Orillia Lawn Bowling Club
Orillia, Ontario
CONSTITUTION/BY-LAWS
As amended - September 2016

1. NAME

The lawn bowling facility located at 5 Commerce Road, Orillia, Ontario shall be known as the Orillia Lawn Bowling Club and will be referred to as the "Club" in this Constitution/By-Laws document, hereafter referred to as "The Bylaws".

2. OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Club shall be to promote and facilitate the sport of lawn bowls and related social activities. The Club is a not for profit organization. The Club's financial year runs from January 1st to December 31st.

3. MEMBERSHIP

3.1 Members may be regular or junior (under the age of 18). All members shall comply with the Club Bylaws and the Code of Conduct, Policies and Rules of Play as established by Bowls Canada Boulingrin and the Ontario Lawn Bowls Association.

3.2 Regular and junior members who have paid the required fee for the current year shall have the rights of membership, i.e. to play on the greens and to vote at the General and Special meetings of the Club.

3.3 Annual membership and other fees are set and adjusted as deemed appropriate by a majority vote of a quorum of the Board.

3.4 The membership year begins on May 1st and ends on April 30th.

4. CLUB OFFICERS

4.1 The Board of Directors, hereafter referred to as "The Board", shall manage the affairs of the Club. The Board shall be elected from the voting members of the Club and shall consist of the following officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership, Greens, Tournaments, Communications, Director-at-Large, and Facilities & Social. The immediate Past President is also a voting member of the Board.

5.3 As well as receiving a notice of meeting and an agenda, voting members have the option to submit a proxy vote. Should a member not be able to attend any general or special meeting, said member will have the option of submitting a proxy vote to another voting member. Said proxy must be registered with the Secretary by the start of the meeting.

5.4 A member may bring forward any business for inclusion in the General Meeting agenda. Written notice of this business must be submitted to the Secretary at least 10 days prior to the date of the meeting.

5.5 Special Meetings of the members may be called by the President, resolution of the Board, or by written request to the Board signed by at least 15 members of the Club. Any request or resolution shall specify the nature of the business to be brought forward and no other business than that stated in the notice of meeting shall be transacted. The date, time and place shall be decided by the Board but must be within 30 days of a written request by the members. The membership must be duly notified with at least 7 days notice, by a posting at the Club, mail, email and/or phone, of the specific date and time of the meeting.

5.6 A quorum for the General and Special Meetings of the Club shall be one third (1/3) of the membership, either in person or by proxy.

5.7 With the exception of Section 7 (Amendment of Constitution/Bylaws), all business at either a Special or General Meeting shall be decided by a simple majority vote of members present and represented by proxy.

6. AFFILIATION

The Club shall affiliate with the Ontario Lawn Bowls Association and Bowls Canada Boulingrin.

7. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION/BYLAWS

7.1 The exact wording of any proposal to amend these Bylaws, either in whole or in part, shall be available in writing to the membership at least 10 days before a General or Special Meeting. The quorum for acceptance of proposals for the amendments to the Bylaws shall be two-thirds (2/3) of the membership in attendance, or by proxy, at the meeting.

PROXY VOTE FORM

I, the undersigned, _____ (name)

being a paid up Member of the **Orillia Lawn Bowling Club**,
entitled to vote at General Meetings, hereby appoint

_____
(name of appointed person)

or failing him/her, I herby appoint

_____
(name of second person)

as my proxy to vote on my behalf at the meeting of the Club to be held on

_____
(date of meeting)

My proxy may vote:

☐ as they think is best for the club, or

☐ as follows:

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Signed: _____
(date of signing)

_____
(signature)