

## **Ulysses Auckland Branch Secretary's Report to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

Governance of the Branch for the year ending 2021 broke from our historic format of meeting around ten times over the year in person at the Manukau Cruising Club. This was imposed on your committee owing to the influence of Covid-19 and the mandated restrictions and personal safety measures individual members of your committee undertook.

Over the year eight meetings were held, six face to face, one by Zoom and one on a document only basis. The period August 2021 to December 2021 was especially challenging for your committee in not being able to meet in person and having to take the alternatives of the document only meeting and a Zoom meeting.

We did manage to hold our 32<sup>nd</sup> AGM with attendance in person although this was deferred from the original scheduled date of 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021 to the 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021, again owing to the mandated requirements of Covid-19.

The 2021 year started with 201 financial members with the Branch membership slipping to 169 on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022. (For members' interest, this has now climbed to 203 as at the 28<sup>th</sup> March 2022).

I would like to thank the outgoing Committee with whom I have interacted during my time as Branch Secretary. I will not be offering myself for nomination for committee for the forward year.

Tony Kay

Auckland Branch Secretary