



Nominee Information

John Ellison

Board Experience: Treasurer The Hills Bowling Club 3 years, Treasurer The Entrance Bowling Club 11 years, Finance Director Bowls NSW prior to unification 2.5 years, Director Bowls NSW 2.5 years since unification

Business Experience: I worked for 34 years in the Australian Taxation Office occupying very senior managerial positions for over 20 years. The final 4 years of my career were for Family and Community Services where I was one of three Directors in NSW in charge of the Child Support Agency.

I am a fully qualified Accountant and have been a member of CPA Australia for over 50 years. In 1995 I was elevated to the status of Fellow CPA.

Bowls Administration Experience: I have been an active lawn bowler for some 43 years. During my time in playing our game, I have represented at club level in Pennant and Premier League; at District level; at Zone level and at City level.

Having been on Boards of Bowling clubs for numerous years, I have been an active participant in bowls administration.

Michael Howard

Board Experience: Current Director/Board member roles: Non-executive Director Bowls NSW, Director Daldare Pty Ltd, Director Kleafix Pty Ltd, Board member PCT Global Pty Ltd

Previous Director roles: Director/Managing Director Chatoyer Holdings Pty Ltd – 12 years, Director Waycon Services Pty Ltd – 16 years

Experience fulfilling the requirements and duties of a director for over 35 years

Business Experience: Experienced in the many facets of developing a business from start up to fully operating business and understanding the many pitfalls of SME operations. Involved in construction, engineering and industrial projects across multiple sectors covering tender preparation and submissions, commercial negotiations, client interface and project planning and delivery. Development of joint venture partnerships for major project opportunities.

Key strengths include evaluation and execution of strategic opportunities and outcomes, building and managing long term client and key stakeholder relationships.

Bowls Administration Experience: Chairman – Castle Hill Bowling Club 5 years, Director Castle Hill Bowling Club – 3 years, Vice-President Castle Hill Bowling Club – 3 years

Roderick Roper

Board Experience: 6 years Board experience at Waverley Bowling Club (1993, 2005-2010)

The role of a Director of Bowls NSW plays a crucial role in advancing the sport, fostering community engagement, managing finances, and advocating for the interests of bowlers. Their commitment to strategic planning and ethical leadership contributes to the continued growth and success of lawn bowls in NSW.

Business Experience: With four decades of business experience spanning technical sales, distribution, manufacturing, and supply chain management, I have cultivated a wealth of ability in diverse areas of the corporate landscape.

I have worked in medical, industrial, logistics, consumer goods and manufacturing industries in. Over my extensive career, I have consistently showed my ability to adapt, innovate, and excel in various roles, the second half in operations management roles. I currently work in a contract role in the manufacturing sector with a local engineering company where I can pursue my special interest areas in implementing production systems and process improvement.

Bowls Administration Experience: 23 years experience on the Board and later Committee (of the unincorporated bowling sub-club) in the roles of Secretary, Vice President and Selector.

12 years as a Club Delegate to Zone 13 and formerly Zone 11. 3 years as a Selector of Zone 13 (2020 – 2023)

Current administrative positions: Secretary Waverley Men's Bowling Club, Waverley Bowling Club Delegate, Zone 13 Selector

Mike Skeggs

Board Experience: BNSW/Royal BNSW from March 2020 to present; Lacrosse Australia from May 2023 to present; Triathlon NT from October 2022 to December 2022

Broad experience with Boards, including knowledge (education) and experience in both Governance and Strategic Planning. Strong understanding of financial modeling and legal obligations as far as the Board and organisation are concerned. Proven self in Boards, including current Board of BNSW.

Business Experience: As a Chief Operating Officer in Construction, and supported with education (M Business Law, M Business Administration, Grad Cert Change Management, Grad Cert Exec Management, B Science), my experience in business is deep. I have transformed organisations I have worked with for over a decade, taking SMEs through growth initiatives and successfully guiding the groups to positive results.

Bowls Administration Experience: Since March 2020 I have sat on the Board for either BNSW/Royal BNSW.

Owen Walker

Board Experience: Former RNSWBA Director, 2 Years Bowls NSW Ltd Director, 3 Years Clubs NSW State Councilor, 15 Years CEO & Company Secretary South Tamworth Bowling Club Ltd, Numerous sporting club office bearing positions

Experience in Corporate Governance, Strategic Planning, Financial Management, Project Management and Operations Management.

Business Experience: Current small business owner. Business Degree - International Hospitality Management, Former CEO South Tamworth Bowling Club (15 Years)

Bowls Administration Experience: Involved with bowls for over 34 years - Held position of Club Selector & Club Match Committee. Formerly accredited as a Bowls Coach & Umpire. Bowls administration experience through a club management role. Former Zone 3 Match Committee Chairperson (2019 – 2021)