

BDCC Board of Management Election 2026

The voting period is from **Saturday, 29 August 2026** until **Saturday, 12 September 2026**.

The election results will be announced at the BDCC Annual General Meeting on **Saturday, 19 September 2026**.

Voting will be conducted **in person only**. All current financial BDCC members are eligible to vote and must present:

- Their BDCC membership card
- Valid photo identification

Members may vote for their **two preferred nominees** from the following candidates, listed in alphabetical order by surname:

- Sarah Patterson
- Leah Patulny
- Brian Scott
- Jason Warnes

Voting Hours

Monday to Thursday: 9.00am to 5.00pm

Friday: 9.00am to 8.00pm

Saturday and Sunday: 11.00am to 2.00pm

Please see a member of our Administration Team during these hours to cast your vote.



Sarah Patterson

Sarah is an experienced community and not-for-profit leader with more than 10 years' experience as a CEO of not-for-profit organisations. She is a Justice of the Peace and holds a Master's in Business Leadership (MBL) and is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD).

Sarah has extensive experience in governance, strategic planning, financial oversight, compliance, risk management, HR and organisational leadership. She has been a CEO of non-profit Community Legal Centres for the past 9 years, operating in highly regulated environments, giving her a strong understanding of the responsibilities and accountability required of boards and community organisations.

Sarah also served four years as a Councillor with the City of Gosnells, where she gained valuable experience in local government, community representation, decision-making and working with diverse community interests.

Sarah is passionate about strong, well-run community organisations and understands the important role clubs play in bringing people together. She is seeking election to the Board of the Byford District Country Club to contribute her governance, leadership and community experience and to support the Club's continued development as a strong, sustainable and welcoming community organisation.



Leah Patulny

Having lived in Byford all my life and worked at the Club for five years, I care deeply about our community and have a strong understanding of the Club, its members, and its operations. The Club played an important role in supporting me through high school and university, giving me a firsthand appreciation of the value it provides to local people and families and a strong desire to give back.

Through my experience working across all operational areas of the Club, I developed a deep understanding of its strategy, culture, and the challenges and opportunities it faces.

I believe the Club is a fantastic organisation with a proud history and a strong future. There is always room for improvement, innovation, and growth, and I am confident I can make a positive contribution in these areas. I bring a combination of local knowledge, fresh perspectives, and professional skills gained through my degree in Community Development and Indigenous Knowledges and Practices, together with experience in corporate government. I am committed to acting with integrity, listening to diverse perspectives, working collaboratively, and contributing to sound, transparent decision-making that supports the Club, its members, and the wider community.



Brian Scott

I, Brian Scott, am a proud member and regular of the Byford Country Club, and it would be an honour to receive your vote for a position on the board. The club has long been a place where I feel deeply connected to our community, and I am committed to bringing fresh ideas while ensuring that current and future members are always included in the conversation. Through my real estate work, I actively encourage new residents to join the BDCC, personally covering their membership and providing a welcome voucher as part of introducing them to our town and its most valued gathering place.

If elected, I will remain fully accessible by phone, email or in person, always willing to listen and bring forward any suggestions that support the club's growth, stability and long-term future. My focus is simple, to represent our members with integrity, to encourage community involvement, and to help ensure the Byford Country Club continues to thrive as a welcoming and proudly local institution.



Jason Warnes

I am nominating for a Board position because I care deeply about the role the Byford & Districts Country Club plays in our local community. The Club is a place where families connect, friendships are built, and people feel welcome — and I want to help ensure it continues to thrive for years to come.

My background includes more than two decades in senior commercial and leadership roles across the mining industry, where I've been responsible for transparent decision-making, financial stewardship and building strong, respectful partnerships. While my career has taken me across large mining and capital projects, the principles that matter most — integrity, accountability and community benefit — are the same ones I believe should guide our Club.

If elected, my focus will be on supporting a positive member experience, strengthening community involvement, and ensuring the Club remains financially sustainable and well-managed. I want to contribute to decisions that help the Club grow while keeping it inclusive, family-friendly and true to its community roots.

I would appreciate your support and the opportunity to serve our members and community.