



Club Chatter

Tuesday, April 30, 2019

From the President's Desk

On the last day of April we can look back at our events since the first Open House and feel that the start of the bowling season has been a blast. Our last open house on Saturday was well attended and, although I couldn't be there, I want to thank all the members who came out to help. It was a good day, by all accounts. The same can be said for our first club tournament on Sunday. The weather gods cooperated and everyone enjoyed a day of sunshine on the green.



This weekend we "connect" with our District clubs at the first open tournament of the season, the Connect Hearing Mixed Triples. We are pleased to welcome Jeff Campbell back again this year, and he will be accompanied by several "Connect" colleagues and the mobile hearing van will be on site as well.

In most cases hearing loss occurs gradually, which is why it's a good idea to test your hearing regularly so in order to track changes over time. It only takes a few minutes and you won't have to go far as the testing station will be parked in front of the Bowen Park Seniors Centre during the tournament. It's a good idea for people over the age of 55 and for those who work in loud environments to test their hearing every 12 months. The Connect Hearing professionals are certified Audiologists or Hearing Instrument Practitioners/Hearing Instrument Specialists who receive regular training in order to ensure you receive the highest standard of care.

Club members are encouraged support Connect Hearing, a platinum sponsor of the Nanaimo Lawn Bowling Club.

Bernice Urbaniak,

PLEASE NOTE:

Darrell and Carol Chapman are heading up a weekly **Tuesday evening Open Draw** starting on May 14th. You need to get your name tags in by 6:15 and play will begin at 6:30 pm. The draw will be free of charge. This is something that our members have asked for and thanks to Darrell and Carol for taking it on.

and also.....

a big shout out to our own June Meaning for all her work in the garden – they look lovely already!

and this too.....

Just a gentle nudge that your current membership fees expire on April 30' (today). If you have as yet not filled out a membership application and paid your fees of \$130.00 your name tag will be removed from the Roster Board.

For those of you who have already paid your membership fees please remove your membership card from behind your name tag on the Roster Board.

Vernie Dawkin, Membership Chair.

News from the Games Committee:

Jim Gavin Mixed Fours – April 28th – chaired by Frances Tester. Registration and scoring by Margaret McIntyre and Frances Tester. Winners:

1st Place – Erle Wallace, Jeanne Jacobsen, Harry Klenn, Irene Toulouse/Emily Lawson

2nd Place – Carol Chapman, Ed Peniuk, David Mitchell, Cathy Barter

3rd Place – John Randle, Marian Wallace, Ed Bryce, Judy MacNeal

Many thanks once again to all of the volunteers who worked hard to make this season's first club event very successful.

Upcoming at NLBC in May:

May 4 th & 5 th – Sat/Sun	Connect Hearing Mixed Triples Open Tournament
May 20 th – Monday	Inkster Mixed Triples – Club Event
May 25 th & 26 th – Sat/Sun	Ramsay Lampman Rhodes Mixed Fours – Open Tournament

I still have openings for the Ramsay Lampman Rhodes Mixed Fours Open, so if you are interested, please put a team together and let me know asap.

Also, sign up sheets are up at the Club for the Women's Pairs and Men's Pairs leagues which will start on May 8th and run for 7 weeks. Both leagues will run at the same time, so the maximum entries for each league will be 8 teams.

Bernice has also posted sign up sheets for the Cutthroat leagues, Thursday evenings (subject to sufficient players) and Friday mornings which is getting nicely filled up. Be sure to check out both signup sheets if you wish to play Cutthroat this season!

Frances Tester

Games Chair

National Bowls Day-June 8th, 2019

As previously mentioned at our Spring General Meeting, the Nanaimo Lawn Bowling Club has applied and was successful in obtaining a \$750 grant from **ParticipACTION** to take part in their **Community Better Challenge** which takes place between the period of **May 31st to June 16th**.

Our club has entered the **3rd Annual National Bowls Day** as an event where people of all ages can come out and try lawn bowling for the first time or simply come out for a fun day on the green and to track your physical activity minutes.

The purpose and goal of the Community Better Challenge is to engage family, friends, neighbours and fellow community members to take part in the various events such as ours and to get active! The more people who get active, the better our community's chances are of winning \$150,000 & being crowned Canada's Most Active Community.

We encourage you to tell everyone to download the ParticipACTION app and start tracking your physical activity minutes, especially during the challenge timeframe of May 31st to June 16th.

The last two National Bowls Days have been very successful in bringing in new people to our club and we expect this year to be even better, but in order for this to happen we need your help. We will need **coaches, volunteers on the green, BBQ cooks, a set up and take down crew, kitchen help, a registration & tracking table, and most of all many participants.**

Interested in helping out? If so, please sign up on the "Social" bulletin board located above the water cooler. You will be contacted by a member of the Social Committee to inform you of any meetings that may need to take place prior to our event to get things organized.

Thank you all in advance for your help.

Irene Toulouse
Social Coordinator

Dates to mark on your calendars:

Tuesday, May 7	VIP draw	9:15 am start
Tuesday afternoons	Men's Draw	tags in by 1:15, start 1:30
Tuesday evenings – May 14	Open draw	tags in by 6:15, start 6:30
Wednesday mornings	Ladies Draw	tags in by 9:15, start 9:30
Wednesday afternoons	Skills Dev. & Coaching	time to be determined
Thursday mornings	Thursday morning mixed	9:30 am start
Thursday evenings	Cutthroat	6:30 start
Friday mornings	Cutthroat	10:00 am
Friday evening Fun Nite	Friday evening – Fun Draw	tags in by 6:15, start 6:30
Saturday evening (date to be determined)	Open draw	subject to having a convenor
Sunday, May 12	Tea & Bowls	when greens are free

May 4 & 5	Open: Connect Hearing Mixed 3s	TBA
May 14	VIP – Open House	9:30 am start
May 20	Inkster Mixed Triples	9:15 am

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