



# HDIBC COACHING

## Coaches Meeting Notes

17th February 2026 at 17.15 pm in Club Lounge

Apologies and Attendees

Apology received from Annie

Attendees Janet, Manoj, Bob W, Bob P, Kevin, Pam, Graham and JohnT

### 1.0 Introduction and matters arising from last meeting

- There were no matters arising
- VIBE update: The date for the next session has been put back and a request for coaches interested throughout the county has been posted. We have 5 coaches who have expressed an interest.
- PD Buddies: Arrangements have been made for the buddies to join the club with limited use (Wednesdays 4.30 to 6.30 only). Two have joined as full members, there are likely to be more coming for the induction course in the near future. Special thanks to Antony for his help and input.

### 2.00 Current Topics for Discussion

- Uptake of new recruits and coaching of new bowlers; no comments - going well
- HBCS – membership – skills days at HDIBC and helping elsewhere - We have four coaches who are actively involved with HBCS and the Skills Days in particular.
- Durrant League - running well but issues arising with etiquette and completing score cards correctly. It may be worth changing the format so that both the evening and afternoon sessions are 12 ends only.
- Review of the Recruitment and Induction - what's ahead in 2026 - Dates are on the Website will be clearer nearer the time with enquiry levels then.

### 3.0 New Business

- New initiatives and plans – all - any? Nothing at present but there would be a need to run course/s during the summer. Nothing currently planned.
- 'Elite bowlers' - Coaching has not worked out as expected; a selected 'Hurricanes' drills pack was prepared and is available in the office for anyone to use. Personal practice with a defined target/s and measurements, should be the aim of our better bowlers with coaches on hand to support - guide - advise as needed. Discussion over the importance of team players being practised and aware of each others roles and responsibilities.
- Reaching out to more members - is this necessary or wanted? - see comment above re recruitment - we have a membership of just under 300 and that is a healthy amount, however based on our 'annual loss of members percentage' at 15% we need to recruit 40 plus new members each year. So the wheel keeps turning...
- Who coaches the coaches? - The general feeling was that we should be able to marshal and control ourselves. There needs to be more time to discuss this topic.

### 4.00 Action Items

- Personal practice and Drills – JT update - booklet is with JB and we (JT and JB) expect to have the booklet available for the new winter season.



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- Websites – need to be reviewed and kept fresh. This is a recurring item and without an individual who has the time and energy will not happen. Ideas for the next meeting please.
- Sharing tasks and responsibilities - no further movement - suggested this is a topic for the AGM.

## 5.00 Any other Business

- Janet asked if the coaches rotas could be drawn together in one place for ease of access
- The trial of running a three week induction session was considered to be an error and the four weeks would become the norm going forward. - Subsequently BobP has rewritten the schedules based on four weeks and is under review for issue at the next meeting.

## 7.00 Next meeting

- Scheduled for Tuesday 31st March 7.00 pm in club lounge