



## “In The Ditch”

### Happy Birthday Heather!

Heather Pettit celebrated a birthday on Thursday September 24. Elly Warren brought a birthday cake to the Ladies Frontier played that day at Glenridge. However, I’m not allowed to tell you what the number is on the cake. Hopefully there will be many more celebrations like this one!



Photos courtesy of Bonnie Dawe

The team of Elly Warren, Pat Rees and Bonnie Dawe won 2nd place high score, narrowly missing top prize in an extra end. On Thursday September 17 the team of Heather Pettit, Mary Watson and Heather Quick captured first place at Niagara on the Lake.

### Tournaments

Unfortunately the tournament sponsored by Robert Christopher on Tuesday September 29 had to be cancelled due to rain and the possibility of thunderstorms. The last tournament of the year at our club is sponsored by Oh Canada Eh! and is on Wednesday October 7, starting at 10:00 AM.

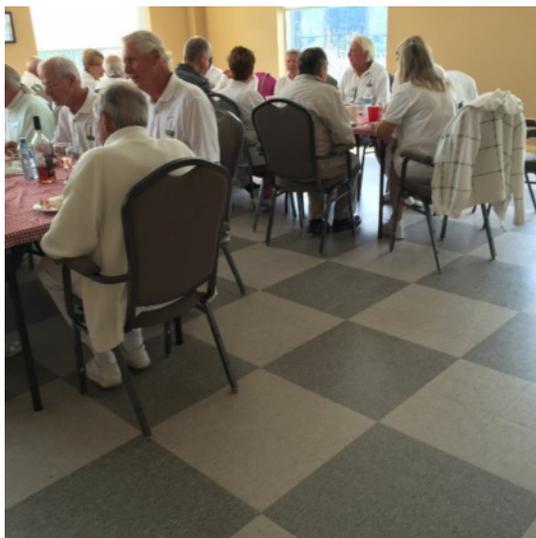
Note that date ! There will be no club jitney on Wednesday October 7 !!

The teams are Women’s Triples or Mixed Triples with at least one player being a novice. There is extra prize money to be won due to the rain out. We need at least one more team for this tournament. Contact Doug or Nancy Findlay if you are interested.

## Potluck Lunch

There was a potluck lunch before bowling on Saturday, September 26. We also celebrated David Morrison's 88<sup>th</sup> birthday. Derek Shervill and Heather Pettit celebrated birthdays earlier that week. After lunch those who hadn't eaten too much went out and bowled, enjoying the fine weather.

Thanks to David Klooz for the pictures.



## Annual General Meeting

The club's AGM is on Saturday October 17. The Business meeting starts at 11:00 AM in the Simpson Room, followed by lunch. Weather permitting, there will be bowling afterwards.

You should have received an e-mail which included a proxy form. If you are unable to attend the AGM please complete and sign the proxy form and either submit it to the club Secretary, Paul Rogers, or give it to a member who will be attending the meeting. Some of these forms have been printed out and are available in the locker room.

There is a sign-up sheet in the locker room for the AGM; we need to get a count of how many people will be there for lunch. Remember, if you can't attend, fill in a proxy form!

Also in the locker room are ballots for voting on this year's recipient of the Sportsmanship Award. Previous winners include David Taylor (2014) and Elly Warren (2013).

The last official day for lawn bowling is Wednesday October 14.

## Provincial Championships

David Taylor and Brad Dalglish won the District 6 championship for Novice Men's Pairs and represented Niagara in the Provincial Championships in Sarnia. They won one game and lost two against some tough competition.

Kathy Smith won the District 6 championship in Women's Singles and added to her collection of Ontario medals by winning a Silver over the weekend of September 5 and 6 in Woodstock.



## Finally

The other day I met a former student who had been very enthusiastic, but not the brightest kid in the class. In fact his final mark of 50 had been boosted from a 48.

“Sir,” he said, “I saw something the other night that you told us about in class!”

“Oh,” I asked, “what was that?”

“The Doppler Red Shift.” was his reply.

I remembered that we had talked about how light from objects moving away from us is shifted to the red end of the spectrum and that almost all of the galaxies that we observe exhibit this effect and thus must be moving away from us.

“Where did you see that?” I asked curiously.

“It happened the other night when I was out looking at the full moon.”

I was puzzled. “You saw the Doppler Red Shift with the moon?”

“No, no. It was all of the cars going by. I noticed that the ones coming towards me, the lights were white! The ones going away from me, the lights were red!”

An anthropologist was cataloguing South American folk remedies with the assistance of a tribal elder who indicated that the leaves of a particular fern were a sure cure for any case of constipation. When the anthropologist expressed his doubts, the elder looked him in the eye and said:

“With fronds like these, you don’t need enemas.”

Donald Trump needed money for his political campaign and took a famous diamond that he owned, “The Star of Burma”, to a pawnshop. The pawnbroker offered to lend him \$750 000. Trump went berserk. “I paid 3 million for that stone” he shouted. “Don’t you know who I am?”

“I’m sorry, sir” said the pawnbroker. “When you wish to pawn a Star, it doesn’t matter who you are.”