

Ballot Form

2020 RAA Board Election



Important

Complete your full name and membership number for your vote to count.

Voter Declaration

I am the Eligible Member named on this **Ballot Form**.

I have voted on this **Ballot Form**.

I have not voted before in this election.

Candidate details are overleaf.

Your **Ballot Form** must be received by the Returning Officer by **5:00pm on Friday 16 October 2020**.

Put a mark in up to two (2) boxes

Please note the sequence in which candidates' names appear on this Ballot Form was determined by lot, drawn by the Returning Officer.

ELECTION OF TWO (2) DIRECTORS

Sharon **STARICK***

Stephen **HOLMES**

David **CROSS***

***Denotes a retiring Director standing for re-election.**

The Board has assessed the directors seeking re-election as having the skills required to govern the RAA and endorse the re-election of those members as enabling the Board to adequately address the many and varied issues the Board confront on your behalf.

Make your vote count

in the 2020 RAA Board Election



RAA is your Association and it is important that you have a say in how it is governed.

Requirement for a ballot

As the number of valid nominations for election to the Board of Directors of RAA received by the due date exceeds the number of vacancies on the Board, a ballot is required to elect the persons to fill the TWO (2) vacancies.

Right to vote

If you are an Eligible Member of RAA as at Tuesday 4 August 2020, you are entitled to vote in the 2020 Board Election. Note: Pursuant to RAA's Constitution only Eligible Members of the Association may vote.

The result

In accordance with RAA's Constitution, the TWO (2) candidates receiving the highest number of votes in the ballot must be declared as elected to the Board of Directors of RAA at the RAA Annual General Meeting on Monday 23 November 2020.

The candidates

Each of the three candidates has supplied the information that appears on the reverse side of this Information Pack. The candidates' views are their own and do not reflect the views of RAA. The sequence in which candidates' names appear on the **Ballot Form** and in this Information Pack was determined by lot, drawn by the Returning Officer.

Asterisks*

In accordance with clause 11.7(b) of RAA's Constitution, an asterisk (★) appearing alongside a candidate's name in the Notice of AGM (at right), in the candidate profiles (overleaf) and on the **Ballot Form** (overleaf) denotes a retiring Director standing for re-election. The Board has assessed the directors seeking re-election as having the skills required to govern the RAA and endorse the re-election of those members as enabling the Board to adequately address the many and varied issues the Board confront on your behalf.

Ballot period

The ballot period opens Wednesday 12 August 2020 and closes Friday 16 October 2020.

All **Ballot Forms** must be received by the Returning Officer by **5:00pm on Friday 16 October 2020**. If delivered or posted, please use the prescribed reply paid **Ballot Envelope** enclosed in this Information Pack.

If voting electronically, please go to www.votingservices.com.au/raa2020

How to vote

To provide greater flexibility on how our members can engage with us, we provide for electronic voting as well as voting by postal ballot.

Each Eligible Member is only entitled to one vote, the first vote received will be counted.

Online voting – please visit www.votingservices.com.au/raa2020 and follow the instructions.

Postal voting – the **Ballot Form** can be mailed using the provided reply paid **Ballot Envelope**.

Voting

You can vote for up to TWO (2) candidates. Cast your vote by putting a mark in **up to TWO (2) boxes** on the **Ballot Form** alongside the name/s of the candidate/s you wish to vote for. If you place a mark in more than TWO (2) boxes your vote will be invalid. Eligible Members may lodge only ONE **Ballot Form** in the election.

Postal ballots

To ensure your vote counts, please provide your **membership number** and **full name** in the space provided on the **Ballot Form**.

The return envelope

After you have completed the **Ballot Form** place it in the reply paid **Ballot Envelope**. Place the reply paid envelope in the post to be received by **5:00pm Friday 16 October 2020**. No postage stamp is required. Please be sure to complete all details on the **Ballot Form** so that your vote is valid.

Inquiries

If you have any inquiries regarding the election, contact RAA's Company Secretary on 8202 4451 or via email at companysecretary@raa.com.au

Reduction in number of directors

RAA has received notice of the resignation of Mr Ray Grigg, effective at the end of August 2020. In accordance with the transitional provisions set out in clause 27.6 of RAA's Constitution Mr Grigg's position will not be replaced and his resignation will reduce the number of directors from 10 to 9. The reduction in Board size concludes the operation of the transitional provisions and they will cease to have effect from the close of the AGM.

Notice of meeting

117th Annual General Meeting



NOTICE is hereby given that the ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Royal Automobile Association of South Australia Incorporated will be held at The Venue, West Adelaide Football Club, 57 Milner Road, Richmond on Monday, 23 November 2020 at 1:30pm.

Business

- To confirm the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 25 November 2019.
- To receive the President's Report, Managing Director's Report and Accounts for the year ended 30 June 2020.
- To declare elected to the Board the successful candidates in accordance with the results of the ballot held between 12 August and 16 October 2020.

The following nominations for election to the Board have been received, with TWO (2) candidates to be elected:

- Sharon **STARICK***
- Stephen **HOLMES**
- David **CROSS***

**denotes retiring Director standing for re-election*

By order of the Board of Directors

Coronavirus Response

RAA is closely monitoring alerts and advice from health and government authorities to ensure our response to COVID-19 aligns with recommendations from the experts. We take our role in looking out for the community seriously and are taking every precaution so that we can continue to deliver the services our members need in a safe and responsible way.

At this stage members will be invited to attend the AGM in person. However, in an effort to maintain safety and social distancing afternoon tea will not be provided. In the event that restrictions are in place which limit or restrict attendance in-person at the AGM, RAA will release a notice on the website at www.raa.com.au/about-raa/corporate-governance/aggm-and-board-of-directors-election and via a notice in the Advertiser on 31 October 2020.

Proxy

Under clause 10.2 of the Constitution you are entitled to appoint a person who is an Eligible Member as your proxy to attend and vote at an AGM on your behalf. The Notice of Meeting does not contain any resolutions for voting by Eligible Members so accordingly you could only appoint an Eligible Member to attend the meeting on your behalf but they cannot vote on your behalf unless there is a vote for adjournment or other procedural motion.

If you would nevertheless like to appoint an Eligible Member as your proxy to attend the meeting on your behalf, you can do so by accessing and completing the **Proxy Form** available at www.raa.com.au/about-us/aggm-election.

The completed **Proxy Form** can be mailed to RAA in the enclosed reply paid **Ballot Envelope**. If you have previously used that envelope and are mailing the **Proxy Form** separately, please use a blank envelope addressed as follows (postage stamp is not required):

AGM Proxy,
Managing Director
RAA of SA Inc.,
Reply Paid 85057
ADELAIDE, SA 5001

In accordance with clause 10.3 of RAA's Constitution, completed Proxy Forms must be received by the Managing Director by 5:00pm on Tuesday, 17 November 2020.

Note: the appointment of a proxy relates solely to the 2020 AGM or any adjournment of that meeting. Appointing a proxy to attend the AGM on your behalf DOES NOT relate to or affect your right to vote in the 2020 RAA Board Election.



Sharon STARICK*

Present occupation

- Primary Producer/Consultant

Academic qualifications

- Bachelor of Agricultural Science (Honours), University of Adelaide

Directorships (current)

- Director, RAA of SA Inc
- Chair, Animal Health Australia
- Chair, Rural Business Support Service
- Director, Nature Foundation of SA
- Director, Grains Research & Development Corporation
- Director, Regional Investment Corporation
- Director, Sedan Cambrai Football Netball Club
- Director, Starick Holdings Pty Ltd

Directorships (past)

- Director, Unity College
- Presiding Member, SA Murray-Darling Basin Natural Resources Management Board
- Director, Livestock Biosecurity Network

Memberships and affiliations

- Graduate Member, Australian Institute of Company Directors

Candidate's statement

It is an honour to serve on the RAA Board and I ask for your support so that I am able to continue my commitment in ensuring the provision of services and products that meet the changing needs of members regardless of age, gender and location.

Living and driving in country South Australia, I support the role of the RAA in advocating for safer roads, greater spending on infrastructure and mobility for members and the community. This must remain a priority to ensure that everyone, including our young people, are able to travel safely.

With so much change around us, I will use my board experience and business skills in helping to set future strategic directions for the organisation, ensuring future profitability and growth that takes advantage of emerging opportunities.

I seek your support for re-election to continue to work to ensure that we fulfil members' current and future needs.

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Stephen HOLMES

Present occupation

- Rural Doctor, Victoria Road Medical Clinic (Clare)

Academic qualifications

- Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery, University of Adelaide
- Fellowship, Royal Australian College of Pathologists
- Fellowship, Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine
- Diploma, Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetrics and Gynaecology

Directorships (current)

- Board Member, GP Supervisors Australia
- SA State Councillor, Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine

Directorships (past)

- Chair, GP Supervisors Australia

Memberships and affiliations

- Fellow, Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine
- Member, Rural Doctors Association Australia
- Member, Australian Medical Association
- Member, AMASA Road Safety Committee
- Life Member, South Australian Postgraduate Medical Education Association
- Member Bi-College (ACRRM/RACGP) Rural Procedural Grants Program Oversight Committee

Candidate's statement

For over three decades I have committed to being a doctor in rural South Australia. I have also been a member of numerous State and National Boards/Committees working toward equitable care irrespective of geographic location.

I believe this has synergy with the RAA vision/mission: "to serve members – safe, secure and mobile."

Living on SA's #1 "Riskiest Road", I welcome the \$55M road improvement funding promised in 2019, but also note the 107 crashes, 6 deaths and 156 people injured on Horrocks Highway (2014-2018).

Understanding the importance of listening and asking questions that may at times challenge, I ask: "How much road trauma may have been prevented with earlier Federal/State funding intervention?" In my opinion, we will never know - but I do believe critical and innovative thought is needed across all SA roads - prevention is better than cure.

Safe roads should be non-negotiable. South Australians deserve better.

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David CROSS*

Present occupation

- Director of Global Strategy (Supply Chain), Specsavers

Academic qualifications

- Bachelor of Economics, University of Adelaide

Directorships (current)

- Director, RAA of SA Inc
- Director, Thai Optical Group Limited (Thailand)
- Director, Optic Century International Ltd (Hong Kong)
- Director, Radiology SA Pty Ltd
- Director, Lion Distribution Pte Limited (Singapore)

Directorships (past)

- President & Chairman, RAA of SA Inc
- President & Chairman, RAA Insurance Limited
- President & Chairman, RAA Insurance Holdings Limited
- Director, Dos Oceanos Opticos S.S. de C.V (Mexico)
- Director, Australian Automobile Association

Memberships and affiliations

- Fellow, Institute of Chartered Accountants
- Graduate Member, Australian Institute of Company Directors

Candidate's statement

It is a privilege to serve as a director of RAA.

Since joining the board in 2007, I have been involved in a very successful period for RAA. We are one of the state's largest organisations with sales over \$400m and approximately 1000 employees.

This significant growth brings greater complexity and an increased requirement for strong, experienced leadership from the board. I have contributed to RAA's strategic leadership and governance over this period, leveraging my broad business skills and experience (culminating in being President and Chairman of RAA Group 2014-2016).

RAA is well positioned for future growth and, importantly, delivery of increased member benefits.

I will continue to strive for excellence in board leadership as we unlock future opportunities, ensuring "adding value to members" is at the heart of all we do.

I am very proud to serve as an RAA director, and seek your support for re-election.

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