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Dear colleagues

Our election timetable reminds us that now is the time to start thinking about nominations for Council positions, including office-bearers, Committee of Management members and Regional Directors. The attachment lists the positions which are continuing and those that are due for appointment in June 2025.

In line with our Mandatory Board Quota procedure, I need to draw your attention to the gender balance on Council. We are committed to having at least 40% women Directors, ie nine of the total of 22 Director positions. Currently we are going well on this.

- 60% of our Directors are women: 12 women out of 20 Directors.
Two Regional Directors also have a position on the Committee of Management. Two of these roles are due for election this year; if the overlap does not continue, the total membership of Council will be 22.
- Six women Directors hold positions which do not expire till 2026.

If three women are appointed in the 2025 round, we will (just) achieve the 40% ratio.

Please could you discuss this when you are considering nominations / appointments?

Regards,

President Croquet Victoria

PS. As you probably know, we have a newly established Constitution Review Working Group which is re-starting consideration of the constitution – the previous working group having been disbanded as their work had been in abeyance for two years. At this stage it seems unlikely that a revised constitution will be in place for our Annual General Meeting in June.

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Patron – Her Excellency the Honorable Professor Margaret Gardner AC

COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

June 2025

Positions due for election in 2025

Office bearers

President Kate Patrick (eligible to stand again)
Treasurer Claire Keating (eligible to stand again)

Ordinary members of the Committee of Management

Paul Coughlin
Deb Newbold
Robin Russell [appointed to a casual vacancy]

Regional Directors

Eligibility to stand again is determined by the Region

Ballarat	Pat Smith
EMCA	Deb Newbold
Gippsland	Tom Lacey
GVCA	Marjorie Grant
NEDCA	Sarina Cevaal-Hewitt
SEMCA	Terri Manwaring
SWCA	Russell Worland

Total number of Directors positions to be filled in 2025: 12

Men: 4

Women: 8

Continuing members – positions due for appointment in 2026

Office bearers

Vice-President Stephen Forster
Secretary Sarina Cevaal-Hewitt

Ordinary members of the Committee of Management

Ian Potter
Rita Jenkins

Regional Directors

Bayside	Treesh Reeve
Geelong	Janelle Morris
Goldfields	Tricia Devlin
MVCA	Ian Potter
Northern District	Damien Hadfield
Western Metro	Kevin Beard
Wimmera	Rachel Cousins

Total number of continuing Directors: 11

Women: 6

Men: 5