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**Subject:** Corrections

Dear bowlers,

I'd like to make some corrections to the November library newsletter.

( 1 ) Jerome Kirby from Manitoba is not the first one outside BC to win the Canadian Singles title. Men from other Provinces have won the Canadian Indoor Singles Championships five times including this year.

( 2 ) VBL1 Singles Final

The jack's placing is decided by the player, not necessarily fixed at the T spot. But in this game, both players prefer the jack at the T most of the time.

Regards,

On-Kow

## November edition of Bowls International magazine

### Library Newsletter

( A ) The November 2022 edition of Inside Bowls Magazine is now online and ready to read free of charge. click here <https://www.insidebowlsmag.com/nov22/index.html> for all the latest news and information from around the world.

The November edition of "Bowls International" magazine is also out.

This is the 500th issue since first launching in April 1981. The founder Chris Mills expressed in the editorial that the magazine's three main objects are to inform, to instruct and to entertain. The first issue covered the British Isles Indoor Series in Cardiff with Ireland's Jim Baker being crowned the singles champion. There was also a spotlight on David Bryant winning the Embassy World Indoor Singles title after playing one of the best shots in his multi-talented armoury and England Commonwealth Games representative Bill Irish began a coaching starter course for bowlers. Mel Beck, the former editor for 12 years, reminisced about the numerous significant events and decisions that dramatically changed the face of the sport in the UK such as modernising the sport to attract more bowlers, increase sponsorship and gain more TV exposure.

The third editor Parick Hulbert followed his predecessor to revolutionise the magazine with new perspectives, columnists, a dash of colour and offer a multimedia experience.

The previous editor Sian Honnor considered that the magazine looked quite different by the time she left. She brought on board new contributors, focused on the mechanics of club life and went into greater depth with articles about coaching and the psychology behind the sport. She proudly mentioned that during the Covid-19 crisis, she saved the magazine by temporarily moving it online.

John Rednall in his article "Analysing giftedness" looks at giftedness, natural ability, self-improvement, recognising and realising the potential as bowlers.

As a music teacher, he used to easily recognise the musically gifted children who loved playing their instrument so much that practising was never a hardship or chore.

When we talk about elite bowlers who are masters of the art of bowls, we usually think of those big names. Yet there are players in every club that demonstrate a standard of bowling to show they are capable of being remarkable bowlers.

Many of the best known players in the world come from bowling families. We may consider that it is because they have the genes from their parents. In fact, the way they have watched their parents, brothers and sisters,

played with and against them, and developed with them year after year which help them to become devoted bowlers.

Some people are natural bowlers. They are blessed with a high level of coordination, control, anticipation and tactical development. These gifted players make routine shots look easy while for most players, consistency is achieved through hard work and rigorous practice. With the benefit of coaching, programs of drills and exercises, the up and coming player can make progress which is noticeable and rewarding.

It is important as a beginner/improver to evaluate and identify his/her strengths and weaknesses. One way is to video the delivery to find out what's right or wrong. Another way is to jot down your confidence and success in doing various skills such as forehand, backhand, various lengths of jack or positional bowls, etc. Then put the practice into action by joining different levels of competitions.

For those who don't have that competitive drive, it is the enjoyment of a sport that satisfies the human need for social interaction and the sense of enjoyment of taking part in a recreational pastime that offers a degree of exercise.

( You can find the "Bowls International" magazine at the upper shelf of the Richmond LBC library cabinet. Extra copies of the October and November issues have been sent to PIBC. )

( B ) Bowling videos

( 1 ) The 2022 Canadian Indoor Singles Championships concluded the week before. If you missed the live streaming of the final games, you can watch it on Youtube again.

Men's Singles: Jerome Kirby (Manitoba) vs Tim Mason (BC)

Women's Singles: Bobbi-Jean Charlton (BC) vs Linda Ng (BC)

[m.youtube.com/watch?v=FPqljUjs4Ac](https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=FPqljUjs4Ac)

Kirby defeated Mason in 2 sets and he is the first ever player from outside British Columbia to claim this title.

The women's singles final, though only showing the second half part, was more exciting to watch. especially the last end. After the match, Linda said, " Many good bowlers. No easy games. Last end, in the final, when I played my last bowl, I was holding one shot and I needed two to win. Then I made up my mind to draw to show that I deserve to win and I am happy that I made it."

Linda Ng and Jerome Kirby will represent Canada at the 2023 World Bowls Indoor Championships at the Warilla Bowls Club in Australia from May7 - 13, 2023.

There are some very good games in the round robin play. This is one of them.

In the men's round 7, Tim Mason played against the defending champion Hiren Bhartu.

[m.youtube.com/watch?v=8W6KKsUD-8E](https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=8W6KKsUD-8E)

( 2 ) The 2022 Scottish Indoor International Open ran from 1st to 3rd November. The final game was between Simon Skelton and Stewart Anderson.

It is always a pleasure to watch the performance of Anderson who exhibits a high level of consistent drawing shots and amazing conversion shots.

[youtube.com/watch?v=v\\_rMsMW8XBQ](https://youtube.com/watch?v=v_rMsMW8XBQ)

( 3 ) Sometimes, Australia would run some unconventional bowling tournaments. Let's watch this one. Bowls Victoria - VBL1 Grand Final (Pairs)

Blue Devils vs Deer Park Club

This is a team game. Each team with five players playing in Singles, Fours, Triples and Pairs.

The thing that is special about this event is the placing of the jack. The skip puts the jack wherever he likes. In this way, this would save a lot of time, and a more precise length of jack might enhance better bowling.

[m.youtube.com/watch?v=aYtougC4\\_kBo&t=2251s](https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=aYtougC4_kBo&t=2251s)

When they play the Singles, the jack is placed at the T spot. Players can adjust the mat length as they wish.

VBL1 Grand Final - Singles

[m.youtube.com/watch?v=uJFR5j\\_pGxw&t=6017s](https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=uJFR5j_pGxw&t=6017s)

( C ) Quotable Quotes

( 1 ) "Life is like a camera. Focus on what's important. Capture the good times, develop from the negatives, and if things don't work out, take another shot."

( How about changing the word 'life' to 'bowling game'. Isn't it also true? )

( 2 ) "Knowledge, skill, and determination are the railroads to success at bowls."

( 3 ) "Confidence in yourself without the essential backing of ability is like owning the world's best car without the spirit with which to propel it."

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