



Owner since 2014 | Permanent resident since 2020

Momentum For Change

Background

I have been part of the Pearl Beach community for over a decade, first as a homeowner and now as a proud full-time resident. What drew me here—and what continues to

inspire me—is the sense of connection, care, and shared pride that makes Pearl Beach such a special place to live. I have a strong belief in community-led action and in the value of every person's contribution to our village life.

Experience on Community Committees and Activities

Since becoming actively involved with the Pearl Beach Progress Association two years ago, I have sought to contribute in meaningful and practical ways. I helped initiate the highly successful **BBQ Breakfasts**, which quickly become a favourite gathering for

locals and visitors alike, bringing people together while raising significant funds for the PBPA.

I was also instrumental in creating the **Jam Group**, a relaxed and inclusive initiative that celebrated local cooking talent and community spirit. In addition, I helped establish the **Garage Sale** project, which not only encourages sustainability and connection among residents but has also proven to be a great social and financial success for the

Association.

Through these activities, I've seen firsthand how events that are fun, well-organised, and community-focused can both strengthen our sense of belonging and make a tangible contribution to PBPA's goals.

Skills I Bring to the Executive

My professional background is in **small business and hospitality**, industries that rely on creativity, teamwork, and strong communication. These skills have served me well in planning and delivering community events that engage people of all ages and interests. I have a natural ability to identify opportunities and bring ideas to life, whether that's through social gatherings, fundraising events, or initiatives that enhance local connection.

I'm also highly organised, practical, and proactive—someone who enjoys seeing a plan through from concept to completion. My experience working with diverse teams has taught me the importance of listening, collaborating, and adapting to make sure everyone feels included and valued.

Availability for Hands-On Work

I have the time, energy, and enthusiasm to contribute actively to the committee. I'm a hands-on person who is always ready to roll up my sleeves, whether it's setting up an event, coordinating volunteers, or helping behind the scenes.

Activities and Plans for the Future

Looking ahead, I'd like to continue building on the success of our community events while exploring new opportunities that respond to the changing needs of Pearl Beach. The closure of our café has created a gap in the social fabric of the village, and I see potential for initiatives that bring people together in new and engaging ways.

We can honour the legacy of those who built this community while embracing fresh ideas that keep Pearl Beach vibrant, inclusive, and connected. My goal is to help ensure that spirit endures—through creativity, collaboration, and care for one another.

Kerry Caloyannidis