

Algies Bay Resident and Ratepayers Association

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December 2023 Newsletter

Fingers crossed that the summer of 2023 is going to much improved weather wise to the one we encountered in 2022 and we will once again be able to enjoy our annual New Years BBQ.



Annual Breakfast BBQ

The annual breakfast BBQ will be held on Monday 2nd January starting from 8.30am on the beach reserve, weather permitting.

Should the weather be unsuitable for this event, then a notice will be posted on the reserve along with email advice to people currently on our list. (If you do not receive our email notifications, contact: <u>admin@algiesbay.co.nz</u> to be added).

Please remember to bring your own plates, utensils, cups, seating etc. for the breakfast BBQ. If you have friends/family visiting, bring them along.

The band will be in attendance again.

Come along and mix and mingle and enjoy the facilities we have here in Algies Bay.

This event is put on by the Algies Bay Resident & Ratepayers Association, and we couldn't do it without our sponsors:

New World Warkworth and Jennian Homes

Please ensure to support these local businesses as they support us.

A gold coin donation would be welcome.

A Membership Subscription table will be set up for those wanting to pay their \$10 membership fee for the 2023/24 period.

<u>Stormwater Drains</u>

The climatic changes this year and way above average rainfall have highlighted the need to keep our stormwater drains as clear as possible.

If you have a roadside stormwater grate close to you, it would be much appreciated if you could from time to time check and remove any debris or rubbish that may be clogging it and preventing the water from flowing freely. This in turn will obviously help prevent flooding.

Please don't attempt to lift the grates.....just clear the top and around them.

ABRRA AGM 2024

The Annual General Meeting is to be held in Saturday 20th April at the Betty Paxton Room, Mahurangi Community Centre, Snells Beach, starting at 10am.

Representatives from Auckland Council and the Rodney Local Board will be attending.

We encourage all residents to attend as it is an opportunity to hear about the past and future year's activities planned, meet other residents and your committee members.

If you would like to become an active member of the Algies Bay Resident & Ratepayers Association, please let us know via admin@algiesbay.co.nz

Refreshments will be provided at the conclusion of the AGM.

Dogs on Beach and Reserve over Summer

If you are unsure of Auckland Council's current dog rules, <u>Click Here</u> to access their user friendly browser to find out where and when you can walk your dog.

Please also ensure you have a bag to pick your doggy deposits to keep our walkways, grass areas and beach clean for everyone using our lovely Bay.



Etiquette on the Reserve, Ramp and Beach

To keep the Bay and beach a safe area for children and adults alike, we encourage everyone to be mindful when using these public spaces.

- Be careful when using vehicles on the beach (eg: no hooning).
- Patience on the boat ramp, especially during the busy times.
- Ramp only to be used for launching/retrieving of boats. All other preparations to be done in parking zones away from ramp.
- No parking in the bay beside the BBQ, opposite the toilets.
- Keep your speed under 5 knots when motoring between the yellow 5kt buoy and shoreline.
- Be sure to wash down your boats carefully especially if they are left in the water for some time to avoid invasive species, such as Mediterranean fan worm, being transported to other locations.
- No swimming around the ramp where boats are being launched/retrieved.
- No fish carcasses to be thrown overboard near or on the beach. This has been a continuing and unwanted problem over the last few months.



An interesting note with information provided by Neil Anderson.... Algies Bay is blessed with a golden treasure, which showed its colours at the start of this summer.

We have several examples of the yellow flowering variety of Pohutukawa. We have a few of them down by the Algies Bay boat ramp and along the Mahurangi East Road leading into the bay.

The comprehensive history is worth researching, however in summary this rare yellow form of Pohutukawa originated from Motiti Island, Bay of Plenty, North Island, The first two yellow pōhutukawa trees are thought to have been discovered in 1940.

And now here in Algies Bay, this gold treasure was flowering beautifully at the start of December attached a couple of photos taken by the boat ramp.

Final Message for 2023

We wish everyone all the very best for the festive season. Relax and enjoy our wonderful Bay and what it has to offer over summer.

Most of all take care on the roads and water by keeping yourselves and others safe and cherish the special time spent with family and friends.

