

Monday Morning Women's Open Pairs Interclub Competitive League History & General Information

The Monday Morning Women's Open Pairs Interclub Competitive League was created in 1997 and was then known as the Garden City Ladies Competitive Pairs. On the trophy it is still called the Garden City Ladies Competitive Pairs. In 1997 the first winners of this league were Sue Smith and Betty Walker who at that time were both bowling out of the Victoria Lawn Bowling Club (LBC).

The purpose of the league was to give ladies the opportunity to bowl competitive games with a partner from other clubs to prepare for bowling in the Provincials or BSI open tournaments. The league was originally run out of Burnside Lawn Bowling Club. Due to its increasing popularity, the league was transferred to Juan de Fuca where there were enough greens to accommodate the growing number of teams.

Anne Van Bastelaere ran this league from 2005 to 2019. Due to the number of teams that were registered, Anne split the teams into two groups. On the first day of play, each Pairs team drew a team number, and that determined which group they were in and therefore who they play against for the duration of the league. The playing format was a round robin within each group, which allowed each Pairs team to play a different team each week within their group. The teams could use spares to sub in if someone was unable to play, but if both original team members were unavailable, they forfeited the game. The spare always had to play in the lead position. When the league started, the teams played 18 ends plus trial bowls, and Anne made the changes to play 16 ends plus trial bowls.

Annie Mathie took over as coordinator of the league in 2022 and made changes to the Conditions of Play. The format will be 3 Bowl Pairs in line with BSI Women's Games, Provincials and National play.

League Coordinators Past & Present:

Anne Van Bastelaere:	2005-2019
No League – COVID	2020-2021
Annie Mathie:	2022-

2022 General Information:

- All registrants must be a full-time member of a Lawn Bowling Club
- Cost is \$20.00 per person. You must register as a Pairs team (no individual registrations)
- You can register to be on the Spare List, contact the coordinator
- The teams can use spares to sub in if someone is unable to play, but if both original team members are unavailable, they forfeit the game
- The spare must always play in the lead position
- League runs for 8 weeks starting on June 6
- Random 8-Game Draw; First morning of play, you pick number which places you into your draw
- 3 Bowl Pairs
- 16 ends. No Trial Ends. 1 point limit for the first two ends
- Time Limit of 2 hours
- Check In: 9:45 a.m.
- Game Start: 10:00 a.m.
- Prizes based on number of entries
- Winners will have their name added to the trophy
- Come and enjoy some good bowling
- Refer to Poster for contact information

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