



Governing Council Elections

2026 Nominations

Nominations for President (1) – Elected Unopposed

PAMELA CAMPBELL



To date I have worked for 10 years as President of your Association. It has been a privilege to work with many Members who give freely of their time and expertise.

I have overseen challenges and opportunities for Dogs West - including a pandemic, changes to the Dog Act, ongoing development of existing and new disciplines, and continuous review of our rules, regulations and governance.

The pandemic had a huge impact on our Association and the broader canine fraternity which is still felt today. Now, again, we find ourselves in difficult times. Global conflict, rising costs and uncertainty impact our Members, our Association and Affiliates.

For our Association to thrive, we must responsibly manage our financial challenges while meeting Members' expectations, support all disciplines, foster a welcoming, friendly community and work together for the future.

I offer my services to assist in meeting those challenges working with you, the Members, in promoting and supporting a welcoming culture in our membership and the Association.

Nominations for Governing Councillor (3)

JENI SACH



So far I have served 3 terms as a Deputy on Governing Council. I am currently the Conformation Judges Training Working Party Coordinator.

In the past I have served as Chair of Canine Fundraisers Working Party and have also served on several club committees.

Over my years of membership, I have been involved in conformation, obedience, agility and herding (in Victoria). I also currently run show training and tricks/obedience training in my local area.

I am proactive and enjoy helping members and clubs where possible and being involved in the running of the organisation.

TONY CROCKER



In offering my re-nomination for Governing Councillor, again it is an opportunity for me to continue the ongoing great work that has been achieved by the Governing Council, the various working parties, and the countless volunteers that make Dogs West a reputable organisation.

My continued strong involvement with various Committees/Working Parties within Dogs West, like Western Classic, RAS Perth, All Breed Clubs and many more clubs, continues to allowed me to connect with the members and assist them in many different ways.

Work continues on the development of Stewards training course to be online and less classroom/lecture.

As a re-elected Councillor, I would encourage greater community involvement through the promotion of Dogs West, assist Governing Council and the Executive group to look, to diversify our organisation for a positive return to the association, and continue to strive for the continued stronger ethic by all members throughout our unique origination.

CATHERINE MURPHY



A former Dogs West Governing Council representative, committee member across multiple WA dog clubs, ANKC judge in both conformation and tracking, and long-term Dobermann breeder. She is seeking election due to her strong commitment to the future of the canine community and its members. Her experience across both performance and conformation gives her a broad understanding of Dogs West members and their needs. Alongside her lifelong involvement in dogs, Catherine brings extensive professional experience in management, governance, finance, and leadership across major organisations. She is passionate about strengthening member retention, encouraging member involvement and consultation, building a supportive culture, and helping ensure Dogs West remains strong for future generations. Catherine is committed to integrity, transparency, honest representation, and practical progress while protecting member interests and encouraging positive future growth.

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Nominations for Governing Councillor (3) *cont...*

CATHY STORRS



I have been a member of Dogs West for over 30 years, contributing across Grounds, Finance and Promotions Working Parties, and serving in executive and committee roles within affiliated clubs.
I have represented the Governing Council since 2017 (with a short break in 2023-24) and am keen to continue in the role. I was Chair of the Promotions Working Party, I spent 15+ years promoting Dogs West and responsible dog ownership. This included developing our social media presence and representing Dogs West at major events such as the Royal Show and Pet Expo. In 2021, I led the team that delivered the first Dogs West Open Day.
I am committed to promoting responsible dog ownership, supporting healthy, well-bred dogs, and strengthening the Dogs West community. I will continue to provide strong leadership and work collaboratively to enhance the organisations profile and impact.

ANN RUSHBY



The members are the heart of Dogs West.
Our members must be the centre of our service and advocacy, need to be informed of decisions affecting them, encouraged to contribute and be involved in the activities.
It has been my honour to serve Dogs West in various roles - journal editor (16 years), Western Classic (20 years), councillor (18 years), President (7 years), customer service (5 years), CEO over 7 years.
This experience has provided me with an understanding of and ability to represent the interests of members across all disciplines facilitated by the Association.
To ensure the future of our sport, we must provide for the needs of the members, to develop our assets and educate the public on dog ownership to ensure the future of our sport within the community.
I am committed to the future of our hobby, to listen to and represent the interests of members regardless of their disciplines.

RENEE HAWKINS



Commencing at the age of 10, I have now been actively involved with DogsWest for 30 years, with my parents being involved from the late 1970's. Over those years from a junior handler, to acquiring my first dog, exhibiting her and her offspring, I have seen the fraternity evolve considerably.
I am re-standing for a further term on Governing Council as I am keen to garner a greater understanding and appreciation of the challenges and opportunities from not only conformation, but our vast and popular Performance and Sport modalities. I hold a degree in accounting, and a Masters in Tertiary Education Management, both with Distinction grades. Possessing a passion for governance, organisational transformation and culture; my career has provided me opportunities appreciate and apply these skills broadly. I am seeking to fairly represent all members, in service back to the association to help secure a strong future for the generations.

Note: Order of nominees has been determined by random draw

Councillors Attendance Register September 2025– April 2026

	ATTENDED	APOLOGIES
P Campbell	8	1
H Jones	8	1
P Boekelman	8	1
M Wellock	8	1
S Seymour	9	0
P Kelly	6	3
N Sharrett	7	2

	ATTENDED	APOLOGIES
D Kehoe	6	3
A Crocker	8	1
R Hawkins	7	2
A Rushby	8	1
J Sach	7	2
C Storrs	8	1
P Primrose	5	4