

2018 Mahurangi Regatta programme

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In Teak We Trust: 2018 is the third bountifully-resourced year with Teak Construction as principal Mahurangi Regatta sponsor.

Celebrating the 41st anniversary of the regatta revival by Mahurangi Action Race organiser since 1990: Mahurangi Cruising Club—[Mahurangi Cruising Club Newsletter January 2018](#)

Regatta Day **Saturday 27 January 2018**

Friday Night-Race to Mahurangi

3 PM

Classic A and Modern Classics

3.05 PM

Classic B and Woollacott Series

3.10 PM

B Division – Hyslop Cup

6 PM

A Division – Barometer Trophy

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Fairway Call: Not counting the crush of boats next door in Mita—pronounced *meetuh*—Bay, there are at least 150 craft anchored here in Sullivans Bay, on regatta morning 2016. Despite a similar crush in 2017, the fairway marked out principally for the classic launch parade, but also to provide line-of-sight to the start boat, connecting

with the inshore fairway customarily buoyed off (in foreground), to allow craft to parade by at close quarters, showed promise—although, with its outer end mostly obscured by a large sloop, the launches were obliged to thread their way through the throng via a different route, as best they could. PHOTOGRAPHER Jill Guillemin | FAIRWAY INDICATION *Mahurangi Magazine*

Mahurangi Regatta

41st anniversary of regatta revival by Mahurangi Action

160th anniversary of the first-recorded Mahurangi Regatta

Generally held at Sullivans Bay*

*In the event of strong easterly wind, sailing entries will be taken at Scotts Landing

*In the event of strong easterly wind and/or heavy rain, shoreside events will be cancelled.

High tide 3:32 AM (0.94 m above mean level of sea)

Low tide 9:39 AM (-0.89 m)

High tide 3:50 PM (1.02 m)

Low tide 10:13 PM (-1.11 m)



Larger Buoys Lined Up: Last year's efforts to provide a fairway for the classic launch parade off Sullivans Bay—also known as Ōtarawao—and sightline out to the Mahurangi Regatta flagship, the *Jane Gifford*, was sufficiently promising for a second attempt to be made this year, but using a couple of larger buoys to mark the outer end. The fairway has also been swung further to the north, to bring the parade closer, but also to better-orient with where the flagship/start-boat has been stationed at recent regattas. With the Classic Yacht Association widely distributing the concept, there is every prospect of the classic launch parade being best yet, including having a classic launch aficionado lined up to provide a more-detailed commentary. IMAGE Auckland Council GIS | *Mahurangi Magazine*

9–11.30 AM

[Entries \(for sailing events and log race\)](#)

9–11 AM

Launching of trailered boats entered in regatta, at Sullivans Bay

10 AM

The *Jane Gifford* assumes her station as start boat

- 10.30 AM** Classic Launch Parade—new event, best viewed from southern half of beach
- 11 AM** Shoreside events begin—running, sack, three-legged, and spud and spoon (enter by presenting at starting line)
- 12.30 AM** [Master of the Mahurangi](#)
Sailing events commence:
- 12.40 PM** Te Haupa Trophy
- 12.50 PM** Frostbites, Mistrals and Zephers
- 1.00 PM** Reactor and H28
- 1.20 PM** A-Class
- 1.40 PM** Mahurangi Cup, L-Class (mullet boats), and Traditional Spirit Trophy
- 2 PM** Modern Classics
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Dog-Free Regatta: The beach and picnic area at Sullivans Bay, at all times, is off-limits to dogs, as is the grassed area at Scotts Landing, but only during booked events such as the regatta. *ICON Mahurangi Magazine*

- 1 PM–2.30 PM** Sand sculpture. Divisions for under 7 years, 7 to 11 years, 12 to 16 years, adults
- 2 PM** Shoreside events resume—swimming, kayak, open (sit-on) kayak, and, possibly, dinghy, blindfold boat, lost-the-dinghy-oars, rowed inflatable etc., *and any other event suggested that seems a good idea at the time!*, water run, egg throwing (enter by presenting at starting line)
- 3.30 PM–4.30 PM** Retrieval of trailered boats entered in regatta, at Sullivans Bay
- 4 PM** Tug-of-war
- 4.15 PM** Humongous annual egg-throwing competition
- 4.30 PM** Lolly scramble (grand finale of shoreside events)

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free
shuttle
bus
900 m



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Extreme
congestion
next
2.5 km



New, New Free Shuttle Bus Signs: Strenuous efforts last year to get more visitors using the free Mahurangi Regatta shuttle bus earlier in the afternoon, before Scotts Landing became bloody, *gang agley* when the two 600 x 1200 signs disappeared, between the pre-regatta meeting and the day itself. If the two delinquents do eventually turn up, they will be erected along this year's efforts, for double the impact. And, far from free, such signs are expensive, but extraordinary efforts are warranted to keep Scotts Landing pleasant, during an influx of more than a thousand people. IMAGE *Mahurangi Magazine*

Mahurangi Regatta Prize-Giving and Dance

Held at Scotts Landing

Revived by Mahurangi Action in 2004 in the form of a regatta ball as the grand finale of Warkworth's 150th celebrations, then as a prize-giving dance—the traditional format—from the following year. In 2011, [ex-tropical cyclone Wilma cancelled the regatta](#), and in 2012 a combination of mediocre weather and a lack of financial support precluded the event, but from 2013, largely thanks to the support of the Rodney Local Board, and from 2014 with additional help from Auckland Council's regional events fund, and finally from 2016 thanks to the long-term commitment of a significant sponsor—[Teak Construction](#)—the future of the prize-giving dance, and the regatta itself, is now secure.

Free use of gas barbecues—no 'bar and burgers' since 2010

There is no longer a cash bar nor burgers for sale. From 2013, the format returned to that of the prize-giving dance that prevailed before the regatta lapsed during World War II, when it was on

bring-your-own basis. This makes the event much less financially risky, particularly [when wild and/or wet weather intervenes, as it did, spectacularly, in 2011.](#)

12 PM

Free Scotts Landing regatta shuttle commences operation. Primary run is the two kilometres of Ridge Road between Charles Street and the landing, but the free shuttle will pick up and drop off anywhere within the Scotts Landing area: +64 27 462 4872

6 PM

Pre-prize-giving trio/quartet performs

6.30 PM

Prize-giving dance commences: [West City Jazz Orchestra](#)

7 PM

Prize giving

8 PM

Prize-giving dance resumes: [West City Jazz Orchestra](#)

11 PM

Last dance

11.50 PM

Last run by free regatta shuttle from Scotts Landing—if need be, to Mahurangi West: +64 27 462 4872

Sunday morning Mahurangi Return Race

10.30 AM

Classic B and Modern B

11 AM

Classic A and Modern A

[Sailing Instructions](#)



Mahurangi Regional Park and all 28 other region parks are now smoke free.

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