

Peter Gillespie
Personal Statement

Dear Member Clubs, Districts, Members and Volunteers.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and ask for your support to become Vice President of Scottish Hockey.

For the benefit of those that don't know me i would like to make you aware of a little bit about me, and those who do know me might learn something new.

My hockey life started at Glasgow Uni, playing in goals for the Mens 2's and occasionally getting to play for the Men's 1's. I became a regular umpire and got involved with Glasgow University Sports Association.

Jumping to the more recent, I am currently President of the Watsonian Hockey Club, where i support the club with its 11 Senior outdoor teams, numbers youth teams and over 800 members. I still like to play on an irregular basis, so I umpire national league on a regular basis, and more recently have been supporting the development of our newer umpires as well as running Level 1 courses.

Since becoming involved with the club i have made sure that our members have seen an increase in inclusivity of all members at all levels, and have made sure that there has been compromise within the club, while listening to the views of all.

I have worked hard to make sure that the club is financially stable, and set for success in the future.

As well as being involved in the club i have taken an active part where possible within Scottish Hockey. Being involved with discipline and appeal panels, and trying to drive forward the competitions forum and potential restructure of the leagues.

I see the role of SH Vice president as being there for the membership as a whole, and being a liaison between the clubs and members and the Scottish Hockey office and Board. I would like to see a push forward on transparency and good communication, and if i am successfully elected to Vice president i would like to see Scottish Hockey being pushed forward in a way that includes the members of each and every club, while remembering that we are (for the most part) all volunteers.

I would like to thank Inverleith, Edinburgh University Women's and Mens clubs, Glasgow Uni, and Watsonians for their support, along with Grange Edinburgh Ladies, Aberdeen Grammar, and Earlston High School, and Western Hockey Clubs for their encouragement and support.

Should anybody have any questions or ideas they would like to discuss with me please feel free to get in contact with me at p_gillespie@icloud.com

Thanks

Pete