



Yachting New Zealand Board



Greg Knowles

Greg has spent the past 22 years at KPMG where he leads their New Zealand deal advisory, tax practice, and is also on their board. The two-time Olympian (he was fifth with Murray Jones in the Flying Dutchman at the 1988 Olympics and fourth in 1992) is also a member of the board appointments panel and is an Olympic selector for Snow Sports New Zealand.



Ross Blackman

Originally from Dunedin, Ross has worked and sailed internationally for the past 45 years and now calls Russell home. He started his career as a sailmaker in Sydney then after Christchurch, Canada and the USA he joined Tom Schnackenberg to bring the North Sails brand to New Zealand. This led to his first America's Cup campaign with the "Big Boat" in 1988 and every America's Cup since in roles ranging from sailmaker, business manager and CEO of Team New Zealand. In between, Ross and his wife Jo have cruised extensively throughout the Pacific, the Mediterranean and the Caribbean in their own yacht.



Arabella Brawn

Arabella has spent the past 23 years working in the IT industry and currently leads Datacom's professional services, project and product implementation practice in their local government division. She campaigned for the 1992 and 1996 Olympic Games in the women's single-handed class (Europe dinghy) and was a member of the Olympic Development Squad, competing at national and world championship level.



Murray Brown

Murray has spent more than 30 years in the finance sector, initially in share broking but more recently in funds management, and is also a member of the Institute of Directors. He also has a strong grassroots sailing background, and is a former Starling national champion, and was the Paremata Boating Club's treasurer for a number of years.



Jenny de Lisle

Jenny is a chartered accountant and since 1991 has been a principal in an accountancy practice specialising in small businesses. Sailing is in Jenny's blood and she has been heavily involved in the sport, as a sailor, finance manager for major regattas like the P-Class and Optimist national championships and she was also one of the founders of the Women on Water (WOW) programme which encourages women to try sailing.



Sarah Meikle

Sarah is a highly accomplished marketing and brand management professional, having led the Positively Wellington Tourism marketing team since 2007, and recently stepped into the role of Wellington Culinary Events Trust chief executive and Visa Wellington on a Plate festival director. She has plenty of international experience, having worked in Australia, the UK, Europe, India, Latin America, South Africa and the Middle East.



Viki Moore

Based in Canterbury, Viki has a background in sales and marketing in the travel industry, and more recently in politics. She is very active in the sailing community, from working in the industry and racing and cruising in her Young 88 to presiding over the Little Ship Club of Canterbury and founding the Women Who Sail New Zealand Facebook group. In 2016, Viki received a Yachting New Zealand Service Award for services to yachting in Canterbury.



Bridget Winstone-Kight

Bridget is a non-practising lawyer, and transitioned into private equity and venture capital investing after moving to London in 2011. She grew up on a sheep and beef station in a coastal fishing village, and comes from a family of recreational sailors, power-boaters, divers, and lovers of all things outdoors. Bridget was a member of the New Zealand women's hockey team from 2005-09 and more latterly has completed marathons and triathlons, and generally enjoys running and cycling when she is not chasing after or being chased by her young family.