

## **IYFR Area 3 AGM**



May 2020 Newsletter

**America's Cup March 2021** 

Ahoy from Auckland New Zealand, current home of the Americas Cup.

The Auckland Fleet brings you news on the planned Area 3 Annual General Meeting, which is timed to coincide with the Americas Cup racing. [This is going out to those who registered interest some time ago plus all Area 3 and will also be posted on the website and put into Rotafloat]

The races to determine who will be the next Cup holder commence **on the 6th of March 2021** and **conclude by the 21st of March**. This racing will be between Team New Zealand and the winner of the Prada Cup. [This series sailed in January and February] To view video of the new yachts in action click <a href="https://www.americascup.com">https://www.americascup.com</a>

The Cup winner is decided by the best of 13 races, so the first team to get 7 wins will become the new Cup holder. Racing is planned to take place between 1400 and 1600 hours on the Waitemata Harbour near Auckland City. A typical race will take about 35 minutes [including start]

**For the AGM and Gala Dinner** we have been fortunate to obtain a booking at the **Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron** for the **15th March**, thanks to the efforts of our very own Regional Commodore. This venue is the current home of the Americas Cup, many other racing cups and much New Zealand yachting history.

So the A3GM will run over three days, 13/14/15 March. We envisage members will arrive on the 12th and leave Auckland on the 16th March - of course you are welcome to come earlier and leave later and/or travel around our beautiful country.

**The Programme and accomodation** is currently being worked on by the A3GM Committee. You will understand that checking out accomodation and confirming bookings at this time is a little more complicated than usual, thanks to Covid19. Also bear in mind that it is possible that Covid19 will cause the racing to be postponed - this we expect to know later this year and well before the race days.

We will communicate more details as soon as we can. If you are seriously interested in coming to Auckland for this event, I encourage you to register at **Expression of interest (Click!)**. This will ensure that we email you directly as our plans develop. Enjoy your boating.

## **David Hansen**

**Chair, A3GM Organising Committee**