

## Board of Directors election – nominee information

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Two nominations have been received.

### Elected director nominee list

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***Candidate:***

**Mrs Rebecca (Beck) Brennan**

***Nominated by:***

**New South Wales Polocrosse Association**



Outline your polocrosse or general sport experience and qualifications at all levels:

Polocrosse has always been part of my life in different ways – as a participant, volunteer, and more recently through governance roles at both state and national level. I served as a Director of the PANSW from 2021 to 2025 and currently serve as a Director of Polocrosse Australia Limited. Through these roles I've been involved in strategic planning, governance review, policy discussions, financial oversight, and the broader conversations about how we strengthen and grow our sport.

I have always believed community sport is the foundation of everything we do. My involvement has extended beyond polocrosse into other local sporting and school committees, where I have supported volunteers, governance improvements and organisational development. I understand the realities of volunteer-led sport, and the importance of keeping governance practical, proportionate and focused on enabling participation.

My formal qualifications include a Diploma of Project Management and a Diploma of Business Administration, along with certificates in Financial Management, Sport Governance and related areas. I have completed all required (and optional) Australian Sports Commission director education and governance training to ensure I continue to develop as a contemporary and responsible board member.

Outline your work-related experience, governance experience or other experience you consider applicable:

Professionally, I bring over 30 years of experience across business, finance, community services and leadership roles.

I am currently employed in the VET (Vocational Education & Training) sector and prior to that, led a community based, Not for Profit organisation delivering government funded programs in a highly regulated industry for a decade. My roles require strategic planning, financial oversight, compliance management, stakeholder engagement and ongoing reporting to funding bodies. I work closely with auditors and regulators, maintain strong governance processes, and lead continuous improvement initiatives that strengthen both service delivery and financial sustainability.

Earlier in my career I worked in banking, finance, business management and development. These roles developed my commercial judgement, financial literacy and strong documentation discipline. They also reinforced the importance of risk awareness, sound decision-making and accountability — qualities that are critical at board level. Across all roles, I have focused on building strong relationships, communicating clearly and making thoughtful, well-informed decisions.

As a current and former Director within polocrosse governance structures, I have contributed to board decision-making, strategic reviews, constitutional compliance, risk oversight and stakeholder communication at both state and national levels.

Election statement (reasoning, value, priorities):

I am nominating because I care deeply about the future of polocrosse and believe we are at an important point in our development. We have strong community foundations, but we also operate in an environment that demands increasingly sophisticated governance, compliance and strategic thinking. I want to contribute to ensuring we continue to evolve in a way that protects our community spirit while strengthening our national capability.

I believe my value to the Board lies in the combination of community sport understanding and practical governance and business experience.

I bring hands-on experience in community sport, along with direct board experience at both state and national levels. I have strong financial literacy developed through banking and executive management roles, and solid understanding of risk frameworks. My background in project management supports structured implementation of strategy, and I am confident contributing to policy development and governance oversight.

Importantly, I am a collaborative and respectful contributor. I am comfortable asking questions and constructively challenging where needed, but I do so with the shared goal of strengthening outcomes. I understand that directors are custodians of the sport, and I take that responsibility seriously.

Looking ahead, I believe key priorities should include:

- Continuing to strengthen governance frameworks while keeping them practical and workable for member states
- Supporting sustainable growth in community participation and volunteer development
- Ensuring transparent, consistent and respectful communication with member states and stakeholders
- Improving digital capability, data systems and communication platforms
- Strengthening financial sustainability through sound oversight and diversified revenue opportunities

Polocrosse is built on dedication, integrity and community. I am committed to contributing my time, experience and energy to help ensure the sport remains strong, sustainable and well governed for the future.

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***Candidate:***

**Mr Phillip (Phil) Day**

***Nominated by:***

**Queensland Polocrosse Association**

Outline your polocrosse or general sport experience and qualifications at all levels:

Played polocrosse at all levels.

Chief Umpire of Australia over a period of years.

Outline your work-related experience, governance experience or other experience you consider applicable:

Have been in supervisor / manager roles most of my working life.

Currently a logistics manager for an earthmoving company in W.A.

Election statement (reasoning, value, priorities):

Coming onto the Board is the next step from the umpire role that I was involved in.

I have experience in all aspects of polocrosse at state and national levels to keep improving our game.