



2025-2026 Executive Nomination

Name of Nominee:

Brendan Jewitt

Years as a Westwinds member:

13

Position being nominated for:

President

Nominee's current Westwinds group(s):

Gold Jazz South

Previous and/or Current volunteer positions(s)/experience with Westwinds (if any):

Vice-President, President

Nominee's goals for Westwinds:

I submitted the following goals in my 2024/25 nomination. Important work has been accomplished, but there is still much to do, and I believe the direction for the organization remains in alignment with these key areas.

1. Anticipate and proactively manage the administrative, financial, and personnel implications of our growing membership.
2. Keep Westwinds accessible and affordable in the face of escalating operational costs.
3. Communicate and engage with members to keep them informed of and invested in Westwinds.
4. Review and modernize the governance of Westwinds, including bylaws, policies, and procedures.

There are also new priority areas that have emerged:

1. Transition Westwinds towards more enterprise-scale platforms, such as for registration, to streamline our processes and keep our operations sustainable for staff and volunteers.
2. Investigate ways to make Westwinds more self-sufficient, e.g. through equipment purchases and/or new facilities.
3. Review financial oversight measures with input from external experts.
4. Continue ongoing work to expand and organize our network of volunteers.

Any other comments you wish to make in support of this nomination:

Should I be re-elected for the 2025/26 season, I intend not to seek re-election for the 2026/27 season, and would instead serve as Past President. I am sharing this because I expect this will leave vacancies on the Board and I encourage my fellow members to consider running. You can expect to hear more on this in the coming season!