



## Newsletter November 2017

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### Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Brooklyn Mooring Cooperative Ltd will be held at 10.30am, Sunday 26 November 2017 at the Brooklyn Community Health Centre (corner Dangar and Brooklyn Rds). The quorum for the meeting is 10 (rule 60). Proxy votes are not allowed (rule 35).

We encourage members to send any motions for consideration at the AGM by 19 November to [secretary@brooklynmooringcooperative.com.au](mailto:secretary@brooklynmooringcooperative.com.au) so we can circulate to all members prior to the meeting.

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### Election of Directors

There are seven directors of the Coop. Three directors - Quentin Strauli, Anne Conway and Pat Woolley - must stand down this year and each may stand for re-election. Quentin has chaired the Board for the last two years. Anne Conway has been secretary since Phil Sargeant moved away from the River. Pat Woolley has managed the website and edited the Newsletter for many years. Directors Jenny Rowe (stickers, keys, member liaison), Steve Bruggeman (treasurer), Felicity Brownrigg (facilities maintenance), and Vanessa O'Keefe (rules, policy) are entitled to remain on the Board for the coming year.

To nominate yourself for a Director's position, please write a simple note, countersigned by another member, and send it to arrive before 5pm Friday, 24 November to The Secretary, P.O. Box 45, Brooklyn 2083, or via email to [secretary@brooklynmooringcooperative.com.au](mailto:secretary@brooklynmooringcooperative.com.au).

The Corporations Act 2001 specifies four main duties of a Director: care & diligence that a reasonable person might be expected to show in the role; to act in good faith in the best interests of the organisation and for a proper purpose including to avoid conflicts of interest, and to reveal and manage conflicts if they arise; to not improperly use their position to gain an advantage for themselves or someone else or to the detriment to the organisation; and not to use information they gain in the course of their duties to advantage themselves or others, or to the detriment of the organisation.

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### Maintenance of Coop Facilities

Director Felicity Brownrigg has carried this responsibility since her election at last year's AGM. The CCTV cameras and their operations are currently under review. Contracts are being let for electrical work, general maintenance, and replacement of the western pontoon. A full maintenance report will be made at the AGM.

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## **Thefts from Boats and Cars**

Senior Constable Steve Henri is our designated liaison officer from Hornsby LAC. He advised that the Coop is not the only target - other marinas have been hit by thieves coming by water, and cars in McKell Park and elsewhere have been broken into. He wants members to report any and all thefts to the police assistance line (131 444), so that a profile can be developed. Steve also suggested that all boats and motors be secured using heavy chains and locks, and belongings kept out of sight.

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## **Waiting List & Assignments**

At present, there are 93 names on the waiting list. The current policy limits the number of assignments to 20. Presently we have 19 assignments, with no outstanding applications. Director Anne Conway is the contact for both issues. Please use the forms on the website to contact her.

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## **Local Issues**

The Brooklyn Improvement Master Plan (BIMP) schedule was set back by the Hornsby Council local government elections. The BMC has been involved in the Community Reference Group (CRG), and will keep an eye on any developments. Members Tim Irwin (chair of the Lower Hawkesbury River Residents Association) and Bronek Karcz from the Dangar Island League are also involved in the CRG, and have made representations to the consultants running the BIMP process.

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