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FROM THE PRESIDENT

We have had a great start to our 2005-bowling season; congratulations to the winners of the various tournaments already played.

Be sure to tap into our website for latest results, great pictures and information pertinent to club activities.

The greens continue to be great thanks to John Nadin, Murray Robertson, Howard Turpin and all the teams that work so hard to keep them that way.

On behalf of the entire membership, we wish a speedy recovery to Linda Cowie after her untimely accident in Ottawa. We miss you on the green and at the Clubhouse and hope that you will soon be back.

I wish to extend a special thank you to Margaret & Rod Richmond for the wonderful job of maintaining our Stores over the past seven years. Their resignation is regretted but understood. Thank you also to Pat Thomas and Wendy Berry for picking up the torch and taking on the job of maintaining our Stores. One of the changes made in this regard is that the draw masters will have access to a small supply of Grippo so that it is available for sale on a daily basis as needed.

Congratulations also to Eric Ballinger for his creative campaign of posters for volunteer positions that need filling. It is so important that we all do our fair share to see that this Club continues to function in the successful way that it always has.

Sadly, Dave, Jo-Ann and Beckie Jantzi will be moving up to Ladysmith in the near future. From the minute Dave joined OBLBC, he has been fully active as a supporter and volunteer in all Club activities. He will be very much missed as the Club Treasurer and member of the Executive, a volunteer at most events, dart player, bartender, bowler and friend. I personally hope that he will return to Victoria and OBLBC at some time in the not too distant future.

Jody Robinson has stepped forward to take on the Treasurer's position from Dave on the Executive and we are most grateful to have her. Her skills will be much better used in this position, though that leaves us with the Publicity position still to be filled. Anyone out there, who can take pictures, promote the Club and publish our results?????

Mickey

A SPECIAL "THANK YOU"

I want to express appreciation to ALL who assisted in coaching this new season. Without your help, the coaching would not have run as smoothly as it did. I am particularly grateful for your willingness to come out and help, even on fairly short notice at times. Give yourself a pat on the back for a job well done!! Again "tanks a million"!!

Fran

Canada Day Steak Dinner Friday, July 1st./2005 Happy Hour 4:30PM, Dinner 5:30PM \$13.00

Miller Cup

1st Place Lawrie Matheson, Duino Barbon, Jack Lalonde

2nd Place Gary Robinson, Dolores Troyer, Marion Andrews

3rd Place Lorraine Neumair, Ray Troyer, Louise Mason

Each bowler of the two triples teams (Matheson & Robinson) that achieved a perfect nine-point end during the Miller Trophy competition, will be recognized with a Bowls Canada Boulingrin.

OLD!!!!!!!!!!

Have you been guilty of looking at others your own age and thinking, "Surely, I can't look that old?"

I was sitting in the waiting room for my first appointment with a new dentist. I noticed his DDS diploma, which bore his full name. Suddenly, I remembered a tall, handsome, dark haired boy with the same name that had been in my class about 40 years ago. Could this be the same fellow that I had a secret crush on way back then?

Upon seeing him however, I quickly discarded any such thought. This balding gray haired man with deeply lined face was way too old to have been my classmate. Hmmmmm - - or could he??

After he examined my teeth I asked him if he had attended Morgan Park High. "Yes, yes, I did." "When did you graduate, I asked? He answered, "In 1959, why do you ask?"

"You were in my class," I exclaimed. He looked at me closely. Then that ugly, old wrinkled son-of-a gun asked, "What did you teach?"

Prim Wood just returned from a 3-week vacation in Australia. While in Perth prim AND Son Allen managed to get in a couple of days of Lawn Bowling.

Prim brought home a couple of jokes and the following Poem, which was written, on a tea towel:
(The Aussies call the "Jack" Kitty)

Bowls

My husband took up bowling
And he bragged upon the phone
About some wench called Kitty
Whom he couldn't leave alone
He played with Kitty
He stayed with Kitty
He picked her up without a hitch
He missed Kitty
He kissed Kitty
He even lay beside her in the ditch

So I took up bowling to
Win my hubby back
And found what he could
Do with Kitty
I could do with Jack

AGE WILL NOT WEARY THEM

Two elderly gentlemen from a retirement village were sitting on a bench under a tree when one turned to the other and said 'Slim', I'm 83 years of age and I'm just full of aches and pains. I know you're about my age. How do you feel? Slim" replied, "I feel just like a new born baby." Really? Like a new born baby? Yep. No hair, no teeth, and I think I just wet my pants"

Greenslade men's triples- Bowls South Island Tournament held May 24-26

At Oak Bay Lawnbowling Club

1st place-Rick Armstrong-skip/Ron Leslie/Ivo Van Bastelaere-Victoria Lawn Bowling Club
2nd place-Bob Garrioch-skip/Barron Bunting/Tom Weldon-Juan de Fuca Lawnbowling club.
Top 2 game winner-Harry Harrison-skip/Doug Thompson/Keith Terlson-Juan de Fuca Lawnbowling Club
Top 1 game winner-Keith Hammel-Skip/Sandy Rintoul/Gil Simpson-Juan de Fuca

After seven years of volunteer service Margaret & Rod Richmond have stepped down from looking after "The Stores" for the Club. We wish to thank them for a job well done. Taking over the position will be Wendy Barry & Pat Thomas. Thanks for stepping into the vacancy ladies we really appreciate it! Grippo will now be sold at every draw from the draw master's desk. Remember that the Friday night draw is "Guest Night" so bring your friends or family to introduce them to the game!

Member Services – Dolores Troyer

Beware the Silent Ones

Mildred, the church gossip, and self appointed monitor of the church's morals, kept sticking her nose into other people's business. Several members did not approve of her extra curricular activities, but feared her enough to maintain their silence. She made a mistake, however, when she accused George, a new member, of being an alcoholic after she saw his old utility parked in front of the town's only bar one afternoon. She emphatically told George and several others that everyone seeing it there would know what he was doing. George, a man of few words, stared at her for a moment and just walked away. He didn't explain, defend or deny. He said nothing. Later that evening, George quietly parked his utility in front of Mildred's house, walked home and left it there all night.

Note

Ted Todd and Alan Hall scored an 8-ender over Jon Magwood and Marie Green on Wed. May 25/05.

Results of the Degoutier

1st Place	Michael Lum, Ray Troyer
2nd Place	Mary Browning, Gwynne Russell
3rd Place	Murray Robertson, Eric Ballinger
4th Place	Pat Metcalfe, Pat Thomas

LADIES CAMPBELL CUP

The Friday AM Ladies Campbell Cup is off to a good start. It still is not too late to come on board. We would like to see a few more Novice Ladies participate. I am sure they would feel comfortable if they gave it a try. The Sidney Ladies will visit us on July 15th and we return the visit on July 27th. These visits are always so much fun. Our closing luncheon and prizes will be on September 2nd.

For Information – Phone Mary – 477-5184 or Dolores - 472-1971.

BRICKLAYER'S ACCIDENT REPORT

Possibly the funniest story in a while. This is a bricklayer's accident report, which was printed in the newsletter of the Australian equivalent of the Workers' Compensation board. This is a true story. Had this guy died, he'd have received a Darwin Award for sure....

Dear Sir:

I am writing in response to your request for additional information in Block 3 of the accident report form. I put "poor planning" as the cause of my accident. You asked for a fuller explanation and I trust the following details will be sufficient.

I am a bricklayer by trade. On the day of the accident, I was working alone on the roof of a new six-storey building. When I completed my work, I found that I had some bricks left over which, when weighed later were found to be slightly in excess of 500 lbs. Rather than carry the bricks down by hand, I decided to lower them in a barrel by using a pulley, which was attached to the side of the building on the sixth floor. Securing the rope at ground level, I went up to the roof, swung the barrel out and loaded the bricks into it. Then I went down and untied the rope, holding it tightly to ensure a slow descent of the bricks. You will note in Block 11 of the accident report form that I weigh 175 lbs. Due to my surprise at being jerked off the ground so suddenly, I lost my presence of mind and forgot to let go of the rope. Needless to say, I proceeded at a rapid rate up the side of the building.

In the vicinity of the third floor, I met the barrel, which was now proceeding downward at an equal, impressive speed. This explained the fractured skull, minor abrasions and the broken collar bone, as listed in section 3 of the accident report form. Slowed only slightly, I continued my rapid ascent, not stopping until the fingers of my right hand were two knuckles deep into the pulley. Fortunately by this time I had regained my presence of mind and was able to hold tightly to the rope, in spite of beginning to experience a great deal of pain. At approximately the same time, however, the barrel of bricks hit the ground and the bottom fell out of the barrel. Now devoid of the weight of the bricks, that barrel weighed approximately 50 lbs. I refer you again to my weight.

As you can imagine, I began a rapid descent, down the side of the building. In the vicinity of the third floor, I met the barrel coming up. This accounts for the two fractured ankles, broken tooth and several lacerations of my legs and lower body. Here my luck began to change slightly. The encounter with the barrel seemed to slow me enough to lessen my injuries when I fell into the pile of bricks and fortunately, only three vertebrae were cracked. I am sorry to report, however, as I lay there on the pile of bricks in pain and unable to move, I again lost my composure and presence of mind and let go of the rope ...and I lay there watching the empty barrel begin its journey back down onto me. This explains the two broken legs.

I hope this satisfactorily answers your inquiry.

Oak Bay Lawnbowling Club in house tournament held May 28-Mixed Quaddie

1st Place John Cossom/Claude Campbell/Wendy Barry(plus 3 others)
2nd Place Lorraine Neumair/Ray Troyer/Eric Ballinger/Louise Mason
3rd Place Al Neumair/Mary Browning/Roy Derry/Margaret Taylor
4th Place Dorothy May/Brian Redding/Sandy Coupe/Jack Coupe

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