



BCGREA Branch 900 Meeting October 15, 2025 Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Auditorium

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 with Maurice Davidson in the chair with 20 people in attendance.

Frances introduced the speaker for the meeting Bernadette Barry, the membership director of the Penticton Lawn Bowling Club.

The club began in 1927, moving to its present location on Brunswick Street in 1929. Currently there are approximately 73 active members.

Along with lawn bowling during the spring, summer and fall, the club hosts short mat bowling and social events in winter months.

Teams are made from those who show up—no need to join a team. The only equipment required is a pair of flat soled shoes. Games are 10 ends, and last about 1 ½-2 hours. All skill levels and all ages are welcome.

If you would like more information: Website: pentictonlawnbowls.ca; or Bernadette Barry at Bernadette.bowls@shaw.ca (250-809-2524).

After a coffee/tea break, the business portion of the meeting took place.

Maurice summarized the minutes of the regular meeting of April 2025, copies of which were distributed by e-mail; as well as a summary of the spring outing at the Summerland Fish Hatchery.

Membership Report: Bill reported that 2 new members have joined since April; in addition, we have lost 5 members. Current membership is 273. Welcome to new members: Barbara Leslie and Karen Bruker. The report was accepted by Beth McGifford, seconded by Elvy Karlstrom and carried.

Financial Report: In Imre's absence, Maurice reported that the current bank balance is \$1,541.18. (Hall rental of \$640.00; Insurance of 158.40 has been paid.) Moved to accept: Bruce Shepherd; seconded by Barb Webster and carried.

New Business:

Motion by Maurice Davidson: That John Dame's name to be removed as a signing authority on the BCGREA Branch 900 bank accounts. Beth McGifford is to be added as a signing authority. These changes to take place as soon as possible.

Motion seconded by Paul Perkins.

Carried by a unanimous vote of those present.

Frances is looking for some assistance with ideas and help with obtaining guest speakers for the meetings. (Nov. and Jan. meetings have been covered.)

Please think about assisting Frances with this important task that makes our meetings interesting and informative.

Remembrance Day: The executive voted to lay a wreath at the Penticton Remembrance Day Service once again. Maurice to make arrangements.

Good of the Order:

The executive is working to make the Annual Christmas Luncheon happen once again. Details are being worked out and will be available at the Nov. meeting.

Venue: Penticton Golf Course; possibly the 2nd week of Dec.; we will attempt to keep the cost as reasonable as possible;

Most important: Darcy's Deals will once again be part of the entertainment. Start to gather those items in your home that can be used to re-gift. (The toilet plunger is ready for the next lucky recipient!!)

Health and Wellness:

Terry has sent out some sympathy/get well cards over the summer months.

60/40 Draw:

Paul Perkins was the winner of \$25.80 and Ann Ingram the winner of \$17.20.

Upcoming Events:

Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. (Our Redeemer Lutheran Church.)

Speaker: Don Gayton from Summerland. An ecologist and storyteller.

Important Note- The Election of Table Officers will take place at this meeting. Maurice is stepping down from being Chair. Please consider taking on this important role for our Branch. (Contact Maurice for more information.)

Move to adjourn by Maurice and seconded by Carol Ann Hicks at 11:55 am



BCGREA BRANCH 900 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

MEETING October 15, 2025

VALID FROM April 12, 2025 TO October 14, 2025

Current Membership

Members	Shared Couple	Total
245 (249)	28 (29)	273 (278)
Life 20+ Years	Honorary	Associate
58	3	1

Membership Changes

New	Resigned	Deceased	Transferred
2	1	4	2

Membership Communities

Osoyoos	Oliver	Okanagan Falls	Kaleden
19	23	9	11
Penticton	Naramata	Summerland	Keremeos
131	3	41	18
Princeton	Peachland	Other BC	Outside BC
1	2	10	4

Numbers in brackets () are members from previous reporting

Details

Description	Total	Opened	Delivered	Blocked	Bounce
Notice (Prev Meet) BR900May2025Notice	191	140	49	0	2
Notice BR900Mar2025Notice	192	139	50	1	2

Members without email addresses	27
Invalid Emails	2

New Members

FirstName	LastName	City	MemberSinceDate	Year Joined
Barbara	Leslie	Kaleden	07/23/2025	2025
Karen	Brucker	Penticton	08/31/2025	2025

Members Resigned

FirstName	LastName	City	Year Joined	Date of Resignation
Denise	Bacon	Penticton	2022	04/14/2025

Members Deceased

FirstName	LastName	City	MembershipName	MemberSinceDate	Year Joined	Date Deceased
Paul	Bedard	Princeton	Life Member Paying	01/01/1999	1999	08/08/2025
Andrew (Andy)	Brown	Penticton	Life Member Dues Exempt	01/01/1987	1987	06/03/2025
Erma	Vandusen	Summerland	Life Member Paying	01/01/1997	1997	04/18/2025
George	Stefanac	Osoyoos	Active Member	01/01/2012		04/15/2025

Notes: