

SANTA BARBARA LAWN BOWLS CLUB ON THE JACK

AUGUST, 2014



Please see above all the Fiesta Group Smiling Faces on Happy People. Bud's CRAZY corners game, rotating playing positions, margaritas and GREAT Mexican food thanks to Stephanie – what more could be asked! Let's make this an annual celebration. The only faces missing are our President and First Lady who are off on a vacation. However, Tony sent in a note for everyone about our carpet green.

FROM TONY: Last Wednesday Dale Jackson, Jim Stahl and I met with the Rep. from the company who does carpet replacement. I had a feeling that he wanted to sell us a new carpet. He did say that they could repair it but it would be expensive as the carpet would need to be rolled back half way, then they would dig down to put in a root barrier which would run all along the two sides of the green, the back parking lot side and the fig tree side. He said that if the carpet should rip they would need to replace the whole carpet. They will get back to us in a few weeks with some numbers.

I think we as a club would be better off doing the job ourselves. It would take a lot of planning and a financial investment. The Rep mentioned a machine named "the Billy Goat" that could remove all the sand from the carpet. I called the company and they said their machine would NOT do the job. They recommended the use of a heavy duty

shop vacuum. With the sand removed the carpet could then be rolled back and the mounds removed, (not the roots). After that, the carpet could be laid back down. We could spend a lot of money on a new carpet at this time, which would use most of our funds. If we could get a few more years out of this carpet our investment fund could grow and then we could replace everything.

Tony

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS: Daniel related to the Board the above message from Tony regarding his meeting with the carpet company rep. Tony estimated that the cost to remove the carpet, level the base and re-lay the carpet would be between \$15,000 and \$20,000. The Board discussed the idea and noted this is a lot of money to spend on a carpet that we don't use very much. However, when it rains (and hopefully it will some day), then we need to use the carpet for our games. Also, if it doesn't rain and we are cut back on our watering, perhaps the greens will suffer. It was agreed that we will look into this further and talk to others for cost comparison before making any decisions.

Russ mentioned that someone found a sum of money which had been left on the kitchen counter. There was no note, no explanation, and it was turned over to Russ who would like to know what the money was for or who it belongs to. If you have any information, please contact Russ.

Bud is expecting a group of 15 to 20 people this Thursday at twilight bowling. They will be having a surprise birthday party at our club and Bud says the twilight folks are ready to help out showing them how to bowl.

Presidents' Day barbecue is in the works. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board and we need to know by August 11 how many people will be attending so the kitchen folks have a head count. So get your name up if you want to join in. It will be on Saturday, August 16. We'll play a brief men vs. women triples tournament and then enjoy a barbecue and honor our past presidents.

Visitation from Holmby Park on Saturday, August 9 and we expect 30 to 35 visitors arriving in a bus. MacKenzie Park has been invited to join us so we have enough teams to play with our visitors. Sign up to play and also to bring something to add to the luncheon.

Gloria, our Tournament Director, announced that she would not be available to run the Club Triples Championship which is scheduled for August 16, 17. It was decided to postpone this tournament until October 11, 12 weekend.

John and Pearl Mulholland will no longer be opening the club and setting up the games on Sundays. There was some discussion as to how to handle this job and Ken Gould will be talking to the Sunday players to work out a rotation of responsibility. The

Board expressed their appreciation to John and Pearl for their many years of service to the club.

MARIAN O'DEA

One of our newer members, Marian O'Dea is back in Santa Barbara, staying with her dad John, and happily bowling with us again!

Marian was born in Palo Alto when her dad was in his last year at Stanford. The family moved to Santa Barbara the same year. Marian attended Washington Elementary school, Marymount and the University of Santa Clara near San Jose. After graduating she found employment working for the Natural History Association in Death Valley in administration. She also worked at the post office in Yellowstone National Park in the summers. Eventually, she was hired to a permanent position with the National Park Service in Death Valley. During her many years with the Park Service she worked in administration and also as a ranger and helped out with search and rescue and fires. She worked at Cabrillo in San Diego, Wind Cave in South Dakota as well as Death Valley. Marian retired in September 2010 after 38 years of government service.

Currently, she spends her summers in Glacier, Montana where she and her life companion, also a Park Service retiree, maintain a home. Marian met him when she first began work at Yellowstone. She winters in Santa Barbara and also Lee Vining and plays golf as well as lawn bowling with us.

We are very happy to have her at SBLBC. She is a "natural" at the sport and we wish her many happy years on the green.

BOWLING TIPS:

Who puts up the score? Who measures? I know most of you "old-timers" have read all this before, but since we have several newcomers, I think it's worth repeating.

In the game of triples, the vice is in charge of keeping score and the losing vice writes the score on the board. However when the game is pairs, then the person is playing lead and vice. So whoever loses the end, rakes up the bowls and then puts the score on the board.

As to who does the measuring: Our rule book "Laws of the Sport of Bowls" in a section headed "Code of Bowling Etiquette" states the following:

"When bowls need to be measured, the team or singles player that will probably or certainly concede a shot(s) should do the measuring and place identified counters together."

AUGUST CALENDER:

Saturday, August 9 – Visit from Holmby Park

Saturday, August 16 – Club Presidents' Day

Saturday, August 30- Patrizzi Invitational Pairs at MacKenzie Park

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