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JOCKEY CLUB

SAJC BOARD ELECTION & CANDIDATE INFORMATION 2026

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BOARD ELECTION 2026

You have received this voting pack because you are eligible to vote in the South Australian Jockey Club (SAJC) 2026 Board Election.

Following the nomination process the SAJC has received eight (8) nominations for two (2) positions on the SAJC Board. In accordance with the SAJC's Constitution and By-Laws, an election is required to determine these positions.

Your eligibility to vote in this election has been determined in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws. You have the choice to vote for up to two (2) candidates in this year's election.

VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

Your voting pack includes:

- Candidate profiles within this brochure
- Ballot paper
- Ballot envelope
- Return reply-paid envelope to post completed forms

VOTING PAPERS CAN BE LODGED BY THE FOLLOWING METHODS:

- Posting in the reply-paid envelope provided;
- Placing in the ballot box located in reception at Morphettville Racecourse during office hours; and
- Placing in the ballot box located on Level 2 on a race day.

The completed ballot paper must be received by the Returning Officer by no later than **4:00pm on Tuesday 24 November 2026.**

BALLOT RESULTS & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The total number of votes and the result of the election will be declared by the Returning Officer at the SAJC Annual General Meeting on **Wednesday 25 November 2026 at 6:00pm at Morphettville Racecourse.**

HELP & SUPPORT INFORMATION

To locate your SAJC Member Number please refer to the back of your SAJC Membership card or contact the office on 08 8295 0111.

For any other enquiries, please contact Elise Mueller on **08 8295 0102 or email emueller@morphettville.com.au**

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CANDIDATE 1

LISA MICHALANNEY



Date joined SAJC: 30/07/2020

SAJC member for six years.

I co-own and operate two manufacturing businesses, provide business and HR consultancy to small businesses, and work in the public service in education. Before this, I spent 15 years working as an administrator across all three racing codes.

My qualifications include a Bachelor of Equine Business Management and Certificate IV in Racing Administration (Stewards). I am a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors' Company Directors Course, and hold numerous other professional qualifications including a recent Harvard micro-credential.

I have experience reporting to and serving on government and private boards. I am currently the SA Chair of the Australian Sign & Graphics Association, a director on its National Board, and National Treasurer.

I am a member of South Australian Thoroughbred Breeders, and actively breed and race my own horses in SA and interstate. I regularly attend and enjoy race days around Australia.

My priorities are clear: represent members, keep racing at the centre of the SAJC, improve the Club's financial position, and attract younger generations of members.

I understand racing from both an industry and an ownership perspective. I would bring practical racing knowledge, commercial experience, strong governance skills and a strong member-focused commitment to the Board.

Proposed By: Brenton Parker
Seconded By: Derek Michalanney

CANDIDATE 2

TODD FOULDS



Date joined SAJC: 02/07/2021

My name is Todd Foulds. I am 39 years old, a proud father, family man, real estate agent, auctioneer and lifelong racing enthusiast, with 19 years' experience in the real estate industry.

Throughout my career, I have developed strong communication, negotiation, sales, marketing, networking and relationship-building skills, along with a strong understanding of property, business and commercial opportunities. As an auctioneer, I am comfortable engaging with people, presenting to an audience and creating an environment people want to be part of. I believe these skills would allow me to make a positive contribution to the SAJC and its stakeholders.

Racing is a genuine passion for me and my family. My father-in-law runs a family syndicate with multiple horses, and I also have shares in a number of horses myself. I love attending the races, meeting people within the industry and seeing the enjoyment and connection racing brings to families, friends and the wider community.

Into my 5th year I am proud to be a member of the SAJC and genuinely value what the club offers. I would love the opportunity to contribute to its future, particularly by helping attract and engage a younger generation through strong communication, modern marketing and creating an environment people want to be part of.

My goal would be to help the SAJC continue to thrive, prosper and remain an important part of South Australian racing for generations to come.

Proposed By: Michael Seal
Seconded By: Peter Martin

CANDIDATE 3

SUSAN MEEKINS



Date joined SAJC: 18/06/2020

Racing runs through my family. My father, Lloyd Gunter, was a penciller for a prominent South Australian bookmaker. My husband, Kevin Meekins, won the Grand National Hurdle on "Sallies Jack" for local trainer Pat Barnes, and my son, Scott Meekins, was also a jockey. I am a passionate supporter of horseracing and have been an SAJC member for approximately ten years.

I am an experienced charity event coordinator and have worked with a range of charities, most recently raising awareness and supporting research into Parkinson PSP. I am excited by the opportunity to apply my skills to the SAJC Board.

What I would bring to the Board

- Financial discipline. Fifteen years managing Accolade Wines' company credit cards, demonstrating financial literacy and diligence.
- Events and community engagement. A career in functions, fundraising and public events relevant to the Club's members and Morphettville's operations.
- Leadership and initiative. Founder of a fundraising and awareness committee and a former retail manager, comfortable leading people and working collaboratively towards a shared goal.
- Respect for the Club's heritage. I worked with volunteers to catalogue memorabilia from Victoria Park, Cheltenham and Morphettville stored in the Junction basement, giving me an understanding of the Club's history.
- A family view of the industry. Through my father, husband and son, I have seen racing from the perspectives of a jockey, a bookmaker's penciller and a family member.

My priorities

- Grow membership by building on the existing base and reaching untapped markets.
- Celebrate the Club's history and bring the Morphettville story to new audiences.

Proposed By: Nanette Casey
Seconded By: Peter Casey

CANDIDATE 4

MORNA YOUNG



Date joined SAJC: 02/09/2020

I love racing and I am excited to stand for the SAJC Board. I want to make membership something people are proud to renew, and give many more people a reason to come to Morphettville and keep coming back.

Racing has been part of my adult life, from Caulfield as a young professional member in Melbourne to race days in Hong Kong, Malaysia, the United States and Mauritius. I am an SAJC member of four years and an owner, racing horses in my own right, with friends and in an Adelaide women's syndicate, all with local trainers.

I came to Adelaide 21 years ago on a short-term secondment and stayed. Since then I have held senior roles across energy, water, land management, agriculture and HVAC. I am Chief People Officer at Polyaire and was previously Group General Manager HR, Compliance at Thomas Foods International, a major SAJC sponsor. I served on the Board of the Committee for Adelaide (2020–2023) and sit on the Advisory Board of the Centre for Workplace Excellence. My expertise spans governance, risk, compliance, industrial relations, WHS and leading people through change.

If elected, I will focus on:

- a smoother renewal process and real, visible value for members, including recognition of long-serving members
- growing membership through a more welcoming race day, flexible options and member-only experiences
- making every member feel heard, with regular feedback and clear updates from the Board.

I will declare my ownership interests openly and commit to the role.

Proposed By: Vicki Nielsen
Seconded By: Susan M Prendergast

CANDIDATE 5

ROBERT WILLIAMSON OAM



Date joined SAJC: 26/11/2025

Robert Williamson OAM is Director and Chief Operating Officer of public company Lodestone Mines in South Australia. He is also Chair of the Curtin University Autism Academy Board and Board Member elect for 2027 of the Institution of Engineers Australia Board (SA Division Committee). In 2003 he received the highest-level award in Engineering in Australia, the President's Prize from Engineers Australia, and has received the Order of Australia Medal. He is also a graduated Fellow of AICD, Chartered Fellow of Engineers Australia and member of SAJC.

Robert has owned several thoroughbred racehorses including a share in current champion Air Assault, takes a keen interest in the breeding and training of racehorses and attends race meetings locally, interstate and internationally.

Born in Broken Hill with a career in mining spanning over 45 years, 22 years of which with Rio Tinto. Robert has written and presented papers at leading mining conferences around the world. In 2020 Robert resurrected the Broken Hill newspaper for the benefit of the elderly community and was featured in the ABC Australian Story program 'Fight for the Truth'.

Robert is passionate about supporting the horse racing industry into the future in Australia and overseas. He brings a career which includes several Executive Business Development positions, experience in Corporate Governance and driving Company performance, and extensive commercial experience and strategy to support the SA Jockey Club and its members in all pursuits, for the betterment of the Jockey Club and the industry.

Proposed By: Michael Leverink
Seconded By: Leigh A Thompson

CANDIDATE 6

SALLY NIEHUUS



Date joined SAJC: 17/04/2008

Dear Member

I have been honoured and privileged to serve on the SAJC Board since 2023 and ask for your continued support.

I am committed to enhancing the member experience, strengthening the SAJC's leadership within South Australian racing, and maximising Morphettville as a premier events and entertainment venue to ensure a vibrant, financially sustainable club.

During my tenure I have contributed to key SAJC achievements, including the refurbishment of the Members' area, progressing the Club's Masterplan project, the partnership with Sportsbet, delivering a successfully revamped Adelaide Racing Carnival, upgrading the Diva Bar, and achieving a financial operating profit each year.

In addition, I have served on the following Board Committees:

- Life Membership
- Constitutional Review
- By-Laws Review
- CEO Performance Review

As a passionate racing enthusiast and experienced business professional, I regularly attend Morphettville as an owner and member.

I also bring valuable experience in an elite sport setting from my time on the South Australian Cricket Association (SACA) Board from 2010 to 2021, where I was the first woman ever elected by members and recognised among the top 25 Women in South Australian Sport in 2019.

My professional qualifications include a Master of Business Administration, Bachelor of Arts, Advanced Diploma in Human Resources, and I am a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. I have worked in People and Culture for over 25 years.

With your support I would welcome the opportunity to continue contributing at Board level on behalf of all SAJC members.

Proposed By: Joy Engelhardt
Seconded By: Dianne Smith

CANDIDATE 7

MICHELLE OVENSTONE



Date joined SAJC: 07/03/2012

A proud SAJC member since 2012, I am passionate about racing and the future of our club. As a racehorse owner, I regularly attend Morphettville to watch my horses and connect with fellow enthusiasts. I understand firsthand what members value about the SAJC and its importance to racing in South Australia.

For the past two years, I have served as Secretary of the South Australian Racehorse Owners Association (SAROA), building relationships with key industry stakeholders and gaining insight into the priorities and challenges facing owners and the industry.

I am a senior commercial lawyer specialising in major infrastructure contracts, with expertise in commercial strategy, governance and risk management. I bring strategic judgement, strong negotiation and stakeholder engagement skills, and the ability to balance competing interests—capabilities that would support effective governance and the SAJC's long-term success.

If elected, my priorities would be to:

- Build stronger partnerships: Draw on my industry relationships to strengthen connections between the SAJC and industry bodies, creating greater collaboration and mutual benefits for South Australian racing;
- Enhance the member experience: Listen to you, understand what you value and ensure Morphettville remains a place you want to visit, connect and be part of;
- Keep racing relevant: Champion initiatives that attract new audiences and secure the SAJC and racing's place in South Australia's sporting and social landscape.

I am nominating to contribute my legal and commercial expertise, industry knowledge and passion for racing to the Board, supporting our club's long-term success. I would value your vote.

Proposed By: Bob Holton
Seconded By: Paul Ninnis

CANDIDATE 8

SANDRA ELLIOT BENNETTS



Date joined SAJC: 08/07/2020

Sandra has been an SAJC Member for six years, with a lifelong passion for horses and the thoroughbred racing industry. Professionally, Sandra is a Project Manager in the Defence industry and has had the privilege of supporting complex air and maritime capability programs, including the P-8A Poseidon and Triton (uncrewed) aircraft fleets.

The Adelaide Cup holds a special place in Sandra's heart. It was at Adelaide Cup 2021 that she met her husband, Gary, and at Adelaide Cup 2022 they were married. Together they have a blended family of seven children and eleven grandchildren.

Sandra and Gary are proud horse owners and regularly travel throughout South Australia and interstate to attend race meetings and major racing events. Their involvement in racing extends beyond ownership, reflecting a genuine passion for and commitment to the industry. Sandra has also had the privilege of working at Coolmore, further strengthening her appreciation and understanding of the thoroughbred breeding and racing industry.

Sandra hopes to bring her project management, stakeholder engagement and governance experience to the SAJC Board, combined with her enthusiasm for racing and the Club. Having built strong relationships with many members over the years, she is committed to listening to members' views, understanding their priorities, and contributing to initiatives that enhance the member experience while supporting the long-term success of the SAJC.

Proposed By: Michael Brian Evans
Seconded By: Gary Lesley John Bennetts