



“InTheDitch”

August 2025

Important upcoming dates:

The Community Centre is closed on **Monday September 1** (Labour Day) and also on **Tuesday September 30** (National Reconciliation Day). No bowling.

Wednesday September 3 : Monday and Wednesday bowling switch back to afternoons at 1:30 for the remainder of the season. Please enter your name into the draw no later than 1:15.

Saturday September 13 : Our second Tournament (originally scheduled for Saturday September 27) will be in memory of John Twose. Following the tournament there will be a BBQ dinner. See Page 6

Saturday October 4 : Annual General Meeting.

We need members willing to serve on the Executive and help keep our club running. Please consider how you can help and speak to either Jean Baldauf or Paul McHoull.

Saturday October 18 : Our club will be one of the sites for Doors Open Niagara as we begin to celebrate the upcoming 150th anniversary of the Niagara-on-the-Lake Lawn Bowling Club in 2027. Hopefully this will bring us a lot of visitors and some new members for 2026! More information to come.

Tuesday October 28 : Awards Dinner (originally scheduled for Tuesday October 14.)

Frontier League

August 7th The Frontier ladies bowled in Beamsville. It was a hot day again but we did bowl 2-12 end games.

Rose, Jenny and Jean had two wins and placed 3rd congratulations!

Heather Q, Donna T and Fedora had a win and a loss

Elly, Pat R and Donna J had two losses.

August 14th The Frontier ladies of Niagara on the Lake hosted the games today. It was still quite hot and we decided to shorten the games from 12 to 10 ends. There was a bit of a breeze which made it bearable.

Donna T, Fedora and Laura had two losses.

Rose, Jenny and Jean had a loss and a win.

Elly, Pat and Donna J had a win and a loss.

August 21st The Frontier ladies bowled in Niagara Falls. The weather was great for bowling. Cool and overcast. What a treat! All three teams had a win and a loss today.

Rose, Jenny and Jean

Heather Q, Donna T and Fedora

Elly, Pat R and Donna J.

August 28th The Frontier ladies bowled at Glenridge today. It was a nice day for bowling. Rain was expected but it held off until about 1 hour after we were finished. Good thing or we all would have been drenched!

We had the usual three teams playing today.

Heather Q, Donna T and Fedora had a loss and a win, getting last game high with that win. Congratulations!

Rose, Jenny and Pat had two losses as did Elly, Pat R and Donna J.

Nest week we bowl at Port Dalhousie.

Thanks to Elly Warren for this report.

Men's League

SENIOR MENS LEAGUE STANDINGS AS OF August 27 2025

TEAM NAME	WINS	LOSSES	TIES	POINTS	WL%	FOR	AGAINST	+/-
TEAM A GOOD	17	5	2	36	750	298	201	97
TEAM M HELOWKA	15	8	1	31	656	296	217	79
TEAM H MILLS	15	8	1	31	656	277	237	40
TEAM K TURNBULL	14	9	1	29	604	275	245	30
TEAM X POTTER	12	8	2	26	590	267	207	60
TEAM J BIANCHIN	11	12	1	23	479	241	270	-29
TEAM L MCKECHNIE	10	11	3	23	479	235	299	-74
TEAM E MULDER	7	14	1	15	340	232	281	-62
TEAM P LAPERE	7	15	2	16	333	232	281	-49
TEAM N PARISI	8	16	0	16	333	228	276	-48
TEAM B WILLIAMS	6	14	2	14	318	200	262	-62

AUGUST 27TH SAW TEAM A GOOD AND TEAM M HELOWKA HAVE TWO WINS EACH. HELOWKA NOW TIED FOR POINTS WITH TEAM H MILLS BUT BETTER PLUS MINUS.

ONE GAME WINNERS WERE TEAM H MILLS TIED FOR 2ND, TEAM K TURNBULL ON WIN BEHIND TEAM H MILLS.

TEAM X POTTER HAD A SPLIT ON THE DAY TO STAY 5TH.

TEAM J BIANCHIN AND TEAM L MCKECHNIE STAYED TIED IN POINTS FOR 6TH.

TEAM N PARISI MOVED INTO A TIE WITH TEAM TEAM P PARISI. JUST NEED TO DO AN AUDIT ON GAMES PLAYED BY TEAM P.

BEAMSVILLE NEXT WEEK TO FINISH OUR FEASTING OF DOGS FOR THE YEAR



Men's League teams playing on the morning of Wednesday August 20. It had rained heavily overnight and the carpet was wet but still quite suitable for bowling.

4-3-2-1



August 5th - Vic Klassen
with 39 pts



August 19th- Edward Lounsbury
with 57 pts



August 26th - Jenny Ley and Edward Lounsbury
with 61 pts

Now that September is here, it is a perfect time to come out for some lawn bowling! With cooler evenings compared to August, Tuesday nights are a great chance to enjoy a friendly game of 4321. Join fellow members for fun, practice and good company on the greens.

See you there!

Rose and Jenny



New Refrigerator

The Club Executive decided that the refrigerator that had sat in this corner for almost 15 years had to be replaced. On Tuesday August 19th Mary and I visited Pirie Appliances in St. Catharines and ordered a new refrigerator. It was delivered the next day at 9:30 AM.

Delivery, set up and removal of the old fridge were all included in the price. Pirie also service the appliances that they sell.

Thanks to Community Centre staffer Alex for mopping up the floor. There was, of course, an accumulation of dust and grime and even a few bugs as well as water under the old fridge.

We were hoping to find the missing key that unlocks the door from the Mori Room to the sidewalk beside the Green but it was not under the refrigerator. Perhaps someone has used it and inadvertently dropped it into a bag or left it in a locker? It looks very much like this :



Mary has volunteered to chair the Social Committee next year and Denyse Lalande has volunteered to assist.

Paul McHoull

New Door

The Town is planning to proceed with the installation of a door into the Locker Room from the hall at the end of the season thereby eliminating the need to have access to the Mori Room in order to enter the Locker Room. The proposal to do this first appeared in a 2017 Planning Report, so it only took them 8 years to get around to it.

The Town now has a new draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan. At present they are collecting feedback from registered users. One possibility that is mentioned is adding a gymnasium to the Community Centre and enclosing the lawn bowling green.

Saturday September 13

Please consider participating in the last tournament of the season on Saturday September 13th, 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM. The tournament is sponsored by Donna Twose and is being held in memory of John Twose. The usual tradition is that players wear whites during a tournament.

The entry fee is \$10. There will be prize money and it will surely be fun. Teams will be made up by a random draw. The plan is for 3 six end games. The winning team will be awarded the McEwen Memorial Trophy at Awards Night.

There will be a barbecue dinner after the tournament, open to all members of the club and their guests. The cost is \$10 per person.

Sportsmanship Award

One of the awards presented at the Awards Dinner is the Sportsmanship Award. Voting will begin on September 13. Fill in a ballot and place it in the can marked Sportsmanship Award. You can vote for one, two, or three people. The choices are weighted with your first choice getting 3 points, your second 2 points, your third 1 point. It is suggested that you consider members who you enjoy playing with either as a teammate or as an opponent. Last year's winner was Vic Klassen.



On the next page you will find a list of Club Presidents from 1964 up to the present. There is no sign of any earlier records.

NOTL Lawn Bowling Club

Year	Club President	Year	Club President
1964	William Greaves Jr.	1997	Bill Smiljanic
1965	William Greaves Jr.	1998	Bill Smiljanic
1966	William Greaves Jr.	1999	Gerry Rive
1967	William Greaves Jr.	2000	Gerry Rive
1968	William Greaves Jr.	2001	Gerry Rive
1969	William Greaves Jr.	2002	Ed Peterson
1970	William Greaves	2003	Ed Peterson
1971	William Greaves	2004	Jack Hazell
1972	William Greaves	2005	Jack Hazell
1973	Bing Raven	2006	Derek Shervill
1974	Shaw McEwen	2007	Derek Shervill
1975	Shaw McEwen	2008	John Grieve
1976	Shaw McEwen	2009	John Grieve
1977	Shaw McEwen	2010	Ivan Eaton
1978	Shaw McEwen	2011	Ivan Eaton
1979	Doug Borden	2012	Angela Lynch
1980	Doug Borden	2013	Angela Lynch
1981	Doug Borden	2014	Ray Pettit
1982	Wilf Butler	2015	Ray Pettit
1983	Wilf Butler	2016	Paul McHoull
1984	J. Y. Fleming	2017	Paul McHoull
1985	J. Y. Fleming	2018	Elly Warren
1986	J. Y. Fleming	2019	Elly Warren
1987	J. Y. Fleming	2020	Ron Gourlay
1988	Ron Gingell	2021	Ray Guy
1989	Ron Gingell	2022	Paul McHoull
1990	Dave Mansfield	2023	Gwynne Giles/Jean Baldauf
1991	Dave Mansfield	2024	Jean Baldauf
1992	Dave Mansfield	2025	Jean Baldauf
1993	Art Neff	2026	???
1994	Art Neff		
1995	Kurt Bucholz		
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