



Club Chatter

Tuesday, September 11th, 2018

From the President

District Singles Competition

Nanaimo's singles competitors braved the wet weather at the District competition in Port Alberni last weekend. Mary Mulligan won the gold medal and will bring the Ladies trophy home to Nanaimo. Tom Slemko won the silver medal in the Men's competition. Congratulations to both!

End of Season Events

September is soon coming to an end and lawn bowling will be over for this year. But before we put lawn bowling away for the winter we still have a few weeks filled with wind-ups this week, the membership tournaments this weekend and the Gender Skirmish on the 22nd. Let's make the most of what's left of the season.

Board Nominations:

NLBC's fiscal year-end is October 31 and the Annual General Meeting will take place in November. According to NLBC By-law #27:

Members of the Board shall retire from office at each Annual General Meeting and then their successors shall be elected.

- (a) Separate elections shall be held for each Board office to be filled.*
- (b) An election may be by acclamation; otherwise it shall be by ballot.*
- (c) Past Board members may be re-elected.*

A nominations form is posted in the clubhouse; members are urged to enter their names for election to the available positions.

Bernice Urbaniak

Games Report

On September 7th, 2018, we held our annual Tom & Ruth Novis 75+ (sorry, I know I put 70+ last week but I did still have jet lag!). The tournament was coordinated by Joyce & Frances with scoring done by Frances and Margaret. Thanks to Joyce for umpiring, and to all of the set up crew who came in early to set up the greens. Unfortunately, the weather did not co-operate – let's be honest – it was horrible, so we cut the last game down to 6 ends which seemed to be a very popular decision with the players. All in all though, it was a great day!

Kathleen prepared a great snacks table, including some ham & cheese buns which went down very well with everyone – thanks Kathleen. Winners were:

- 1st Place Ralph Webster & Yvette Hanson
- 2nd Place Bob Hungar & David Mitchell
- 3rd Place Hiroshi Kawaguchi & Ed Zydyk

You'll notice that we had some "all men's" teams. This was due to a lower registration by the ladies and rather than play with a short roster, we decided to make it a "pairs" tournament. There was actually only 4 men's teams so it wasn't too one sided at all.

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BOWLS VANCOUVER ISLAND NORTH & POWER RIVER DISTRICT

SINGLES EVENTS – SEPTEMBER 8TH & 9TH, 2018

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mary Mulligan took the Gold Medal winning the Ladies' Singles event. This is the first time since Donna Williams won in 1999 that a lady from our Club has won this event. Very well done Mary!

Tom Slemko took the Silver Medal in the Men's Singles event. Well done Tom.

What a great showing by our Nanaimo Singles Team!

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Upcoming Events - Reminder:

September 15th & 16th - Membership Mixed Pairs. This event will be held over two days to accommodate as many members as possible. The sign-up sheets are already up at the club and members are asked to sign up for one day only until we are sure that everyone has a chance to register. If one of the days is not filled, then anyone wishing to play a second day will be selected on a first come first served basis. A spares' list is also posted at the club for players who may wish to play a second day, as well as those willing to act as a spare if needed.

September 22nd - Gender Skirmish. Everyone is looking forward once again to this event which is always lots of fun. A signup sheet for this event is also now posted at the club.

Frances Tester, Games Chair

Law & Order: Marker's Course - Monday, September 17th. 12:30 – 3:30 pm

The Marker is an important match official whose skills are essential to running a high quality Singles event.

This classroom course, which was introduced in the District in 2016 will update the skills and knowledge of existing qualified markers and also provide a comprehensive introduction to the roles and responsibilities of marking for those qualifying for the first time.

New markers will also take part in a practical training session on the green to be arranged following the classroom session.

In addition to learning about marking, participants will also gain valuable knowledge about the Laws of Bowls, and based on our experience so far, will find the experience entertaining, fun and enjoyable.

A signup sheet has been posted in the club house. I encourage anyone who wishes to increase their knowledge of the game of Bowls to sign up; you won't be disappointed!

Should we not have sufficient numbers to run the course on September 17th, a minimum of four is essential, then we will reschedule the event for early Spring, 2019.

If you plan to attend, please bring your Laws book. If you do not have a 2015 edition, a copy is available at the club for \$2.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me by email at rgtester@shaw.ca or by phone at 250-585-1285.

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