

BOWLS VANCOUVER ISLAND NORTH & POWELL RIVER

2026 Tournament Schedules



In 1926, lawn bowling came to the Comox Valley.

2026 the Club is celebrating 100 years of bowling in the valley

Time Flies!

HEATHER DIVINE- SECRETARY.BVINPR37@GMAIL.COM

BOWLS VANCOUVER ISLAND NORTH & POWELL RIVER
2026 DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

President	Rob Matthews	president.bvinpr1@gmail.com	250 947-5131
Vice-President	Stephanie Walters	vicepresident.bvinpr1@gmail.com	250- 650-8194
Treasurer	Mary Mulligan	raqluv15@gmail.com	250- 758-6719
Secretary	Heather Divine	secretary.bvinpr37@gmail.com	778 227-8047
Games Director	Dean Penny	gamesdirector.bvinpr1@gmail.com	250 218-0278
Coaching	Lynn Chwartacki	coaching.bvinpr1@gmail.com	250 752-0851
Bowls BC Director	Martin Fereday	bowlsbcdirector.bvinpr1@gmail.com	250 240-9560
Officiating	Mick Banks	mvbanks@shaw.ca	250- 738-0531
Past President	Bob Steven	past-president.bvinpr1@gmail.com	250 724-0263

Coaching Programs

This year, Bowls BC has developed multiple Coaching Programs to help develop skills.

- The effective delivery of community Bowls programs relies upon the recruitment, engagement, and, most importantly, the ongoing development of coaches

Bowls Club Coach NCCP Purpose

- Bowls Club Coach is designed to train coaches who will be working in a club environment with a wide range of beginner bowlers to introduce the basic skills of lawn bowls.

CLUB COACH COURSE REGISTRATION:

www.bowlsbc.com/register

Club Coach Certification Clinic Sponsored By Bowls BC

Place: Qualicum Beach Lawn Bowling Club

Date: April 19, 2026

Time: 9 am to 5 pm

Register online at:

<http://bowlsbc.com/register/coaching-course-registration/>

**Club Coach Certification Clinic
Sponsored by Bowls BC**

Indoor Bowling All Year at Qualicum Beach Lawn Bowling Club

- **Winter indoor bowling from October to April, and Summer indoor April to October**
- There are three indoor rinks
- There are leagues, drop-in games and tournaments
- Members can sign up

Nanaimo Lawn Bowls Club Vision Impaired Program

NLBC has supported Vision Impaired lawn bowling for over 30 years with great success, including provincial championships and national titles.

The club needs volunteers to help with vision-impaired bowls. It takes one and a half volunteers per bowling, per game.

Each bowler needs a director, and each game needs a marker.

Short Mat Bowling

Place: At the Senior Center, Bowen Park, Nanaimo

- Sponsored by Nanaimo Lawn Bowling Club
- More Information contact:
- Shirley.phillips@shaw.ca
- Shirley Phillips at 250.751-5161

Umpire Certification
Sponsored by Bowls BC

Place: Nanaimo LNC

Date: Wednesday, May 13, 2026

Time: 1:30

Register on-line at: <http://bowlsbc.com/register/officiating-courses-registration/>

**Courtenay Lawn Bowling Club is
Celebrating 100 Years of bowling**

Our Club is excited about our 100 years.
There will be great events for all bowlers
Keep an eye out for more messages regarding activities
over the coming year.

JOIN IN THE CELEBRATION

100 Years!! of Lawn Bowling in the Valley

SATURDAY
APRIL 25th

PLACE: Courtenay Lawn Bowling Club 2361 Kilpatrick Ave
TIME: 1:00pm



2026 Bowls Canada

Sunday, August 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practice • Bowls & Shoes Inspection • Coaches/Managers Meeting • Open Ceremonies
Monday, August 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Pairs & Fours Round Robin • Women's Pairs & Fours Round Robin <p>Game times: tbc</p>
Tuesday August 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Pairs & Fours Round Robin • Women's Pairs & Fours Round Robin <p>Game times: tbc</p>
Wednesday, August 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Pairs & Fours Round Robin • Women's Pairs & Fours Round Robin <p>Game times: tbc</p>
Thursday, August 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Pairs & Fours Round Robin Finals • Women's Pairs & Fours Round Robin Finals <p>Game times: tbc</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medal Presentations & Closing Ceremonies • Practice (PM) • Bowls & Shoes Inspections • Coaches/Managers Meetings • Open Ceremonies
Friday, August 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Singles Round Robin • Women's Singles Round Robin <p>Game times: tbc</p>
Saturday August 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Singles Round Robin

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women's Singles Round Robin Game times: tbc
Sunday August 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Singles Round Robin • Women's Singles Round Robin • Game times: tbc
Monday, August 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Singles Finals • Women's Singles Finals • Game times: tbc Medal Presentations & Closing Ceremonies

2026 District Tournament

Dates	Event	Club
May 14	President Cup	Nanaimo
August 29 & 30	Novice Bowlers (2) Intermediate Bowlers (3)	Qualicum Qualicum
September 5 & 6	Singles	Qualicum
September 12 & 13	Mixed Pairs	Courtenay
Novices	#2 denotes a new bowler who has started after August 1, 2025, to August 2026	
Intermediates	#3 denotes 2 other bowlers who started in August 2024 or August 1, 2025, or August, 2025	

DATES	TOURNAMENTS	CLUBS
May 2 & 3	(Possible sponsor) Mixed Triples	Nanaimo
May 9 & 10	McPherson Mixed Triples	Qualicum
May 16 & 17	Lucie & Ed Mixed Triple	Courtenay
May 23 & 24	Ramsey Lampman Rhodes Triples	Nanaimo
May 30 & 31	Scotch Pairs (1)	Courtenay
June 6 & 7	Quality Foods Women's and Men's Triples	Qualicum
June 13 & 14	Hearing Life Mixed Pairs	Parksville
June 17 & 18	Berwick on the Lake +60 Mixed Triples	Nanaimo
June 20 & 21	Sylvia Gibbs Ladies Fun"D" Raiser	Qualicum
June 19, 20, 21	Men's Classic Pairs	Courtenay
June 27 & 28	The Strawberry Bowl Men's and Women Pairs	Port Alberni
July 4 & 5	Imagine Gold Bowl Mixed Triples	Nanaimo
July 11 & 12	Urban Edge Tenderfoot Mixed Triples (4)	Parksville
July 14	Ladies Event (Contact shelbelle987@yahoo.ca)	Port Alberni
July 18 & 19	Ramsay Lampman Rhodes Triples (1)	Port Alberni
July 22 & 23	Todd Sjogren Mixed Pairs	Qualicum
July 25 & 26	Ferguson Exteriors Men's & Women Triples	Parksville
August 1 & 2	2-4-2 Pairs (1)	Courtenay
August 6	Triples (1)	Powell River
August 15 & 16	Bowls3Five (Two-Bowl) Triples (1)	Port Alberni
August 22 & 23	Martin Velson Mixed Pairs	Nanaimo
Sept 2 & 3	George Gibson Mixed Triples	Parksville
<p>#1 Denotes that this game is gender-neutral: all teams could be all-male, all-female, or a mix</p> <p>#2 denotes a new bowler who has started after August 1, 2025, to August 2026</p> <p>#3 denotes 2 other bowlers who started in August 2024 or August 1, 2025, or August, 2025</p> <p>#4 The Tenderfoot Tournament is open to those who starting bowling in 2023 or later. At least one member of the team must be a Novice, which by definition means they have started bowling August 1, 2025 or after. If a team chooses, all members playing can be Novices.</p>		

CLUB EXECUTIVES

Courtenay Lawn Bowling Club

2361 Kilpatrick Ave, Courtenay, BC, V9N 7P1 (23 ST & Kilpatrick), 250-338-8222

www.courtenaylawnbowling.ca

President Susan Toresdahl 250-339-6528
president@courtenaylawnbowling.ca

Vice-president Frank Lo 250-331-0185
vice-president@courtenaylawnbowling.ca

Treasurer Andrew Harding 604-803-2964
treasurer@courtenaylawnbowling.ca

Secretary Ethel Scherr 250-618-7099
secretary@courtenaylawnbowling.ca

Game Chair Glen Greenhill 250-650-0545
games@courtenaylawnbowling.ca

Port Alberni

4255A Wallace Street. Port Alberni, BC., V9Y3Y6, 250-730-2832

www.portalbernilawnbowling.com

President Tony Joyce 250-736-1861 tonyjoyce@telus.net

Treasurer Hugh Grist 250-720-7012 hughgrist2023@outlook.com

Secretary Shelley Hoefling 250-880-1521 shelbelle987@yahoo.ca

Games Derek Burke 250-724-6871

games.albernilawnbowls@gmail.com

Nanaimo Lawn Bowling Club

500 Bowen Rd, 1104, Station A, Nanaimo, BC, V9R6E7, 250-756-5200

ext.7556 [Nanaimo Lawn Bowling Club - Casual to Competitive](#)

President Kathleen Hewitt 778-269-1171

president.nlbc@outlook.com

Treasurer Ann Yewer 1-604-313-6515

yewie11654@gmail.com

Secretary Glenys Wood 250-729-1297

secretary.nlbc@outlook.com

Games Heather Morrison 1-778-887-0358

nanaimolbc@gmail.com

Parksville Lawn Bowling Club

149 E Stanford Ave. Parksville, BC., V9P1M4, 250-954-3930

www.parksvilleglawnbowlingclub.com

President Rob Matthews 250-947-5131

president@parksvilleglawnbowlingclub.com

Vice-Pres. Andrew Adamson 250-868-1873

vice-president@parksvilleglawnbowlingclub.com

Treasurer Vivien Weston 250-208-8565

treasurer@parksvilleglawnbowlingclub.com

Secretary Colin Frame 250-248-8689

secretary@parksvilleglawnbowlingclub.com

Games Joey Merrell 604-202-5956

opentournaments@parksvilleglawnbowlingclub.com

Powell River

5714 Marine Ave., Powell River, BC., 604-578-8476

Please use the email below for all messages

prlawnbowling@gmail.com

Qualicum Beach Lawn Bowling Club

665 Jones Street, Qualicum Beach, BC., 250-725-3341

www.qblbc.ca

President	Lynn Chwartacki	250-228-0851	qblbcpresident@gmail.com
Treasurer	Phil Atkinson	250-204-3564	qblbctreasurer@gmail.com
Secretary	Erin Sellers	250-218-6882	qblbcsecretary@gmail.com
Games	Darlene Opacic	250-667-7829	qblbc.games1@gmail.com

Links

Clubs

- Courtenay Website courtenaylawnbowling.ca
- Nanaimo Website Nanaimolawnbowling.ca
- Parksville Website: www.parksvillelawnbowlingclub.com
- Port Alberni Web site: www.portalbernilawnbowling.com
- Powell River Website: prlawnbowling@gmail.com
- Qualicum Website: www.qblbc.ca

LINKS FOR INFORMATION PLACES

1. Laws of the Sport of Bowls, Crystal Mark 4th Edition: [Laws of the Sport of Bowls – Crystal Mark 4th Edition](#)
2. Bowls BC's Outdoor Conditions of Play & Guidelines: [OUTDOOR TEAMS CONDITIONS OF PLAY](#)
3. Bowls BC's Singles Conditions of Play: [OUTDOOR SINGLES AND JUNIOR & YOUTH CONDITIONS OF PLAY](#)
4. CLUB COACH COURSE REGISTRATION: www.bowlsbc.com/register
 - This year, Bowls BC has developed multiple Coaching Programs to help develop skills.
 - Club coach course registration:
www.bowlsbc.com/register

MORE LINKS FOR INFORMATION PLACES

1. **Weather Conditions**

Click on this

<https://bowlscanada.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/National-Championships-Policy-Approved.pdf>

Points Include

Inclement Weather Policy Electrical Storms

At the first sound of thunder or observation of lightning, play shall be suspended immediately, and all participants shall be ordered off the greens to find appropriate shelter.

Play will not resume until at least 30 minutes have passed since the last sight of lightning or the sound of thunder. At National Competition level, the “weather watcher” will be the Duty Umpire(s) while the individual responsible for stopping play and instructing players to leave the green will be the Head Event Umpire or, if there is more than one venue, the Venue Umpire.

Hot Weather Guidelines Background

1. The National Officiating Committee has created these guidelines as steps to take in extreme hot weather conditions to protect the health of players and maintain the quality of play.
2. The following guidelines are derived from a consultative process and a literature review. They are meant to assist players, officials and event hosts in mitigating the effects of hot weather and deciding when to suspend play on the green.
3. These guidelines are based on temperature readings from the local weather station, but it is recognized that local conditions on the green may vary. Instructions on the proper set-up of a thermometer at the venue are included in these guidelines.

4. Consideration has also been given to using Humidex readings in these guidelines. The Humidex is an index used to describe how hot the weather feels to the average person, by combining the effects of heat and humidity.
5. General preparedness. Players, officials and spectators should be encouraged to wear hats or other head protection.
6. Water and/ or other drinks shall be readily available.
7. **When the temperature reaches 35 degrees Celsius at the venue, play/competition should be interrupted at 20-minute intervals (at the completion of the end in play) for a period of 5 minutes**, during which time, drinks should be made available. Any time limit imposed on the interrupted game will be waived.
8. Bows Canada Boulingrin 2025 Page 20 of 30 Canadian Championships Policies i. If the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature measuring device is available, any reading in relation to an estimated risk of "High" as per Table 2 results in play interruptions at 20-minute intervals (at the completion of the end in play) for a period of 5 minutes. Any time limit imposed on the interrupted game will be waived.
9. **When the temperature reaches 38 degrees Celsius at the venue, play/competition will be suspended. i. If the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature measuring device is available, any reading in relation to an estimated risk of "Excessive" as per Table 2 results in play/competition being suspended.**
10. It will be at the discretion of the Head Event Umpire, on behalf of the Controlling Body, to determine whether to discontinue play. Consideration should be given to all relevant factors:
 - a) including the age and health of players and officials,
 - b) the level of humidity, and the amount of shade or shelter available at the venue.

11. At National Competition level, the “weather watcher” will be the Duty Umpire(s) while the individual responsible for interrupting or suspending play will be the Head Event Umpire or, if there is more than one venue, the Venue Umpire.

Instructions on the installation of a thermometer at the venue.

- a) The thermometer should be accurate and easy to read (preferably electronic).
- b) It must not be placed in direct sunlight and should not be under the cover of bush trees, or be above a grassy area, at a height of about 5 feet above the ground and should be sheltered from the wind.

12. Health Canada has produced a chart to describe the effects of the Humidex, an index developed by Environment Canada. The Humidex readings, as outlined in Table 1, indicate the effect on the average Canadian.

- a) Bowlers are not average – they tend to be older and may have health concerns. Both age and health issues make the body less able to withstand the rigours of high heat in combination with high humidity, or in other words, a high Humidex reading.
- b) Young bowlers are also at risk as their body temperature regulation mechanisms are not fully developed and many have a poor fitness levels, making them more susceptible to the effects of high heat.
- c) Compounding the problem of high Humidex readings is that games last from 2.5 to 4 hours, with multiple games per day, during which players are fully exposed to the effects of heat and humidity

Humidex Reading Degree

Table 1 - Health Canada's guide to Humidex readings

Humidex Reading	Degree of Comfort
20 - 29	No discomfort
30 - 39	Some discomfort
40 - 45	Great discomfort; avoid exertion
46 and over	Dangerous; possible heat stroke

. Table 1 - Health Canada's guide to Humidex readings Humidex Reading Degree of Comfort 20 - 29 30 - 39 No discomfort 40 - 45 Some discomfort 46 and over Great discomfort; avoid exertion Dangerous; possible heat stroke

Bowls Canada Boulingrin 2025 Page 21 of 30 Canadian Championships Policies 13. How the human body deals with heat stress includes more than just the temperature measured from a thermometer. In addition to temperature, humidity, wind speed, sun angle and cloud cover (solar radiation) are all considered using the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT). WBGT has been used since the 1950s and many environmental physiologists use WBGT as a more relevant method to assess the risk of heat stress. Table 2 was published in the British Journal of Sports Medicine as part of an article detailing recommendations on training and competing in the heat. Table 2 - Corrected estimation of the risk of exertional heat illness based on the wet bulb globe temperature (WBGT) taking into account that WBGT underestimates heat stress under high humidity

Estimated Risk	WBGT (°C)	Relative humidity (%)
Moderate	24	50
Moderate	20	75
Moderate	18	100
High	28	50
High	26	75
High	24	100
Excessive	33	50
Excessive	29	75
Excessive	28	100

Taken from Consensus recommendations on training and competing in the heat published in the British Journal of Sports Medicine – June 2022