

Paul Coughlin

Croquet

Paul joined the MCC Croquet Section in 2019 and was a member of the Division 4 Pennant Team in 2021. He joined the Committee of the Club in 2022 and was appointed Manager of the MCC Club Championship and Open Tournaments for 2022 and 2023.

In 2022 Paul was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Committee of Management of the Victorian Croquet Association, a position he was re-elected to at the VCA's 2023 annual meeting. He is a member of the Finance Sub Committee and a member of the Victorian Croquet Centre Working Group.

Career

Paul worked for 26 years for Standard & Poor's Ratings Services. Paul has extensive credit, analytical and management expertise. He has at various times been involved in rating corporates, banks, governments, mutual funds, securitizations and project financings.

After entering the ratings business in Melbourne in 1988 he established S&P operations in China in 1995, including setting up a joint venture ratings business in Taiwan. He went on to manage various Asia-wide analytical practices before moving to New York in 2005. Until 2014 Paul was the Executive Managing Director and global head of the Credit Ratings group at S&P based in New York

On return to Australia Paul served a three-year term as non-executive director of the Victorian Treasury Corporation and as an independent member of the Audit and Risk Committee of the Victorian Ambulance Service. In July 2018 he was appointed a Teaching Associate at Monash Business School. He currently Chairs the Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee of the Liberal Party. In addition, he Chairs the Credit Ratings Committee of FiinRatings, Vietnam's leading Credit Ratings Agency.

Early in his career he worked in economic policy and administrative roles in the Australian government, including a position on the staff of then Treasurer the Hon. J W Howard MP. He subsequently spent six years in merchant and investment banking. Prior to his move to Hong Kong, Paul was a Board Member, and Chairman of the Finance and Audit Committee, of the Alfred Group of Hospitals, Melbourne.

Paul holds a Bachelor of Economics degree from Monash University and a Master's Degree in Business Administration from Melbourne University.