

# Maple Leaf Lawn Bowling Club

Minutes – Board of Directors Meeting February 3, 2025 10 AM Charlotte Centre

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## 1. Quorum

### In Attendance:

President: Phyllis Dalglish

Vice President:

Treasurer: Jim Judge

Secretary: Ron Logel

Past President:

### **Committee Chairs:**

Publicity - Guy Montanaro

Tournaments - Cheryl McBain

Social - Susan Butler

Property – Al Misener

Membership - Lynn Searby

Instruction - Heather Comba

Inter Club – Alice MacLean

Drawmasters - Janet Power

Greens - Dave Burrows

2. Welcome to the Board Dave Burrows, Greens and Janet Power, Drawmasters.
3. Approval of Minutes of the January 6, 2025 BOD Meeting. M – Guy S – Alice : **Carried.**
4. Business arising from the previous Minutes:
  - **Phyllis to provide an update on her discussion with Tyler Cline on how we can update the Corporate Website with our events**
    - Phyllis attended a 2 hour website workshop; website gives us lot of abilities to promote our club with posts, events, photo gallery etc.
    - A Post is like a Facebook posts which gets pushed down a list of posts.
    - An event can be added ahead of the time of the event and disappears when the event occurs.
    - Phyllis will train Guy and Ron on how to use the website.
  - **Phyllis to update the status on purchasing 4 additional benches for around the Greens**
    - Phyllis spoke to Mitch and he gave approval for the benches purchase.
  - **Phyllis & Jim (pickleball feedback) to update the status on possible purchasing of a table for the Charlotte patio**
    - the Pickleball table supplier is no longer is business but Phyllis found a supplier that had a 20% sale with table at \$800.
    - after a discussion, the Board agreed to defer possible purchase onto the fall of 2025.
  - **Lynn to update Super Seniors Feb 19 event**
    - Mike is on to run this event; the signup sheet goes up next week; Lynn and Mike will do the food as they did last year.
  - **Review of the 2025-2026 Draft Calendar**
    - Move Nov 8 Registration & Potluck to Nov 22 (dependent on CanAm available)
    - Add Bowls & Beverages to Nov. 12, 19 and Dec. 3,10,17.
    - Move Fundraiser to Jan. 17 and the Charlotte Trophy to Jan. 10.
    - Combine Singles to one day, Jan 24. Format will change to accommodate 1 day event.
    - Move Combo Fours to Jan 29.
    - Feb 8 will Sarasota will likely not happen
    - Move ML Trophy Tournament to Feb 28
  - **Review of possible changes to our Club Constitution, or change in dues for 2025-2026.**
    - There were no changes identified but we will start a \$20 monthly rate option that will be brought forward at the AGM.

**BIRT:** A monthly rate of \$20 be offered to bowlers. M – Janet S – Heather : **Carried.**

## Action

Phyllis to train Guy & Ron on website maintenance

Mike Searby to run Super Seniors Event

**5. Officer Reports:**

**Action**

a) President  
**Phyllis Dagleish**

Heartfelt thanks to the entire team for making the Fundraising dinner a great success. We can talk about areas for improvement under new business and give some consideration to changing our fundraiser for next year. I think we are progressing on changing the perception of the lawn bowling club in the park and getting people to try the sport. We have a few new members and a few where they would like to join but aren't because they are leaving the park soon. The framing of Bowls & Bev's Under the Lights has been part of that and was a great way to get people playing with minimal instruction time. We have a very full calendar at this time of year but seem to be getting people out so very positive outlook. The only thing that is a big concern is getting someone else to take on and/or learn get familiar with the President's role so we can have a succession

b) Vice President

vacant

c) Secretary  
**Ron Logel**

- Completed our sales efforts for the Chicken Dinner. We sold out for the third straight year with our sales target of 200 tickets being achieved.
- As requested by Jim Matthews at the last BOD meeting, I have electronically copied the pages from our new shed combination lock manual. These pages detail how to change the lock's combination. I have stored these electronic pages into a Board Email Folder, "Shed Lock Manual", as backup to the hardcopy manual which will be stored in our shed.

d) Treasurer  
**Jim Judge**

**Financial Report** for January 2025.

Opening Bank balance January 1st —————\$12,334.12

Opening Cash balance January 1st —————\$ 149.18

Income January—————\$4075.75

Expenses January—————\$1474.05

Ending Bank Balance January 31—————\$14,819.62

Ending cash on hand January 31—————\$265.38

Income over expenses for January was \$2601.70 which accounts for increase in bank a/c of \$2485.50 and an increase of cash on hand of \$116.71

Income items were from fundraising event ( report to follow) tournament income including lunch charge,50/50 income, cash box (\$15.00) sales of bowling supplies \$254.00.

Expenses were fundraising expenses (report to follow) tax, and event expenses that go back to November of \$251.05.

**Report of results from Fundraiser chicken dinner on January 18th.**

**Income:**

Ticket sales —————\$3980.00

Bar sales —————\$820.00

Shooter sales—————\$145.00

Tips —————\$39.75

50/25/25 income————\$526.00

Total income —————\$5,510.75

Expenses

Cost of chicken ———Ron \$319.22  
 ———Bank\$234.50  
 Total cost \$553.72

Other costs

Ron- water, Perrier signs, coleslaw -\$45.88  
 Jan Sawyer - Shooters —————\$83.32  
 Susan Butler, Drinks,plates misc.———\$375.82  
 Susan Butler Beer, Pepsi,wine ———\$130.45  
 Tickets —————\$167.56  
 Phylis door prizes—————\$16.81  
 Total other costs —————\$836.65  
 Total expenses—————\$1,373.56

**Net Fundraising income Total (Pretax)-----\$4,137.19**

- e) Past President
- No Report

**BIRT** the Officers Reports be accepted as presented: Mover – Lynn Seconder – Cheryl : **Carried**

**6. Standing Committee Reports**

**Action**

Rating & Nominating Committees <b>Phyllis Dalgleish</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nominating Committee – Shirley Judge, Ernestine Montanaro, and Bob Livingstone have agreed to serve as a nominating committee for the upcoming elections at the AGM.</li> <li>• Rating Committee met Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>. Some changes were made within categories, but no one was moved to a different rating. Rene and Lise Brodeurs were placed as Vices once they join.</li> </ul>	
Instruction Committee <b>Heather Comba</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We trained 21 new bowlers in January. 6 have said no for various reasons. Visitors, busy, renters. 3 have joined. We have 3 who might join.</li> <li>• 9 came out for the Taste of Bowls. 3 have become members. 2 may still join.</li> <li>• 4 came out for New bowler training. 2 had training in previous years. One bocce player tried but was not interested.</li> <li>• Need to reach out to 9 to see if they are still interested. Will do this week.</li> <li>• There was only 1 sign up for the Detect and Correct session and she was given the session. Coaches were approached but no interest. League players were approached but no response. There has been little interest in practice day by experienced bowlers. Most one on one seems to be what players reach out for. Players seem to be quite happy just playing and enjoying the game. Not sure whether to post this session once more.</li> <li>• We have a taste of Bowls this coming Thursday but we need advertising on the leaf and event list. I will put out the sandwich boards today.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We have 2 new launcher users and 1 new arm user. We could use an arm in our inventory or in the shed. We do have Phyllis's small arm. I propose we purchase a size large arm.</li> <li>Phyllis is willing to sell her short arm to the Club.</li> <li>Board concluded that we will wait and see how Phil likes his launcher and decide at March meeting on any new launcher purchases.</li> <li>Suggestion also made that we need a better way to store our launchers in the shed.</li> </ul>	
<p>Interclub Committee <b>Alice MacLean</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our club had a fun day at Sun &amp; Fun yesterday despite the results of 5 wins versus 11 losses and our members winning no money.</li> <li>They provide a very good breakfast for us but insisted on only 8 end games.</li> <li>The signup sheet for their visit here on Feb 23 is posted.</li> <li>No reply from Sarasota</li> <li>Kings Gate matches for Feb 20 have not yet been confirmed</li> </ul>	
<p>Greens <b>Dave Burrows</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plan to talk to Dave about the Green speed</li> <li>I have drawn up a rink allocation sheet</li> <li>Propose that we consider hosting a Bowls USA SED tournament and invite clubs here.</li> </ul>	
<p>Drawmasters <b>Janet Power</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Heather and Ron have given me an initial overview on how to pick teams for a jitney. Otherwise, I have no report.</li> </ul>	
<p>Property Committee <b>Al Misener</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jim has fixed the wheels on several rakes.</li> <li>Discussion needed with Dave on the storage of hoses in the shed as well as the door is wide open.</li> <li>Suggestion made that we buy a combination lock for the maintenance shed door identical to our bowl storage door.</li> </ul> <p><b>Post meeting update:</b> Phyllis met with David Boyce just after our board meeting. They have parts on order for the garage door at the back of the shed. When asked if we could hang the hoses on the floor in the back, Dave said that they would bring them back to the maintenance area for storage. They were being used to hand water the center of the green during the drought.</p>	<p>Do we need to purchase another combination lock for maintenance shed single door??</p>
<p>Membership <b>Lynn Searby</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Membership is at 64. Still hoping to renew a couple of more and the possibility of some new members still taking instructions.</li> </ul>	
<p>Publicity <b>Guy Montanaro</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Publicity continues to run on a weekly basis updating the community on various upcoming events/activities happening in Lawn Bowling as well as any upcoming tournaments and results.</li> <li>This includes: "A Taste of Lawn Bowling", Bowls and Beverages on Wednesday evenings, New Bowler &amp; Open Practice days, the "BBB" (Be a Better Bowler Clinic). The Men's and Ladies' Singles tournaments results, Charlotte Trophy tournament results, and the Combo Fours results have, also, each been publicized.</li> <li>I try to keep the community informed of what is going on in our club</li> </ul>	
<p>Tournament Committee <b>Cheryl McBain</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Charlotte Trophy was held January 18, 2025 Winners were: 1st Cheryl McBain, Susan Butler, Dave Parker 2nd Mike Searby, Guy Montanaro, Joelle Russel 3rd Sophie Burrows, Jim Judge, Tom Howat</li> <li>Combo Fours tournament was held on February 1, 2025 There were 24 players which formed 6 teams Winners: Heather Comba, Guy Montanaro, Al Misner, Susan Harris Second: Cheryl McBain, Wilma Visscher, Bob Livingston, René Brodeur Third: Shirley Judge, Lynn Searby, Brenda Triebner, Graham Harris</li> <li>Thank you to the many volunteers that helped out that day!</li> </ul>	

	<p>Special shout out to Shirley Decooman and Joan Heywood.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next up is the Aussie Pairs - Saturday February 8, 2025- Sign-up poster is up now.</li> <li>• Following tournament will be the Leads and Vices tournament Saturday February 15, 2025</li> <li>• A BBQ has been donated by Ruth Edwards. Brian is putting new wheels on it and it will be locked up in the shed.</li> </ul>	Ron to get Thank You card for Ruth Edwards
<p>Social Committee <b>Susan Butler</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Chicken Dinner went very smoothly as the kitchen was much better organized this year. No dishes to clean was a real plus.</li> <li>• Continue to provide lunches for our tournaments.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>BIRT</b> the Committee Reports be accepted as presented: Mover – Lynn Seconder – Dave : <b>Carried</b></p>		

## 7. New Business

## Action

<p>i. Fundraising Dinner Review (SWOT)</p> <p><b>Strengths:</b> great revenue generator; 3<sup>rd</sup> year sold out; good Club PR;</p> <p><b>Weaknesses:</b> stress on Club volunteers for food donations etc;</p> <p><b>Opportunities:</b> no take outs; better containers; tickets handed in at food line; need better control of the desserts table; more food funded by Club to reduce member donation stress.</p> <p><b>Threats:</b> risk of chicken supply and timing of getting it.</p> <p><b>Plan for next year?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Board approved having the Chicken Dinner again in January 2026.</li> </ul> <p>Adjourn      Mover: Dave    Seconder: Susan</p> <p><b>Next BOD meeting: Monday, March 3, 2025, 10:00 am Charlotte Center</b></p>	
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