

Santa Barbara Lawn Bowls Club

ON THE JACK

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Greetings Fellow Bowlers!

March is starting off to be a wet month. Bowling on the Greens activities may be cancelled and/ or postponed to allow the grass to recover. An option to consider, is to try your luck on the carpet. And yes luck will be a contributing factor regarding your first few attempts. But once you get the hang of it, you will be rolling well. It is a different game regarding technique and patience, so enjoy your challenge. Your time on the carpet will hone in your overall grass

bowls game, so your patience will pay off.

With many activities coming up, please don't forget to check the Bulletin Board to keep yourself informed. The new Board Of Directors (BOD) with their assisting Members, is most active in supporting the activities of the SBLBC, and we want your input. If you have any suggestions please submit them. The Club is only as good as we ALL make it.

Remember, practice does not make perfect....perfect practice makes perfect.

Your Presidential Proposed Practice:

As your: Mat Rules, Etiquette and Sportsmanship reminder

1.2 All players at the mat end of the rink shall not be less than one meter behind the mat, except the player in possession of the rink. And all players at the head end of the rink should not be less than one meter behind the jack, except for the team in possession of the rink.

Santa Barbara Lawn Bowls Club Keeping Lawn Bowls Fun!

Grant

Coming Events:

March:

9, Saturday, Open Bowling Day
14, Thursday, St Patrick's Fun Day
16, Saturday, Veteran Novice Pairs Tourn.
30, Saturday, Club Pairs Championship Tourn.

April:

13, Saturday, Open Bowling Day
20, Saturday, Graffy Blind Draw Triples

Open Bowling Saturdays:

Don't forget that we have an Open Saturday for visitors every month. This has been our best program for bringing in people to introduce to our great sport. Our wonderful Instruction Director, Sharron Adams, along with ever helpful Jeff Adams is always on hand to give a lesson to whoever shows up. The open days are advertised on social media as well as in newspapers so we often have quite a few people come to the club to learn about lawn bowling. So please come on down to give Sharron and Jeff a hand. This is most important to our club. If you want help with teaching techniques please contact Sharron.

Fun Day:

Rain, rain, go away! Hopefully our amazing run of storms will let up a bit by next Thursday, March 14, when we plan to celebrate St Patrick's Day with our usual extra games of skill. And who better to be in charge of this "fun day" than our own resident Irishman, Tony Cunningham? So come down to the club, wear something green if possible and have a fun morning. No need to sign up, just show up.

Tournaments:

The **Veteran-Novice Tournament**, which was originally scheduled for February, was postponed because of weather. So first up this month is the re-scheduled Vet Novice Pairs, to be played on Saturday, March 16. There are a few teams who signed up in February and hopefully they will be available to play on March 16. Please check the sign-up sheet and if you are not signed up, find a partner and get on board. Details of the tournament are on the bulletin board.

At the end of March, on Saturday, March 30th, we will play the **Club Pairs Championship Tournament**. Very soon Marlyn will be posting a sign-up for this tournament on her bright green paper so you don't miss it. This one will be lots of fun so find a partner and join in.

Board Meeting Highlights:

Besides the usual routine business of the Board of Directors, the Board discussed many proposals put forth by Grant – some agreed to and some not.

It was decided that we need to know who has club keys and for what reason, so a flyer will be posted on the bulletin board where members can note that they have a key and what their job entails. Please watch for this.

It was agreed that the club will procure a sand box and sand for use on the green. This will be coordinated with Max and will probably entail the use of the old umbrella box which is now not being used.

There was a suggestion that we re-introduce make-up games (or pick-up games) to the club and that these will be allowed on Saturdays and Sundays in the afternoon. A make-up game is one where players choose their own teams.

Welcome New Member:



Please welcome our new member **Arve Eng**. Following is the brief bio that he wrote for us:

Grew up in Oslo, Norway. Arrived in the U.S. in 1968.

Learned how to fly airplanes and flew charters and taught flying until 1976.

Obtained a real estate license and started my career with the firm of Pitts and Bachmann and later with Sothebys. I am still active in real estate.

Obtained my citizenship in 1994. I have been married for 13 years.

Welcome to SBLBC Arve. We hope you enjoy bowling on the green for many years to come!

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Last month I included “Perks of Being Older” in the newsletter and several people said they enjoyed that. I have a whole folder full of jokes so here goes with some “Lexophiles”.

- When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.
- A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- When the smog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A.
- The batteries were given out free of charge.
- A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
- With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- A boiled egg is hard to beat.
- Police were summoned to a daycare center where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.
- Did you hear about the fellow whose entire left side was cut off? He’s all right now.
- A bicycle can’t stand alone; it’s just two tired.
- When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.
- The guy who fell into an upholstery machine is now fully recovered.
- He had a photographic memory which was never developed.
- When she saw her first strands of grey hair she thought she’d dye.
- Acupuncture is a jab well done. That’s the point of it.