

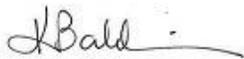
2017-18 NOMINATION FOR ELECTION OF FLAG OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

Nominations for Directors and Flag Officers were called in accordance with the Constitution of Middle Harbour Yacht Club and closed on 28th June 2017. The following nominations were received by the Secretary before the Closing Date.

<i>Nominee</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Secunder</i>
Peter Lewis	Commodore	John McCuaig	Neil Padden
Kerry Burke	Vice Commodore-Racing	Philip Clinton	Robert Carr
Evan Hodge*	Vice Commodore-Cruising	Michael McEvoy	Philip Darling
Alister Copley*	Rear Commodore	John Sturrock	Neil Padden
Michael Logan*	Club Captain	Peter Lewis	Rob Aldis
Andrew Hurt	Director	John McCuaig	Peter Lewis
Nigel Smyth	Director	Neil Padden	David Naismith
John McCuaig	Director	Philip Clinton	Peter Lewis

In accordance with Section 35 (c) (iv) of the Constitution of Middle Harbour Yacht Club, "if the number of candidates duly nominated for any office does not exceed the number required to be elected, the candidates nominated shall at the Annual General Meeting be declared elected".

For the interest of members, following are details for new nominees.



Karen Baldwin
General Manager / Secretary

29 June 2017

***NEW NOMINEE INFORMATION**

EVAN HODGE – "Nashira" (Member No. 310 since 2014)
Proposer: Michael McEvoy Secunder: Philip Darling

When cruising, one has to have safety uppermost in the decision making process. I am a safety officer and will continue the tradition of boosting seamanship with the membership of MHYC.

As Captain of the Cruising Division, I bring enthusiasm and an adventurous spirit to ensure MHYC continues to attract new members with a love of sailing and adventure.

I will continue building the relationships with other yacht clubs to increase cross participation in events and regattas.

I am a part owner of one of the Melges 20 sports boats used by the Club for youth development. I firmly believe they provide a pathway for young sailors transitioning from skiffs to yachts. They are also a lot of fun for cruising sailors who occasionally need a shot of adrenaline.

ALISTER COPLEY – “Aqueous Solutions” (Member No. 3820 since 2006)

Proposer: John Sturrock

Seconder: Neil Padden

Over the past 20 years I have worked in the automotive, medical device, HVAC and marina industries. I have an Honours degree in Industrial and Computing Engineering and currently completing my Masters of Engineering. I have worked as a Project Manager, with responsibilities as diverse as improving efficiencies in production to the implementation of multi-million dollar capital projects. As a General Manager I have developed teams of people and have been responsible for year-on-year growth of the businesses I have led. I am now the owner of my own business specializing in marine infrastructure development.

I have been sailing since I was 6 months old and have had a long personal history with MHYC. I sailed regularly with Tony Bates and it was through sailing that I met my wife. I have five children who have all been actively involved in the Club and enjoyed both the sailing and social activities that the Club has to offer.

I was fortunate to pursue my passion for sailing by joining the Club initially in the Junior Sailing Administrator role, followed soon thereafter as Marina Manager and later Head of Marine Operations. I am proud that during my tenure we grew the Junior Sailing program to the largest program in NSW.

I am excited with the opportunity that being Rear-Commodore will provide for me to add value to the hard work already done in support of Youth Sailing and once again be involved in ensuring that Middle Harbour retains its position as the program of choice for children learning to sail.

MIKE LOGAN – “Fine Cotton” (Member No. 6526 since 2013)

Proposer: Peter Lewis

Seconder: Rob Aldis

I have been nominated to the role of Club Captain. The principle purpose of that role is to build membership. As a farmer, I have recently taken to city life with great interest since I have become involved in sailing at the MHYC. It is a privilege to be here as part of this family of members.

I believe the best way to build membership in our club is through member utilisation. I would like to develop strategies that attract existing members to use the Club’s wonderful facilities of sailing, the bars, restaurants, conference and meeting rooms, and the wonderful beach.

Once existing members grow their utilisation of the Club, they will attract their friends to join. So, rather than advertise to attract members, I think we should grow our membership from within by having a great Club that is fun, safe, social and educational.

Fun & safe events such as Twilight racing, Wednesday racing, the Saturday series, the Cruising division, Junior Sailing and the many events that the Club runs gives member utilisation and will attract new members.

Social events such as the Barefoot Ball, lunches, Christmas and Melbourne Cup events are great ways to attract existing members back into their Club – and they will invite their friends.

Educational experiences in the Club are central. Sailing schools with Flying Fish and the wonderful junior sailing program is the basis. However, other educational events that the Cruising and Racing divisions run are also ways to attract existing member utilisation.

If members see that the Club is all of those things, they will bring their friends and we will be waiting to greet them with a membership form. I hope you will support us all in our endeavour to make the Club fun, safe, social and educational.