

# **2020 Director Nominations**

## **Kerry Skellern**



### Nominating for the role of (Club) President

- Passion for creating a consistent, high quality service offering for members, supported by transparent decision-making and member consultation.
- Board Chair, Non-Executive Director, Business Adviser and General Manager with over twelve years of non-executive Board experience and over 25 years of executive experience across the public, commercial & not for profit sectors.
- Executive roles included general management, strategic planning, marketing & sales, customer service and product development. Lived and worked in China with business development responsibilities across Greater China and SE Asia.
- Board level experience across multiple sectors, including membership of Governance;
   Finance, Audit & Risk; and Nominations & HR Sub Committees.
- Qualifications in business administration, strategic marketing, engineering, science (University of Sydney, UTS & Harvard); Fellow and Graduate, Australian Institute of Company Directors; Advanced Governance Course (Clubs NSW, 2018).
- Current Avondale President; Board Member since 2015.

- Member for over 38 years. Family has a long tradition of involvement at Avondale.
   Grandfather founding member, Mother past Lady Captain & twice Lady Club Champion,
   Father past Club President.
- Ladies Grade Team Member (2016 present), Silver Squad member (2014-15).
   G.A. 10.2.
- Married to Peter, active member. Twin daughters Amanda & Kim, Son Chris (new member).

## **Mark Bayliss**



Nominating for the role of Captain

Mark joined the Avondale Board in November 2018. Mark is the current Club Captain. He sits on five committees, including House, Course, Membership, Match and he Chairs the Scholarship committee.

Mark currently manages the Men's Major Pennant team and has previously managed the Interclub team. He has represented Avondale as a member of the Interclub team.

In his role on the Membership committee, Mark has been involved in the new member recruitment and induction processes. He has been responsible for the new men's pathway initiative that aims to bolster the intake of new male members.

He has a passion for the club's success and prosperity and is committed to serving the membership with a key focus on pro-active open communication.

Mark is the Managing Director of a Sports Marketing Company. He has extensive experience in corporate events across the sports and entertainment industry. Mark has worked closely with sporting bodies that include Rugby Australia, the NRL, and the Sydney Cricket and Sports Ground Trust. Mark's skills and experience across business development, marketing, corporate catering and management equip him well to make a positive contribution to Avondale Golf Club.

Mark has a strong understanding of and practical experience in delivering high levels of customer service and stakeholder satisfaction.

### **Keith Allan**



## Nominating for the role of Treasurer

Keith joined the Avondale Board in November 2018 and also currently sits on the Match and Finance committees.

The vast majority of Keith's work experience has been in Treasury-related activities and Corporate Finance, most of which has been gained since joining Coca-Cola Amatil in 1988 from the Commonwealth Bank.

Keith currently holds the position of Group Treasurer at Coca-Cola Amatil (an international manufacturer and distributor of beverages) and a Director of Container Exchange Ltd (a not-for-profit organisation responsible for the container deposit refund scheme in Queensland). Keith has degree qualifications in Finance and Economics as well as a Masters of Applied Finance from the University of Technology Sydney and is a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Keith is married with three adult children.

## Warren Hogan



## Nominating for the role of Director

Warren Hogan is an economist and financial markets strategist who has worked for major banks and Government for the past 25 years. He is based in Australia having worked for The Australian Government Treasury, Credit Suisse and ANZ Bank where be held the position of Chief Economist from 2010 to 2016.

Warren has extensive international experience having spent much of the past 25 years travelling the world speaking to investors, governments and major corporations about the world economy and global financial markets. His advice is sought by investors, politicians and corporate leaders. As ANZ Chief Economist, Warren was responsible for a team of 50 economists and strategists with a focus on the Asian region and the global markets.

Warren has been recognised as one of Australia's top business economists in industry surveys and awards. He is a commentator in the media with regular interviews on ABC, Sky, CNBC and Bloomberg as well as major global publications including The Economist magazine and The Financial Times. He is an Industry Professor and the inaugural Executive in Residence at the UTS Business School in Sydney. Warren is married with 2 children.

## **Anthony (Tony) Dight**



### Nominating for the role of Director

Occupation: Real Estate Agent (Semi-retired)

#### **Avondale Achievements**

Member: 40 years (3<sup>rd</sup> Generation) Previous Board Member: 8 years

Sub-committee Service: 8 years (including House Committee and Chairman of Greens

Committee)

Major input in escalating The Avondale Medal to its current status of a world recognised event

### **Golfing Achievements**

Avondale Club Champion six times
Played Pennants for Avondale for 20 years
Managed/Captained Avondale teams at all levels in recent years
Represented NSW and Australia for five years
1984 – Eisenhower Cup, Hong Kong
1984 – Asia Pacific Tournament (Runner up trophy)

#### **Professional Achievements:**

Experience in all aspects of Real Estate Sales
Experienced in all aspects of small business.
Experience in Golf Course Design and construction including sewer mining for irrigation purposes.

#### **Personal statement**

I am a passionate Avondale member and confident of representing our total membership with the clarity to ensure Avondale continues to be the envy of other clubs by treating both members and guests with the true Avondale enjoyment both on and off our great golf course.

## Jennifer (Jennie) Fletcher



Nominating for the role of Director

In coming Ladies' President

I have been a member of Avondale Golf Club since 2007, enjoy playing social golf and have represented the Club in Pennant and Interclub events.

I am a current Avondale Director, Chair of the Membership Committee, a member of Finance Committee and from 2013-16, served as a member of the Ladies Committee.

Prior to retiring in February 2019, I held the position of Senior Analyst, Market Conduct at the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC), for over seven years. Prior to joining ASIC, I held regulatory roles with ASX Limited and Australian Securities Exchange Limited (formerly Sydney Futures Exchange Limited). After graduating from the University of New England) I was a secondary school teacher in the government and independent education systems.

## Elizabeth (Libby) Myles



Nominating for the role of Director

#### Education

1986 Bachelor of Education (Hons) from Sydney University majoring in Human Movement Education and Psychology

#### Golf

Member of Avondale Golf Club for 26 years, starting as a Business Associate in 1992.

Represented Avondale in Pennants over the years, mainly in the Silver Shield competition.

Ladies Committee (Competitions Manager) 2016 – 2018

**Ladies Captain** 

#### Career

1987 – 1992 PDHPE teacher at Northmead High School

- 1992 2015 PDHPE Teacher at Abbotsleigh. Held various leadership positions including Year Coordinator, taught HSC PDHPE for several years, managed the Outdoor Education program, coached and managed a variety of sports including softball, gymnastics, football (soccer), touch football and mountain biking.
- 2015 2018 Currently employed by the University of Technology Sydney in a team called the International Research Team for Youth Futures. My role involves assisting with cocurricular programs for students in several schools in low socioeconomic areas of Sydney and organising and implementing educational holiday programs for primary school students.

### **Neil Hicks**



## Nominating for the role of Director

In my 30 years banking career (London, Singapore and Australia) I was primarily responsible for pricing, trading and portfolio risk management of FX Derivatives. I worked in and managed local and global trading teams. It was a priority to develop and maintain good working relationships with Sales, Structuring and Quantitative Analysis resources, as well as other support departments such as Product Control/Finance and Market Risk. I undertook lead roles in the design, specification and implementation of several state-of-the-art FX Derivatives systems, both off-the-shelf and in-house.

Following my banking career, I trained and qualified as an RYA (Royal Yachting Association) Yachtmaster (Offshore) and Instructor.

I have been a proud member at Avondale for the last 9 years since moving to Sydney. Previously I played at Thirteenth Beach, Victoria (2008 – 2009) and at The Royal Automobile Club, Epsom, UK (1994 – 2005).

In other sports, I have had the good fortune and honour to represent and hold leadership roles in several clubs and associations.

I have a BSc (Hons) Chemistry from Exeter University, UK.

#### **Graeme Houston**



### Nominating for the role of Director

I have been an active member of Avondale for the past 5 years after returning from living in the US. Besides playing regularly I support the club through a variety of volunteer activities such as "the bushwhackers ", the men's pathway program and the Avondale Amateur. Born on the West coast of the South Island of NZ, I obtained a Bachelor of Commerce from Canterbury University.

I ultimately joined KFC (YUM Brands) for a 26 year career that spanned multiple executive roles including Chief Supply Chain Officer, Vice President Pizza Hut Global Operations, and my final role back in Sydney as CEO Pizza Hut Australia, NZ, Africa and Russia.

During my career with YUM Brands I relocated eight times between Australia, NZ and the US. A graduate of Australian Institute of Company Directors, I am on the board of JDRF NZ (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation), the NSW SLG for JDRF and also an active member of the Ku-Ring-Gai SES.

Married to Lorraine, our two kids were born in Melbourne with Tom just finishing HSC this year and Georgia starting a BA at Sydney University.