



# INTERVIEW WITH...

## Steven Bradshaw

Each month we direct our questions to one of Clarkston's current stars and try to find out a little bit about what makes them tick. In the hot seat this month is our current Gents Singles Champion Mr Steven Bradshaw

Welcome to the hot seat Steven and make yourself comfortable.....

**Q: Why did you start playing tennis and when did you realise you might be any good.**

My mum wanted me to stop sitting round the house during the school holidays so I went to a holiday coaching programme. Can't remember thinking I'm going to be any good at tennis.

**Q: Your Dad is pretty handy with the old tennis racquet. Can you remember when you first beat him?**

Yeah I had only mastered the forehand and serve at that point and with my dad's volleying capabilities the match was very very strategically. But I one in 3 sets.

**Q: If you could play against one person of your choice, dead or alive, known or not, who would this be?**

Federer, but there is talk he may enter our club champs this year.



I've only had one pinmt  
Hoinshhht!!!



**Q: You are currently dating the Club Coach Hannah who is rated no 5 in Scotland. Could you take her over 3 sets and have you tried.**

Yeah think I could we've only played the odd set but over 3 I think I could. She's only no 5 in Scotland though.

**Q: What other sports do you like and are you any good?**

Love my skiing, would say I'm a better skier than tennis player.



**Q: You have now won the club Championship two years running do you think you can make it 3 and who is your biggest threat?**

I would love to win it for a third time but it will be really tough, there's such a good group of players playing in it. I think any of the first and second team are a huge threat, with guys like Dylan, Euan and Davie all wanting revenge along with the younger boys coming through like Peter who will almost certainly be up there challenging for the championships in the next few years.

**Q: If you could improve one part of your game what would it be?**

I'm trying to improve my volleying as I want to become a better Doubles player.



**Q: Is Tennis something which you would like to make a career from?**

I would love to play tennis as a career and I am aiming to play futures events in the next couple of years but I'd probably be better applying for a ball boy position at Wimbledon.

**Q: Other than at Clarkston what has been your best tennis win?**

I think reaching the u-18 singles final in the interclub a few years ago when I beat a number of West county players.

**Q: Do you have any advice for the Mini's and juniors at the club who want to be Club Champion?**

Yeah keep practicing, play tournaments and enjoy playing your tennis.

## TEN ONE WORD QUICKIES

1. White Bread or Brown
2. Do you speak another language than English
3. Serena or Venus
4. What is your Favourite Food
5. What can we find under your bed
6. Skiing or Beach Holiday
7. PS3 or Wii
8. McEnroe or Becker
9. What size feet do you have
10. If you joined a circus what would you do?

- Brown  
Speak some French  
Neither  
Steak  
mmmmmm... don't want to know!  
Skiing  
PS3  
McEnroe  
12 and a half  
Lion tamer



Thank you Steven for your time and honest answers best of luck for the 2010 season

