



Club Communiqué

BOWLS MANITOBA

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

(Gordon Horton)

It's early April and the weather has been looking promising for an early start to the 2010 season. Hopefully, this weather will continue and we will once again get the good quality greens we want. Open houses will be held again in May and it is again time to invite new members to try the great game of Bowls. If every current member from each of the clubs invited one new person to come out and try our game, we could double our current membership. Lets all give a good try.

As with every spring, there is lots of work to be done around your clubs to get things in order for the coming season. I encourage the first and second year bowlers to get involved. Volunteers - lets not leave it up to the same people year after year- remember, its your club!

*The past couple of seasons, we have had increase in the participation of junior aged bowlers. It is very difficult to keep these young people. As they get older, there is more demand on their time. Bowls is a lifetime sport and it is hoped that they will return to our game sometime in their future. In the meantime, it is important to keep the program going, so we will again host a day for junior aged bowlers at 1212 Dakota. **Bring a Buddy Day** will be held June 6th from 1:00 – 5:00 pm with fun, games and refreshments! Please see the ad in this Communiqué.*

*In 2009, the **Interclub** format was changed and turned out to be a tremendous success so we will continue with this. The 2010 season will start sometime in June once the greens are ready so watch for notices at your club. Interclub is open to all levels of bowlers. The Tournament dates and locations for both Provincial and Association events have been set for this season. Please see the Communiqué for these dates.*

Remember the game of Bowls is not only Competitive, but also has a social side to it, so enjoy the game and respect your fellow competitors – particularly our new bowlers. They need your encouragement. Have a great 2010 season!

BOWLS MANITOBA OPEN HOUSE WEEK

MAY 25 – 29, 2010

At all participating Bowls MB affiliated clubs.
Contact the office for days and times at each club.

BOWLS MANITOBA SEMI – ANNUAL MEETING

APRIL 24, 2010

1:00 PM @ 1212 DAKOTA

WEBSITE ADDRESSES:

Bowls Canada Boulingrin	www.bowlsCanada.com
Sport Manitoba	www.sportmanitoba.ca
Canadian Sport Centre MB	www.cscmb.mb.ca
Coaching Manitoba	www.coachingmanitoba.ca

EMAIL ADDRESSES:

Bowls Manitoba (Cathy)	bowls@shawbiz.ca
Bowls Canada Boulingrin	office@bowlsCanada.ca

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A Great Big Thank-You!

A big THANK YOU to all volunteers who participated leading up and on the day of the Blind Bowlers Fundraising event held April 14th at Gateway Indoor LBC, especially the generous donations for the Silent Auction and cash donations as well. The final tally and presentation amount was \$1,545.60. Good luck to our two bowlers – David Wood and Binh Vo when they travel to Israel in May.

Phil Clark & Emilie Ammazzini (Co-Coordinator)

UPCOMING EVENTS

UMPIRES CLINIC

Wednesday, May 12th @ 6:30 pm (1212 Dakota)
(date may change)

Umpire re-certification
Measuring tests
Markers guidelines

Open to everyone!

Contact Emilie Ammazzini @ 222-3612

BOWLS MB BINGO UPDATE

There have been some changes made regarding bingos. The casinos now require us to have only 7 workers at each bingo so the number of spaces allotted to each club has been reduced. The board of Bowls Manitoba has determined that only one bingo per person per year may be used for funding. The bingo counts as 3 hours worked. The number of members that a club registers with Bowls Manitoba determines how many spaces will be allocated per club – the larger the membership the more spaces will be allocated. Each club has a bingo representative so if you are willing to volunteer to work a bingo for club funds or for your personal funding for national competitions you should contact your representative. Winnipeg Clubs receive \$50/volunteer and Rural Clubs receive \$60/volunteer

Upcoming Bingo: May 20th @ Regent (4:30 – 6:45 pm)



KICK OFF THE SEASON !!!!

**JUNIOR BOWLS BUDDIES DAY
@ 1212 DAKOTA**

Sunday, June 6th (1:00 pm – 5:00 p.m.)

Open to all Junior age children interested in getting an introduction to the game of Bowls. All Junior bowlers are invited to bring a Buddy or friend.

Come out for a day of fun games and refreshments.

Contact: Gord/Lorraine at ghorton@mts.net
Phone 253-9904 or your club rep to confirm.

PROVINCIAL PREMIER SINGLES LEAGUE

Tuesdays @ 7pm starting May 4th
1212 Dakota (\$20 entry fee)

Deadline for registration is Sunday, April 25th.
Meeting will be held following the SAGM.

Contact Rod Tester @ 889-7742

PROVINCIAL TEAM TRIPLES

Thursdays @ 7pm starting May 6th (\$30 entry fee)

Format: Alternates between 2-bowl and 3-bowl triples.
Deadline for registration is Sunday, May 2nd.

Contact Gord Law @ gordlaw@mts.net

PROVINCIAL TEAM FUNDING

The Provincial Team funding eligibility has recently changed. All Provincial Team members must complete a minimum of 10 volunteer hours in order to receive funding for Nationals. Members looking to complete volunteer hours can contact **Gord/Lorraine Horton** (253-9904) to volunteer some time to help with the annual spring clean-up at 1212 Dakota. Work includes cleaning the grounds, weeding, painting, Security @ 1212 during building rentals.

St Johns LBC – Presidents Invitational Day

June 5th @ 10am

\$40.00/team

SOLD OUT!

PERFECT ENDS!!

Since the fall Communiqué, we've had several perfect ends. Congratulations go out to the following:

- **Elaine Jones, Anne Wright, Betty Grundy & Betty Van Walleggem** (vs Nova Scotia at the 2009 Majors)
- **Bob Simmons, Joan Simmons & Cody Harvey** - October 26, 2009 at the Winnipeg Senior Indoor Lawn Bowling at Pan Am
- **Bob Strong & David Wood** - November 11, 2009 at the Gateway Indoor Lawn Bowling
- **Bob Simmons & Cody Harvey** – March 20, 2010 at the Winnipeg Senior Indoor Lawn Bowling at Pan Am

CONGRATULATIONS!**1212 Facility Rentals**

Contact

Gordon & Lorraine Horton
@ 253-9904

Lawn Bowling Equipment**Henselite Lawn Bowls & Accessories:**

Betty Van Walleggem
Home Ph#: 254-8610
Email: bvanwall@mts.net

2010 Sport Manitoba Athlete Assistance Recipients

Based on their results at the 2009 National Championships, the following members of Bowls MB received additional funding from Sport Manitoba to offset some of their cost for training for the upcoming season:

Elaine Jones	Betty Van Walleggem
Anne Wright	Betty Grundy
Shirley Fitzpatrick-Wong	Clarice Fitzpatrick

CONGRATULATIONS!!**our Condolences...**

to Donna (Gord) Law on the passing of her mother, Anne Cameron on February 4, 2010.

Bowls Canada Appointment

Congratulations to **Gord Law** for his appointment to the Bowls Canada High Performance Committee!
(See Gord's report for the latest BCB updates)

BCB COACHING DVD'S AVAILABLE

Bowls Manitoba has purchased two coaching DVD's from Bowls Canada. These instructional DVD's are available for clubs to borrow throughout the season. Volume I talks about the basic skills and strategies of lawn bowls and Volume II goes over rules and etiquette. The DVD's cost \$10.00 each (plus shipping & handling) if clubs are interested in purchasing their own copies.

BOWLS MANITOBA WEBSITE

Send Pete Williams any information that you would like posted on the Bowls Manitoba website. His email address is:
wilpeter@mts.net

INTERCLUB

The format for Interclub games will be the same as in 2009. The games will be held starting at 10am each week at those clubs offering to host one or more of the Interclub games. Bowlers may attend any or all the Interclub games regardless of ability.

Teams will be randomly drawn each time, with players having the opportunity to request the position that they prefer to play. Games will be twelve ends in length with no trial ends. Following the games the host clubs are asked to provide light refreshments - for example, cookies and a beverage.

The Interclub games offer an opportunity for all levels of bowlers to meet other bowlers, enjoy good company and compete in a fun environment. There is no charge to play so why not give it a try?

The Interclub games will commence (weather permitting) in the middle of June – watch for information regarding dates and venues to come to your club and to the Bowls Manitoba website.

SAFeway & SOBEYS GIFT CARDS

Bowls Manitoba has **Safeway** and **Sobeys** cash cards available. The Sobeys cards may also be used at IGA & Price Choppers. The cards are a great way to shop without carrying around a lot of cash as well as contributing to Bowls Manitoba fundraising. Cards come in increments of \$25, \$50 and \$100. Please contact the office @ 925-5694 to get your cards today!

Bowls Wanted... Gimli LBC is looking to purchase a set of "0" or "00" bowls. If you are interested in selling a set, please contact Marcel at 1-642-7117

**Report of Manitoba Director (Gord Law)
to Bowls Canada Board Meeting
(Ottawa, ON) February 2010**

- The meeting was chaired by the Past President - Georgina Bellamy of Ontario
- The BCB Budget for 2010/11 was approved showing a profit of \$8.8K. Much of this resulted as the CWGA of Canada pays for much of the costs associated with our participation in CWG in Delhi, India in October 2010. Athletes should arrive in India 7-10 days in advance.
- There was a presentation and report where possible on the BCB Endowment Funds, the Investment Policy of BCB, and the possible impact of the coming HST
- The LTAD group report should be available shortly to all clubs. The next phase is a Competition Review;
- The NTC is renamed the High Performance Committee, with a new method of selecting players to International Events and a new web site directed specifically toward HP athletes. Two Manitoba players are still in the running for representing Canada at the coming Commonwealth Games. Selection of the full CWG team will be made following a Camp they will attend in White Rock B.C. in late May 2010.
- The progressive trip across Canada by the H.P. Coach has not yet materialized, and has been cancelled. Anyone who remains interested should contact a member of the HP committee - Yours truly is one;
- Under the rotation system approved in 2008 for hosting of various Nationals by provinces over next 8 years;
 1. Manitoba next hosts Mixed pairs in 2011, and Majors in 2014;
 2. 2010 Majors are to be in Edmonton;
 3. 2010 Seniors to be in Halifax;
 4. 2010 Mixed Pairs to be in White Rock B.C.;
 5. 2010 Juniors & U25 to be in London, Ontario;
- Conditions of Play & Tiebreakers are being brought into line where possible for all National Championships;
- There was much discussion (and perhaps some future changes) concerning the Indoor Championships (Qualifier);
- Governance remains an issue with Sport Canada, and a preliminary report was submitted;
- New BCB Harassment Officers were appointed/elected;
- There will be likely again be some drug testing occurring at the Majors in 2010;
- Majors will again have a **3-1/2 hour time limit for each game** (to be reviewed in 2 years) with any end under way when the bell rings allowed to be completed, but no new end may be started after the bell; No problems arose here in 2009.
- BCB needs Nominations (for 2-year terms) for the positions of 2nd VP and 1 Executive Member at Large. So, if anyone has someone in mind for these positions, he or she must be nominated on official forms by June 30th. There are certain restrictions on who may fill various BCB positions.

BOWLS MANITOBA EXECUTIVE CONTACT INFO

POSITION	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	PHONE (H)	EMAIL
President	Gord	Horton	(204) 253-9904	ghorton@mts.net
Past President	Bob	Buchanan	(204) 339-5020	bobbuchanan@royalpage.ca
Vice President	Betty	Van Walleggem	(204) 254-8610	bvanwall@mts.net
Secretary	Edna	Stengel	(204) 338-0614	n/a
Treasurer	Blaine	Hyslop	(204) 256-0475	bphyslop@mts.net
Dir of Administration	Lorraine	Horton	(204) 253-9904	ghorton@mts.net
Dir of Prom & Marketing	Bob	Strong	(204) 694-4238	bob.strong@mts.net
Dir of Competition	Bob	Van Walleggem	(204) 254-8610	bvanwall@mts.net

Exciting New Challenges Await you!

Support our association! Volunteer your time to the sport you **love!**
Contact President Gord Horton - ghorton@mts.net or 253-9904
or Cathy at Bowls MB @ 925-5694

BOWLS MANITOBA – 2010 Schedule of Events and Important Dates to Note

Tuesday Evenings, beginning May 4 th – Provincial Singles League	Rod Tester: 889-7742
Thursday Evenings, beginning May 6 th – Provincial Triples League	Gordon Law: 832-9844
Wednesday, May 12 – Umpires Clinic - 6:30 pm at Dakota	Emilie Ammazzini: 222-3612
Saturday, June 5 – President's Invitation Day Open Fours at St. John's LBC	Phil Clark: 668-9180
Sunday, June 6 – 1:00 pm at Dakota – Junior Bowls Buddy Day	Gord Horton: ghorton@mts.net or 253-9904
June 11-13 – Association Mixed Pairs at Dakota	Bob Van Wallegghem: 254-8610
June 18-20 – Provincial Men's Fours at Tuxedo LBC	Edna Stengel: 338-0614
June 18-20 – Provincial Ladies' Pairs at Tuxedo LBC	Marilyn Baron: 256-6744
June 25-27 – Provincial Men's Pairs at Dakota	Edna Stengel: 338-0614
June 25-27 – Provincial Ladies' Singles at Dakota	Frances Tester: 889-7742
July 2-4 – Association Open Triples at St. Johns LBC	Phil Clark: 668-9180
July 9-11 – Provincial Ladies' Fours at St. James LBC	Edna Stengel: 338-0614
July 9-11 – Provincial Men's Singles at St. James LBC	Edna Stengel: 338-0614
Wednesday, July 14 – Provincial Junior Camp at St. James LBC	Ed Mulholland: 895-8088
July 16 – 18 – Provincial Mens' Senior Triples at Norwood LBC	Edna Stengel: 338-0614
July 16 - 18 - Provincial Ladies' Senior Triples at Norwood LBC	Anne Wright: 257-4076
July 20 – 28 – BBAC Championship at Sargent Park LBC	Bob Strong: 694-4238
Wednesday, July 28 - Provincial Team Send-off at Dakota	
July 31-Aug. 2 – Tri Province Challenge in Regina	
Aug 3 - 7 – Canadian Junior Championships in London, ON	
Aug. 6 - 10 – World Junior Selection U25 Qualifier in London, ON	
August 6 - 8 - Provincial Mixed Pairs at Wheat City LBC	Tim Lane: 204-727-5929 or Edna Stengel: 338-0614
August 10 – 12 – Association Open Senior Fours at Tuxedo LBC	Edna Stengel: 338-0614
Aug. 14 - 22 – Canadian Major Championships in Edmonton, AB	
Aug. 25 - Sep. 1 – Canadian Senior Triples Championships in Halifax, NS	
Aug. 27 - 29 – Association U14 Juniors & Junior Competition at Norwood LBC	Emilie Ammazzini: 222-3612
Aug. 27 – 29 - Association Tom Moore Pairs at Norwood, LBC	Emilie Ammazzini: 222-3612
Sep. 7 -14 – Canadian Mixed Pairs Championships in White Rock, BC	
Sep. 11-12 – The Guzunda Cup' Association Mixed Fours at Gimli LBC	Edna Stengel: 338-0614

NOTES

For all Provincial Championship games, the Bowls MB artificial green will be the official designated alternate venue in the event the original site is unplayable. For all competitions, green times will be strictly observed, except in adverse weather.

CLUB PRESIDENTS, CLUB SECRETARIES & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The following is a list of Club Presidents, Club Secretaries and Club Directors. Please advise the Bowls Manitoba office of any changes/additions (names and contact information) as well as updates of club executive positions. This will assist us to ensure the appropriate person(s) receive applicable correspondence.

CLUB PRESIDENTS	CLUB SECRETARIES	CLUB DIRECTORS (Club Reps)
Gimli-----Marcel Cherlet	Gimli -----Sharon Carpenter	Gimli ----- Susan Joyce
Norwood -----Emilie Ammazzini	Norwood ----- Betty Van Wallegghem	Norwood -----Emilie Ammazzini
River Heights ----- Richard Strauss	River Heights ----- Sylvia DiCosimo	River Heights ----- Richard Strauss
Sargent Park ----- Bob Strong	Sargent Park ----- Joe Davis	Sargent Park ----- Bob Strong
St. James ----- Shirley Clark	St. James ----- Carol Smith	St. James ----- Shirley Dech
St. Johns ----- Phil Clark	St. Johns ----- Jack Dubnicoff	St. Johns ----- John Gifford
Tuxedo -----Dick Bradley	Tuxedo ----- Edna Stengel	Tuxedo ----- Sandra Mulholland
Vimy Park-----Frank Stewart	Vimy Park-----Sheryl Bennett	Vimy Park-----Frank Stewart
West End-----William Pooley	Wheat City ----- Chris Moore	West End-----William Pooley
Wheat City ----- Ellen Decock		Wheat City ----- Tim Lane

