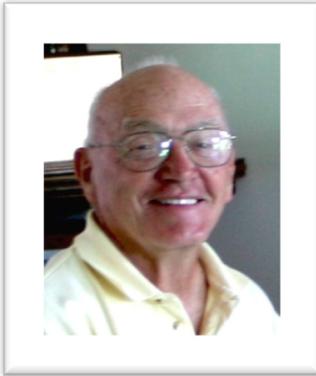


# SANTA BARBARA LAWN BOWLS CLUB

## ON THE JACK

OCTOBER, 2014



Where has this year gone? It's not gone yet but at this time we at SBLB club need to be

thinking and getting ready for next year. It is time for the nominating committee to make the rounds and ask the Club members if they would be willing to be a member of the board. Should you be asked, please give it some thought. We are a club made up of volunteers.

We have a great board working for us and the committees that take care of the Games and Visitations did a good job but, I know some of them would like a break. So if you are asked please say yes! Our trip to Cambria on September 13th was a good trip and everyone enjoyed themselves, but we could have used a few more people from the club. We only had 10 bowlers, which made up two triples and two pairs teams. Our club took the triples and Cambria took the pairs.

See you on the green,

*Tony.*

### TOURNAMENT NEWS:



Twelve people, or four triples teams, signed up to play the **Spencer Adams Triples** tournament on September 27. This was a blind draw tournament and two 10-end games were played. After some pretty exciting playing, the winners emerged with two wins and they were Eileen Morton, Jane Streiff and Sue Sullivan. In second place was the team of Dale Goodmanson, Chris Kennedy and Victoria Lopez. After all was done, some people were heard saying what a nice, relaxed and friendly tournament it was and how much they enjoyed it.

The **Club Mixed Singles Championship**, which was originally scheduled for October 4 and 5, had to be postponed, partly due to the unseasonably HOT weather. Searching for another weekend was not easy and the final decision will be made some time in November. Remember to WATCH THE BULLETIN BOARD for date and time.

Meanwhile, the **Club Triples Championship**, scheduled for October 11 and 12, has been postponed to October 18 and 19 because it conflicted with the Veteran Novice Tournament at MacKenzie Park. Gloria has posted a sign-up sheet and so far there are three teams signed up! So come on folks, get a team together and join in the fun. It's a great way to sharpen your bowling skills.

### ***VISITATIONS:***



***Lunch in the Cambria clubhouse***

### ***Cambria Article by Mary Penny:***

A group of about twelve players traveled to Cambria for another wonderful day of bowling with our friends at **Cambria Lawn Bowls Club** on Friday, September 12th. As usual, most of us actually went up the day before and enjoyed a relaxing evening dining together at Cambria Pines Lodge and making grand plans for the next day's challenge!

The games went well but we must admit that Cambria's bowlers did their best to show how they are in command of their green, even though they were most gracious about it all. Oh well, just wait until they come to Santa Barbara...?

Following the game we had a great luncheon prepared by the hosts which we all enjoyed immensely.

On a sad note...this was our last visitation with Santa Barbara lawn bowlers Daphne and Dom Balistreri who have since moved back to New York.

Our thanks to the Cambria club for a great day of bowling and renewed friendships. We loved it all and thank you for your hospitality and graciousness.

Our next visitation will be on Saturday, October 25 when we join with MacKenzie Park LBC to visit **Holmby Park**. Our two Visitation Chairpersons, Janet Napier of SB and Bob Wolff of MacKenzie, have arranged for a bus to take us to Holmby Park. The cost will be only \$15 per person (provided we get enough participation) and this should be a really fun day. The Holmby greens are in a really beautiful setting surrounded by lovely homes. They are wonderful hosts and will provide a good lunch as well as great bowling games. I encourage everyone to join in this day trip to Holmby. Remember, this is not a tournament but just a chance to bowl with people from another club who also love this game.

### ***BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:***

Tony has assembled a large box which is placed by the upper green and this is for umbrella storage. Volunteers are needed for the next step which is to give the box a primer coat of paint to protect it. After that, a lid will be installed and a final coat of paint added. Anyone who is willing to help should contact a board member.

Tony and Betty will be away from Monday to Friday next week so our Vice President, Gloria Torres, will fill in for him.

An even greater need is a volunteer to learn from Dale Jackson how to care for our greens. Dale is in serious need of help and would appreciate someone stepping up to take over.

There was some discussion about whether to limit the number of tournaments scheduled during the year. This will be discussed again at the next board meeting as a schedule will need to be made up at that time. Gloria, or whoever is Tournament Chair for next year, needs some help in handling the tournaments.

Bud Viard, our rental chairperson, has had two recent birthday parties taking place on our greens. And from this, for the first time, we have two people who came down to the club and arranged to begin lessons. Another party is scheduled for November for 25 people.

Denise spent some time investigating a vacuum to use on our carpet. Denise and Tony will continue to look into this as the right one has not yet been found.

Denise is also trying to account for all the keys which are in the hands of club members. If you have a key to the club, please let her know.

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#### *MORE PUNS:*

*He often broke into song because he couldn't find the key.*

*A lot of money is tainted. Taint yours and it taint mine.*

#### **NEW MEMBER:**



**Scott Coons** joined our club this month and we welcome him.

Scott was born and raised in Buffalo, New York. After school, he opened his own business contracting deck sealing and cleaning and pool maintenance. After some 20 years in this business, he returned to school and became a registered nurse. For another 20 years he worked in this profession, mostly in home care.

Scott married and had five children. He now has nine grandchildren. He divorced some years ago. Eventually he left the cold country and headed for our warm California. Beginning in San Diego he worked his way up the coast and when he found Santa Barbara he decided he had found his good land. Scott now lives just up the street from our bowling green and discovered us because he rides a bike down De la Vina Street often.

We're glad he came to try bowling and has decided to give it a good run. So welcome, Scott, and may you enjoy many years of bowling on the green.

### **BOWLING TIPS:**

When you are waiting for your turn to bowl, stand directly behind the bowler who is on the mat and watch the line of his/her bowl. You can often get an idea where to aim by watching what others do. Also, always watch the line of your own bowl. That way you know how to correct or not depending on the outcome of the shot. Don't turn away until your bowl stops. You can learn from every shot.

When changing ends, please walk down the CENTER of your own rink to avoid distracting people on adjoining rinks.

*Following is a list of do's and don'ts that were brought up at the board meeting.*

**Don't** drop your bowls on the green. Never THROW your bowls from the bank onto the green when taking them out of your bag.

**Don't** put the mat in the same place every end. Move it about to spare the green.

**Don't** put your cases on the green.

**Don't** move around in the head when someone is on the mat.

**Do** exit to the RIGHT when you finish bowling.

**Do** stand BEHIND the person on the mat and not BESIDE.

**Do** pay attention to the game (skips) and tell your team the score.

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