

Maple Leaf Lawn Bowling Club

Minutes – Board of Directors Meeting

Feb 2, 2026 10:00 AM

Charlotte Centre

1. Quorum

<u>In Attendance:</u>			
President:	Phyllis Dalgleish	Committee Chairs:	Interclub: Sharon Mountford
Vice President:	Janet Power	Publicity - Guy Montanaro	Membership - Lynn Searby
Treasurer:	Jim Judge	Tournaments -Cheryl McBain	Instruction - Heather Comba
		Social - Susan Butler	Drawmasters – Ernestine Montanaro
		Greens - Dave Burrows	Property – Al Meisner
Regrets:	Ron Logel		

2. Welcome Sharon to her first board meeting
3. Approve Minutes of Jan 5, 2026 meeting. Mover – Janet P. Seconder – Dave B. : **Carried.**
4. Business arising from the previous Minutes:
 - 4.1. Jim M. to look at Shed Door & bring cost options to next BOD – Repairs are complete. A couple of rollers were replaced.
 - 4.2. Jim Judge to arrange Wells Fargo meeting to change Signing Officers – still pending. Been a busy month
 - 4.3. Dave to talk to David Boyce about weeds & sand – Discussion has taken place. Will continue to monitor.

5. Officer Reports: Action

President Phyllis Dalgleish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stealing a little of Lynn’s thunder I think it is very exciting that we have had 7 people join in the past month. In helping spread the word, our bumper stickers have arrived. Will distribute through jitney’s. • Great to have our 2 big fundraising events done, having gone so well. I can’t thank Ron enough for his work behind the scenes and the step by step project plans that he created for both events that kept the organization on track and made sure that details weren’t missed. We have put discussion of fundraising for next season as a new business item. • I’m also thankful to Sharon for being willing to take on the Interclub director role. That fills our outstanding vacancy there. Sharon and Heather are going to work together on the Sarasota event. • We have this month to give thought to any changes we may want to make to our constitution. We would need to pass them at our March board meeting so that they can be sent to the membership 2 weeks before the AGM. 	
Vice President Janet Power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 new cash boxes ordered and received. • Attended coaching course with Heather in Sarasota 	
Secretary Ron Logel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ran the Games at our Chicken Dinner and they seemed to be well received. • Was the DJ at our Music Bingo fundraiser and the event was also well received. • Heading back to Canada for medical appointments but will still do my Secretary responsibilities remotely. 	
Treasurer Jim Judge	Financial Report for month of January 2026: Opening Balance Bank \$10,000.00 CD plus Checking A/C <u>\$4,281.90</u> \$14,281.90 Opening Balance Cash on hand \$74.47 Total income January \$6,570.14 Total expense January \$3,000.09 Net income January \$3,570.05 Closing checking a/c balance Jan. \$7,386.12 Closing Bank CD,s balance Jan. <u>\$10,000.00</u> \$17,386.12 Closed cash on hand January 31 \$540.30	Jim to arrange Wells Fargo meeting to change Signing Officers

Notes:

- Income for January consisted of chicken fundraiser tickets,50/25/25, Games, Donations and Bar income of\$2,339.00, Bingo fundraiser tickets,50/25/25, snacks and Bar of \$2,764.00, Membership fees \$585.00, Tournament lunches &50/50 income of \$299.00, Supply Sales of \$555.00 , and Interest from CD,s of \$28.14.
 - Expenses for January consisted of Chicken fundraiser expenses of \$1,578.74,Tournament lunch, bar and misc. costs of\$299.16, Bingo Fundraiser expenses \$832.02, sign expense \$175.86, and miscellaneous of \$114.31.
- A very good month financially from two very successful fundraisers

Past President - Vacant, no report

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

6. Standing Committee Reports

Action

Rating & Nominating Phyllis Dalgleish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting of the rating committee is Feb. 10th. • This is an election year coming up so we need to put a nominating committee in place to ensure that we have someone willing to run in each of the executive positions. The President is not a part of that committee. 	Phyllis to approach potential committee members
Interclub Sharon Mountford	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connected with Merv from Kingsgate to confirm our dates with them. • Working with Heather on the Feb. 15th match with Sarasota. 	
Greens Dave Burrows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sent a letter to David Boyce thanking him for their continued work and improvements to the green. Listed dates of upcoming events in Feb. and March, requesting shorter grass and rolling on those dates to try and increase green speeds. • Jim raised the following issues related to the greens: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Many of the backboards are rotting, not just one or two ○ The noticeable drop off between the playing surface and the plinth, which will require a laser level & raising of the plinth to correct. ○ Incursion of regular grasses into the specialized turf grass • Dave Boyce has talked about future replacement of golf course greens, we need to know if those plans include our green & other long term plans. 	Dave Burrows & Jim J will meet with David Boyce to discuss long term plans
Drawmasters Ernestine Montanaro	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to Ron's departure, we have Dee and Bob Livingstone as sub-statuates until he returns. • Due to reasons beyond our control, we have needed subs for various mornings and members have been stepping up to help. • Discussion on the difficulty of playing rinks 1 & 8. Decision was made to remove those rinks from regular use for now. 	
Instruction Committee Heather Comba	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 people attended the January taste of bowls. 3 attended the new bowler training on Jan 15 and 3 on Jan 22. All have been contacted and have returned for a second lesson. Some have joined. • 3 of the 5 new vices attended a vice clinic given on Jan 23. All of the leads were emailed to see if they would like to join in one of the sessions. There were zero responses. The 2 remaining new vices will be trained when they are both here. • Cindy Higgins was contacted to give a Shot Choice presentation and a poster was posted. So far 7 have signed up. This is an opportunity that I hate to miss. Cindy gives a great presentation on how to choose shots based on a variety of scenarios using a simple set of conditions. She has given this presentation in Canada to several club. Session good for those on lawn bowling boards in Canada, new vices and skips. Existing vices and skips and for leads that are playing vice in jitneys. Well worth attending. We should think about a minimum fee we should pay Cindy and Bob in case we do not get 24 sign up. 24*5=\$120. Please talk this session up. 	- Give our members a week to sign up for the clinic then Heather will offer remaining spaces to Kingsgate and Sarasota bowlers.

Property Committee Al Misener	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Getting the 2 m sticks in place around the green. • The fan inside the shed has been replaced. • The shed roller door has been repaired. 	
Membership Committee Lynn Searby	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have 61 paid memberships which include 7 new members. • We have 10 social members. • Jenn Payne has just joined as well. 	
Publicity Committee Guy Montanaro	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As usual, my main purpose is to inform the community of various functions and activities happening in Lawn Bowling. I am constantly encouraging others to come out to try the game. My Weekly New Flash keeps the community updated on what's going on that week. Special events like the Chicken Dinner and Music Bingo were two big ones that needed a lot of advertising. Putting displays on our golf carts helped in the advertising for the Music Bingo. My Weekly News Flash, the monthly ACCENTS, and our various tournaments are helpful in keeping the community informed of our Lawn Bowling Club. 	
Tournament Committee Cheryl McBain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two Tournaments were hosted in January 2026. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January 17 was the Charlotte trophy with 6 triple teams. The winners were <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1st Sophie Burrows, Al Misener, Janet Power ○ 2nd Bert Visscher, Guy Montanaro, Dee Livingstone ○ 3rd Dave Burrows, Jim Judge, Deb Parker ○ January 31 was the Combo Fours trophy with 6 teams of fours. It was a blustery day but we persevered. The winners were <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1st Shirley Judge, Brian Butler, Susan Butler, Brenda Triebner ○ 2nd Heather Comba, Cheryl McBain, Guy Montanaro, Jim Matthews ○ 3rd Dave Burrows, Lynn Searby, Jennifer Payne, Ernestine Montanaro • Remaining tournaments are: Aussie Pairs - February 7 • Leads and Vices - February 14 • Maple Leaf Trophy - February 28 • Club Championship - March 7 • The Aussie Pairs and the Leads and Vices sign up sheets are now posted. 	
Social Committee Susan Butler	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided food at the 2 recent tournaments. Thanks to Guy and Ernestine for doing the Charlotte Trophy food. • Things are going well & the extra help is appreciated. 	
BIRT the Committee Reports be accepted as presented: Mover – Janet Seconder – Lynn : Carried		

7. New Business

Action

6.1 Fundraising for next season. The executive is recommending that we take a year off hosting the chicken dinner and reevaluate that fundraiser in the future. We further recommend that we replace it with Music Bingo next year.

- discussion of the motion included the possibility of holding 2 Music Bingo events in 2026-27. It was decided that we should book Nov. 27th as a possible date for holding one of the Bingo events.

Motion was made: BIRT we take a year off hosting the chicken dinner fundraiser. Moved: Heather
Seconded: Lynn. Amendment to the motion: BIRT that the board decide in the fall of 2026 if we will take a year off hosting the chicken dinner fundraiser. Moved: Cheryl Seconded: Guy **Carried**

The amended motion was then voted on and Carried.

6.2 Retention of Records:

BIRT the club maintain the most recent 7 years of records. Moved: Jim Seconded: Janet **Carried**

8. Next meeting:

BOD Monday, March 2, 2026 10:00 am Charlotte Center

Adjourn Mover – Janet Seconder – Lynn : ***Carried***