



Newsletter

March 2025

President's Message

I hope this newsletter finds all of you in a place of warmth and safety after the crazy weekend we had. I strolled by the club yesterday and while there are some branches down, it looks like we came through relatively unscathed.

As you know we are at the beginning of an exciting and potentially transitional time for the club. The executive has begun the process of examining the needs of the club, now and in the future, and are taking the first steps to meet those needs. There are many ways you can assist us, so please reach out if you like a challenge. I look forward to seeing you on the greens, in the clubhouse and around town.

Warm regards, Rhys Warren

Your Board at Work



Even with the chill of winter in the air, your executive team has been anything but hibernating! Behind the scenes, they've been hard at work, coming together as a dynamic new team to shape an exciting future for the club. Whether it's directors braving the cold for in-person collaboration or zooming in from the sunny (and slightly envy-inducing) warmth of the US, this crew is dedicated to serving you. Rest assured, they're firing on all cylinders to ensure great things are on the horizon!

This is a transformative time, full of opportunities to make a lasting impact. If you have ideas, enthusiasm, or simply want to lend a hand, we'd love for you to join us in shaping the club's bright future. Let's work together to make this season—and every season ahead—a remarkable one!

THE GOOD NEWS KEEPS ON COMING!



We have received almost \$25000 in funding from the New Horizons for Seniors Program. This money is being used to build permanent sun shelters at our club. We have a design and have teamed up again with the local high schools, whose student's will be constructing them this spring.

Short Mat News & Events



**WE DID
IT!**

We Won the Bid for the Canadian Short Mat Championships!

We are thrilled to announce that our club has been selected to host the CSMBA Canadian Championships in November 2025! This incredible honor is the result of the unwavering dedication and hard work of our amazing team of volunteers who crafted an outstanding bid.

Hosting this prestigious event is an extraordinary opportunity to showcase our club, community, and talents on a national stage. We're counting on your passion and enthusiasm to make it a roaring success! If you're eager to learn more or want to be part of this exciting journey, don't hesitate to reach out to your executive.

➔ We need your help to make this a reality!

If you'd like to be part of the planning, organization, or volunteer team, please let us know. Your support and involvement are crucial to our success. Let's work together to showcase our city and club on a provincial stage! Contact **Rhys Warren** to volunteer.



**DON'T
FORGET!**

Lindsay Ear Clinic Chili Bowl Short Mat Lawn Bowling Tournament April 26, 2025

Get Ready for the Chili Bowl!

Join us for a day of fun, friendly competition, and mouth-watering chili at one of our most anticipated events of the year—the Chili Bowl! This exciting event will take place at the Lindsay Curling Club on , and promises to bring together bowlers and spectators for an unforgettable experience. 🌶️

Whether you want to play or volunteer, we'd love to have you join us. For more information, please contact us at lindsaylawnbowls@gmail.com.

Don't miss out on the fun—mark your calendars and get ready for a fantastic day!

Let's Grow Our Lawn Bowling Community— Together!!



Calling all members! Our annual "Give It a Try" lawn bowling event is just around the corner, and this is your chance to share the sport you love with the people who matter most—your friends, family, and neighbors. Invite them to experience the fun, the strategy, and the warm sense of community that makes lawn bowling so special. Whether they're complete beginners or just curious about the game, this event is the perfect opportunity for them to get a taste of what it's all about.

GIVE IT A TRY DATES

Tuesday, May 13 & 20 from 1:00 to 2:00 pm
Wednesday, May 14 & 21 from 1:00 to 2:00 pm
Friday, May 16, 23 & 30 from 6:00 to 7:00 pm

No experience needed — just bring your curiosity, a smile and flat bottom shoes.
Pre-register by May 9th. Contact our Secretary Extraordinaire, Rose Martin at 647.631.2257 or email lindsaylawnbowls@gmail.com



Saturday, June 7th, 2025 is the 9th annual National Bowls Day! This special day brings together communities across the nation to honor the sport of lawn bowling.

10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Barbeque Included!

Join us at our Open House on National Bowls Day to experience the excitement, precision, and camaraderie of this timeless sport. Whether you're a seasoned player or a curious newcomer, this is your opportunity to try lawn bowling for yourself and learn why it's celebrated coast to coast.

Come on out and meet your executive and other members.

We can't wait to see you on the green! 🎉🌟

Club News

JOIN

OUR

TEAM

Planning Your Club's Future

Are you passionate about the future of our Lawn Bowling Club? Do you want to be part of something that truly reflects the needs and aspirations of our community? Now's your chance! We're looking for enthusiastic, forward-thinking members to **join our committee** and help create a strategic plan that will guide our club for years to come.

By joining the team, you'll have a direct hand in shaping our future, ensuring we focus on what matters most to you — whether it's enhancing our facilities, creating more engaging events, or building stronger connections within our club. This is your opportunity to be heard, to bring fresh ideas to the table, and to help design a future that benefits everyone.

GOT AN OPINION? THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO INFLUENCE THE DIRECTION OF THE CLUB! WE ARE LOOKING FOR MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN A FEW MEETINGS. Whether you're a seasoned bowler or a newcomer, your perspective is invaluable in making sure our club continues to thrive and evolve.

So, why not be part of this exciting journey? Your voice matters, your ideas are needed, and together, we can create a **strategic plan** that makes our Lawn Bowling Club the best it can be! Join us today and help shape a future that's fun, dynamic, and built around the things that matter most to you.

OLBA NEWS




2025 Annual General Meeting Announcement

The OLBA is excited to host its Annual General Meeting (AGM) this spring! This important event is your opportunity to stay informed about OLBA business, participate in Board elections, and connect with the club's vibrant community.

 Date: Saturday, April 26, 2025

 Time: 10:00 a.m. (Online)

 Register at <https://www.olba.ca/annual-general-meeting.html>

OLBA Coaching Training

If you are interested in obtaining coaching training from the OLBA, please contact Rhys . The training is both online and in person.

If you are interested in becoming an umpire, you can go to the OLBA website and complete the [Umpire Recruitment Form](https://www.olba.ca/new-umpire-info.html)

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Let's Volunteer



Making Our Club A Community

One of our core goals is to go beyond just being a club—we strive to build a vibrant community where everyone feels like they're part of something special. We want to create a space that's welcoming, engaging, and full of opportunities to connect with others. Volunteering is key to this vision. It's not just about giving your time; it's about forging meaningful relationships, growing alongside others, and playing an active role in making our lawn bowling community stronger and more thriving. Why not join us in achieving this very important goal and making every event a success?

Upcoming Opportunities

There are several ways you can get involved in the upcoming months.

- **Coaching for New Bowlers:** If you're an experienced bowler, we would love your help coaching new bowlers during the Give It A Try Weeks in May.
- **Open House Volunteers:** Help us with event logistics, catering, and participant engagement
- **Registration:** Help get our new and old members signed up and ease the burden by contributing some time.

Volunteer Recognition

Starting this month, we're launching a Volunteer of the Month recognition program! Each month, we will honor one individual who has shown outstanding dedication, passion, and impact within the lawn bowling community. Our **Volunteer of the Month** will receive special recognition in our newsletter and a small token of appreciation for their contributions.

If you know someone who has made a significant difference, nominate them today! You can submit nominations via email. We look forward to celebrating our volunteers' hard work!

Even a few hours of your time can make a huge difference! Whether you want to take on a leadership role or just help out occasionally, we'd love to hear from you.

Contact us at lindsaylawnbowls@gmail.com to sign up or learn more about any of the positions or opportunities mentioned. Thank you for your support – together, we make the club stronger! 🌱🎳👏