

## BASKETBALL WA APPOINTS CHERYL KICKETT-TUCKER, LORRAINE DRISCOLL AND MICHAEL QUIRK TO THE BOARD AND APPOINTS GEOFF SEARLE TO THE FINANCE RISK AND AUDIT COMMITTEE.

Basketball WA (BWA) wishes to advise the members that after a significant external recruitment process the Board has appointed Cheryl Kickett-Tucker and Lorraine Driscoll to the Board. In addition, after receiving nominations from our Affiliated Associations the Board has appointed Michael Quirk.

**Cheryl Kickett-Tucker** is a proud Wadjuk Noongar yorga and avid basketball player, coach and administrator. Cheryl understands the social, economic and emotional impact basketball has upon children, young people and their families. She is a professional academic researcher with expertise in community development, community thriving, Aboriginal identity, sense of self, belonging and self-esteem. Cheryl has a PhD (Edith Cowan University), a Master of Science (University of Oregon), a Bachelor of Applied Science (Edith Cowan University) and an Associate Diploma of Applied Science (Edith Cowan University).

Cheryl's research strength has been the translation of her research to Aboriginal community development programs. Cheryl has extensive knowledge and experience in community development programs, in particular with Aboriginal communities which was identified as a skill gap on the current Board. She also brings knowledge of other areas of basketball pathways through her active participation in National and State basketball leagues as a coach and a player, we look forward to her involvement on the Board.

**Lorraine Driscoll** is an experienced Senior Executive and Chief Financial Officer whose background is in local government and state government organisations. Lorraine is a Certified Practising Accountant and Chartered Management Accountant as well as a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Lorraine has extensive experience in finance, governance, strategic planning and business analysis, in addition her background in local government is a valuable skill gap identified at Board level, as all basketball is ultimately delivered in partnership with local government within the metro and country regions.

Lorraine has also had extensive experience with Lotterywest, which generates over \$820 million in sales annually and unlike other lotteries, distributes the proceeds of sales directly to the community through its grant funding program. The Board identified finance as a skill gap and looks forward to working with Lorraine and the other board members to grow the sport of basketball and its operations.

**Michael Quirk** is a Local Government executive with extensive experience in strategic planning, corporate business planning and stakeholder engagement. In addition, Michael is highly experienced in community development with more than 25 years knowledge across local government and sporting sectors. As the current Director of Community Development at the City of Stirling he is responsible for more than 400 employees and \$80 million operation budget. Michael's current and previous roles have seen him both identifying and effectively responding to diverse community needs and social challenges. Articulating community development opportunities, aligning action with strategic objectives, and establishing clear targets to effectively measure social impact outcomes.

We look forward utilising Michael's knowledge in the social impact space where basketball is so valuable to the community in bringing the community together and providing for a whole range of social outcomes far beyond the benefit of just playing sport.

In addition, the Board announces the appointment of **Geoff Searle** to the BWA Finance, Risk and Audit Committee. Geoff will be one of the independent members of the committee providing guidance and counsel to management and the Board. Geoff has a Bachelor of Commerce (University of Western Australia) and is a Certified Practising Accountant. Geoff is the Director of Finance at Wesley College and is a Board member of the Association of Independent Schools in Western Australia.

Geoff has a long-term interest in basketball as he played and coached for many years at Division 1 level and remains a keen follower of the NBL 1 West competition.

Cheryl and Lorraine will each receive three-year terms until the Annual General Meeting in 2025, Michael and Geoff's appointments are until the first Board meeting after the 2023 AGM.

We warmly welcome Cheryl, Lorraine and Michael to the Board and Geoff to the Finance Risk and Audit Committee and look forward to their future contribution.

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