

## **Claire Power**

My name is Claire Power and I wish to apply to join the Interschool Queensland committee.

I am a current Ipswich Junior Grammar School parent with my daughter in year six. Last year was our first year participating in Interschool events with my daughter competing in the Show Horse discipline at the SEQ Regionals, States and Australian Championships in Sydney.

Personally, I was also the equestrian captain of St Aidan's and competed in the Interschool program during the late 1990's.

Outside of Interschool, Emily and I both compete on our ponies at Agricultural Shows including the Toowoomba and Brisbane Royals.

We are also members of the Brookfield Horse & Pony Club where I have been a member for around 20 years, having joined when I was four years old and returning with my daughter when she was five.

Professionally, I am the Marketing Sales and Communications Manager at the Ipswich Turf Club and have previously worked at Golf Queensland and Racing Queensland in similar roles.

I am a dedicated communications professional with 19 years experience in the industry. I consistently produce quality materials in tight time frames and effectively manage stakeholder needs. I have a track record of strong crisis management skills, handling the complex communications needs when the racing industry was hit with Equine Influenza and when the golf industry was struck with flooded venues.

I am skilled in managing high profile events and driving them to further success. I have been an integral member of the team managing events as the Ipswich Cub, Queensland Open (professional golf tournament), and Australian Ladies Masters Golf Tournament.



## Lisa Rink

I am an enthusiastic equestrian and have been involved with the sport for over 3 decades. This was predominantly in eventing and in my youth competed to a high level. The secondary school I attended, Ipswich Girls Grammar, was one of the first schools to organise an interschool equestrian team back in 1986, which I was a part of, so I feel an aged affiliation with this sport.

I have a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree which I completed after school which led me into an artistic career of freelance illustrating. This incorporated drawing and painting up images that were used in marketing housing developments and high rises.

I worked as an illustrator overseas in London for a stint and was fortunate enough to watch the famous Burghley horse trials.

My two daughters got involved with pony club at an early age and I was the Moggill pony club secretary for three years. My eldest daughter Emily's passion for eventing had her competing at interschool eventing from 2010. This involvement has included many years of travelling interstate for interschool nationals and FEI level 3 day eventing.

My younger daughter Georgia is still attending Stuartholme school and tries to fit in with riding as much as she can leading into year 11. Both girls have been on the Queensland State high Performance Young Rider eventing squad.

I have run local interschool competitions over the years mainly CT and Showjumping and have worked on the draws for state eventing and CT.

I am committed to running a successful CT and eventing State Championships and National level event and feel I am equipped to fulfill my obligations.

I am passionate about the platform for students/riders that interschool competition incorporates at a state and a national level providing an exciting team experience and lifelong friends.



## **Anna Starosta**

I have held the position of vice chair on the Interschool Queensland committee for the last 2 years. I have worked with the IQ committee, to improve and encourage the development of this vibrant association.

Paramount to interschool are the riders, their families, their respective schools and their combined input is highly recognised and appreciated. The State committee continues to develop the 6 disciplines available allowing participation across all areas of the state.

This year we have a few new schools and associations offering to host the events for the riders. My intention is to visit as many of these as possible to make them aware of the IQ committees sport and gratitude.

After completing 23 years with Stuartholme School as their school Equestrian Convenor, I moved into assist with the Queensland State Team at Nationals. I have held the position of Team Queensland Chef d'equip for 3 years (2016/2017 and 2018) and state Team Manager 2019 in SIEC. Through this role combined with my years of teaching experience feel I have been able to develop a good working rapport with the riders, the parents but especially the senior leaders.

I am a firm believer that development team respect and cohesion, leads to a high level of team spirit and cooperation. Evidence of this was the National Spirit Award that the Queensland Team brought home from SIEC last year.

