

PROFILES OF DIRECTORS & PROSPECTIVE DIRECTORS OF KINMEL BAY AND TOWYN SPORTS & RECREATION ASSOCIATION

BILL DARWIN (56). On Board since 2007, Chair since 2008. Originally hailing from Liverpool, soon after coming to North Wales Bill founded a Kinmel Bay Girls' Football Club in 2002, and has since taken it from strength to strength. He won Conwy's Coach of the Year Award in 2009, having in previous years also won recognition as FAW Trust's Coach of the Year and similar recognition by the Sports Council for Wales. The Kinmel Bay Girls' Football Teams have a membership of 90+ and the Y Morfa is now a recognised centre of excellence in Wales for girls' football thanks to Bill's efforts. Bill is also responsible for the inception and success of the Adult Youth Club, in being at Y Morfa since 2008, now with a regular attendance of 30-40 and a popular social as well as sporting innovation. In 2009 Bill won a Conwy Health Award. Bill also sits as a representative on the Sports Council Committee which promotes any sports/health groups in Conwy and gives advice on courses etc that are available. One of Bill's daughters, who recovered from childhood leukaemia, recently served in Afghanistan as a driver in the Army and at 4ft 11 inches was the smallest Army service person!

JULIE SIMMONDS (39). Board Secretary and Acting Treasurer. Julie moved to North Wales back in 2001. Currently works for the Valuation Office Agency, having previously worked for the Welsh Assembly and the Welsh Development Agency. Volunteered to join Board in 2007 after discussion with a local councillor and friend (Dennis Huxley-Owen), with intention to become involved in the community. Found her experience in secretarial/ administration roles was welcomed, hence was made assistant Secretary. Julie is also involved with a local Community Company, having served as Secretary for a few years. She lives with her husband, 12 year old son and 2 dogs. After diagnosis with a uncommon heart condition (Prinzmetal angina), she has just completed a charity 10k run for RNLI and is hoping to complete a charity Triathlon in summer of 2010 to celebrate her 40th Birthday!

CLIVE SMITH (55). Prospective Board Member. Retired pumping engineer, worked for Dwr Cymru for 25 years. Longstanding member of Community Routes volunteer group, has totalled at least 300 man-hours faithfully helping to maintain the Quarry Line Path over past 15 years. Brilliant when the mower break down, can turn his hand to all forms of metal work to keep clapped-out machinery humming along. In past year, with wife Grace has been a leading light with the Adult Youth Group. Finds this a welcome break from being otherwise permanently on-call for his mother-in-law.

SHARON SADLER (40). Board Member since 2008. Born in Amlwch. Single parent for 5 children, some of whom are now grown up. Has lived on Chester Avenue Estate for over 10 years, played a leading role in the early years of the Communities First project by joining the residents' committee and helping with volunteer efforts to create the community woodland. Joined the Board originally as Communities First representative, now keen to make this the main focus of my outside activity by helping out wherever I can, whether with Adult Youth Group, Outdoor Pursuits, or experimental new ideas.

ANDREA FAULKNER (39). Prospective Board Member, user-group interest being Outdoor Pursuits. House-wife with three teenagers at home. Sharon's sister. Like Sharon got involved 6 years ago with Communities First in Chester Avenue, but soon diversified into running a specifically set-up Outdoor Pursuits Club for all ages and a variety of activities such as hill-walking, orienteering, kayaking and outdoor and wildlife photography. The Outdoor Pursuits Club has won Conwy Sports and Community Champion Awards. A major part of the responsibility consists in training for club members so that the programme can qualify on the Duke of Edinburgh Awards scheme etc. In 4th year of a part-time degree in Community Development at Bangor University. Sees the Outdoor Pursuits Club as being a natural 'user-group add-on' to the Y Morfa Leisure Centre - boating qualifications of its members also helping to provide ongoing, in-built community resilience.

SHARON BATEMAN (46). Board Member since 2007. Special interest in the disabled. Also Secretary of Ysgol y Foryd's PTA. Married to Edward who works for North Wales Police and is also a Governor for Ysgol y Foryd. Their 6-year-old son Benjamin has high-functioning autism. With the Chair's active help, has during the past 6 months developed the pioneering 'Smiles' Saturday morning group for autistic children and their parents at Y Morfa – an innovative scheme much along the pattern of the Adult Youth Group but for a different and very needy user group, which now it has been identified looks set to be catered for likewise widely elsewhere, starting in Conwy and Denbighshire.

STUART ANDERSON (63). Board Member since inception in mid-1990's. See separate notes and references under 'Lead Applicant'

Photograph: back row L to R: Andrea Faulkner, Jacqui Richmonds, Sharon Sadler,
Clive Smith.

Front row L to R: Sharon Bateman, Bill Darwin, Julie Simmonds