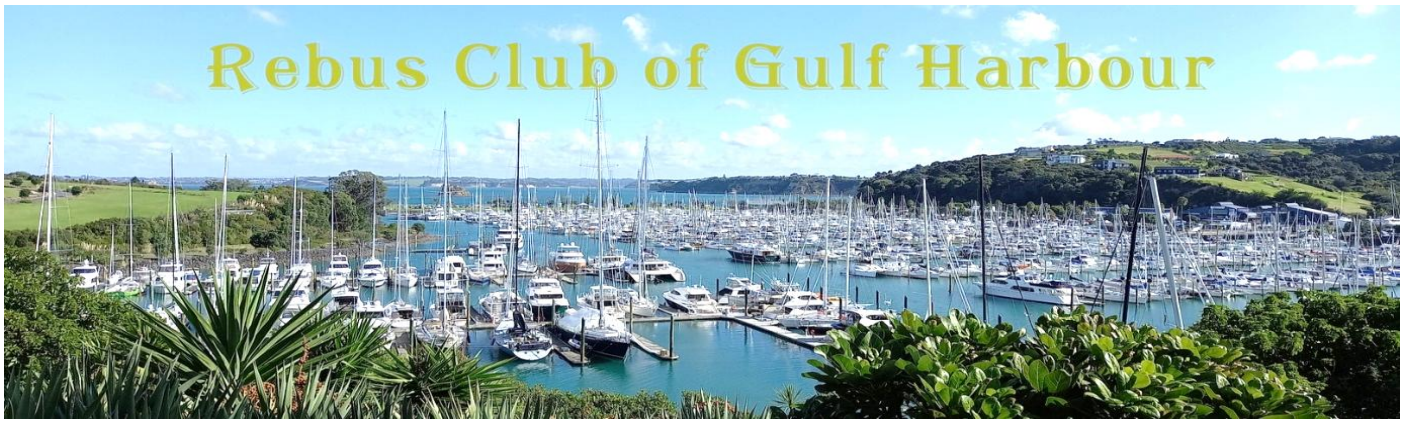
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Steering a safe course *through our retirement years.*



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: rebusghsecretary@gmail.com **021 504 925**

MEETING: Wednesday 11th NOVEMBER 2026.

There will be no Club Speaker in November

Guest Speaker: Cassandra Tufuga, "Considering a Retirement Village?"

From the President:



How quickly this year has gone. The other day I spotted the Santa setup at the local mall and noticed Christmas treats appearing in the supermarket. It made me stop and wonder how the year has disappeared so quickly. Now's a good time to get your Xmas gifts wrapped as the queues aren't very long

Further to my report last month, guests who'd like to see what we do at any of the regular activities our members enjoy are very welcome to join us on an activity before deciding whether to become a member. It's a relaxed way to see what we do, meet the group, and get a feel for the club before deciding.

The 500 Group, which meets in members' homes, has become very popular, with more members keen to join in than can comfortably fit into most homes. To help, we've started a second group, which currently has seven members. If you're interested in joining the new group, please have a chat with Helen. There's plenty happening in the Club at the moment, with lots of enjoyable activities to get involved in, including our Christmas Lunch. We'd love to see you at these events and share some good company.

Stay safe out there,

Rob.

$$ Please remember: small money for $5 Entry and Sales Table $$, and turn off your phone during the meeting.

COMMITTEE 2026/7

President:	Rob Lorden	0274 715 030
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Secretary:	Helen Carter	021 504 925
Treasurer:	Hugh Pattison	0221089976
Membership:	Gill Raynor	022 139 7406
Newsletter:	Jean McIntosh	09 424 7115
Committee:	Gill Wild	027 297 3414
	Ken Daniels	021 621 411
	Susan Carpenter	021 270 8244
Trips/Outings:	Verna Harford	0210 774 325
	and Gwyneth Manning	027 257 7640
IPP:	Jean McIntosh	09 424 7115

***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
***Sales Table:**	Sarah Bretherton	029 200 4162
***Kitchen:**	Dave & Raewyn Dewe	021 053 3093
***Guest Speakers:**	**Vacant.**	

LAST MEETING: Club Speaker, Gill Wild, took us with her as she relived a recent holiday she and husband Neil enjoyed in Greece and Türkiye. They flew from Auckland to Singapore, then on to Athens, staying near the Parthenon. Four Cruise Ships ensured all historic sites were crammed with tourists. They visited the Archeological Museum dating from 1750-1050 BC, and the Temple of Apollo, which is almost all that remains of the City of Delphi. Other notable sites were Epidaurus, Istanbul, Mykonos, Cappadocia and Gallipoli. Her selection of photos really brought the talk to life.



Guest Speaker: Bruce Tong, Principal, Wentworth College. Bruce trained as a Primary Teacher, then spent a number of years as Deputy Principal at Westlake Boys High School. He was appointed Principal of Wentworth College at Gulf Harbour before the school was built. October 2002 to February 2003 was a frantic four months; engaging staff, organising uniforms, selecting furniture etc. – opening in February 2003 with 10 teachers and 35 pupils. Wentworth, named after the UK Wentworth Golf Course, (because of its proximity to Gulf Harbour Golf Course), concentrates on being an academic School, run as a business, with a Property Company and a Trust Board of 4 members. The Cambridge curriculum is taught, as it is recognized worldwide. The new building under construction will contain a Cafeteria, Staff Room, Science Labs and further classrooms. It will have a roll of 650 students max when completed, with 250 students in the Primary School next door. Class size is max 25 students, 95% of whom go on to University. What a happy place to gain a wonderful education.





October was our birthday month, and this year we celebrated **seven years** since we became a Rebus Affiliate. We are the only Rebus Club that has been started from scratch – not having renamed ourselves from something else. The Committee put on a special Morning Tea, and the Birthday Cake was made by member Karen Clout. Forty-six members enjoyed the special occasion.

NEW MEMBERS

Correction:

Pamela Kayitano's phone No. is 022 549 0732. Please amend your membership list.

The Club Membership stands at 74,
the Bank Balance at the end of October was $7,174.

FUTURE EVENTS:

"What's On":

Quiz Night: RSA, 5.00 pm 5th November, and 3rd December. Phone Gwyneth.

Darts: Every Tuesday, 2.00 pm, RSA, phone Trevor Carpenter. NEW.

CBD Explorers: Thursday November 19th, the Picasso Exhibition, Auckland CBD.

"Operatunity" – Let's Twist Again, Centrestage, 2.00 pm, 4th November.

Great Rebus Debate: See poster later in this Newsletter, 10th November.

Hoyts: "Ebeneezer" 17th November, details on Club Day.

Twilight Bowls: Manly Bowling Club, Thurs 12th Nov. 5.45 pm, $10, phone Gwyneth.

Christmas Lunch: Wednesday 9th December, following the Meeting. Red Beach Surf Lifesaving Club. Buffet Lunch, $40 for members, $50 for guests. Clipboard on Wednesday.

Annual BBQ. Wed. 20th January 2027. $10 p.p. 11.00 a.m. Te Haruhi Bay, Shakespear Park.

SALES TABLE: The Sales Table will be open at the November meeting. Now is the time to be preparing your Summer Garden. Phone Sarah to order your HORSE POO.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. Sarah Bretherton, 029 200 4162. is reponsibe for the Sales Table.

INTEREST GROUPS:



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



CBD Explorers: Meets 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: Christine Handley,** didteen@gmail.com or **021 681 513**,



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.**

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What's On: Social events. **Contact: Gwyneth Manning**, gwynethmanning@hotmail.co.uk or **021 257 7640**, **or Verna Harford**, vernaharford@gmail.com or **0210 774 325**.

QUIZ **Quiz Night:** Monthly, RSA, 5.00 pm, **Contact: Verna & Gwyneth, as above.**



BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER

Shirley Powell, Cathrina Theron, Piet Theron, Raewyn Dewe,

Lorraine Thornley, Jessyka Stuart, Margaret Fowler.

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 and view testimonials from happy club members.

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 the President or a Committee Member. We are looking for somebody who will take on the Convenor's job and make all the arrangements.

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

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

Pam has the list of emergency drivers.

OUT AND ABOUT

The Ramblers 19th October ramble, Stanmore Bay.

CBD Explorers forgot to take a photo of the excellent turnout (20) for the Titanic Exhibition (22 October) but we had a great time.



Dine Out Group: 42 members from both clubs enjoyed good food at Thai Manly.









THE MOTION

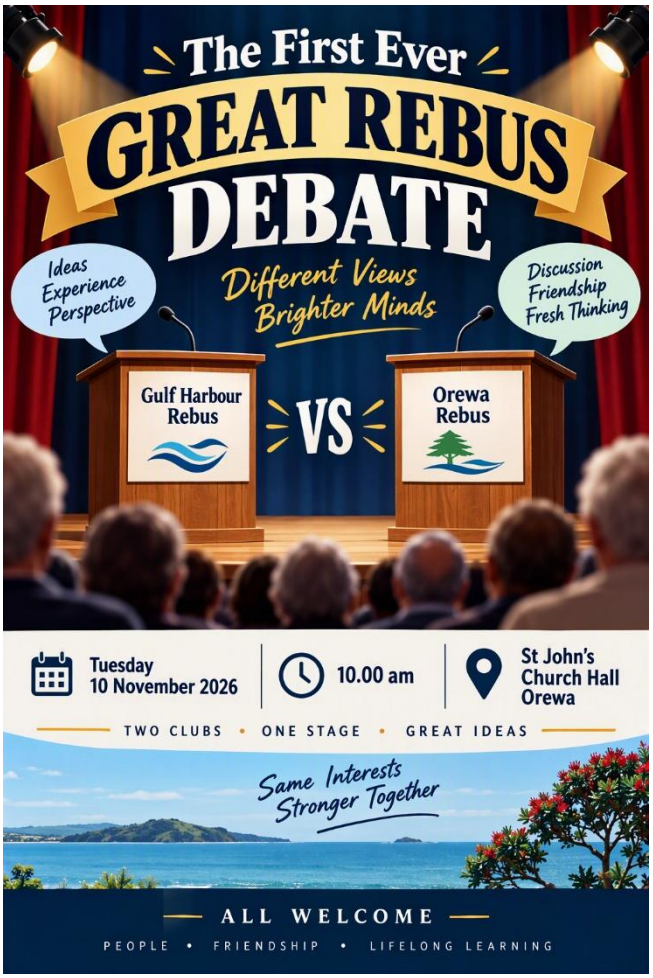
"Orewa should be the Capital of the Hibiscus Coast"

FOR: OREWA.

AGAINST: GULF HARBOUR.

VENUE: St John's Church,

180 Centreway Road, Orewa



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."

