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Education

- Mechanical Engineering at Pretoria University of Technology (1977)
- Marketing Management at Damelin (1994)

Business Experience

- Smith Capital Equipment (*Managing Director and Co-Owner*)
 - Joined business in 2007 to lead turn-around of indebted manufacturer of utilities machinery and exploration drilling rigs
 - After successful turnaround and expansion, sold business in 2015 in BEE transaction
- BEED Technical Services (*Founder and CEO*)
 - Founded in 1979
 - Developed into successful manufacturer and exporter of formwork for construction
 - Sold business in 1996
- Ed Murray Racing (*Founder and Chairman*)
 - Founded in 1994 (longest established karting business in South Africa)
 - Importer, distributor and retailer of karting equipment including Rotax Engines, Mojo tyres, chassis and spares
 - Expanded into to Cape Town in 2016 with the acquisition of KartSport SA at Killarney
- Zwartkops International Kart Raceway (*Co-Owner and Director*)
 - Founded in 2002 to build and run a new kart circuit when Zwartkops main circuit was redeveloped
- Max Challenge Promotions (*Founder and Chairman*)
 - Founded in 1999
 - Organises the Rotax Max Challenge national karting series that has qualified more than 200 drivers to race all expenses paid in world finals and led to 13 South African World Champions
 - Organised the Rotax Max Challenge World Finals at Zwartkops in 2003 – had national champions from 37 countries compete on South African soil
 - Runs rental karts at Zwartkops primarily for corporate entertainment and as a feeder into kart racing

Motorsport Involvement (Outside of Business)

- Avid motor racing fan - started racing karts in 1969 and competed on & off until 1994
- Awarded the MSA Lifetime Achievers award in 2013
- Won 8 SA National Karting Championships
- Awarded Springbok colours
- Participated in 100cc and 125 gearbox FIA karting world championships on several occasions in '70s, 80's and '90s
- MSA Karting Commission President in the early '90s and current Commission member
- Member of the Rotax Distributor Council since 2003
- Daughter and son both enjoyed successful karting, Formula Ford and other circuit racing categories locally and internationally

Questions and answers – MSA board nominees.

1. *What do you see as MSA's role?*

To provide an umbrella body that unites and administers motor sport for the benefit of all its stakeholders.

2. *What do you believe needs to happen/be done for motorsport to have a sustainable future in South Africa?*

MSA is first and foremost an administrative body and should focus on running the sport in a manner that meets the needs of all the stakeholders while always ensuring the highest safety standards

3. *If you could change two things about local motorsport, what would these be?*

Streamline and simplify the protest/appeal/courts of enquiry system to ensure that racing remains sporting and that the expenses on entrants and lawyers are cut / minimised especially at junior levels of the sport. Formal training of officials at all levels forms part of this.

More clearly define roles of Clubs, Promoters, Commissions and MSA management in organising and regulating series - tweaking the current system where necessary to ensure the best experience for the competitors and create a constructive environment for all stakeholders

4. *If elected, what role do you see yourself playing on the MSA board and what value do you see yourself adding to the MSA board?*

Use a lifetime of business and motor racing experience to assist the BOD and the MSA administration to improve our sport and business.

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