
To: State/Territory Administrators/Secretaries, National Committee Chairs,
National Recorder, MSA National Board and State/Territory Presidents

From: Rob Abernethy, General Manager

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Subject: Announcement of Masters Swimming Australia (MSA) - Independent Director -
Andrea McNeil OAM

Masters Swimming Australia (MSA) is delighted to announce the appointment of Andrea McNeil OAM (VIC) as the organisation's inaugural Independent Director with the term expiring at the conclusion of the 2028 Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Andrea McNeil OAM



- Business experience in diverse organisations, including multinational companies, local government, aged care and small business.
- Board roles in not-for-profit sporting organisations.
- Bachelor of Business (Accounting) - Monash University
- FCPA - 41 years membership
- Former Masters Swimming Australia Board member and Finance Director
- MSA Club Coach
- MSA Technical Official
- Malvern Marlins Masters Swimming Club former treasurer
- ABRS Director ID
- ASC Start Line Director Education Certificate
- Qualified Member Protection & Integrity Officer (MPIO)
- Awarded Medal of the Order of Australia

Andrea has been a member of MSA for more than 36 years and brings extensive experience across coaching, officiating, club administration, governance and finance.

A qualified club coach and MSV Coach of the Year in 2004, Andrea commenced technical official training in 2024 and has since officiated at National, State and Club meets, while continuing to participate as a swimmer. She has also served as the MSA Director shadowing the National Coaching Committee (NCC).

Andrea was first elected MSA Finance Director in 2017 and played an important role with the National Board in maintaining strategic focus and meeting statutory requirements including throughout the pandemic. She also served as Finance Director during a casual vacancy in 2025–26.

A longstanding club committee member, Andrea remains committed to supporting the strategic goals of Masters Swimming. As a Fellow of CPA with 41 years of membership, she brings strong financial, governance and professional expertise to the MSA Board.

Andrea values the collaborative relationships she has developed across MSA, Swimming Australia, States and clubs, and her ongoing contribution to promoting and strengthening Masters Swimming across Australia.

As Independent Director, Andrea brings deep experience to the Board. She will play a key role in facilitating the application of sound governance, financial administration support, risk management, reporting and compliance, policy, corporate strategy and performance evaluation and special projects, and helping to ensure the organisation remains well positioned to deliver on its national strategic priorities and serve the needs of members.