

BETWEEN BOWLS

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Important Dates – Mark your Calendar

Wednesday, January 3, 2024, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm.

Cathedral Short Mat – Taste Testing Gala (aka Open House). Join us as we start the new year playing short mat and give it a try. January 3 is complimentary. If you like it, then you can join and participate for the rest of the indoor season. Cost: \$100 for a Full Membership | or | \$15.00 to join and \$7.00 each drop in. See you on the mat! Oh, and the location is the upper level of the RLBC Clubhouse – enter through the west door.

RLBC Policies apply

Saturday, June 1, 2024. National Bowls Day. “A great opportunity for clubs to raise their profile within their community and attract new participants to the sport!” *Bowls Canada*. What does the RLBC have in store this year?

Bowls Tips & Tricks with Kitty

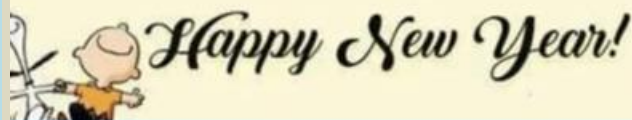
When your skip yells “great weight” they are not referring to the extra pounds you gained over the Christmas Holidays.



Follow me for more bowls tips

New Year's Wishes for YOU

12 months of **Happiness**
52 weeks of **Laughter**
365 days of **Success**
8,760 hours of **Good Health**
525600 minutes **Blessings**
and....
31,536,000 seconds of **Joy**



So how many sleeps until the outdoor season starts at the RLBC? Well, probably 132 but who's counting.

What's returning this season?

Scheduled Draw (aka Guaranteed Draw)

B Cubed

Bowl Me Over League

Competitive 3s

Club Tournaments

What's new this season?

Pile O'Bowls Open (POBO)

B Cubed Encore

A N D

Lots of exciting events are planned and once we have Board approval to proceed, big announcements will be made. Stay tuned. It's going to be another great season at the RLBC.

Cathedral Short Mat 3rd Annual Tournament

Live Streamed

Date: February 2, 2024
Time: 6:30 pm

Cost: Full Time Members – Free
Part Time Members - \$7.00
1st Time Members - \$15.00

Register by: January 19, 2024

Location: Regina Lawn Bowling Club – Upper Level
Enter via the west deck

We might play pairs. We might play triples. We might play fours – but probably not. Discipline will be determined based on the number of participants.

The live stream link will appear in the February edition of the Between Bowls Newsletter.

Members register as singles and then the Random Team Generator puts the teams together.

Teams are announced on or about January 19, probably January 20th or 21st.

Once the Teams are formed, they will be given a Team Name.

Teams are asked to dress similarly – you know matching shirts.

Space is limited so if you are interested, please hurry and register.

Contact us: rlbc.sk@outlook.com | cathedralshortmat@outlook.com

Brewin' with the Board

The RLBC Board of Directors will meet this month (end of January) to start getting organized for the 2024 season. Just because the Board hasn't met in a couple of months doesn't mean the Directors aren't working hard for you. Lots of ideas are being communicated and will be finalized at the end of the month. More to report in February.



What do you call a broken lock? Un-locky!

Just in case you missed the email

The City of Regina has come up with a new idea for the locks on our gates. City personnel reinstalled a chain (remember the good old days when the front gate had a chain?), actually two chains connected together by two locks. The two locks on the front gate are - ours (RLBC) and theirs (City of Regina). To gain access, open our lock. When City personnel need access, they will open their lock.

Don't get the locks mixed up . . . our lock is the one that fits the RLBC key.



B Cubed Expansion

Well, registration began in November for B Cubed teams who had played in the league last season. Now, effective January 1, teams on the waitlist will be offered spots and after January 15, registration will be open to everyone.

What the good news is our Greens Keeper informed us that there will room for 4 rinks on Green D next season – that means we can offer spots to 8 more teams. Best news ever!

And, for those teams who still don't have a spot (yes, B Cubed IS that popular), we have the Bowl Me Over League during the summer and B Cubed Encore in September. So lots options for teams to participate in the great fun we always have at the RLBC.

Oh, right – how many B Cubed teams are registered so far? Just about full!

In case you were having a hard time doing the math

B Cubed	56 teams max	Greens A, B, C, D
B Cubed Encore	32 teams max	Greens A, B
Bowl Me Over	24 teams max	Green C, D

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Bowl Me Over League

The Bowl Me Over League is played on Monday evenings and is open to RLBC full members free of charge, and non-RLBC full members for \$100.00 / player.

Enter a team of 3 or 4 players. Give yourself a team name. Register now to secure your spot. We have room for 24 teams only.

Send us an email – rlbc.sk@outlook.com

Tell us you'd like one spot reserved, and provide us with the following information:

Name | Address | Phone Number | Email Addressfor your team and team mates.



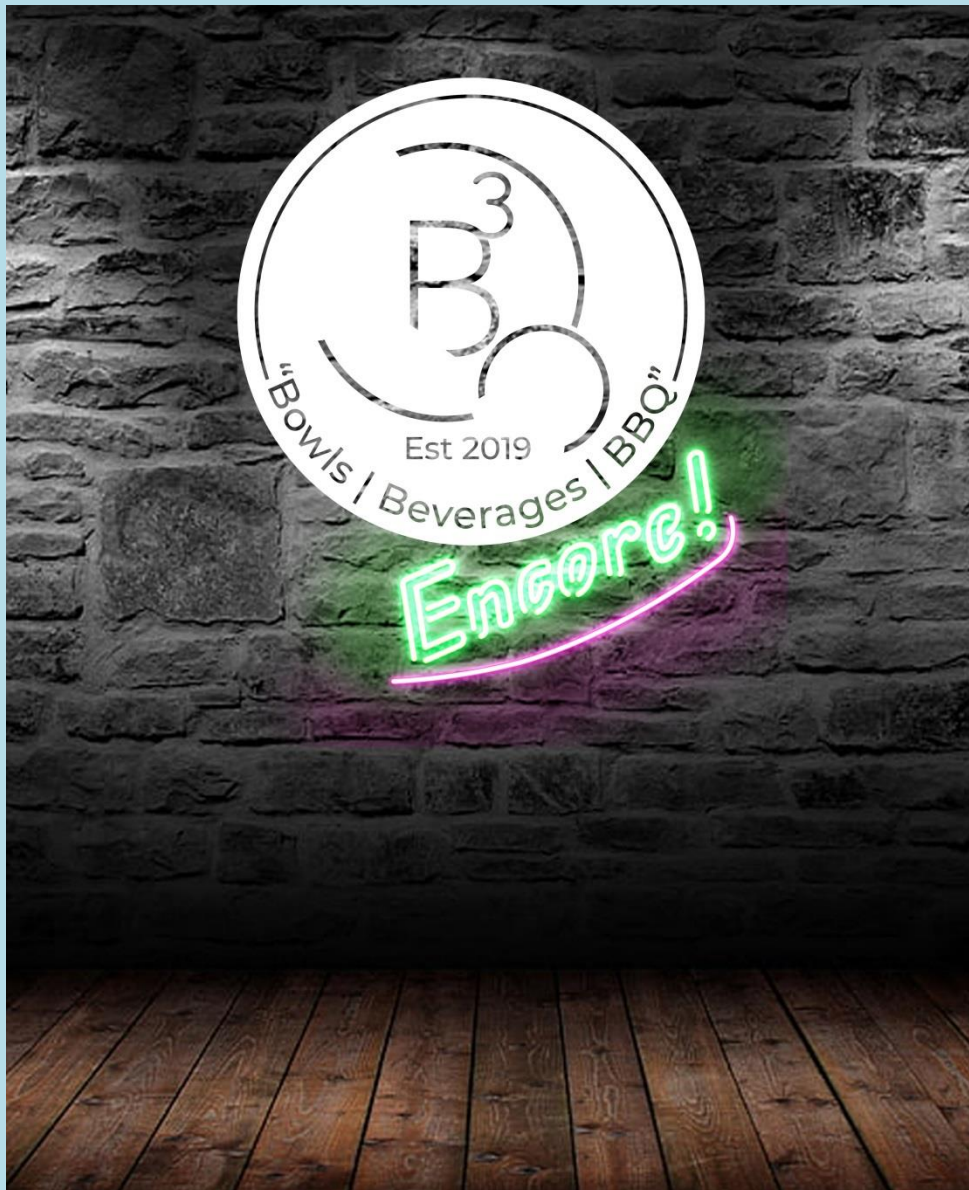
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B Cubed Encore

B Cubed Encore is a 4 week league played every Thursday in September that provides an opportunity to experience the magic at the RLBC for teams who wanted to play in B Cubed, but did not secure a spot. B Cubed Encore teams will mosey up to the Backyard Escapes Bar, enjoy all the fixin's at the Hot Dog bar, purchase some snacks or non-alcoholic beverages, groove to the best music playlist around, and experience bowls at its funnest.

Registration for B Cubed Encore will take place as soon as B Cubed is sold out – so, like, in about 5 minutes. We have room for 32 teams only.

If you know of a team who might enjoy B Cubed Encore . . . please pass on the info or have them contact us directly – rlbc.sk@outlook.com.



POBO

Pile O'Bowls Open

We received our first registration in November, 2023 and more registrations are starting to come in. You'll want to secure your spot. We have room for 48 teams max. The stakes are high but so is the payout. \$200 / person or \$800 / team. The top 4 placed teams will split 75% of the total bounty with 25% going to the RLBC. Teams are guaranteed 9 games (blind draw) over 3 days with more games played on Day 4 if your team makes top 8.

There will be food.

There will be booze.

There will be music.

There will be prizes.

There will be cash.

There will be bowls.

There will be fun.



Register today. Send us an email – pileobowlsopen@outlook.com

Or – visit the website and register on line - <https://www.reginalawnbowlingclub.ca/pobo.html>

Sign up for the POBO Telegram - to receive information about all things POBO – sent right to your inbox <https://mailchi.mp/01e05bbea352/pobo-telegram-signup>

Event information can be found here - <https://www.reginalawnbowlingclub.ca/pobo.html>

And, don't forget to follow us on Facebook. Just search for Pile O'Bowls Open – it looks like this:



What are you waiting for?

POBO – We can bed down here for the night here

The POBO Gang swung a deal with the **Ramada Plaza by Wyndham** Downtown Regina. It's such a great deal.

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www.ramadaregina.ca

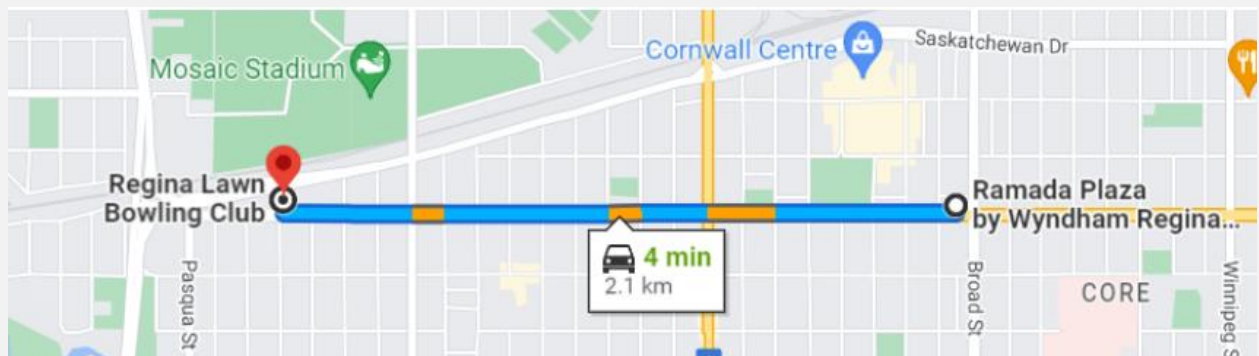
Posse's can register for discounted room rates offered from July 31 – August 5, 2024.

The special rate secured at the Ramada Plaza by Wyndham is \$127.00 Single or Double Queens with 2 breakfasts daily/room. It's a full, hot breakfast served in the Atrium Restaurant. Yummy. Grub served at 6:00 am.

Here's some other stuff:

- 4 minute drive from the Regina Lawn Bowling Club. That's via car, not horse and buggy.
- Extreme high-speed wireless internet, recently upgraded (just for this event?).
- Secure key access to guest floors.
- Secure heated underground parking. Probably a charge for that!
- Oasis Resort featuring a pool, hot tub and a fully equipped Fitness Centre.
- Atrium Restaurant, Fibber Magee's Pub and the newly renovated Kookie's Lounge.
- Complimentary Laundry area for guest use. Dry cleaning service may be arranged.
- Mini fridge, microwave and coffee maker in each room plus room service available.
- Wyndham Rewards program - <https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/en-ca/wyndham-rewards> !
- Your best rest brought to you by Beautyrest. So no sleeping bags.
- 4 Key environmental rating.
- 14 meeting rooms equaling 13000 sq ft.
- Access to shopping, dining and entertainment.

Book now to guarantee the special rate!



Cathedral Short Mat

Friday nights just can't get any better than this! Friday Nights at Cathedral Short Mat – what an awesome concept. And it's happening.

With the league well under way, over a dozen members are rolling bowls, singing and dancing to Brandon's boom box, and enjoying the complimentary hot beverages. The Backyard Escapes Bar is open for service – and the 'delicious coffee creamer' is a popular drink!

Looking forward to the 3rd Cathedral Short Mat tourney which will be lived streamed again this year.

Now, we all wonder . . . will the infamous team generator continue to match Carter and Kevin as teammates this season. We are on a roll . . . matched 63 times already (or something like that).

For more information about Friday Night Cathedral Short Mat – drop us a line

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We've Been Framed!

Next time you are at the clubhouse, take a look at our wall gallery of historic pictures. The 110th Anniversary picture has been printed and framed and hung. Another black and white historic print has also been restored, framed and hung. Thanks to Scott Watson for taking the 110 pictures and to Janet Watson and Brandon Watson for getting the pictures framed and hung.

Best Regina Recreational Sport League As voted by Regina Residents!

Wow! Double Wow! Triple Wow!

Imagine our surprise when we were contacted by Sherry McCormick from the Prairie Dog Magazine and learned that the 2023 Reader's Poll voted the Regina Lawn Bowling Club the Best Regina Recreational Sport League EVER.

A celebration by Prairie Dog appeared in a special *Best of Sport/League* issue that was published on December 14. The RLBC was mentioned alongside the category in which we won.

Sorry we couldn't break the news sooner. We were sworn to secrecy.

The *Best of Regina* edition is one of the most popular and anticipated publications of the year. And, now we can use this most prestigious designation to promote the Regina Lawn Bowling Club year round.

Not only that . . . but we can use the *Best of Regina Winner* logo. Watch for the logo to appear on our website, social media promotions and other advertising purposes.

The Regina Lawn Bowling Club thanks the Prairie Dog readers for casting their votes for our club.

Now, the query is . . . did we win for . . . B Cubed? Bowl Me Over? Guaranteed Draws? Friday Night Jitney? Club Tournaments? Group Bookings? Or for our club's overall awesomeness?
HmMMMMMMMM.

Best Regina Recreational Sport/League

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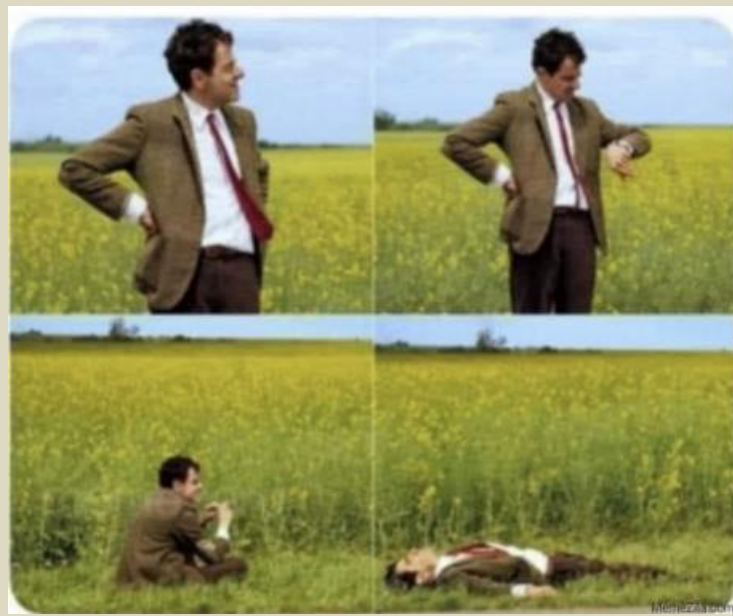
2nd: Regina Slopitch

3rd: Regina Disc Golf
Association

<https://prairiedogmag.com/best-of-regina/>

More Bowls ~ No Lids Required

Quick. . . update the bowls inventory. We have 3 more sets of bowls acquired by Cathedral Short Mat over the winter. One set is brand new and it's a pretty blue color. Size 00. The other two sets are gently used, black bowls with red trim. Both size 0. We are adding smaller sizes to our bowls inventory. Thanks to everyone at Cathedral Short Mat who brought in three more sets of bowls.



Me. . . . waiting for outdoor bowls season to start.

Cathedral Short Mat – Taste Testing Gala

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Ever wondered what it's like to play short mat? Well, now's your chance.

Members of the Cathedral Short Mat crew will be on site to show you everything you wanted to know about short mat . . but were afraid to ask.

Try Short Mat compliments of the Cathedral Short Mat crew. Enjoy a fresh mug of cocoa, steaming hot coffee, or a cuppa steeped tea.

If you like it, then you can join and participate for the rest of the indoor season. Cost: \$100 for a Full Membership | or | \$15.00 to join and \$7.00 each drop in.

See you on the mat!

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2023 Canadian Youth Nationals

Remember back last July when the RLBC hosted the 2023 Canadian Youth Nationals? Well, all the revenue has been collected, all expenses have been paid, all grants have been obtained, all banking stuff has been accounted for. The RLBC is proud to announce that we have a net profit of \$5,738.41. Thanks to the Host Organizing Committee for all your hard work which made the 2023 Canadian Youth Nationals a huge success.



Seeing Double

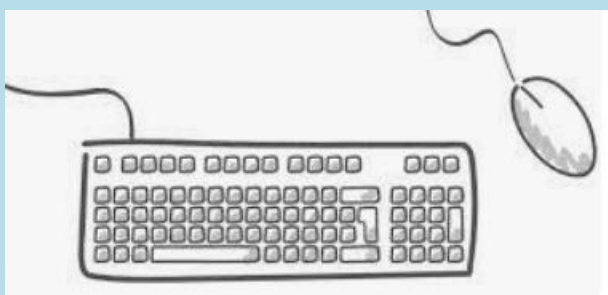
Next time you're at the club, you might find something new on the office desk. We have two monitors which will definitely help the Bowls Co-ordinator and the RLBC Board navigate all the documents and emails on the computer.

Many thanks to John Whiting for his most generous donation of the additional monitor and to Brandon Watson for setting it up and making it work with our current system.



MOUSE at the Club? The KEY is for the BOARD to handle it!

Did you figure out the cryptic message? Well, the RLBC invested in a new mouse and keyboard for the office computer. With the new office equipment, we should be ready to go this spring!



*I just got fired from my job at the keyboard factory.
They told me I wasn't putting in enough shifts.*

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sponsors for their continued support.

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