hoyts Cinema to see **Downton Abbey, the Grand Finale**. And we were not disappointed, we all got our final fill of all things Downton - thank you Gwyneth for your enthusiasm. A group of eight members enjoyed the Zoo experience, under the leadership of Gill Wild, our resident zoo guru. Thanks to Gill for organising the trip.

I am looking forward to the October meeting – our Birthday Month – and enjoying morning tea provided by the Committee. Also, Chapter Two of Hugh Pattison's interesting life story. See you there,

Jean.



***\$\$ Please remember: small money for Entry and Sales Table \$\$,
and turn off your phone during the meeting.***

COMMITTEE 2025/6

President: Jean McIntosh 09 424 7115
Vice President: Rob Lorden 0274 715 030
Secretary: Lynette Phillips 027 321 9713
Treasurer: Alister Fookes 020 485 0778
Membership: Gill Raynor 022 139 7406
Newsletter: Jean McIntosh 09 424 7115
Committee: Gill Wild 027 297 3414
Trips/Outings: Verna Harford 0210 774 325
and Gwyneth Manning 027 257 7640
IPP: Ken Daniels 021 621 411

*Positions off Committee

***Club Speakers:** Graeme McIntosh 0274 739 787
***Welfare:** Pam Warner 021 146 5753
***Greeter:** Trish Davis 021 0233 5796
***Website, Publicity & Photography:** Graeme McIntosh 0274 739 787
*** Guest Speakers:** Kathryn Officer 021 575 191
*** Kitchen:** Colin Cathro 09 428 0869

LAST MEETING: Club Speaker, Hugh Pattison was Born in Geraldine and educated in Mayfield, he qualified as a motor mechanic, the start of an interesting and varied career with companies such as Smith & Smith Glass, Repco, Castrol Oil and Husqvarna. He owned the Mayfield Garage, servicing numerous agricultural equipment, and held many positions in the local community, including the local Fire Brigade, where he was honoured with Life Membership.



Guest Speaker: Guy Slocum, Fighter Pilot during the Cold War. Guy explained that the Cold War, started towards the end of WWII, following a meeting at Yalta between Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin. He started flying gliders at the age of 12, then flew the monoplane Austers. He earned his first pilot's license at 17, and his "wings" a year later. Target practice involved firing at a flag towed by another aircraft. The aim was to intercept the Russians before they could fire their missiles. Lightnings held fuel for only 50 minutes, so had to refuel mid-air sometimes up to 32 times.



The Club Membership stands at 67, and the Bank Balance at the end of August was \$5,306.

FUTURE EVENTS:

"What's On": Quiz Night, 9th October, 5.30 pm at the RSA.

"What's On": "Intro to bowling", 18th November, Manly Bowling Club.

8TH OCTOBER MEETING, our 6th Birthday Morning Tea, provided by the Committee.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH, Red Beach Surf Lifesaving Club, Wed. 10th December, after meeting.

ANNUAL BBQ, Shakespear Park, Wed. 21 January 2026, \$10.00 pp.

NOTE: CARPOOLING: As most of our trips/events involve carpooling, if someone is kind enough to offer you a ride, you might like to offer a contribution towards petrol etc. **Partners and spouses welcome.**

SALES TABLE: The Sales Table will be open at the October meeting. Donations of **baking, plants, nicknacks, books, garden produce, anything you think somebody else might buy would be most welcome.** But please, **if your donations are not sold we ask you to take them home again.** **Remember to order "horse-poo" for your spring garden, delivery in October.** **Sarah Bretherton, 029 200 4162, is reponsible for the Sales Table, assisted by Verneice Kilsby. Please phone her if you have any enquiries.**

INTEREST GROUPS:



The Ramblers Group: Meet every Monday morning. Contact: Garth Dutton, garth269@gmail.com or 020 400 60844.



CBD Explorers: Meet monthly. Contact: Judi Lee, Leeja@xtra.co.nz or 029 8942 522.



Dine-Out Group: Meets monthly. Contact: George Tregidga, gandc@xtra.co.nz or 424 5322.



Mah Jong Group: Meets every Wednesday, 1.30 pm. Contact: Verna Harford, vernaharford@gmail.com or 0210 774 325.



500 Cards Evening: Meets monthly. Contact: Pam Warner, pambiggs2003@yahoo.com.au or 021 146 5753.



Discussion Group: Meets monthly, the day after Club Day, 10.00 am. Contact: Ken Daniels, kendaniels007@gmail.com or 021 621 411.



BIRTHDAYS IN OCTOBER

Jean Holgate, Judi Lee, Pam Lorden, Kathryn Officer,
Frank Townley, Roy Adlard.

Happy Birthday, we hope you all celebrate in style.

MEMBERSHIP: If any of your personal details change during the year, please notify Graeme McIntosh 0274 739 787, who will update the database. **Remember**, you can refer prospective members to the Club's website, www.rebus-gulfbour.nz
Visitors may attend two meetings before deciding whether to apply for membership.

GUEST SPEAKERS: If you know someone who would be an interesting Guest Speaker, please give the details to Kathryn Officer, Speakers Convenor, who will then make contact, and all the arrangements necessary. Ph. 021 575 191.

MEMBERS ARE ASKED NOT TO MAKE A COMMITMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CLUB, PLEASE!

WELFARE: Pam Warner is our new Welfare Officer. If you know of a member who is unwell, phone: Pam: 021 146 5753, or Verna: Ph: 0210 774 325.

LIST OF DRIVERS IN AN EMERGENCY

Garth Dutton, Gill & Neil Wild, Verneice & David Kilsby, Pam Warner, Lynette Phillips,
Peter Hopkins, Gill & Alister Fookes, Gwyneth Manning.

OUT AND ABOUT



The Ramblers, Gulf Harbour ramble,



and Arkles Bay ramble.



Presentation of more blankets by the knitters to Youth in Transition.



(R) On the third Auckland Zoo visit we finally saw the Gharial crocodiles in the South East Asian forest dome. Great day out, thanks Gill.



NAME BADGES: Please remember to wear your name badge to all Club meetings, all trips, and events. We suggest you write the name and phone number of your “next of kin” (NOK) on the back of the name badge – just in case of an unexpected event etc.

IMPORTANT: PARKING:

The Yacht Club advises that if the carpark is full, members who still drive, **but who have difficulty walking**, may park their car on the grass next to the drop-off area, or nose-to-tail in front of the Club’s garage.

We now have a sign for “Reserved for Speaker Parking.”



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