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Unopposed candidates for elected Board Director

Peter Bowyer, G4MJS

Curriculum Vitae: I have been an active radio amateur for 45 years, having passed the RAE at age 18 and the 12wpm Morse test a year later. In that time I've been involved in many different aspects of the hobby – starting with 2m and 70cm mobile, 2m and 6m DX, helped to maintain a 70cm FM repeater, wrote software for AX.25 packet radio nodes and BBSs.

My main interest is in contesting – early outings in VHF NFD with the local radio club led to regular weekends away, and I was co-founder of one of the major contest groups. I joined the RSGB VHF Contests Committee and served under 3 chairs in the 1990s/2000s.

I've spent some time in East Malaysia (9M6), helped establish a club station there and made a number of country first QSOs on 6m as well as established some contest records.

I served as Contest Manager and then Chair of the UK Six Metre Group for several years, representing UKSMG at conferences and conventions.

Lately I've been active with several of UK multi-operator contest stations as well as helping out with the RSGB

Contest Club's entries in the IARU contest. At the opposite end of the spectrum, I've discovered how much fun can be had with a portable QRP station in schemes such as Parks On The Air.

Professionally, I'm a software developer and project manager, and can rarely resist the temptation to tinker with something technical.

Personal statement: I was delighted to be co-opted onto the RSGB Board in 2024, as I believe it's time I put some value back into the hobby I've enjoyed all my life. The Chair asked me to take on the Contests and Trophies portfolio, which suits me well and allows me to maintain a relationship with the hard-working volunteers that run Contesting for the Society – it's a privilege to be able to help guide this important part of the Society's activity,

More generally, I want my time on the Board to be progressive and transformative. The world doesn't stand still, nor must the Society. The place our hobby holds in society is constantly evolving, and we need to evolve with it. We have strategic aims to grow the hobby and our membership, and need to be constantly looking at new ways of doing this – whether that's new groups of people to approach or new areas to evolve the hobby into.

If I am elected to stay on the Board I hope to be able to play a full part in this, whilst helping the Board in its governing role, with solid processes and finances so that it remains in good shape for generations of radio amateurs to come.

Mark Savage, MOXIC

Curriculum Vitae: I have been a Licensed Operator since early 2021. I am very keen to promote and encourage participation in mobile and portable operation to get operators on the radio. To that end, I am the organiser of the very popular 145 Alive Events which run 4 times per year and one of the Management Team of the UKBOTA (UK Bunkers on the Air) and WWBOTA Schemes.

I am RSGB Region 5 Representative and a member of the RSGB Exams and Syllabus Review Group. As a member of the Regional Forum, I act as the Spectrum Liaison member.

I worked for Staffordshire University for 16 years in several Academic and Senior Management roles including as Associate Dean (Learning and Teaching) and for a short time was Acting Dean of Faculty.

I was responsible for all the quality assurance and learning and teaching activity and academic standards across a large University Faculty. I travelled widely on behalf of the University to Chair various Academic Board meetings around the world.

During this time, I have also served as a Trustee Board Member of the Institute of Money Advisers a UK wide volunteer-based organisation.

Prior to working for the University, I worked for many years in one of the largest Local Authorities in Europe. Prior to that I worked in the Voluntary Sector. I have a BA/Pg. Dip/MA and M. Phil in Research and Technology Enhanced Learning.

Personal statement: I've been a member of the RSGB for 3 years. I completed my Foundation/Intermediate and Full Licenses. I am committed to the development and growth of the RSGB as a representative and proactive organisation focused upon the needs of its members and developing the range of opportunities and excitement offered by the hobby.

I'm an active committee member of two local Radio Clubs. I am the organiser of 145 Alive together with a colleague. This is designed to promote activity and participation on 145FM, give operators an opportunity to run local Nets across the UK and to actively participate in amateur radio.

I am one of the founding members, and the Award Manager, for the UKBOTA and WWBOTA radio schemes both of which are designed to promote activity and participation. I am active across many of the Ham Radio Bands.

I am a good communicator and manager of people and have experience of a university-based customer focus. I seek to inspire education and innovation though active learning and participation. I am a believer in 'learning by doing'.

I have experience of working as part of a Board in a volunteer led, membership-based organisation and experience of motivating volunteers. My experience on the Board included governance, operational, financial and legal responsibilities.

I am good at problem solving and dealing professionally with a range of issues in a polite and friendly manner.



