

## Annexure B - Candidate Election Statement

Candidate Name: Michael EBERAND

Qualifications: BBus(Acc)  
[eg. LLB, BVSc, etc]

Most members know me. I'm 55, and my passion for greyhounds began at 18. As a young adult, every week, I'd trek to Wentworth Park to watch my favourite dogs and place a bet.

I've been fortunate to breed, raise, and race some truly great dogs, especially over the past decade. Aussie Infrared, Ebby Ripper, Barking Bad, and Ebby Infrared are just a few examples. While I've had some fantastic dogs, I find joy in nurturing greyhounds at all levels. We raced regularly non-TAB at Yagoona for many years.

Over the past 30 years, I've bred, whelped, trained, spelled, retired, and rehomed greyhounds. This experience has given me a deep understanding of the costs, effort, challenges, sacrifices, and rewards involved in greyhound racing as an owner, breeder, or trainer.

I'm professionally qualified with a Bachelor of Business (accounting major) and a former CPA. I also run my own businesses, including a mortgage broking service I started in 2003. Before that, I worked in corporate banking.

I'm passionate about the sustainability of greyhound racing, particularly from the perspective of participants and GBOTA. I previously served as a director of GBOTA during a difficult reform period and believe I contributed very positively throughout that challenging period.

I believe that changes at board level via this election, will be beneficial for GBOTA, to challenge current thinking. I believe while we are in challenging times, that significant once in a lifetime opportunities are within reach for us individually, as a club and as an industry.