



## Rebus Club of Gulf Harbour



***Affiliated to Rebus NZ Incorporated***

***Established 25<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:rebusgulpharboursecretary@gmail.com) OR 027 321 9713

**MEETING Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025.**

**Club Speaker: Hugh Pattison.**

**Guest Speaker: Guy Slocum, RAF fighter pilot during the Cold War.**

**From the President:** Graeme and I thought we were being good citizens, having all the Covid and Flu injections and boosters, but Covid had other plans and got us in the end. We don't know where we got it, and believe things could have been much worse without the boosters, but It was still unpleasant and debilitating. So please, make sure your boosters are up to date.

This month our Guest Speaker, Guy Slocum, promises to be very interesting, and he is willing to take questions from the floor as his talk progresses. So come prepared.

Now, the good news, and the bad news. Our Welfare Officer, Pam Naylor, has sold her home in double-quick time, and will be relocating to Brisbane. This meeting may be the last opportunity we get to thank and farewell our member and friend before she jumps the ditch. Pam Warner has offered to take over the Welfare Officer position – her contact details appear in this newsletter under "Welfare".

The Club Website has had a makeover. Please go to [www.rebus-gulpharbour.nz](http://www.rebus-gulpharbour.nz) and check it out. I look forward to seeing you all again next week at the September meeting. Please stay safe and warm. Sarah Sales Table should be back with us again, so if you require any horse-poo for your Spring garden planting, give her a call on 029 200 4162.

*Jean.* PS. Please read the back page for [TRIPS AND EVENTS REFUND POLICY](#).

**\$\$ 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:** Vacant  
**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,** Rob Lorden gave members a 15-minute Life Story. Born in Dunedin, he attended Otago Boys High School and Otago University, where he studied engineering. His first job was as a structural engineer in Gisborne. After various positions working for local authorities, he became a consultant. Dragonboat racing, yachting and skiing are his hobbies.



**Guest Speaker: Vincent Maire**, who spoke about his two positions with Harbour Hospice in Red Beach. In 2005, responsible for fundraising, he was tasked with raising \$2m for the new Hospice building. In 2011 he left and started a course to become a spiritual carer, after which he was invited to rejoin Hospice. Vincent said his approach to death and dying is through meditation and solitude. His own family experiences have helped with others' suffering. A sense of humour also helps. He retired in December 2024.



**The Club Membership stands at 68, and the Bank Balance at the end of August was \$5,504.**

### FUTURE EVENTS:

**DINE-OUT GROUP:** Tues. 16<sup>th</sup> September, 6.30 pm., "Ship & Anchor", Bakehouse Lane, Orewa. Call George Tregidga on 424 5322.

**"What's On": Thurs. 11<sup>th</sup> September, Quiz Night – RSA, 5.00 pm.**

**"What's On": Thurs. 18<sup>th</sup> September, "Downton Abbey" movie at Hoyts, Plaza. Details on Club Day.**

**Trip to Auckland Zoo: Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September. Clipboard for names on Club Day.**

**8<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER MEETING,** our 6<sup>th</sup> Birthday Morning Tea, provided by the Committee.

**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 August 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 September.** **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](mailto:garth269@gmail.com) or 020 400 60844.



**CBD Explorers:** Meet monthly. Contact: Judi Lee, [Leeja@xtra.co.nz](mailto:Leeja@xtra.co.nz) or 029 8942 522.



**Dine-Out Group:** Meets monthly. Contact: George Tregidga, [gandc@xtra.co.nz](mailto:gandc@xtra.co.nz) or 424 5322.



**Mah Jong Group:** Meets every Wednesday, 1.30 pm. Contact: Verna Harford, [vernaharford@gmail.com](mailto:vernaharford@gmail.com) or 0210 774 325.



**500 Cards Evening:** Meets monthly. Contact: Pam Warner, [pambiggs2003@yahoo.com.au](mailto: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](mailto:kendaniels007@gmail.com) or 021 621 411.



## **BIRTHDAYS IN SEPTEMBER**

**Monica Steele, Verneice Kilsby,**

**Garth Dutton, John Lee, Dave Dewe.**

**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-gulfharbour.nz](http://www.rebus-gulfharbour.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 will be our new Welfare Officer, taking over from Pam Naylor. 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



**CBD Explorers, at Origine Restaurant.**



**The Ramblers, Orewa ramble.**



**Visit to Tip  
Top Ice Cream  
Factory, Mt.  
Wellington.**

**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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### **TRIPS AND EVENTS REFUND POLICY**

1. The Committee may refund payments made for trips/events which are cancelled due to external factors, less any costs already incurred by the Club for the relevant trip/event.
2. Refunds for non-attendance will only be considered by the Committee upon written application within 30 days of the relevant trip/event.
3. Refunds will NOT be approved where the member or spouse/partner/guest has forgotten, or changed his/her/their mind, or failed to arrive at the event/trip departure point by the specified time.
4. Any refund approved will be limited to the amount of the participant's payment after deduction of any directly related costs incurred on his/her/their behalf by the Club.
5. All decisions of the Committee on requested refunds are entirely at their discretion, and shall be final.

There is no form to be completed for a request for a refund – a simple email or text to the Committee with the basic information will normally suffice.

Jean McIntosh,

President,

September 2025.