

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 14th OCTOBER 2026.

Club Speaker: Gill Wild.

Guest Speaker: Bruce Tong, Principal, Wentworth College.

From the President:

In response to questions from some Members about our Club's position on inviting friends to attend Club activities, your Committee discussed the issue thoroughly at today's Committee Meeting. The results are as follows:

Guests are welcome at **selected** Rebus activities, and we appreciate members introducing new people to the Club. However, some Interest Groups — particularly those activities held at **Members' homes** — are for Members only. If a visitor wishes to attend regularly, we ask that they become a Financial Member so they can fully participate and support the club. This ensures fairness and helps us maintain the quality of our programmes.

Some events - particularly the **Dine-Out evenings** - are intended for Members and their non-member partners. As this is a joint event with the Rebus Club of Hibiscus Coast, these occasions work best when held within our two clubs, as venue numbers may be limited, and the format is designed around our joint memberships.

For other **outside activities**, Members may occasionally bring a guest, but regular participation is a privilege of membership. If a guest wishes to attend regularly, we would be delighted to welcome them as a Member of our Rebus community.

We don't want to come across as controlling - that's not the spirit of Rebus, and certainly not of our Club. But remember, our activities are organised for the enjoyment and benefit of our Members. Cheers, *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
V.P: Gwyneth Manning 027 257 7640
Secretary: Helen Carter 021 504 925
Treasurer: Hugh Pattison 0221089976
Membership: Gill Raynor 022 139 7406
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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, Gwyneth Manning, related her experiences of a holiday to **Cuba**, whose tourism started growing in the 1970s. It is the largest island in the Caribbean with beautiful beaches, and everyone is paid the same wage. A catamaran trip to **Iguana Island** proved that the only inhabitants were indeed iguanas. Gwyneth learned body-boarding while on a plane trip to **Cayo Largo**. A guided trip to Havana was along an almost deserted motorway. They saw ladies in national costume, horse-drawn carriages and visited a cigar factory where every cigar is hand-rolled. When **Fidel Castro** addressed the locals, **Revolution Square** was filled to capacity. The bar "**La Floridita**" was Ernest Hemingway's local watering hole, and the **Veladero** night-life was a real eye-opener.



Guest Speakers, Karen Little and Tracey Smith from

Harbour Hospice. The Government funds 49% of Hospice costs, the remainder comes from fundraising. Hospice relies on volunteers whose volunteer time is calculated at around \$2.79m. Harbour Hospice started in a house in Red Beach which had been gifted to them. Patient-placing builds a rapport with patients and families. Drivers are greatly valued as well as in-patient volunteers. There are also **Life-Story Writers** who help to record family history for families. There are 16 Hospice Shops between the North Shore and Warkworth. Major fund-raisers include the Tree of Remembrance, gift-wrapping, House and Garden Trail, Fashion Shows etc. Hospice is a very important part of our community, and is greatly appreciated.

NEW MEMBERS

The following members have been inducted into the Rebus Club of Gulf Harbour since the Membership List was printed. Please add their details to **your** copy of the Membership List to keep it up to date.

Ann Fosberry	fosberryann62@gmail.com	0274 988 518
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Pamela Kayitano	pamelakayitano@outlook.com	022 579 0732
Murray Brown	38murraybrown@gmail.com	021 487 906

The Club Membership stands at 74,
the Bank Balance at the end of September was \$7,535.

FUTURE EVENTS:

"What's On": Games Afternoon: 15th October, 1.30, Community Centre, Discovery Drive.

Dine Out Group: Maison Thai, Manly, 20th October, 6.30.pm

Quiz Night: 8th October, RSA, 5.00 pm, also 5th November; phone Gwyneth.

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

HOYTS: "Sense and Sensibility" Mon. 19th Oct. phone Gwyneth.

CBD Explorers: 22nd October, Titanic Exhibition, Smith & Caughey Building.

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

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

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.

SALES TABLE: The Sales Table will be open at the October 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.



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 OCTOBER

Catherine Malcon, Pam Lorden, Judi Lee, Kathryn Officer, Jean Holgate

Roy Adlard, Hugh Pattison, Frank Townley.

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-gulpharbour.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 card sharps, aka the 500 Card Group, hosted at "Casino Wild"

The Ramblers 21st September, Shakespear Park, followed by coffee at Cherry Café.



CBD Explorers sussed out the new CRL trains, 24th September. Great day out, thanks Judi.



Ten members visited the Ten Pin Bowling Alley at the Plaza on 17th September. Top score went to Pieter Hopkins.



THE MOTION

“Orewa should be the Capital of the Hibiscus Coast”

FOR: OREWA.

AGAINST: GULF HARBOUR.

VENUE: 180 Centreway Road.

The First Ever
GREAT REBUS DEBATE
Different Views Brighter Minds
Discussion Friendship Fresh Thinking
Ideas Experience Perspective
Gulf Harbour Rebus **VS** **Orewa Rebus**
Same Interests Stronger Together
ALL WELCOME
PEOPLE • FRIENDSHIP • LIFELONG LEARNING
Tuesday 10 November 2026 10.00 am St John's Church Hall Orewa
TWO CLUBS • ONE STAGE • GREAT IDEAS

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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