

SANTA BARBARA LAWN BOWLS CLUB

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Summer is in full swing! Good times ahead! Many of you know that we have a very special occasion coming up soon on Saturday,

August 13. This is the day when we literally roll out the red carpet and honor Santa Barbara Lawn Bowls Club members who have served as president. Every member of our club will be treated to a barbeque courtesy of the Van Wingerden Flower Fund. We are most grateful to the Van Wingerden family for their generosity in sponsoring this event for over twenty years.

We especially extend an invitation to our new members who have never attended a Presidents' Day celebration. You have a treat in store! First, Bud Viard will line up a fun tournament with guys against gals. This will be followed by a delicious lunch at around 1:00 pm. Before dessert, we will honor (roast?) our past presidents for their service to our club. This is a rare opportunity to learn some of the rich history of our club. Sign up on the bulletin board to reserve your place!

At our monthly Open Day for Visitors on July 9, we were very pleased to welcome six new members: Claudia & Paul Cook, Hershel Brewer, Susan & Tom Trenchel and Madeleine Fitzer.

Counting Life Members, Heritage Club Members, and Associate Members, Santa Barbara Lawn Bowls Club now is 118 members strong with 106 bowlers! Thanks go to Eileen Morton, Gloria Torres, Jeff Adams and recently Susan & Jerry Wadell and Grant Gibson for helping our novices on their way to becoming skilled players.

The friendly lawn bowlers from MacKenzie Park will be paying us a visit on Thursday, August 18. Please look for the sign-up sheet, put your name on it and let's have a big turn-out.

Additionally, Bud Viard has scheduled four private parties this month. Sign up to help these folks learn the fun of lawn bowls. Huge benefits for our club and the sport of lawn bowls!

Lots of good times ahead at Santa Barbara Lawn Bowls Club. Don't miss any of them!

COMING EVENTS:

August:

13, Club Presidents' Day & Barbecue
18, MacKenzie visitation to SBLBC
20, Open Saturday
27 & 28 Club Championship Triples

September:

3, MacKenzie Park Invitational
13 & 15, Spencer Adams Triples

TOURNAMENT NEWS:

August is the month for the club **Championship Triples** tournament. This is one you won't want to miss, so get a team together and sign up. The tournament will be on the weekend of August 27 & 28. There will be two games a day of 12 ends and a \$5.00 entry fee per person which will be returned in prize money. Everyone is encouraged to join in the fun, new bowler or old...the more, the merrier!

In September we have the **Spencer Adams** Triples scheduled. This will be played over two days, Tuesday and Thursday. It's a blind draw for partners and the teams stay together for both days. So a low-key tournament for everyone to enjoy.

CLUB PRESIDENTS' DAY:

By now I hope you have signed up to attend the biggest event of our calendar year – Club Presidents' Day. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board so we can get a count of attendees because this is a catered barbecue. People are asked to bring a dessert if they wish and there will also be a sign-up sheet so you can volunteer to help with the set up and clean up of the club. So please – do plan to attend and also to help out. The barbecue is free to members. If you want to bring a friend or spouse, there will be a \$10 charge for dinner. The meal will be served around 1 p.m.

BOWLING TIPS:

A brief monthly clinic was suggested at the July meeting of the Board of Directors and everyone thought this might be a good idea. I mentioned the idea in the July newsletter and asked for suggestions or expressions of interest.

However, none were heard so the idea has been dropped.

Meanwhile, I have been asked about marking a toucher and here is what the **Laws of the Sport of Bowls** says:

Section 13 Possession of the Rink:

13.2 *As soon as each bowl comes to rest, possession of the rink will transfer to the opposing player or team after allowing time for marking a toucher as soon as it comes to rest.*

Also, Section 15 Marking a Toucher

15.1 *A toucher must be marked with chalk by a member of the team that delivered the bowl or the marker as soon as it comes to rest.*

(This however is not always followed in tournaments where many times the skip who is now in possession of the head will mark his opponent's toucher).

15.2 *If, in the opinion of either skip or opponent or the marker, a toucher comes to rest in a position in which marking it would be likely to move the bowl or alter the head, the bowl must not be marked but nominated as a toucher instead.*

I have also been asked about measuring and here is the answer from the older 2011 Laws book which had a section entitled **Code of Bowling Etiquette**. This section has been removed from the 2015 book but is still valid. The following are not "rules" but "etiquette".

2. *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.*

7. *The team or singles player that rakes the bowls should mark the scoreboard if one is being used.*

(and I would add – rake first, then put up the score).

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BOARD MEETING:

Treasurer, Russ was happy to announce that we now have 118 members. Some twenty people have joined as a result of our Open House in May and our Open Saturdays which were begun monthly by our President. Great job Sharron!

The upcoming Presidents' Day was discussed. Several past presidents will attend and it was decided to have the meal first and then the short ceremony. There will be a \$10 charge for non-members attending.

Bud, Private Events has been very busy recently. He had two last month, both very successful. He has four more coming in August and has a sign-up sheet for volunteers to help out. This is important to the club so please plan to give some of your time.

Max and Scott, Greens Committee have been working hard to get our greens in shape, doing extra watering and verticutting. The greens are responding and getting much better and more bowlable.

Sharron, President announced that our next Open Saturday will be on August 20. The banners she had made are working as people often come who have noticed them and dropped in to check us out. Our July Open Saturday yielded

six new members! More help with training would be good.

Sharron has been in touch with our City Liaison, Jason, and reminded him about our sign, our roof tiles which need replacing and other matters.

Sharron has also completed an inventory of all the lockers and has posted the roster in each locker room. Anyone who wants a locker can simply find an empty one and put their name on the list. If a key is wanted, there is a refundable deposit of \$10. If anyone wishes to use their own lock, the club would need a key as well to insure that belongings of the person are returned if they leave the club and don't empty the locker. This has happened repeatedly and resulted in lockers full of belongings of people who left the club years ago!

Eileen, Instruction: As there seemed to be no interest in monthly clinics, it was decided that instead we will schedule a couple of vice classes, one on a week day and one on Saturday. Watch the bulletin board for a sign-up sheet.



**New Members
Hershel Brewer, Claudia & Paul Cook**

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