

MEDIA RELEASE

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BGT Jobs & Training welcomes new Board Chair and four new directors

BGT Jobs & Training is pleased to announce the appointment of Jay Morrison as Chair of the Board, effective 22 October 2026, and welcome four new directors: Samantha Retelj, Narelle Laing, Luke Fong and Michelle Tapera.

Jay joined the BGT Board in April 2024, bringing extensive experience in the not-for-profit sector, organisational governance and community leadership.

His skills span strategic planning, stakeholder engagement, communications, industrial relations, negotiation and team leadership. He also brings experience in project and event management, sponsorship and grants, and developing organisational policies and government practices.

Jay's previous board, committee and leadership roles include the Ballarat Frolic Festival, Victorian Pride Lobby, Ballarat City Council's LGBTIQA & Advisory Committee and Deakin University Student Association.

BGT acknowledges Deputy Chair Kelli Moran and the work she has done as acting chair for the previous 12 months.

BGT welcomes Samantha, Narelle, Luke, and Michelle to the Board of Directors and looks forward to their contribution to the organisation's strategic direction.

These appointments mark an exciting next chapter for BGT Jobs & Training as it continues to support employment, training and opportunities for people across the region.

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