



# Chairman & Director

## Steve Wilson

**My name is Steve Wilson and I am now retired and am standing for the Chairman or Director positions of our club.**

**I have over 40 years commercial experience in the private and public sectors. Included in that commercial experience is 10 years in the club industry, and for 5 of those years, I was the Assistant Secretary-Manager at the Gerringong Bowling Club.**

**My last full-time job was at TransGrid where I worked for 24 years with the last 7 being the Purchasing/Contracts Manager. Our group was responsible for the buying of goods and services for a huge range of products including transformers, cars, cable and toilet paper! We also were responsible for the tendering process and maintaining contracts for services such as building power lines and lawn mowing etc. Total spend each year was in the millions of dollars bracket.**

**Another senior position I have held in my working-life was Senior Customer Services Officer at Kiama Post Office (2<sup>nd</sup> -in-charge) for 5 years before moving to Hornsby in 1989 when I joined our club.**

**I have been involved in sport all my life playing Rugby League, Cricket and Lawn Bowls. I have just finished up as the Bowls Secretary of the Asquith Men's Bowling Club after 4 years service.**

**I have also been an umpire in local cricket for over 20 years and am**

**a Life Member of the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai & Hills District Cricket Association and also their Umpires Association. Further, I**

**co-ordinated the senior cricket of the HK&HDCA for 7 years which**

**had about 80 teams playing in 9 or 10 grades every year.**

**I have been on many Boards and have held many Executive positions in cricket (20 years) and lawn bowls (10 years). I have also been President of the Hornsby District and Gerringong Cricket Clubs for a combined period of 8 years – and have done many other roles.**

**I am a very passionate member of our great club, and am looking forward to working with our new Board if I am elected. I have no interest in pursuing amalgamation with other clubs, but do have lots of interest in ensuring our club continues to prosper financially and to grow in numbers through engaging with our community by offering top class facilities and to grow the sport of Lawn Bowls.**

**Thanks for your consideration.**

**Steve Wilson.**

# Chairman & Director



## Paul Willis

Dear Members

My Application for the role of Chair has not been taken lightly. After assisting the current board to bring the club back from the brink, I see it as my mission to

consolidate and build the clubs future with a new and fresh approach. Our primary function as a bowling club has never been more important and as both a representative and passionate bowler,

My only aim is to still be bowling at this great club for decades to come.

To achieve change, does not mean we need to subtract from our bowling heritage. The vision I believe with my whole heart; is that we also need to diversify better and provide a home for the many great sporting clubs around us. A fresh and energetic Club Asquith that supports and looks after community and increases the offerings and events that all of our members can tap into and benefit from.

“A true social hub that provides a warm and caring environment with our Customer at the heart”

Without risking the sound financial base we have built over the last two years, I would seek to implement gradual changes from a new website through to outdoor dining and play area.

With the next board it's never been more important develop a clear vision plan for longer term strategy which also takes into account our members feedback and ideas.

Most of us have seen scores of small clubs needing to close or fold over the last decade and much of this has been due to the lack of vision, planning or ability to adapt

in a changing world. I possess fresh and relevant business experience as a Transport Senior Manager with over 120 customer service staff and managers.

During the last two years, I have taken on a Mentor within the clubs industry and studied in depth the modern hospitality industry. I have an inclusive and humanistic

leadership approach with a strong focus on achievement, goal setting and investment in people and the community. This would be done transparently and with regular

communication for our members.



# Senior Deputy Chairman & Director

**Nick West**

Nicholas West is married to Verity and has four children

Phillipa (22) Adam (20) Megan (16) and Angus (15),

Nicholas is currently self-employed and runs his own business as a Director which has two areas:

One is Management /Consultancy mainly in residential and business structures Second is Day Trader / Financial markets mainly dealing in the Futures Market.

Previously spent 25 years in the building industry where he started and gained an apprenticeship with Kell and Rigby Builders and worked for them for 12 years, within this time achieved numerous awards in the Construction area and progressed within the company from Carpenter, Lead Handing, Foreman right through to Project Manager and Estimating Manager, from there he decided to move on and run his own business in the Hornsby and Ku Ring Gai area as a Builder / Carpenter for 13 years.

During the 25 years in the building game was involved two major projects in a joint venture / PPP involving the Chatswood Interchange Development for 3 years and then moved onto Cochlear for 2 years where his role in both projects were as a Project Manager. These areas covered budgeting and financial forecasting, design and construction both development and construction sections, reports and meetings and liaison between public and private sectors and local and state governments. Currently involved with Asquith Men's Bowling Club and elected member as Senior Vice President, previously was a member at Mooney Mooney Bowling Club where he was elected as Treasurer and provided and maintained financial balance and stability.

Nick has a strong base in technology and IT, solid computer skills with internet, emailing, word and excel. Nick enjoys being challenged and looks forward to being involved with Asquith Bowling and Recreation Club if the nomination of Director is successful. Thank you for the opportunity and your support.

# Senior Deputy Chairman & Director



**Mon Khamis**

Retired Academic

**I was Honorary Secretary and Board Member for 2020/2021. During this period, I received tremendous support from members who volunteered for various jobs. I also received a lot of support from the current BOARD, which is professionally chaired by Peter Reeve and supported by Terry James, Dell Phillipson, Doug Taylor and Paul Willis. Everyone's efforts have proven the economic viability of our club.**

**I have been involved with coaching Lawn Bowls for many years. In addition, I've also coached students from both Asquith Boys' High School and Asquith Girls' High School for school sports for the past several years.**

**Much has been achieved, but there is a lot to do to secure the future of the club. If elected, I look forward to the support of all members.**

# Deputy Chairman & Director



**David Haynes**

Chairman Asquith Bowling & Recreation Club	10 years
Senior Vice President: ABRC	7 years
Director: Asquith Bowling & Recreation Club	7 years
Bowls Secretary-Asquith Men's Bowling Club	10 years
Retired	
Career: Import/Export & Sales	
Company Director	40 years

**Granted Life Membership in 2018**

# Deputy Chairman & Director

## Douglas Taylor



I have been a bowling Member of Asquith Bowling Club for 20 Years, Since my retirement. I have been treasurer for the Men's Bowling Club for many years until 2018. In 2019 I had life membership bestowed on me.

Before my retirement I was a banker for many years, an office Manager for a registered Club for over 20 years.

I was elected to the Current Board of Asquith Bowling & Recreation Club Inc. and with my fellow members Peter Reeve, Dell Phillipson, Paul Willis, Mon Khamis & Terry James we have diligently worked to get the Club into the financial position its in today.



# Treasurer & Director

## Michael Loneragan

My name is Michael Loneragan and I am honoured to be nominated to run for the position of Club Treasurer/Director. I look forward to the opportunity to serve our Club.

I believe I have a number of valuable qualities that I would bring to the position of Treasurer/Director.

I have been an active bowler for nine years and the last four years I have served as treasurer to the Men's Bowling Club.

I have over 40 years of extensive accounting experience in senior accounting and management roles for a number of major companies, especially in building construction and property development.

For the past 21 years, I have been employed by a private investment group, W.H. Lober & Co. Pty Ltd, as finance manager.

I have been a member of this Club for 9 years, and felt welcomed here from day one. I have made many friends and enjoy their companionship both on and off the rink. I also enjoy drinking a quiet ale occasionally.

I wish for the Club to prosper financially and provide the best facilities to attract new membership.

I believe I can make a positive contribution if elected to the Board.

Thank you for your consideration  
Michael Loneragan



# Treasurer & Director

## Dell Phillipson

I, Dell Phillipson am standing for re-election to the AB&RC Board 2021/2023 in the role of Treasurer. I do not feel I need a personal introduction to the Members of our Club as, explained prior in my previous nomination I am well qualified having held both Managerial and Financial positions throughout my working life. Both these essential skills have proven to be an advantage when effectively discussing items with other Board Members. Without having the expertise in business matters I would not have been able to scrutinise the financials, nor fight so strongly to recommend modifications to some of our big losses and free giveaways which I considered had contributed to the poor financial state of our Club at the tail end of 2019. **Tough decisions needed to be made!!** At the time of being elected to the Board in March 2020 it was evident the mandate set for the then new, and now current Board, was

**“DO NOT CONSIDER AMALGAMATION INSTEAD, SAVE OUR CLUB”!**

This Members’ decree became the new Boards’ NO.1 GOAL and I am proud to say I have enjoyed working together with the remaining successful candidates of this hard working 20/21 Board in putting before you a Club *in a sound financial position* that, with proper ongoing Management, will continue as an asset to be enjoyed, long into the future, by the Hornsby Shire residents.

Some of the major achievements to date of which I, working with others succeeded in achieving were:

We reduced Electricity Bills by approx. 50%. We are now assessing the expense of Solar installation... this is a work in progress

Eliminated donations to outside sources...we were donating over \$60,000 p/annum

Reduced overstaffing on quiet days/nights

Have been able to meet & comply with both recent award and superannuation increases

Fixed the leaking roof! This success was mainly due to willing Volunteers! Thank them!

The Club survived two terms of Lockdown totalling 191 days (30.5% of total time in office) during which we collected zero self generated revenue, relying solely on Government Grants and a few generous Member donations to meet the ongoing costs of maintenance and day to day running of the property. Again thanks to the generous Members!

We revamped the big losses within the weekly running of the Club i.e. Trivia, Bingo, Crazy Cash Giveaways, Bowlo Bucks, Meat Raffles and various other freebies that were being flashed around, draining the Club of it’s Lifeblood! Total in excess of \$300,000 per annum!

Recently we spent some of the accumulated savings of our hard work into upgrading the gambling area. If the Pokie Players don’t like the changes nothing will make them happy!

By moving the TAB to be a part of the Main Lounge the Club looks busier and so becomes more inviting for the Patrons. The total cost of both renos has been fully paid.

We have almost eliminated the Lease payments on the Poker Machines, at the time of taking office they totalled approx. \$130,000 now they are down to approx. \$8,000 and will be paid out by March ‘22.

11) During Lockdown our Board meetings became more frequent, mostly once a week but occasionally twice weekly. Due to Government rulings these meetings were held via Zoom, which all Board Members became proficient at! I, for one, was glad when we were once again able to have face to face meetings.

***All of the tasks on the above are fully paid & completed yet we still have as at 16/12/21, a grand sum of \$578,000 in ready cash!***

I have decided to re nominate for the Board as I feel I can contribute further towards building the Club into “The best local place for meeting up with Friends”.



# Treasurer & Director



## Richard Pilgrim

### **Richard Pilgrim**

A member of Asquith Soccer Club since 1980 until the present and held administrative positions covering all facets of the club's operations and development including the introduction of the current Junior section which has bolstered the club's numbers to over 400 members in all age groups. A club delegate to the Kuring-gai and District Soccer Association for 30 years filling roles in men's and women's football committees as well as filling roles in the Board of Management.

Trained as a Bank Officer after leaving school Richard embarked on a career in Mechanical Engineering in the manufacturing industry. Self-employed since 1986 Richard has built a national business manufacturing and marketing laboratory equipment for the Civil Engineering Industry. His company, Civilab Australia, is also the Australian agent for selected overseas companies and imports a diverse range of products in wide and varied technical diversities. He has overseen the growth of his company from 3 to 30 staff with offices now in 4 mainland states with focus on quality products with service and calibration support. He brings a wealth of experience in many commercial fields with hands on experience in Design, Manufacturing, Marketing and Computer skills.

Richard has been a member of the Board of Directors for many years and has assisted in the recent redevelopment of the club's premises. While Richard is not an active bowler his motivation with Board involvement is to be able to offer representation for ALL members, Lady Bowlers, Male Bowlers, Social Members and visitors without any prejudice.

# Director



**Beth Simmonds**

I was Born and raised in Tasmania; however, I spent the majority of my working life in Sydney-nearly 40 years from 1981. Most of the time I lived in Berowra Heights 1987-2003 then Hornsby 2003 till present.

My profession was Medical Laboratory Scientist in a private Clinical Pathology company finishing the last 15 years as Head of Microbiology. I retired at the end of 2019. Since 2008 I have been Secretary of the Strata Committee in our complex of 45 units.

I became a Member of the Asquith Bowling & Recreation Club in January 2020 and have enjoyed my time learning the game of Lawn Bowls and participating in a number of competitions social & penants, Covid 19 permitting.

I would like to offer my time to contribute to the Asquith Bowling & Recreation Club in its continued success as a venue that all its members enjoy, meeting fellow bowlers, bringing friends and family for social occasions and local community participation. A successful club has the interests of all its members at heart.

I am confident that I can make a positive contribution if elected as a member of the board.



# Director

**Terry James**

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Associate of the Institute of Credit Management  
NSW Justice of the Peace

**CAREER:** Conscripted for National Service in 1967

Served a Tour of Duty as an Infantry Soldier with the  
5<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment, in Vietnam during 1969

Worked for major Public and Commercial organisations as a  
professional Credit Manager for 35 years

**POST WORK:** Treasurer, Hornsby/Northern Districts TPI Association 2010-2012  
Hon. Secretary, Hornsby/Northern Districts TPI Association 2012-2018  
Hon. Secretary, Hornsby RSL Sub-Branch 2010- 2015  
President, Hornsby RSL Sub-Branch 2015-2020  
Treasurer, Parklea Sports & Golf Club, 2004-Present  
Committee Member, SRAR National Association 2018-Present  
Director, Asquith Bowling & Recreation Club 2020- Present  
Member of the 2015 Kuring-Gai ANZAC Centenary Committee  
Connections with Local, State, and Federal Politicians  
  
Life Member, City Tattersalls Club  
  
Life Member, Parklea Sports & Golf Club  
  
**Filled a Casual Vacancy on the Board of the Asquith Bowling &  
Recreation Club on 12 September 2020**