

Statement from John August nominated for AEVA New South Wales Vice-Chair.

Having been involved in AEVA for many years, I'm familiar with what AEVA is about - technology, conversion, modification, advocacy and just a place to socialise. I've been involved in numerous activities and have encouraged and facilitated the contribution of others to AEVA. With that background, I ask for your vote as Vice Chair, which will motivate me to continue to contribute to AEVA NSW as I have done to this point.

Position statement of John August for the AEVA position of Vice-Chair I've been involved in the NSW Branch of AEVA for many years. I first started out going to meetings, then was a committee member, and then filled the position of Vice-Chair.

During my involvement over many years, I have become familiar with the numerous aspects of AEVA. A home for people doing conversions, a place for people to discuss technology around transport generally and EVs in particular, a way to better understand how we use our EVs, a place to hear stories and learn from others' experiences, a path to advocate for the environmental aspects of EVs, and just a place to mix and socialise.

Being involved in AEVA NSW, I have been behind many initiatives. Some have been spearheaded by me, some have been around encouraging others. I was behind the joint trip to Bundanoon with TOCA, and represented AEVA at the EV parade in Alice Springs some years ago, also having driven my i3 to Perth and back. I have likewise attended several national AEVA meetings, including Hobart, Brisbane and Sydney, sharing in some wonderful experiences along the way. I've also attended numerous local meets around local council meets and drive days.

Within AEVA Sydney, I initiated our first meeting at Humanist House, and chaired a Baulkham Hills meeting in Michael's absence. I've encouraged others to present and participate in our meetings - I suggested Jamie give his "tech talks" and prompted Jason to talk about his solar setup at his property near Mudgee. I've also contributed to more general policy and administrative discussions within the NSW branch, giving my own complementary perspective.

These are the things that I've done within AEVA NSW as Vice-Chair, and I'd welcome the opportunity to do more. While I have been very enthusiastic to support others' initiatives within AEVA, being Vice-Chair gives me the motivation to put the energy I have been putting into AEVA NSW and continue doing so. I ask for your support in voting me in as Vice Chair. I would suggest I have much to offer AEVA NSW.

Thank you.

John August – current Vic Chair AEVA New South Wales