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Dear Members,

I am writing this note from the Club after a brief review of the damage as a result of Typhoon Mangkhut. There has been significant damage to the marina and the boats moored there from breakages of cleats both on the marina and on the boats themselves, some parts of the marina breaking under the extreme loads from the storm, plus impact damage from boats outside the marina breaking free and coming into contact with the marina boats. One speed boat came free from the new boat racks but it appears overall the boat racks provided safe storage. Many parts of the hardstanding were flooded but it appears the hard work and preparation by our staff kept our dinghy fleet reasonably intact. There are reports of some boats breaking free from moorings in Hebe Haven and either washing ashore or sinking. Our thoughts are with those who have suffered loss or damage and the Club will help where possible to alleviate immediate issues and make the situation safe. Our staff are currently making a full assessment of the situation and no doubt it will take some time for the Members and the Club to fully recover from the damage sustained.

I would like to thank the staff and Members who undertook "typhoon watch" and the Club during the worst of the storm – I am happy to report they are all safe and their actions certainly averted further damage from boats becoming adrift.

Given the immediate focus of our staff and Members will be on recovering from the impact of the Typhoon, and also having the 24 Hour Race less than two weeks away, the General Committee has agreed to postpone the AGM, with earliest date being the second week of October – a new Notice of Meeting will be issued this week once the date has been set.

I also propose we use the 24 Hour Race as an opportunity to showcase how the Club can rally against adversity, and encourage all Members to make this year a special event to support those who have been materially affected by the Typhoon.

Regards

Peter Weiley
Commodore

