THE CP EXPRESS



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A message from the President:

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the inaugural issue of our newsletter. I'd like to thank everyone who has made this possible.

I would also like to thank each of you, the members of CP for your contributions to CPLBC. The Club is only as strong as its members. Each of you plays a vital role in our success not matter how small or how large that role may be.

We also want to hear from you. How can we make CP the best it can be?! Please let me know. It is my hope that this newsletter will be a source of information, stimulate discussions and bring us closer.

I can't wait for the sun to turn the green green so that we can get out there and enjoy what we have. We have a wonderful place to play amazing sports!

Here's to a great 2017 season.

cheers,

Lynda

BIRTH OF A NEWSLETTER

I'm sure you all know how it is when bowlers start talking together and different ideas are bounced about. If you make a suggestion, someone is bound to ask if you would take it on. Saying you don't have the necessary skills doesn't let you off the hook because you are promised help from others. So you decide to give it a try. The result is this first effort.

Thanks to Allen and Sharon for their contribution in naming this Newsletter the CP EXPRESS, a reference to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company that developed the club for its employees. Patricia suggested the locomotive logo based on the well known children's story the "Little Engine that Could". We are certainly a little club that could and still can. Just look at all the advances and improvements made over the past years. Talk to Ray for some of his experiences. He is one of the elder statesmen of the club. Finally, when my lack of computer skill could have scuppered the whole idea, Lynda helped with the computer issues.

Ruth Suter



Holiday Festivities

December 10th 'twas a dark and stormy night. Inside the CP clubhouse a magic wand was waved. Members entered a stylish bistro complete with appropriately dimmed lighting and Christmas-themed decorations. Overhead white bulbs flashed from time to time to draw attention to a very long table covered with delicious savories and sweets. Your President, VP and a lot many volunteers worked long and hard to make the 10th a spectacular party. To quote Roald Dahl, 'If you don't believe in magic, you'll never see it.' A big thank you to all for a magical night.



Photo by Lynda Robbins



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• January 1, 2017: The News Year's Potluck supper was highlighted by a good variety of tasty food and interesting conversation. Too bad the continuing arctic blasts and white stuff kept us off the green. Survivors of the winter of 1996 recounted stories that didn't leave much room for complaints about the current season. So bundle up and get out there for a walk whenever the sun shines through the clouds.



Photo by Wayne Carlow

Try stopping at a local coffee shop for a hot drink as reward for your bravery. You'll enjoy it and the coffee shop will appreciate your patronage. Double the fun by asking another member to join you.

CP in our Community



Many thanks to everyone who responded generously with warm socks, food, and other donations to Our Place. They were gratefully received by Our Place.

https://www.ourplacesociety.com/



Our neighbour, The Church of Our Lord, is home to a special place called the Sanctuary. It supports youth at risk by offering a safe place, food, clothing, community, and hope.

After our Christmas party, the Sanctuary was most touched by our leftover food donation as they had little or no food on hand to feed their drop-ins that day. We hope to continue supporting the Sanctuary in the coming year. Stay tuned!

We know the Sanctuary is looking for used computers in good working order for the youth. Can you help?

http://www.sanctuaryyouth.org/



Thrifty Foods Smile Card

The Smile Card helps non profit organizations achieve goals that may otherwise not be possible due to lack of funding.

The money earned through the Smile Card program is used to finance a specific project. Our current project is eavestroughs for the clubhouse.

The system is simple. Thrifty Foods donates 5% of the dollars you load onto your card to CPLBC. That money is deposited into our account immediately. You then use that card to pay for your groceries.

You choose the amount to load on the card. It costs nothing to use the card and there is no need to spend it all at once. Just ask Elaine for a card. For more information:

https://www.thriftyfoods.com/community/smile-card-fundraising-program

Your CPLBC Board Members

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We're having a Pot Luck Game party!

- Saturday February 25 2017 at the club house
- Bring a dish, any dish.
- We'll eat around 5:30 pm.
- After eating, it's game time.
 Step right up, any game you want.
 - We have some board games and, of course, cards.
 Feel free to bring your favourite game and 'school' us on it!
- Come join the fun. No need to RSVP.
- Hope to see you then.