

Our team



L-R, Front - Brendan McKenzie, Lea Renda and Natalie Whateley, Back – Antonietta Costa & Renee Williams (recently left)

At Golconda Group, we know we are only as good as our team. Whilst a little biased, we believe that we have the best team to look after our valued client's needs, be it a complicated financial plan or service, through to a simple enquiry or follow up.

Whilst we demand a number of key qualities in our team, including professionalism and integrity, accuracy and efficiency, there is one quality that separates them from the rest. It comes down to one thing...they CARE. We all understand that whilst we might be assisting you with one small piece of your finances this can result in a significant long term lasting impact for not just yourself, but your family also.

We also realise that it is important that you as our valued client have confidence in our team.

For this reason, we introduce you to...our team:



We put some random questions to our team to reflect their personalities. Some of which we have included below.



Lea Renda

Position: Administration Assistant

Lea joined the Golconda team mid 2019 after a career in the ANZ Bank, as a small business owner, and most importantly as Mum to her two beautiful children. She quickly became an integral part of the team starting as our receptionist and moving into a fulltime administration role to utilise her skills to a greater ability.

What do you do for fun/hobby?

I love spending time with family and friends, shopping with family in Melbourne and enjoy reading. Not necessarily in that order...

What do you like about working at Golconda Group?

Very family orientated workplace and great team/family environment.

Do you have a motto you live by?

"Be like Elsa and let it go."

Sophie Eaton

Position: Reception / Administration Assistant

Another team member stolen form the banking sector, Sophie joined us late 2021, and has already made an impact on our clients with her warm welcome and happy nature. As your first point of control with Golconda Group, we know she will put you at ease and make you feel welcome.



What do you do for fun/hobby?

During her spare time she enjoys photography, drawing and exercise. Not necessarily in that order.

Why do you like working at Golconda Group?

I'm only just getting into the job, but everyone gets along and supports each other.

Do you have a motto you live by?

"Not really, I just treat people how I would like to be treated, with respect and warmth."



Antonietta Costa

Position: Part-Time Administration Assistant

Antonietta joined Golconda Group in mid 2019 after a long career with Medicare and Centrelink.

Called upon to assist Brendan in areas that require her life skills and knowledge (Centrelink in particular) he relies on her implicitly to get the job done to standard we expect. Having stepped into big shoes, she is filling them just fine...and has become the main contact point for clients when things are needed.

What do you do for fun/hobby?

Time with family, and going out with friends. Gin as a favourite....

What do you like about working at Golconda Group?

Family oriented, with a great team working environment and caring staff.

Do you have a motto you live by?

"Let it go"



Natalie Whateley

Position: Part-Time Administration Assistant

After starting as our receptionist and administration assistant in 2003, Natalie had a family and returned to us on a part time basis. Natalie continues to work part time and is relied upon to support the administration team to ensure the office runs smoothly. Natalie is also our main contact with Centrelink, so as you would expect has the patience of an angel.



What do you do for fun/hobby?

Spending time with family, enjoy reading when time permits!! What is something 'unusual' or 'unique' about you? I am obsessed with 'Real Housewives" franchise.

Do you have a motto you live by?

Good things come to those who wait.

Brendan McKenzie Adv. Dip. FS (FP) CFP® SSA™

Position: Director / Financial Adviser

Since 2002, Brendan has completed numerous qualifications to become a recognised specialist in the financial planning field. He was the director of another financial planning firm before Golconda Group was created in

As a senior financial planner, we are able to provide in all areas of financial planning or have relationships with strategic partners that are able to achieve our needs.



What do you want clients to think of, when they hear 'Golconda'? Family, caring, accurate and reliable, and just damn good people. Do you have a motto you live by? "The little things make the difference."



For further information regarding our team please refer to our website for further insights into who we are.

For details on our qualifications and legal requirements, please ask our team for a copy of our Financial Services and Credit Guide (FSCG) which is also located on our website.

We are very proud of our team at Golconda Group. We look forward to you having the opportunity to meet them all, and seeing

first-hand how great they are.

We know you won't be disappointed.





218 Beveridge Street, Swan Hill Vic 3585 PO Box 845, Swan Hill Vic 3585

Ph: 03 5033 0109 Fax: 03 5032 4091

Email: enquiry@golconda.com.au www.golconda.com.au