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More Experience for PCA Board

Three new Directors have joined the Pony Club Australia Board this month, bringing a strong and diverse range of skills to the group. They are:

Michelle Harper

Michelle is a barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria and the High Court of Australia. She also has extensive experience in corporate governance, education, health and welfare, and equestrian sport.

As President of Yarra Glen and District Pony Club, in February 2009 she was instrumental in helping the Club recover after the grounds were destroyed in the Black Saturday fires. She received an award for 'Outstanding Contribution to Bushfire Recovery' at the 2009 Victorian Sports and Recreation Awards.

She was an elected Board Director from 2016-2018 including two years as Chair. She has an interest in helping improve corporate governance at club, state and national level, and making Pony Club more accessible to others. Michelle is a board-appointed director for a two-year term.

Jo Morgan

Jo is a senior marketing and finance industry professional with over 20 years' experience in the financial services industry. She holds a Master of Applied Finance. She held senior executive roles across blue-chip, national and boutique firms, and worked on strategic business and marketing planning, brand, media liaison, marketing campaign development, digital/web content and marketing analytics. Jo is a Graduate Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD).

She has been a member of Arcadia Pony Club NSW for nearly 10 years, and her three children have grown up with the Club. Jo has been instrumental in recruiting members and increasing the Club's digital footprint, including establishing online certificate work for members during the pandemic.

Jo Morgan was a 2019 Finalist for PCA Volunteer of the Year and Arcadia Pony Club was a finalist for PCA Club of the Year in 2020. She is passionate about member engagement and satisfaction across all States and the long-term growth of Pony Club. Jo was elected by members at the 2021 AGM for a two-year term.

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Carole-anne Hodges

Carole brings many years of experience in the business and financial sector, and a passion for Pony Club, to the Board. She is a Quality Assurance ISO 9002 Auditor and a past winner of the Rotary Pride of Workmanship Award. In 2017, she was the Sports NSW Community Sport Administrator of the Year and PCA Volunteer of the Year.

She has worked in finance and administration for over 40 years, first in the banking industry and now the private sector, specialising in human resources and finance. Carole also runs her own bookkeeping business with private clients.

A current Level 1 Pony Club Instructor and State Scorer for PCANSW, she has been a member of various Pony Clubs in Zone 9, NSW for over 20 years. Carole was elected by members at the 2021 AGM for a two-year term.

Pony Club Australia offers thanks and appreciation to the retiring Board members Sonia Murphy and Mark Trayling for their contributions to Pony Club.

The full Board of Directors and their photos and details can be found at:

<https://ponyclubaustralia.com.au/about-us/pca-board/>

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