



EQUESTRIAN
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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Appointed, Casual Vacancy and Co-Opted committee member application
To be returned to the EWA Office

Name:	Ian Smith
EWA membership number please note: Membership not required for Co-opted committee position	80077546
Sport committee interest: eg, Eventing, Dressage.....	Dressage WA
Previous Committee/Club experience if any or engagement in the sport:	De Drie Gemeenten - Young Rider & High Performance. DJWTS - Advocated for and organised FEI Young Rider competition opportunities.
Reason / objectives for interest in representing EWA on a Sport Committee:	<p>As an experienced equestrian, I have spent the past decade immersed in the equestrian community in the Netherlands and Germany, where I gained valuable skills and experience as a trainer, coach, and active competitor. My passion for dressage has driven me to continuously seek opportunities to grow my knowledge and skills in the sport. Now that I am back in Western Australia, I am eager to give back to the equestrian community by using my international experience and perspectives to help develop dressage in the region.</p> <p>My objective is to promote dressage and help elevate its presence in Western Australia, especially inspiring Young Riders. I believe that there is a lot of potential for growth in this sport and I am eager to bring my fresh ideas and perspectives to the Dressage WA Committee. I am committed to attending meetings, contributing to the committee's work, and representing EWA to the best of my abilities. With my deep understanding of the equestrian community, I believe that I could offer valuable insights and ideas that will help the committee achieve its goals.</p> <p>In summary, I am excited about the opportunity to apply my knowledge and experience to the Dressage WA Committee and to work collaboratively to help develop dressage in Western Australia. I am confident that I can make a valuable contribution to the committee's work and am committed to representing EWA to the best of my abilities.</p>
Equestrian history:	<p>National dressage YR squad member as a young rider. Coached and given clinics across Australia and internationally Have trained multiple horses from young horse through to FEI in Europe Trained and competed with some of the worlds best: Spent 2 years training competing in England 2 years competing and training in Germany 5 years competing and training in the Netherlands</p>
Experience that you believe will assist you as a member of a Sport committee:	<p>Experience as a competitor from young horse through to FEI levels overseas and across Australia.</p> <p>Strong marketing and management abilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International Marketing Manager for Epplejeck Branches, the Netherlands (chain of equestrian retail stores). - Marketing and Communication Manager for Bates Saddles. - Event management skills - Worked with many equestrians around the globe so bring a broad perspective through a connected network
General comments:	