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MESSAGE FROM THE SOCIAL DIRECTOR: When you read this, Clare and I will be on our way to Portugal. When I get back, I would like to have a meeting with all those who would be interested in helping in the kitchen and bar this upcoming season. I want to break down the kitchen duties into smaller areas and have a person be in charge of each particular area. Such areas would be: tea and coffee for in-house tournaments, tea and coffee for open tournaments, Sunday teas, dinners for in-house tournaments, lunches for open tournaments, looking after the bar and closing the hall on Tuesday afternoons, looking after the bar and closing the hall on Friday afternoons. There will be other areas once I get the schedule and tournament formats for the upcoming season. By taking on one of these areas does not mean that you will have to do everything yourself but just organize a crew to look after it. I will be there to help out at every function and help to format the schedules for each event and do all the ordering, but want to free myself up so that I am able bowl. So there it is for you to consider over the next couple of months, I am quite sure that you will talk among yourselves and come up with some great ideas that will have the club kitchen running smoothly and everyone taking part will be having fun. We will be back by mid-April and I will send out another message with a date and time for the meeting. Until my return if you have any concerns or questions, call **John Winkelmann** winky101@shaw.ca and he will ask his wife Ruth what he should do.

Thanks Dana

GARAGE SALE: Bowlers, take note that the annual garage sale takes place in April. So please put aside items you feel would generate some cash flow for the club. No clothing. Books, ceramics, electronic goods that WORK. I will be asking for some volunteers closer to the event. Meanwhile, put aside those items now. **Chuck Benson**, Fundraising_ceebee71@shaw.ca

COACHING: There will be a coaching course this spring. Please contact me if you are interested in becoming a coach. **Pat Kelly, Head Coach 250-951-0670**

PROVINCIAL INDOOR SINGLES DISTRICT QUALIFIER (QUALICUM BEACH): The attached poster outlines details of a pilot project for a district singles tournament being held in Qualicum Beach March 4-6. Needed for the tournament: Players (open to ALL North Island District Members), Markers and Spectators. The dress is casual and participants register with **Steven Santana, Bowls BC**. **Lots** of certified markers will also be needed. If interested in being a marker, contact **Mick Banks, 250-738-0531**.

UMPIRE: There will be an umpire training course, this spring, Please contact me for more information or if you are interested in becoming an umpire. **Keith Baker, Head Umpire 250-248-5080**

PRESIDENT'S CORNER: The Board met this past week and there is lots on the go as the club prepares for the upcoming season. Ken Bucyk recently attended the District games meeting. Armed with information from that meeting and our own internal plans, Ken will now start working on the club calendar for 2016. We also had representation at the recent District greens committee meeting. Martin and his team are busy preparing our green. If it's February, it's time to start thinking about the garage sale. Chuck Benson, our fundraising director, will be in touch with information on the garage sale. Dana is off on a travel adventure...while he is away, John Winkelmann will keep an eye on kitchen activities. If there is enough interest, it would be nice to have a St. Patrick's Day social event in mid-March. If you are interested in helping organize and support such an event, please contact John. The Board is reviewing the potential for club capital projects for 2016 and beyond. We look at need/desirability, cost and feasibility. If you have thoughts on potential projects, please contact a Board member with your thoughts. We are still working on a member survey but have a few technical issues to sort out first, so thanks for your patience. Finally, the club is now on Facebook and will also be on Twitter later on in March in advance of the April open house. **Ron Davis, President**

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