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## PUFFING BILLY RAILWAY WELCOMES APPOINTMENT OF TWO NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Puffing Billy Railway is delighted to announce the appointment of two new members to the Emerald Tourist Railway Board, Angela Jamieson and Thomas Sargant, and the appointment of Dianne Smith as Deputy Chair.

Appointed by the Governor in Council on the recommendation of the Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events, the new Board members will provide valuable knowledge and perspectives to the existing Board composition in their continued commitment to preserve and operate Australia's premier heritage steam railway.

**Angela Jamieson** is a forensic accountant with extensive leadership and executive expertise, specialising in corporate governance, financial crime, AML/CTF compliance, corporate misconduct investigations and general practice accounting in both the public and private sectors.

**Thomas Sargant** is the Managing Director for Ranfurly Consulting Group, as well as a management consultant and advisor to public and private sector clients on major projects and commercial transactions, particularly in the areas of franchising, network operations and asset management. In addition, Thomas Sargant's senior executive experience extends to the private and public sectors in heavy civil construction and public transport operations.

"The depth and breadth of sectoral knowledge and experience of the two new Board members joining our existing Board instils me with great confidence that Puffing Billy Railway will continue to be a world class tourist attraction. I am pleased to welcome both Ms Jamieson and Mr Sargant to the Board and look forward to their valuable contribution," said Tim North QC.

The new appointees will join Tim North QC, Chair of the Board with other Board members, Michael Mangos, Dianne Smith and Bart Clingin.

**Dianne Smith** was appointed as a Deputy Chair to the Board on 25 August 2021 to the end of her current term on 21 June 2022.

**Bart Clingin** was formally appointed to the Board on 12 May 2021 and brings strong financial, risk and governance experience. Bart also chairs the Finance Audit Risk and Compliance Sub Committee.

The Railway also expresses its gratitude to retiring Board Members, Campbell A Rose, Judy Maddigan and Justine Heazlewood.

**Campbell A Rose** served on the Board as Deputy Chair for the last three years and provided strong knowledge of rail and governance. Campbell was also the Chair of the Project Governance Group for the state-of-the-art Lakeside Visitor Centre opening in 2021, leaving behind a significant legacy that will be used and admired by future generations.

**Justine Heazlewood** served on the Board for the last three years and brought a wealth of experience in Records Management and Governance. Justine was Chair of the Corporate Culture, Ethics, Remuneration and Succession Planning Sub Committee and participated in other Board Sub Committees and Management Steering Committees.

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**Judy Maddigan** served on the Board for the last two and a half years and has given an inordinate amount of her time to work with the Board on various governance requirements and was the chair of Volunteer Engagement Sub Committee.

“We thank Campbell, Justine and Judy for the integral role they have played in the success of Puffing Billy Railway during their tenure and wish them all the best for the future,” said Tim North.

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