

SCA (Vic) Council Nominees



Mark Benson

Mark obtained a Bachelor of Commerce degree 1991, and served as accountant and financial controller with various organisations.

In 2006 Mark entered into the Body Corporate sector in Queensland. In July 2013 Mark joined DR Strata management as the Chief Executive Officer. DR Strata has been in the industry for over 30 years. In January 2018 DR Strata Management was rebranded to Strata Management Victoria. Strata Management Victoria now comprises a group of companies servicing the industry in Victoria. The group manages a portfolio that exceeds 650 buildings and 10,000 lots.

Mark is CPSM and a registered CPA and BAS agent, who serves on the SCA Victoria board as well as SCA National Board.

Mark's passion for professionalism in the industry is the main driving force for him. If elected to the council, Mark seeks to raise the standards of professionalism of service delivery to the industry, main focus being on licencing and corporate governance issues around existing operators in the market and with respect to the council and its own governance. To assist the council to achieve the strategic goals as determined and assist with the merge/amalgamation with SCA National.



Matthew Bourke

Matthew is part of a multi-generational directorship team within the MBCM Strata Specialists Network. Matthew grew up watching his father who has worked within the industry for almost 20 years, and I joined the industry as a Director of MBCM Strata Specialists Greensborough eight years ago. Matthew now leads a fantastic group of people within MBCM Strata Specialists Kew, Doncaster & Greensborough.

The industry has improved markedly, however Matthew sternly believes that there is huge potential for continued improvement, and SCA (Vic)'s role in this cannot be questioned. This is why Matthew seeks your vote as a Council Member for SCA (Vic).

Matthew's desire is to focus on;

- Ensuring the relevance of the SCA within the industry
- Lifting the service standards of Management within the industry
- Improving the advocacy role of the SCA in representing its members
- Driving improvements within the industry

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Gregor Evans

Gregor Evans is the Managing Director of The Knight, a family run business that provides a premium Owners Corporation Management service in Victoria. The Knight manages a portfolio of approximately 300 properties that consists of 20,000 primary Lots.

Gregor has worked in the Owners Corporation (Strata) industry since 2006 and is recognised as a Certified Practising Strata Manager having completed the Certificate IV in Property Services. In 2016 Gregor joined the Victorian SCA board and in 2018 he joined the Australasian SCA board - he continues to be a valued contributor for both.

Gregor is very passionate about the industry and is driven to achieve the following:

1. Increase the awareness of the industry
2. Elevate the professionalism of Owners Corporation Management service providers.
3. Enhance the education offering to Owners Corporation management staff and Owners Corporations members.



Emma Glazebrook

As a semi veteran with 14 years in our industry, the one thing Emma does every single day is educate people. It still surprises Emma how many Owners Corporation myths and misconceptions there are, given that we are living in an age of information when most answers are only a few clicks away. While some clients are ensuring they get better informed, we all know that sometimes a little knowledge can be dangerous.

In Emma's experience, most clients are happiest when they not only understand what needs to happen but also why. Being as transparent as possible on the processes and reasoning about why we Managers do what we do can only be a good thing and enhance the professional reputation of the industry as whole.

Emma would relish an opportunity to get involved in continuing to expand the sharing of knowledge to help all owners understand our roles, their roles and the positive aspects of Owners Corporations.

Emma believes that given her extensive involvement with 3 different approaches to Strata Management, across the various countries she has worked in, Emma can offer valuable experience. Not least in my current situation with insights into the unique requirements of the regional market.

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Tim Graham

Tim Graham is a Partner of HWL Ebsworth Lawyers. Tim is one of Australia's pre-eminent strata lawyers. Tim is the President of the Australian College of Strata Lawyers (ACSL) and a Fellow of the College. Tim has been a Member of SCA for 17 years and a Board Member since 2017.

He has been selected in Best Lawyers® in Australia (Real Property Law) four times. Tim has been recognised in Doyle's Guide as a Leading Property & Real Estate Lawyer and a Leading Commercial Litigation & Dispute Resolution Lawyer.

Tim has conducted over 280 seminars; he has guest lectured at RMIT, Deakin University and the University of New South Wales. Tim is published regularly in the Australian Property Law Bulletin and is a member of the bulletin's Editorial Panel. Tim authors the Owners Corporations chapter of the Lawyers Practice Manual and wrote the case study update for Subdivisions with the Lot.

If elected to the council, Tim seeks to achieve:

- Consolidate and augment professionalism Licensing
- Law reform
- Increase industry profile
- Achieve strategic vision
- Refine and achieve targeted education & training
- Engender relationships with complementary industry stakeholders



Aaron Healy

Aaron has served on the SCAV Board for two years now and would like to volunteer for a further term. Aaron is a passionate Owners Corporation Manager and enjoys the unique role we fill and the challenges it brings. Aaron has practiced for near seven years now, starting in low to mid rise and in the last three years, focussing more on prescribed high rise and complex Owners Corporations.

Aaron wants the best for Victoria and the industry we represent. Aaron has always held a view that my industry peers are colleagues not competitors and has practiced collaboration and mateship. Aaron believes he will be in this space in some capacity until he retires and on the board he hopes to learn from those who have served the longest and be a bridge between those now and those whom will replace them.

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Julie McLean

Julie McLean has been a member of SCAV for 16 years and is currently a Fellow Strata Manager. Julie has been a Board Member of SCAV for 14 years and for the past 5 years, has been part of the National Education Advisory Board. Julie continues to work to grow and promote SCAV as the pre-eminent professional association for the owners corporations industry and is the recipient of the 2014 award for Excellence – Service to Industry.

Julie has over 20 years' experience in the building construction industry, has a strong interest in sustainable buildings and is also a trained technical auditor, specializing in quality system audits under ISO/AS 17025.



Murray Slangen

Murray has been a Strata Manager since 2014, and during that time Murray has worked for both large and medium sized Strata Management companies, gaining valuable knowledge along the way. Prior to that he has spent 20 years in Customer Service/Technical roles.

As a front-line Strata Manager, Murray will bring to the Council a perspective of the issues that are being faced by our front-line workers, and what they need to succeed in their roles.

Murray is a firm believer that our industry needs more training and awareness in the wider community, not just for the great people working in, or thinking of joining, the industry, but also the owner/occupiers and investors that are buying into an Owners Corporation, as well as the contractors working with/for Owners Corporations, and the Property Managers handling properties on behalf of investor owners.

Unfortunately, too many people say that they have no idea of what an Owners Corporation is, or what an Owners Corporation (Strata) Manager does before they make the commitment to join an Owners Corporation, which can only be changed through education and awareness.