

BIOGRAPHIES OF CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS.

Ian Holt Chairman. Mr. Holt is Chairman of the Board of Governors and also Chairman of our Executive Committee. He presides at all Council Meetings, has a deciding vote, and sits in on most sub-committees. Mr. Holt is a consultant in the building industry and has been involved in the Council for a total of 11 years. Mr. Holt is a Singer/Musician and has been involved in Country Music all his life.

John Callaghan. Vice/Chairman. Mr. Callaghan is Vice Chair of the Board of Governors and also of our Executive Committee and steps into our Chairman's shoes as required. He is actively involved in all of our organizations functions. Mr. Callaghan is an Education Manager with T.A.F.E. He has been with the Council for 4 years. He is an accomplished Singer/Songwriter and an award winning Recording Artist and Entertainer and has been involved in Country Music all his life.

Joni Lee-Voyce. Secretary/Treasurer. Mrs. Lee-Voyce is Secretary and Member of our Board of Governors. She attends to all administration matters and banking and keeping of records. She provides monthly financial reports to our Board of Governors and Executive Committee. Mrs. Lee-Voyce is a retired Executive Assistant & Business woman and has had many years experience staging major events in the Music Industry and also working as a vocalist from the 1960's to 1990's. Mrs. Lee-Voyce has been involved in the Council since its inauguration in 1993, was on the Committee in 1995, 1998 and again now since February, 2007.

Wally Sparrow. Mr. Sparrow was on the steering committee of the Council at its inception in 1993. He served as Secretary and CEO over a 10 year period and has produced our monthly magazine "Prelude". Mr. Sparrow still contributes a monthly article. He is very well known in our industry, having been involved for 45 years, has his own weekly radio show, and still contributes to much of our printed media Australia wide. He is a semi-retired Salesman, Journalist, Emcee, Entertainer and Musician.

Angus Redford. Angus Redford is a lawyer and a former member of the South Australian Parliament (93-96). He was a strong advocate of the live music industry, becoming involved in

the “Save the Guv” campaign and ultimately appointed Chair of the Ministerial Live Music Working Committee, which led to formal recognition of Live Music as an important part of the fabric of our society. A former National President of Apex, he has had a strong community service background and has been involved in the music industry for many years.

Brian Sambell. Mr. Sambell is one of those people ‘once met, you never forget’. He has just been re-elected for another three years as Mayor of Gawler, and is well known everywhere as a motivated “mover & shaker” Mr. Sambell has lived all his life in Gawler, and for many, many years operated an Outback Tours Company, the success of which, reflected his love of our country. Brian supposedly retired when he sold the Tour Company, but not for long. He ran the Tourist Office in Gawler for many years and turned it into a thriving business for the town. He is passionate about Country Music and played a big part in producing Country Music Festivals in Gawler in the 90’s.

Fil Galantomos Mr. Galantomos is a recent member to the board but has extensive experience with committees as a former Lions President, Chairman of the GLENDI GREEK FESTIVAL Inc, and 10 years as a Board member of that organization. Fil’s background has been in Financial Planning but now operates his own Mortgage Broking business, KINGFIELD HOME LOANS and has been a Corporate Member for the SACCM. Besides his love for fishing, Fil’s background goes back many years as a vocalist with his band called “Runaway” but his biggest love is Songwriting where in 1970 he had a number one hit in Adelaide called “A Little Thing Called Love” recorded by Ernie Sigley. These days he enjoys Country Music especially Country Rock.

DIRK ZADRA. Before coming to Australia with his wife Karen, in late 2004, Dirk Zadra lived and worked across Europe. He held senior positions in the Armed Forces as well as in Market Research and Marketing. Dirk was a Director and Board Member of a Swiss Financial Services company. He holds a PhD and an MBA. And currently works as a free-lance translator and teacher. For the past two years, Dirk was Treasurer of two non-for-profit organizations in Adelaide.

DR. LISA LINES. Lisa is in her twenties, which brings much needed youth (and female representation) on to our Board. She grew up in Gawler, attended Trinity College there, where she was DUX of her Graduating class. She went on to University and achieved BA, 2 Honours Degrees and PhD. Lisa now runs her own business “Elite Editing & Tutoring”, is married and lives in Adelaide. Lisa is very fond of Country Music, having helped out at the Gawler C.M. Club and Gawler Festival when she lived there and is very keen to join our Board of Governors and feels that she could contribute in many ways.