

## *The Elm Park Jack Newsletter – Put the Green to Bed Edition*



*It is time for us to say good night to our welcome green for a while*

### *Green gets fall touch up*

Kerrisdale's single green got put to bed right and proper last month with a final treatment of aeration and top dressing on Oct. 12.

The preparation included 25 pounds of bent and rye grass seed and four tons of sand. The whole operation took some six hours to complete.

### *Don't forget the AGM*

The club's annual general meeting is happening this Sunday, Nov. 5 at 2 pm.

The AGM will take place in the clubhouse and everyone is welcome to attend.

On the agenda are reports from the various committees, including the club's current financial situation.



*Our board are winners*

Election of board directors will also take place, so if you have been thinking of lending a hand towards the smooth running of the club, please make a point of attending and putting your name forward.

There is no need to pre-register.



*Thanks for all you do*

More than 40 club members were thanked for their service to the club with a special volunteers appreciation dinner last month.

The past time included a vast variety of pizzas, with salad and the always much looked forward to nibbles provided by Monica Tam and Maureen Roulstone.

The day began with a well-attended open draw on Saturday, Oct. 7.

*Batten down the bunker*

The concrete bunker formerly used to dump our grass cuttings will not be in service going forward.

Over the years, the cinderblock bunker that was built by the City of Vancouver has been damaged and is now deemed to be a safety hazard, and as such, will no longer be emptied by city staff, according to the Parks Board supervisor.





*A crack in the wall*

An ongoing debate between the Parks Board and our Kerrisdale club over who is responsible for the repair of the bunker has, so far, not been resolved.

Therefore, club members are asked to no longer deposit grass clippings, or any other plant debris, in the bunker, which is located outside the fenced perimeter of the green between the clubhouse and the park restrooms.

As an alternative, grass cuttings can be spread along the southern section of the surrounding border underneath the hedge.

### *Canada wins at Worlds*

Canada had its best ever showing at the recent World Bowls championships in Australia.

Ontario's Ryan Bester won a gold medal in the men's singles, while Canadian bowlers also picked up a silver medal in the women's singles and a pair of bronze in the men's pairs and women's triples.

Bester also made the front cover page of *Inside Bowls* magazine.

You can read all about Canada's history-making moment at the Worlds, and more, by clicking on the link to the most recent edition of *Inside Bowls* below.

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*Christmas at the club, December 2022 – photo courtesy John Aveline*

### *Be at the club for Christmas*

Kerrisdale will be holding its annual Christmas party at the club on Sunday, Dec. 17.



Members will be notified by email for registration to this fun, seasonal event in late November.

The festivities will include a Christmas dinner. The cost will be \$15 a person and guests are always welcome. The party is scheduled to get hopping at 4:30 pm.

### *Road trip to the Island*

The Qualicum Beach Lawn Bowling Club is holding an open, two-bowl triples tournament at its indoor facility on the weekend of Nov. 18 and 19.

Start time is 8:30 am and a 10 am flight for out-of-town competitors.

Entries will be accepted until Nov. 16. The entry fee is \$60 per team.

Email entry to convener Dennis Verge at [dverge@gmail.com](mailto:dverge@gmail.com)

Lunch will be available at a yet to be determined cost. Coffee, tea and snacks will be provided throughout the day for an extra \$5 fee.

The bar will be open following the last game of the day.

Please include names of team members and positions in the reply, and whether a late Group B start time is preferred due to travel.



### *Sending warm wishes*

Kerrisdale's woman in yellow, Maureen Roulstone, is out of the hospital and recuperating well from her recent surgery.

We wish Maureen a full and speedy recovery and look forward to seeing her and her signature yellow bowls back on the Elm Park green this spring.

### *In search of a social committee*

Have you ever thought what Kerrisdale club members do over the winter months?

Well, our lawn bowling club would like to form a social committee to plan activities during the fall and winter months.

The objective of the member-driven committee would be to brainstorm new ways for members to get together during those down months and are not intended to replace our occasional club dinners.

If you have any interest in being a part of this committee, contact Rosemary Cryer by email to [rosemarycryer@gmail.com](mailto:rosemarycryer@gmail.com)