

Terry Windibank

My involvement with football began in 1977 at my job in the Post Office when I was inveigled to take over the running of Kestrel FC, a team of posties playing in the Sunday League, when the then secretary handed the job over as he could not get in the playing side.

My club secretary work got noticed by the CSSFL Secretary Barry Connor who invited me to be a League Rep. During the following years I took on the posts of Minutes Secretary and Discipline Secretary assisting the then League Secretary Audrey Sturgess.

I have currently been involved in football for over 40 years, 36 of these I have been on the CSSFL committee where I am now Chairman and my League Secretary is Audrey Sturgess's daughter.

As Chairman of the League, I am responsible for control of the League meetings and maintaining the high standards in which the League is run. I assist with interviewing any new clubs which apply to enter the League.

Most Sunday mornings will find me at a local park where I keep contact with referees and observe fair play at matches.

Due to my League position I became a member of the Southampton Divisional Football Association where I have given 25 years of service and proudly attained the position of President.

I am a Council member of the Hampshire Football Association where in previous years I served on the Discipline Commissions and also served on the Rules Revision Subcommittee.

I am also a Life Vice President of Eastleigh Referees Club where I attend regularly to build the relationship between the League and its referees.

Other facts about me are that I have scored in every game I played in - I was forced to sign myself on at the Veracity and the ball hit my leg as I ran across the goal area and beat the keeper.

I am Chairman Freemantle & Shirley Community Association and Deputy Chairman of Freemantle & Shirley Amateur Theatrical Society, and appear on stage twice yearly in Pantomimes and variety shows.

Having been retired now for 20 years I enjoy all of my hobbies to the full, and it all started by helping someone run a club.