



# Club Chatter

**Tuesday, July 16, 2019**

**From the Desk of the President:**

**NOTE: Due to the Junior Provincials this week the following events are cancelled:**

Thursday morning mixed draw

Friday morning Cutthroat

Friday Fun Night

Sunday Tea & Bowls

The Nanaimo Lawn Bowling Club is proud to host the Junior Provincials this week so our regularly scheduled activities on the green from Thursday through Sunday are cancelled. Crews will need time to prepare the green and competitors will have green time on Thursday afternoon.

The main event gets underway on Friday morning. The Opening Ceremonies are scheduled for 9:30 AM when Piper Major Gordon Webb will pipe in the athletes. The mayor will be on hand with a message from the City and there will be some media presence as well. It would be great to see NLBC members out in full force filling up the newly covered patio area to cheer on the athletes as they enter the green. NLBC has fielded 3 competitors for this event; Jason Valchar, Dave Schule and Sterling Wesson. Good bowling, boys!

This event requires many volunteers and many have signed up on the sheet posted in the clubhouse. Please help wherever you can, and while you're not performing volunteer duties, please hang around to support and cheer on the competitors all of whom are under 19. Let's give visitors to our club a good taste of the island hospitality that NLBC has displayed in previous provincial events.

Bernice Urbaniak.

**News from the Games Committee**

July 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup>: **Qualicum Exchange Mixed Triples** – the first day of this event was held in Nanaimo, and while the weather in the morning was not great, we managed to get both games in and Nanaimo finished the day 3 points ahead. The weather the following day in Qualicum was much nicer and we managed to get through both games without any rain at all. The good news is that Nanaimo retained the trophy finishing 6 points ahead of Qualicum. Well done everyone!

July 13<sup>th</sup>

**Ralph Wilson Club Men's Pairs** – the event was chaired by Frances Tester and scored by Frances and Margaret McIntyre. Winners were:

First Place	Jimmy Muller & Randy Noble
Second Place	Vern Hagstrom & Harry Klemm
Third Place	Bob Hungar & Dave Ruckman

Thanks so much to everyone who volunteered helping to make this a fun day for all who participated.

### **Upcoming at NLBC in July**

July 19 – 21 **Provincial Juniors & U25 Singles** – on Thursday the Juniors will arrive at our club to start preparation for their tournament games. Games will start at 10:30am (approx.) on Friday and will run through till Sunday. Be sure to come down to the club some time over the three days and cheer on our own Jason Valchar, David Schule and Sterling Wesson.

**FLIPPERS NEEDED** - During the games, we hope to have a volunteer at each scoreboard flipping the scores for the players. Games are as follows:

Friday: 10:30am & 1pm  
Saturday: 9am, 11:30am & 1pm  
Sunday: 9am & Noon

Please email me at [fctester@shaw.ca](mailto:fctester@shaw.ca) or call me at 250-585-1285 if you are able to help out.

July 27<sup>th</sup>

**Jack MacLachlan Men's Triples** – a sign up sheet is posted at the club.

**NOTE:** When you sign up for a Club tournaments, please be sure to mark your calendar at home to ensure that you remember to turn up on the day. If after signing up you are unable to play, please try and give me at least a day's notice. Going forward, I'll pull the signup sheets 2 days ahead of time so that I will have at least one full day to find additional players to balance the draw. Thanks!

Frances Tester

Games Chair

## VIP Provincial Play Downs

Nanaimo LBC is hosting the VIP Provincial Play Downs on Monday and Tuesday, July 29 and 30. Players will come from Kelowna, Victoria and the greater Vancouver area plus our own club members. All games are singles so we will require many markers. Several of the bowlers come without a sighted helper. We will require volunteers who are willing to be at the mat end to assist the bowler. The games are scheduled for 1:00 and 4:00 pm on Monday and at 9:00 am and 12:00 noon on Tuesday. Please look for the sign-up sheet which will be posted in the club house.

Thanks for your support,

Donn Sherry.



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Join us tonight for some full moon nighttime play at the Tuesday evening draw.

Tags must be in as usual by 6:15 pm for a 6:30 pm start for the first game. Refreshments will be served after the first game and those wishing to play a second game “under the lights” tags must be in by 8:45 pm for a 9 pm start. Entry fee is only \$1.00 to play.

Let's have some fun!

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## **The Flamingo**

**Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019**



A reminder that space is limited for this fun day on the green. Grab a partner, a tropical shirt and create a team name and sign up before it's too late.

We need 5 teams per rink, therefore a cut-off at the 60 mark will be taken and a wait list will be created in case of any cancellations. If you are too late to sign up, we do encourage spectators to cheer the players on and please join us for the BBQ. A separate sign-up sheet is posted for those wishing to join us for the BBQ only. Entry fee to play is \$20/team. BBQ only fee \$6.00/person.

Ticket sales will begin next week.

## **From our Coaches Corner:**

### Tea and Bowls

The next Tea and Bowls is scheduled for Sunday, July 28, 2019. In the meantime, come on down at the weekend and watch the young bowlers of BC play their hearts out. There is nothing like lots of spectators to make it special for them. By the way, eight meals are being offered from Friday morning to Sunday afternoon for very reasonable cost. (I know I am getting a weekend off from doing the dishes – ha ha!)

### Wednesday Afternoons

Practice for the upcoming singles, or your Marker skills on Wednesday afternoons.

Are you a new bowler? Then a special tournament is being held in August especially for our “novice” bowlers. It is in the singles format, and Wednesday afternoon will give you the perfect opportunity to practice this draw-draw-draw game. Start: 1:15 p.m.

Are you an experienced bowler? Then the men’s or ladies’ singles tournament is just for you in August. After playing in teams all season, you will find that Singles can be a very different game with different strategies in mind. Last year’s winner of the men’s singles said at the time, that the practice on Wednesday afternoons made all the difference.

And . . . it’s all FREE . . .

Shirley Phillips.

## **Dates to mark on your calendars:**

Tuesday mornings	VIP draw	9:15 am start
Tuesday afternoons	Men’s Draw	tags in by 1:15, start 1:30
Tuesday evenings	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	1:30 start
Thursday mornings	Thursday morning mixed	9:30 am start
Friday mornings	Cutthroat	10:00 am
Friday evening Fun Nite	Friday evening – Fun Draw	tags in by 6:15, start 6:30
Sunday afternoons	Tea & Bowls	tags in by 1:15 – when the greens are free

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