

BETWEEN BOWLS

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How Old Do U Think I Am?

The oldest Canadian lawn bowling green is located in Nova Scotia. In 1730, the earliest record of bowls being played is in Nova Scotia when British soldiers brought their wooden bowls to Port Royal. In April 1734, officers at the garrison grounds in Annapolis Royal petitioned to have a small area turned into a bowling green. Their request was granted, and a piece of the governor's garden became the first bowling green in Canada.

Bowls were originally made from lignum vitae, a dense wood, leading to the term "woods" being used for bowls. Now they are made of a hard plastic composite material.

What's in a Name?

Get "Jack"ed for Life

The actual meaning of the word 'jack' is subject to some debate. Some say it means something which is cast or thrown, because of the Latin word 'jactus'. Others say it came to mean something small or inferior. Other, more colloquial names for the jack include the white, the kitty or the sweetie, the Cot in Federation Bowls (EBF), and, in the case of crown green bowls, the block.

Sale! 50% Off! Half Price!

It's August 1 and the RLBC Club memberships are offered at half price. If you know of someone who thought they might enjoy bowls, but didn't join this year, please reach out to them and let them know that they can bowl for the months of August, September and October (well, part of October) for half price.

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The New Bowls are In! Woot! Woot!

Pretty Pink Tantalizing Turquoise Ornate Orange
Ruby Red Groovy Green Passionate Purple
Beautiful Blue Nifty Navy Mellow Yellow

These were the word choices we heard you use to describe the 50+ sets of bowls that arrived at the clubhouse mid July. They came in all brands, biases, sizes, and of course, colors.

Our B Cubed players, our group bookings participants and our members are rolling pretty now. Make sure you try a set or two, and see which ones you think roll the best.

So what happened to all our old bowls? Well, Weyburn Short Mat, Estevan Short Mat and Regina Short Mat use some during the winter. We donated a few sets to Waskesiu for their new green. And the rest? Well, some are on the bowls shelves and others are in storage.

Sports, Recreation and Fitness

Bowling

Club

Gold

Golden Mile Bowling Lanes

Silver

Nortown Bowling Lanes

Bronze

Golden Mile Centre

Top Pick

Bolorama Lanes Ltd

We Won

We Won

We Won

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CommunityVotes Regina

Congratulations Regina Lawn Bowling Club! You won!

The CommunityVotes Regina 2021 Campaign is now complete!

This year's campaign hosted thousands of nominations and votes cast by members of your community. An astounding 2,886 businesses and people were nominated, but only the top 10 nominees in each category moved on to voting.

And the results are in! Congratulations, you won...

- *Platinum* in the *Bowling* category

We did it! Thanks to you, your family and friends, colleagues, associates, members, and bowlers

**Regina Lawn Bowling Club
is the winner of the
Community Votes Regina – 2021!
Contest ~ Bowling Category**

Way to go!

<https://regina.communityvotes.com/2021/02/sports-recreation-and-fitness/bowling>

Kitchen Inspection – We Passed!

We had the Safety Kitchen Inspector Guy (I think his name was Inspector Gadget) come and see if the RLBC Kitchen could be open for business. We passed with flying colours and got a Grade A report! Thank to Judy Whiting for cleaning up and getting the kitchen ready. Thanks to Heather Hanoski for cleaning the clubhouse - ready for inspection.

RLBC is Back to Normal Whatever that means????

On July 11, when the Government's Covid restrictions were lifted, we were officially back to normal. So what does that mean?

Well, we no longer have to sign-in when we arrive or sign-out when we leave. But Chris is sad and lonely so don't forget to say Hi when you see him. It also means that we don't have to sanitize our equipment. However, if you get the urge to clean well, be our guest. We can use the rakes, jacks, and lockers oh, yeah, that was always in place this year.

At the beginning of the year, some members took bowls, jacks and mats home – just to be safe. Now that the restrictions are lifted, it's time to bring all that stuff back to the RLBC. So please check your house, the trunk of your car, your locker or any other place where you might be storing equipment and bring back any bowls, jacks, mats, score card boards or anything else, the next time you're at the club.

Thank you!

Join us at the Regina Lawn Bowling Club to watch the Provincial Playdowns

Men's & Women's Pairs – August 21

Mixed Pairs – August 22

You miss 100% of the shots you don't take. Isn't that the truth! Beautifully colored shirts brightened Greens A & B & C in July while HUGE crowds watched the South Zone Play Downs. Interesting matches and great competition.

The Women's pairs teams played a complete round robin – 6 games in total. The Men's pairs teams were divided into pools and not only did they have to place top two in their pool, but they also had to compete in a sudden-death playoff.

In the Mixed Pairs, we had two pools of 5, so each team played 4 games and each team received 1 bye. Games were competitive and there were some great drive and draw shots.

We wish our South Zone Teams the best of luck as they take on the North Zone Teams in what is bound to be very exciting matches!

These Provincial Games will be played in Regina and they will take place in one day. And, the tension builds!

Mixed Pairs

The **SOUTH ZONE** is represented by

Carter Watson & Jordan Kos
Jonathan Pituley & Harriette Pituley

Men's Pairs & Women's Pairs

The **SOUTH ZONE** is represented by

Jean Roney & Jordan Kos
Heather Hanoski & Anita Nivala

Carter Watson & Brandon Watson
Keith Roney & Bryon McMillan

GO SOUTH!!!

Competitive 3s

One last game in the Competitive 3s is scheduled for early August and then the standings will be final and the top two teams will be anxious to attend the Fall Windup to collect their Gold and Silver pins. Here's an synopsis from our very own Chris Reimer

“The **Wat-Schlot-Schlunkers** took advantage of **The Rokahani Girls** slip up to take sole possession of 1st. **DAZ** sits in 3rd after their victory over **The Rokahani Girls**, and the remaining three teams are tied for 4th with one win a piece (**Draw N To It** has -13 +/-, **Bippity Boppity Bowls** sits at -23, and **Wrecking Crew** at -27).

So going into the final round, **Wat-Schlot-Schlunkers** will claim the title as long as they do not lose to **The Rokahani Girls**. **The Rokahani Girls** can still claim the top spot with a win by 6 points or more, however a win by 5 or less leaves the **Wat-Schlot-Schlunkers** ahead on +/-.

DAZ takes on **Draw N To It** with the inside track to the final podium spot (they could in theory end up in a tie for 2nd with **The Rokahani Girls** if they lose by 10 and **DAZ** wins by 10, but that appears unlikely). **DAZ** will claim 3rd place by any result unless **Draw N To It** beats them by 9 or more, in which case **Draw N To It** will take the bronze.

Lastly (but not the leastly), **Bippity Boppity Bowls** face off against **Wrecking Crew** looking to end on a strong note. **Bippity Boppity Bowls** could finish in 4th place if they win and **Draw N To It** loses, otherwise a win over **Wrecking Crew** would be enough to avoid the dreaded last place spot. For **Wrecking Crew**, a win and loss by **Draw N To It** would propel them into 4th, while a win over **Bippity Boppity Bowls** would guarantee a top-5 finish.

Lots to play for on the final day as final rankings are up for grabs!”

Lawn Bowls in the Olympics? Whaaaaaat?

There is a petition started to include lawn bowls in the 2032 Olympics. Wouldn't that be great? If you would like to sign the petition – just follow the link below, and add your name.

<http://rollupbowls.com.au/2021/07/22/can-lawn-bowls-become-an-olympic-sport/>

Let's Give'em Somethin' To Talk About!

J ~ K ~ L Jean ~ Karen ~ Lois

Jean Roney was welcomed onto the RLBC's Wall of Fame. Her plaque has been hung in the lower level of the clubhouse along with all other inductees. This is the RLBC's most prestigious recognition. To see all of Jean's accomplishments, please read the plaque. Remember, space on the plaque was limited and not all of Jean's contributions and accomplishments could be included. Jean has contributed greatly to the sport of bowls for a very long time and has been a valuable member of the RLBC Board, Bowls Sask Board, and Bowls Canada.



Karen Schlotter & Lois Kos were the RLBC's Award of Merit recipients for 2020.



Karen's and Lois' volunteer commitments, their work on the RLBC board, their contribution to promote the RLBC, and their dedication to the club were recognized on July 1st. Looks like Doug really pulled off a bombshell. These ladies are super-sleuths, and both were totally

surprised. Nailed it! In the words of Karen and Lois, *"This is the only way we're going to get a jacket"*. Not true, but now the pressure's off!

To top it all off, all three ladies won their July 1 games! It just doesn't get better than that!



CONGRATULATIONS!



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Thursday evenings at the Regina Lawn Bowling Club is drawing a huge crowd. B Cubed, or B3 went operational after restrictions were lifted with about 9 days' notice. Twelve teams and 52 members later, B Cubed was off and rolling.

The 2021 Song of the Summer is "Love Shack" by the B52s, and when the Song of the Summer plays, beverage tickets sell for a reduced price and the volunteers gear up because they know they will be busy for the next 4 minutes and 18 seconds! The toonie dogs are a huge hit and the league has excellent sponsors including Ripplinger Financial, Tommy's Speakeatery and District Brewing, which support the league and offer excellent specials.

An honourable mention went to the fantastic team of volunteers who work tirelessly year round; specifically during these eight Thursdays. One B Cuber says that the best thing about the league is the people who run it ... and of course the great game of bowls!

Final
B Cubed
Game

August 5.

Come to the club, enjoy a beverage and a hot dog, and watch the bowling.

Final
Competitive 3s
Game

August 3.

Come to the club, and watch the game – cheer for your favorite team!

B Cubed - 2021

One more game for the B Cubed players in early August and then the league will be wound-down for the 2021 season. We don't know who the winning team is yet – lots can change next week – but we do know that B Cubed was a winner. The players were awesome and really enjoyed themselves. Many players said they are looking forward to next season already – and some even said that they had spoken so much about B Cubed to their friends that we may see more teams entered next year. The league was successful on so many levels.

Here's a recap:

- **THE GAME.** Who doesn't LOVE lawn bowls. A chance to play with your buds and enjoy a night of sociability while getting in some good exercise.
- **THE ATMOSPHERE.** Our beautiful park setting; gorgeous trees, flowers and greenery; and our inviting clubhouse scream relaxation.
- **THE NEW BOWLS.** B Cubed members anxiously awaited the arrival of the colored bowls and they weren't disappointed. One player said – now we can tell which bowls belong to our team!
- **FOOD.** Hotdogs. A Harvest hotdog hugged by a Dempster bun . . . yummm! Of course, the snacki-snacks from our snack cart were a great accompaniment.
- **BOOZE.** A brewski, glass-o-wine, or a cooler ~ your choice. Lots of recycling!
- **75 JIVE.** A popular twist on 50/50 tickets.
- **RAFFLE PRIZES.** Many winners took home a door prize each Thursday night.
- **THE TOWEL.** Each B Cubed player (and each volunteer) received a B Cubed towel. They are awesome!
- **SPONSORS.** Our sponsors were amazing. Our relationship with District Brewing allowed us to serve beer at a very good price. Ripplinger Financial Corp sponsored the Booze Basket once again this year which has become a very popular tradition of B Cubed. Tommy's Speakeatery provided prizes for the winners and offered happy hour prices and free nachos every Thursday evening after the games. We can't forget Access Communications, CAA, South Zone Recreation Board, Summer Bash and our very own RLBC members who sponsored the weekly door prizes.
- **VOLUNTEERS.** What can we say about the volunteers. Words cannot describe how much your commitment to B Cubed means. We simply cannot do it without you! We have to mention the Co-Chairs, Brandon Watson and Carter Watson, who put this all together. Janet Watson is the B Cubed secretary and direct liaison with the players. Janet is joined by Jordan Kos at the front gate as they greet the members and, during Covid times, ensured that all necessary paperwork was completed. Brandon and Lois Kos were busy at the BBQ getting hotdogs ready for sale. Anita Nivala joined Jordan at the B Cubed Headquarters selling the food and beverage tickets (white tickets for booze, pink tickets for hotdogs), raffle tickets, and 75 Jive. When Doug Normand wasn't at the Headquarters, he was on the green with Janet measuring close shots and coaching. Our Beer Bros and Babes – Darrell Hanoski, Heather Hanoski, Janice Robson, and Carter Watson kept the bebies cool ~ they were especially busy during the Song of the Summer! Carter was tracking the revenue and expenses, and each week we knew the financial picture. Chris was the "Jack" (pardon the pun) of all trades. Chris did so much of the setup, getting the rinks and bowls ready for the members, running back and forth with more food and beverages, and he had to sub in a couple of times when teams were short players. And every Friday morning Chris was busy with all the bowls cleanup .

AS THE B CUBED SEASON WINDS DOWN, THE B CUBED COMMITTEE WILL TAKE A SHORT BREAK AND THEN THEY'LL BE AT THE PLANNING TABLE AGAIN, ORGANIZING THE 2022 LEAGUE. THEY ALREADY HAVE SEVERAL IDEAS WHICH WILL MAKE NEXT YEAR'S SEASON EVEN FUNNER. THANK YOU TO THE RLBC MEMBERS FOR BEING SO SUPPORTIVE OF B CUBED.

