

COUNCILLOR PROFILE

2021





Derek Howorth

President

At club level I have held the positions of match captain at Sheen, and Chairman, Treasurer and team captain at Surbiton. At County level I am a County Colour holder and played regularly for Surrey from junior level through to Seniors at all age groups from Over 45 to Over 75. At international level I represented Great Britain in the World Team Championships at Over 45, 50, 55 and 60. I have also won various National titles in the indoor, clay court and grass court championships. I sat on the LTA Board for 11 years from 2000 to 2010 holding positions of Deputy Treasurer (3 years), Treasurer (6 years), Deputy President (3 years) and President from 2008 to 2010. I was on the Surrey Council from 1996 to 2018, Treasurer from 1997 to 2008 and again in 2016 and 2017. As well as President I am currently chairman of St Georges College and Surrey County Indoor Tennis Centre Ltd, a trustee of the Surrey LTA Junior Trust and sit on the Performance Committee. As Treasurer I have been an ex officio member of all County Committees.



Roy Staniland

Secretary

I have a huge passion for growing tennis throughout the Counties and making the sport more accessible for all. For the past 30 years, I have been involved in creating a Club run very differently to the one I encountered as a youngster. I head up the team that hosts the Surbiton Trophy which welcomes both ATP and ITF players from around the world. I have also been involved in several projects at the Club including an air dome, new gym and fitness suite and a new parks project linking the Club and the community together. I have been a Surrey Councillor since 1997 and County Secretary since 2010. I was elected to the LTA Council in 2006 as the Surrey Councillor. I will step down at the end of December 2019 and Alison Taylor will take over for 2020. However I have been appointed chair of the LTA's Tennis Development Committee from January 2020 and will therefore continue as an LTA Councillor.



Peter Bradshaw

Chairman

I learnt tennis growing up in the sunshine in Zimbabwe, playing competitively for Mashonaland Province. I moved to Dorset, aged 12. There I played for Sherborne School, won the Dorset Schools Doubles Cup and became a member of the Dorset County squad. I have spent much of my time over the last twenty years both playing and supporting Horsley Sports Club (HSC) where I am a Director. During my time, I have been a continuous and active member of various HSC committees, including Chairman, Tennis Committee, Men's Tennis Captain and am currently in charge of Grounds. I am proud to be a part of a club with such a thriving membership where there has been a significant upgrade in courts and infrastructure over that period. I am also Chairman of PSGI which owns the freehold land/leasehold for HSC. Today, my competitive tennis mostly revolves around playing in the Surrey Chaucer League. I am a Managing Director of a Swiss Bank, providing investment advice to institutional clients in Europe and the US.



Lynne Hunt

Treasurer

I am a member of three tennis clubs across Surrey, being Byfleet LTC, where I now play most of my tennis, Oxshott Village Sports Club and David Lloyd Club - Woking. I have played in various club teams since I was about 18, have captained various of the teams, and continue to do so, and have started playing County vets for Surrey in last couple of years. I have recently retired as an accountant in practice, albeit continuing to do ad hoc work for them, and this has enabled me to play more tennis and also have some spare time, which I am hoping to partly fill with the treasurer's role. Having always lived in Surrey, and hence played tennis in Surrey, I am keen to put something back into tennis and the opportunity to be treasurer arose at just the right time for me.



Ben Disley

Councillor

I have been involved in tennis for the majority of my life, growing up playing at a small local club in Shropshire. I progressed to county level and represented Shropshire at Junior and Senior level, captaining both sides for a number of years. I played tennis and other sports throughout my school career and finished my school years at Millfield School playing as part of a National Champions 1st team. Following on from school I travelled to America on a full scholarship to play tennis for Southeastern Oklahoma State University where I became an all-conference player. I returned home and studied at the University of Wales with a tennis scholarship, representing and captaining UWIC for 3 years. Alongside this I completed my Level 2 coaching qualification. I moved to Surrey to start my professional life working at the Lawn Tennis Association for 3 years. I joined David Lloyd Woking in 2014 and have represented the club in competitions since. I continue to follow the professional game and British players keenly from the sidelines as well as playing at my local club in Surrey. With my commercial background and tennis experience I hope to help develop tennis for players, coaches and venues across Surrey.



Doug Clare

Councillor

I have been involved with Horsley Sports Club for over 30 years, including 5 years as 2nd team captain, and 3 years as Men's Captain plus being Bar Manager for 5 years! I am passionate about the promotion of Junior Performance Tennis in Surrey and Great Britain and very keen to help in improving the opportunities for our great young players. I have now been Chairman of the Surrey Tennis Performance Committee since 2017 and I see this as my main role at Surrey Tennis. This committee oversees the running of County Training and our County Cup teams and our Strategy Document for Junior Performance Tennis is available on the Surrey Tennis website. We have an excellent County Training Program up and running for our U8s through to U18s. I would like to thank Justin Sherring, our County Performance Manager, for his excellent work in arranging this and our great County Training coaches for running all the sessions.



Neil Kapoor

Councillor

I was born, brought up and still currently reside in Surbiton. I was previously U12, U14 Club Champion at Surbiton Racket & Fitness Club in the mid 90's. My interest in coaching developed from supporting a local community programme at Alexandra Recreation Ground in Berrylands at the age of 14. This was the catalyst for pursuing the development of sport through local community initiatives. During my time at Nottingham University, I coached at Nottingham Tennis centre and lead a small programme in Bilborough. In the summer of 2006, I lead the junior and corporate programmes in La Manga. I also developed two raw programmes on behalf of the Tennis For Free charity. In 2009, I won LTA Young Coach of the Year which lead to an invitation from the Mauritian Number 1 to coach Tennis in Mauritius. I hold an Accredited+ Level 4 Senior Performance qualification and now represent the LTA as a Tutor and Mentor. I became a Surrey Patron in 2018 and recently became an Ambassador for Castore and Babolat. In a corporate capacity, I have spent the last 10+ years steering and finalising complex enterprise commercial transactions with high street brands, entrepreneurs and billion-dollar organisations up and down the UK and in some cases across western Europe. I have been part of two high growth technology companies, both through successful acquisition, one of which was acquired for \$9.6bn. I am currently Vice President for the commerce agency Born, owned by technology giant, TechMahindra. On behalf of Surrey Tennis, I am the new partnerships lead.



Alison Taylor

Councillor

I am an Accredited+ Level 4 Tennis coach with over 25 years of coaching experience. I am an active Senior Tennis Player for Surrey and current captain of Tennis Canada's Ladies over 50's Team. I was Captain of the Surrey Ladies over 40 County Team for six years, and have also managed the Girls 14U and 18U Junior County Cup squads. Elected to the Surrey Council in 2012, I am a member of the Performance Committee and the Competitions Committee and am currently on the Junior Trust selection panel. Committees on which I have served previously include Awards, Communications and Operations Board.



David Lovejoy

Councillor

I have been a tennis coach for 25 years at a commercial venue and I am the head coach at my local club. I am the Manager of the Surrey Boys 10U County Cup team and I am part of the County Training coaching team. I am a LTA referee and run local grade 5 and 4 events for juniors and adults. I also deliver on the Schools tennis program as a tutor providing training to school teaches at primary and secondary school level as well as inclusive and cardio tennis. I am Surrey Awards Committee Chair which decides the recipients of each award as well as organising the Surrey Awards Ceremony. We also present Surrey Meritorious Awards each year, as well as the Bernard Crouch Award and nominate deserving candidates for Life Vice Presidencies. I sit on the Junior Trust Committee which recommends grant funding for promising Surrey juniors as well as being a member of the Pro/Aspiring Pro Support Group which awards grants to aspiring and pro players (players over 18) to help with their tennis career. I also sit on the Surrey Coaches Group that provides local support to Surrey coaches as well as providing continued professional coaching development courses.



Sally Parker

Councillor

I have been a playing member of Banstead Downs Tennis Club for over 40 years and I am currently the Club Secretary. I have been a Committee/Board Member of the Club for over 30 years serving as Catering Officer for most of the period. During my term as a member of the Board we have expanded the club, increasing the number of courts, building a new clubhouse and increasing our range of membership options. I have been fully involved in the organisation and promotion of the club as a community facility and I have great experience of how the club operates. I have also been the organiser for 2 of the Surrey LTA competitions for the last 4 years. I joined the Surrey LTA Patrons Committee in 2015 becoming a full member in 2016 and chair of the committee in 2018. This includes helping with Wimbledon ticket Ballot for Patrons and supporting the organisation of events.



Tim Pearce

Councillor

My interest in tennis began when my daughter started playing at the age of 6. She started to represent Surrey county from the age of 8 and still does to this day. In 2015 she obtained a WTA world ranking in both singles and doubles, something I am very proud of. Throughout her years playing I was involved as a tennis parent, travelling with her and helping her along the way. My interest in tennis grew and in 2009 I decided to take my first officiating course to begin my post retirement career in the sport. After qualifying as an umpire and a referee I began to officiate both off the court in event management and on the court as a linesman. From 2009-2012 I officiated at The Championships Wimbledon as an on court official. Following on from this I found my passion to be in tournament refereeing. Since then, I have refereed numerous grade 3 events such as the Surrey County Championships, national Premier British Tour events, BUCS University events, ITF juniors' grade 1-4's and most recently the pro events held at St. George's hill. In 2019 I gained my referees white badge through successfully passing the required course and exams. I thoroughly enjoy being a part of tennis as a whole and more specifically Surrey Tennis. I look forward to even more future involvement with Surrey and feel that I can bring the experience of being both a tennis parent and certified referee to the Surrey County Council.



Kate Maurici

Councillor

I am Director of Maurici Tennis. I am also Head Coach of the Queen's Club Foundation Community Tennis Club which delivers free tennis to school children. I have extensive experience of developing parks tennis venues and have won previous LTA awards for best Community Venue. As a coach at King's Tennis Centre, I enjoy delivering sessions to adults and juniors and I am the Surrey County Training coach for the 8U and 9U girls. I'm passionate about encouraging and retaining girls in the sport and persuading more women to become coaches. I also deliver local tennis sessions to those with Dementia and Parkinsons within my role with a local social prescribing charity - CWC. As a LTA local Referee, I run competitions with a focus on entry level, recreational and inclusive events which are accessible to all. I am a former practising Barrister and Senior Government Lawyer.



Matt Trevail

Councillor

I developed a passion for tennis growing up playing with family and friends at Shalford Village Tennis Club, before playing more competitively at Woking LTCC, then Exeter University, where I also enjoyed captaining the Club before graduating with a BSc in Exercise & Sports Science. After becoming an LTA Level 4 Accredited Coach and taking a year out to experience coaching in Australia, my ambitions turned to helping increase participation and levels of tennis locally. Initially setting up a thriving Coaching programme at Shalford LTC I then got involved with County tennis as Coach for the Surrey 12U Boys in 2009, culminating in captaining the team that won the County Cup in 2015 and 2016 before switching to 9U Captain in 2018. I have been Director of Tennis at Woking Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club since 2012 and love the challenge of working as a team to improve all aspects of tennis at the Club; from junior Christmas parties to managing ITF events, then more recently LPDC accreditation, as well as local Park and disability tennis projects. At present I sit on the Surrey Coaches Group Committee which provides great support to all the fantastic coaches in our county, as well as sitting on respective Committees at Woking LTCC and Shalford Tennis Club.



Alyson Fox

Councillor

I have played tennis since I was a teenager, initially in Essex and joining Old College seven years ago. I thoroughly enjoy both social and competitive play and am a regular member of our first team in the Surrey league. I have been Chair of Old College for the last four years. During that time we have seen our membership grow by nearly 30%, resurfaced all seven of our courts, installed LED floodlights on all courts and have a planning application submitted for development of an eighth court. Like all clubs the past two years have been especially challenging and I have led the club in navigating through the pandemic. Fortunately, the club remains thriving. During my time as Chair I have learnt a lot around the management and challenges of grass roots tennis and feel I could contribute to the Surrey LTA Council.