

Nanaimo Lawn Bowling Club



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This will be a very short newsletter meant mostly for those of you not hooked up to the worldwide web, as most everything happening in the club is now on our great website by David Burns with information and photos provided by various members like George Gibson and his hardworking games committee and photos by Shirley Lewington, but certainly not limited to these people.

We have a very hard working group in the club as usual with many hard working volunteers keeping the greens in top shape and running the activities of the club. Games have been running smoothly and the weather has also cooperated and given us some ideal bowling conditions this year. We must also remember the dedicated kitchen volunteers that work so hard.

I will be attaching copies of approximately 14 pages from our website that is about as up to date as you can get. Tournament results and photos are posted on the web very soon after they are played. Nanaimo bowlers have been doing well in their number of wins.

And now some important words of advise, submitted by Donn Sherry

WHAT DIRECTION + WHAT COLOUR

To make sure that we do not cause extra wear and tear to our green, it is important that all of us follow the chart on the back of the door to the bowls shed. This chart is changed every week.

There are two (2) pieces of information on this chart.

1. Direction of Play:
 - a. E - W: play will be East and West which is to and from our club house.
 - b. N - S: play will be North and South which is to and from Bowen Centre main entrance.

2. The Centres of the Rinks of Play:
 - a. Double Red, Yellow or White: the rink number will cover the two (2) washers of the indicated colour. The rink dividers will cover the one (1) washer of the indicated colour.
 - b. Single Red, Yellow or White: the rink number will cover the one (1) washer of the indicated colour. The rink dividers will cover the two (2) washers of the indicated colour.

Look for the coloured washers on the top of the backboard behind the ditch.

Remember if you wish to practice, check the rink numbers to see if the rinks are set up properly. If they are not, please make sure you change all the rinks for today's direction.

WE CAN ALL HELP TO KEEP THE GREEN IN GOOD SHAPE
THANKS

Umpires Comments by Jeff Dixon

Since the beginning of the bowling season I have noticed that there have been a few questions asked about some of the lesser used rules of the game, or situations that arise on the green that are not commonly seen. For example, when umpiring the Jim Gavin Mixed Fours a delivered bowl had not traveled 23m and the Skip asked what do we do now?

- " Law 29...A bowl which in its original course on the green, comes to rest within the boundaries of the rink and not less than 14 metres measured in a direct line from the centre of the mat line, shall be accounted as a live bowl and shall be in play. "

Can you imagine what could happen now if we were able to put up a line of blockers at just over 14 metres.

Another question asked was... "If I am about to deliver my bowl, can I ask any member of the other team who is not in the head but on the green and in my sight line to move."

- "Law 44 (i)...Players of each team not in the act of playing or controlling play shall stand behind the jack and away from the head or at least one metre behind the mat."
- And "Law 43 (ii)...The player in possession of the rink for the time being shall not be interfered with, annoyed, or have their attention distracted in any way by their opponents."

So the answer to this would be yes.

If you have any questions or queries email me at dixiejd@shaw.ca and I will try and give you an answer in the next newsletter.

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Have you ever noticed that all people smile in the same language?

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*Appreciate every single thing you have, especially your friends!
Life is too short and friends are too few.*

To complete this newsletter, 14 pages from our website will be attached here. You really must ask a friend to show you the web pages on their computer to get the lovely coloured photos etc. Attaching copies here really does not do justice to the work done on the web.