



President, Honorary Life Member and Vice President nominees

PRESIDENT

Ashley Metcalfe

Ashley Metcalfe played for Yorkshire between 1983-1995. Having scored a century on his first-class debut, he formed a formidable opening partnership initially with Geoffrey Boycott and then for several seasons with Martyn Moxon. Ashley achieved his county cap in 1986; the year he was voted the Cricket Writers' Club Young Cricketer of the Year. He was also a key figure in the 1987 Benson & Hedges Cup triumph winning 4 gold awards as well as ending the summer as the country's leading one day run scorer.

Ashley also played for Nottinghamshire in 1996 and 1997, for Orange Free State in the 1988/89 season, and for Cumberland in the Minor Counties from 1998 to 2003. He has been an active playing member of the MCC as well a lifelong advocate of the Bradford Premier League, where after amassing over 16,000 runs, he can still be found helping coach the juniors at Pudsey St Lawrence.

Towards the end of his career with Yorkshire, Ashley spent time in the Club's commercial department which helped him forge a career after cricket. Following retirement, he involved himself in setting up numerous small businesses before a period of 9 years as CEO of British Weightlifting ahead of moving to his current role as CEO of Paddle UK four years ago. Since 2024, he has been a Non-Executive Director of Yorkshire Cricket Coaching Ltd, The Yorkshire County Cricket Club's commercial coaching subsidiary, directly contributing towards the development of future Yorkshire Cricketers.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBER

Ashley Metcalfe

See above.

Jane Powell

Jane Powell has given a lifetime of service to Yorkshire cricket, both on and off the field, and has been closely associated with The Yorkshire County Cricket Club for several decades. Born in Sheffield, she represented Yorkshire throughout the 1980s and early 1990s, playing a key role in the development and success of the women's game in the

county. Jane represented England in six Test matches and 24 One-Day Internationals, captaining England to the final of the 1988 Women's World Cup.

Following her retirement, Jane has continued to contribute extensively to cricket as a coach, administrator and mentor. She has worked with England teams, supported the development of disability cricket, and been actively involved in promoting participation and opportunity within the game at all levels.

In 2023, she was appointed President of The Yorkshire County Cricket Club, becoming the first woman to hold the position. Throughout her presidency, she has been a visible and committed ambassador for the Club, promoting inclusivity, supporting the growth of women's and girls' cricket, and engaging with members and communities across the county.

Katherine Sciver-Brunt OBE

Katherine Sciver-Brunt OBE has long been regarded as an icon of Yorkshire cricket. Born and raised in Barnsley, she emerged from the pathway to become one of the world's leading fast bowlers. Her early development at Yorkshire laid the foundations for a remarkable career that combined domestic success with outstanding achievements on the international stage.

Despite her global success, Katherine has always maintained a strong connection to her Yorkshire roots. Since retiring from international cricket, she has continued to support the game within the county and beyond through coaching, mentoring and media work. Katherine was awarded an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in June 2024, as part of the King's birthday honours. She was honoured for services to women's cricket and to the community in Yorkshire and the award recognised her significant contribution to the growth and visibility of women's cricket, particularly in Yorkshire. Katherine was appointed to the Club's board of directors in July 2024.

VICE PRESIDENT

Jennifer Bryan

Alongside her husband Trevor, Jenny has been instrumental in helping steer Yorkshire CCC through troubling periods, particularly during a period of severe financial pressure, through the provision of financial support. Throughout her decades of Yorkshire membership, Jenny's willingness to contribute towards the stability of the Club has helped shape the long-term direction of Yorkshire cricket and helped Yorkshire navigate periods of uncertainty with greater assurance.

Trevor Bryan

Trevor Bryan has been a long standing and engaged figure within Yorkshire CCC for several decades. During difficult periods in the Club's history, his commitment has been evident, particularly when the Club was in financial crisis and he, together with his wife, Jenny, provided financial support. Trevor's meaningful support has significantly contributed towards maintaining the long-term stability of Yorkshire CCC, ensuring it remains a centre of cricketing excellence.

Andrew Fogarty

Andy Fogarty has dedicated over 40 years to groundskeeping, including a distinguished 26-year tenure as Head of Grounds at The Yorkshire County Cricket Club.

Having joined the Club in 1996 from his native Lancashire, Andy established himself as one of cricket's most revered Head of Grounds. Under his stewardship, the Headingley square became globally renowned for its consistency, providing the stage for some of cricket's most iconic moments.

He won the Bernard Flack Memorial Trophy - awarded for the best multi-day pitches in the country - four times. He was triumphant seven times in the One Day Pitches category, with numerous runners up awards and commendations to go alongside.

He remains an integral member of the grounds team, continuing to lend his decades of expertise to Richard Robinson, who became Head of Grounds in 2023, ensuring his experience is woven into the next generation of the grounds team at Yorkshire CCC.

James Greenfield

James Greenfield is the former Chief Sub-Editor at The Yorkshire Post and the longstanding Chair of the Wombwell Cricket Lovers Society. Since becoming a Yorkshire member in 1971, he has served on the YCCC Archives Committee and was co-editor of the White Rose magazine for seven years

Since 2000, James has been the longstanding voluntary Production Editor of the Yorkshire County Cricket Club Annual Yearbook, which continues to be popular amongst all Yorkshire cricket members.

Alongside his wife Felicity, James has become a ubiquitous presence at Headingley across several decades.

John Helm

John Helm is an iconic sports commentator and longstanding supporter of The Yorkshire County Cricket Club. Born in Baildon, Helm began his professional life in journalism as a trainee reporter for the *Shiplay Times*, spending a decade on local newspapers before entering broadcasting as sports editor at BBC Radio Leeds in 1970. Helm remains active

in broadcasting to this day and maintains strong ties to his Yorkshire roots, having been President of Baildon CC for over 40 years. He is a lifelong supporter of Bradford Park Avenue, holding the venue with deep affection.

Ralph Middlebrook

Ralph Middlebrook has dedicated his life to nurturing young cricketing talent, ensuring cricket remains a game for all.

He was Leeds City Council's first ever cricket development officer, with responsibility for improving cricket in schools across Leeds. This position led to an enduring partnership between Ralph and Yorkshire Cricket. Ralph managed the Yorkshire CCC Youth Training Scheme, directly aiding the development of Yorkshire bowling duo Darren Gough and Ryan Sidebottom. The programme also nurtured two test match umpires in Alex Wharf and Richard Kettleborough and current Yorkshire Head of Grounds, Richard Robinson.

He was also instrumental in developing the Indoor Cricket School into the facility it is today. Through his management of the Indoor School, Ralph helped numerous young cricketers develop both on-field skills and skills that enabled them to forge a career off the pitch. Ralph remains active in the Bradford League and is President of Pudsey Congs CC.

Gill Smith

Gill Smith first picked up a bat on the beach at Sandsend in 1975. A decade later, she would be representing Yorkshire Women in the County Championship. In 1986, Gill was selected to play for England, making her debut in a Test and ODI series against India. A skilful, left-arm medium pacer, Gill competed at the highest level of the women's game, appearing in two World Cup finals - including the famous victory at Lord's in 1993.

For Gill, cricket was never just about playing the game - it has given her lifelong friendships, cherished memories, and a community that feels like home. It has shaped who she is both on and off the field, and she remains deeply grateful for the people and the enduring sense of belonging it continues to provide.

Working alongside current Club President Jane Powell, Gill has been instrumental in redeveloping links with former female cricketers who have represented Yorkshire. As the Women's Representative on the YCCC Past Players' Association, she has also recently compiled a book, *What Yorkshire Cricket Means to Me*, with all proceeds supporting the association.

Christopher Winn

Christopher Winn has been a valued and committed member of Yorkshire CCC, whose dedication to the club has left an indelible mark on it during recent challenging periods.

Early in 2024, at a time when the Club was in extreme financial distress Christopher and his wife, provided financial support, with no guarantee that it would be returned. His willingness to stand alongside the Club with steadfast support has demonstrated the depth of his passion for a strong and sustainable Yorkshire County Cricket Club. Christopher's quiet and understated actions have helped shape the short-term direction of the Club and earned him the respect and gratitude of all at Yorkshire CCC.