



Devon County Indoor Bowls Association

Adam and Heidi Fielder Resignation Statement for Exec Meeting 29-Jan-2024

This evening's meeting will be Heidi's and my last as Colts, under 25s, and under 18s managers. We were brought in as a safe pair of hands but also known as "bowls mum & dad" by the players. Last Sunday morning before our game at Dawlish, Heidi and I tendered our resignations to George Coxwell via email.

There are lots of reasons as to why we have come to this decision, one of the main factors is that the 3 roles are a full-time job (& we already have one of those) but when it starts to have a major impact on family life and working life, something must give. Some of you will know that I suffered with depression last year, and although I feel better, I don't think it has truly left me yet.

Player apathy has also become a major cause of concern to us along with parents/guardians commitment to getting players to venues.

There are a few people we would like to thank: former president Ian Turner and current president, Chris Fenner, Ken Brenchley, George Taylor, John Berry, Kevin Phillips and Keith Young. There are others, of course, but the six names mentioned, have been truly fantastic to Heidi, and I especially in our early days running the Colts.

We are happy to continue with our roles until the end of the current season and will finish our roles within Devon on Sunday, April 14. Going forward, we will help and support as much as we can our successors, something that we did not get from our predecessors and hope that everyone understands why we have had to give the various roles up.

By leaving we do feel that we have let the players down and we will inform them of our decision tomorrow morning.

Heidi & I thank you all for the opportunity that you have given us. It has been a true honour to serve.