

AGM 25 JUNE 2017

President's Report – Vaughan Reed

First off I would like to start by saying a big thank you to this year's committee. We had low numbers on the committee this year so it came down to a small number of people doing most the work.

I would especially like to highlight the efforts that Sean and his family have put in to running the events. And to Erika for taking on the secretary role, which is quite an onerous role.

I attended the CRNZ Club conference last weekend and I just wanted to share some of the things that came out of the weekend.

- Karen Simpson-Warren, who is the events co-ordinator and club liaison person, is now full time with CRNZ. This will hopefully allow her to organise more events and be more involved with the clubs.
- Hamish has come on board at CRNZ as their new Athlete and Coach development person
- The Centre of Excellence (new HO for CRNZ) is well underway and due for completion by Dec 17
- CRNZ will hopefully co-ordinate more kayak racing events
- The topic was raised about having a national Leader board for paddlers so you know where you rank in NZ by age and discipline.

There are two things that we need to focus on this year as a club:

1. Running more events – including sprint and marathon distances
2. Coaching – securing a dedicate coach that will run regular weekly coaching sessions
We were the only club that attended the conference that doesn't have a dedicated coach.

One thing that I would like to stress at this year's AGM is the importance of members being more active in helping run the club. Over the years it has been left up to a small group of members to run the club and it's becoming harder to get more members to help-out. We can't expect the same core group of people to continually step-up to run the club. If we don't get more involvement from members, we need to take a serious look at the future of this club.

Remember, "It's not the club that makes the paddler but the paddler that makes the club", which means you all have to play your part in helping to run the club, otherwise there will be no club.

I would just like to finish by saying, the club did exceptionally well at this year's marathon nationals with our club taking out 1st, 2nd and 3rd place overall in the K2 event. And also at the World Masters Games, with our club winning more medals than any other NZ kayak club with a total of 30+ medals. Something to be seriously proud of as a club.

Treasurer's Report – Sean Murphy

The club has had a better year than last year from a financial point of view.

As at 31 May 2017 we had:

WCMC Cheque Acc	8,806.52
WCMC Term Deposit 1	11,364.90
WCMC Term Deposit 2	13,030.19

These are with the ASB and details of income and costs etc are included later on in this report. When reading these figures you will see that almost half the income overall is down from last year but not by a great deal.

Our subs and storage fees are very reasonable and I ask for your support when these motions are voted on.

Storage continues to be popular with only limited spaces available, the majority of free spaces being on the top racks. As space is so limited members will need to ensure prompt payment to ensure they retain their spots. During the year a number of boats have been removed to make way for updating our club fleet in the future and to allow members to hire more racks.

Expenses have been kept to a minimum although we did give Jordan McLarin a donation of \$600 for his trip to the Youth World Champs and covered the entry fees for members at the CRNZ Nationals. Hire of the water cooler were also introduced along with a cleaning contractor to keep the clubrooms in good conditions.

The South Head Challenge Race costs were lower this year so that certainly made a difference in the bottom line.

The net result before depreciation was a small profit of \$1,411 for the year, but with depreciation accounted for there was a loss of \$12,827.00

Whilst we can continue like this I don't believe that the club can advance much more than we have with the income stream that exists.

An increase in membership and rack fees needs to be considered to enable future expenses and subsidised coaching planning/workshops if this is what members desire.

I do believe that the most pushing point is that of the low number of members stepping forward to assist with running the club and assisting at club events. It seems that it is the usual stalwarts that are there from one aspect to the next, which puts added stress on each of those volunteers.

My desire is to see some new faces on the committee and executive and to get some younger paddlers stepping forward.

Club Captain's Report – Sean Murphy

With not a lot of new faces on the committee this year there has been a relatively conservative approach taken to supporting the activities of the club.

The committee's focus has been on encouraging members to participate in local and national events with the club covering the entry fees for members for CRNZ Nationals and allowing free boat hire for both the Nationals and World Masters Games.

The results from members at all the local and National/International events have been very impressive with the club being the best performing club in the Marathon Nationals and the World Masters Games. So congratulations, to all those who put in the hard yards leading up to these events.

As a group we can thank the stalwarts of the club for their input, support, guidance and patience throughout the year. As a club we can be very proud of the successes over the last year.



Our club's medal winners in the 2017 World Masters Games.

Left to right: Sean Murphy; Nathan Livingstone; Simon McLarin; Steve Reece; Michael Famularo; Erika Currie; Vaughan Reed; Rosie Thom; Phill Exeter. Absent – Bruce Stuart (now Katikati) and Ian Castell-Brown (Australia)

Photo taken on the pontoon outside club room on Sunday 11 June 2017s, by Kat

New Committee

President	Vaughan Reed
Vice President	John Nowak
Club Captain	Richard Couchman/Phill Exeter – job sharing
Treasurer	Sean Murphy
Secretary/Admin	Erika Currie
RIB Manager	Terry Newsome
Multisport Co-ordinator SHC	Alex Huffadine
Multisport Co-ordinator other	Shelby Hyslop
General Committee	Simon McLarin, Andrew Mowlem, Katherine Reardon, Brenden Rolston, Vlad Moldovan, Murphy Niuapu

It's fantastic to have all executive positions filled this year, and great to see some of our newer members stepping up and joining the general committee. Congratulations and thank you all.

Participation in committee activities is a not only great for meeting the other club members but also a way of learning new skills and helping the club develop. **So; Here's to an exciting new club year!**

2017/2018 Membership subs are now due

A review of our fee structure revealed a general agreement that our fees are too low when compared with other clubs in the Auckland area, but also for sustainability and expansion to club activities and services, and repairs/maintenance of club premises. Discounts and Associate Membership are discontinued.

Individual Membership	\$150
Family:	\$200
Junior (under 18 at 1 June)	\$80
Rack Fee (kayak storage)	\$150

See our website for Membership form and Bank Account details www.wcmc.org.nz/membership

Please Note: All members, including Life Members, Committee Members and "Contra" must complete the membership form for record keeping as required.

- The keypad combination will be changed in early August. Financial members at the time will be advised of the new combination.
- If Rack Fees are not paid in full by 31 July 2017, owners will be asked to either pay or remove their kayak/s from the club premises.

BOOKING CLUB BOATS

- Use from the Club is free.
- Daily Hire away from the Club is \$50, with the inclusion of buoyancy aid, paddle and spray deck.
- Fibreglass boats must NOT be taken on rocky rivers.
- Any club boat that does not have a flip-up rudder on the stern (back) of the kayak must NOT be used on Grade 1 or Grade 2 rivers

Club Hire Rules

- You must fill out the online form or contact the Club President – Vaughan Reed 021 612 753
- Pay for the hire before you take the boat and accessories.

As this is not a commercial venture but a service to the club members, we request that you report any damage to the boat or accessory equipment to the President immediately upon return of hire.

- Neglecting to do this will affect your right to hire equipment in the future.
- If any damage to club gear occurs during the period of your hire you must pay for the repairs.

EVENTS CALENDAR

16 July	Kayak Crazy 10km Otago
16 July	Kayak Crazy 10km Whanganui
30 July	Karioi Classic, Raglan
6 Aug	Kayak Crazy 10km Mana
12 Aug	Kayak Crazy 10km North Shore
13 Aug	Kayak Crazy 10km Otago
19 Aug	Kayak Crazy 10km Champs, Rotorua
25-27 Aug	Cormandel Classic, www.coromandelclassic.co.nz
2 Sept	Poor Knights Crossing, Tutukaka
17 Sept	Camridge-Hamilton kayak, www.theboatshed.net.nz
1 Oct	South Head Challenge, WCMC
14 Oct	Motu Challenge, www.motuchallenge.co.nz
13-15 Oct	Torpedo7 Spring Challenge Women's Adventure Race Auckland

HIGH TIDES

Sat 1 July	13.17
Wed 5 July	16.57
Sat 8 July	06.41
Wed 12 July	21.54
Sat 15 July	11.35
Wed 19 July	15.15
Sat 22 July	05.45
Wed 26 July	21.50
Sat 29 July	11.54
Wed 2 August	15.25
Sat 5 August	05.22
Wed 9 August	20.48
Sat 12 August	10.28
Wed 16 August	13.52
Sat 19 August	04.28
Wed 23 August	20.39

22 Oct	Whangamata 3, 6 and 24 hour Adventure Race
28 Oct	Canoe Showdown, Warkworth
4 Nov	The Taniwha, Whakamaru, www.thetaniwha.co.nz
5 Nov	Rodney Coast Challenge, www.rcc.org.nz
9 Dec	Rasdex Classic River Race, Canterbury, www.arawacanoclub.org.nz/



Richard Ushers of Coast to Coast fame says: "Like the Kathmandu Coast to Coast, the Motu Challenge has been around for ages. With the Motu scheduled for 14 October, the timing is ideal for those preparing for the Kathmandu Coast to Coast; tough bike legs, on and off road running and a great entry level grade two kayak stage make it the ideal event on which to really kick start the serious training ahead of the Kathmandu Coast to Coast in February." For more information or to enter, visit www.motuchallenge.co.nz

Hoteo River Trips

Grade 1-2, near Warkworth, finish beside SHW 16 on the Kaipara Coast

Two trips: Sunday 9 July, meet and leave from the club at 09.00am
Sunday 13 August: meet and leave from the club at 12.00noon

Organiser Richard Couchman (Couchie). Phone 818 2580

SOUTH HEAD CHALLENGE

Sunday 1 October 2017

Diary this date now & start training. Course, distances and entry information to come soon.

The South Head Multisport Event is the club's main event. The paddles is on scenic Lake Ototooa, situated off Donohue Road, South Head, and the runs and mountain bike courses traverse surrounding private forestry land.

It's a great event for both beginners and experienced multisport athletes, individuals and teams.

We will again be needing volunteers to help run this event. If you, or someone you know can help, please let our South Head Challenge co-ordinator, Alex Huffadine know by emailing her at huffadine@gmail.com

SIMON MELGREN MEMORIAL RACE

The 10 km kayak race, in memory of Simon Melgren who tragically died in an industrial accident three years ago, was held before the AGM on Sunday 25 June.

RESULTS

10.4km

1. Andrew Mowlem, K1 00:46:15
2. Simon McLarin, K1 00:46:18
3. Vaughan Reed, K1 00:46:57
4. Sean Murphy, K1 00:46:57
5. Phillip Exeter, K1 00:52:42
6. Alex Huffadine, Ski 00:57:06
7. Ken Livingston, Ski 00:57:30
8. Brenden Rolston, Zen 01:15:35

8.2km

1. Terry Newsome, Ski 00:52:50
2. Erika Currie, MS 00:54:30

Ideal tide and calm water, with just a little rain for good measure, provided the perfect conditions for the ten keen paddlers that turned up early to challenge each other for the reward of a sausage or two – and a piece of Erika's fruit cake after the race. (And no, the 50 on the cakewas not to celebrate her 50th birthday but 50 years of being an immigrant in NZ. Actual 50th anniversary is 29th June when the immigrant ship Rangitoto she was on sailed into Wellington harbour.)

Andrew Mowlem and Simon McLarin battled it out for first and second place, with just three seconds separating them at the finish line, giving Andrew overall first and first Open, and Simon first Masters.

Alex was the only female in the 10km race and also first of the two Skis in the race.

Terry and Erika opted for the shorter course of 8km, Terry being the clear winner.

Congratulations to all, and thanks for participating.

THE NUGGET MULTISPORT FESTIVAL, WAIHI

Two of our club members names were spotted in this year's online results, both having raced as individuals in the full Nugget.

Elizabeth Mitchell, 4th in 18-39 age category in a time of 05:12:43

Rudy Baptist, 3rd in 50-59 age category in a time of 04:57:41

Congratulations!

CLUB KAYAK TRAINING

It's fun, social and extremely beneficial to you. We would love to see you there!

6:00pm Wednesday - time trial/race

8:00am Saturday - with Richard Couchman (Couchie)

WHY YOU SHOULD ALWAYS WASH YOUR BOAT AFTER PADDLING IN SALT WATER



This is an aluminium component of the rudder on the Exalibur club boat that has been renovated. The rudder had ceased and it took considerable effort and know-how to get it apart. As can be seen in this photo, corrosion is very bad. Once apart, it was cleaned up and coated with a special “healing” and anti-corrosive substance that will extend its working life for a bit longer.

Why did it get to this stage? Corrosion from saltwater! Aluminium, and many other metals, and salt water are incompatible bedfellows. Corrosion and eventual part failure are inevitable, but can be minimised, perhaps

even prevented by washing your boat and especially metal components with clean fresh water after each paddle in salt or contaminated water: cheap and simple prevention practice, and a lot easier than a rudder failure up creek!

CLUB EXECUTIVES 2017/2018

President	Vaughan Reed	021 612 753
Vice President	John Nowak	
Treasurer	Sean Murphy	
Club Captain	Richard Couchman/Phillip Exter – job sharing	
Secretary/Admin	Erika Currie	027 4345946
Multisport - SHC	Alex Huffadine	
Multisport – other	Shelby Hyslop	
RIB Manager	Terry Newsome	021 0748485
Email	club@wcmc.org.nz	

New Members: please contact any of the Executive for general information or assistance on club matters.

SUBMARINES

Please report any unscheduled/unintentional swims to the club administrator: erika.currie@xtra.co.nz

