The Elm Park Jack Newsletter – Indoor/Outdoor Edition





Kerrisdale's David Goddard ended the indoor bowls season in the green, literally.

The dependable Elm Park greens keeper led his mixed triples team of second Vivien Chan (Richmond) and skip Alan Wass from Dunbar to first place in the annual, season-ending club tournament at the Pacific Indoor Bowls facility on April 6.

Team Goddard upset the previously unbeaten trio of former World bronze medalist Vince Mai, and national medalists David Lewis (Stanley Park) and Richmond's Rainbow Lung 14-6 in the 12-end championship final to win the first-place prize money.

David's team went unbeaten over the two-day tourney, finishing second overall to the Mai trio following the opening Saturday draw with an unblemished nine points and a plus-25 differential.

On Sunday's play downs, the threesome kept up their winning ways, earning a spot in the

semifinals after knocking off eventual seventh-place finisher Daniel Au from Richmond.

They then dispatched the third-place-finishing team, skipped by this year's newly crowned provincial indoor men's singles champ, Jim Duholke from West Vancouver, to earn a spot in the championship final.

Outdoor bowls are calling

In less than a week, the Elm Park club will be opening up its green to another season of bowls in the rich, 110-year history of lawn bowling in Kerrisdale.



Opening Day is Saturday, April 26.

The Saturday opening will get kick-started with the semi-annual meeting of the Kerrisdale club, followed by an afternoon of bowling, beginning at 1:30 pm.

Remember to bring cash or a cheque to pay your annual club membership dues when you come down to the club, or mail it off to 5870 Elm Street, V6N 1A7.

Please make cheques out to Kerrisdale Lawn Bowling Club.

For those who prefer e-transfer pac66250@gmail.com

Club dues are unchanged this year. A full playing membership is \$240.

First-year members may pay \$120, while bowlers from other clubs can join as associate members for only \$130. A non-playing social membership is just \$40.

Club Spring cleaning

Everything from tightening the toilet roll holder in the women's washroom to pressure washing the outdoor extremities, got the caring Kerrisdale club treatment this spring.

Nineteen hard-working club members, you know who you are, helped check off a long list of must-do chores at the annual Kerrisdale Lawn Bowling Club spring cleaning day in late March.

Gutter cleaning, weeding and pruning the garden beds, giving the outside porch areas a thorough cleaning were all checked off the to-do list, and not the least of which, a badly needed repair to the west porch doorway step that has been an accident waiting to happen for some time now, also received some good, old Kerrisdale TLC.

The club gratefully acknowledges our wonderful volunteers.

Greens crew expands

More help for Kerrisdale's greenskeepers is on the way. Many thanks to David Goddard and John DeMonye for



assembling a greenskeeping crew that has put their many hands to sprucing up the Elm Park green and surrounds in time for the late April opening.

Lending a hand, or soon to do so, are Ian Lambton, Ian Lawrie, Ross Gentleman, Gene Wrankmore, Robert Gray, Brian Crowther, Dianne Petrant and Tom Kwan.

The work crew meets every Wednesday morning. If this sounds like something you might like to volunteer for from time to time, see either David or John. They'd love another helping hand.

Thanks again everyone for all you do.

Spring into song



One of our bowling club members will be singing her heart out next month.

Hilary Tait will be joining the longest-running community choir in Vancouver on Saturday, May 10 as the Vancouver City Singers bring to the Kerrisdale Presbyterian Church their lively spring repertoire *Music of Life*.

The Vancouver City Singers are comprised of singers of all ages and talent levels, and perform a wide variety of music that is sure to create an

enjoyable experience for all.

From soaring harmonies to toe-tapping rhythms, it's a night full of heart, laughter, and song. Bring a friend, lift your spirits, and join in the fun. Tickets are \$20 at the door.

EPk Triples enters sixth year



David Smith's vision of a social, gender-neutral Tuesday morning triples league continues to get better and better.

What got it's start as a 14-team league back in 2018, the Elm Park Triples has since established a solid, 16-team following that is growing in popularity with its members.

This season's Opening Day will be Tuesday, May 6 at 10 am, when a fullslate of triples teams, including three Kerrisdale entries, take to the Elm Park green for the first of a 15-week, round-robin schedule.

New this year is a partnership with two local businesses, Strange Fellows Brewing and Uprising Breads.

The East Vancouver craft brewery on Clark Drive will be providing gift cards for the top team of the month all season long, while the cool, East Van bakery on Venables, near Commercial Drive, will be offering the snacks of choice for the pre-game refreshment on opening day.



Come on down one Tuesday morning and see what all the fun is about.