



Monday, June 26, 2017

THE INFORMATION BELOW IS EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE USE OF PLBC MEMBERS

GREEN MAINTENANCE HELP WANTED: Do you have up to a couple of hours a week to help with maintaining the green? Operating the mower and roller is easily picked up after a little practice, or if you want to avoid operating power equipment we also need some help with rakes, shovels and brooms.

Regular maintenance is carried out any day between 7:30 am and 9:30 am, it could also be done between 4 pm and 6 pm. If you are not available for a regular weekly shift, perhaps you can help from time to time.

Here's a great opportunity for you to enhance the bowling experience for all our members. Please contact me if you have questions or to help out.

Martin Fereday. Keeper of the Green.

TOURNAMENT INFO: Courtenay Carnival



We have been advised by the Courtenay Lawn Bowling Club that this year's Courtenay Carnival scheduled for July 9 has been **CANCELLED**. Please adjust your schedule accordingly.

Len Canning
Open Tournaments Committee



GAMES INFO: Please open the notice attached to the MMM email regarding our annual Canada Day / War Amps Event on Saturday, July 1st. This event is open to all our members (no need to sign up ahead of time); we especially encourage our novices and those who missed last year to come and join the fun. It is not on the poster but our giant spiders will be back again this year. We are challenging members to try to outdo each other with a colorful display of hats to celebrate Canada's 150th birthday.

For those who signed up for the second session of the Cut-throat Ladder League on Monday afternoon, a reminder that we start Monday, July 3rd. Thank you to all those who will be playing. Congratulations to Len Canning for winning the first session.

Since we have 4 teams for our first tenderfoot mixed triples league, we will go ahead with a schedule starting on Wednesday, July 5th @ 6:30. The sign-up sheet is now taken down. The last two players who signed up will be considered for sub when needed or to fill a vacancy should one open up.

There is one more week for signing up for the MacNaughton competitive men's and women's pairs league. We are looking for one more men's pairing and one more women's pairing to even out each league. If you haven't yet, please sign up and join the competition. It will commence on Tuesday, July 11th for the men and Thursday, July 13th for the women.

Also, note a calendar change: the food and fun night scheduled on July 17th has been moved to Monday, July 24th due to the change in the scheduling on the Monday night inter-club league.

Ken Bucyk, your games committee director and Sandy Taylor, your leagues coordinator

UMPIRE'S CORNER: Not only is there a critical minimum distance the jack must travel, but also Law 17.1.3 rules that a bowl that does not travel more than 14 metres from the front edge of the mat is a Dead bowl and cannot be replayed. Law 17.4 requires the bowl to be removed from the rink before any other bowl is played to avoid it acting as a 'blocker'. You will obviously ask, "How do we measure 14 metres?" - the only sure answer is, 'Call the Umpire'!



A bowl that is accidentally dropped by a player who still has at least part of one foot above the mat is not considered dead and may be picked up and bowled even if it travels a few metres in front of the mat line.

I should not really be advising our senior experienced Skips but I must say a word about carrying a bowl when going up to inspect the head. Law 17.2.1 clearly states that it does not become a Dead bowl so it is legally permissible but the potential for controversy if it is accidentally dropped in the head displacing other bowls or placed on the ground inside the head, is such that it is better, seeing that you have possession of the mat, to put your last bowl on the mat and go safely up to the head without any possibility of accident.

Geoff Woollatt

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