LEE ANN HALL, 475203

Kilkivan, Queensland

Let me introduce myself, I live in Kilkivan, QLD, and operate Equinetics Equine Breeding Centre with my husband Jeffrey. With over 30 years of experience running successful family businesses, I've developed strong skills in financial management, staffing, logistics, and daily business operations—all of which support current our work in the equine industry.

My life revolves around horses. I'm very fortunate to contribute in many roles: breeder, judge, steward, competitor, committee member and professional. I am currently a member of AQHA's Judges Sub-Committee and Show & Performance Sub-Committee—roles I truly enjoy and wish to continue, previously served as a Director for the American Paint Horse Association, on International, Youth, and Show & Contest Committees.

I'm an AQHA Accredited Judge, AQHA L2 Ranch Versatility Judge, RHAA Judge, and APHA International Judge. Many will know me from the show ring, either judging or stewarding—or as a fellow competitor.

A highlight of my judging career was being honoured to judge the Summer Sizzler, NPHA, and AQHA National Shows all in the same year. Horses are more than my profession—they are my life's passion. I am proud to work in an industry that allows me to contribute in so many ways.

CHLOE BISHOP, 469282

Echuca, Victoria

I am Chloe Jade Bishop, my involvement with the AQHA started in early childhood, participating in showing until I was 10 years old (2011). I returned to the industry in 2022, training and showing a home-bred 3-year-old. Over the past 12 months we have had great success in the 3 yo and novice amateur events. I believe in sustainable training practices and love learning from others. I own Chloe Jade Marketing Agency, which specialises in digital marketing and social media. I hold a Bachelor's degree in Business and Marketing from Griffith University, Gold Coast. I have assisted with social media for events including the Summer Sizzler and the Victorian Quarter Horse State Show. I am eager to bring fresh perspectives to the AQHA and help the industry grow and evolve. My passion for training and

showing continues to grow, and I enjoy riding and competing alongside my Mum. Together, we share a genuine love for Quarter Horses and passion for the western performance discipline. I would love to represent the AQHA as a board member in 2025 and beyond.

LEANNE BARTLETT, 235516

Canungra, Queensland

I am Leanne Bartlett, & I live in Canungra in the Gold Coast Hinterland, Queensland.

I have an array of judging credentials including AQHA, AmQHA, NRHA, APHA, HSAA, RHAA & am also on the judges committee of both the AQHA & RHAA & HSAA.

My passion is judging, training, coaching & showing, you will see me nearly every weekend at either an AQHA Show, Ranch Show or Reining Show either judging or showing.

I have been an AQHA Approved judge for 39 years and with 55 years of experience in the show pen, I feel I can help the members.

I have been lucky to have shown & or judged across the globe, from both the North & South Islands of New Zealand, New Caledonia, Japan & every state in Australia.

I have competed in nearly all the AQHA events, when I am not judging or showing I am running the Bartlett Training Stables specialising in beginners to advanced & all classes excluding cattle events.

I understand the economics of today & the hard times we are all in, I would like to assist the AQHA in finding ways for the members to afford to follow their dreams.

PETER BELLDEN, 331108

Peachester, Queensland

To the AQHA membership,
I have decided to re nominate for the new AQHA board year.

Last year has been very difficult for me as I lost my mum, so I decided to step down from the board in July 2024 and this really affected me. I am now refreshed and ready to do what is necessary again to assist and direct the board for the benefit of the membership.

I have been a past President for 10 years and Treasurer for 6 years over the last 26 years. The people who know me well know how passionate I am to serve in the best interest of the membership.

RAYLEEN WILLIAMS 477231 Morayfield, Queensland

Being actively involved in the western performance industry for over 13 years, a relative newcomer really, but I come with enthusiasm and a bright fresh approach

I am currently serving as the President of Burpengary Western Performance Club, a role I have held since 2018 and under my leadership BWPC has grown to become one of the largest, most active training clubs in Australia. BWPC regularly delivers high quality successful shows and clinics that cater to a broad range of participants

My in-depth knowledge of the rulebook ensures all events run to the highest standard of compliance and integrity. In addition to my governance and event management experience, I am also a passionate competitor, which gives me a well-rounded perspective of the needs and priorities of riders, clubs, and the broader AQHA community.

Being dedicated in supporting the growth and sustainability of the western performance industry and the versatile quarter horse, I take pride in helping others develop their horsemanship knowledge and confidence. I have two granddaughters who show and my family assist me at BWPC events. Being passionate with support for this industry I would work hard and be dedicated to assisting where I can in this great industry.

HELEN NIXON, 341404 Kurrajong, New South Wales

My name is Helen Nixon, and I bring three decades of experience in the Western and Quarter Horse community, both showing my own horses and working on Affiliate Committees. I acquired my first quarter horse while residing in Western Australia, and since returning to the east coast in 1999, I have made my home in the Hawkesbury, NSW.

Professionally, my background includes extensive service as an Executive Assistant within multinational pharmaceutical and IT

corporations. More recently, I transitioned into part-time work as a Trainer and Assessor, enabling me to dedicate additional time to contribute to new initiatives and challenges. I actively participate in the Western Performance arena and deeply value the role of our Affiliates. My committee involvement spans the West Australian QHA, Sydney QHA, Central Coast QHA, and I currently serve as Vice President of the National Pleasure Horse Association. All our Affiliates play a vital role in promoting our versatile quarter horses through their shows and events, which support our breeders, owners and trainers across all disciplines.

If appointed to the board, I am committed to enhancing communication and support for our Affiliates into the future. Thank you for considering my nomination.

RICKY GLEN, 9680 Robertson, New South Wales

Dear Members,

I am seeking your support for the AQHA Board. I have served on the board for 28 years and the last two years as the President and currently hold the Hall Of Fame Portfolios and Cattle and Timed Events.

Over the past few years, we have seen an increase in registrations, memberships, prize money at the Nationals and other programs designed to help the AQHA across all disciplines of the breed and membership and I have worked to improve the communication between the Board and the membership at the same time. I believe the AQHA through a good Board of Directors backed up by a great staff in the office will continue to build to ensure we maintain ourselves as one of the leading equine groups in Australia today.

Our heritage must be preserved, and we work with all parts of our industry to ensure the growth of our breed.

The Cattle and Timed events support has attributed to our growth in the areas above and this is one of the biggest events for our members to compete at and with the growth of our Nationals will see growth grow as well in these traditional events.

WENDY KELLY, 470555

Armidale, New South Wales

I have been involved with the AQHA for almost 40 years, as a member, breeder, and competitor & have held several committee & executive positions for various associations.

I started out my show career with my husband Stephen around 1996 & after a break for around 10 years, I stepped back into the competition ring a couple of years ago competing successfully in Ranch events.

We are super proud of the amazing success we have achieved over the years, winning many awards & trophies in several disciplines including Ranch events, Reining, Working Cowhorse, and Challenges & Campdrafting.

Along with my experience with horses & horse associations, I have a wealth of knowledge in business & office, having been a professional businesswoman most of my working life, with experience in finance, real estate & the insurance industries.

I feel I would bring to the AQHA board, not only an accomplished background within the horse industry, but also extensive business experience, which I believe would be an asset to the association going forward.

I look forward to the opportunity to join the association's board & being part of their continued success & growth within the horse industry.