



**The first year of the Earl McCue Memorial Scotch Mixed Pairs.**

**Gibby was a skilled woodworker and created some beautiful pieces. when Jeanette was devising the memorial tournament, she chose one of his pieces for the trophy. Dave Mathie built the base so the shields of the winning teams could be attached.**

## **EARL MCCUE MEMORIAL SCOTCH MIXED PAIRS**

**Gibson Earl (Gibby) and Robert (Bob) McCue were two loyal, founding members of Juan de Fuca LBC from the conception of the club until their death. Gibby died in February 2004 and Bob in March 2004, both succumbed to cancer.**

**Gibby was a bowler, coach, marker, and a dedicated handy man about the club. He was one of the members who designed and built the equipment and locker shed. He was a man who did not know how to sit still and was always doing something.**

**Bob was also a bowler, played in the North American Challenge for Canada, coach, marker and he gave of his time to work in the kitchen or helping wherever needed.**

**Gibby and Bob loved the game. When they both died so close to each other, Jeanette Earl and Betty McCue decided that they would sponsor a tournament in their honor. The first tournament was in July of 2004, Betty at that time was also fighting cancer and sadly, she died the following March. Her daughter came for the next couple of years to present the trophy alongside Jeanette in honour of her parents.**

**Jeanette has continued to sponsor this tournament; she supplies all the cash prizes and of course there is always a wee Scottish gifty to go with it. This is an extremely popular tournament at our club. In 2022 Jeanette could not take an active role in bowling anymore but that still did not stop her from sponsoring this**

**tournament that she dedicated in honour of Gibby. In 2023 Annie Mathie officially took over the organizing of the tournament and Jeanette came to watch and present the trophy and prizes. Sadly, due to health conditions this was the last year this indomitable spirit graced us with her presence at the tournament.**

**On May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Jeanette passed away, leaving a hole in many hearts at JDF bowls club. Jeanette and Gibby will be remembered for years to come when we all take to the Greens to once again play in the Earl McCue Mixed Scotch Memorial Pairs.**

**The tournament's slogan is "Scottish attire if you desire" and boy do our members live up to it.**



**Gibby Earl throwing out the first bowl in the 2003 season  
(NOTE in the background the start of the construction of what was then called the  
Bear Mountain Arena)**



**Gibby Earl and Muriel Coneybeer winners of the President's Cup in 2002  
(Renamed to the Osprey President's Cup in 2003)**



**2002 Gibby Earl with Muriel & Ron Coneybeer and Juno**



**2005- Bob & Betty McCue's daughter, Angela presenting the trophy and prizes to the winners alongside Jeanette (Dave Mathie in the back)**



**2005- Jeannette and Bob & Betty McCue's daughter, Angela presenting the trophy to the 2005 winners- Ann Mathie & Byron Propp**



**2010- Marilyn Elborne, Jeanette & Ann Ackerman Hidden Score Winners**