



# THE OTTAWA TENNIS AND LAWN BOWLING CLUB

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## **2021-2022 Board of Directors**

### **Brian Bencze**

Brian has been a member of the OTLBC since 2017 when he and his wife moved to Old Ottawa South. His tennis game has slowly but surely improved over the past four summers at the club, having finally graduated to the intermediate tennis clinics last summer. Over the past year, Brian volunteered on the club's fundraising and strategic planning committees. He is particularly excited about the club's new strategic plan and hopes to contribute to its successful implementation. Off the courts, Brian works as a public sector lawyer specializing in criminal law.

### **Andrew Bradley**

Andrew's first exposure to OTLBC was when he attended tennis camp as a child. He joined OTLBC approximately eight years ago and wants to help it become sustainable over the long term. Andrew has worked in construction for two decades, earned his carpentry licence 10 years ago and has been an independent contractor since 2010. In 2017, he volunteered to level the floor in the Club's playroom, a first step toward its renovation. He has also volunteered with the children's clinics that his daughter attends. Andrew and his family like to spend their summer weekends by the OTLBC pool.

### **Karen Capen**

Karen has been a member of OTLBC for 5 years and loves to play both singles and doubles. She is a lawyer (retired from the federal government) and volunteers on other not-for-profit boards to use her skills and experience to support community-based organizations. She is also a volunteer tutor of English as a second language to recent newcomers to Canada.

### **Kathy Comfort**

Kathy loves tennis, and is proud to play at OTLBC – the best club in Ottawa. Kathy joined shortly after moving to Ottawa 40 years ago. After a long hiatus, she re-discovered her passion for the game and found her way back to the club. She served on the Member Committee for several years, before joining the Board in the fall of 2021. Kathy is excited about the opportunity to help shape the future of the club, while continuing to enjoy the full range of experiences that it offers. Off the courts, Kathy is an amateur musician, avid cross-country skier, traveller, and community volunteer. Newly retired, Kathy was the founding CEO of the Ottawa Network for Education, a local non-profit that brings the resources of the community into classrooms to prepare students for higher education and careers. Kathy is most proud of raising two wonderful kids (now adults) - both terrific tennis players.



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### **Heather Dryburgh**

Heather joined the OTLBC in 2008 where she has thoroughly enjoyed playing tennis, making new friends and experiencing the lovely grounds and restaurant over the years. She looks forward to joining the Board at this particularly exciting time when a new strategic plan has been developed and the clubhouse renovations are getting started. Heather recently retired from Statistics Canada where she was responsible for the strategic planning and management of a number of large statistical programs, including opening a new Centre for Gender, Diversity and Inclusion Statistics, leading national consultations for the development of the 2021 Census content, as well as heading social statistics programs on diverse population groups. A priority for Heather is to see the Club explore new partnerships and tennis programming possibilities that could improve financial sustainability while increasing benefits to members. She is deeply committed to ensuring that, as the club continues to grow and evolve, it remains the best tennis club in town, with the most welcoming and satisfying experience for members.

### **Colin Drysdale**

Colin grew up on nearby Ossington Avenue and as a result has been engaged with OTLBC since the early 90s. He started as a child in the summer camp programs, and later as a teenager working for the club in a variety of roles – including maintenance of the tennis courts, lawn-bowling and general grounds, as well as a cook, sometimes even the head cook and barman, in the kitchen before it was outsourced by the club. And although Colin never worked within the OTLBC tennis program, as a teenager he worked for the Lindenlea Tennis Camp for four summers, eventually managing its tennis program. Professionally, during the past 13 years, Colin has worked in management consulting, non-profit international development, and Canadian provincial and federal governments – specialising in partnerships development in intergovernmental, international, and public-private spheres. Colin has supported governing boards in various capacities, including the former Ottawa Renewable Energy Co-operative in developing its first share offering, his university Master's student association, and now professionally as a representative of the Canadian government to the International Energy Agency in Paris. Easy-going and collaboratively focused, Colin looks forward to assisting the future development of the OTLBC in whatever ways he can.

### **Jenny Mitchell, CFRE**

A member of OTLBC for many years, Jenny currently serves as President of the Board of Directors and chair of the fundraising committee. Jenny is a CFRE –a certified professional fundraising executive –and her company, Chavender, helps not-for-profit organizations change the world, one mission at a time. Her professional expertise includes large-scale capital campaigns, leadership development in the not-for-profit sector, and communications (including print, web, video and social media). Jenny's proudest moment to date –other than the birth of her two beautiful daughters –was winning the Steve Stevens National Doubles Championship title in 2017 at her home Club, OTLBC.



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### **Pierrette Richard, CPA-CA**

Pierrette has been an active member of the OTLBC for over 20 years. Being a passionate tennis player, she has been able to share her enthusiasm for the club with many friends and family. Over the years, her family has participated in many of the summer programs offered, including swimming lessons and tennis camps. Recently retired from Canada Post, Pierrette is now able to leverage her extensive (over 30 years) financial management experience as an OTLBC volunteer board member. She is a CPA-CA who has gained a wealth of knowledge through diverse responsibilities such as, comptroller for a large corporate transformation, financial manager for real estate initiatives and treasurer for United Way campaigns. Pierrette has served as an administrative volunteer for the Mont Tremblant Ski Club and is currently the treasurer of a condo association. Pierrette is a proud Acadian from New Brunswick. She is a graduate of the University of Ottawa and has been living in the neighbouring community of Old Ottawa East with her husband and their two children for many years. During the summer months you will regularly find Pierrette at the OTLBC enjoying a spirited game of tennis with close friends. As an avid skier, the winter months are reserved for her second favorite sport!

### **Muthanna Subbaiah**

Muthanna is an avid tennis fan and his limited skills are compensated by his love of the game. He has been a member of OTLBC since 2009. When he is not on the courts, Muthanna is working to create a more prosperous and inclusive Canada. He is an entrepreneur and is Managing Partner for Artelli Inc. a boutique consulting company offering strategy execution and intelligent process automation solutions. Muthanna is also active in the community, having been a member of the OSCA board and Chair of the environmental organization 350Ottawa. Muthanna is hoping to help the club achieve the vision of its members. His own vision is to see OTLBC become a premier tennis facility and an integral part of the Ottawa landscape for decades to come. He dreams of one day walking into an OTLBC that boasts of not only having the finest facilities in the city but one that is also fiscally prosperous.