

## Team Tactics, Applied

This column is the second of three on team tactics – planning, applying, reviewed.

All tactics are based on game plans set out by the skip and the team, and ideally, trained for in pre-event sessions.

Real top performers in any sport make better, and quicker, decisions. One way to be at that level is to train tactically, so I would be seeking the bowlers who, having the technical skill capability, display their thinking skill and who with their teammates can easily and together make the best decisions, as much because we trained with them, coach and team.

### APPLIED

- We take opportunities (attack or defend) when occurring.
- What mistakes do we keep making.
- What do we do to alter our losing game.
- Playing our winning hand.
- Playing our winning length.
- Continue using the player, the deliveries, that keep us in front.
- Rink meetings are reinforcing the winning plan.
- Start smart.
- Pre delivery routine keeps working to your advantage.
- Use a 'pit stop' to keep us on track, individually and collectively.
- Energise ourselves, show them some hustle, strut our stuff.
- We are not impressed / overawed by anything the opposition does. - We can do the same and they better be that good over the long journey as we will and will roll them.
- If our tempo irks them, keep at it.
- Anything that goes against them keep our eyes and ears open to advantage ourselves, those 1% factors.
- When you are awaiting your next delivery, be agog with how well you delivered any one bowl so far, mentally replay it.

Teams, and you as individual players, tend to forget that because you have won, the opposition now has a benchmark to hit, you; there is a big target on your 4 backs next time you compete.

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If you rest on your laurels and stay figuratively where you are, well, don't be surprised when the other mob(s) pass you by on their way to ultimate competition success.

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