

Curriculum Vitae of Tracey Jean Taylor-

Coaching Secretary/Regional Team Co-ordinator

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Qualifications relevant to the role:

1. Degree/PGCE
2. Level 2 Cycling Coach
3. Accredited marshal
4. Various BC CPD courses- Nutrition, Barriers to access to sport and success, alternative coaching models.
5. National Standard Instructor- currently provisional

Experience Relevant to the role.

I am a life-long North-West cyclist and have participated in and been involved with numerous aspects of the sport in the North-West throughout the past forty years. As a younger woman I cycled and raced with Rossendale Road Club and remain a club member regularly volunteering to help with their events and sessions and supporting their members particularly in cyclo-cross events.

In more recent years my own cycling has taken a backseat to that of my family: supporting my husband in time-trials and cross and more recently my racing daughter who is keen to embrace every aspect of the sport in what appears to be every area of Great Britain. Whilst most of my own cycling is these days in the French Alps, I remain firmly involved with many aspects of the domestic and local cycling scene. I am an accredited marshal and have covered a number of North West Road Races over the past few years. I have been a volunteer marshal at local road races (male and female) in the region including a number on Pimbo and a number of SPOCO time-trial events. Furthermore, I assist at the North-West regional cyclo-cross events and circuit races at Tameside and in the past at the Steven Burke Hub.

Several years ago, I embarked on my BC coaching courses to L2 (and later my Road and Time-trial course) and have coached in a number of Go Ride clubs including CSP and Sportcity Velo. I have a strong relationship with the BC coaches and this year I have assisted Simon Wilson and John Wych at Tameside with the youth A and B riders during the winter months and more recently I have assisted

Simon Wilson and Craig Ansell with the women's "get into racing" sessions on Thursday evenings. I worked alongside BC coach Craig Ansell to set up the first of the BC coached ladies race sessions two years ago. For this and other services, I was awarded NW Coach of Year in at the Go Ride Conference of 2017.

As a team Manager for Sportcity Velo, I took a girls' Team to the Youth Tour of Scotland in April 2017 and in October of this year I will begin to coach girls on behalf of Bury Clarion Bullets on a volunteer basis. Undoubtedly, I have an excellent working knowledge and background in Youth and Junior cycling and strong positive relationships with the BC Go Ride coaches and manager John Wych.

Until recently I was Head of a Geography Department in a Boy's Grammar School; a role which I held for a substantial part of the 28 plus years that I worked in the school and this has enabled me to hone a variety of skills including the organisation of numerous residential and non-residential field-trips in the UK and abroad. I have strong organisational and communication skills and am self-motivated: skills essential for any classroom practitioner but also useful when liaising with event organisers, North-West clubs and members, or BC coaches.

Why do I want the Role.

1. I am passionate about riding a bike and want the Youth and Junior riders of the North West to have access to events like the Arctic Heroes of Tomorrow Race/school games/Ride London which I know from personal experience that such opportunities are not just life- enhancing but have the possibility to be life-changing for our young riders.
2. As a volunteer coach involved with Youth coaching and racing, I found the regular contact with the BC team and other coaches via Coaching Forums invaluable and would like to see these continue into the future.
3. I would like to build on the work that Tom and others have done to maintain a strong regional identity which riders from the grass-roots clubs aspire to be part of.
4. I want to work alongside the BC coaches and the Board to assist in keeping riders (especially Junior riders) in the sport whilst being part of a body that is inclusive and works to maintain effective communication with all of its members.

