

Charlotte Emanuel CV

I am a 49 year old lady and I have been bowling in Surrey for 29 years and married to Barrie for almost 22 of those years. I wanted to become an Umpire fairly early on because as a younger person in the sport people were always telling me what the rules were, and I felt sure that sometimes they were wrong. However young people weren't Umpires! This is something I would love to see changed ...

I won my first National Title in 2000 winning the Mother and Daughter competition, a comp that I really miss. I was also part of the Ladies Top Club team from Egham that qualified 5 years on the trot losing in the semi, losing in the final, winning, winning, and then losing in the Semi.

Although I still work part time as a bookkeeper from home, I have for the past 3 years been on the Presidential ladder in Surrey and this year I am SCWBA President. Surrey is doing away with the position of IPP so I am being released from all County duties at the end of this summer and will have time on my hands for new projects.

I started the process of becoming an umpire back in 2012 and passed my Club Umpires exam in 2013. I upgraded to Regional the following year. I upgraded to National Umpire in 2015 and hold a Level 3 Marking Certificate of Competence.

I have also helped organise and administer Markers Courses in Surrey on several occasions for both Ken Bickley and Vic Perry.

I have also been part of the team of Umpires that was asked to look at and update the EBUA Constitution in the past year. A good group of people with varying skills was given 6 months to do this. We met weekly to start with by zoom and then this moved to fortnightly. Taking each and every section of the constitution and discussing what if any changes were needed. We did this within the time scale given and as a team we were very proud of what we have achieved. Updating the Constitution and also creating many policies that were simply not needed when the current Constitution was created .

As an umpire I was also lucky enough to be selected to work at the Special Olympics as a volunteer umpire / marker. This is something that I found to be very rewarding and when the opportunity arose to volunteer at the next SO event, I jumped at it and even took Barrie along as a volunteer too.

The EBUA is a great organisation to be a part of and when I was asked to consider standing as Chair, I was both honoured and excited. I would love to be part of the team that helps run this Association and ensure that it maintains the high standards that we all aspire to as well as ensuring that we keep up with the changes that are being made within the Sport of Bowls.

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