



Club Communiqué

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

(Gordon Horton)

Hi everyone! The days are getting longer and the last of the snow is disappearing so it must mean that bowling season is just around the corner.

All the clubs will again be holding their open houses in May, so it is important for all of us to encourage our friends to come out to try Bowls. We seem to always lose a few of our members every year and for the future of our sport we must continue to recruit every year.

We have some important events happening this year. Bowls MB and the Tuxedo LBC will be hosting the National Mixed Pairs Championships starting August 25th, 2011 at the Tuxedo LBC. The event chair is Donna Law of the Tuxedo club and for anyone wishing to help please contact Donna. This event will require many volunteers for a variety of jobs. It can be very rewarding if you have never been involved in an event like this, and it also can be a lot of fun so please get involved and help us make this the most successful event held.

*On Sunday, June 5th we will again be hosting **Bring a Buddy Day** at 1212 Dakota. It is a day for junior-aged future and current bowlers to come out and have some fun and learn about the game of bowls. So please bring your grandchildren, neighbors children, nieces & nephews out. There will be pizza and refreshments for the children.*

Interclub will continue again this year on Wednesdays using the successful format from last year so watch for the notices as to where and when this will start up. It will continue to move around to clubs so bowlers will have a chance to visit and play on different greens.

There have been some changes to the rules of Bowls regarding the last bowl rule, and these will be explained to club reps so they can be explained to all our club members at the start of the season.

I hope everyone has a great season, and that you all can bring a friend along to try bowls. "See you across the greens."

BOWLS MANITOBA OPEN HOUSE WEEK

MAY 23 – 28, 2011

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

BOWLS MANITOBA SEMI – ANNUAL MEETING

APRIL 30, 2011

1:00 PM @ 1212 DAKOTA

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Gateway Fundraiser!!

A big THANK YOU to all volunteers and participants of the Blind Bowls Fundraising event held April 13th at Gateway Indoor LBC. Special thanks go out to Jim Sauter & Emilie Ammazzini for all their efforts and to Clarice Fitzpatrick, Marilyn Baron and all others who helped. Thanks to Lora Capar for the cake and to the following people who provided dainties: Jean Roeland, Laurette Godard, Evelyn Rosnyk, Marilyn Baron & Lorraine Horton. The final tally and presentation amount was **\$773.90**. Good luck to Binh Vo when he travels to South Africa in May (Additional donations would still be welcomed & may be applied to the cost of attending the 2011 BBAC Championship in Kitchener-Waterloo this summer).

UPCOMING EVENTS

UMPIRES CLINIC

Saturday, May 14th @ 9:30 am (1212 Dakota)

Umpire re-certification
Measuring tests & guidelines
Markers guidelines
New Rules updates

Everyone Welcome!

Contact Emilie @ 222-3612 or emilie_amz@mts.net

BOWLS MB BINGOS

As many of you are aware, the casinos now only require us to have 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/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 Bingos: May 20th @ Regent (4:30 – 6:45 pm)
June 21st @ Regent (4:30 – 6:45 pm)



KICK OFF THE SEASON !!!!

**JUNIOR BOWLS FUN DAY
@ 1212 DAKOTA**

Sunday, June 5th at 1:00 pm

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. Please bring your children / grandchildren.

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 3rd
1212 Dakota**

Deadline for registration is Sunday, April 24th.

Contact Rod Tester @ 889-7742

PROVINCIAL TEAM TRIPLES

Thursdays @ 7pm starting May 5th

Deadline for registration is Sunday, May 1st at 10am.

Contact Gord Law @ gordlaw@mts.net

PROVINCIAL TEAM FUNDING

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

Saturday, June 4th @ 10am

Please wear club shirts and white pants if possible

SOLD OUT!

PERFECT ENDS!!

We've had a couple perfect ends during the indoor bowls season. Congratulations go out to the following:

- **Phil Clark & Nick Panko** - January 23, 2010 at the Winnipeg Senior Indoor Lawn Bowling at Pan Am
- **Phil Clark & Nick Panko** - January 30, 2011 at the Winnipeg Senior Indoor Lawn Bowling at Pan Am

WAY TO GO!**1212 Facility Rentals**

Contact
Gordon & Lorraine Horton
@ 253-9904

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

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

Bowling Sales of Canada (Drake's Pride):

Bob Strong
Ph#: 694-4238 or 899-4238
Email: bob.strong@mts.net

NOTE: Net proceeds to support the Blind Bowls program

2011 Sport Manitoba Athlete Assistance Recipients

Based on their results at the 2010 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:

Shirley Fitzpatrick-Wong Clarice Fitzpatrick
Elaine Jones Frances Tester

CONGRATULATIONS!!

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

PROVINCIAL TEAM FUNDRAISERS

- May 18th – Pre-season luncheon and Movie at 1212 Dakota – Lunch will be served at 12:00 with a movie to follow. Cost \$10.00.
- July 20th - Christmas in July @1212 Dakota – Bowls and lunch to be served. More information to follow... Contact Phil Clark to reserve your spot. 668-9180

INTERCLUB

The format for Interclub games will be the same as in 2010. 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!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

BLIND BOWLS: Quite a number of visually-impaired athletes have expressed an interest in becoming lawn bowlers this season - but many of them have sufficient impairment to require the support of a Coach/Director. If you are willing to commit an evening or two each week for this very rewarding activity, please contact Bob Strong at 694-4238, 899-4238 or bob.strong@mts.net. Instruction will be provided.

St. James LBC Report (*Shirley Dech, President*)

St. James LBC held its Spring Meeting on Saturday, April 16. A potluck lunch was held at 12 Noon, and the meeting followed.

We will have two Open Houses this season:

- **Monday, May 23 @ 1:00 pm**
- **Wednesday, May 25 @ 6:30 pm**

Our regular season will start on Monday, May 30th (weather and flooding permitting). Our schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday – Early Birds (open bowling) @ 9:30 am

Monday – Singles @ 6:45 pm

Tuesday – Doubles @ 6:45 pm

Wednesday – Open bowling & Juniors @ 6:45 pm

Thursday – Triples @ 6:45 pm

Friday – Open bowling & Cards/Games

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!**

Tuxedo LBC will be hosting the 2011 Canadian Mixed Pairs August 25 – 31st. Volunteers are required for many different activities, including driving participants from the hotel to the greens, social committees and much more. If you're interested in helping out, please contact Committee Chair Donna Law at 832-9844 or donnaelaw@mts.net.

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 Wallegghem	(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 Competition	Bob	Van Wallegghem	(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 – 2011 Schedule of Events

Tuesday Evenings, beginning May 3 – Provincial Singles League @ 1212 Dakota	Rod Tester: 889-7742
Thursday Evenings, beginning May 5 – Provincial Triples League	Gordon Law: 832-9844
Saturday, May 14 – Umpires Clinic - 9:30 am at 1212 Dakota	Emilie Ammazzini: 222-3612
Saturday, June 4 – President's Day Fours at St. John's LBC	Phil Clark: 668-9180
Sunday, June 5 – 1:00 pm at 1212 Dakota – Junior Bowls Buddies Day	Gord Horton: ghorton@mts.net or 253-9904
June 10-12 – Association Mixed Pairs at 1212 Dakota	Bob or Betty Van Wallegghem: 254-8610
June 17-19 – Provincial Mens' Pairs at 1212 Dakota - Provincial Ladies' Singles at 1212 Dakota	Edna Stengel: 338-0614 Frances Tester: 889-7742
June 24-26 – Provincial Ladies Fours at Tuxedo LBC Provincial Mens Singles at 1212 Dakota	Marilyn Baron: 256-6744 Edna Stengel: 338-0614
July 2-3 – Association Open Triples at Sargent Park	Bob Strong: 694-4328
July 6 – Junior Camp at St. James LBC	Ed Mulholland: 895-8088
July 8-10 – Provincial Mens Fours at St. John's LBC Provincial Ladies Pairs at St. John's LBC	Edna Stengel: 338-0614 Anne Wright @ 257-4076
July 15-17 – Provincial U18 Singles (Boys & Girls) at St. James LBC	Rod Tester: 889-7742
July 22-24 – Provincial Mixed Pairs at Tuxedo LBC(back-up @ St. James)	Sandra Mulholland: 895-8088
July 30-Aug.1 – Tri Province Challenge in Regina, SK	
Aug 2 - 6 – Canadian Junior Championships in Montreal, QC	
Aug 5-7 – Provincial Senior Mens Triples at Norwood LBC Provincial Senior Ladies Triples at Norwood LBC	Alan Clackson: 256-6673 Betty Grundy: 256-5805
Aug. 8 –10 - Association Open Senior Fours at River Heights LBC	Edna Stengel: 338-0614
Wednesday, August 10 - Provincial Team Send-off at Dakota – 7:00 pm	
Aug. 12 – 14 - Association Tom Moore Pairs at St. James LBC	Shirley Dech: 888-4440
Aug. 13 - 21 – Canadian Major Championships in Toronto, ON	
Aug. 19 - 21 – U14 Provincial Championships at Norwood LBC	Alan Clackson: 256-6673
Aug. 25 – 31 – Canadian Mixed Pairs Championships at Tuxedo LBC	
Sept. 7 – 15 - Canadian Senior Triples Championships in Port Alberni, BC	
Sept. 10 – 11 - Association Mixed Fours at Gimli LBC	Edna Stengel: 338-0614
Sept. 16 -18 – Provincial Indoor Singles at 1212 Dakota	Bob Van Wallegghem: 254-8610
Oct. 24-30 – Canadian Indoor Singles Championship & World Cup Selection Vancouver, BC	

NOTE

If any Provincial Championship venue is unplayable for any reason, the championship will revert automatically to 1212 Dakota. **THE ORIGINAL CLUB WILL STILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR HOSTING THE EVENT.**

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 -----Alan Clackson	Norwood ----- Marilyn Baron	Norwood -----Elaine Jones
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 Dech	St. James----- Linda Novak	St. James ----- Shirley Dech
St. Johns ----- Phil Clark	St. Johns ----- Jack Dubnicoff	St. Johns ----- John Gifford
Tuxedo-----Greg Schmidt	Tuxedo ----- Edna Stengel	Tuxedo ----- Sandra Mulholland
Vimy Park-----Velma Murphy	Vimy Park-----Earlene Bruce	Vimy Park-----Velma Murphy
West End-----William Pooley	Wheat City ----- Chris Moore	West End-----William Pooley
Wheat City ----- Ellen Decock		Wheat City ----- Tim Lane