

## HCA Board Elections 2018 – Motivation Letter

Candidate: Stephen Paul Anthony (b. 1 June 1968)

Dear Hungarian Cricketer,

I am writing to formally put my name forward as a candidate for re-election to the Board of the Hungarian Cricket Association. I have served as a Member of the Board for the past two years since 2016.

I have lived in Hungary since 1991, and am of English and Hungarian parentage. I am married with two children, and have my own small company providing Hungarian-English translation and English-language editing and voiceover services.

I am a founding member of the HCA, and have been constantly active as a player, official (umpire/scorer) and organiser in various capacities ever since. I am also a founding member of DCC cricket club, for whom I continue to play.

Outside of Hungary, I personally organised four week-long tours for Hungarian cricketers to Devon, England (2009, 2010, 2011 and 2013). The last of these was the first and so far only tour by a senior team of entirely native Hungarian cricketers.

I have been strongly involved in recent seasons in coordinating umpiring and scoring for the Hungarian Cricket League, and currently sit on the League Committee as Umpiring Coordinator. I have also helped arrange and conduct several courses and examinations for umpires and scorers in Hungary, as well as providing informal assistance and advice. To this I remain committed, and willing to continue.

In addition, I have been active over the years in promoting cricket in Hungary to the native population, including assisting in coaching sessions and demonstrations.

I believe that my experiences and efforts for Hungarian cricket in the past decade provide ample proof of my commitment to furthering the sport in Hungary.

Of the stated areas of activity, I feel I may perhaps be able to contribute the most going forward in the role of League Officer: principally umpiring and scoring coordination, coordination of league cricket, and general organisational tasks. However, I am also always ready and willing to assist in the promotion of native cricket; ground development; and especially touring team and tournament organisation. I am open to whatever role(s) my colleagues feel I can best fulfil.

In addition, I continue to offer Hungarian cricket the benefit of my long experience in journalism, editing and writing to help in its communications.

I trust that no one doubts my huge enthusiasm for this sport we all love. I hope you will consider giving me your vote, and promise that in return I will do all I can to

represent the interests of the rank-and-file Hungarian cricketer without bias, and to help broaden the reach of the game in Hungary.

Your friend in cricket, Steve Anthony