

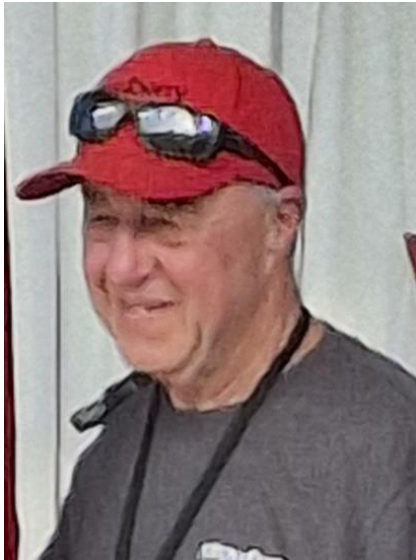


# THE SLBC INFORMER

## Spring 2026

### INTRODUCING THE 2026 EXECUTIVE

		
<p><b>Pam Manias - President</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Bowling since 2016</li> <li>● Town liaison</li> <li>● Communications</li> <li>● House league</li> <li>● Grounds</li> <li>● Enjoys sewing, gardening and puzzles</li> </ul>	<p><b>Mike Pyatt -Vice President/Treasurer</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Bowling since 2023</li> <li>● Finance</li> <li>● Enjoys boating, swimming, golf, walking and spending time at the cottage</li> </ul>	<p><b>Tricia Bahen-Secretary</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Bowling since 2022</li> <li>● Membership&amp; Registration</li> <li>● Enjoys Yoga and Pilates</li> <li>● Enjoys spending time with her grandchildren</li> </ul>



**Harry French - Director**

- Bowling since 2010
- Tournaments and Events
- Very active in the Stouffville community
- Avid Environmentalist and enjoys trail biking



**George Smart-Director**

- Bowling since 2019
- Membership and Registration
- Enjoys walking & swimming
- Enjoys spending time with his grandchildren



**Pat Ireson-Director**

- Bowling since 2024
- Enjoys travelling & experiencing the culture of new countries
- Enjoys meeting new people and of course loves lawn bowling



- **Chantal Carter-Director**
- Bowling since 2011
- Kitchen Manager and Events
- Spending time with her grandchildren

## **April Events**

**Monday April 27<sup>th</sup>-First Registration Evening**

**Wednesday April 29<sup>th</sup>-Second Registration Evening**

Please come out on the above days with your completed forms to register for the 2026 Season

Thank you to those that have registered online !!

## **May Events**

### **New Bowler Training Week/Practice Week**

Monday May 4, Tuesday May 5, Wednesday May 6 and Thursday May 7 evenings from 7pm to 8.30pm, we will be providing coaching/ instruction for anyone wishing to try lawn bowling or receive some instruction. Club policy: your first 3 lessons are free with no commitment to join the club. Existing members are also encouraged to come and practice on these evenings and BRING A FRIEND to try our sport. Hopefully the weather co-operates

### **2026-Drawmaster Clinic (to be scheduled by arrangement)**

Two members of the club have received draw master training over the winter and are excited to try their new skills.

Who is a draw master? Someone who welcomes the tournament teams, organizes which team will play which and on which green during the course of the games played during the tournament. You will distribute the cash prizes at the end. There is always room for more volunteers so if this sounds like you please let Pam know you are interested so she can arrange a day convenient to all to instruct you.

## **League Registration**

The first session of league play will begin the week of May 11<sup>th</sup>. The deadline for signing up for a league is Friday May the 8<sup>th</sup>. After the 8<sup>th</sup>, the league schedules for the first session will be issued and then no changes will be made to these schedules. The league co-ordinators Mike Pyatt(Monday), Tricia Bahen (Tuesday), George Smart(Wednesday) and Val Innes (Thursday) will have worked hard on making up weighted teams and any slight changes are a lot of unnecessary work for the co-ordinator. There are only a few rovers listed this year for some of

the leagues so please ensure you arrange for coverage of your absences well in advance so your team is not at a disadvantage. The rules for rovers are:

Skip can be replaced by another Skip or Vice

Vice can be replaced by another Vice or Lead

Lead can be replaced by another lead

Please try to follow the rules so the opposing team is not at a disadvantage. If you are unable to secure a rover then there are rules of play for the existing members. Please ask for directions if this occurs.

## **Monday May 11th**

On this Monday **NEW BOWLERS** are asked to arrive at **6.00pm** for some general information in the club house with Tricia Bahen. Following this in club session, new bowlers will be invited outside for a quick review of the duties of the lead player. New members will be then asked to join their assigned teams for a shortened game. **The game will count in the league scoring.** Skips and vices are asked to assist any new bowlers on their teams with team play and game etiquette Other team members, while the new bowlers receive instruction, may play or practice.

## **Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm and Friday May 15<sup>th</sup> at 9.30am**

Open bowling times begin. Come out **every** Tuesday night and Friday morning to enjoy a jitney style game with other bowling enthusiasts Please arrive 15 minutes prior to start time to make sure you are included in the draw. The kitchen will not be in operation. If there is any previously scheduled tournament or event on these days the jitney will not operate. Please refer to our information board.

## **AGM- Thursday May 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm (clubhouse)**

Stouffville Lawn Bowling Club belongs to us all. Please come and attend the spring meeting of the membership. You will receive an Agenda package for the meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup> that we ask that you review prior to attending the meeting. This year because the membership approved the proxy vote last year , we will also be providing proxy forms in the clubhouse for those unable to attend. Please mark this meeting date on the calendar. Refreshments will be served.

## **Monday May 18<sup>th</sup> Victoria Day**

Please note that **there will be Monday night league**. We will not be switching Monday night league to Tuesday nights this season.

## **Tuesday May 26<sup>th</sup>-All Players Clinic 6:15 pm**

You are encouraged to join Tricia, George and Pam for questions and answers in the club house and then some drills out on the greens. We are in the process of organizing some coaching sessions and would like to hear from you on what you would like to practice i.e. adjusting weight, delivery. Line etc

## **Call for Volunteers**

We are always looking for volunteers to help around the club. Over the course of the next few weeks we will be circulating volunteer sheets for your completion. Some members of the club do a tremendous amount of work to ensure the bowling season goes well. Please sign up to do your part and lighten their load “many hands make light work!”

## **Club bowls**

The club is not charging for the use of club bowls this year as we have approximately 55 sets. Members who have their own bowls are encouraged to use them first and can use club bowls only once all new members under two years of membership have acquired their bowls. Thank you for your co-operation.



Cheers Pam