

NEWSLETTER

The Wind - Up Party

The wind up party for the indoor bowling was a great success with 12 teams participating. The pizza was great and since it was paid for by the pig it was even better. At 10 cents per hit the block took a shocking 2600 hits!!!! Next year the pig will likely see less money as we should be getting better. The scores were not recorded which is a good thing, as far as I am concerned, however at least one team won all their games. It was a great way to finish off the season. Thanks to Sirish, Mary and Shirley for organizing the event.



Semi annual meeting

On April 9th at 1:30 we will be having our semi annual meeting. You should have your notices. There will be a motion to amend our bylaws to include a new member type for full time students. Your executive hopes to encourage younger members to join our club and there has been a contact by a junior who might join us. There will be reports as usual from your committee members and executive complete with goals for the coming year. Refreshments will be served. Please be sure to come so we can have your input to make our club even better.

Upcoming events

April 9th

Semi-annual meeting of members at 1:30 pm

April 16th

Open house. Bring friends and neighbours. We are hoping to grow to 120 full members this year. At 1:30 pm.

April 25th

Start of outdoor bowling schedule - Weather permitting. 1:00 pm with the Mixed Open Dinner Coupon Bowling

April 30th

Official Opening Day 1:30 pm with Mayor throwing out the first bowl. Wear your whites or club shirt. Refreshments.

May 17/18th

Ann Webster Women's Triples BSI tournament at our club. Sign up sheet is posted. Starts at 9 am. Come play or cheer on our teams.

May 23rd

Victoria Day Holiday Tea & Bowling - 1:00 pm tags Games start at 1:15 pm. Tea half way through the game.

May 27th

Club's 80th Anniversary Fun night. Formal dress optional. Starts at 4 pm dinner at 5 pm. Bowling between dinner and dessert. Live music by Reynolds jazz band. Come and party with your friends.

June 4th

Bridge/Bowl tournament. Starts at noon, sign up early. Get both physical and mental exercise in the same afternoon.

June 5 - 7th

Bedford Men's Doubles club tournament starting at 6 pm. Sign-up. Ladies come cheer on your partners as we need all the help we can get.



Mardi Gras Fun Night



On Friday the 18th we had a very special fun night with excellent entertainment by Guy Marchi. He had us dancing to some of the tunes of our youth. There were great costumes as can be seen in the pictures. Shirley outdid herself with the food, it was the best so far. Thanks again Shirley. It sure is a fun crowd and more than 50 turned out. More parties to come.

We are lucky to have Guy booked for two more events this year. Our August fun night and our Christmas party (December 3rd, a week earlier than planned to accommodate him).



Open House

Our open house is scheduled for April 16th starting at 1:30 pm. We had a great response last year with 41 new members which is going to be hard to top this year. Haji is busy promoting and his team will again distribute fliers around the area. But we need your help! **We need each of you to bring along one (or more) friend, neighbor or relative to our open house.** There are business type cards and new pamphlets at the clubhouse for you to use to remind your guests of the time and date of the Open House. Please take some around your neighborhood or to your friends. If you can cover an area please mark it on the map that is posted.

Linda will do her magic in the afternoon and there will be refreshments. Everyone is invited and we encourage as many of the members as possible to come out.

Our Club's 80th Anniversary

We want to celebrate the club's 80th birthday and that of all the members that were born before the club was in 1931. Please make plans to join the special fun night on May 27th to celebrate this milestone for our club and members. 80 Years is a long time, what cars were there in 1931?

Green Fun Night

On July 16th we have another fun night which you need to get ready for now. Margaret and Albert are organizing a fun bowl and a plant exhibition with the plants that you have started. So you need to get some seeds / bulbs started. These will be auctioned off.

Spring Work Program

There are a lot of minor jobs to be done before our Lawn Bowling season starts again. **Please** offer your help to the persons noted as organizers of these projects:

Greens and building work

A **LARGE work party is needed** on April 13th to complete the following work, we can use all the help we can get:

	Organizers
- Clean and paint edge boards and back boards	Jack O and Tony
- Clean gravel out of south ditch and add sand	Mary S (gravel removed thanks Mary)
- Complete the sidewalk concrete work north side	Nick
- Repair and add zones to sprinkler system	Nick (repair done)
- Fix existing freestanding scoreboards	Jack O
- Paint light standards/move flag pole	Nick
- Trim hedge/clean-up garden	Tony
- Fix damaged fence on road side and paint	Joe Z (done thanks Joe)
- Touch up damage on walls	Mary S

Cabinet work I need some volunteers to help with this, please contact me if you can help:

- Build new counter and miscellaneous cabinets	Nick
- Build and install additional member lockers	Nick

Grass Removal

Larry and Val regularly take away the cuttings from our greens, which saves us a lot of cost. Thank you for doing so. They have asked if there is anyone who could take an occasional turn when they are away. Please let them know if you can help.

CAPITAL CITY BRIDGE CLUB

News Update by Neville

Capital City Bridge is *very* appreciative of LHLBC's hospitality over the past year and hopes to continue operating at our new "home". When we moved here last summer our attendance immediately jumped as our members were quick to appreciate the clean, bright new clubhouse with its excellent kitchen and parking. Our convenient location in the lower central peninsula also attracted new bridge players from Saanich and Sidney. The result is that the revenues to CC and the LHLBC have been twice what we predicted when we first asked to move in!

Further, in the 8 weeks since the ceiling was sprayed, this attendance has risen some 30% again. Continued attendance at these levels should allow our mutual investment in the ceiling to pay off in less than 4 months.

A couple of bridge players have already joined LHLBC this spring and in late March we handed out many flyers for the open house. Combined with the early scheduling (June 4th) of the Bridge Bowl, which attracted 64 entrants last year, we are confident that more bridge players may be encouraged to get off their tushes this summer!

For the bowlers who would like to exercise their grey matter, be reminded that Monday morning is informal Rubber Bridge – just show up with or without a partner and play at your own speed with the opportunity to stop and ask Rita or Ewa for help with bidding or play. For Duplicate players we recommend the Wednesday evening, Thursday afternoon and/or Friday morning games.



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Thanks Nev for providing this write up. It has been a great win/win situation. Bowlers don't forget to sign up for the Bridge/Bowl it was a great success last year and I am sure it will be again this June 4th.

Nick your Pres with the help of editing by Jean.