# **Notice of SAFE Annual General Meeting**

The 2024 SAFE Annual General Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 6:30pm** over Zoom. You may attend from any location using a mobile or desktop device. For security reasons and for voting eligibility, please ensure you enter the meeting using your full name, with your camera on.

## To attend the meeting:

1. Use this link in your browser: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2345671932?pwd=cTNoVCtUOGlhSWJjNG13MTNmQkdD">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2345671932?pwd=cTNoVCtUOGlhSWJjNG13MTNmQkdD</a> QT09&omn=87167231598

2. Enter the password: AGM2024

Alternatively, you may enter the meeting details manually.

Meeting ID: **234 567 1932** Password: **AGM2024** 

# Prior to meeting please ensure your Zoom software is up to date

To download Zoom use this link: https://zoom.us/download

If you have already installed Zoom, check you have updated to the latest version.

- On Windows 10: Open Zoom, access the apps "profile menu" which is found in upper right hand corner. Select "Check for Updates".
- On Mac: Open Zoom in Applications folder. In the Zoom.us menu select "Check for updates".
- On mobile devices: Open your Apple/Google Play app store to check for updates.

## **Draft AGM agenda**

- 1. Welcome from the Chair and introduction of current Board members
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Minutes of 2023 AGM
- 4. 2023-2024 Annual Financial Report
- 5. Appointment of Auditor for 2024-2025
- 6. Annual Report
- 7. End of Year video
- 8. Election of Board members
- 9. Guest presentation Dr Lynn Simpson Former live export ship veterinarian
- 10. Any other items

Further information about the Annual General Meeting can be obtained from the SAFE Secretary—secretary@safe.org.nz.

#### **Call for Remits**

The Secretary of SAFE hereby calls for any remits to be presented at the SAFE Annual General Meeting. Remits must be received in email form by the Secretary (**secretary@safe.org.nz**) no less than 28 days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting.

#### Call for Nominations to the SAFE Board

We are seeking nominations for the SAFE Board. Prospective Board members must be a current, financial member of SAFE, at least 18 years of age and demonstrate a commitment to the goals and objectives of SAFE. Board members must not have a clear and demonstrable conflict with the goals and policies of the Society. Any previous conflict must not have existed within the previous 12 months of being appointed. Where considered necessary, the Board may refer vetting questions to the candidate, require references and undertake any due diligence actions the Board considers fit before approving Board nominations.

The role of the Board is to ensure the security and longevity of SAFE, that it remains solvent, and complies within the spirit as well as the letter of the law and ensures the probity of its financial reports. The Board determines purpose and adds value by leading the development of SAFE's vision and strategies and has ownership of SAFE's strategic direction. It is dedicated to acting as a team with a high performance culture committed to engaged, quality governance. It supports open debate, diversity and thoughtful challenge. The Board holds Management to account through informed, effective and independent oversight of performance and ensures purpose and strategy are understood and implemented by Management.

Board members must possess the skills, attributes and values that will assist SAFE in attaining its goals. To this end the membership of the Board should provide diverse expertise and experience. An understanding and appreciation of the principles of good governance is essential and previous governance experience is essential.

The term of a Board member's tenure runs for up to three years (should there be a full quota of Board members), after which time they must retire from office but are eligible for re-election. Board members are required to be available for three to four, face-to-face conferences per annum, plus additional teleconferences as required, and must also be available via email and phone for Board communications.

We are seeking nominations for the available positions on the SAFE Board. Members may either be nominated by a current paid up member of SAFE or may self-nominate.

#### Nominations must include:

- Full name
- A 100-word (or less) description of yourself/nominee and your reasons and qualifications for your nomination what skills you will bring to the Board
- A photograph of yourself/nominee
- An outline of your governance experience

These will be available to members voting in the election of SAFE Board members.

## You must also include (for internal use only):

- Your address and phone number
- Your email address
- A completed prospective Board Member application form (obtained from the Secretary on request)

Nominations must be received by the Secretary (secretary@safe.org.nz) no later than 10 days from the date of issuing this notice.

Elections for the SAFE Board will be held by ballot (should there be more nominations than positions available) no less than 21 days prior to the SAFE Annual General Meeting.

Elected Board members may be required to attend the SAFE Board meeting also held on 30th October after the Annual General Meeting has concluded.

We look forward to seeing you at the AGM on 30th October 2024.

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