

Would you like to be a Director of The Welsh Yachting Association?

The Welsh Yachting Association(WYA) would welcome applications from individuals who are passionate about boating in it various forms and guises and share our aspiration that "Wales will become one of the best places in the world to be a sailor".

This is a voluntary position with expenses to help cover reasonable travel costs. WYA is looking to achieve a wide range and good balance of skill sets within the Board. We are looking to elect 5 Directors at our AGM on the 21st of October 2013 who have knowledge and experience within the following areas:

- Marketing & Sponsorship
- Finance & accountancy
- Commercial/Business Management
- Environmental Issues
- Sports/Club Development
- · Human resources and the Law

WYA is looking for individuals who have a good knowledge and understanding of the sport and have worked at a strategic/managerial level within their professional life. The attached job description and information sheet gives an overview of the general requirements and a full induction will be provided.

The term of office:

Three positions until 2015(inc Chair & Vice Chair) Two Positions until 2014

If you would like to contribute to the further development of the National Governing Body and the sport in general within Wales please complete the official nomination form available from your club secretary, or downloadable from the WYA website at http://welshsailing.co.uk/about-us/agm/

To make an application you must:

- Be over the age of 18 years on the 21st of October 2013
- Be a member of a WYA affiliated Club or Organisation as defined in the Articles of Association and the Membership Regulations.
- All nominations must be made by a Member Club/Organisation holding voting rights and seconded by another Member Club/Organisation holding voting rights. The nomination must be submitted (together with the nominee's written consent) on the WYA approved application form.

Nomination forms should be returned to the WYA Head Office, marked confidential and for the attention of the Company Secretary, Welsh Yachting Association 8 Llys Y Mor, Plas Menai, Llanfairisgaer, Caernarfon Gwynedd LL55 1UE.

The closing date for receipt of nominations is 5pm Monday 9th of September.

If you would like more information please feel free to call Steven Morgan, on 01248 670738, or email steven.morgan@welshsailing.org

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THE ROLE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The overriding purpose of the Board is to see that the organisation is well managed but without doing the management itself. Directors are also appointed and elected to ensure that the organisation is focused on achieving the objectives agreed in the current strategic plan for the period up to March 2017.

The actions required to achieve the organisation's goals are determined by the Chief Executive and delivered by the staff and volunteers. All members of the Board have equal responsibility for the Board's actions.

The Board is collectively responsible for:

- Defining the organisation's purpose, direction and priorities
- Developing a governance policy "umbrella"
- Specifying key outcomes and approving the availability of resources
- Appointing, supporting, evaluating and rewarding the Chief Executive
- Establishing a framework for assessment and risk
- Focusing on the future not the past
- Gaining the organisation's members and stakeholders views in determining direction and goals and maintaining communication with them
- Ensuring that the Board complies with statutory and contractual requirements and with the Board's own policies
- Setting standards and evaluating the Board's own performance
- Ensuring that there is appropriate succession planning

To perform this role, Directors require the following skills and attributes:

- Decision-making skills that allow informed decisions on a variety of matters
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Strategic perception and leadership skills, including the ability to establish strategies and guide their implementation
- The ability to discuss and debate with others and to constructively challenge ideas and decisions where necessary
- A clear understanding of the role of the Board and its relationship with the CEO and staff
- Ability to form good working relationships within and outside the Board

Availability - Directors must be prepared to attend Board meetings, usually between six and eight per annum (dates agreed in advance) and to be available for training as agreed by the Board itself. Board Meetings are usually held in the evenings via Video Conference with some face to face meetings usually in mid Wales on a Sunday.

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