

Board Office Bearers

At the December Board meeting immediately after the AGM, the Board's office bearer positions were spilled. John Hensby (Chair) and Gary Graham (Company Secretary) were re-elected for the following year.

Lithium-ion (vessel) Batteries

The discussion around the safety of lithium-ion batteries continues. Insurance companies are now making heavy demands to mitigate the now well recognised risks associated with these batteries.

At this juncture, Management is relying on the integrity and honesty of owner/skippers to take all possible measures to protect themselves and our Marina from this risk.

Meanwhile, Management has established a dedicated charging station for lithium-ion batteries in the Adelong Crescent carpark. Patrons are urged to utilize this charging station for vessel batteries, scooters, bikes and skateboards.

Head Lease and Sublessee Compliance

The legal work regarding this complex area is now complete. The outcome is positive with Board sign-off of documentation and amended processes as being compatible with legislation and our Head Lease requirements, especially the matters surrounding berth owners' public liability.

The final solution to concerns has been the unequivocal statement from MOL's insurer that, subject to some extra procedural requirements, the Head Lease public liability insurance requirements of individual berth owners is now being met by MOL's corporate insurer. The premiums are included in the corporate MOL insurance policy – no cost to berth owners. This has been a worrying and expensive period (legal costs) however the Board is confident that the matter can now be closed.

2023 AGM

This being the first Newsletter since the AGM, there may be some expectation that relevant outcomes should be canvassed. Aside from a solid financial performance with a healthy contribution to capital reserves the Meeting was somewhat routine with no exceptional matters to address.

Following the retirement of Director John Waller after a transitioning 2-year term of service, Scott Villiers was elected/appointed for a 3-year term. Director Rex Roubin was returned for a further 3-year term.

The AGM draft minutes can be viewed on the MOL website.

Laurie's Boatyard Fire

A few weeks ago, a large explosion occurred in the boatyard destroying a vessel and severely injuring two people – one is still in hospital with major burns. The accident was caused by latent petrol fumes being ignited when the motor was turned over. This highlights the inherent risk with all inboard petrol motors in vessels.

Unfortunately, some media coverage falsely named Kawana Waters Marina as the site of the accident.

Fire Drill

The second Fire drill occurred on 21st February at 10.30am. Local fire brigade attended. After minor inadequacies noted in the previous drill, two new fire alarms have now been installed - one on the dock (corner of E & H rows) and the other in front of the marina office.
