

SANTA BARBARA LAWN BOWLS CLUB

ON THE JACK

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This month we need to think about the jobs to be filled in the coming year. It would be great if everyone who has a position this year would continue in 2014. To everyone who has helped me

this past year I thank you very much. I could not have done it alone. My special thanks to Tim, Gloria, and Bud and also to the rest of the committees. If at any time you see something that needs attention and you can't do it yourself, please tell us and we will try to make it right. Remember, this is our club and if we don't take care of it nobody will.

Let's have another good year in 2014!

Tony

(In case nobody recognizes our Pres. the above picture is Tony in his Halloween costume.)

NEW CLUB SHIRTS:

Tony has located a source for new club shirts and has some samples in the clubhouse for everyone to examine. He has opted for plain cotton blend shirts because they are available in short or long sleeves and also women's or men's sizes. The shirts will be royal blue the same as our old ones with the white club name embroidered on the front. If you are interested in buying a shirt,

please sign up so Tony knows how many to order.

DUES:

It's that time again! Our fiscal year ends on November 30 so our annual dues need to be paid by that date. Once again the Board of Directors has decided to reduce the cost of the dues so for 2014 the price is only \$144 for the year. This is a real steal – and of course for this you can bowl four days a week and twice a day if you want to as well as enjoy all our fun days and social events. What a deal!

At the same time please add another \$20 to become a member of Bowls USA, the national organization. This money will be used to help support lawn bowls in the United States, to run our National Championships and the U.S. Open, all of which are important events and need our support. Bowls USA is also working hard to publicize our sport and attract new members – so a worthwhile use of our very small yearly dues.

ANNUAL MEETING:

Tuesday, December 3, is the date of our annual meeting this year so be sure to mark your calendar and plan to attend. The meeting will be held beginning at 10 a.m. at the Davis Center. Coffee and pastries will be available and after the meeting we will have our usual morning game. Don't miss this important event. We will bring in our new and continuing officers and directors, have reports of all

our activities and thank all our great volunteers.

WORKSHOP:

Several people who missed the first workshop have asked for another one to be scheduled, so Bruce and Eileen will be holding another on Wednesday, December 4 at 9:30. Please bring your bowls and we will go through the game much as we did at the first workshop with emphasis on duties of each position. Once again we will roll our bowls and then talk about the head management and strategy. The first workshop was well received so come on out and bring your questions.

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:

Old business:

Tony is still working to replace the handles of our old rakes.

More kitchen cabinets have been bought and will soon be installed next to the refrigerator.

New business:

It was decided to discontinue the can recycling since the receptacle is taking up too much space in our equipment room. From now on, everyone is asked to dispose of recyclable materials in the outside blue containers.

The club will possibly sponsor our championship tournaments next year by putting up some money for prizes. Hopefully more people will sign up to play in tournaments.

At the suggestion of Dale Jackson, the plinth boards will soon be replaced.

TOURNAMENTS:



***2013 Club Singles Champion
Bud Viard with runner-up Victoria Lopez
and Tournament Director Gloria Torres.***

The club Singles Championship was played on Saturday and Sunday, October 5 & 6 and there was a good turnout. The format was single elimination, two games a day. By Sunday afternoon only two stalwart bowlers were still in the competition – Bud Viard and Victoria Lopez. They played a fine game but Bud Viard came out the winner – AGAIN! Good job both of you and many thanks to all the bowlers who came to mark for the games.



Our final tournament of the year will be the Veteran's Day blind draw on Saturday, November 9. This will be a short, fun

tournament followed by a barbecue. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board so if you plan to attend, please put your name up and what you plan to bring. The barbecue is free to members but guests will be asked to pay \$8.00 for dinner. Everyone is requested to come dressed in their best patriotic red, white and blue outfits. You don't want to miss this fun day which was started by Lee Schmedes and his son to honor our veterans.

Another date to put on your calendars is Tuesday, November 26. On this date we will celebrate Thanksgiving with our annual Turkey Shoot. No turkeys or guns will be involved but Betty and her helpers will be planning a special fun day with games and prizes.



REFRESHMENT SCHEDULE:

November

Tuesday, 12th – Streiff (birthday cake)
Thursday, 14th – Slauterbeck

Tuesday 19th – Mortons
Thursday, 21 – Tim Thornton, Jim Stahl

Tuesday, 26th – Terres
Thursday, 28th –

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

BOWLING TIPS:

One or two reminders are in order. When changing ends, please don't get so caught up in conversation that you barely move. Walk at a reasonable pace to keep the game moving. You can continue the conversation at the other end. Also, be sure you are walking in your own rink and not straying over into the next rink where others are playing.

When the last vice to play rolls his final bowl, please wait until his bowl comes to rest before starting down the green. After all, everyone rolls a bowl and would like to be able to see where it comes to rest. It seems rather inconsiderate to walk out in front and block his/her view. Right?

And one more reminder: When you, as vice, are standing in the head, please position yourself about six feet behind the jack and one pace to either side. Don't think you are out of the way by standing way over at the edge of the rink. What you are actually doing in this position is blocking the view of your skip who may use the boundary lines to figure his aim. Please think about this reminder and try to remember to stay well inside your own rink. It is most awkward for the skip to need to continually ask his vice to move over out of his sight line.

Why – why – why?

Why do banks charge a fee on "insufficient funds" when they already know there is not enough money?



Halloween folks including Betty Cunningham, Lee Schmedes, Tony Cunningham, Peg Casey and Nancy Grant



Bowling at the MacKenzie Park visitation to Santa BarbaraLBC



Two scary little devils: Betty Cunningham and Jess Jessum