



“InTheDitch”

May 2025

Important upcoming dates:

Saturday June 28th : Barbeque after bowling

Tuesday July 1 : Community Centre closed, no 4-3-2-1

Wednesday July 2 : Monday and Wednesday bowling switches to 6:30 PM.

We need volunteers for future Saturday Teas and Barbeques. If you are willing to help please sign up on the list in the Locker Room

Past events:

In House Tournament Saturday May 31st

Thanks to the efforts of Donna Twose and her team we managed to sign up 24 members to make eight teams of triples. The event was again sponsored by Rick Montyro of Montyro Financial Services. Rick also played in the tournament.

The weather was rather cool for the end of May but otherwise very comfortable for bowling. Our draw masters, Cathy MacCon and Pat Rees, did a great job between games tracking the scores and making the pairings.

A cool cloudy day



A message from Donna Twose :

It really was a wonderful tournament thanks to all the participants and their outstanding sportsmanship. But it was especially amazing because of the members who happily stepped up in so many ways.

We were so fortunate to have Rick Montyro's sponsorship for a 6th year, Thank you Rick!

Thank you again to Vic, Jim, Ken, Dick (and anyone I missed) for setting up the greens and putting the equipment away when we finished.

Much thanks to Patricia Rees and Cathy MacCon for doing the draw and sorting out the winners and winnings.

A very special THANK YOU must go to the social committee, Suzanne, Vaillant, Jenny Ley and Jean Stoddart who kept refreshments and snacks flowing for the breaks and for all their efficient outstanding provision of the barbecue. It was absolutely perfect from appetizers to dessert.

Not to mention burgers done to perfection, thanks Dick and Wig.

Wig, we love your musical compliment to our tournament, "thank you for the music, the songs we're singing" and for the added stomping humour that certainly got the audience involved.

Let's look forward to September, when we will make it all happen again!

On behalf of all the participants I would like to thank Donna for all she did to make this event a success. Paul

The winning teams were :

First Place : Ken Helowka, Mary Watson, Marie-Michelle Lalande

Second Place : Paul McHoull, Jean Baldauf, Joan Klooze, David Klooze

Third Place : Jenny Ley, Dick Stoddart, Martin Lalande

Last Game High : Donna Twose, Jim Brown, Judi Allen



First Place



Second Place



Third Place



Last Game
High

Frontier League

The Ladies Frontier League bowled for the first time this season on Thursday May 8th in Niagara Falls. It was a very cold day which made it quite difficult cold hands are no good for holding onto bowls!

Niagara on the Lake has three teams :

Rose, Jean and Carol placed third today with two wins. Congratulations!

Heather Q, Donna T and Fedora lost both their games as did Elly, Pat and Mary.

Thursday May 15th we bowled at Glenridge. The greens were great and so was the weather. All three of Niagara on the Lake teams had a pretty good day.

Rose, Jenny and Angela, a win and a loss.

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

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

May 22, the Frontier League was to be hosted by the Port Dalhousie club but play had to be cancelled because of rain.

On May 29th the Frontier ladies bowled in Beamsville. It was a cloudy day. Rain was in the forecast but it held off until the very end! Lucky us!

We had three teams again :

Rose, Jenny and a spare, Jean, had a loss and a win. The win earned them last game high. Congratulations!

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

Elly, Pat and Donna J, had two losses again!!!

We had fun though, and that is what it's all about!

On Thursday June 5th we play in Niagara-on-the-Lake. Come out to watch, you might like what you see. We are looking for ladies who can be spares. This is not a weekly commitment, but you may get called to see if you can play if one of us is not available.

4-3-2-1



May 20th - Vic Klassen with 59 pts. The medal was put on by Bill Vanore from New Jersey. Bill was visiting the area and looked forward to bowling with us that evening. A lot of fun was had.



May 27th - Dan Connolly with 55 pts. First time out this year!

So come out and have some fun and see how well you can draw into the jack.
See you there. Tuesday evenings at 6:30

Jenny and Rose

Men's League

There are 11 teams this year in the Men's League, including two teams from NOTL. Games are played on Wednesdays at clubs throughout Niagara : Niagara Falls, NOTL, Glenridge in St. Catharines, and Beamsville. There are two twelve end games with a break in between for lunch. If you are willing to be a spare talk to either Doug Williams or Ken Helowka.

Friday Night Pairs League

The Pairs League is back with 6 teams. The first game had to be postponed to Friday, May 30 at 6:00 PM due to rain.

Due to requests from more than half the participants, games this year have been shortened to 8 ends.

FLOPS Standings, May 30, 2025							
	Win	Lose	Tie	Points	For	Against	Diff.
Jenny and Heather	1	0		3	14	7	7
Marguerite & Angela	1	0		3	6	4	2
Rose & Dick	1	0		3	9	8	1
Joan & David	0	1		0	8	9	-1
Mary & George	0	1		0	4	6	-2
Carol & Doug	0	1		0	7	14	-7
Totals	3	3	0	9	48	48	0
Win/Lost Matrix							
	Marguerite Angela	Jenny Heather	Carol Doug	Joan David	Mary George	Rose Dick	
Marguerite & Angela	X				W		
Jenny & Heather		X	W				
Carol & Doug		L	X				
Joan & David				X		L	
Mary & George	L				X		
Rose & Dick				W		X	

The Official Opening

The only warm dry Saturday in May was May 10. Fortunately that was the date for our traditional Opening of the 2025 Season, with a piper leading the parade of the members on the Green and the Lord Mayor delivering the ceremonial “First Bowl”

This year he was using a wooden bowl which might be about 100 years old.

Thanks to David Klooze for taking the photographs





Lawn Bowling Club
150th Anniversary
1877 - 2027

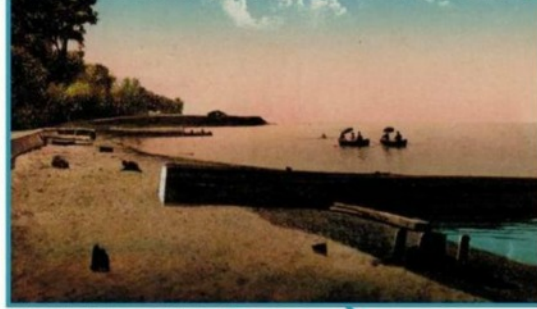
1877 to 1922

The Queens Royal Hotel



Front Entrance

COURTESY NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE MUSEUM

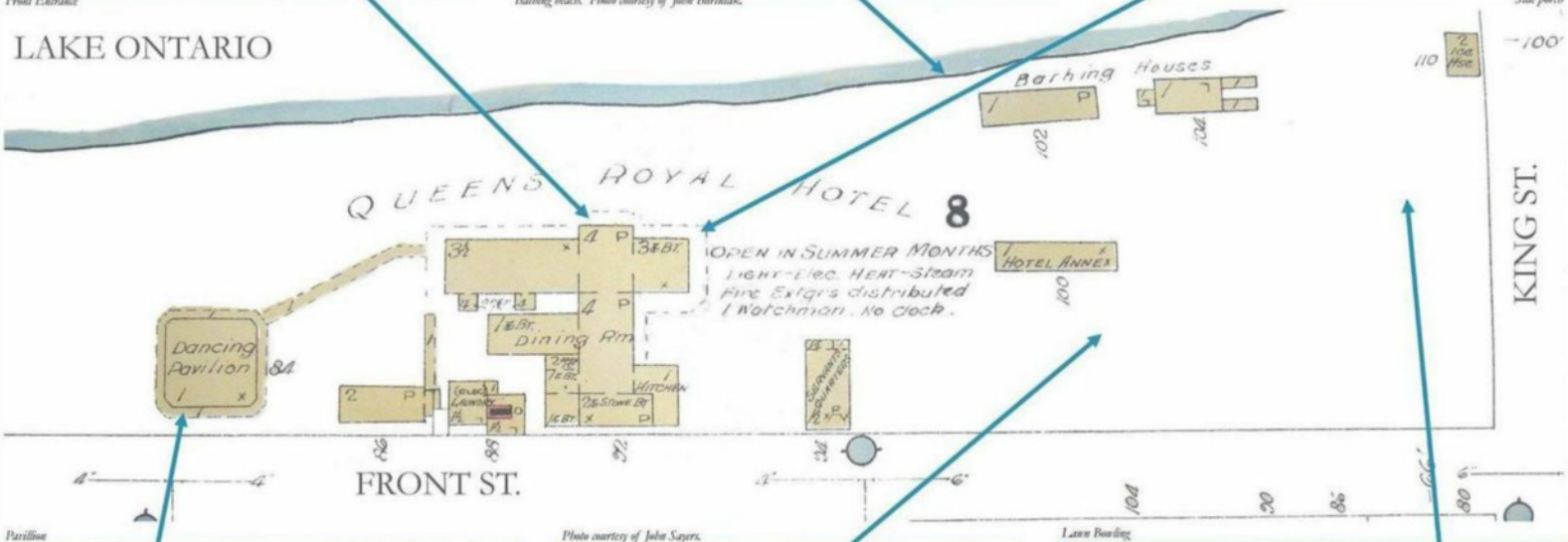


Bathing beach. Photo courtesy of John Bartalak.



Side porch

LAKE ONTARIO



Pavilion

Photo courtesy of John Sayers.



Lawn Tennis Tournament,
Niagara-on-the-Lake

Lawn Bowling

