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LADNER LAWN BOWLING CLUB

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COMING EVENTS

Christmas Party

Saturday, December 7

Fisherman's Hall

4481 Savoy Street

Happy Hour: 500 PM

Music: 5:30 PM

Dinner: 6:00 PM

Boxing Day Bash

December 26 1:00 PM

New Year's Day Bash

January 1 Time: 1:00 PM

Aggregates

Wednesdays and Saturdays

Draw: 12:15 PM Game: 12:30 PM

Friday Canasta

Every Friday Time 7:00 PM

Cost: \$2.00

WINTER BOWLING

Winter bowling is well underway with our Wednesday and Saturday aggregates. As well, there is Monday Aussie Pairs.

Draws are at 12:15 PM-don't be late- and games begin at **12:30 PM sharp!**

On non-designated days, draws are at 12:15 if you wish to play an organized game but are open for practice or your own games any other times. Please make use of the greens at your convenience.

Should there be questionable weather, check your emails after 11:30 AM as well as your Google spreadsheets.



Amanda: What's the difference between Santa's reindeer and a knight?

Robert: What?

Amanda: One slays the dragon, and the other's draggin' the sleigh.



BOXING DAY BASH



Nicki Stowell and Cliff Caprani introduce this fun day to our club.

After a fabulous Christmas Dinner, we need to get some exercise, then share our tales over something warm to drink and eat **more** food. We provide all that at our Boxing Day Bash!

Weather permitting, there is a draw at 1:00 PM. We bowl for ten ends and then return to the clubhouse to enjoy some beverages to warm us. Bring some of your Christmas leftovers-nibblies, appetizers, desserts, etc.

If the weather is inclement, bring your goodies to the clubhouse at 1:00 PM and visit with your bowling friends.

FRIDAY NIGHT CANASTA

Our Canasta night continues to be a success! We have a steady attendance of 20 to 25 players. Thank you to all who participate in the evening's activities. The best deal in town-only \$2.00 for an evening of laughter, cards, some delicious goodies.

Canasta ends on December 13 and resumes on Friday, January 3 at 7:00 PM. New commers are welcome.

To this point, Canasta Night has contributed \$337.00 to the club.



WINTER AGGREGATES

After a couple of weeks participating in festive activities, we will be anxious to get back on the bowling green. While it may be chilly at times, if we dress warmly and get out those hand warmers, the day goes by quickly.

Our Saturday aggregate begins on January 4 and the Wednesday aggregate begins on January 8.

POLAR BEAR BLOWOUT

Eventually, we decided to bowl on Boxing Day as well, maybe to help us get over New Year's Eve fun.

As with the Boxing Day Bash, weather permitting, you are invited to gather at the club at 1:00 PM for ten ends of bowling. We then return to the clubhouse for treats and something warm to drink.

Please bring an appetizer, a light snack of some kind.

CAN YOU HELP?

Are you a consumer of yogurt, cottage cheese, sour cream? Then what do you do with the containers?

If you use the 650g to 1k size, please save them for Pete Cullis to use when planting his tomato seedlings. He will pay \$0.10 for each container.



HISTORY OF BOXING DAY

This custom is linked to an old British tradition in which the servants of the wealthy were allowed, on the day following Christmas, to visit their families since they would have had to serve their masters on Christmas Day. The employers would give each servant a box to take home, containing gifts, bonuses, and sometimes leftover food.



2024

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PARTY

TICKETS

Please see Pete Cullis for your party tickets. Tickets must be purchased ahead of time so that we know how much food to prepare.

Cutoff Date to purchase tickets is Wednesday, December 4.



PLACE

This year our Christmas Party will be held at the Fishermen's Hall. The hall is large enough to accommodate our whole club and there is more than enough parking.



Start your festival season early by attending the Ladner Lawn Bowling Christmas Party.

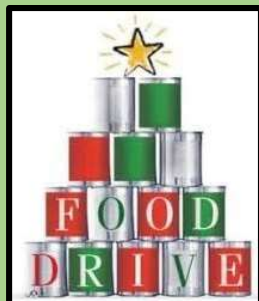
It will have everything you could possibly want-your bowling friends, delicious food, live music.



Date: Saturday, December 7
Where: Fishermen's Hall
4481 Savoy Street
Happy Hour: 5:00 PM
Music begins: 5:30 PM
Dinner: 6:00 PM

FOOD BANK

Once again, donations to the Food bank are welcome. As before, only cash and cheques will be accepted. This allows the Food Bank to purchase items that are needed at a much cheaper price.



WHAT HAVE WE BEEN DOING?

Trivia night



Once again, thank you, Bob Maxwell, for hosting Trivia Night.

Teams were assigned “special” names. Questions covered a variety of topics, something for everyone. Some groaning and laughter was heard when answers were given as we remembered what we forgot.

We stopped for a break, then resumed the quiz.

Prized were given, not necessarily for having the highest score. As always, the prizes consisted of brain food.

Thank you, Bob, for another enjoyable evening.

WHY OUR CLUB IS SPECIAL

Over the years of our club’s existence, it developed into more than just a bowling club. Jack Sutton and Carol Cassidy set about organizing special event evenings throughout the year. On one such evening Rahmin Samuel treated us to his cooking skills with salmon barbeques.

Audrey and Angie offered painting classes for several years, with the money from class fees given to the New Carpet fund. As well, they put on an art show of their paintings, giving a percentage of their profit to the club. They also did the first Trivia Night. The evening began by identifying club members’ baby pictures, using clues made up by Audrey and Angie. That was an interesting evening.

For the past number of years Gordie Oikawa has provided us with delicious salmon for our salmon barbeques. What a treat that is!

And, of course, who can forget the fun we had on Mad Hatter Day. Thank you, Audrey Low and her helped, Kerry Derbyshire, for a day of fun.

When he was Social Director, Neil Tanney along with Peggy Irving put on the Spring Fling, serving Irish stew, celebrating St. Patrick’s Day. Anita and John Cleary, together with Teresa and Stuart McDerimid, carried on this celebration, providing a tasty, fulfilled evenings of St. Patrick’s Day celebrations.

Neil Tanney also organized the first Cards Night. Over the years it has morphed into Canasta night.

Recently, Bob Maxwell reintroduced Trivia Night-a night of fun and mind searching.

Thank you to those who make our club special.

One Christmas my husband put an assortment of beauty products in my stocking. I tried one of the facial masks, and was about to wash it off when my eight-year-old son, Callum, walked in. I explained to him that it was a present from his dad and it would make me beautiful.

He patiently waited by my side as I rinsed and patted my face dry.

“Well, what do you think?” I asked.

“Oh, Mom, it didn’t work!” Callum replied

One evening I arrived home from work to find the lights out. My wife had prepared a lovely candlelit dinner and our two young sons, Garrett and Seldon, were dressed in their suits.

“Hey,” I joked, “didn’t we pay our hydro bill?”

A few months later, during the Christmas Eve candlelit procession, the church was packed and silent when Garrett asked, “Hey, Dad, did they not pay their hydro bill, either?”

2024 ANNUAL MEETING

**THANK
YOU!**

to our members who agreed to be part of
our Executive Committee :

- ✚ President: Garry Parenteau
- ✚ Past President: John Cleary
- ✚ Vice President: John Prak
- ✚ Secretary: Cheryl Smith
- ✚ Treasurer: Neil McLennan
- ✚ Grounds: Walter Dnistransky
- ✚ Kitchen: Kerry Derbyshire
- ✚ Members and Communication:
Frank Gauvin
- ✚ Games: Bob Maxwell
- ✚ Greens: John Prak
- ✚ Clubhouse: Kerry Derbyshire
- ✚ Dana Cullis: Sunshine (volunteer)

Thank you to the Executive Committee for
another well-run, informative meeting.
And thank you to those members who
attended-it is important that you
participate when we vote on club policies.

Thank you, John Prak, for volunteering to
fill the Vice President's position. We are
looking forward to your input into the
Executive Committee.



Our Executive Committee Officers: Cheryl Smith-
secretary, Garry Parenteau-President, Neil McLennan-
treasurer, John Cleary-past president



A well-attended meeting.



AWARDS NIGHT

TROPHY EVENTS



Amy Morrison Trophy
Cheryl Smith-lead;
Absent: Rita Lam-skip;
Rose Tsin-second



Centennial Trophy
Bessie Chum-lead;
Absent: Alex Kwok-skip;
Mary Taitt-second



Frank and Lieni Burns Trophy
Brian Varrie-skip;
Cheryl Smith-second;
Absent: Kim Banns-lead



Mixed Triples
Brian Varrie-skip;
Sharon Kraemer-lead
Absent: Kathy Pitlar-second



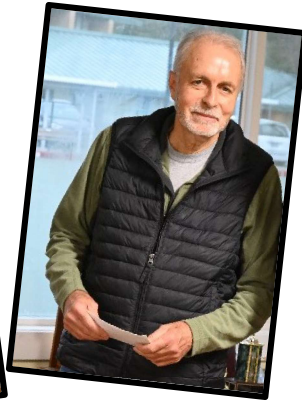
AGGREGATE WINNERS
Monday Morning Men's Aggregate
Pete Cullis-first; Don Newcomb-second;
Barry Abraham & Brian Jones -tie third



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**Wednesday Afternoon
Aggregate-Session 1**
Selina Lo-first
Absent: Kim Banns-second
Don Newcomb-third
Absent: John Gregory-fourth

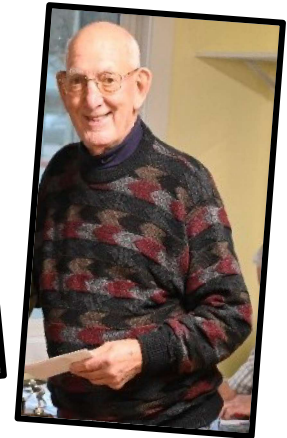
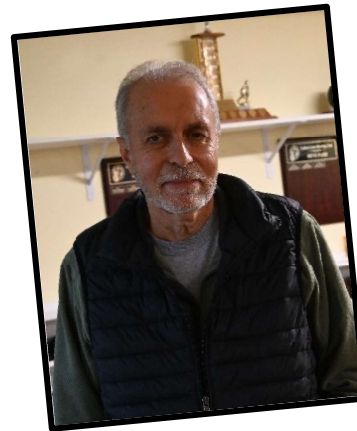


**Wednesday Afternoon
Aggregate-Session 2**
Paul Banns-first
Absent: Richard Chia-second
Simon Wong-third;
Bessie Chum & Diane Kuleza-
absent -tie fourth



Friday Morning Ladies' Aggregate

Absent:
Shirley Arponen-first
Kim Banns-second
Audrey Lowe-third
Diane Kuleza-fourth
Bonus Draw: Marion Freeborn



Thursday Night Mixed Pairs League

Don Newcomb & Shirley Arponen (absent)-
first
Barry Abraham & Nana Tan (absent)-second
Pete Cullis & Steve Harvey, as well as Terry
Bittle, absent; Claire Taylor-(withdrew due
to injury) third



Mixed Pairs Competition
Simon Kwok & Mary Pawlek
Absent

Novice Singles

Bob Challoner-first
Regina Challoner-Second
Absent



Sophomore/Colts Singles
Johnny Yam

AWARDS NIGHT CONT.

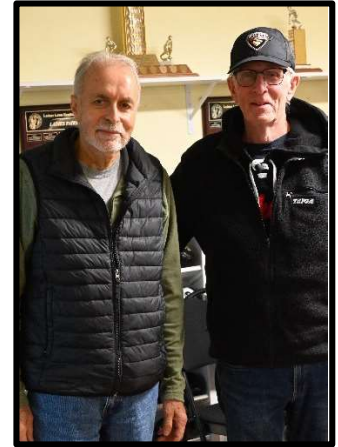
Ladies' Singles

Absent
Rita Lam-first
Rose Tsin-second
Audrey Lowe & Mary Pawlek-
tie fourth



Men's Singles

Paul Banns-first
Absent-Alex Kwok-second-
Don Newcomb & Brian Jones-
fourth-tie



Open Singles

Don Newcomb-first
Frank Gauvin-second
Paul Banns & Brian Jones-
tie third



Club Champion

Alex Kwok-absent



Thank you to all who participated in this year's bowling season. We are winners in many different levels.

Thank you to Peter Cullis and Bob Maxwell for keeping track of all club activities and organizing the Awards Day.

Thank you, Robert Smith, for taking the pictures of this important event.

Player of the Year

Paul Banns

Thank you, Kerry Derbyshire, for the goodies. Always appreciated.