

Mark Keith Rowe

I believe I have what it takes to make a real contribution to Capricorn and the automotive industry. Becoming a Director of Capricorn is a position I have been working towards for a number of years. I understand the legal obligations as a director, but the rewards outweigh the risk for me. I look forward to having the opportunity to become involved in further studies to improve my skill set. I have successfully run my business over the last 25 years, and I feel it's time I gave back to the industry that has been great to me. The industry is starting to come together and understand that we are stronger together.



Standard of education:

- 2019: Completed Foundations of Directorship Course with Australian Institute of Company Directors
- 1992-1996: Completed Auto Electrical Apprenticeship at Mooi Auto Electrical in Beaudesert
- 1988-1992: Year 12 completion as School Captain, Beaudesert State High School

Automotive industry experience background:

- 2018-current: Director VASA
- 2016-current: Owner/Director Jimboomba Batteries
- 1997-current: Owner/Director Rowe Auto Electrical
- 1992-1997: Mooi Auto Electrical as an apprentice to the field serviceman

Relevant board or committee previous experience:

- 2020-current: Regularly attend MTAQ meetings
- 2018-current: VASA Director
- 2018-current: Beaudesert Chamber of Commerce
- 1994-1998: Beaudesert Kingfishers Committee
- 1994-2006: Beaudesert Race Club Committee
- 1993-1997: Beaudesert Leagues Club

Other relevant personal development:

- 2019: Completed Foundations of Directorship Course with Australian Institute of Company Directors

Community involvement:

Over the past 20 years I have:

- Sponsored local rodeos, football and soccer clubs, netball team, boxers, camp drafts and the Beaudesert Race Club and have actively been involved in events.
- Regularly sponsored groups such as Teen Challenge, Ladybird, Pink Ribbon events and Traction for Young People.
- In the last 5 years I have been a regular at Beaudesert Chamber of Commerce meetings.

Final word

The cooperative and mutual enterprise governance principles need to be closely monitored and followed. The framework needs to be designed to be most beneficial to the Members. The main principles that need to be followed include creating and protecting the return for the Members, create solid foundations for management, board structure to add Member value. Always act ethically and responsibly, safeguard integrity in entity reporting, make timely and balanced disclosure, respect the rights of Members and other stakeholders, recognise and control risks, and remunerate fairly and responsibly.

These principles need to be closely monitored because at the moment we are at a crossroad in corporate governance, and we must make strong decisions to ensure a strong future.

I have been a member of Capricorn since 1999 and have been a fan of the concept, the people and the way Capricorn is viewed within the automotive industry. Over the past 10 years, I have wanted to have the opportunity to become a director and steer this amazing organisation into the future.

When you are assessing the candidates, I will not be the most qualified or experienced but in certainty be the most passionate. I hope my application will be considered, remembering, we are stronger together.