



## Newsletter February 2021

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## Key change day - Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021 - 8am – 1.00pm

Bring your boat for a rope check and your old keys over to the Coop at McKell Park.

The annual levy is \$400 if payment is received on or before 31 March 2021, and \$500 if payment is received after 31 March 2021. Please note that if you haven't paid, you won't get your new keys or 2021 sticker, so if you want to use the facility you'd best pay on or before Key Change Day. Payment options are:

- Cash or cheque - please bring correct money if you possibly can
- Transfer into the Brooklyn Mooring Cooperative Ltd bank account - BSB 012 403, account no: 21743 7588. Please put your surname and member number in the reference panel.

And remember:

- There is a charge of \$25 for lost keys
- Check the condition and configuration of your ropes before you come to make life easier for all. Rigging instructions can be viewed by going to the website <https://brooklynmooringcooperative.com.au>, clicking the 'Using the Facility' tab, then scrolling down to 'Setting the Ropes'.

If you really can't make arrangements for Key Change Day, please mail your cheque to the address above, or transfer your payment. Once we have confirmed receipt of payment, you can contact Felicity Brownrigg (0438 315 679) to have your ropes checked, and get your keys and sticker. Obviously, this option is discouraged as it can become quite an impost on our voluntary director.

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## Directors

For those that were not at the AGM, the following are our Directors for 2021:

- Gerard Putt                      Chair
  - Steve Bruggeman              Treasurer
  - Secretary                        Vanessa O'Keefe and Marina Garvey
  - Maintenance                    Martin Lloyd
  - Compliance & Ropes          Felicity Brownrigg
  - New member Liaison          Jodi Thiessen
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## BMC Rule Update

The Board has overseen an update of the rules framing the operation and governance of the BMC in order to align them with the national Cooperatives legislation and we now have a draft document. The new rule set will need to be ratified by members as a special resolution at our next AGM. Over the next few months we'd like to undertake a consultation process with members to ensure there is a clear understanding of proposed changes, and we can together have an informed discussion about any changes in policy contained in these. The following process is proposed:

- **Early April:** Board distributes first draft of proposed rules to members, with explanatory document / fact sheets.
  - **By end May:** Members provide written responses to proposals to Board.
  - **End July:** Board distributes final draft rules to members together with a 'What we heard' document.
  - **40 days prior to AGM:** Draft special resolution distributed to members.
  - **At AGM (Oct-Nov 2021):** Members vote on special resolution.
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## Membership, Waiting List & Assignments

At present, there are 135 members (for 78 mooring spots when all operational) and 147 on the waiting list. Currently we have 26 assignments, with no outstanding applications. Secretary Vanessa O'Keefe is the contact for both issues. Please use the forms on the website to contact her.

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## Other

Given the issues we are having with the failing welds on the arms of the eastern pontoon, our preference is for members and assignees to use the new east/west pontoon if there is space. Be assured we are working on a solution.

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**Thanks - and see you all at key change day**