Meet Your Candidates for the BBC Board of Directors

There are (3) three positions available for a three-year term, 2024-2026 Board of Directors:

Community, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Director (CEDI); Finance Director and Sports Director.

Sports Director

Paul Kelly Current Sports Director

I have been a member of the Balmy Beach Club since 1995. I was President of the Squash Section for six years, have been actively involved in Beach Volleyball and even tried my hand at Lawn Bowling. Serving as Sports Director for the past two years, I've organized/chaired several productive Section Head meetings, two amazing Section Awards Dinners and have attended every monthly Board meeting, where I've gained a whole new appreciation for what is involved in the operation of a Club of this size.

I'd like the opportunity to continue serving the BBC as Sports Director for another term, representing all of our sports sections on the Board and doing my best to help every section with their ongoing success.

Paul Kelly Video Introduction

Lisa De Sario

The Balmy Beach Club has a strong foundation built on athletics and community. It's important to maintain our traditions while we focus on the progression of the club. Supporting an inclusive and safe environment is integral for all of our members, so they can competitively represent our Club in competition. I look forward to communicating, sharing ideas and gaining feedback from our membership to allow our club and sections to grow and pursue success. I am incredibly proud to be a member of our club and I would be honoured to be your representative as Balmy Beach Club Sports Director.

Lisa De Sario Video Introduction



Community, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Director



Jennifer Sharp Current Community, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Director

This year, the Club's community outreach was outstanding. Among the highlights were sponsoring 5 special-needs Olympic paddlers, donating to the "Rainbow Railroad" for Pride, the annual Aloha Toronto event and volleyball fundraiser benefiting autism, and International Women's Day. Members donated winter clothing for the homeless and newcomers, housewares for Ukrainian immigrants, toys for the Firefighter's annual drive and food and grocery gift cards for our local food bank. The Paddling and Squash sections came together to provide gifts for the residents of Revera Main Terrace and from the Christmas parties a large donation was made to assist homeless youth and women-in-crisis.

Jennifer Sharp Video Introduction

August Dabney



As a member of the Squash and Rugby sections and of a family of the Beaches community, I'm excited to run for the role of Community, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Director. My goal is to ensure the membership are proud to be a part of the BBC because of the positive impact it has to the GTA and, ultimately, Canadian sport. Drawing from my experiences at sports clubs in Spain, Australia, Germany and the US, I see great opportunities for the club to build new and enhance existing outreach efforts. I'm committed to steering impactful programs that unite and uplift our diverse community.

August Dabney Video Introduction

Verinder Parmar



Passionate about community engagement, as your nominee for the CEDI Board Director role, my platform is rooted in fostering an inclusive environment where every voice is heard and valued. I'm a banking and technology executive with expertise in governance, risk management and extensive work on diversity and inclusion initiatives that align to the Club's vision of responsible leadership. My approach involves collaboration and actionable strategies to motivate and enhance BBCs role in the community. A father of two with forty-five years in the Beaches/east end, I'm thrilled with the opportunity to serve our membership and deliver on equitable outcomes benefiting all.

Verinder Parmar Video Introduction

Finance Director – Uncontested

Hugh Sutcliffe Current Finance Director

A financial professional with over 30 years of experience in the debt and derivatives markets.

Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA). Charter number 21035 awarded September 1995

10 years at CIBC World Markets, 2 years at General RE Financial Products, 10 years at RBC Capital Markets.

Founded Nauset Derivative Advisory in 2013. Provided derivative hedging advice primarily to infrastructure sponsors.

Head of JCRA Canada, and equity partner in JCRA International, from 2015-2019.

JCRA sold to Chatham Financial in 2019. Currently a Managing Director of Chatham Financial responsible for its business activities in Canada. What Hugh "brings to the role"

I have been the BBC Board of Directors Finance Director since January 2022. In that time I have enjoyed working with my fellow Board members in the interest of ensuring that the Club is well funded and that our goals of ensuring that Club funds are managed prudently and the Sports sections receive the necessary funding to ensure that we retain our status as a Not-for-Profit organization.

This 2 years experience has allowed meet to obtain a knowledge of the Club's financial statements that I would not otherwise have had. To me, this is important as we have significant capital expenditures in coming years, and we will want to ensure that the Club has adequate financial sources to match these needs.

