

Robert Start

LTA Accredited+ Level 3 Coach



GTC's former Head Coach, Richard Edgley, ran a term of coaching at Harrowby Infants School when I was five years old, and I was hooked! I lived quite close to the club, so getting down as a teenager was very easy, which meant I kept playing.

Once I'd finished my A levels at school, I went to work in Nottingham at the CPS and stopped playing.

I then left that job and started working at the tennis club in March 2015.

When I started working at GTC, my first roles were looking after building defects and the bar. There was not too much time for coaching – that trend continued.

Now I am the assistant manager and look after a whole host of things. I cover coaching groups when needed and do several hours of individuals a week, mainly adults but have previously coached

younger children.

I am the club's men's first team captain. My view is to try and get as many juniors involved in team tennis as possible.

Over the years, I have played Division 1 in men's and mixed across Nottinghamshire and Lincolnshire.

Favourite tennis shot: Behind the back (trick shot)

Favourite player: Gael Monfils

My favourite film is The Dark Knight

Three dinner guests: Before inviting anyone round for dinner, I would have to learn to cook!

