

STAFF PROFILES

DAMIAN BURGESS – SQUASH WALES PRESS OFFICER

I've played squash since I was seven, graced the courts of Caerphilly Leisure Centre with coaches Dai Mills and Bob Perry - one of the many reasons why squash is a big part of my life today is Bob Perry who enthused me to play and coach from a young age.

Another reason why I've been allowed to coach and dedicate most of my time to squash is my family, my wife Karen and my three young children are very patient and have allowed me all the time needed to coach long hours.

So as a junior squash player, played at club level, county level as well as being selected to join the Welsh squad at the age of 13, I never amounted to much as a player, even though I've been told I have the racket skills the fitness was never there and I wouldn't say I'm one of the fastest. I have played squash for University, a number of different clubs and have coached at a number of clubs including Newport Squash Club, Strings Squash in Tewkesbury and other leisure centres in South Wales.



In my role as Squash Wales press officer I try and bring all the latest squash news through the website, facebook and twitter as well as getting up to date news on our pro players from around the World, and up to date news on events in Wales.

Since becoming press officer I have also brought LIVE streaming to Squash Wales at events and in the South Wales Premier League as well as becoming Gwent coach activator and updating the Squash Wales website.

I have a passion for squash and all that goes with it, in 2009 after leaving University with a degree in Interactive motion design I decided I wanted to become a squash coach full time and I made my own business Orange Squash, coaching, selling clothing, sponsoring players as well as running events all over South Wales.

If you have any stories you would like us to add to the website about squash in your area please contact me – burgess90210@hotmail.com