

# NEWSLETTER



March 2016

We know that bowling is just around the corner when we see the signs of spring all around. Daffodils have been blooming in some gardens since January, even before the snowdrops came out in my garden, and the cherry blossoms are popping out all over town. Hellebores are quietly adding colour to secluded areas and the Indian plum is in full glory in the countryside. So it's almost time to check the bottom of our bowls bags and – oops – wash the towels, shake out the crumbs and find that elusive chalk that you just *knew* was somewhere in there. Only a few weeks more and you will be able to use it again!

*Annie*

## **NEWSFLASH from Washington State**

Recently Washington State passed two new laws, one legalizing marijuana and the other legalizing gay marriage. These two laws have a perfect Biblical precedent because it says in Leviticus, "If a man lie down with another man, they shall both be stoned."

Apparently we just hadn't interpreted it correctly in the past!

Did you think that was going to be about the sewers?!

## COACH'S CORNER

### PLANNED TRAINING SCHEDULE FOR 2016

#### Gordon Head Lawn Bowling Club

##### Daytime Classes:

Lesson #1	Monday	April 11, 1 – 3 pm
Lesson #2	Wednesday	April 13, 1 – 3 pm
Lesson #3	Friday	April 13, 1 – 3 pm
Lesson #4	Monday	April 18, 1 – 3 pm
Lesson #5	Wednesday	April, 20, 1 – 3 pm
Lesson #6	Friday	April, 22, 1 – 3 pm

##### Evening Classes

Lesson #1	Monday	April 18, 7 – 9 pm
Lesson #2	Tuesday	April 19, 7 – 9 pm
Lesson #3	Thursday	April 21, 7 – 9 pm
Lesson #4`	Monday	April 25, 7 – 9 pm
Lesson #5	Tuesday	April 26, 7 – 9 pm
Lesson #6	Thursday	April 28, 7 – 9 pm

Wear flat-soled shoes if possible otherwise wear running shoes and we will tape the bottoms. Classes are held rain or shine.

*Floyd*

Two political opponents were having a debate.

“There are many ways of making money”, said the first, “but there is only one honest way.”

“And what is that?” asked the second.

“I had a feeling you wouldn’t know”, said the first.

*Thank you, Floyd!*

## **JUNIOR PROGRAM**

Junior Training for all juniors, old and new, will start on April 13. \$15.

Training times are at 4 pm for one hour:

Wednesdays        April 13, 20 & 27

Fridays             April 15, 22, & 29

We might add in a session on Saturday mornings at 9:30 if there is interest.

## **FIRST-AID COURSE**

The First-Aid course has several participants signed up but there is still room for anyone who is interested. The more people we have, the lower the cost. Right now there are 8 people signed up and the cost is \$50 pp. If we have 12 people signed up the cost will be \$40 pp.

The course is “**Basic First-Aid with CPR “A”**” and it is an interactive 4-hour session. The following is a brief explanation of what is involved.

*The course includes prevention, recognition and treatment of heart-attack, angina and stroke. Candidates will also learn emergency scene management, recognition and treatment for conscious and unconscious choking emergencies, CPR Level “A” for adults and children as well as the use of an Automated External Defibrillator. This is a hands-on course so there is no exam. Canadian Red Cross certification is valid for three (3) years. As mentioned, we will also do a Phillips onsite AED orientation.*

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## ACCESS TO THE CLUB

There has been some feedback from members regarding access to the Club. If you recall, there is a motion tabled to be debated at the SAGM to provide a key to the Clubhouse to any member requesting one. The motion was amended to include looking into a keypad entry. While all the information was available at the AGM it was not discussed. The cost of a keypad entry would be between \$800+ and \$1000+. A few members have also brought up the idea of having a carded entry which would record who entered the club and at what time, etc. This is a very expensive option and would require a new bar to be installed on the door. The keypad entry would work with the existing bar.

Most of the response to this issue has been that members would prefer to maintain the present system as it is. Mary Howarth made the point that the Club is in a vulnerable area, next to a school, with students passing by all the time. "They love to play on this type of entry, we know as we have seen this happen often." If they happened to get the right code we would be in trouble.

## KETTLES

There are two new electric kettles in the kitchen which are adequate for making tea for winter activities. However, we do have two large ones ordered which will be better for making tea for a large number of bowlers. The old kettles were completely rusted inside and therefore a health hazard.



"Do you get the feeling we're being watched?"

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**OPEN HOUSE**      **Sunday, April 3**    **2 – 4 pm**

**SAGM**              **Sunday, April 17**   **2 pm**

**NOVICE TRAINING** starts April 11



THE 4 UPS IN BOWLS.

SKIPS MUST BE UP  
THIRDS MUST MEASURE UP  
SECONDS MUST CHALK UP  
LEADS MUST SHUT UP



**HAPPY BOWLING!**

