

Bowls Hampshire BD Officer ~ To Date

- **HBDA:** Set up the Hampshire Bowls Development Alliance in 2011, with an approved constitution, as a BDA INTERVENTION AREA that had independent administration of funds (£5K) provided to it by the BDA. Hampshire clubs bid to the HBDA for funds for activities ~ £150 for Bowls4Free, £40 for a Taster Session or £40 for Open Day. 2013 Hampshire made a strong case for further funding and was approved as a continuing intervention area for 2013/2014. It also gained funds from the CSP, Sport Hampshire and IOW. HBDA continues to provide payments of £40 to clubs who apply for either an Open Day or Taster Session. Funds are now directly available from the BDA for packages. Silver packages are £290. Other two packages, Gold and Community are available only to clubs with Clubmark. All Intervention areas now discontinued, but HBDA granted £500 for administration for 2014/15. HBDA comprises a Chair, Treasurer and Secretary, who are the Officers and one male and one female representative, approved by the LGB of the outdoor, indoor and short mat two codes in Hampshire (*Financial report available*)
- **EBYDS:** Have widened involvement by coaches, markers, umpires and “blazers” in the Hampshire School of Excellence event and rotated it around appropriate indoor clubs. It caters well for indoor activities but there is doubt as to its future. There is an urgent need to provide outdoor opportunities for under 18’s; to offer activities and competitions to enable, promote and develop junior talent. (*Currently there is an opportunity to apply for funding for a Junior Academy*)
- **BOWLS DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE:** BH BDO was a founder member of the BDA Steering group for a new bowls coaching scheme, “Coach Bowls”. Now a member of the Coach Education Advisory Group, BDA Senior Tutor, BDA Level 2 Qualified coach, BDA Assessor and County Coaching Co-Ordinator. Well advised and informed of BDA general matters and of coaching matters in particular
- **HAMPSHIRE BOWLS COACHING ASSOCIATION:** The English Bowls Coaching Association sits uncomfortably with the BDA. Discussions between the BDA and EBCS are at stalemate. The HBCA was set up in 2011, to accommodate coaches of both organisations and provide activities and opportunities that enable all coaches to progress their skills and experiences and take assessments with either organisation to achieve an accreditation or a qualification. Its first event was a successful Conference attended by Andy Thomson, World Singles Champion, in March 2012, funded by HDC and Sport Hampshire and IOW
- **FUNDING:** Links established with LEA’s, District Sports Officers, County Council, the County Sports Partnerships. This has enabled information about/access to funding ~ including Club membership/gym fees/other identified expenses for high performers
- **PUBLICITY:** Developed to include club/county websites, magazines, newspapers, radio, TV contacts etc., Achievements of individuals, clubs, teams and can all be promoted and publicised more comprehensively, where information is advised. Equally, where clubs obtain publicity for bowls, advice to the BH BDO will help build a County Archive
- **BROADCASTING:** All these activities can be directly advised to the Exec and subsequently disseminated to clubs across the county by those thus informed!
- **INFORMATION:** No I don’t know all the answers, but I can be an information source and be instrumental in helping to direct the enquirer to the person who does !

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