

Dear member,

Please find attached the papers for the Annual General Meeting of Yachting New Zealand Inc to be held virtually at **1600 on Tuesday, 10 October 2023**.

The Zoom link for the meeting is [available here](#) and can be accessed from 1545 on the day of the AGM.

You can find the 2022-2023 Annual Report by [clicking here](#).

Yachting New Zealand proposes to amend the Constitution in the form set out in the attached papers.

Clauses referenced below are to clauses in the proposed new Constitution.

The majority of the amendments are required to comply with the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.

These include:

- A requirement that members must consent to becoming members of YNZ (clauses 6.2, 7.3, 9.2).
- Clarifying the time within which, and manner in which, notices of general meetings and notices of motion must be notified (clauses 13.2 – 13.4, 13.13).
- That conflicts of interests of Board Members must be presented at AGMs (clause 13.9(c)).
- How a person ceases to be a Board Member (clauses 14.16 – 14.18).
- The appointment of a Contact Person whom the Registrar of Incorporated Societies can contact when needed (clause 16).
- A dispute resolution process that complies with the rules of natural justice (clause 20). Disputes that are covered by the Racing Rules of Sailing or a selection process will not be subject to this process.

A description of the duties of Board Members and other officers under the Act has also been included (clause 14.28).

It is proposed that the role of the President be removed in keeping with a modern and relevant constitution.

The Board composition will remain at five elected Board Members and up to four appointed Board Members (clause 14.2). The Chair of the Board will chair General Meetings (clause 13.18).

**If you would like to attend the Annual General Meeting, please confirm your attendance by return email no later than 1600 Sunday, 8 October 2023.**

If there is anything you would like to discuss regarding the AGM, please contact me.

I look forward to seeing you online.

Kind regards



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