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COMING EVENTS

Winter Aggregates
Wednesdays & Saturdays
Draw: 12:45 PM Games: 1:00 PM

Friday Night Canasta
Every Friday 7:00 PM
Cost: \$2.00



COME AND JOIN US

Despite some rather cold, windy, rainy, and snowy weather, there have been some fine days for bowling. In fact, some days were warm enough to bowl in shirt sleeves-for a few of us.

Wednesdays and Saturdays are Aggregate Days, meaning that everyone is welcome to bowl, you come when you can. Draw times are at 12:45 PM **precisely** and the games begin at 1:00 PM, unless otherwise noted.

If you wish to organize your own games, your start times must always be earlier or later than club times (12:45 and 1:00 PM) so as not to interfere with club draws.

If there is an uncertainty about bowling due to inclement weather or frozen greens, check the aggregate score sheets.

MY APOLOGY

In my last newsletter, I thanked Teresa and Stuart McDermid for their contribution of baked beans to the Christmas party. But I forgot to thank Anita and John Cleary for their baked beans contribution. Although I'd made note of both couples, for some reason I missed putting it in the newsletter.

Over the years, both their baked beans dishes at our social functions have become part of an important club tradition. Thank you.



THANK YOU!

During the period of not bowling, Pete Cullis decided to do a bit of sprucing up.

The office desk top was rather a mess. Pete repainted it so that it is now presentable.

As well, he repainted all the score boards. They now look fresh-and clean-and are ready to go for another couple of years.

Thanks, Pete.

BOXING DAY/NEW YEAR S DAY

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Since 2012, those members of our club who are able come to the club for an afternoon of bowling (10 ends) and then come into the clubhouse to warm up and enjoy a visit over coffee/tea and leftovers. As you can see from the goodies table, this is almost as good as Christmas dinner.

As always, thank you, Kerry, for organizing the food.



2024 HAPPY
NEW
YEAR



A NEW YEARS DAY VISITOR



On New Year's Day I decided to go for an afternoon constitutional. Instead of doing my usual route I decided to see what was on the other side of the fence. I was surprised to see this funny looking grass with huge balls on it, And people were throwing them. Was I going to have a ball!



I decided to investigate the balls. They were huge and hard, and some had really pretty colours. but they sure looked heavy. How was I ever going to bat them around?



I gave it a try anyway but it did not budge when I gave it a swat. This is no fun.



Hey, wait a minute! What the heck is going on here!?! Are you trying to kill me?

A NEW YEARS DAY VISITOR cont.



I was just standing there, minding my own business, when all these people suddenly surrounded me. They looked very nice but it was kind of intimidating.



I was exhausted so I sat down for a minute. A very nice lady came to see if I was okay. She said that I should move because some balls were coming down from the other end.



This important looking guy, turns out he was the head honcho, began walking down the “grass” and I joined him. I asked what was going on. He explained that the players would throw a big ball from one end and try to hit the little white ball at the other end, for points. Now everything made sense.



I decided that I had had enough and I high tailed it home. What a day! Will I have a tale to tell my grandkids! Do you think they will believe me?

Thank you, Laurie Prak, for the perfect pictures. They were too good not to use them all.

A DAY OF FUN

On January 27th and 28th our clubhouse was rented to Cheryl Anderson of Rack Fashions. Ten to eleven racks of clothing were for sale and were made up of samples of the Pretty Woman line as well as some of the clothes from Cheryl's boutique. Customers included some from as far away as Abbotsford and Coquitlam.



The ladies were thrilled to find clothes that were suitable for our age group, as was evident by the number of clothes they tried on-and bought. What added to the experience were the reasonable prices.

The ladies were aided in their purchases by Cheryl's helpers Carol, Teri, Judy, and our own, Cheryl Smith.

When they were done, some sat down for a cup of coffee/tea and a cookie and square served by Dana Cullis and Dianne Kuleza.

When they left, there were smiles on their faces.



By renting out our club for various activities we invite the community into our facilities. Several people who attended did not know we were here, even though they live in Ladner. They were interested in what we do as a club. Perhaps they may keep us in mind for the future or mention us to a friend.

As well, when our facilities are rented out, it is a means of raising money for our club.



OUR WEBSITE

Have you checked out our website lately? It is truly professional looking. Thank you, Frank Gauvin, for all your hard work.

Frank is trying to make it a place to go to for information, both current and historical. With that in mind, he would appreciate any suggestions from club members as to what else they would find of interest and help that could be included on the website.

So check it out-www.ladnerlawnbowlingclub.ca. Remember it is our website, we need your input.

A prince was put under a spell so that he could speak only one word each year. If he didn't speak for two years, the following year he could speak two words and so on.

One day, he fell in love with a beautiful lady. He refrained from speaking for two whole years so he could call her "my darling." But then he wanted to tell her he loved her, so he waited three more years. At the end of these five years, he wanted to ask her to marry him, so he waited another four years. Finally, as the ninth year of silence ended, he led the lady to the most romantic place in the kingdom and said, "My darling, I love you! Will you marry me?" And the lady said, "Pardon?"

BC CHAMPIONSHIPS

We are talking to BC Bowls and the Tsawwassen Lawn Bowling Club about co-hosting one of the BC Champion tournaments.

Our club has developed a reputation as a reliable place to hold events. We have been recognized for our organizational skills, our officiating, and food preparation.

In the past, our club has held the Blind Bowlers Championships, two Junior Singles Championships, and co-hosted the \$1000.00 Games with Tsawwassen Lawn Bowling Club,

Hosting events is a means of raising money for our club.

CLUB CALENDAR

In order for us to plan our bowling season, we need a club calendar, Not only is it important for our club activities and our yearly visitations with other clubs, but for interclub events. Planning these events takes time and coordination with other clubs. Thank you to those who work to make our year a success.

Visitations are friendly events, designed for us to get to know other bowlers, as well as to experience other greens. Interclub events allow members who are interested in taking their bowling to a higher level to test their skills against bowlers from other clubs. It can be a day of playing for money or a trophy. Win or lose, it is always a worthwhile experience.



SOMETHING OF INTEREST

So that our members are kept up to date on issues with which our Executive Committee are dealing as well our financial status, approved minutes and current financial reports will be posted on our website.

Check for these towards the end of the month, after the Executive Committee meetings.