



## BIG COUNTRY SENIOR SPORTS SOCIETY SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2018



By all accounts it sounds as if the games in Camrose in May were a huge success. Zone 2 was successful, winning a total of fourteen medals. The weekend started with an opening banquet at the Camrose Best Western Hotel and Casino, followed by two days of competition. Drumheller led the way with most medals won from our zone. In the singles cribbage competition, Barry Fullerton brought home a gold medal and Wendy Laughlin won a bronze medal. In quilting, Barb Barker won a bronze medal for her holiday craft table runner as well as a gold medal for her Christmas Cards entered in the Card Making section. Betty Manning won silver for her collection of birthday cards in Card Making. Bonnie Bellrose was the recipient of a silver medal for her entry of Wind Chimes in the Mixed Media category. A photograph of Abraham lake by Margaret Nielsen won a bronze medal in a highly competitive photography competition. Cal Werner from Hanna won a silver medal in 8 ball pool. The team of Ken and Cora Oliver from Airdrie and Marilyn Conrad and Don Janczyn from Chestermere won bronze in Military Whist. Carolyn Alway from Airdrie won bronze in the category of long arm or commercial quilt and a bronze in man made structures in photography. Cliff Thompson from Didsbury brought home two silver medals in Woodworking and Decorative or Native Arts. Earl Markham, also from Didsbury, won gold in Photography-animals, and a bronze in Woodworking.

A photo from our AGM of some of the participants who went to Camrose



The following people will be representing zone 2 at the Canada 55+ Games in St. John, New Brunswick in August.

Barb Larson	Ice Curling	Black Diamond
Rose Marie Dayment	Ice Curling	Black Diamond
Jim Nicolson	Ice Curling	Black Diamond
Lloyd Nelson	Ice Curling	Black Diamond
Lorne Wendling	Ice Curling	Black Diamond
Clint Docken	Cycling	Bragg Creek
Leslie Markham	5-pin Bowling	Carstairs
Nancy Gibbie	Lawn Bowling	Cochrane
Karl Gibbie	Lawn Bowling	Cochrane
Roswitha Schmitt-Blouin	Swimming	Cochrane
Alicia Brooks	Golf	Cochrane
Bill Gibbons	8-ball Pool	Cochrane
Doug Campbell	Lawn Bowling	Cochrane
Debra Hawker	Lawn Bowling	Cochrane
Jim Milman	Cycling	Drumheller
Linda Traquair	5-pin Bowling	Drumheller
Margaret Nielson	5-pin Bowling	Drumheller
Daryl Saboe	5-pin Bowling	Drumheller
Michael Barker	5-pin Bowling	Drumheller
Barbara Barker	5-pin bowling	Drumheller
Wendy Laughlin	Cribbage	Drumheller
Lloyd Laughlin	Cribbage	Drumheller
Ryan Wecker	Golf	Hanna
Jack Whittle	Athletics	Millarville
Robert Wahland	Cycling	Okotoks
Cheryl Griep	Badminton	Okotoks
Beth Chernoff	Badminton	Okotoks
Helen Jorgensen	5-pin Bowling	Olds
Susan Lust	Swimming	Strathmore

The mixed 55+ slo-pitch team consists of Pat Drinnan and Nick Radmanovich from Cochrane, Harry Cowan and Sam Johnson from Turner Valley, Linda Schaal from Red Deer Lake, Phil Paul from High River, Bruce & Shelley Young and Lori Goss from Black Diamond, Deb Morrison form Olds, Gary Paukert from Millarville and John Fahie from Calgary.

At our Annual General Meeting in May, there were awards handed out in various categories. A life time Membership Award went to Joan Boekema of Three Hills and an Alberta 55 plus Merit Award went to Adeline Fedyk of Cremona/ Sundre area. Strathmore Seniors Happy Gang received an Alberta 55 plus Appreciation Award, as did the Olds Royal Canadian Legion #105.

There were also pins awarded to the following: 20 years - Alf Cadman, 15 years - Gail Galusha, 10 years - Marilyn Conrad, Helen Sauverwald, Pius Sauverwald, Norma Wedow and posthumously to Brian Wood.



Our president, Linda Traquair presenting the Alberta 55 plus Appreciation Award to Gail Galusha, representing the Strathmore Seniors Happy Gang, and the Life Time Membership Award to Joan Boekema.

Here are some of the results from the Edmonton Fall Games qualifiers.

**Euchre** - 1st - Mike and Gail Benoit, 2nd - Joss Binns and Leroy Durand, 3rd - Irene Jacques and Ed Lockett.

**Bridge** – there were no players

**Floor Shuffleboard 55+** - 1st -Dan Stuehrenberg and Cliff Hoffman (going to games), 2nd- Dave and Nettie Nuestaeter, and 3rd - Linda Traquair and Margaret Nielsen. In 70+ - 1st Stan Prime and Jane McWillie (going to games), 2nd - Doug Campbell and Karl Gibbie, 3rd - Barb and Mike Barker.

**Bocce 55+** - 1st - Dave and Nettie Neustaeter, Karen and Joss Binns, 2nd - Linda Traquair, Ed Michel, and Barb and Mike Barker. In Bocce 70+ - 1st Ben and Marie Sept, John Boekema and Ella Siemens. 2nd - Lee Smith, Lloyd Praud, Peggy Stockwell and Anita Coates(going to games).



A group photo of some of the participants at the Drumheller Floor Shuffleboard qualifier for the Edmonton Fall Games.

The Alberta 55 plus Fall Games are coming up soon in Edmonton on Sept. 7-9. There are still events to be decided in Slo-Pitch, golf, pickleball and crafts. The **Slo-Pitch** takes place in Calgary on July 21 (Nick Radmanovich at [nradman@shaw.ca](mailto:nradman@shaw.ca)). The qualifier for **golf** will be in Strathmore on July 26th (see golf below). The **pickleball** will be in Strathmore on July 21<sup>st</sup> (Joss Binns at [binnsj@shaw.ca](mailto:binnsj@shaw.ca)); the **crafts** are in **painting & mixed media**, which will be held at the High River Library July 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> (Linda Traquair – [ltraquair@shaw.ca](mailto:ltraquair@shaw.ca)); and the **creative writing** where you email your entry to Gail Galusha at [ggartsy@outlook.com](mailto:ggartsy@outlook.com).

The **Big Country Golf Tour** still has three more dates in the schedule – July 26th in Strathmore (Edmonton qualifier), August 16th in Trochu and September 13th in Water Valley. If you are interested in playing at any of these venues, contact Joss Binns at [binnsj@shaw.ca](mailto:binnsj@shaw.ca).