

ETOBICOKE LAWNBOWLING CLUB HANDBOOK



LAWN BOWLS
Curling on Grass!

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Located in Tom Riley Park



ETOBICOKE LAWN BOWLING CLUB
TOURNAMENT AND EVENT SPONSORS
2024

The following have generously agreed to sponsor ELBC Open and Club Tournaments as well as other events in 2024.

- Delmanor Prince Edward
(sponsor of Etobicoke Twilight Pairs)

- Vickie Hayler
(sponsor of JAL Macpherson Founders Cup)

- The Village of Humber Heights
(sponsor of ELBC President's Cup)

- Living Assistance Services
(sponsor of Etobicoke Trophy MT)

- Rob and Penny Bartlett
(sponsor of 1st and 2nd year Bowlers Tournament)

- Bernard O'Flaherty (O'Flaherty Construction & Adaptedhomes) and Anthony Quinn (Canadian Association of Retired Persons)
(sponsor of Open ELBC WP and Open Etobicoke Pairs)

- Estate of Florence Thiffault
(sponsor of Coaches' Pie Day)

- Turner and Porter – Yorke/Butler Chapel
(sponsor of ELBC Trophy and Hank Spencer Cup)

- Voight Family
(sponsor of Keith Voight Memorial Trophy)

2024 Tournaments and Games at ELBC

Open Tournaments

Tournament	Sponsor	Convener/s	Date/Month
ELBC WP	O'Flaherty Construction and Canadian Assoc. of Retired Persons	TBA	August 17
Etobicoke Trophy MT	Living Assistance Services	TBA	August 31
Etobicoke Open Pairs	O'Flaherty Construction and Canadian Assoc. of Retired Persons	TBA	September 14

Club Tournaments

Tournament	Sponsor	Convener/s	Month
Twilight Pairs	Delmanor	Clarke Slemon	May 31 / July 5
President's Cup	The Village of Humber Heights	VP Maria Balan and Deborah Holdsworth	June 8
Hank Spencer Cup	Turner & Porter	Marianne Henn and Lynn Spencer	June 29
1 st and 2 nd Year Bowlers Tournament	Rob and Penny Bartlett	Rob and Penny Bartlett	July 6
J.A.L. Macpherson Cup	Vickie Hayler	Paul Dickey and Robin Stewart	July 20
ELBC Trophy	Turner & Porter	Mark Wells and Mike Russell	August 10
Keith Voight Memorial Trophy	Voight Family	Joyce Clitheroe, Sue Mizzi and Francis Wong	September 28

Games

In-house Games Women	Sandy Marven and Mary Chamberlain	Thursdays (see calendar)
In-house Games Men	Lynn Fair	Thursdays
Golden Girls (ELBC)	Sandra Osborne	(see calendar)
Sunshine Boys	Mike Ghosh	(see calendar)

GENERAL INFORMATION

For all scheduled Club events, name tags must be in **AT THE STATED TIME**, earlier is recommended because helping with the rink set-up is expected. **TELEPHONE ENTRIES CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.**

PARKING TAGS are available for \$5 each (no expiry) from any Executive member.

SHOES: All bowlers **MUST** wear shoes with smooth flat soles and no heels. Deck shoes are acceptable. This is **MANDATORY.**

DRESS CODE: Members are requested to wear clothing that is appropriate to the activity and the occasion. White clothing or team shirts are appropriate for tournaments, weekends and special days.

Notwithstanding the above, all members are asked to refrain from commenting to any other member about clothing. Complaints of this nature may be made to the Executive in writing.

Ground sheets must be used at all times. The only exceptions are when practicing for Provincial, District, Open or OPL competitions.

The Draw Master shall be authorized to determine if greens are playable following rain or other just reason.

Any member wanting instructions – contact the Director of Coaching.

Suggestions or complaints for the benefit of the Club are welcome in writing to the Executive.

PART OF THE GAME IS SETTING UP AND PUTTING EQUIPMENT AWAY I.E. MATS, RETRIEVERS AND JACKS.

'BOUNCED' bowls damage the grass. This must be avoided. Please check for damage after ground sheets have been removed. Use the repair kit to fix any damage.

THE CLUB WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ARTICLES LEFT IN LOCKERS, LOST OR STOLEN.

PLEASE ADVISE SUE MIZZI OF ANY SICK, HOSPITALIZED OR DECEASED MEMBERS.

CODE OF CONDUCT

ETOBICOKE LAWN BOWLING CLUB (ELBC)

- The objective of ELBC is to ensure a safe and positive playing and social environment at the club by making individuals aware that there is an expectation of appropriate behaviour consistent with the ELBC core values. Among those values is support for equal opportunity, prohibition of discriminatory practices, and a commitment to providing a safe environment in which all individuals are treated with respect and fairness.
- ELBC upholds the rights of all individuals (as prescribed in the Human Rights Code) and does not tolerate disrespect towards anyone, including any behaviour that constitutes harassment, sexual harassment, violence, bullying or discrimination. ELBC expects all members and guests to adhere to these principles and to take necessary steps to prevent or correct any such behaviour. This includes any such behaviour exhibited by way of social media.
- The use of non-medical use of drugs (including recreational drugs) and tobacco (including tobacco products and vaping) on or within ELBC facilities is prohibited. The consumption of alcohol within the club house during a club sponsored or approved event is permitted, but not otherwise.
- The use of cell phones on the green during play is prohibited.
- ELBC expects all members and guests to demonstrate the spirit of sportsmanship, sport leadership and ethical conduct.
- ELBC adheres to the principles of Safe Sport that protect the right for everyone to enjoy the sport at whatever level or position and to participate in a safe and inclusive environment that is free of abuse, harassment, or discrimination. The welfare of everyone involved in the sport is a foremost consideration.

Any member who is aware of a contravention of the code should bring the matter to the attention of any member of the Executive or a tournament convenor. Allegations of a contravention should be investigated by the Past President and two other members selected by the Past President. Any member whose conduct is in question has the opportunity to explain their actions and respond to the allegation. After an investigation, the Past President, with the concurrence of the President, may warn, reprimand, suspend or expel the person investigated.

2024 REGULAR CLUB PROGRAM

MONDAY	10:00 AM Tags in	Open Draw
	7:00 PM (May and June)	1st&2nd yr Bowlers
	6:45 PM Tags in (May to August)	Open Draw
	6:30 PM Tags in (September and October)	Open Draw
TUESDAY	10:00 AM Tags in	Open Draw
	6:45 PM Tags in (May to August)	Open Draw
	6:30 PM Tags in (September and October)	Open Draw
WEDNESDAY	10:00 AM Tags in	Open Draw
	6:45 PM Tags in (May to August)	Open Draw
	6:30 PM Tags in (September and October)	Open Draw
THURSDAY	10:00 AM Tags in	Open Draw
	6:45 PM Tags in (May to August)	Open Draw
	6:30 PM Tags in (September and October)	Open Draw
	7:00 PM	M-W In-House Games
FRIDAY	10:00 AM Tags in	Open Draw
	6:45 PM Tags in (May to August)	Open Draw
	6:30 PM Tags in (September and October)	Open Draw
SATURDAY	1:00 PM Tags in (opening Day, May 18)	Open Draw
	10:00 AM Tags in (starting in June)	Open Draw
	(except when a tournament is scheduled)	
	6:15 PM Tags in (from Canada Day)	Open Draw
SUNDAY	1:15 PM Tags in (May)	Open Draw
	10:00 AM Tags in (June to October)	Open Draw

NOTE 1: For special events, refer to the calendar on the ELBC website, notices in the Clubhouse and to the monthly calendar in the Clubhouse.

NOTE 2: All schedules run from May 18th at 1:00 PM to October 26th.

NOTE 3: **INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS OR TEAMS MAY PRACTISE AT ANY REGULARLY SCHEDULED DRAW TIME. PLEASE INFORM THE DRAW MASTER THAT YOU ARE HERE FOR PRACTICE.**

2023 CLUB EVENT WINNERS

IN-HOUSE GAMES

WOMEN:

Winners

Runners-up

Pairs

Joyce Clitheroe
Norma Grittani

Sandy Marven
Maria Balan

MEN:

Pairs

Mario Castelli
Gary Lathan

Dan Bell
Guy D'Ambrosio

Singles

Mark Wells

Lynn Fair

GOLDEN GIRLS

Winners

Combined Teams of

Joyce Clitheroe, Deborah Holdsworth and Sue Mizzi
Penny Bartlett, Marianne Henn and Linda Levin

SUNSHINE BOYS

Winners

Overall

Paul Dickey, Mark Wells and Clive Dunstan

ELBC Trophy

Mike Ghosh, Clive Dunstan and Doug Andrews

2023 CLUB TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Etobicoke Twilight Pairs, May 26

- Winners - Dan Bell and Denise Connors
- Second - Bill Glenn and Joan Shepherd
- Third - Halina Davidson and Mario Castelli

Etobicoke Twilight Pairs, July 7

- Winners - Halina Davidson and Clive Dunstan
- Second - Mario Castelli and Tom Tsunokawa
- Third - Francis Wong and Joan Shepherd

The President's Cup, June 10 - Mixed Triples

- Winners - Rob Bartlett, Connie Matsuba, Linda Levin
- Second - Joyce Clitheroe, Mark Wells, Doug Raymond
- Third - Halina Davidson, Mario Castelli, Ron Dash

The J.A.L. Macpherson Founders Trophy, July 15 - Mixed Triples

- Winners - Joyce Clitheroe, Joan Shepherd, Anna Derjanecz
- Second - Steve Gerring, Mike Russell, Barb Brocklesby
- Third - Vicky Goora, Bob Tsunokawa, Ana Bucura

The ELBC Trophy, August 12 - Mixed Pairs

- Winners - Vicky Goora and Robin Stewart
- Second - Georgia Gerring and Mario Castelli
- Third - Tom Osaka and Clive Dunstan

1st and 2nd yr Bowlers Tournament - September 2

- Winners - Kathryn Raymond
- Second - Ana Bucura
- Third - Roma Dick

Keith Voigt Memorial Trophy, September 23 - Mixed Triples

- Winners - Milos Blecha, Clarke Slemmon and Georgia Gerring
- Second - Halina Davidson, Mark Wells and Clive Dunstan
- Third - Paul Dickey, Sue Mizzi and Vickie Hay

2023 OPEN TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Etobicoke Open Women's Pairs, August 9

Winners - Sharon Christian and Georgia Gerring

Second - Penny Bartlett and Christine Leclair

Third - Joyce Clitheroe and Sue Mizzi

Open Pairs, September 13

Winners - ELBC: Georgia Gerring and Connie Matsuba

Second - Port Credit: Ryan Boone and Ron Boone

Third - ELBC: Halina Davidson and Mark Wells

ELBC Tournament Attendance Policy

Commitment to Play

Members in good standing are encouraged to sign up for our In-House & Open Tournaments. By signing up, you are stating your commitment to showing up at the appointed time.



Be sure to:

1. Follow the sign-up instructions,
2. Mark your calendar with the date & time,
3. Note the day that the sign-up sheet will be taken down & the name of Tournament Conveners.



If you can no longer meet your commitment, you must remove your name from the sign-up sheet. If the sign-up sheet has already been taken down, immediately contact the Tournament Conveners. You will be expected to find a replacement player.

Uncertain Weather

Even if the weather forecast is less than ideal, you are still required to show up and register on time.

To deal with bad weather, there may be delays and/or shortened games.

On rare occasion, conveners may decide to cancel a tournament due to a very severe weather forecast. Generally, this decision would be made the day before the tournament, thereby providing time for participants to be informed of the cancellation.

Extenuating Circumstances

Overnight or on the morning of, an urgent matter may arise requiring you to withdraw from the tournament. Contact the Tournament Conveners immediately, so that they can start helping to get a spare for you. Depending on circumstances, you may be required to pay the entry fee.

No-Show Penalty

Failure to show up as expected and be ready to register & start on time for the tournament will incur the following penalties:

1. Upon 1st offence, you will not be eligible to play in the next tournament*,
2. You will be required to pay the entry fee &
3. You will not be allowed to bowl in the daily draws** until you have paid the tournament fee (to either the Tournament Conveners or a member of the Executive Committee).

* Repeat offenders will be ineligible for multiple tournaments (# TBD by Executive Committee).

** Your tag will be removed from the draw board until you have paid up.

Date in effect: May 1, 2019

INSTRUCTIONS FOR VICES/SKIPS

1. First, have a basic knowledge of the Rules and Regulations. Everyone should read the WBB Laws of the Game.
2. At the beginning of the game, identify and remember the bowls of the players on your team.
3. When first arriving at the head, note the position of the jack and bowls and which bowl or bowls are shot.
4. Always stand back of the head, behind the jack. Do not move when bowls are being delivered. **When the opposing skip is delivering, stand behind the opposing vice.**
5. Indicate clearly any change in the head: one up – one down - or a measure.

NOTE: Signals are better than words.

- To show JACK HIGH – swing one arm across in front of you.
 - To show DISTANCE, long or short of the jack, hold open palms apart, indicating the approximate distance.
 - To show a LONGER DISTANCE, extend one arm, palm down, horizontal to the green, at shoulder height or above your head.
 - THIS IS OUR BOWL – point to the bowl or bowls and then to yourself.
 - OPPONENTS BOWL – swing hand in a brushing motion over the bowl.
 - IT'S A MEASURE – join thumbs and index fingers in front of you, then pull hands apart and together again.
 - HERE IS THE JACK – cup hand on the green, just behind the jack.
 - REPORTING THE SCORE:
 - One shoulder slap for each point up
 - One thigh slap for each point downduring or after the completion of the end.
6. If asked by your skip the position of the jack or bowls or the head, you may only respond when your skip has possession of the mat, prior to bowling the bowl.

When the bowl has come to rest, possession of the mat reverts to the opposing skip.

7. Make sure the last bowl has been delivered before counting or disturbing the head. The skip delivering the last bowl shall pick up the mat indicating the end is finished.

NOTE VICES: Always help the leads in raking the bowls.

8. MEASURING

- a. Measurements shall be made from the nearest point of the jack and the bowl. Always measure from the jack to the bowl.
- b. Calipers are used when the space between the jack and the bowl does not permit the flexible measure being used. Use the calipers from the top down.
- c. At the completion of the end, the two vices count the shots. If your team is shot, the opposing vice removes the shot bowl or bowls agreed upon, placing the bowls away from the head on a towel. If measuring is required for the balance of the shots, this is done by the opposing vice who has already removed the shot bowls.
- d. When an end is completed and a measure is immediately required to determine the shot bowl, either vice may measure, but must measure to their own bowl first and then to the opponent's bowl.
- e. Where one bowl of Team A is in contention with two bowls of Team B, measure to the bowl of Team A first, then measure the other two bowls.
- f. If bowls are more than an arm's length apart ask the opposing vice to assist by holding the measure against the jack.
- g. **The skip is in charge of the game at all times** and may question the measure or the count before the head is raked.
- h. Once the head is disturbed after the count has been decided, the end is considered played and cannot be disputed, even if the skip has neglected to play the last bowl.

9. IMPORTANT LAWS TO REMEMBER

Read these laws carefully in "Laws of the Sport of Bowls", 4th edition.

Law 14	Touchers
Law 15	Marking a Toucher
Law 16	Movement of Touchers
Law 17	Dead bowl
Law 18	Live Jack in the Ditch
Law 19	Dead Jack
Law 21	Rebounding Jack
Law 38.5	Jack Displaced by a non-toucher
Law 13	Possession of the Rink

10. Check for damage after ground sheets have been removed. Use the repair kit to fix any damage.