

## ESSEX BOWLS COACHES ASSOCIATION

## Chairpersons address to all Essex Coaches.

To: All Coaches and Fellow Bowlers

On behalf of the newly formed "Essex Bowls Coaches Association," I have pleasure in bringing you all up to date regarding the Association's progress.

You will all no doubt be aware that a Review of the Essex County Coaching Strategy was commissioned by the four Executive Bowling Bodies of the County. Namely ECWBA ECBA ECLIBA and ECIBA. earlier this year. A Sub Committee was then appointed, and they produced a report with several Recommendations which were ALL accepted in principle by the Commissioning Executive Bodies. This report is now available for consideration by Coaches & Bowlers on the Essex County Bowling Associations Web Sites.

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2020 the "Essex Bowls Coaches Association" (EBCA) Board was formed to implement the recommendations contained in the report on behalf of the Four County Bowling Associations.

The Board consists of the following personnel that jointly represent all County Executive Bodies, Coaches and Bowlers in Essex. Kim Wiggins, Sheila Brickel, Sandra Foss, Geraldine Cane, Greg Moss, Trevor Hackett, Terry Mizen and Tony Ellis.

To further implement the recommendations three Key Roles, require to be filled. These are as follows:

Safeguarding Officer

**Development Officer** 

County Coach

The EBCA invites Applications for these 3 posts which will be advertised on the County Web Sites along with details of the respective Roles. Suffice to say that Applicants for the Roles of Development Officer and County Coach must be a current qualified Coach from either of the two Coaching Bodies namely: Coach Bowls or The English Bowls Coaches Society. Any successful Applicant will be expected to embrace the philosophies of both Coaching Organisations and be prepared and able to implement both Organisations Coaching Policies.

Applicants for the role of Safeguarding Officer will be considered if they do not have a Coaching qualification albeit, in an ideal situation, they will also be a qualified Coach.

Any Applicant is advised to read the report prepared by the Essex Coaching Sub Committee before submitting any Application.

The EBCA anticipate that when the Key 3 Roles have been filled, hopefully by November then arrangements will be made to hold a meeting of ALL Coaches in the County to discuss with them the way forward and involve them in the development process.

In the interim, a DataBase is being established by Trevor Hackett a member of the Board and he will be making contact to request all Coaches to provide their details which will be retained in Confidence and Data Protected. We hope that everyone will aid that process.

These are exciting times for Coaching and the Board hope that together we can take Essex to new heights in Coaching Methods for the benefit of Individuals and the Sport in general. Regards

Greg Moss (Chairperson)

On behalf of the Essex Bowls Coaches Association. 30th August 2020