



ANNOUNCEMENT



ITBA EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION (22ND AUGUST 2023)

EBT LEVEL 1 COACHING COURSE

Weekends 25th/26th Nov & 2nd/3rd Dec 2023

The Executive continues to roll-out its Sport Ireland grant funded goals. In July 2023, a key objective for our **Academy Coaching** has commenced with a major initiative of offering all our coaches the opportunity to up-skill through participation in a **European Bowling Federation Level 1 Coaching Course**. Members interested in pursuing a coaching career are also being offered this opportunity as we need to secure new coaches to meet the future needs of our Junior, Senior and Team Ireland Sub-committees.

Our **Coaching Academy** facilitated our first hosted **EBF Level 1 Coaching Course**, held at Irish Sports HQ and Leisureplex, Blanchardstown over the first two weekends of July 2023.

Mark Heathorn, an EBF Level 1 & 2 Instructor delivered this four-day course to 16 members. We list below the 7 ladies and 9 men, a mix of existing and new coaches, who completed the course. These coaches must now complete 150 hours of coaching post-clinic to be qualified as **EBF certified Level 1 Coach**.

PARTICIPANTS - EBF Level 1 Coaching Course	
Donna Brady	Chloe Colton
Lauren Dugan	Grant Dugan
Gillian Duignam	Stephen Ekermans
Ursula Ekermans	Tommy Fetherston
Noel Kellegher	Abby McKeever
Martin McKeever	Martin Ryan
Gareth Shannon	Christopher Sloan
Barbara Sloan	David Staines

We are hosting a second **EBF Level 1 Coaching Course** on weekends, **25th / 26th Nov 2023** and **2nd / 3rd Dec 2023**. Any existing ITBA Level 1/2 coaches, who couldn't attend the July course or any members keen to become an **Academy Coach** at **ITBA Club** level can obtain full details by directly contacting Gillian Duignam, ITBA Tutor Group. (coaches@tenpinbowling.ie)

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