

Oak Bay Lawn Bowling Club

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House-Prim Wood Members at Large-Dolores Troyer, Anne Mayer Past President-Barry Browning Club website: www.bowlsoakbay.ca

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

As only a month has passed since assuming office, I have very little to report. Thank you (I think!) for electing me your President for the coming year. One lengthy Executive meeting has been held with much discussion about some important issues facing our club and I look forward to an exciting year for the Oak Bay Lawn Bowling Club. I heartily welcome new members to the Executive: Eric Ballinger, Gary Robinson, Dolores Troyer and Anne Mayer, and look forward to serving with them. I also wish to thank Ray Troyer for taking on, once again, the responsibilities for OBLBC's Newsletter and Website.

At this writing, I am packing for a three-week vacation in Kauai. I hope to return refreshed and eager to face any challenges to come. I shall return in time for the Christmas Party on December 19th and look forward to seeing you all there. Please note all the upcoming important club dates listed elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Winter Activities are in full swing and I encourage all members to get involved in at least one of them. Coordinators of all these activities have worked hard to bring you a busy season. Contact Marion Woiblet for details of when and where Winter Activities are held. Prim Wood is planning other social events, which will no doubt provide opportunities for renewing friendships, for partaking in good food and enjoying the entertainment she chooses. A special welcome to our new members to Winter Activities and social events; please be sure to join in.

I want most of all to take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a Joyous Season, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mickey

Darts



Jon Magwood scored a perfect 180 points during friendly competition at the OBLBC's Dart Club on November 14th. Bagging three 'triple twenties' in a row is no easy feat. The last time this was scored at the OBLBC's Dart Club was two years ago by Ted Todd.

The Dart Club plays every Wednesday and Sunday at 1 pm. Any and all OBLBC members are welcome to come out and play. Membership, should you decide to join the Club, is \$10 for the entire season, or is included if Winter Activities were purchased with your dues in April.

Congratulations Jon!

Want more information?

Call Vern at 383-8908

SOUNDS LIKE

Why the English Language is difficult to learn.
The bandage was wound around the wound.
He could lead if he could get the lead out.
The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.

The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
They were too close to the door to close it.

Games Team Report

Even though enrollment was down for both men and women's holiday week events, Oak Bay did very well in winning the men's pairs and women's triples, and placing a finalist in the men's singles and pairs.

As you all know by now, Gary and Jody Robinson won the BC Mixed Pairs championship. To their considerable credit they went on to defeat the best mixed pairs in Canada at the Port Credit, Ontario LBC, and brought a national championship to our province and club in our Jubilee year. WELL DONE GARY AND JODY. GOOD ON YA! HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS.

The Games Team thanks Barry and Mary Browning, Harnam Grewal, Gordon Lough, Vern McBeth, Gwynne Russell, Mickey Sendall, Art Antrobus, Harnam Grewal, Dave Jantzi, Pat Metcalfe and Mary Burke for managing tournaments since our last report.

SHORT MAT - 2004/05

There is a Sign-up sheet on the board in Anderson House for the next Session commencing on Sunday, January 9th, 2005. A meeting will be held at 10.00 a.m., on the previous Friday, January 7th, 2005, at which time those present will be able to arrange their games, both for Pairs and Singles. All are welcome to play even if you have never played before - it is great fun! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Marion at 477-4596.

Marion Woiblet

Cribbage

Join us for spending enjoyable afternoons together.

Pamela Potter (250) 595-1718

Be Aware New Police warning. NO JOKE....

New Car Jacking Trick: Be aware of new car-jacking scheme. This could also be used as a ploy for kidnapping. Imagine: You walk across the parking lot, unlock your car and get inside. You lock your doors, start the engine and shift into REVERSE; you look into the rear-view mirror to back out of your parking space and notice a piece of paper stuck to the middle of the rear window.

So, you shift into PARK, unlock your doors and jump out of your car to remove that paper (or whatever it is) that is obstructing your view. When you reach the back of your car, that is when the car-jackers appear out of nowhere, jump into your car and take off!!

Your engine was running, (ladies would have their purse in the car) and they practically mow you down as they speed off in your car.

BE AWARE OF THIS NEW SCHEME THAT IS BEING USED EXTENSIVELY.

JUST DRIVE AWAY AND REMOVE THE PAPER LATER (and be thankful that you read this!)

T.B. (Tom) BURKETT, CPL.
Administration - Strategic Planning
Nanaimo Detachment

Oak Bay Lawn Bowling Club Chinese New Year Dinner

January 27/2005

Happy Hour 5:30PM Dinner 6:00PM
\$13.00

In memoriam - John Anderson

John Anderson passed away on October 5th this year . With his passing Oak Bay Lawn Bowling Club lost a friend and club-mate extraordinaire. What follows is his obituary as published by his family:-

"John H. Anderson passed away October 5, 2004 on Vashon Island, Washington at the age of 86. He was born in St. Paul, Minnesota on March 4, 1918, the son of Dorothy and Arthur Anderson. John married Annette Elizabeth Huser in 1944 and together they enjoyed 41 years of marriage until her passing in 1986. John was a World War II veteran of the armed forces and served in the Burma theater. He worked at Warner Lambert Pharmaceutical as a product director from 1954 to 1974. Upon his retirement he and Anne moved to Mount Dora, Florida and there he became commodore of the Mount Dora Yacht Club. In 1987 John moved to Victoria to pursue his love of lawn bowling, and there joined Oak Bay Lawn Bowling Club. He immersed himself in the game, in the club and in his volunteer capacities in the game's organization.

"John is survived by his three daughters, Lynne Barthelemy, Jan Pulliam and Dorothy Wasserman; his two sisters, Betty Groggin and Ruth Anderson; and his five grandchildren and two great-granddaughters. Services took place on October 9th at the Church of the Holy Spirit on Vashon Island."

We who were members during John's active time with us - essentially 1987 to 2000 - remember him as a fierce competitor, a staunch supporter of the club, a generous benefactor, a bowler to whom the sport was more important than individual egos, a sharp wit, a good sport always and a perfect gentleman.

He served the club in many capacities, including that of president from 1990 to 1992, and the sport as a director of the South Islands Bowling Association, a director of both Bowls British Columbia and Bowls Canada Boulingrin, and chair of the 1998 Canadian National Championships' organizing committee. In that latter capacity he was masterful despite the fact that his health was then not the greatest. He spent many hours planning and preparing for these championships and was meticulous in ensuring that all members working with him knew their duties and that these duties were being correctly carried out - always with tact, humour and kindness. At the end of the championships John had special towels printed with the games logo as a 'thank you' to all the committee members; a generous and still treasured gesture.

John's generosity and affection for our club was recognized by the award of a life membership and the naming of the club house as "Anderson House" at the conclusion of renovations to it made possible by him. His legacy will live in the club through these tokens; his memory will remain strong in those who knew him.

God speed John. It was great to know you.

BGB

Should any member wish to send a personal condolence card to John's family or share reminiscences about John with them Jan Pulliam's address is 6216 SW 244th St., Vashon, WA98070

KNITTING

A highway patrolman pulled alongside a speeding car on the freeway. Glancing at the car, he was astounded to see that the blonde behind the wheel was knitting! Realizing that she was oblivious to his flashing lights and siren, the trooper cranked down his window, turned on his bullhorn and yelled, "PULL OVER!"

"NO!" the blonde yelled back, "IT'S A SCARF!"

Barry Browning wrote to Bowls Canada:

A member of oak Bay LBC was recently visited by a salesman for an insurance company who was assertive to the point of rudeness. In his possession was a Xeroxed copy of a form initially sent to BCB some years ago listing an intention on the part of our member to consider BCB as a beneficiary of her estate upon her death. There is much concern on the part of this member that the information she gave to BCB for a specific purpose some years back is now being given or sold to a commercial venture. Our member and her club require an explanation as to this matter as soon as possible.

Barry Browning, for OBLBC

From: office@bowlsCanada.com

Date: 11/02/04 13:43:18

To: Barry Browning

Subject: Re: Privacy

Barry:

I, and the Bowls Canada Boulingrin Board of Directors, have the same privacy concerns as you - none of us want our personal information shared or sold without our permission. While I have only been with Bowls Canada Boulingrin (BCB) since September I can tell you from my experience that BCB does not share nor sell personal membership information with any organization or individual. Moreover, BCB has not sold nor shared personal membership information with any outside organization or individual in the past nor will it in the future.

I cannot tell you how the insurance agent got possession of this individual's information.

While the information presented by the insurance agent reflected information sent to Bowls Canada Boulingrin, it does not necessarily mean it originated from BCB. Such information, due to its nature (estate planning), may have been shared with an insurance company, financial planner, bank, or lawyer to name a few (several of these entities share and sell client information).

If, indeed, the information did originate from BCB I can only apologize, and reinforce the fact that the information was not knowingly provided to this individual.

I cannot stress enough that BCB does not share nor sell personal membership information.

Please feel free to call me regarding this issue.

Sincerely,

Kevin Penny
Executive Director
Bowls Canada Boulingrin

A Priest was seated next to a Newfie on a flight to St. John's. After the plane was airborne, drink orders were taken.

The Newfie asked for a Lambs rum and Pepsi, which was brought and placed before him. The flight attendant then asked the minister if he would like a drink.

He replied in disgust "I'd rather be savagely raped by a dozen whores than let liquor touch my lips.

The Newfie then handed his drink back to the attendant and said "Me too. I didn't know we had a choice."

**Merry Christmas and a Happy New
Year!!!!**

Any Submissions or Corrections [mailto: ray.troyer@telus.net](mailto:ray.troyer@telus.net)