

NZMTC DIRECTORS ELECTION 2023

The NZ Metropolitan Trotting Club Inc., trading as Addington Raceway and Events Centre, is proud to be New Zealand's premier harness racing club.

With a significant private land holding in the city, two joint venture commercial property portfolios, NZ's leading harness racing programme including IRT NZ Trotting Cup Week, and a 7-day catering operation including Spectators Bar, we are a significant contributor to the Canterbury economy and community.

Our capable and knowledgeable Board has a well-defined and unifying strategy, with our core purpose "To support and nurture a sustainable harness racing industry in Canterbury and New Zealand". In line with our purpose the Board has many objectives they are determined to accomplish and having recently completed a review of our land assets, we are now moving forward with creating a plan to maximize our Clubs' equity in these assets. This is an exciting time for our Club, and our Board is seeking to complement its existing skill set and appoint experienced Directors who will add value and play an important role in the sustainability of our Club as we move into our next phase.

Our Board meetings are held monthly, generally on the last Tuesday of the month, at Addington Raceway. Our meetings focus on quality discussions where a wide range of views can be expressed, and as a multi-faceted organization our meetings are not only focused on harness racing. While the position is remunerated, no travel costs are reimbursed, and there is the opportunity to attend a range of events on our footprint throughout the year, including IRT NZ Trotting Cup Week.

The Positions

There are three director positions that are to be vacated at the end of the 2023 AGM. Two elected incumbents are standing for re-election at the end of their three-year term. One co-opted incumbent is standing for election.

We are looking for suitably experienced nominations, securing the following skills between the appointees:

- Legal expertise
- Property and commercial development
- Human resource and change management capability
- Governance and strategy
- Marketing and PR experience.

Together with the following qualities:

- Business acumen
- Strategic thinking skills and the ability to balance commercial success with our community and Club focus
- A transparent and open communication style, with a collaborative governance approach
- Sufficient time to dedicate to the role
- An interest in racing is preferable

The Nomination Process

A Board Appointments Panel will review all applications and present the five candidates with the most appropriate skillset for the current / future needs of our Club to the 600-strong membership.

Members of the NZ Metropolitan Trotting Club Inc. who have been financial for the previous two years, and who have applied but not been presented by the Board Appointments Panel, may also stand as candidates.

To apply, please send your governance resume, digital photo and a completed nomination form to CEO, Brian Thompson at brian.thompson@addington.co.nz

The nomination form can be accessed [here](#) and will allow you to:

- Confirm that you meet all obligations under the Rules of the NZ Metropolitan Trotting Club Inc.
- Provide key information that will be distributed to members as part of the voting process.

Key Dates

Friday 4 August:	Nominations open
Friday 25 August:	Nominations close at 5pm
Wednesday 27 September:	Electronic voting opens, paper ballots mailed
Monday 16 October:	All voting closes at 12noon
Monday 16 October:	Successful applicants announced at the Annual General Meeting (to be held at 5.30pm, Addington Raceway).