



**Alan Bartlett** BBS, CA

*Nominated to serve as a Director and a Trustee*

I am a Chartered Accountant and a Director with Hastings based accounting practice Moore Markhams. I have over 30 years experience assisting and advising clients on a wide range of accounting, financial and investment matters in a fast changing world.

I have a Bachelor of Business Studies (BBS) in Accounting & Finance, am a qualified Chartered Accountant (CA) and hold a Certificate of Public Practice (CPP). I am a member of Chartered Accountants Australia & New Zealand (CAANZ) and the Institute of Directors (IOD).

I was appointed as a director of NZCU Baywide in 2004 and as a Trustee in 2008. I held the role as vice chair (2008-2019) and serve on the Governance Committee. I have also served several terms on the Audit & Risk Committee.

Introduced to credit unions at a young age through my father working for the Hawke's Bay Electric Power Board, the credit union gave me a loan to buy my first car. This people helping people philosophy is something I want to see continue and am proud to be part of.

I believe my work and credit union experience provide me with great insight into members wants and needs. Credit unions face increased regulation and oversight and need to make sure they stay relevant in a fast changing digital world. Legislation will soon allow credit unions to lend to small businesses with whom I have an extensive background in advising and mentoring so I feel I am particularly qualified in this area. This ever changing banking world, together with wanting to continue to ensure members receive the best products and services and ensuring your credit union provides a viable alternative to the big banks are why I am asking you to elect me for a further term.



**Alan Connolly**

*Nominated to serve as a Director and a Trustee*

I was born in New Plymouth and grew up in Taradale before Qualifying with a BMS from Waikato University. I have lived at Ohope Beach for the last 20 years and am a father of 4 boys and with my wife Kryss, I enjoy hunting, fishing, diving, multi-sport and challenging myself including having completed the Ironman, Coast to Coast, New York Marathon and Everest basecamp.

I have extensive experience across a broad spectrum of Management and leadership roles. I have successfully engaged in both Business Development and Sales and Management positions for New Zealand, Asia and Australia. As a Chartered Accountant, I also held Executive financial roles such as CFO's and am currently an owner at Arrow Accountants Limited.

I am a well-rounded experienced executive that adds value and objective direction to Boards on which I serve. I was voted onto the Credit Union Central Board in 2016 moving into the Chairs role a year later. I am known for my unwavering ability to set clear concise strategic direction for management and to hold each accountable for their performance.

Under my tenure, Central's focus was to achieve profitable growth while meeting member needs. The underlying philosophy of the credit union movement has been one of exceptional member service, often in poorly served communities. This is an important principle embraced by the credit union movement, one we should strive to maintain. We must be innovative and forward looking, however we must ensure our member service remains paramount.

As Chair of the Central Board, I was also voted on as a director of Co-op Money. This strategic nomination, supported by the majority of member credit unions, allowed Central to get a better understanding of how Co-op Money was operating and challenges faced. I will serve the members well if elected.



**Louise Edwards**

*Nominated to serve as a Director and a Trustee*

I am an experienced Director and Chartered Accountant with over 20 years senior management experience across a number of industries in NZ and overseas. In particular, I've held senior executive positions within the NZ financial services industry and am an experienced leader with a wealth of financial management acumen.

I currently hold several board appointments including as a director of National Provident Fund and Independent Chair of the ChristchurchNZ Audit and Risk Committee (Canterbury economic development/tourism agency).

Previously I was on the Credit Union South board for three years before the merger with Credit Union Baywide and was appointed for two years on the new transitional board. I was elected to the Co-op Money board two years ago, during what has been a particularly challenging period. I have a strong interest in governance, being actively involved in the Canterbury branch of Institute of Directors.

Previous roles include Chief Executive of Rata Foundation, Chief Executive of Perpetual Trust and Chief Operating Officer for Assure NZ (subsidiary of AXA).

In conjunction with my busy work life, I've always maintained strong community sector links which include the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra, University of Canterbury Foundation, Good Shepherd NZ, Alzheimers Society and Victim Support.

With my governance, corporate and community experience, I strongly believe I can contribute at a high level to the board and management of Credit Union Baywide. I also believe the female viewpoint is under represented around the Baywide board table. My lengthy experience in the financial services sector means I have a good understanding of the need to ensure good compliance processes ensuring the interests of members are protected. Members of my family have been credit union members for many years. I understand the importance of helping members achieve their financial goals.



**Jared McGillicuddy**

*Nominated to serve as a Director*

Over the past decade I have worked extensively for, and on boards, and believe strongly in the values of successful member-owned organisations and not for profits.

While relatively young to be active in governance roles, my professional experience provides a perspective at the Board table that reflects the issues facing young working families and a desire to be part of creating a better future for all. I want to see our credit union continue to grow, moving from strength to strength, being high performing and continuing to evolve to meet our members' needs, whether this be increased use of innovative technology or simpler processes.

Having a young family I appreciate the challenges and long hours that need to be worked to try to get ahead. I've spent the past three years as an Associate Director on the Credit Union Baywide Board and understand the complexities of the regulatory environment within which we operate and associated challenges to be tackled within the sector.

My professional background is in Cyber Security, Certified Information Systems Auditor, Certified in Risk and Information Systems Control and a Chartered Accountant. I currently work within the health sector providing clinical and non-clinical assurance services. I've been involved in technology start-ups and have a further background in computer forensics. Prior to this I held positions with professional service firms Ernst & Young and PricewaterhouseCoopers.

I appreciate it is difficult to fully understand and size up what an individual has to offer from a short bio so welcome and invite any questions directly to myself (JaredCUBaywide@gmail.com). Please feel free to get in touch, I would welcome any opportunity to better understand your concerns as member-owners. It would be an honour to represent you on the Board and look forward to your support and vote in these elections.

**Steve Wakefield**

*Nominated to serve as a Director and a Trustee*

I am a professional director with strong skills and experience in accounting, finance, auditing, and information technology. A Fellow Chartered Accountant (FCA), I retired in 2017 from a 36 year career with global accounting and consulting services firm Deloitte. I had a range of roles including Head of Risk Advisory Services for the South Island, Office Managing Partner for Christchurch, and Head of the IT Consulting Services practice for the South Island.

I am a strong believer and advocate for the membership/cooperative business model, and became a director of NZ Credit Union South in 2017, Co-op Money and Foodstuffs South Island in 2018, and Credit Union Baywide in 2019.

I have also committed to the community in governance roles including previously serving as Deputy Chair of the Canterbury District Health Board, and I am currently on the Board of the Court Theatre, Church Property Trustees, East Lake Trust, and the NZ Health Innovation Hub.

In 2017 I was appointed by the Minister of Tertiary Education to the governing Council of the University of Canterbury. Previously I have served on the Board of Canterbury Cricket, and was heavily involved in the development of Hagley Oval as a world class cricket ground.

In relation to credit union and banking experience, prior to being a director of Credit Union South, in my 36 years with Deloitte I worked on audits, system evaluations, and risk control reviews for many building societies, credit unions, savings and loan associations, and finance companies.

With a computer science degree and an accounting systems background, I bring considerable IT expertise to the board table, with extensive experience in IT strategy, systems implementation, IS project management, cyber security and other areas of relevance to credit unions. I also have considerable business strategy, process improvement, and change management skills and experience.

**Te Taru White**

*Nominated to serve as a Director*

I am a member of Credit Union Central (CUC) and was appointed as a Board member in December 2018. As at May 2019, I was appointed a Director on the merged Baywide Board. I have a deep understanding of the Maori/Iwi and community wide socio-economic dynamic, the potential for significant membership growth and a proven track record.

I have over 40 years' experience across many sectors including Engineering Science, Human Resource management and Senior Executive roles both in Government and private sector/community organisations. I have provided high level advice to Government, local and regional authorities and have been involved in mergers and acquisitions at the Maori/Iwi level and Government/SOE businesses.

I am not an Accountant or have specific banking experience but I have many years of managing budgets and investment decisions.

I believe diversity on Credit Union Boards is very important particularly understanding the dynamics and needs of communities. Numbers are important but they cannot be viewed in isolation.

Credit Unions are not for profit organisations born from the people. This differentiates them from mainstream banks which are profit driven, overseas owned and where significant profits are exported overseas. Credit Unions are a "money go round" for our people and that is my primary interest in pursuing this nomination.

**Past Governance experience**

- NZ Transport and Safety Authority (Board Director);
- Lakeland Health Board (Director);
- NZ Meteorological Services (Director);
- NZ Lotteries Commission – ECH Decision Committee (Member);
- National Federation of Maori Authorities (Executive Member);
- Credit Union Central (Board Director)

**Current:**

- Te Tatau o Te Arawa (Chairman);
- Te Arawa Federation of Maori Authorities (Deputy Chair)
- Te Arawa Primary Sector Inc (Executive Member);
- Eagle Spirit Energy, Canada (Honorary Director) ;
- NZ Baywide Credit Union (Board Director);

**Education:**

BSc (Earth Sciences), BSc (Hons), MBA, Certificate in Company Directorship (IOD/Otago Uni)

**Hobbies:**

Motorcycles, Golf