



GRACE PARK HAWTHORN CLUB INC

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CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATION TO 2024 GPHC CLUB COMMITTEE

GENERAL COMMITTEE:

Carla Smarrelli

I would be honoured to continue to be a part of the committee to oversee the wellbeing and the future of the club as it should be intended. To provide excellence in tennis, to create a community spirit amongst the members and to lead to the best of my ability and give my time when needed to help grow the club. My knowledge in tennis and in competition, having played for over 2 decades would be a great asset to the club. I hope to be considered for the position and continue to learn and grow and become more knowledgeable of the club and its procedures.

James Boyle

I have been an active member of our great club for over 5 years and now would like to put myself forward to serve on the general committee. I am passionate about community sport and have served on sporting organisation committees in cricket and racing. My motivation is to ensure the club focusses on fulfilling the core expectations of its members when they join – opportunity to play sports (squash, tennis, billiards and more), gym facility to stay fit, cafe / bar to build connections amongst members and host friends and events.

My background is in finance and business development with qualifications in business and engineering. I believe I can bring value to the committee through my experience in building commercial partnerships, driving new projects, while ensuring sound financial management.

James Canty

James works as an Orthopaedic Surgeon and is a passionate member of GPHC who loves and uses many facets of the club.

As a local resident, he is at the club most days, whether training in the gym, trying in vain to improve his tennis technique, or sitting on the balcony watching his three kids enjoy their lessons on a Friday afternoon, undoing all the good he gained from the earlier gym sessions. James is very keen in promoting the club as a social destination for members and guests, to better use the great facilities we as members have on offer, and to get the club atmosphere thriving once again.

Adam Hubble

I have been on the committee six years and have helped operate all things tennis. Tennis has been thriving at the club in all areas. Competition teams are engaged and having success. In-house competition numbers continue to grow and club championships are seeing record numbers each year. I have also helped organise various social functions at the club and believe the clubs social environment is as good as any. I would like to continue to be part of the committee to ensure the ongoing success of tennis at GPHC, and to see the club shine as a premier sporting venue in Melbourne.

Tania Scida

As a dedicated and active member of the club, I am heavily involved in both racquetball and squash affiliations. My passion for the club drives me to encourage new members to join and to motivate existing members to participate in squads, lessons, in-house competitions, and pennant matches.

I genuinely love Grace Park Hawthorn Club and am committed to its success. I am eager to contribute my time and efforts to ensure that Grace Park continues to thrive and provide a welcoming and engaging environment for all members. I have been working as an IT Trainer for Clayton Utz for the last 29 years, where I have honed my skills in technology training and application specialization. I am also married and have two adult children.

VICE PRESIDENT:

Cherie Leatham

I am a corporate lawyer, having worked in private practice and in-house, advising some of Australia's largest companies for more than 15 years across a broad range of areas including major property and infrastructure projects, finance, corporate governance, business strategy and risk.

I have also held positions as a Non-Executive Director for an ASX listed company and various not for profit committees. I am a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and have a particular interest in driving strategy and growth.

I am a great supporter of Grace Park and love playing in the social competition and watching my son play in the junior competition for the club. Grace Park is often referred to by my family as my second home.