



“In The Ditch”

August 2023

4321 Tuesdays: 6:15 p.m. for registration, \$2.00

August 7th: No bowling, Holiday Monday

August 17th: Women Frontier League at NOTL 9 a.m. start

August 23rd: Men’s League at NOTL 8:30 a.m. start

September 30th: Tournament and BBQ in memory of Ray Guy

Board Update

A reminder that the minutes of all Board Executive Meetings are posted on the bulletin board in the Locker Room for those who want to stay informed.

We may not look a day over 139, but the 150th Anniversary of the Niagara on the Lake Lawn Bowling Club is on the horizon...2027 is our Sesquicentennial!

It’s never too early to start planning! Send in your ideas for how we can celebrate and they will be collected for future planning.

Social Committee Update from Donna Twose

Although Saturday's rain washed out bowling, sun and fresher air complimented the barbecue. Wonderful appetizers were followed by burgers, salads, peach pie and summer upside down cake.

Thanks so much to Ray and Wig who endured "smoke gets in your eyes" grilling to perfection and to those who contributed apps and salads. And as always thank you for coming.

I am unable to do the August BBQ date, but September's dinner following the in-house tournament is in the works.



Saturday Teas

We need YOUR help! Please sign up to do the between game teas on Saturday. The sign up sheet is in the Locker Room and working with a partner is usually the best idea. Cheese crackers, fruit, snacks...it can be as simple as you like. The Club provides lemonade, tea and coffee. Let's all pitch in to keep these going!

The plates that we use are compostable. These plates and the napkins and any scraps of food go into the organics bin. Be careful! The Garbage Lady is watching you!

Membership Update and News

Congratulations to our youngest member, Rebecca Coon who placed 2nd in the Junior (under 18) provincials and represented Ontario in the 2023 Canadian Youth Championships in Regina, Saskatchewan last week.

The competition took place from July 26 – July 30, 2023 and featured the top youth bowlers from across the country in the men's and women's Under 18 and Under 25.



OLBA stickers for the 2023-2024 season are now available, ask me (Julie Hagan) for yours when you see me at bowling. You will need the sticker if you plan to play in any outside tournaments or other at other clubs.

NOTL Youth Collective – from Paul McHoull

The NOTL Youth Collective is a group of volunteers and parents who have the goal of providing activities for youth in our area. For more information visit their web site : www.notlyouth.com

One of the leaders contacted our club through our web site and asked if we were willing to work with them to provide an activity involving lawn bowling from 7 to 8 on Thursday evenings in July.

We said yes and aside from one night when there was a violent thunderstorm, we have had young people aged between 11 and 16 out on the Green along with some of their parents. We started with some basic instruction and then got them playing a simple form of 4-3-2-1.

Thank you to Rose Connolly and Mary McHoull (who took these photos) for volunteering.



Coaching

Thank you to the coaches for stepping up and booking dates with potential members who have asked for coaching!

If you would like to arrange coaching for yourself or a potential member, please send an email to all four coaches with a few dates and times. One of the coaches will get back to you to make arrangements.

Donna T. : dorjtwose@sympatico.ca

Rose C. : rosa_gaccione@hotmail.com

Donna W.: donnaw595@live.com

Wig: wig8@hotmail.com

Leagues

Ladies League Frontier update from Rose Connolly and Elly Warren

July 13: Niagara on the Lake hosted and it was a very nice day for bowling. There were only eight teams two less than normal.

Heather P, Heather Q and Donna T had two wins and got 1st prize.

Congratulations!

Pat R, Anne M and Elly W had two wins and got 2nd prize. Nicely done!

Rose C, Jenny L and Carol W had a win and a loss.

A very good day for Niagara on the Lake!

July 20: At Niagara Falls. Heather P., Heather Q. and Donna Twose got 2 wins and third place.

Rose C., Jenny L. and Carol W. won 1 and lost 1.

Elly W., Pat R. and Donna J. lost 2.

Senior Men's League update from Ken Helowka

SENIOR MENS LEAGUE AS OF July 26th 2023

TEAM NAME	WINS	LOSSES	TIES	POINTS	WL%	FOR	AGAINST	+/-
TEAM M HELOWKA	16	6	0	32	727	279	195	84
TEAM A GOOD	16	6	0	32	727	254	187	67
TEAM P NESBITT	14	8	0	28	636	261	215	51
TEAM X POTTER	13	9	0	26	591	223	242	-19
TEAM N PARISI	11	9	2	24	545	244	210	34
TEAM H MILLS	10	10	2	22	500	219	223	-4
TEAM J BIANCHIN	11	11	0	22	500	228	236	-8
TEAM G SIMMONS	10	12	0	20	455	213	227	-14
TEAM L MCKECHNIE	9	11	2	20	455	224	238	-14
TEAM K TURNBULL	7	13	2	16	364	216	236	-20
TEAM B WILLIAMS	8	14	0	16	364	196	241	-45
TEAM E MULDER	3	19	0	6	136	150	266	-116

GLENRIDGE SIZZLED TODAY WITH A NEW LEAGUE LEADER IN TEAM M HELOWKA. THEIR TWO WINS AGAINST TOP STANDING LEADERS TEAM A GOOD FORMERLY IN FIRST AND TEAM P NESBITT IN THIRD. CONGRATS ON YOUR SURGE TO THE TOP WELL DESERVED AS THEY HAVE BEAT THE TOP THREE OTHER TEAMS IN RECENT WEEKS. TEAM X POTTER WAS THE ONLY OTHER TWO GAMES WINNERS NOW CHALLENGING FOR THIRD JUST BEHIND TEAM P NESBITT.

TWO TEAMS HAD A WIN AND A TIE. TEAM N PARISI CLOSELY FOLLOWS TEAM X POTTER TRAILING BY ONLY A WIN. TEAM L MCKECHNIE HAVE PULLED EVEN WITH TEAM G IN POINTS AND PLUS MINUS.

FIVE ONE GAME WINNERS FEATURED TEAM A GOOD WITH A TIE FOR POINTS WITH TEAM M HELOWKA. TEAM H MILLS HAD A SPLIT ON THE DAY DEFEATING TEAM J BIANCHIN ON HEAD TO HEAD TODAY THEN FALLING TO TEAM A GOOD. TEAM J BIANCHIN IN THEIR SECOND GAME HAD A COME FROM BEHIND WIN OVER TEAM K TO REMAIN TIED IN POINTS WITH TEAM H MILLS. TEAM G SIMMONS WERE ONE AND ONE ON THE DAY WITH THEIR EXTRA END WIN OVER TEAM P NESBITT. FINAL ONE GAME WINNER WAS OUR CONVENOR WITH THEIR WIN PULLS EVEN IN POINTS WITH TEAM K FOR TENTH SPOT.

NEXT WEEK WE RETURN TO THE FALLS. THERE IS NO HOT DOGGING GOING ON THERE BUT THE TEAMS ARE FULL OF WIENERS AND WINNERS.

Friday Pairs update from Dick Stoddart

FLOPS Standings, July 28, 2023

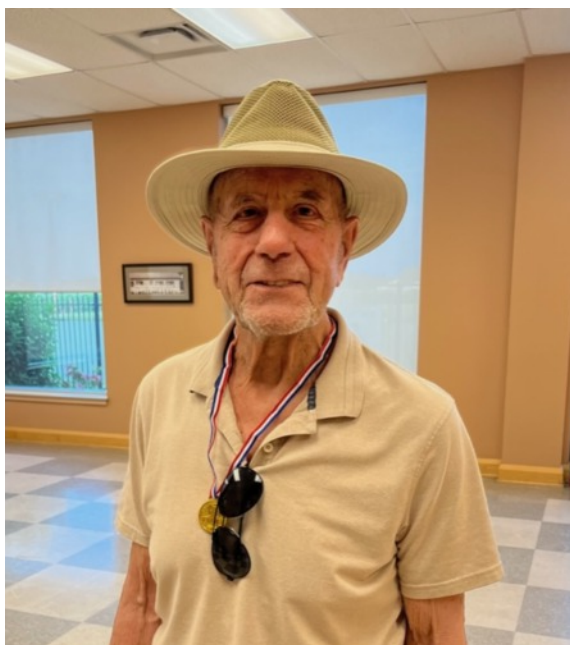
	Win	Lose	Tie	Points	For	Against	Diff.
Edward & Ken	3			9	37	20	17
Boris & Roy	3	1		9	30	31	-1
Cathy & Rory	2	1		6	37	16	21
Joan & David	2	1		6	34	17	17
Rose & Dick	2	2		6	35	31	4
Anne & Joe	1	1	1	4	24	24	0
Carol & Doug			1	1	10	10	0
Heather & Ray		3		0	19	47	-28
Fedora & Norm		4		0	18	48	-30
Totals	13	13	2	41	244	244	0

4-3-2-1 update from Rose Connolly

4-3-2-1 is part practice, part competition on an individual basis. You score points based on being the closest to the jack.

Tuesdays at 6:30 PM. You should plan, of course, to be there at least 15 minutes earlier to register, \$2 to play.

High scorer pictures are below.



July 4 Ray Pettit 54 pts.



July 11 Rory MacCon 57 pts.



July 18 Michael Murphy-Boyer
and Rose Connolly tied with 39 pts.



July 25 Jenny Ley with 49 pts.

IF YOU HAVE PHOTOS OF LEAGUE, REGULAR PLAY OR CLUB NEWS, PLEASE SEND TO avalonjulie@gmail.com FOR THE NEWSLETTER.

GOOD BOWLING EVERYONE!