Kawau to Great Barrier Cruise 2021

2nd – 6th January 2021

NOTICE OF RALLY & INSTRUCTIONS

The Organising Authority is the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron
181 Westhaven Drive, Westhaven, Auckland 1011
Tel: 09 360 6800 | VHF: CH 77

1 RULES

1.1 The Cruising Rally will be governed by the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at sea and by the Notice of Rally & Instructions.

1.2 The Yachting New Zealand Safety Regulations (as below) shall apply:

a) Part II Category 4 shall apply for keel boats, multihulls and launches.

1.3 All boats shall carry a dinghy or life raft.

1.4 For yachts, no spinnakers or extras may be set. Extras are defined as sails not normally used to advantage to windward. Headsails may be boomed out using spinnaker booms but shall only be carried on a permanent load bearing forestay with only one headsail per forestay.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The cruising rally is open to keel boats, multihulls and launches that are on the RNZYS Yacht and Motor Yacht Register.

2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing an entry form online at rnzys.org.nz

2.3 A non-refundable entry fee shall be paid prior to date of close-off 30th December.

3 FEES

RNZYS Members	$50

4 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

4.1 A briefing will be held at 1600 hours on Lidgard Lawn on 2 January 2021, along with a barbecue (BYO drinks and glasses). Attendance is mandatory for all skippers or representative.

4.2 At the briefing, each boat will be required to fill out a form with number of crew and full contact details.

4.3 The cruising will begin from 0900 hours on 3 January 2021, or as advised at the briefing.

5 VENUE

The cruising rally will be in the Hauraki Gulf.

6 COURSE

The course may be:

Course 1: Start – Kawau Island (Port) – Little Barrier Island (Port) – Finish due north of Paget Rock.

Course 2: Start – Kawau Island (Starboard) – Little Barrier Island (Port) – Finish due north of Paget Rock.

Paget Rock's coordinates are:
36 degrees 10' .980 South
175 degrees 18' .491 East

Or an alternative course may be created to suit weather conditions and if so will be advised at the briefing.

The designated course will be advised at the briefing and prior to the start on VHF Channel 77.

Please be aware of hazards including Maori Rock, Horn Rock, Flat Rock and Fairchild Reef.

7 THE START

7.1 The starting area will be located at the entrance of Bon Accord Harbour.

7.2 Each boat shall report in prior to rally start at 0900 on VHF channel 77 identifying themselves and their intention to participate to a boat which will be anchored.

8 THE FINISH

The finish line is due north of Paget Rock and all boats shall take their own finishing time using GPS time. You will be advised at briefing where to advise your finishing time to.

9 RADIO COMMUNICATION

9.1 As a safety requirement, all boats must maintain a listening watch on VHF Radio on deck on channel 77 & 16 at all times. Any emergency communication must be made via Ch 16.

9.2 Other useful VHF channels:

Coastguard:

- Kawau Ch: 03
- Inner Gulf Ch: 64
- Outer Gulf Ch: 60

Nowcasting: Ch 20

10 DAILY ACTIVITIES AND GATHERINGS ASHORE

Events to be confirmed at daily briefings and via VHF channel 77.

11 INSURANCE

Each participating boat in this rally shall be insured with valid marine third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of $5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

All those taking part in RNZYS races or any other sailing events controlled by the RNZYS, as between the RNZYS and each of those so taking part, do so at their own risk and responsibility and the RNZYS and any sponsor associated with this event has no liability for any damage, loss or any penalty suffered by any boat crew or any other person taking part in such events. The RNZYS and any sponsor associated with this event shall not be responsible for the sea-worthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted and/or the sufficiency and/or adequacy of its equipment or the competence of its skipper or crew. The RNZYS reserves the right in its sole and uncontrolled discretion to refuse any entry.

13 CONTACT DETAILS

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14 MUST BE FUN

Dated: 21 December 2020