

## BOARD ELECTION NOMINEES 2024 - 2025



IAN CHISHOLM

### **Brief Biography**

The President assumes the responsibility for the Club for the benefit of its members. I have been on the Board as Vice President for 3 years and President currently.

Leadership and experience over 34 years as MD and CEO of various companies, including Chairman of several entities.

I grew up on the Peninsula, sailing and skiing along the shores of Mount Eliza and Mornington. I have completed 1-Sydney-Hobart and 2 Melbourne-Hobart and have held the sports and property portfolios in my 4 years on the Club Board. Ann and I are retired and have 2 children and 4 grandchildren.

#### **Goal for Ranelagh**

Financial stability, member satisfaction and maintenance of our unique position on the shores of Port Phillip Bay.

I would like the Club to still be going strong for another 100 years.



STEPHEN BATTY
Honorary Treasure

### **Brief Biography**

I am qualified to fulfil this position and believe I can contribute to the club's activities for its members. I hold a Bachelor Science; a Bachelor Economics and I am CPA Certified.

I am a Director and Treasurer of the Frankston Football Club (VFL).

In addition, I am Auditor for the Mount Eliza Bowling Club . I am on the Committee of the Mornington Peninsula Bathing Box Association.

### **Goal for Ranelagh**

My goal is to maintain a viable club with facilities for families to participate and enjoy.



SUSAN HADLEY
"Acting" Honorary
Secretary

## **Brief Biography**

Susan is an accomplished and experienced Global Business Executive with deep specialisation in building collaborative partnerships across organisations, disciplines and boundaries to achieve ambitious strategic objectives. She is a trusted leader with high personal integrity and commitment

Susan has lived on the Peninsula since 2014 and joined the Ranelagh Club soon after.

## **Goal for Ranelagh**

To support and consolidate the progress the current board has established.

To maintain the vibrancy of the club for all to participate and enjoy for many generations to come.







ANTHONY SPRAWLING
General Board Member

# MEMBERS & POSITIONS NOT UP FOR NOMINATION 2024 - 2025

### **Brief Biography**

I am happily married to Nici with two children Grace (12) and Noah (10) and have lived in Mount Eliza for the last 11 years, 5 of which as a member of our club.

I am currently a sales and human capital consulting Director working for Australia's leading professional services firm. I am a highly collaborative and values driven individual who operates with high integrity, authenticity and credibility.

I have led state and national sales teams, was the General Manager of a privately owned consultancy firm, and Vice President of APAC Sales for a global brand customer Experience organisation.

I have a diverse range of skills and experience in Hospitality, Retail, FMCG, Consulting, Sales and Leadership roles, and a specialisation in business development and uplifting Organisational Capability.

#### **Goal for Ranelagh**

To grow and enhance the social elements of the club for the benefit of all members. This includes making member orientated decisions and exploring investment considerations which leverage the club's untapped potential, and to enhance current membership experience (particularly kids) and attraction of new member and families.

Calculated continued investment of member funds into the club, experience and social activities that future proof our existence and sustainable attraction to our members.

Enhance the membership experience for all demographics:

- Our cultural heritage protected and enhanced inline with current demographics
- Construction of Kid's Playground for the use of families with children whilst being supervised.
- Consider expansion of the current outdoor deck to extend across the carpark adjacent to the boat shed. The biggest attraction in Summer months is the outside space overlooking the view.





ROSS McDONALD
General Board Member

# MEMBERS & POSITIONS NOT UP FOR NOMINATION 2024 - 2025

### **Brief Biography**

Having spent most of my life on the Mornington Peninsula, apart from those spent at sea with the Navy and overseas on assignment with a multinational, I have gained a pretty reasonable relationship with both the people, the environment and the essence of our most magnificent part of the world, Mt Fliza.

Many years ago, I graduated as an engineer, joined the Navy and then joined a multinational business involved in the design, manufacturing and distribution of diesel engines. In my spare time I enjoyed the delights of sailing on Port Phillip Bay with one of our local neighbouring Clubs.

After several years and married with two children we then relocated to the USA and then later to the UK working in the engineering, servicing, marketing, business development and general management disciplines of the business.

Returning to Australia after 10 years and again living in Mt Eliza and enjoying the delights of our wonderful environment, particularly on the bay in competitive sailing, I became involved with the development of the Australian Army's Bushmaster combat vehicle.

The next several years from a career perspective were focussed on completing the Bushmaster contract, developing a marine business for a multinational, leading and returning a troubled business back to success and finally founding a defence and transport consultancy.

I have recently retired and apart from the occasional mentoring of young business people, and after having joined the Ranelagh Club about 10 years ago, I wanted to further my contribution to our Club.

Cathy and I have been very much involved in the Ranelagh tennis activities and have witnessed its growth in member participation over the years. We found the tennis fraternity particularly welcoming and have made many new friends. But I wanted to contribute more. As a result, I joined the Tennis SubCom to better support the tennis playing members of our Club.

I believe, as a sports and social participant over the last 10 years, I have gained a reasonable understanding of why our new members join our Club and why our current members continue with their membership, particularly those wishing to participate in the sporting activities.

I joined the Board to work with other volunteers, and to represent the aspirations of all members and help them achieve their expectations particularly from a sporting perspective.

### **Goal for Ranelagh**

To help ensure that our Club is a happy, safe and welcoming environment for all members of all ages.

To enhance and improve the offering of sporting activities both within our Club and by exploring opportunities to collaborate with other local community sporting clubs.

To help ensure that our Club remains financially viable in both the short, medium and long term whilst improving the value of membership.

To help leave our Club in better shape at the conclusion of my Board tenure, particularly from a sporting perspective.



# MEMBERS & POSITIONS UP FOR NOMINATION 2024 - 2025



MADISON FITZGERALD
General Board Member

#### **Brief Biography**

I have been a member for over a decade and share the same street address as the Club with my husband Glenn and five children and I have served on the Board this past 4 years as a serving as Vice President looking after the Portfolio of Events, Communications and Sponsorship in addition to representing the Board on the Sub-Committee for the Centennial Celebrations.

I work at Destination, Australia's largest privately-owned full-service event agency, in the capacity as Director of PR, Communications & Branding and have worked in assisting with a rebrand across all divisions focusing on Ideation, technology and communication.

I am a member of PRIA (Public Relations Institute of Australia) and have previously owned two Public Relations firms and have also sat on the Tertiary Education Committee signing off on PR Curriculum for Australian Universities. work. I hope

## **Goal for Ranelagh**

During my next term on the Board, I would like to further utilise my experience in providing more events and activities for members to enjoy at the Club focusing on our retired member group with activities that include card games, art shows and drawing classes.

I would like to continue in rebranding our Club's marketing collateral, communications and social media to draw greater engagement with members. Members will have already noticed our new newsletter and I will continue to update our resources throughout the year.

Of particular focus will be a much-needed website update. It will include a more user-friendly navigation menu and have updated pictures and will also incorporate our booking system for our dining room.

With the inside Bar, Dining room, Member Desk, entrance and toilet facilities now refurbished, our Veranda is looking very tired and in need of a refresh to better accommodate members.

The heritage of our Club within the Ranelagh Estate is special to its members, and I would like to ensure touchpoints continue to be integrated into any design work that reflects its rich historic past.



# MEMBERS & POSITIONS UP FOR NOMINATION 2024 - 2025



PAUL McMENAMIN AM General Board Member

## **Brief Biography**

I have been on the board for 2 years and Inam currently one of the Vice Presidents. I enjoy giving back to the local community and find being on the board is one way I can do that and support the club in its future success.

I have held senior executive roles at two major universities and led major developments /projects in building new facilities. I am a 'can do' person and love meeting new people and supporting people new to the community.

Born in Glasgow, socially deprived area. One of 7 reared by my mother. only one to go to university. Educated in Glasgow University, migrated to WA in 1987, then to Melbourne in 2010.

Successful university Professor who has broad interests in science, art and nature. I have taught several thousands of future doctors and healthcare professionals including specialist surgeons. I have tried to be a valuable member of society and do philanthropic work where possible.

My lifetime dedication to undergraduate and postgraduate medical education was likely the basis of me receiving an AM (Member of the Order of Australia) in January 2023.

#### **Goal for Ranelagh**

To continue to see it flourish and become a welcoming friendly centre for sport for children and adults and help act as a focus for local activities that lie at the core mission of the club.

Improving the facilities, especially seeing new activities in the clubhouse and maintaining a friendly open culture.

#### **Brief Biography**

I have run my own business for over 55 years as well as past President of Mount Eliza Football Club. I can offer my services as a long-time resident and beach box owner.

Live and worked in the Mt Eliza area for over 65 years.

Have a passion for seeing this Club maintain a connection with the area. Local businessman with strong connection to Mt Eliza Village.

I would like to be a part of future developments and activities within the Club.

### **Goal for Ranelagh**

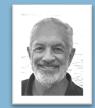
To keep serving the members with quality dining and membership facilities. Improve what we have but maintain the structures. I think this Club is a hidden gem on the Peninsula. We need to keep the place as somewhere we can keep this image.



MARK THORPE
General Board Member



# MEMBERS & POSITIONS UP FOR NOMINATION 2024 - 2025



GRANT SNOWDEN
General Board Member

## **Brief Biography**

My interest in the role is to assist, move the Club from good to great. In addition to support the board achieve its complement.

Considerable board experience including as chair, vice chair, CEO and CFO both locally and internationally. Skills include overall strategy, finance, operations and other facets encompassing general management.

My philosophy includes high ethical behavior and transparency while promoting a culture of enjoyment, and support of management.

Grant is a business mentor and coach with a successful history as a CEO of several companies, small, medium and large, operating internationally.

#### **Goal for RanelagH**

To be a friendly, enjoyable venue and group of members that have an enviable reputation.



PETER DEACON
General Board Member

## **Brief Biography**

I would like to contribute positively to the future of the ground and success of the Club.

I have served on committees before and am a pass president of a charity organisation with both a retail and hospitality background, I hope to contribute through these experiences.

I have lived in Mt Eliza since 2014 and sold my last business in Sorrento and retired in 2018. Both my wife and I enjoy traveling, being social our home and family. It is my intention to join a golf Club soon.

## **Goal for Ranelagh**

To continue to drive the success of the Club. It remains a great pleasure to visit the Club regularly and to meet with friends and like-minded members in what is now very comfortable surroundings. Whenever I entertain my friends, I feel justifiably proud of the Club and what it continues to achieve.

# MEMBERS & POSITIONS CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS NOT CONTINUING 2024-25

# **Brief Biography**

Having worked in the mental health sector and for state government during COVID, I'm keenly aware of the importance of clubs like the Ranelagh. It provides a vital focal point for community, young and old. I'm keen to support its continued growth and development and to ensure it continues to maximise its unique location and facilities.

If given the opportunity, I hope to offer a varied skillset across legal and risk matters, as well as governance support, being a Fellow of the Governance Institute of Australia.

I am a values-driven lawyer of over 20 year's experience, with roles across the sport, technology, health, government and media sectors. I have managed functions including legal, privacy, company secretariat, data governance, risk, integrity and child safety. I previously worked in-house as a litigator for a number of years at the BBC in London and have acted as General Counsel/Head of Legal at organisations in Melbourne including Mornington Peninsula Shire Council, Football Victoria and most recently Beyond Blue. I now run my own practice that focusses on advising clients in the sport, privacy and governance space. My family and I have lived on the Peninsula for 10 years, Mt Eliza for the last 4, and I would love the opportunity to use my legal experience to contribute to the club and local community.

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### **Goal for Ranelagh**

My goal is to support best practice governance and de-risked decision making at the club, in order to deliver on its strategy.

Having a young family, I'm also keen to ensure that children have a wide variety of opportunities for sport and leisure.



DAVID CARRINGTON General Board Member





NICHOLAS BECK General Board Member

# MEMBERS & POSITIONS CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS NOT CONTINUING 2024-25

#### **Brief Biography**

My wife, three children and I are new members of the Mount Eliza community having moved from Hampton just prior to our first child's birth. In an effort to engulf ourselves in the Mount Eliza community we joined The Ranelagh Club in mid 2022. Since joining we have felt involved and part of a larger community.

My interest in joining the board surrounds a consistent self-desire to give back where I think my skills, experience and enthusiasm can contribute.

I have a unique array of experience and education in Property, Administration, Government, Facility Management, Project Management, Strategic and Master Planning Development that would contribute to the board of Ranelagh. A large portion of this experience is in policy, framework, governance and procurement activities. I have several degrees in property and government administration which has provided me with a wide breadth of education. Finally I have extensive experience working in private, local and state government, specifically on crown land and water

### Goal for Ranelagh:

I'm cognisant of the beautiful environment and relaxed feel of the Ranelagh Club, including the hard work that has gone into developing the club over the past ~100 years. However, as a new member with a young family I believe consideration should be given to the development of family friendly spaces that are safe and welcoming to all. Further, I believe the club should be planning for the future in the short, medium and long term to ensure the club is set up for continuous improvement, financial stability and adaption to member needs. Of particular note; I believe the Ranelagh should focus its efforts on completing the below goals in the short term:

#### 1. Family friendly

The Rambler grassed area below the tennis courts would be better utilized if properly fenced to protect young children from wandering onto the internal access road.

- Further; the Rambler grassed area should have additional options for families to enjoy, whilst the basketball ring is great, a small playground would entice higher utilization.
- The bathing boxes are an excellent Ranelagh asset that have been well loved and as a result are in need of full refurbishment.

### 2. Future Oriented

Development of short-, medium- and long-term plans including Master Planning and associated Capital Plans that members can influence through a full consultation process. The purpose of the plans is to ensure the club is fit-for-purpose today and into the future.