

SANTA BARBARA LAWN BOWLS CLUB

ON THE JACK



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Santa Barbara Lawn Bowls Club is a unique and vibrant part of the downtown scene in our city. Year-round lawn bowling at our club has been enjoyed and promoted by countless individuals since 1937. Our membership currently stands at 94 bowlers and supporters. Our most recent member is **Tom Stansberry** who jumped in with both feet by bowling in the Memorial Day British Cup Tournament. Welcome Tom!

Your Board of Directors and our hardworking Tournament Directors, **Jim Stahl** and **Gloria Torres**, are puzzled why more of us are not participating in tournaments. They are putting in a lot of hours organizing and already this year scheduled tournaments were cancelled due to lack of sign-ups. In August, 2016, we all responded to a survey. When we asked members to rank their favorite club activities, these were the responses: 1. Blind Draw Games, 2. Fun Days, 3. President's Day, 4. Tournaments, 5. Visitations, 6. Holiday Luncheon, 7. Annual Meeting, and 8. Snack Time. So, we do value tournaments.

Soon you will be receiving an email seeking more information in relation to tournaments. Please respond quickly and forthrightly. Let us know how you feel this year about tournaments to assist with our planning. We expect every member to help out as a volunteer doing the work of the club. But, we know your participation in activities has to fit into your schedule. Please let us know what works for you.

Sincere thanks go to the 21 club members who helped our visitors last month during our annual Open House, particularly **Janet Dickson** who did a fantastic job welcoming our guests. This Saturday morning, June 10 come to the club by 9:45 and help us introduce affordable, healthy and fun lawn bowling to interested visitors. It's an easy way to make new friends. See you on the green!

Sharron

COMING EVENTS:

June:

10, OPEN SATURDAY
17, Flag Day/Aloha Triples Tournament
20 & 22, Super Senior Singles

July:

4, Fun Day
6, Board Meeting
22 & 23, Mixed Singles Tournament

TOURNAMENT NEWS:

One of our most enjoyable tournaments is about to happen- the **Flag Day/ Aloha Triples** run by Bud and Stef Viard. You will need a triples team and a little imagination to come up with a clever Hawaiian-sounding name for your team. After the games there will be a “luau” for everyone to enjoy, kick back and talk about the day. The tournament will be on Saturday, June 17, and there is a sign-up sheet along with all the details of the format already on the bulletin board. So let’s have a good turnout for this one!

Below: The Winners Circle Left to Right

Oscar and Linda – 3rd place tie
Jim and Sachi – Winners
Ron and Mary – 3rd place tie
Roger and Sue – 2nd place



The **Memorial Day/British Cup**, played May 29 was a lot of fun with a full house of 14 teams vying for the title. We began with a pretty chilly morning but in good time, it turned into a lovely warm day. This was an invitational sponsored by Jo Millett and we were happy to welcome five teams from MacKenzie Park LBC. In fact the great bowlers from

MacKenzie swept the winners circle. Sachi Kessel and Jim Cook won with three wins and a whopping 19 plus points. Sue and Roger were in second, also with three wins, and 8 plus points. There was a tie for third so both teams got just one ribbon but

everyone was happy as you can see by the smiling faces. After our three games we enjoyed a lovely “happy hour” with wine and beer, crackers and cheese, and lots of other goodies all provided by Jo. It was fun to visit for a while and enjoy our day and the company of other bowlers. Many thanks to our sponsor and to Denise who set it all out and cleaned up afterwards.

2016 Super Sr Champ
Jim Stahl



Also coming in June will be our **Super Senior Singles** which is contested by anyone who is 80 or more and would like a good game or two. This is always played on our weekday schedule and this year will be June 20 and 22. We play two games to 12 points each day and it will be single elimination, meaning if you lose the game you're out, so the first bowler to 12 points wins. This can be a long or a short game depending on your draw. The final will be played to 14 points. Once again everyone is urged to sign up early for the benefit of the tournament directors but above all – do sign up! Also, if you don't qualify for the tournament, please be a marker and set jacks for the players. This keeps the games moving along and helps a lot to reduce the number of times the players need to run back and forth down the green to set their own jacks.

FUN DAY:

July 4th is on a Saturday this year and so we get to celebrate on the actual day! Our Fun Day Coordinators will come loaded with fun and prizes for the games and special contests. Please dig out your red/white/blue to wear and of course your flags for waving.

The following two Saturdays, July 8 and 15, the directory schedule shows the Women's Singles and the Men's Singles. However, the Board of Directors and the Tournament Directors changed that to the **Club Mixed Singles Championship** on July 8. Since this is a championship tournament, there will be a \$5 entry fee with all the money going to prizes.

NEW MEMBER: Tom Stansberry



Please say “hi” to our newest member, Tom Stansberry. Tom provided a very brief bio for me to include as follows: *Arrived SB 1980. Two children, two grand children. Alternate living between here and Maui.*

Welcome Tom and may you enjoy many years of bowling on the green.

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:

Thanks to the persistence of our President Sharron, we now have two new posts holding up our clubhouse and replacing the ones that were eaten by termites. Sharron is also continuing to try to get the approval needed for our lighting system.

It was decided to eliminate the scheduled Men's and Women's Singles and replace them with the Mixed Singles on July 22 and 23.

We will be hosting a special event on June 14 when the Athletic Department from UCSB comes to play. There is another special event scheduled for July and that will be the County of Santa Barbara department heads. Bud will be asking for help from the members for both of these times and will post sign-up sheets.

Since July 4 is on a Tuesday this year our Board meeting will be moved to the Thursday, July 6.

Discussion continued about the feasibility of starting up an evening league to attract some working people to our great sport. The project is now in the works.