



## **Election of Officers**

### **Riki Burgess**

A well-known figure within the Harbour community, Riki brings over 25 years of experience in the sports industry, along with a strong blend of leadership, governance, and community expertise.

His career has included key roles such as Sport Development Manager at Harbour Sport and Education Advisor at Sport NZ. Riki also has an extensive governance background, having previously served as Chair of Willow Park School, Volleyball North Harbour, and the North Harbour Sports Council. He is currently Special Projects Manager at Harbour Sport and serves as Chair of the NBC Community Trust, where he continues to champion community connection and development.

A passionate advocate for the role sport plays in bringing people together and supporting holistic development, Riki strongly reflects the Harbour Hockey whānau values. He brings a people-first leadership style, a collaborative approach, and a proven ability to build meaningful relationships across all levels of the sport.

In addition to his 10 years as CEO of Harbour Hockey, Riki remains actively involved in coaching at both club and representative levels, truly embodying #harbour4life. Appointed to the Board in January 2026, he now seeks election to continue building on the strong foundations already in place.

### **Natalie Jeans**

Bringing significant experience in business development, operations, and strategic planning that would add value to the board. Coupled with a lifetime passion for hockey and wanting to contribute to its continued long term success.

### **Judith Quinlan**

I am motivated to join the Harbour Hockey Board to contribute to the continued growth and sustainability of hockey within our community. As a born and raised Harbour girl, the association has played a significant role in my own sporting journey, and I am passionate about giving back to my home organisation. With a strong commitment to youth sport and community development, I bring experience in fostering participation, building partnerships, and identifying opportunities that strengthen both engagement and financial sustainability. I am excited by the opportunity to support strategic initiatives that enhance the quality of the hockey experience and ensure the organisation remains resilient and progressive as it works toward its 2030 vision.



### **Vanita Sukha**

I have been part of the Harbour Hockey community for many years, as a parent, supporter, and manager of various North Harbour and New Zealand representative teams. Through these roles, I've developed a strong connection to the people and values that make this community so special.

Professionally, I am the Finance Manager at Marina View School, where I have worked for over 20 years. I am responsible for overseeing and maintaining the school's finances, bringing a high level of accountability, organisation, and strategic thinking to the role.

I am deeply passionate about Harbour Hockey, having seen first-hand the positive impact it has had on my family. I strongly believe in the Harbour whānau and my long-standing involvement across different areas of hockey provides me with a well-rounded understanding of the organisation and its needs.

I am highly motivated to support and guide North Harbour Hockey into its next phase. I pride myself on being organised, communicative, and professional, and I am confident I can add value at Board level.

As a family, we have invested many hours into Harbour Hockey, and it is an important part of who we are. I would welcome the opportunity to give back by contributing my skills, experience, and time to the Board.