

# Hello and welcome to the Splore Festival Yacht Club.

This sheet contains important information about bringing your vessel to Splore and anchoring for the festival. Please read through carefully before setting sail for Splore.

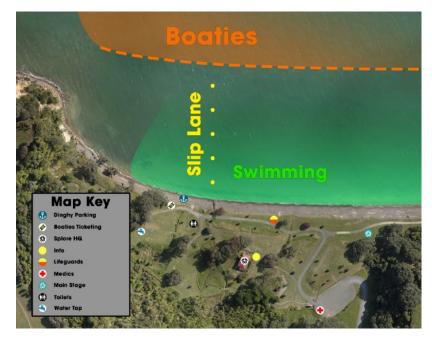
# Anchorage

- The bottom is mostly sand or mud with broken shell.
- There is an average peak current flow of 1 knot in the area.
- You should have 2x boat length of chain and warp on your anchor.
- All boats are to be anchored at least 80m from the high water mark.
- Skippers must ensure they anchor so that they do not cause a hazard by swinging into other anchored craft, or by dragging their anchor.
- While at anchor you should be displaying the appropriate anchor lights.
- If you intend to stay the night on your boat, we ask that you check in with the coastguard whose contact details are at the end of this document.

# Landing

• All tenders/dinghy are to approach the dinghy park via the slip lane provided to the north of the swimming only area indicated by the floating markers.

When entering the slip lane approaching land the markers are to be on your port side.
CAUTION: Swimming is permitted along the entire beach so you can expect to encounter swimmers in the slip lane at any time. Just go very very slow and look out! Also mind the rocks and reefs at low tide.



# **Dinghy Park**

Located at the north end of Tapapakanga is our dinghy park. We ask that all boaties come on land at the dinghy park where you can run your tender up the beach before you go off exploring. There will be a chain to secure your tender to (BYO lock). Although the area is monitored we cannot take responsibility for your property and anything left here is at your own risk. Also the high tide line is rocky, so expect to negotiate that if coming in or out at high tide.

# **Boat to Boat**

VHF 08 can be used for Splore chit–chat with your aquatic neighbours. Splore crew are not actively monitoring this channel.

To contact us, phone 021 088 44939. This is an info contact number only in an emergency call 111 or coast guard on VHF 16.

# Swimming

The area between the large highly visible 80m markers made up of mussel buoys and land is for swimmers only. No vessels of any kind, including tenders, are to enter this area.

# Sewage Discharge Regulations

Please DON"T discharge sewage anywhere near Tapapakanga.

- 500m from shore and in water over 5m deep
- 500m from a marine farm
- 500m from a customary fishing reserve (mataitai)
- 200m from a marine reserve.

#### Risks

There are submerged rocks and a reef to the north of Tapapakanga beach. Also submerged rocks along the beachfront in various places

Wave action can occur as a result of "onshore" winds and/or large northerly ocean swell. Kawakawa bay will provide shelter in this instance.

# **Navigational Chart**

The appropriate chart for the area is NZ533 (Firth of Thames)

<b>Coastguard Phone</b> Northers - 09 303 4303	<b>Coastguard VHF</b> Hauraki Inner Gulf - 64	Splore Non emergency 24hr Contact 021 088 44939
Emergency - 111	Hauraki Outer Gulf - 60 <b>Emergency - 16</b>	

# Know the rules

# Lifejackets

All craft must carry enough and the right size for everyone n board. They must be worn in bad weather, low visibility and emergencies.

# Speed

Maximum 5 knots when

- Within 50 meters of another vessel, or person in teh water
- Within 200 meters of shoreline
- Within 200m of vessels/craft flying White and Blue Signal Flag
- No bow riding at speeds over 5 knots

#### **Flagged Areas**

Set aside fro swimming may not be used for other purposes

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