

Resignation, Chair of the Arabian Horse Society of Australia (AHSA)

Graham Smith has advised that due to the extremely high workload and time commitment required to undertake the role of Chair, AHSA that he has regretfully resigned.

Graham has continued to juggle his AHSA Board commitments, including several sub-committee roles, preparations for the 2026 Australian Arabian National Championships and the daily AHSA policy and operational issues with the work he undertakes on other Boards, and family and work commitments.

Graham initially undertook the role of Chair to assist the AHSA during a period of transition when the previous Chair and some Board members retired or resigned following the 2025 AGM.

The personal strain in finding enough time to dedicate to the almost fulltime role of Chair has led him to this decision, as well as impacts on his own health. Following the receipt of nominations for vacancies on the AHSA Board he felt that the timing was right to allow other members with available time to take up the challenges of being a Board member.

Graham wanted to acknowledge the support and friendship he has received from Board members and especially the unwavering support received from all the dedicated AHSA office staff. He will continue to support and assist the AHSA by volunteering his time as circumstances permit.