



Fredericton Lawn Bowling Club

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**Bowls New Brunswick Boulingrin** is a name not well known among new bowlers. **BNBB** is a body of representatives from the lawn bowling clubs in New Brunswick with the goal of promoting the game in the province, of acting as an agent between NB clubs and Bowls Canada, of providing for competition between N.B. clubs and of keeping NB clubs aware of the activities of each other.

One of its most successful endeavours is the **Interclub** series which BNBB sponsors each year. Competition occurs between teams from each club with games played bi-weekly in each location on a



*Interclub bowlers gathered for the year-end celebration in Saint John on August 29.*

rotating basis. As well, BNBB sponsors the provincial game play to determine NB participants at the annual **Atlantics** tournament, which involves bowlers from NB, PEI, NS and PQ.



*"We didn't come first, but we still had lots of fun at Interclub this season." - Elaine Cranford, Cheryl Mulholland, Pat Beggs*

Rules of play are upheld through BNBB with changes to rules considered and implemented for play in New Brunswick.

BNBB's current president is FLBC's own member **Gloria McLaughlin**. Each club is entitled to two delegates to the annual meeting and one director to sit on the executive board. The Fredericton club's BNBB director is **Patricia Albert**. Two delegates from each club are selected in advance of the annual meeting.

Lawn bowling was nothing new to **Madilyn**. The club's student employee this summer was **Madilyn Skinner** and she was already aware of the green since she often played tennis at the nearby courts. Now she understands our game and our club a little better.

Besides working for the FLBC, the young woman has spared in games on occasion. She finds lawn



bowling an interesting and challenging sport. But sport is nothing new to her. Madilyn is a member of the intercollegiate badminton team at Bishop's University where she goes to school. She will be returning to Lennoxville, PQ this fall to begin her second year in bio-chemistry and pre-med.

“Madilyn has been wonderful for us, and a great help,” said club president Cheryl Mulholland. “She has been a delight to work with. We all wish her well as she returns to university.”

While we wish her well, Madilyn also wishes the best for our club. “If you want to attract younger members, you should advertise where they are,” she said. “And be sure to have events in place so young members can play with their own age group.”

### News for the ages.

2018 -19 Youth Development Squad	
Men	Women
Erik Galipeau (ON)	Emma Boyd (BC)
Auzzie Chambers (BC)	Baylee Van Steijn (ON)
Jake Masterson (ON)	Cori Millard (ON)
Liam Campbell (NS)	Amy Spence (PEI)
Owen Kirby (ON)	Carah Webster (BC)
Rob Law (MB)	Jordan Kos (SK)
Braedon Campbell (NS)	Sydney Boyd (SK)
Brandon Watson (SK)	Jamie Scott (AB)

The latest newsletter from **Bowls Canada** offers results from the national youth championships. They reveal, dishearteningly, that New Brunswick had no bowlers in that tournament.

The article also goes on to list the Canadian members of the “2018 Youth Development Squad”. Again N. B. has no member. Readers of Jack Chatter are encouraged to offer suggestions towards what **our club** and **BNBB** might do to create interest in lawn bowling among people of younger ages. Members of the FLBC board or the club’s BNBB representatives would be happy to hear any and all ideas.

Of course, lawn bowling is a big deal among people of that “other young set”. Recently, at the **Canada 55+ Games** held in Saint John, bowlers from New Brunswick, including from our club, did very well indeed.



*The New Brunswick lawn bowlers who competed at **Canada 55+***

*Back row:*

*Dave Tripp, Alan Peacock, Mel Mofford, Jerry Kirkpatrick  
Brian Myers, Steve Stuart, Joan Ward, Beth Kirkpatrick*

*Front Row:*

*Debbie McFadzen, Gloria McLaughlin  
Jenny Myers, Linda Tripp*

The results below show how well our provincial bowlers played against national competition.

MENS DOUBLES 55+

**Gold** ALAN PEACOCK and STEVE STUART

MENS DOUBLES 70+

**Silver** MEL MOFFORD and DAVE TRIPP

WOMENS DOUBLES 55+

**Silver** DEBBIE MCFADZEN and JOAN WARD

WOMENS DOUBLES 70+

**Gold** JENNY MYERS and LINDA TRIPP

MIXED DOUBLES 55+

**Gold** JERRY KIRKPATRICK and BETH KIRKPATRICK

MIXED DOUBLES 70+

**Gold** GLORIA MCLAUGHLIN and BRIAN MYERS



*Gold medals in the 70+ Mixed Doubles were won by Gloria McLaughlin (Fredericton) and Brian Myers (Centennial).*

*Silver went to Maureen Boudreau and Gordon Foster of Nova Scotia (right) while Bronze was awarded to Nancy and Karl Gibbie from Alberta (left).*

FLBC members know that **Lawrence Keegan** spends a lot of his time working on our green, rolling it, digging out small weeds from the grass and the ditch, adding sand wherever it's needed. Five days out of seven, Lawrence attends to the needs of the green, beginning sometimes as early as 7:30 a.m. But Lawrence is also known as a good bowler in his own right. He began his bowling career in the small town of Wheatley, ON (near Leamington) where he spent ten years as a club member, and he has been an Fredericton Lawn Bowling Club member for seventeen years.

There is more to Lawrence's life than bowling and greens care. He has been a commercial fisherman on Lake Erie and the Bay of Fundy. He has served in the Canadian Coast Guard, on the Saint John/Digby ferry, and most recently, as a cook in the kitchen of Fredericton's Diplomat restaurant. "I learned cooking from my mother and aunt," Lawrence says. More to the point, Lawrence has learned lawn bowling in a great many places.



*Lawrence's collection of club pins includes those from Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and clubs like Pierrefonds, Nanaimo and Brampton.*