

Tom Wilson

Director Nominee Statement

I love Petanque and as a recently retired educator, school principal and consultant believe I have a range of management experience and abilities that might be invaluable to Pétanque England. I began playing pétanque in France over 30 years ago and have played everywhere I have been since, including Senegal, Nepal and Spain where I lived for 16 years.

I am chairman of my Club, Parley Pétanque Club and President of the New Forest Pétanque League which although not affiliated to PE at the moment continues to move ever closer.

Coaching and playing pétanque is a major part of my life and until Covid hit I was working in schools around Dorset on a weekly basis. I continue to support the promotion of our sport amongst young people and recently worked with Bournemouth University Students on the promotion of Pétanque through social media including Tik Tok and Instagram.

I am passionate about Pétanque remaining at its roots where the normal everyday player is respected and never forgotten. I also believe truly elite players should be given every opportunity to shine and compete against the best.

I am a workaholic and believe my strengths are work ethic, my passion, organisation and my vision.