

Board Member Nomination Bios - 2022

Tony Ryan

Tony Ryan is an experienced triathlete, former club president and race director. With a finance background, Tony is passionate about balancing business sustainability with services to the sport. Having participated in Triathlon for over a decade, Tony has had the privilege of representing his country at the World Championships, enjoyed local races, and travelled to Ironman events including the bucket list event such as Challenge Roth. With both his daughters now enjoying sport of Triathlon, he is passionate about the family connections our sport can provide.

Jack Gaffey

I am a dentist who has participated in many triathlons. I have competed at West Lakes at various distances, 70.3 and full Ironman distance in Australia and three times in China at the 70.3 distance. I am also competing at the 2022 70.3 World Champs in Utah this October.

I have had various roles in my career. I have completed an MBA Exec from AGSM. I served on the Adelaide University Union Board as a Director for 2 years (a multi million dollar company) and have served in the Australian Dental Association in various roles, such as the finance/ audit committee Chair and president. My experience has enabled me to understand corporate balance sheets, provide guidance for short term and long term planning and help with the strategic planning for Triathlon South Australia. I am passionate about triathlon and would love to offer my services to the members.

Glenn Andrew Lydyard

I have always loved triathlon and multi-sport and raced the South Australian Circuit for a number of years across Sprint, Olympic and Half Ironman distances. I was lucky enough to win a state age group Olympic distance championship, the age group State Series and a sprint duathlon championship along the way. My proudest moment was standing on the banks of the Torrens at the World Duathlon Champs wearing the green and gold – and sharing it with my family and friends.

When I reflect on my reaching days, it is the people and friendships that I remember most fondly, the sort of friendships that can only be forged pushing pedals up Greenhill Road on a cold winters' morning or tapping out Uni-loop intervals in the heat of summer! Triathlon and multisport is a family. My racing days are behind me now, but I would like to give back to the sport that gave me so much in the hope that it continues to do so for our current and future competitors.

Professionally, I am a chartered Chemical Engineer and have spent the last 16 years working for South Australia's largest energy company across engineering, leadership, planning commercial and digital technology roles. As Manager of Digital Technologies, a key part of my role, and one of my strengths is establishing a vision, aligning a team, and delivering an executable plan. I have managed sizeable budgets (\$10 - \$20m) and have a strong business acumen. I am also passionate about developing people and seeing them achieve their goals.

Triathlon and multisport are a wonderful group of sports made up of wonderful people. I believe we owe it to our competitors to create a safe, accessible and inclusive environment. I also believe in strength in our sport comes from strong development pathways from grass roots, right the way through to high performance programs. Participation and pathways are key to a bright future for our sport.

Nick Filsell

I have been a dedicated and devoted back of the pack competitor, volunteer, commentator, active club member and overall supporter of Triathlon SA since the early 200's. I am genuinely passionate about the development and future of triathlon in South Australia because I know firsthand all that the sport has given me.

With over 30 years senior management experience in the hospitality industry leading and managing award winning venues, successful business launches, venue openings and bespoke events, I believe I would provide a diverse perspective and range of experience to the role of Director that would deliver value to the Triathlon SA Board and community.