

## TLBC PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 2021 AGM

- I thought last year's AGM report would be the covid 19 report, but really 2020-2021 was our covid year
- We bowled through the fall, winter and spring last year for the first time ever
- Winter bowling went surprisingly well
- We only had two shutdowns, in December 2020 when a PHO shut everything down and in February 2021 when we shut down for about two weeks due to snow and below freezing weather
- For a while lawn bowling and golf were the only two sports operating
- We had about 35 to 40 keen winter bowlers and many pleasant days weather wise to bowl
- We managed to attract a lot of new bowlers this past year, in part due to us being "the only game in town" for a while, and in part due to the recruiting efforts of Zandra Harvey, who convinced many friends of she and her husband to join our club
- Our summer was quiet with very few competitions, but as covid restrictions lifted we did manage to hold the novice and colt and sophomore championships, and the Harvey Classic
- Not every month will be like this past October so we are looking forward to a fun but probably fairly quiet winter bowling season
- Construction on our new clubhouse has begun. The parking lot and clubhouse are scheduled to be completed by next summer and the new artificial green sometime between late 2022 and summer 2023
- Don't be concerned if you hear about our clubhouse being referred to as the Winskill Park Field House. The public will have access to two washrooms with exterior entrances which are part of the building, and other sports clubs can arrange with us to use the banquet area when we are not using it, but it will be our clubhouse. We will be the only group to give out keys to our members and we will have access to the clubhouse 24/7 365 days per year, except for when we allow other groups to use the

banquet room. There will be an election in a year. The clubhouse and green will cost \$4.0 million to build. That works out to about \$50,000 per active bowling member in our club. It is easier to sell to the taxpaying public the concept of a Winkill Park Field House, than it is to sell a Tsawwassen Lawn Bowling Club clubhouse.

- Next spring and summer it looks like we will be able to have a full normal lawn bowling season with competitions and events involving other clubs.
- I want to thank our hard working Board for helping us to get through year 2 of the covid 19 pandemic.