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LADNER LAWN BOWLING CLUB

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COMING EVENTS

Sunday, April 30

Opening Day
1:00 PM
Club colours/whites

Sunday, May 7

Aggregate Tournament
9:00 AM 3 X 10ends
Cost: \$5.00 Dress: Casual

Friday, May 5, 12, 19, 26

Open House
6:30-8 PM

Monday, May 22

Centennial Trophy Day
9 AM 3 X10 ends
Cost: \$5.00;
Dress: club colours, whites
Bring lunch

Thursday, May 25

Ladner, Langley @ Tsaw.
9:30 AM Bring lunch
Dress: Casual
Cost: no cost

Sunday, May 28

South Burnaby @ Ladner
2 X 10 ends
Cost: \$5.00 Time: 1:00 PM
Dress: club colours, whites

Trivia Night

May 13
6:30 PM: Happy ½ Hour:
7:00 PM: Trivia
Cost: \$15.00



A warm welcome to our new bowlers! And welcome back our seasoned bowlers.

Your Games Committee has a full season of bowling planned. Check your spread sheets for the many activities. The committee has tried to accommodate as many people's interests as possible. As well, check your email for information regarding new or special events.

Remember, once the lessons are completed, you are encouraged to join as many activities as you wish. See you on the green.

OPENING DAY

Our first official day of bowling is April 30. It is a fun day where a special guest throws the first bowl, followed by 10 ends of bowling. Many of us have not bowled since September, but things come back quickly. Following our game, we head to the clubhouse for some coffee/tea and treats organized by Kerry Derbyshire.

Come and visit with old friends.

Date: April 30

Time: 1 PM

Dress: Club colours, whites

Cost: free

OPEN HOUSE

Thank you to the members who came out to welcome potential new members and introduce the game of bowls to them. After learning about the many aspects of LLBC, it is hoped that they will return to join our club.

When you see a new face, be sure to make that person feel welcome. If they do not feel welcome, it does not matter how much they pay to join, they will not return.



SECOND YEAR BOWLERS

While you are learning to bowl, the club has bowls of various sizes and weights for your use. This allows you to decide which bowls you are most comfortable using so that you do not invest in bowls that are unsuitable. However, second year bowlers are expected to purchase bowls of their own.

Keep an eye out for retiring bowlers selling their bowls. Others sell their bowls when purchasing new ones. Check the bowls storage area for bowls for sale.



You have had a few extra weeks to prepare your brain for Bob's Trivia Night. Now you should know everything about everything. So, come and join the Battle of the Brains. It is always fun to see the names of the teams and be surprised by the categories that he chooses.

Just think of the deal you are getting. For \$15.00 you get to be frustrated, hear questions about things you never knew existed, and not get a prize for a high score but see it go to someone in the middle -or even with the lowest score! Never mind what might be in the prize package. All that for \$15.00!

But you do get some great snacks, one free drink of beer, wine, pop, and the best of all-water.

If you intend to attend this special event, contact Bob Maxwell, MaxBob44@outlook.com as soon as possible.

Date: May 13

Happy ½ hour: 6:30 PM

Trivia: 6:00 PM

Cost: \$15.00



OUR WEB PAGE

Our new web site is up and running **(PLEASE TOTALLY DISREGUARD OUR OLD SITE)** and is absolutely amazing-both professional and informative.

Go to www.ladnerlawnbowlingclub.ca and check it out. Almost everything you need to know is on the site

Again, thank you to Frank Gauvin and all those who contributed to its creation. We are truly fortunate to have such talented and creative members in our club.



FRIDAY OPEN HOUSE

While we had our main Open House on April 22, it was decided that during the month of May to have further Open Houses Friday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 PM.

The community is invited to participate. And we encourage club members to invite family and friends.

Again, like on April 22nd, coaches will be here. And again, we would appreciate it if members attend to greet visitors, set jacks, etc.

The old man was sitting on the examining table in the doctor's office having his hearing checked. The doctor poked his otoscope in the old man's ear and said, "Hey, you have a suppository in your ear!"

"Rats," said the old man. "Now I know where my hearing aid went."

ARE YOU PUZZLED?

Well, join the club.

When we join an organization-or even if we've been around for a while- there are many aspects that are not immediately apparent.

Our activities are posted on the calendar and Gayle Waddell, the Games Director, does a great job explaining events by email.

As events come along, the newsletter will attempt to reenforce Gayle's information. If you are still unsure about our events, please do not hesitate to ask members of the club or the executive.

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

AGGREGATES

We have 3 aggregates: Men's, Women's, and Mixed Aggregates.

The draw **begins 15 minutes** before the game starts. Put your name tag on the draw table on the position you play **before the draw begins**. If you cannot arrive on time, please phone **604-946-6722** and ask that your name tag be placed on the table. Better yet, ask a friend to do it for you. **Once the draw begins, late comers will not be included**. As your name is called, you choose a number from a bag. That is the green on which you play; then put the name tag back on the board. There is a slight cost for each game with a portion of the money going to the club and a portion given as prizes at the end of the season.

There also is a Mixed Tournament Aggregate. It follows the same format as the other aggregates, only it is a one day activity. A draw is held before the game, 3 games are played with a lunch break between the 2nd and 3rd games. Prizes are given out when the games are finished.

VISITATIONS

Throughout the bowling year, we plan visitations with other clubs. They are not competitive, rather a way to get to know other bowlers and experience other greens. Members of all levels are encouraged to participate-you play against bowlers at your level. Half the visitations take place at our club and half at another club. Then, next year, there is a switch.

If we are the host club, we pay \$5.00 to cover the cost of the dessert. When we are guests, we do not pay.

When we travel to other clubs, some members like to car pool. If you are a guest in another vehicle, it is suggested that you offer to pay \$5.00 to the driver of the car.

On May 28, Ladner hosts South Burnaby Lawn Bowling Club. The bowling begins at 1:00 PM, 2 ten-end games are played with coffee/tea and a light snack between.

Date: May 22 **Time:** 1:00 PM

Cost: \$5.00

Dress: Club Colours, Whites

PONY NIGHT

Pony Night is held every Tuesday to provide an evening of fun amongst peers for new bowlers who are learning the sport of lawn bowls. Members who have been bowling for 3 years or less are encouraged to come out to Pony Night and play a game, be social and make some connections.

LLBC promotes the opportunity to learn and practice in a supportive, social, peer environment designed to build skill, confidence and further your interest of this sport while cultivating relationships along the way. Consider Pony Night your first step in a lifelong love for lawn bowling. Coaches/Experienced players will be there in a mentoring capacity to answer any questions.

You can get the Pony Handbook on our website. Go to the Bowl Better page, then the drop down page Pony Handbook and click on the Pony Night Handbook button. If you have any questions you can look for answers in the handbook or ask a Coach.

Gayle Waddell
Games Director

THURSDAY PAIRS LEAGUE

A league requires you to make a commitment to bowl every Thursday evening at 6:30 PM. You and a partner sign up and pay \$10.00 each. You play a different team each week in a round robin-depending on the number of teams. Points are given and at the end of the league, prize money is awarded.

It is understood that it is not always possible to commit to every Thursday. Therefore, there is a spares list. You can contact someone on the list that is at **your level**.

There can only be one substitute on a team and the same spare can only be used twice on the same team.

If you do not feel that you want to commit to every Thursday evening, please put your name on the spares list.

CENTENNIAL TROPHY DAY

In May of 2017 we celebrated the centennial anniversary of our club by introducing a Centennial Trophy. The team of Pete Cullis-skip, Kerry Derbyshire-second, Shirley Layton/Evelyn Fraser-sharing lead, was the first winner of the trophy.

Each year on Victoria Day, we again play for this trophy.

It is amazing to think that our club is over one hundred years old and still going strong.



Date: May22 **Time:** 9 AM

Games: 3 X 10 ends

Dress: Club Colour, whites

Bring Lunch

Cost: \$5.00

SPEAKING OF VISITATIONS...

During the last year or so, White Rock Lawn Bowling Club and Ladner Lawn Bowling Club, have begun to exchange visitations. Teams consist of members of both clubs, same positions playing against same positions. Because it has occurred several times, we are beginning to get to know WRLB on a more personal level, making each visitation more enjoyable.

This event will occur several times throughout the year, and the sign-up sheets fill quickly. Watch for the next one and join the fun day.

Thank you, Kerry Derbyshire, for making food available for us before the game, and providing the delicious desserts at lunch. In fact, her carrot cake was enjoyed so much that she was constantly asked for the recipe. Because there was such a high demand, she lost track of who made the requests. She asked for it to be in the newsletter so that it is available to all.



OUR CLUB COACHES

A big THANK YOU to our hard-working coaches for their many hours of devotion to coaching new members of our club and helping seasoned member when asked. John Cleary, Frank Gauvin, Garry Parenteau, Barbara Sutton, Gord Oikawa, Paul Banns, Gayle Waddell.



CARROT CAKE

1 ½ cups sugar	3c. shredded carrots	4m
1 cup vegetable oil	1 8 oz. can crushed pineapple in juice, drained, (½ c.)	
3 eggs	1 c. chopped nuts	
2 cups white flour	½ c. coconut	
2 tsp. cinnamon	Cr. Cheese Frosting	
1 tsp. baking soda		
1 tsp. vanilla		
½ tsp. salt		

*Heat oven to 350. Grease bottom and sides of 13 X 9 inch pan- or 2- 8 or 9 inch round pans- with shortening; lightly flour

*In large bowl, beat sugar, oil, and eggs on low speed 30 seconds, until blended. Add flour, cinnamon, b. soda, salt, and vanilla.; beat on medium speed 1 minute. Stir in carrots, pineapple, nuts, and coconut (batter thick). Pour into pans.

*Bake 13 X 9 in. pan 40 to 45 minutes, round pans 30 to 35 min. or until toothpick comes out clean. Cool 13 X 9 inch cake in pan on cooling rack. Cool round cakes in pan 10 minutes; remove from pans to cooling racks. Cool completely, about 1 hour.

* Frost 13 X 9 inch cake or fill and frost round layers with cream frosting. Store, covered, in refrigerator.

* **Apple cake:** substitute 3 cups chopped, peeled tart apples -3 medium

***Zucchini cake:** Substitute 3 cups shredded zucchini-2-3 medium

CONGRATULATIONS, BARBARA SUTTON

At our SAGM, Barbara Sutton was presented with a Lifetime Membership Award.

Barbara has been an active member of our club since 1997.

Because our club did not have any real structure, Barb was asked to organize games and events to be in line with other clubs -which she did.

During her active time as a club member, she officially served as:

- Club director
- Secretary
- Club vice-president
- Club president
- Club coach-becoming Head Coach for many years , until resigning two years ago

Barb was always ready to help as well as lend her organizational skills where needed.

Barb:

- helped in the kitchen and outdoor work parties
- organized the bake sales to earn money for the new green.
- helped to catalogue and maintain inventory of club bowls
- as well as many other things she did that we do not know about.

Barb was active in V & D and interclub events. She generously took new bowlers interested in competitive bowling to these events , introducing them to a whole new side of bowling.

This is a well-deserved acknowledgement of all you have done for us.

Thank you



I want to thank The Executive for giving me a Life Membership in the Ladner Lawn Bowling Club. I've enjoyed working with many members in the twenty-six years I've been a member.

When Jack was president in 2000, he needed help. He would say, "Barbara, I need a secretary," and then a few years later, " I need a games person."

Not knowing how to do games, I got information from Tsawwassen and Dunbar Bowling Clubs.

Get involved in The Club as help is always needed.

Barbara Sutton



CLUB BEAUTIFICATION cont.

After many hours of hard labour, Walter finished painting both bathrooms. With the tidying up of the messes and the lovely paintings by Audrey Lowe, they no longer have the appearance of junk rooms. Thank you, Walter, for the many hours of work. Thank you, Kerry Derbyshire and Cheryl Smith, for taking the initiative to make our clubhouse new again. And we have just begun! As well, thank you, Audrey, for your lovely art work. It makes our clubhouse special.



Visiting his parents' retirement village in Florida, my middle-aged friend, Tim, went for a swim in the community pool while his elderly father took a walk. Tim struck up a conversation with the only other person in the pool, a five-year-old boy. After a while, Tim's father returned from his walk and called out, "I'm ready to leave."

Tim then turned to his new friend and announced that he had to leave because his father was calling. Astonished, the wide-eyed little boy cried, "You're a kid?"

LOCKERS

Brian Jones is the locker manager. If you need a locker or would like to move lockers, please contact Brian.

THE 4 UPS IN BOWLS.

SKIPS MUST BE UP
THIRDS MUST MEASURE UP
SECONDS MUST CHALK UP
LEADS MUST SHUT UP

As has been mentioned several times, we need our club members to volunteer their time to help us with the club functions. When we all give a little time, then a few do not have to give all their time.

When do we need volunteers?

- ✚ Mow the lawn and work in the gardens
- ✚ Juniors Provincial Games
- ✚ Interclub events
- ✚ Visitations
- ✚ Social events
- ✚ Or any time we have a work project

When asked, please say yes.

"Once upon a time there were four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.

There was an important job to do and Everybody was asked to do it

Everybody was sure Somebody would do it.

Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it

Somebody got angry about that because it was Everybody's job

Everybody thought Anybody could do it but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it.

And so Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

SAGM

As usual, our meeting was concise and informative. The focus this year has been on the carpet replacement.

This is the time line of events:

- ✚ December 2022-received approval for the project to proceed
- ✚ January 2023-told that City would give LLBC a Grant of Assistance in one payment at the end of the project. Club must undertake management of the project.
- ✚ Arrangements made with the manufacturer in England for us to get into the production queue.
- ✚ Arrangements by the city were made for the payment of the carpet.
- ✚ Construction is to begin the first week of September and is expected to take approximately 2 weeks, weather permitting.



GRANT OF ASSISTANCE

Thank you, Garry, and the other members of the Executive Committee, who worked so hard to ensure that our club is able to continue by not putting us into major debt when replacing the existing carpet.

The grant of Assistance includes:

- ❖ The installer be Ocean Marker and the manufacturer be Green Gage
- ❖ The accessories be supplied-new lane markers, ditch mats-bottom of ditch. (We will order new delivery mats)
- ❖ Green to be tested to make sure finished product correct
- ❖ Testing for speed in case our green used for major competitions
- ❖ Red banks as safety measure.



When laying the carpet is complete, we will install a plaque recognizing the city for its assistance in providing the grant for our new green. As well, we've invited the mayor to throw the first official bowl on our new green.