

Supercar champion: comparison to bowls

On occasion I get bloody irritated by the sheer ignorance, absence of sport skills and knowledge by reputedly good bowlers, or at least so called experienced bowlers. And these guys and gals have influence at the local bowls club when it comes to competitive approaches to bowls.

It seems to me we are riddled with fossils, yes even younger bowlers old before their time disappointingly, who never played team sport before or if they did, don't see the sport principles applying to bowls.

Heathens!

Anyway, last week I overcame my (temporary) irritation when watching the AFL 360 Australian Rules TV show and listening to Scott McLaughlin, Australia's national supercar champion, who was the guest this night.

His utterances that we bowls (believers) can relate to included:
Take the opportunities when presented in the event.
When having a crap day competing minimize the trough or depth of loss.

Learn the lessons from every event by debrief.
Invest in and trust your team.

No wonder that man is national champion in his sport.

No wonder I get irritated surrounded by those in bowls who refute this approach.

No wonder I persist and associate (generally) with kindred spirits in bowls who 'get' what Scott says.

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