

The Elm Park Jack Newsletter – Sorry, Late Start Edition



Kerrisdale fielded five teams for the Wednesday Evening Triples League. Well done!

Can't thank you enough

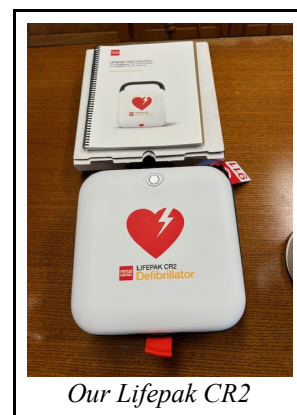
Kerrisdale is so very lucky to have such wonderful members as Brittany and Matt Stansfield.

The club was recently gifted by the two third-year bowlers with a donation of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) that will bring life-saving support to any of our members and/or guests, who may suffer a heart condition while at the Elm Park green.

Thank you Matt and Brittany for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

An AED is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. It's a sophisticated, yet easy-to-use, medical device that can analyze the heart's rhythm and, if necessary, deliver an electrical shock, or defibrillation, to help the heart re-establish an effective rhythm.

The life-saving device can now be found on the executive's desk in the clubhouse



Our Lifepak CR2

"While many members contribute to the club with donations of service and time, the donation of this life-saving device will potentially benefit club members and visitors for a very long time," said KLBC president Peter Lee. "KLBC has many generous members and the Stansfields (Matt & Brittany), with their social and financial contributions, are an important part of that group."

Please everyone find the time to thank the Stansfields, in person, when you see them next.

May we never have to use it but we're so very thankful that we have it.

In a league of their own



Last year's single entry

Kerrisdale is making a name for itself in Granville Park's Wednesday Evening Triples League.

After two weeks of qualifying, Kerrisdale placed four of its five representative teams among the top-12 teams in the A group in the five-week league designed for the new and intermediate bowler.

With just two weeks left to play, Kerrisdale teams have recorded a total of 10 wins against just five defeats, with three of its A teams all on the upswing with 1-0 records. Kerrisdale's B team is also at 1-0.

The newer bowlers participating in this year's Wednesday triples are: Kathy Kerr, Kristina Grant, Durell Bennett, Nancy Chalmers, Jane and Marty Allen, Debra Golabek, Alan Tallman, Ernest Chin, Kate Pelletier, and Matt and Brittany Stansfield.

Thanks also to the skips David Goddard, Dianne Petrant, Peter Lee, Suphin Nakutnok and Tom Berridge for rounding out the experienced/novice format.

Granville Park Lawn Bowling Club, located on Fir Street and 14th Avenue in Vancouver, is the host of this unique five-week evening league that caters to all new bowlers in the Vancouver & District catchment area.

Bronze medal for Kerrisdale

Kerrisdale club bowlers won a bronze medal at the recent Bowls BC provincial men's fours championship in North Vancouver.

Associate member George Sit skipped the side to a winning record of 5-2 in the three-day, double-knockout tournament played on North Van's artificial green, June 21 to 23.

Associate members Richard Poon and David Poon played lead and second, respectively, while Tom Berridge was vice.

The club foursome lost its second game of the tournament on the opening day and had to survive through the loser's bracket, playing in every subsequent draw and winning four straight 16-end games, to earn a spot in the eventual top-3 on the third and final playoff day.



The boys in bronze

Sit and company lost out to the eventual runner-up to claim the bronze medal.

Membership keeps growing

We are halfway through the outdoor season and Kerrisdale's club membership is inching closer to the 100-member mark.

To date, 93 members have paid their 2024 club dues, including 30 associate members, mostly from Richmond.

A big welcome to all the Richmond bowlers. We are very happy you chose to come to Kerrisdale, while your new clubhouse is being built.

As well, there are approximately 25 individuals from last year, who have not renewed.

A reflection of the growing membership was evident at last week's Canada Day celebration.

Forty bowlers came out to enjoy an afternoon of bowls and partake in a delicious hamburger and sausage barbecue afterwards.

Thank you to all the volunteers involved in putting on the spread.



Kerrisdale is growing

Top-10 Down



The scores don't lie

Kerrisdale failed to advance in the Vancouver and District Top-10 mixed knockout competition.

Last year's Top-10 champion Richmond Firebird took all four matches, winning the singles, mixed pairs, mixed triples and mixed fours at Elm Park on June 28.

Team captain John Aveline gave a good account of himself against Richmond's Kin On Lau, dropping a 21-17 decision.

David Goddard and Belle Chan also threw a scare at the defending champs, losing a tight 20-17 scoreline in the pairs.

But Richmond showed the depth of their club easily taking both the triples and fours by comfortable margins after game-shortened 16-end matches.

So Long, President's Cup

The President's Cup has found a new home for 2024.

The Kerrisdale executive gave it the old college try but in the end relinquished its hold on the annual trophy to North Vancouver at the all-day tournament at Granville Park on June 12.

The event is open to V&D bowling club board members only

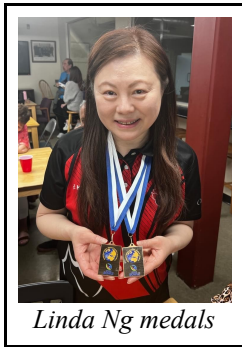


Our President's Cup team

as a means of thanking those individuals who volunteer their time and energy to support the sport of bowls at the club level.

Thank you president Peter Lee and board members Debra Golabek, Rosemary Cryer and John Aveline for taking part in this year's 13th annual President's Cup tournament.

Local bowler medals at Worlds



Linda Ng medals

Former Kerrisdale club associate member Linda Ng pulled off a feat for the Bronze Age.

The current Canadian women's indoor singles champion came home from the World Indoor Championships in Guernsey back in April with a pair of third-place medals in the women's singles and mixed pairs.

Ng has tooled her craft for many years at the Pacific Indoor Bowls Club near Queen Elizabeth Park.

She also skipped a Richmond team to first place at last year's Norine Armstrong women's triples.

Well done Linda.

Odds and Ends

Anyone interested in purchasing a Kerrisdale club top?

You can do so now by putting your name down on a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse.

The cost is \$56, including tax. See photo (right) of Kerrisdale's club shirt.

That club shirt would look good when you are out on the green representing your bowls club at an inter-club tournament.

It would also stand out when Kerrisdale rekindles its annual friendly rivalry with Dunbar LBC later in the month.



Club whites



Whiskey Bowl 2019

The tentative date for that annual Whiskey Bowl competition is Wednesday, July 31.

All male club members are welcome to sign up regardless of your ability or experience.

Details have yet to be worked out as to the format.

Last year's competition was cancelled due to the unavailability of appropriate dates.

Also coming up later this month is the Kerrisdale club mixed triples competition.

This event gets underway on Friday, July 26 at 6:30 pm and then runs all day Saturday, beginning at 10 am.

Interested bowlers can also register for this competition on a sign-up sheet located in the

clubhouse.

Note: Bowlers will register for this event as individuals, with a team selection by a random draw to follow on the opening day of the competition.

Happy at the Hyack



One happy family

It was a family affair for two Kerrisdale LBC members at the Hyack Mixed Triples tournament in New Westminster.

Suphin Nakutnok and Tom Berridge opened up the outdoor season in late May with a big payday, teaming up with Tom's younger brother Rob from Stanley Park to claim second place overall in the two-day, 30-team competition.

The Berridge family qualified to the A group with a 3-0-1 opening day record on the Saturday.

On the following Sunday, rain delayed the start for three hours before play resumed with three shortened 8-end games.

The Berridge's ended play on Sunday with a 2-1 record. Their only loss to the eventual first-place finishing team.

One Bowler's Opinion

From an onlooker's perspective, it is very encouraging to see a growing number of new Kerrisdale bowlers exploring the competitive side of the sport of lawn bowling.

The wonderful showing we received from club members to try their hand at the Wednesday Evening Triples League is an excellent case in point.

Some newcomers have also found themselves bowling on Kerrisdale club teams in our own Tuesday morning triples league, as well as the men's and women's leagues hosted at West Point Grey on Thursday and Friday, respectively.



Taking the plunge 2018

Still others have participated in an inter-club tournament and have found, to nobody's surprise, that they can hold their own alongside the more seasoned lawn bowler.

Testing your ability against bowlers from other clubs can be both rewarding and enlightening. It will also improve your game.

Thanks to all for taking the chance.

You will see the difference in your overall play.