



“InTheDitch”

September 2025

Important upcoming dates:

Saturday October 4 : Annual General Meeting.

We need members willing to serve on the Executive and help keep our club running. In particular we need a President, a Vice-President, and a Membership Secretary.

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!

This event runs from 10 AM to 5 PM. We need volunteers, some in the morning and some in the afternoon, to “meet and greet” and answer questions.

A year ago (Saturday October 19, 2024) the weather was absolutely perfect for bowling. If we have the same type of weather it might be possible for club members to come out at 1:00 PM and bowl. Alternatively there may be an opportunity for our guests to try rolling a bowl out on the Green.

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

Frontier League

Sept 4th. Play was cancelled because of rain.....lots of it!

September 11th. Niagara -on-the Lake hosted the Frontier ladies today. It was sunny and quite warm. We had our usual 3 teams playing.

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

Rose, Jenny and Jean had two losses.

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

Sept. 18th. Today we bowled in Beamsville. It was a very hot day but we did do the usual two 12 end games.

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

Heather Q, Fedora and Pat and the team of, Elly, Pat R and Donna J . each had 2 losses.

Oh well, there is always next week to try and win something!

Sept. 25th. Today was the last day of the season and we played in Port Dalhousie. We only played one 12 end game. We actually got rained out on our rain date. This means that this was an extra game played because of some cancelled days.

It was decided to hand out prizes even though that is not how it is usually done. Normally the entrance fees paid would have been returned because only one game was completed.

Rose, Jean and Laura, had a loss

Heather Q, Fedora and Heather H, had a loss.

Elly, Pat R and Dinah won their game and placed 3rd.

The only thing left now, is the Frontier League AGM next week.



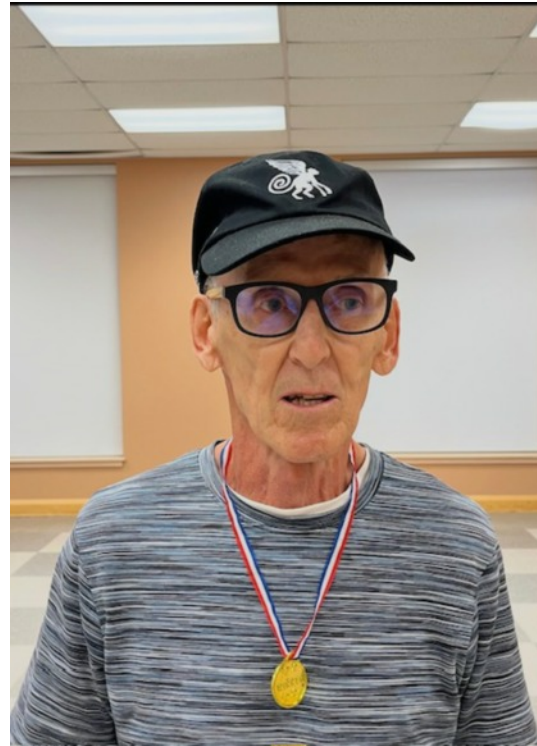
These pictures are of the actual team members. However, we often use spares and we want to say thank you for helping us out when we need it

Thanks to Elly Warren for this report and the pictures.

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September 2 Vic Klassen with 52 points



September 9 Edward Lounsbury with 45 points



September 16 Jenny Ley with 39 points



September 23 Denyse Lalande with 52 points

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

The John Twose Memorial Tournament

Donna Twose sponsored our September Tournament in memory of her late husband John.

John was a member of both the Short Mat Club and the Lawn Bowling Club. Despite the limitations due to Parkinson's disease he enjoyed bowling and always gave it his best effort. We miss having him with us.

Spider

Before play started we had a "Spider".

All the players form a circle with a jack at the centre. Everyone aims for the jack and releases their bowl at the same time. Mayhem ensues with bowls crashing into each other. Whoever has the bowl which ends up closest to the jack wins a prize. Our winner was Denyse Lalande.



Tournament Results



First Place with 3 wins:

Pat Rees, Donna Jansen, Pat Collard



Second Place :

Rose Connolly, Jean Baldauf, Joe Bradley



Third Place :

Dan Connolly, Paul McHoull, Angela Lynch



Last Game High :

Denyse Lalande, Dick Stoddart, Jenny Ley



Players in Game 1 on Lane 7. It was cloudy to start but a good day for bowling.

Thank you to Donna Twose for sponsoring the tournament and to Pat Rees and Rose Connolly for doing the draw and keeping score.

After the presentation of the prizes we enjoyed a sampling of different appetizers. Then we had a delicious dinner prepared by Carol and Doug Williams with pork rib roast, scalloped potatoes and peas followed by a selection of desserts. Thank you to the Social Committee and all who contributed in making this a very enjoyable event.

Men's League

FINAL SENIOR MEN'S LEAGUE STANDINGS AS OF Sept 17 2025 (BASED ON WL%)

TEAM NAME	WINS	LOSSES	TIES	POINTS	WL%	FOR	AGAINST	+/-
TEAM A GOOD	20	8	2	42	700	379	258	121
TEAM M HELOWKA	20	9	1	41	683	392	269	122
TEAM H MILLS	18	10	2	38	633	343	307	36
TEAM X POTTER	15	10	3	33	589	330	257	73
TEAM L MCKECHNIE	13	11	4	30	535	281	334	-53
TEAM K TURNBULL	15	14	1	31	516	334	332	2
TEAM J BIANCHIN	14	15	1	29	483	305	338	-33
TEAM N PARISI	11	17	0	22	392	266	312	-46
TEAM B WILLIAMS	8	17	3	19	339	264	343	-77
TEAM P LAPERE	9	19	2	20	333	297	351	-54
TEAM E MULDER	7	20	1	15	267	264	354	-90

THE FINAL WEEK OF GAMES SAW PLENTY OF EXCITEMENT

THE FEATURE GAME OF THE DAY WAS THE BATTLE FOR 1ST AS TEAM A GOOD AND TEAM M HELOWKA FACED OFF. TEAM A GOOD JUMPED OUT TO A 7-0 LEAD AFTER 3 BUT BY THE 8TH TEAM M HELOWKA WAS ON TOP 9-8. BY THE 10TH THE LEAD WAS 5 AT 13-8. LED BY THE SKIP TEAM A GOOD THEN HAD A 6 IN THE 11TH TO REGAIN THE LEAD AT 14-13. THE LAST END SAW TIGHT PLAY BUT TEAM A GOOD MANAGED A 1 TO WIN THE LEAGUE IN A WELL FOUGHT GAME. ON THE DAY THERE WAS THREE TWO GAME WINNERS.

TEAM H MILLS CAPTURED 3RD PLACE WITH 2 HARD FOUGHT WINS 10-8 AND 10-9 OVER THE BEAMSVILLE TEAMS. LOTS OF BACK ON THE TEAMS AS KEN COTE SHOWED GREAT ACCURACY.

TEAM J BIANCHIN HAD A DOUBLE WIN INCLUDING DEFEATING TEAM A GOOD 12-11 WITH A COME FROM BEHIND WIN.

TEAM N PARISI HAD 2 AS WELL TO FINISH 8TH ON THE YEAR.

ONE GAME WINNERS WERE, TEAM A GOOD, TEAM M HELOWKA, TEAM X POTTER AND TEAM P LAPERE.

TEAM L MCKECHNIE MOVED UP TO 5TH ON PCT. AS 535 BETTERED TEAM K TURNBULL AT 516

Thanks to Doug Williams for the report and for all his hard work in looking after the schedule for the Men's League and congratulations to Team Helowka for their excellent record!



There has been a Men's League in Niagara for many years. This schedule from 1937 lists many clubs that no longer exist,

The club in Niagara-on-the-Lake is listed as "Niagara"

kind they should be.

**NIAGARA FRONTIER L. B. A.
1937 SCHEDULE**

Niagara bowlers will be interested in the following schedule of the Frontier Association, the first event starting on Saturday of this week.

Sat., May 29—	Beamsville
Wed., June 2—	Welland
Sat., June 5—	Vineland
Wed., June 9—	Dunnville
Sat., June 12—	Pt. Colborne
Wed., June 16—	Pt. Dalhousie
Sat., June 19—	St. Catharines
Wed., June 23—	Buffalo
Sat., June 26—	Niagara
Thurs., July 1—	Nagara Falls
Sat., July 3—	Beamsville
Mon., July 5—	Pt. Colborne
Wed., July 7—	Welland
Sat., July 10—	Niagara Falls, N.Y.
Wed., July 14—	St. Catharines
Sat., July 17—	Buffalo
Wed., July 21—	Dunnville
Sat., July 24—	Pt. Dalhousie
Mon., July 26—	Inter., Buffalo
Wed., July 28—	Hamilton
Sat., July 31—	Thorold
Mon., Aug. 2—	Niagara
Wed., Aug. 4—	Grimsby
Sat., Aug. 7—	Grace, St. Cath.
Wed., Aug. 11—	Pt. Colborne
Sat., Aug. 14—	Vineland
Wed., Aug. 18—	Dunnville
Sat., Aug. 21—	Hyde Park
Wed., Aug. 25—	St. Catharines
Sat., Aug. 28—	N.S.T., St. Cath.
Wed., Sep. 1—	Buffalo
Mon., Sep. 6—	Grace, St. Cath.
Wed. Sep. 8—	Niagara
Sat., Sep. 11—	Grimsby
Wed., Sep. 15—	Pt. Colborne
Sat., Sep. 18—	Welland
Wed., Sep. 22—	Niagara Falls
Wed., Sep. 29—	Welland
Wed., Oct. 6—	Dunnville

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