



**TENNIS AUCKLAND REGION INCORPORATED**  
**Nomination Form for Elected Board Member 2019**

**Background Information Form**

Notes

- 1.) Nominations for positions of Elected Board Members of Tennis Auckland must be made by completing this form in full
- 2.) Nominations will be referred to the Tennis Auckland Board Appointments Panel which will assess the nominations and notify its recommended nominee or nominees in accordance with the Tennis Auckland Constitution
- 3.) The Term of this appointment will be through to the 2021 AGM.

**Section 1 – To be completed by the Nominee**

<b>1. Personal Details</b>
Personal Title ( <i>e.g. Dr, Mr, Mrs, Ms, Miss</i> ): Mrs
Surname : Hopkins
Forenames : Amanda
Citizenship : New Zealand
Residential Address : 60 Porterfield Road, Whitford, Auckland 2571
Postal Address ( <i>if different from above</i> ):
Telephone Business ( ) 09 530 8225
Home ( )
Mobile ( ) 021 40 85 40
Email :
<b>2. Educational Qualifications</b>
Specify highest educational qualifications together with any other qualifications relevant to the nomination:
BSc First Class Honours, Maths & Chemistry, Kings College, University of London 1983 - 1986
Graduate Trainee, Bank of England, London, including formal courses, training and testing 1986 - 1988
Seminars and training in international financial markets, banking, investment management, people skills etc 1986 onwards
Recipient of Sport NZ's "Women in Sports' Governance" Mentoring Program 2015
Lots of Governance training at Auckland Council
<b>3. Current Occupational Details</b>
Occupation or Job Title:
Current Employers or Employment Status ( <i>e.g. self- employed</i> ):

Self employed  
 Local Board Member for Wairoa Subdivision (member of "Team Franklin"), Franklin (from October 2016)  
 Voluntary Roles:  
 Board Member, Tennis Auckland 2013 to present  
 Secretary General and acting Treasurer Fencing New Zealand Incorporated  
 Treasurer Fencing North Incorporated  
 Secretary Whitford Tennis Club

#### 4. Governance Experience

List details of all current and any significant previous directorships/trusteeships, private or public, and government appointments. Please append a separate sheet if necessary

<b>a)</b>	Organisation (Name): Auckland Council – Elected Local Board Member for Wairoa Subdivision – Franklin Local Board – 2016 to present
	Role: Local Board Member
	Period: 2016 to present
<b>b)</b>	Organisation (Name) : Tennis Auckland
	Period (e.g. 1990-92) : 2013 to present
	Role(s) (e.g. Chairman, Deputy, Board Member) : Board member, Audit Committee, Chair of Facilities Sub Committee
<b>c)</b>	Organisation (Name) : Fencing New Zealand Incorporated
	Period (e.g. 1990-92) : February 2018 to present
	Role(s) (e.g. Chairman, Deputy, Board Member) : Secretary General
<b>d)</b>	Organisation (Name) : Fencing North Incorporated
	Period (e.g. 1990-92) : 2017 to present
	Role(s) (e.g. Chairman, Deputy, Board Member) : Treasurer
<b>e)</b>	Organisation (Name) : Whitford Tennis Club
	Period (e.g. 1990-92) : 2014 to present
	Role(s) (e.g. Chairman, Deputy, Board Member) : Secretary

#### 5. Relevant Work Experience

List most relevant positions held. Start with current or most recent position. Please append a separate sheet if necessary.

<b>Period</b> (Years)	<b>Employer</b> (Name)	<b>Position Held and Major Responsibilities</b>
2016 to present	Elected Local Board Member for Auckland Council	Local Board Member – Wairoa Subdivision, Franklin Local Board
2013 to present	Tennis Auckland	Board Member, Member of Audit Committee, Chair of Facilities Sub Committee
2003 to present	Fieldporter Ltd	Director. Providing business consultancy services, including strategy execution and global financial market advice and operational expertise. Also administrative management, including management of capital raising for a NZ company.

Oct 1997 – Apr 2003	Union Bancaire Privee, Geneva and London	Rejoined UBP in 1997 to manage the Treasury of the bank. Moved in 2000 to structuring and managing products linked to hedge funds, later became Chief Operating Officer for Asset Management following merger with another bank. Member of Treasury Committee Regulatory matters concerning issuance of notes, funds and derivative contracts, dealing activities and more Fund creation, cash management, FX hedging, secondary market pricing, nav calculations etc
1995 - 1997	Reuters America Inc., Brussels	Consultancy work on strategies for international brokerage
May 1992 – Nov 1994	Union Bancaire Privee, Geneva	Fixed income fund manager. Treasury Committee, proprietary trading book
Sep 1986 – Feb 1992	Bank of England, London	Graduate Trainee, market regulations, foreign reserves management etc.

#### 6. Relevant Sports Clubs or Voluntary Organisation Service

List most relevant positions held in tennis and sport generally including at international, national and local level

<b>Period (Years)</b>	<b>Club/Organisation (Name)</b>	<b>Position Held and Major Responsibilities</b>
2017 to present	Fencing New Zealand Fencing North Auckland Swords	Secretary General of FeNZ – basically managing the day to day business of the organization, plus the Treasury, plus governance and strategy plus all the other positions
2013 to present	Tennis Auckland	As above
2014 to present	Whitford Tennis Club	Reopened tennis club (closed in 1980s), achieved funding to renovate the 4 courts.
2003 to present	Cockle Bay Tennis Club	Member, interclub, member of Committee and Partnership Committee for 2 years.
2018 to present	Howick Tennis Club	Member, interclub
2006 to present	Royal Auckland Golf Club	Member, Affiliate member, now Non playing member.
2004 to 2005	Whitford Golf Club	Member of A Pennants team

#### 7. Self-Rating

Please provide a self-rating of your abilities to contribute to each of the following business areas by circling the appropriate number

	<b>Low</b>		<b>Average</b>		<b>High</b>
Strategy Formulation	1	2	3	4	5

Finance / Accounting	1	2	3	4	5
Marketing / Promotion	1	2	3	4	5
Communications / PR	1	2	3	4	5
Operations	1	2	3	4	5
Info Systems/Technology	1	2	3	4	5
HR Management	1	2	3	4	5
Legal	1	2	3	4	5
Chairing Meetings	1	2	3	4	5
Other ( <i>please specify</i> )	1	2	3	4	5

#### 8. Why are you seeking nomination?

I have been an elected member of the TA Board for the last six years, attending almost all Board meetings, delegates' functions, other activities relevant to Tennis Auckland and working on the Audit Committee and more recently chairing the Facilities Sub Committee. I am passionate about the promotion and growth of tennis for all age groups and abilities. My grassroots participation and interest in the affairs of clubs and coaches has helped improve satisfaction of our stakeholders.

I am involved in tennis at many levels: as a keen club player, developing membership, coaching and playing facilities, and as a parent. My team set up a new tennis club in Whitford, requiring fundraising, council negotiations, membership building and setting up new coaching facilities.

For the last three years I have been a Local Board Member for Franklin – giving me valuable insight into council funding and processes and building relationships with key council staff and councillors (I am in the same area and team as Bill Cashmore for example).

I would like the opportunity to continue working with the Tennis Auckland Facilities Sub Committee. David Franks is back working in the facilities area and the new revenue stream from Swimtastic should allow capital improvements to begin. We have clear direction in place and aim to see the results within the next year – particularly regarding the increased activity and financial performance at Scarbro Tennis Centre and increased usage and visibility of Manukau Tennis Centre.

I continue to have a strong interest in performance tennis and the development of coaches. I still do not think we have got that side of our activities right and it will be interesting to see the development of the new academy based at NGC.

We have some financial risk ahead, of which I have a clear understanding. We need to ensure our facilities and operations work effectively, costs are under control, and we are getting value from the investment – while ensuring we can continue to provide the community programmes that are important to our stakeholders.

### 9. What do you see as the future for New Zealand tennis?

My view is still that tennis is heading in the right direction, introducing new initiatives to encourage participation. Tennis Auckland has stepped up – improving the tournaments and increasing assistance to clubs, introducing more school children to tennis, and encouraging the delivery of new programmes. This needs to continue - and not just for younger players.

We continue to have issues with costs of running tennis facilities and therefore cost for the users. The club model in some cases is still very strong, but some are struggling and volunteers to keep them going are hard to find. Councils have been advocating for multi-sport facilities – if this is done carefully, it can provide great outcomes. But for tennis it can also be a burden, with fancy new facilities becoming far more expensive to run in addition to the maintenance costs of the courts themselves. But overall the standard of most club courts across Auckland is pretty good – which is a sign that we are still ok overall. Regional indoor centres are another issue and we are trying to address that.

Sports facilities are all very expensive to run and the sports fortunate enough to lease council owned buildings or council-maintained fields have a real advantage. But council have been generous to our clubs and recognise their work and contribution to the wellbeing of the communities.

The ASB Classic is the showcase for tennis in NZ and provides both financial benefit (with risks) and a significant marketing reach. Changes outside our control have to be managed carefully so we retain the benefit of these tournaments for tennis.

There are also opportunities to market our junior tournaments too – sponsorship for some of the events and more publicity would be beneficial.

### 10. Additional Information

Please include in this section any additional information that may be relevant in support of your application

I have been an active member of the Board for the past 6 years and I would like to be given the opportunity to continue.

We have lots of projects in the pipeline and I would like to see them through.

### 11. Conflicts of Interest

Record any possible conflicts of interest that might arise if you are elected

Local Board Member for Franklin from October 2016 (standing for re-election this year)

Member of Howick Tennis Club and Whitford Tennis Club (un-affiliated at this stage)


Actively involved in the governance/development of a minor sport - fencing

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## 12. Referees

Please provide the names of three referees who can be contacted regarding either your performance as a Director, or your previous experience, that you believe qualifies you for election as a Board Member of Tennis Auckland

<b>a)</b>	Name	Liz Coutts
	Current Position	Member of various boards including TA. Chairman of Ports of Auckland
	Employer	
	Telephone Day	( ) 021 892 220
	Evenings	( )
<b>b)</b>	Name	Bill Cashmore
	Current Position	Deputy Mayor, Auckland – Councillor for Franklin (and unopposed in 2019)
	Employer	
	Telephone Day	( ) 0212833355
	Evenings	( )
<b>c)</b>	Name	
	Current Position	
	Employer	
	Telephone Day	( )
	Evenings	( )

13. Confirmation	
I hereby confirm the following	
<b>a)</b>	That the information supplied is complete and accurate
<b>b)</b>	That I have completed the Declaration of Eligibility in Section 3 of this application form
<b>c)</b>	That I am willing and available to meet with the Tennis Auckland Board Appointments Panel, if requested, to discuss my nomination
<b>d)</b>	That if elected as a Board Member of Tennis Auckland Region Incorporated I would be available to serve on the Board for between 1-3 years as specified in the Tennis Auckland Constitution
<b>e)</b>	That I authorise the Tennis Auckland Board Appointments Panel to contact referees listed in Section 12 regarding this application
<b>f)</b>	That I consent to Tennis Auckland retaining and using the personal information contained in this form and to distribute it to the Tennis Auckland Board Appointments Panel and to the Delegates at the AGM for the purposes of my nomination as an Elected Board Member. I understand that once the elections have concluded, this information will be returned to me or destroyed, unless I agree to it being retained. I understand I have the right to access this information and to change it, if necessary. This consent is given under the Privacy Act.
Signature: 	
Date: 27 August 2019	

## Section 2 – To be completed by the Regional Centre

I ..... (name) .....(position)  
 am authorised by the Board of .....(name of Regional Centre) to nominate  
 the above-named nominee for consideration as an Elected Board Member at the Tennis Auckland  
 Annual General Meeting.

Signature..... Date...../...../.....

**Nominations must be received at the Tennis Auckland office or [info@tennisauckland.co.nz](mailto:info@tennisauckland.co.nz) by  
5pm Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019**





**TENNIS AUCKLAND INC  
DECLARATION OF ELIGIBILITY AS BOARD MEMBER**

I Amanda Hopkins.....(name)  
of 60 Porterfield Road, Whitford, Auckland 2571 .....  
.....(address)

declare that I have submitted my nomination to be considered for election as an Elected Board Member of Tennis Auckland Inc.

I solemnly and sincerely declare that I am eligible to be a Board Member in accordance with Rule 14.6 of the Tennis Auckland Constitution as I am not a person who:

- a. has been adjudged bankrupt who has not obtained a final order of discharge or whose order of discharge has been suspended for a term not yet expired, or is subject to a condition not yet fulfilled, or to any order under the Insolvency Act;
- b. has been convicted of any offence punishable by a term of imprisonment of two or more years unless that person has obtained a pardon or has served the sentence imposed on them;
- c. has been sentenced to imprisonment for any offence unless that person has obtained a pardon or has served the sentence imposed on them;
- d. is prohibited from being a director or promoter of or being concerned or taking part in the management of a company under the Companies Act 1955 or Companies Act 1993;  
or
- e. is subject to a property order (lacking in competence to manage own affairs) made under the Protection of Personal and Property Rights Act 1988.

This Declaration is true and correct. I understand that if this Declaration is not correct and I am subsequently appointed or elected to the Tennis Auckland Board, my appointment or election will be invalid. If I am already a member of the Board and subsequent to this Declaration any one or more of the circumstances in (a) to (e) of this Declaration apply to me, I will be deemed to have vacated office as a Board Member upon such event.

Signature  ..... Date .....27../8...../...2019.....

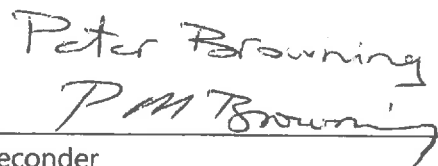
**NOMINATION FORM  
TENNIS AUCKLAND REGION INC - BOARD MEMBER 2019**

**I hereby nominate:**

AMANDA HOPKINS

**For the position of Board Member:**

BRETT CLARKE  


Peter Browning  
P M Browning  


Nominator **PRESIDENT**

Secunder

**BUCKLANDS BEACH TENNIS CLUB**

**President - Howick Tennis Club**

Club Affiliation

Club Affiliation



27 AUGUST 2019

I agree to the above nomination

Date

The proposer and seconder shall be members of Tennis Auckland other than Honorary Members.

Attached Background Information Form for the nominee is to be completed by the nominee and returned with the Nomination Form.

**Nomination documentation to be forwarded to  
[Info@tennisaukland.co.nz](mailto:Info@tennisaukland.co.nz) or Tennis Auckland PO Box 2905, Auckland by 5pm  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019**

Office Use Only
Date/Time Received at Tennis Auckland Office.....
Signed..... Tennis Auckland