

# Teams Work Having Communication

## Communication & Team Skills

Team communication does not limit itself to the players in the team. Often it revolves around selectors and their selection criteria if any. Communication influences team spirit, commitment and the level of competitive input from our team.

And, as a behavior, communication can be either acceptable or unacceptable; think body language.

Numerous examples exist and here are some:

Negative verbals as an outcome of a poor delivery.

Not watching your delivery to its completion seems acceptable - but your eyes and your brain are no longer computing pal, or gal, no longer of value.

Body language deplorable reeks of negativity; if lethargic displays disinterest.

Body language of team walking to the head tells the story, strut the stuff troops.

Front end players racing down after they finish to vet their contribution is selfish and to the extreme.

Watch the third in that circumstance, left like a leper lurching lonely yet still with all responsibility to perform to utmost, and pick up their own bowl wow.

Balance loud self criticism with balance self praise or else just shut up and perform.

Win and continue to grin.

Seeing is believing - wind, rain, sun, surface, all get over it as causes for poor form; accept the challenge to perform.

Selfish - selectors don't overreact to skips, force a debrief find out who has character, trust.

Sensory skill - if I can gauge the outcome of a delivery early in flight from the sideline why can't the elite bowler who has just hurled the thing.

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Tactics? What game plan we are here to win...wow...but how do you plan to go about winning; being in Sydney Bennett & Longmire to be referred to in football codes.

Situation awareness, who has what skill in the rink who is 'on fire' now, who is 'off the boil' now and why; eyes and ears are part of the sensory skill work.

And finally...hey man I am already good enough that's why I am premier league player, just ask me.....no you're bloody well not .....yet.

And a prime communicator is the team skip - they who have influence, role model, communicator.

Negatives / hesitant calls seen as instructions.

Information (the score at the head) seen as instruction.

Information overload in the call.

Information call with contradictions (to recipient).

Inability of sender of the call from the head to understand the visual perception of the player on the mat.

And where the skip takes themselves onto the bank away from the head tells me they are disinterested, have little regard for you as a team member.

Tactics? Skips allowing the lead to determine the length says we have wrong person skipping as the front end only sets the foundation for the game each end, hopefully.

Sounds familiar!!!

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