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ANALYSIS OF BOWLING TECHNIQUE—PART VII

By Dr. Paul Thomas

I have been asked to express my opinions on tournament preparation. Considering the fact that I have never participated in a bowling match, let alone a bowling tournament, one would have to say that I have a lot of nerve to even attempt this task. I would compare this situation to that of a pianist being asked to play the piano at a party. The outstanding pianist would perform upon being asked. The good pianist would probably not perform, even with coaxing, because he is good enough to know how poor he is. The beginning pianist would perform without being asked because he is so lousy that he doesn't recognize the fact, and probably doesn't care anyway. I am so ignorant in this area of bowling that I don't even know what I don't know!

With my background in other sports, and with my knowledge of kinesiology and motor learning, however, I can make some suggestions that might give food for thought.

It seems to me that, apart from the bowling performance itself, there are five possible problem areas in tournament play: 1) overall body endurance, 2) low back pain, 3) fatigue of bowling hand and arm, 4) concentration and 5) pressure.

As I understand it, tournament bowling generally involves several hours a day for several consecutive days. It is hard enough to sit and watch for that period—how much harder it must be to perform for that long.

Obviously endurance is a factor. This doesn't just mean enough endurance to last, but enough endurance to keep at the top of your game mentally as well as physically. In sports, such as badminton and tennis, there is quite a difference between playing well, and playing at the top of your game. In the one case, the player just plays the game, does everything right, is trying his hardest and kind of goes through the motions. In the other case, he does more, although he isn't trying any harder. He anticipates better, reacts better, and just seems peppier and more full of life. Many players can be at the top of their games for the first couple of sets, and then become just a little less peppy, lose a little of the edge and permit a touch of sluggishness to come into their play, although subconsciously and unobservedly. So too, it would seem, in bowling. Even though reaction time and fast anticipation are less necessary in bowling, the wonderful feeling of being on "top of the world" can't help but make for better performance, and it is important that this feeling be maintained throughout the day and the tournament.

Many athletes are discovering the value of distance jogging or running as a means of retaining the "top of the world" feeling all of the time. Professional football quarterbacks, even though running is a very small part of their duties during the game, are running between six and ten miles a day in the off-season. They find that this backlog of endurance training pays tremendous dividends, especially during the later stages of the season when they are all ganged up. They attempt to get in as much distance running as they can while the sea-

son is on, but time doesn't permit too many opportunities for this.

I would think this would hold true for bowlers and I would suggest that during the off-season they work on this. Using a sensible program of starting slow and building up, the bowler should get to the stage that he can jog, at his own rate, for an hour, and do it daily. During the season the running will probably have to be cut down somewhat, but it still should be done as often as possible. Before you ridicule this idea too much, try it. I'll be surprised if you aren't surprised at the results.

I am sure that low-back pain must be prevalent among bowlers in tournament play. Anyone standing, bending, walking for that many hours in succession would be susceptible to back problems unless his abdominal muscles were in top condition. Thus any tournament preparation should include strengthening the abdominal muscles.

There are several good exercises to accomplish this. Usually sit-ups of one sort or another are involved in any program of abdominal strengthening. It should be emphasized that the sit-ups must be performed with the knees well bent at all times. If the knees aren't bent, the exercise could and probably would aggravate the very condition that the performer is trying to overcome. Similarly, if the leg raises from a lying position are used, grasp a bar above the head and raise the hips with the knees well bent and the heels tucked into the buttocks. I would suggest that in any of these exercises that you work up to quantity gradually, and even when in top condition, you never do more than 25 consecutively.

It is wise to include some hanging in this strengthening program. This is to put the back in a natural traction position. In this case the exerciser simply hangs from a bar with his hands for as long as he can—a minute to a minute-and-a-half is good duration. In a recent article in Reader's Digest was described the "Monkey Hang"—an exercise used by the astronauts in which they, while hanging from the bar, bring their knees up as high as they can and hold the position. This would be excellent for bowlers, although you shouldn't put too much effort into this at first, unless your heart is in excellent shape. Any kind of exercise that causes hard grunting type of breathing should be done in an easy fashion for a few weeks—it throws too much of a load on the heart.

A recent invention called the Gravitonic permits upside down hanging. This is even better for the back than hanging from the hands. In addition, the abdominal muscles can be worked in this position by inverted sit-ups. The Gravitonic device is excellent for releasing back tension after a match as well. I don't think that strengthening the abdominal muscles can be over-emphasized for any sport.

Fatigue of the bowling hand and arm must be a problem after bowling the number of bowls required in tournament play. That is a pretty heavy weight to be swinging on the end of a long pendulum that many times. The already mentioned hanging by the hands would be an excellent exercise for the hands and arms. Another would be tennis ball squeezing.

As far as concentration and pressure are concerned, it is difficult to find ways

of practicing or preparing for these. Experience of tournament play is the best solution here. However there are some things that might help.

The building up of physical endurance would help with concentration. It seems that as fatigue sets in, the concentration is apt to diminish or wander. So the longer we can ward off fatigue, the longer we can maintain concentration. It might well be that the same relationship holds true for pressure. As one famous coach said—"The harder you work (on preparation)—the harder it is to give up." We could change that slightly to read—the harder you work, the harder it is to succumb to pressure.

Other than this, about the only way to prepare for these things is to practice them. In other sports, we try to set up game situations in practices so that the athletes will be better able to react to these situations in actual games and perhaps overcome pressure. For example, in basketball we might put the score at 75-70 and put 30 seconds left on the clock and have the teams play it out. The players find that a lot more can be accomplished in 30 seconds than they think. We set up play situations in baseball—1 out, runners on second and third, score tied, seventh inning. Then the coach hits the ball to different areas to make the fielders react. In lawn bowling, different situations could be set up in terms of the bowls, the jack, the score, and the end. Then the bowler could bowl in this situation repeatedly until he can consistently do what he wants to do.

Another thing we try to do in other sports is to have the players practice putting mental pressure on themselves. They try to visualize a pressure situation in their minds, such as being one point behind in basketball, the game is over but the player has two free throws. Then he tries to overcome this pressure, tries to relax, and then perform. It is not the idea to try to avoid pressure. Instead the player should try to build up as much pressure as he can, and then overcome it. Of course the more frequently he faces such situations, the greater the pressure will have to be to affect him.

I hope these suggestions have value. If there are other problem areas that aren't apparent to me, I would appreciate hearing about them, and perhaps I can suggest some things that might help them.

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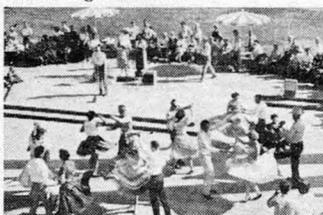
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It was near the end of a long tournament. Players were weary after days of constant bowling. Tension was high and hopes rose or fell as each end was played.

Suddenly there was angry shouting. A skip was demanding that his partner stay away from the head and mind his own business. His partner responded in kind. Slowly the shouting subsided and gave way to angry mumbling and grumbling. Anyone within earshot had to hear it. The two players had spoiled the game for themselves, their opponents and those on adjoining rinks.

It was so unnecessary. The fault lay entirely with the skip.

There are a few simple principles in team play. The skip is in control at all times. If he cannot control he should not skip. This does not mean that he is a petty despot. Any skip worth the name realizes that there is good sense at both ends of the rink and uses the resources of his team. While his team plays he gives directions. If a player cannot "see" a shot he has every right to look at the end. A wise skip invites him to do so but there is no doubt about whose judgment must prevail. The skip is responsible for every shot played and he cannot duck that responsibility.

When it is the skip's turn to bowl there may be changes. While the head remains relatively undisturbed he must play the shot he sees. If there are marked changes the vice-skip must make decisions. He does not waste time pointing out whose bowl is where. He makes up his mind and calls for the shot he sees. If the skip disagrees it is his business to get whatever information he wants and then make his own decision. Good skips rarely override the decisions of their vice-skips. When they do, they do not neg-

lect to tell them why. Mutual trust is an important ingredient in any team.

Trust shows itself in other situations and the laws of the game are very explicit about one of them. There is no excuse for a skip racing down after his final bowl and making decisions about the score. He has no business measuring bowls. That is a job for his partner or his vice-skip.

Another bad fault some skips have is to "chew out" a player who is not doing well. It is a reasonable assumption that as a rule every player is trying his hardest. Heaven knows all of us have our bad days. For a skip to bawl out a player in the hearing of others is unforgivable. While the shouting match was in progress another player on an adjoining rink was trying to control his small bowls on a fast green with a strong busy cross-wind blowing. He bowled poorly and his petulant skip pointed this out to him on three occasions — both rudely and loudly. It is perhaps as well that he did not hear the soft spoken comments of his partner. The runaway score against them was a foregone conclusion.

I know of no ready made formula for a skip to follow where a player is doing poorly. The player feels badly enough and criticism is threatening to him. The skip can show the player that he understands; he can tell him the tide has to turn and applaud him warmly when he makes a good shot.

Then, too, he can set the player a good example by playing above himself. That's what skips are for.

There are, unfortunately, occasions when a skip has to do something drastic about a player. There are those who insist on playing before the skip gives them directions; others deliberately play their own shots.

There are vice-skips who walk on to the mat and say "what is the position?" I remember one vice skip who proceeded to tell me what shot to play before I left the head. And there was the player who broke off a conversation with a spectator; picked up his bowl and put it twelve feet beyond the jack.

With such as these the skip has no choice. He must call attention to what is wrong but in a private interview not in a public statement.

Teacher: "Spell straight."

Pupil: "S-T-R-A-I-G-H-T."

Teacher: "That's correct. What does it mean?"

Pupil: "Without water."

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For adult education, nothing beats having children.

THE OBSERVATION POST

San Francisco Club

By Harry Soderstrom

(Practice before starting tournament play?)

Lawn Bowling is about the only game where no warm up period is taken, even though the rules permit it. Law 5(E) merely points out that a player is not to practice on the rink assigned for the match before starting time. So often a player will say to his Skip, after a bad shot, "it takes a few ends to get started." It seems like a good idea to set aside the end rinks or other unused areas for practice purposes. It also seems like a good idea for Skips to insist that their teams get warmed up before starting play. The usual trial ends before a match ordinarily are not enough to get into the swing of the game. Points scored in the early period of play often make the difference between winning and losing.

While on the subject of competition it is surprising how little practice work is done, as a team, prior to a match. The results show up especially in fours and triples. Mostly we play doubles and 4 bowls seem to have a psychological as well as an actual advantage. Even when a singles match is coming up, we rarely play a singles game beforehand. Most important for the improvement of our game, of course, is to take a couple of sets of bowls, several jacks, and practice during the week. Athletic coaches spend most of their time overseeing the practice work of their charges who are mostly young people. For some reason, as we get older, we seem to think that we need little or no practice.

The second edition of the Lawn Bowler's Handbook, issued October 1966, contains the official laws of the game for A.L.B.A. bowlers. In the Foreword is a paragraph requesting comments and suggestions. As incidents occur, and where it appears the rules need changing or clarification it's a good idea to jot them down and present them for interpretations. One of the effective ways for the A.L.B.A. Council to get these suggestions is through the pages of this magazine. The present Laws of the game are excellent. As with all written material, however, clarification and change is essential and this is recognized by the Council. Having been an umpire for several matches I have had to refer to the Laws on many occasions. Usually the case was covered specifically and in only a few instances did it seem that a change or clarification of the Law might be desirable. I'll comment on some of these cases in later issues. To mention only one of them now and which is illustrative of some of the items which come up is Law 3(E) Footwear. This Law states in part "smooth, rubber-soled, heelless footwear etc." Since so much other composition material is used in soles nowadays perhaps the term "rubber-soled" could be eliminated.

A final observation for this quarter: The other fellow is stubborn, I'm persistent.

It is easy to tell when you've bought a bargain—it doesn't fit.

**WORLD RENOWNED
LAWN BOWLER IS DEAD**

By Cliff Rea

Alex (Bob) Veitch passed away on December 28, 1968, a victim of lung cancer.

Bob was a member of the Berkeley and Oakland Clubs and a past president of the Oakland Club. He was ill only a short time, first learning of his trouble about two months ago.

Bob was not only the best bowler, and the best known, in Northern California but the best known in the U. S. He was also known world wide being the only U. S. bowler to be listed in "World Bowls" a London, England publication.

Bob was the only U. S. bowler to win the BOWLING TO THE JACK World competition which he won in 1968. Bob has won so many trophies in his bowling career it would take a long listing to cover them all. In 1968 he represented the Pacific Inter-Mountain Division in both the U. S. Singles and U. S. Doubles at Buck Hill Falls, Pa. In 1967 he was National Singles Champion. Over the years he retired two permanent Singles Trophies by winning them three times. In 1966 Bob was chosen as a member of a team of five U. S. Bowlers to compete in the first WORLD TOURNAMENT in Sydney, Australia. He has made a number of tours to different countries to bowl as Good Will representatives of the U. S.

Bob was started in bowling at age 14 by his father who also was a top bowler. One of Bob's first big wins was as a lead for his father in the Doubles event in the National Tournament in San Francisco during the 1939 World's Fair. They placed second.

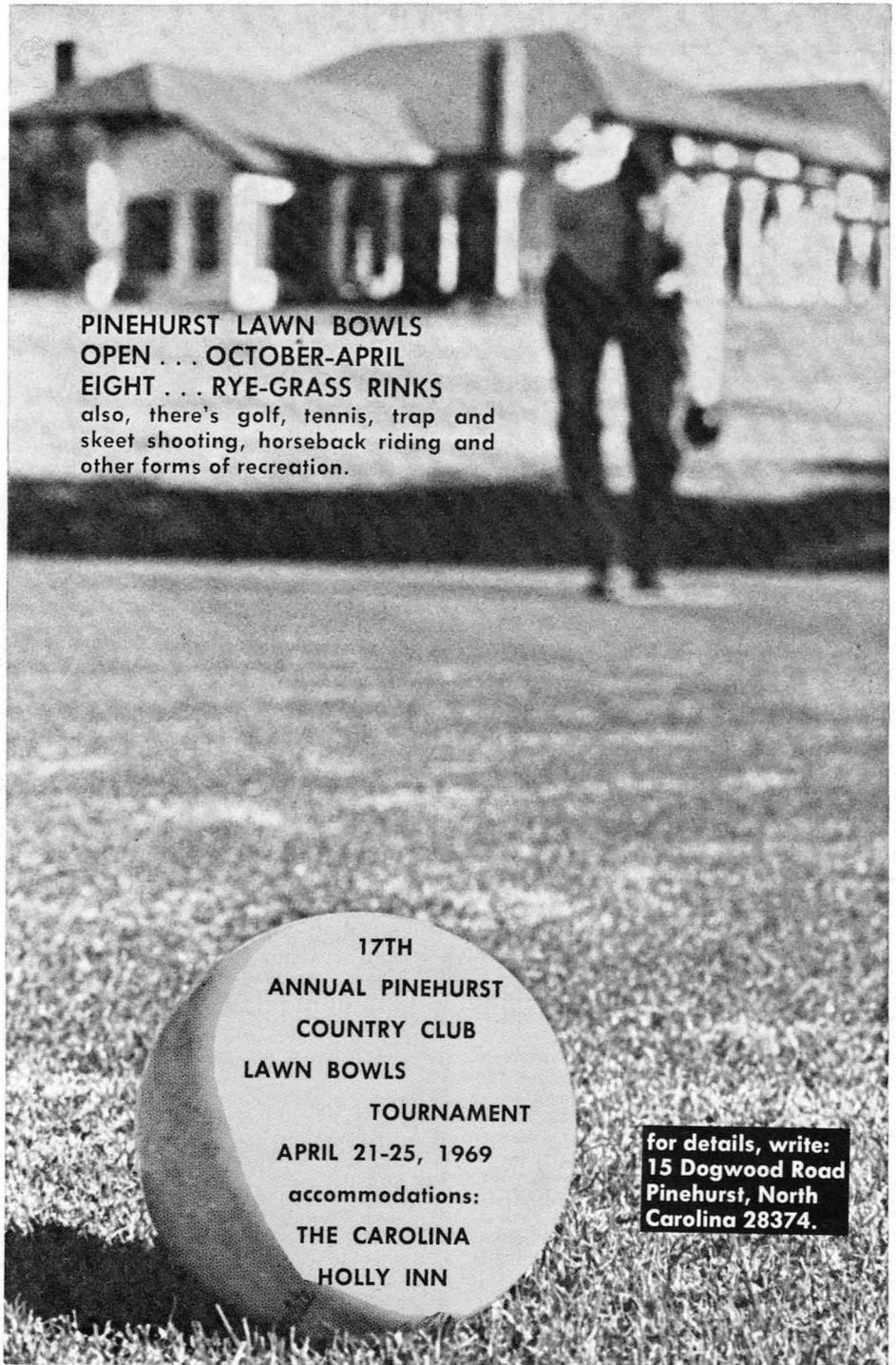
He was born in Berkeley and attended school there except for a year or so that his father took him to England to get some English schooling. In England he continued to get experience in bowling.

He retired from active business four years ago. Then he and his wife Dorothy devoted much time to bowling. Dorothy is also a top bowler as she and Bob were the winners in the Mixed Doubles in Buck Hill Falls in 1968.

He will not only be sorely missed by his family of Dorothy, two sons and seven grandchildren but by bowlers throughout the U. S.

He set an example of bowling sportsmanship which should be a fine example for bowlers everywhere. He was always a gentleman in the true sense of the word.

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"Yes, I have two half sisters."

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A hippie was walking down the street carrying a cigar box. His friend said, "I didn't know you smoked cigars." The hip said, "I don't. I'm moving."

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When a girl wearing a mini drops something, she has to decide quickly if it's worth picking up.

A Marriage Anonymous chapter for divorced men is now operating in Detroit. Whenever you feel like getting wed again, they send over a woman in a housecoat and curlers.

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Optimism is the ability to refer to "my car" when there are 35 more payments due on it.

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When an irate father puts out the cats these days, he usually throws out the guitars and bongo drums, too.

EASTERN DIVISION

R. Gregg Rodgers

SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION Eastern Division By Robert Baxter

Due to an unavoidable breakdown in communications, the copy that had been prepared for the October issue never did reach "Bowls". This report therefore covers the omission and picks up at June 9, 1968, giving details of the open tournaments sponsored by the association clubs from that date through the end of the season.

Generally speaking, tournaments were well supported, participation varying from 12 to 16 teams, although the tournament scheduled at Waterbury on October 13 had to be cancelled because of lack of entries. Waterbury has had a quite unfortunate season: its first two tournaments were rained out and when it finally did get one in, the greenskeeper did not show up to cut the grass and the games were played on one of the nicest (but highest) stands of grass that the players had seen in a long time. I am sure there were some tired arms following that one.

Following is a list of trophy winners. All rinks tournaments unless otherwise noted.

Bamber Trophy: Bridgeport—A. Thomson, E. Christoff, D. Bundock, J. Morrison (Skip).

Cape Codder Trophy: Greenwich—J. Johnston D. Liddell, J. Wallace, J. McBain (Skip).

Smith Memorial Trophy: Bridgeport—A. Mitchell, E. Christoff, R. Smith, J. Morrison (Skip).

Webster Trophy: Irvington—W. Davidson, W. Firkin, A. Kerr, J. Breslin (Skip).

Connecticut State Rinks: New Haven—J. Weir, H. Richards, G. Strathdee, R. Hilditch (Skip).

Galbraith Trophy: Greenwich—J. Johnston, D. Liddell, J. Blackburn, J. McBain (Skip).

Muir Trophy: New Haven—L. Patrie, J. Hunter, R. Harkness, D. Brown (Skip).

Hunter Trophy: Bridgeport—A. Mitchell, D. Bundock, J. Morrison, J. Fleming (Skip).

Van der Kruik Trophy: New York—J. Chisholm, H. Chisholm, E. Roache, D. Tomchik (Skip).

Taurig Trebles: Irvington—W. Firkin D. MacIntosh, A. Kerr (Skip).

Gardiner Trophy: Bridgeport—R. Smith, A. Thomson, J. Smith, J. Morrison (Skip).

Singles Championship Playoffs: 1st.—C. Blaney (Bridgeport); 2nd.—D. Liddell (Greenwich).

Doubles Championship Playoffs: 1st.—R. Dittmar, A. Bell (Skip) (Waterbury); 2nd.—W. Davidson, A. Kerr (Skip) (Irvington).

Past President's Trophy at Bridgeport: Bridgeport—A. Thomson, D. Baxter, R. Smith, R. Harkness (Skip).

Aitchenson Trophy: Essex—R. MacCrae, D. Wintch, D. Redo, S. Schofield.

Meikle Trophy: Bridgeport—A. Thomson, S. Morrison, R. Smith, J. Morrison (Skip).

McGowan Trophy: Bridgeport—J. Karwin, J. Meikle, R. Smith, C. Blaney (Skip).

Closing Day at Bridgeport: Bridgeport—S. Morrison, A. Thomson, J. Karwin, D. Brown (Skip).

Diehards' at Bridgeport: 1st.—Bridgeport—M. Lodge, E. Christoff, J. Meikle, R. Harkness (Skip); 2nd.—Bridgeport—Skipped by J. Smith.

The Past President's Trophy (this refers to the Eastern Division) reported above is new and was organized by the Association to raise funds for the Promotion Committee of the Division. The trophy, which was donated by two members of the Bridgeport Club, will be placed in competition annually for the same fund-raising purposes. Over \$80 were forwarded to the Promotion committee as a result of this tournament.

The play-offs for the singles and doubles championships produced some interesting play. These, of course, are round robin affairs, each of the six clubs in the association being represented by one player or one team as the case may be, resulting in five round robin games. An interesting situation occurred in the singles where, after four rounds of games, Campbell Blaney of the Bridgeport Club, who was the 1967 winner and holder met Dave Liddell of the Greenwich Club who had won in 1966 and had gone on to win the Eastern Division title in 1967, in the fifth and final game, each having won their previous four. At this stage, therefore, this one game decided the championship and a very exciting one it was too with Campbell Blaney managing a very close win.

The following day, the Waterbury pair of Bob Dittmar and Art Bell went through the five games without a loss.

I believe it will be of interest to readers to note that there are two very young players who play regularly in these Association Tournaments. One of these is Dave Baxter, of the Bridgeport Club, this reporter's son, who at 14 years of age, has just completed his third season of bowling. Dave missed very few tournaments this season. The extent of his progress may be gauged by the fact that he has won several prizes this year, including one first. (I hope there is no truth to the rumor that Dave sells these prizes to his mother). The other is young Lyndon Patrie, Jr. of New Haven, who at 10 years of age must be one of the youngest tournament players anywhere. His father is secretary of the New Haven Club and his grandfather is Bob Hilditch one of the best known figures in bowling circles in this area. During the season the three generations played on the same team for New Haven several times, which is wonderful, and I understand that the same thing is going on with the distaff side of the family. Let's hope that this fine game can hang on to these young people and others like them.

ESSEX COUNTY L.B.C.

By James Morton

The 1968 Club competitions wound up as follows: Singles—Winner Jim Stevenson, Doubles—Winners Joe Stevenson, Bill Manners; Singles (Points)—Winner Joe Stevenson. Inter-club competitions Mixed Trebles—Winners Trenton Haff Cup; (Trebles)—Winners East Orange, Leith Cup — (Rinks) — Winners Essex,

Ladies Auxiliary Club competitions. Singles—Winner Florence Peill, Runner-up Dot Sleater; Doubles—Winners Martha Hamilton, Annabelle Nelkin, Runners-up Violet Hay, Judy Redo. Arrangements are underway for a night in January to present prizes to the winners.

The Annual General meeting for election of officers was held Tuesday 3rd Dec. 1968. After very spirited balloting the following were elected to office for the 1969 season:

President—H. B. (Brownie) Mitchell; 1st Vice-Pres.—Jim Morton; 2nd Vice-Pres.—Adam Ewing; Secretary-Treasurer—Joe Turnbull. To the Executive Committee (Three year terms) Lloyd Herrick, Andy Gray, Dave Redo. The meeting had a courtesy visit from the officers of the Ladies Auxiliary who expressed their appreciation of the bowling facilities and suggested a further extension of the arrangements for mixed team bowling. The club pavilion will be redecorated in time for the opening of the 1969 bowling season. Bobby Lindsay's son has become an official member of the club. We are now in the dormant season for lawn bowling but we are hoping our members are flexing their muscles and exercising their sinews in preparation for the coming season.

NEW YORK L.B.C.

By Ralph Loffler

Over ninety members and friends of the New York L.B.C. gathered at the Grand Street Boys' Club on November 9 for a gala evening and annual dinner to mark the close of the 1968 bowling season. Dinner Chairman Thomas Bowe and Master of Ceremonies Frank Wood provided a lively and most interesting program topped off with the showing of an excellent movie film of members and visitors bowling on our greens over a span of twenty-eight years from 1940 to 1968, produced by club member Les Coryn.

Guests included Sam Schofield, immediate past president Eastern Division A.L.B.A., and his charming wife Mary, Charles King, president of the Brooklyn B.G.C., and Eastern Division's Hall of Fame Dave Dakers who was warmly received by his numerous friends. We were also joined by many members of the Essex County L.B.C. whose company was most appreciated and greatly enjoyed.

Awards were presented to our immediate past president, Paul Hansen, the present games chairman and many times officer, Dan Tomchik, and the popular secretary of the club for many years, Ed Roache, justly deserved for many years of effort devoted to the club. A special award was given Les Coryn as a token of appreciation for the many hours of professional work he put into the making of the movie film. Acknowledgments were presented to Mrs. Sylvan King and Mrs. Harry Groedel for generous gifts to the club. Tournament trophies were presented to the seasons winners by Dan Tomchik.

Plans for the coming season will include special emphasis on an increase in membership and a larger participation in lawn bowling activities by present members. It is our hope to not only add to the 18 new members acquired by our N.Y. Club in 1968 but to join with neighboring clubs in developing a "mutual aid" program for expanding the game generally in the New York area.

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SOUTHEAST DIVISION

Harold L. Esch

**SOUTHEAST DIVISION
 SCHEDULE OF WINTER EVENTS**

By Harold L. Esch

Bowlers of the Southeast Division face a busy schedule in the months ahead with one day invitationals, open tournaments and climaxed by the Annual Southeast Division Tournament at St. Petersburg March 15 through the 22nd.

Events already played during the month of January included the 16th Annual City of Bradenton Invitational Triples and the 10th Annual Orlando Mixed Triples Tournament. The Peabody Invitational at Daytona Beach will be played January 31st.

February events will be highlighted by the traditional Open Marl Tournament play at St. Petersburg with the triples scheduled for February 10-14; doubles from February 17-21 and the singles from February 24-28. Other February dates include the 6th Annual Mount Dora Mixed Triples co-sponsored by the Mount Dora C of C. The De Land LBC will host its 9th Annual Invitational Triples but this year at the club's new site in Earl Brown Park where eight new Rubico rinks were recently installed by Arthur Hartley of Clearwater, Fla.

The Lakeland LBC will play its 4th Annual Invitational Tournament on March 1st. The oldest invitational event in the Southeast Division is the Major Marsh Tournament at Mount Dora with the 22nd annual play scheduled for

March 6th. The 2nd Annual Mixed Doubles event at St. Petersburg for the Jack Muir Trophy will be played March 3rd.

Also in March is the Bradenton “De Soto” Tournament (March 19th); 2nd Annual North Central Florida League Mixed Triples Championship for the Berry Trophy at De Land on March 26th; 3rd Annual Clearwater “Sun 'n Fun” Mixed Triples on March 28th.

April 1st finds the annual NCFL-WFL Championships and All-Star Match to be played in a West Florida League City. The Stewart Trophy and the Britton Trophy are involved in this play.

Playdowns for the division clubs to determine winners for the 1969 United States Championships will be scheduled early in April with sites and dates to be announced. The 17th Annual Pinehurst Country Club's Tournament, Pinehurst, N. C., will be extended to a full six days of bowling in 1969 with play to run from April 21st through the 26th.

The 18th Annual Southeast Division Tournament will take on a new face in 1969 with the singles play scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, March 15-16. This will be followed by two days of play for the three big events — men's triples on Monday and Tuesday; men's doubles on Wednesday and Thursday and the very popular mixed triples on Friday and Saturday. The women's triples will be played on Wednesday, March 19th at Clearwater.

MOUNT DORA L.B.C.

By Harold L. Esch

The little city of Mount Dora has 14 rubico rinks which could be the most beautiful in the country. They are on two levels, eight upper and six lower, with the club house and patio between. Nearly three hundred members, plus many visitors, take advantage of the normally blue skies and sunshine during the winter months.

The club is a member of the North Central Florida League with Orlando, Daytona and DeLand; thirty triples teams in all with regularly scheduled games during January, February and March. At the end of the season the champions and all stars go against like teams from the West Florida League.

Many inter-club social games are scheduled against other Florida clubs during the winter season, often occupying the entire 14 rinks. There are also many special events and tournaments so that the club centers a bee hive of activity for the town.

The Mount Dora club is unique in several respects. Organized bowling classes develop new bowlers who become proficient before entering regular games. “Pill” or draw bowling mixes all members every day except on Friday or for intra-club or inter-club matches. Last year's membership was 147 women and 141 men, which undoubtedly reflects the influence of organized instruction.

Mount Dora is an attractive stop off point for fellow A.L.B.A. members. The “visitors welcome” sign is always out.

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CENTRAL DIVISION

Thomas N. Davis III, M.D.

CENTRAL DIVISION NEWS

By Tom Davis

What does a lawn bowling buff do when the green is blanketed with snow? Paul Deegan and Ed Redding of Denver have an answer — shovel off the snow and start bowling! Last January the Denver Post featured a large photo of these gentlemen playing their favorite sport in Washington Park, where they cleared a rink of inches of snow.

This correspondent had to resign as chairman of the Central Division promotion committee. Just too busy to do right by it. But we have an enthusiastic, capable new chairman—E. Max Blue, 2376 Madison Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45208. Max retired early from operating a department store. He is active in civic affairs and travel—and lawn bowling! He has served as president of Cincinnati LBC and is an agent for Vitalite bowls. All along he has been one of the most active members of the promotion committee.

Max writes, "I spent some time with William Richwine, Director of Recreation, Kettering Ohio south of Dayton. He is seriously considering a bowling green. Louisville plans to build two additional greens. Their first club is now well established and is affiliating with the A. L. B. A."

Louisville LBC invited Cincinnati LBC to an afternoon of bowling and picnic supper last October. The Louisville Metropolitan Park Board provided a plaque for annual matches between the two clubs. Cincinnati won this first match but it was very close.

Congratulations, Louisville, on such a good start! The Central Division of the A.L.B.A. wishes you many decades of good bowling! We hope you participate in many of our Central Division tournaments.

The Cincinnati club showed an Australian film "The Biased Ball" at its annual banquet last fall. (A copy of this is owned by the Central Division). Cincinnati's '69 officers are President Earl A. Fertig, 1st V.P. Wm. H. Peebles, 2nd V.P. Dr. Lester Schmalz and Treasurer James Mancuso.

Yellow Springs, Ohio is considering lawn bowling. And the latest news from the Buckeye state is that Akron has developed a wholesale interest in bowling on the green. These Akron officials have sought information—city recreation director, parks and recreation bureau manager; division of recreation superintendent; division of parks superintendent; executive sports editor of the BEACON JOURNAL; and the recreation directors of three rubber companies. Wow! Looks like Ohio could outdo California as the fastest growing state for lawn bowling.

The Central Division Open tournament is scheduled July 12-17 at Lakeside and will feature two changes. The first two days will be trebles instead of rinks. And the singles tournament will be two days instead of a one day "endurance contest." The singles playdown will be July 26-27 at Cincinnati. This is the first Division event there, and we hear via the grapevine that Cincinnati is preparing not only good greens but also fine hos-

pitality. The doubles playdown will be July 19-20, site not yet decided.

The Division is concerned with improving our greens, for many of them are only fair at best. Tom Davis has obtained from Australia, that bowler's paradise, a comprehensive course of instruction for greenskeepers. President Ralph Welton is editing it, and the Division will send copies to each member club.

You can also get good information on greens in the Turf Manual published by the Royal Victorian Bowls Association, 342 St. Kilda Road, Melbourne 3004, Australia. One U.S. dollar should get you a copy. And from England you can get Cave's Guide To Turf Culture, claimed to be the standard work on fine quality turf. It costs 50 shillings at Pelham Books, 26 Bloomsbury St., London, W. C.1.

Does anyone have a spare copy of October BOWLS? This correspondent moved that month and he has yet to see that issue. Lester Timmins, circulation manager, says that when members move, club secretaries must furnish old addresses including ZIP code as well as the new.

Lawn bowling in the U.S. can use publicity. A. F. Roche of Yellow Springs lives within driving distance of Cincinnati's green, but it took this world-wide chain of communication for him to learn about it—He wrote to bowls secretary J. M. Dobbie of Australia, who sent his name to former A.L.B.A. president Alf Andersen, who sent it to Frank Mixon of California, thence to Tom Davis in Illinois and then, at last, Max Blue in Cincinnati! Let's say it was a toucher that wicked four times!

COLUMBUS PARK, L.B.C.

By JOHN HERBERTS

This was another good year for our last year's singles champion: John Murdoch. He did it again by beating one of our real perennial stars: Dave Campbell, with his cool decisive skill. He also won the club doubles championship with the help of Bert Thomson, also a cool cat.

John kept up his pace at inter-club meets also. He won the city singles from young Douglas MacArthur, after a see-saw score at Lakeside. And as skip, he came through with the second place at the Fisher Memorial trebles competition at the Gary, Indiana club. This was an open tournament with 20 entries. John's team consisted of Bert Thomson and George Fyfe.

Our associate bowlers produced a real star also: Bridie Rowan. She won both the singles and the doubles. She had a tooth and toe-nail match with Doris Horton. Then she met her again in the doubles, but got a lot of help from her partner Olga Geer. The other team partner was Mary Dowd.

GARY L.B.C.

By Ross Brown

These are our officers for 1969—President Charles Rankine; V. P. Dick Carbine; 2nd V. P. Tom Rogers; Sec'y. Ross Brown and Directors Wm. Miller, Rob't. McGaffney, Rob't. Pride, M. B. Campbell, John Kennedy, Wm. Smillie and Past President Jim Donnelly.

LAKESIDE L.B.C.

By Tom Davis

Lakeside has inaugurated its '69 administration and is raring to start the new season. Our officers are President Malcolm Ross and V.P. John LeNoble. John Flood continues as secretary-treasurer. New directors are Milt Ferguson, Russel Kutz and Eldon Stevenson.

Not even the marriage of our new president's daughter, Nancy, has kept Malcolm from doing some of Lakeside's best pre-season preparation. (Nancy is another enthusiastic Lakesider lost to California; but we're happy for you, Dr. and Mrs. Robert C. Dodson of Los Angeles!) Malcolm hopes to have our full season's schedule printed and distributed in plenty of time for bowlers to plan vacations. And many vacations will include the Central Division Open Tournament, to be at Lakeside July 12-17.

In the meantime a winter meeting is planned February 7 to show the new film from Australia, "Introduction to Bowls." And Chicago bound bowlers are enjoying another winter on the Calumet Park carpet rinks. Syl Friel has organized the '69 annual tournament.

Ray Grove, Sr. is retiring from being a skip. After 41 years of lawn bowling—he and Lakeside started lawn bowling together in 1928, he has decided that now is the time to leave skip duties to "many young capable men." But we can expect Ray to be on the green this season and show those young men the way to the jack! He has won many championships and our crystal bowl tells us he has not yet won his last championship.

Tom and Bessie Walker are among the Lakesiders retiring to Florida, to Hollywood, which has a colony of Lakeside alumni. We'll miss you, Tom and Bessie!

Art and Ann Siebert toured South Africa last fall and bowled at Durban. And speaking of touring, Jim Rarity hopes to have a bowling tour organized to Scotland in 1970. It sounds exciting, Jim! Maybe your target should be the Commonwealth and Empire Games in Edinburgh in '70.

They're still talking about the write-up on lawn bowling Joe Ibe obtained in the Chicago Sun-Times in its Midwest magazine September 15. It features two full page colored photos!! They certainly exemplify Joe's point that color is needed to make lawn bowling interesting to photographers and spectators, for the bowlers pictured were wearing rainbow colors.

Lakeside concluded its '68 season with its 42nd annual banquet November 2nd. Once again it was a sparkling success, thanks to the John LeNoble family and the many other talented performers who belong to Lakeside. Alas, space does not allow a write-up about their delightful doings. Trophies and prizes were awarded to our '68 winners, including these champions—

Singles, T. Davis; doubles, D. and L. McArthur; trebles, R. Kutz, V. Jackson and M. Ferguson; rinks, L. Young, B. Safranski, J. LeNoble and J. Rarity.

Women's events: Singles, Darlene Rice;; doubles, D. Rice and L. Magnuson; trebles, B. Taylor, T. Clark, G. Ferguson.

Mixed events: Trebles, R. Kutz, B. Safranski, M. Kutz; marital doubles, J. and M. Cordes.

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NORTHWEST DIVISION

Chas P. Middleton

JEFFERSON PARK L.B.C.

By Ralph Andrews

Look over there . . . see that big madrona tree? That's where our new clubhouse will be—with a 50-foot front on both greens, a sweeping picture-window view of Seattle's business area on Elliott Bay. Doubt no more, you faint-hearted. We may be using our new home next year.

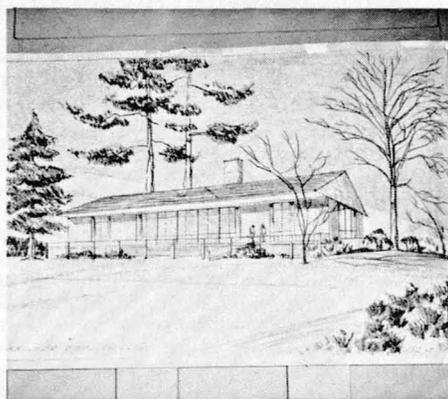
It's a real success story. With the present clubhouse less than adequate, the Seattle Park Board was able to include \$35,000.00 for a new facility in the Forward Thrust bond issue voted in by the public—to be used if Jefferson Park L.B.C. could provide matching funds. So how do we go about it? asked the club directors borrow the money from a bank or from a few members or ask the entire membership to contribute on a straight across—the-board basis? Pursuing the latter course and setting a goal of \$20,000.- for a \$40,000.-building, the project was presented to all members by a series of letters with suggestions for pledging cash and/or transfer of stock.

By early October the response was overwhelming. Full members and associates had pledged over \$17,000, and to date the fund approaches the needed \$20,000. The effort and its fulfillment have been most gratifying to the Directors and all contributors.

Construction plans are now being submitted to the City, and the Engineering Department will have its own architect draw final plans for our approval, and call for bids. Members will soon see strange-looking trespassers driving stakes and making mysterious motions on our "North 40." Please do not throw bowls at them. They're our friends.

This new clubhouse news will please visitors from California, Oregon and British Columbia who have overlooked with us the many inadequacies of our "little gray home in the Northwest" and will help us enjoy the new one. Our only regret is that Dr. Howard Sharp, Frank Mackenzie and Oscar Olson could not live long enough to enjoy it, too.

With the greens in fine shape for winter play, our best bowlers doing better than ever, several new members playing like veterans, and a new clubhouse coming up . . . is there any A.L.B.A. ruling against feeling 10 *points up coming home?*



Architect visualizes Jefferson Park L.B.C.'s new clubhouse in this sketch. Actual building will border both greens.

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A new equipment building has been authorized for all equipment used in green maintenance.

The annual banquet, with installation of officers, was held at Rose Manor Inn Restaurant, on October 21, with 72 in attendance. Our honored guest was Walter Schade, the first president of our club, having served two years 1933-1934. The oldest active member present was John Jolly, president 1941-1942.

The following officers were installed for the ensuing year:

- James C. McLay—President
Dr. Raymond A. Laws—Vice-President
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Mrs. Ruth S. Dick—Secretary

QUEEN CITY L.B.C.—SEATTLE

By Howard Weaver

Of some small satisfaction to bowlers who have been rained out at the end of 1968, was the remarkable success of the turf punching done by the members last Spring, when 32,800 holes, 1-inch diameter, 8 inches deep, were cut in each green, and filled with sand. No lakes have formed during the heaviest downpours. The lower green was closed early enough for seed to become well established for 1969. Although the upper green was not officially closed this year, the record breaking rains have made bowling difficult. In the meantime there are daily pinochle games and weekly bridge parties.

Officers for 1969 were elected in October: Lloyd Gilbert, President; Jack Lambrecht, Vice-president; John McNeill, Secretary-treasurer; and Executive Committee members will be Phil Reed, Bud Bingaman, Harold Day, Carlton Bouton, Olaf Caskin, and Dick Richards. John Baxter and Sandy Dakers will continue clubhouse and selection duties. The award of individual trophies to all first and second place winners met with approval. Membership holds steady at 190. A hundred members are visiting far away greens in search of wonderful new ideas for the coming year.

The Fall dinner party was held November 22, at the Elk's Club, and was attended by 60 members and wives.

The Park Department is friendly, has extended the lease, and is looking at the future possibilities of Astro turf.

TACOMA L.B.C.

By Howard Fisher

The Tacoma Lawn Bowling Club's Annual Meeting chose the following members to serve as the 1969 officers:

- President—Arnold McKeen
Vice President—Louis Muscek
Secretary-Treasurer—J. C. Malkewick (re-elected) 801 North Warner, Tacoma, Wash. 98406

Members of Board of the Northwest Division, ALBA

- Arnold McKeen
Howard Fisher

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PACIFIC INTER-MOUNTAIN DIVISION

Clifford C. Rea

PACIFIC INTER-MOUNTAIN DIVISION ANOTHER CLUB IN THE OFFING

Soon the Del Mesa Carmel retirement community in Carmel Valley, California will have enough active bowlers to join the Division and the ALBA.

They were given an assist in developing bowlers from a visit on October 29th by Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Rea, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mixon and Mr. and Mrs. Raynor Gimbal.

The evening of the 29th Cliff Rea showed 16mm color movies of a match between a triples team of San Francisco Kiwanians and an Oakland Kiwanis team, also a match between a triples team of Oakland Kiwanians and Oakland Lions Club. These teams were made up of men who had never rolled a bowl before the game. A film developed to stir interest in our game of BOWLS. Then a 16mm color film provided by Frank Mixon, National Promotion Chairman. This film was produced in Australia and designed to show the proper techniques of bowling. A question and answer period followed in which Raynor Gimbal also took part as Co-Chairman of Division Tournaments. Some 25 prospective bowlers attended. The following day a bowling coaching session took place with 14 men and 3 women of del mesa Carmel taking part. Mary Gimbal assisted in the coaching session along with Cliff, Frank and Raynor.

Mr. Fred M. Naber, Activities Chairman for del mesa Carmel, an enthusiastic beginning bowler, was the spark plug in getting a good turnout for both events. He was well pleased with the attendance at both sessions and predicted enough bowlers would be active to form a club within a year. With in that time he was looking forward to del mesa Carmel challenging nearby clubs at Santa Cruz and San Jose. Your BOWLS correspondent predicts del mesa Carmel will have a bowling club ready to join the Division by June 1969—making the 16th club.

OAKLAND L.B.C.

By Cliff Rea

Oakland continues to hold its membership at the set limit of 170. This in spite of some resignations of inactive bowlers. This leaves 3 on the waiting list.

Oakland was favored in November by KTVU, Channel 2 with a six minute broadcast in color of many bowlers in action. There were brief and unplanned interviews with: Brick Johnson, Bill Davidson, our incoming President, Ted Gerrard and Eva Clutten. They were asked when and why they took up lawn bowling. Ted and Bill both explained that they took up bowling as very young men in the British Isles. Brick as a retired football coach explained that he liked the fellowship as well as finding it a very challenging game that you could continue to play long after you could football. Eva found in her retirement from being an anesthetist bowling provided fun, good companionship and exercise — a good use of leisure. This was the result of a plan of Miss Andrea Boggs of Channel 2 to cover a variety of leisure time activities. Lawn Bowling was one of the first that she covered.

Annual banquet on Dec. 12 brought out 150 bowlers and wives. All enjoyed a good dinner, good singing by a professional tenor and two renditions by an excellent pianist. Group singing, lead by Dave Tweedie of the Richmond Club in his fine baritone, was enjoyed by all. Bill Davidson, Vice-President, filling in for Jimmy Stewart, President who had a cold, did a fine job as master of ceremonies.

Hal Myers, Games Chairman, with an assist from Brick Johnson, did a fine job in presenting Club trophies. The first to receive trophies was W. R. Taylor, he received so many (5) they were brought in in a wheelbarrow. John Maddock received 3, Bill Davidson 2, Joe Lista 2, Raynor Gimbal 2. The following received a trophy each: O. A. Lantto, O. J. Dempsey, John Wilson, H. R. Trengrove, J. T. Young, Oscar Klarr, Royal Milligan, Richard Ferguson, Walter Schneider, James L. Stewart, John F. Gallagher, Henry Hill, Glen (Brick) Johnson, Ed Toepke, Campbell Carmine, George West, Harry Wagner, George Gallagher, Sam Garfinkle, Leroy Sharp and Hal Myers carried off 1st in Scratch Singles.

December 14 the following officers were elected for 1969. President, W. A. (Bill) Davidson; Vice President, H. L. Hal Myers; Secretary Treasurer, Russel Richardson. Elected Executive Committee member — Glen (Brick) Johnson. Games Tournament Committee: Chairman, Roy M. Waaland; others — F. R. Ewart, Charles Mills, Charles McNeill, W. B. Steubinger; Greens Committee: Chairman, Earl Davis; others—Earl Andrews, Dale Mason, Wm. Gould, Don Dallas, Lloyd Youngblood and Ernie Eckstein.

THE GRAHAM TRIPLETS

Bob, Don and Hal as pictured below are bowling triplets. They represent 228 years of living. Bob belongs to Berkeley and Santa Cruz clubs, Don to Rossmoor and Oakland and Hal is a member of Rossmoor.

1970 or 1973 conversation on the green: "Cliff, you know I liked the old days better when we could complain about the condition of the green."

Cliff: "Yes, then we had an excuse for poor playing, now with this synthetic stuff we don't have an excuse."



Bob, Don & Hal Bowling Triplets
Berkeley & Santa Cruz
Don, Rossmoor & Oakland

BERKELEY L.B.C.

By Frances McDougall

Our member, Frank Mixon, one of ALBA's Directors, did such an outstanding job in promoting interest in Lawn Bowling, not only locally but throughout the United States, that in recognition of his fine work Berkeley selected him for its Outstanding Service Award. The Award is given only when a special committee, appointed by the Board of Directors, feels that a member has given much of himself in extraordinary service to the club and to the sport of Lawn Bowls.



Left to Right:
James Forster, Chairman of Special Award Committee

Melvin M. Swartz, President B.L.B.C.

W. Frank Mixon, Jr., recipient of Berkeley's Outstanding Service Award for 1968 in recognition of his efforts to establish new clubs and create interest in the game of lawn bowls.

Presented at the Annual Christmas Party of the Berkeley Lawn Bowling Club.

Berkeley is also pleased to congratulate their members sent to Buck Hill Falls to represent the Pacific Inter-Mountain Division. Bob Veitch and Ralph Gordon were the runners-up for the national doubles championship. Dorothy and Bob Veitch won the mixed doubles title and their names will be inscribed on the Abner P. Way Memorial Trophy.

A Berkeley team consisting of Bob Veitch, Frank Mixon, Dorothy Veitch and Dorothy Wyckoff won the Invitational Triples Tournament November 12 to 15 at Smoke Tree Ranch, Palm Springs. Sixteen teams all from Southern California and the one team from Berkeley, were entered. Each team was required to have at least four players, none of whom was permitted to play more than 15 ends in a 20 end game. Teams were divided into two divisions, the winner of each being determined by round robin play. Berkeley won its division and also won from the Riverside Club, winner of the other division, in the finals.

The annual Christmas Party was held on December 4, at Spenger's Restaurant. A fine turnout of some 170 members and friends, all imbued with the holiday spirit, were on hand. The guests of honor were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Christensen the newly appointed Director of Parks and Recreation for Berkeley.

Berkeley is happy to report 19 new members joined the club in 1968, making a total membership of 165.

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CENTRAL DIVISION

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ROCKFORD L.B.C.

By David J. Blake

These are our 1969 officers, who were installed at our annual banquet last October—President John Blake, Vice-Pres. Jerry Meline, Secretary David Blake (512 Hemlock Lane, Rockford, Il. 61107); and Directors "Lefty" Stenerson, Ralph Dickman, John Payne and Frank Roddy.

At the banquet Anthony Ingrassia showed some lawn bowling slides and the Roddy brothers entertained us with songs.

"Lefty" Stenerson won our '68 singles championship and was the first to have his name inscribed on the James Moncur Memorial Trophy. Arthur Gustafson and P. A. Hollenbeck won the doubles. But, tragically, P. A. Hollenbeck was fatally injured in an accident in September.

We had a good year of bowling in '68. We traveled to Lakeside, Moline, Milwaukee Lake Park, Columbus Park, and Racine. Gary, Milwaukee West and Moline visited us. Twelve of our members played in the National Open at Milwaukee, one-half our membership.

John Klingstedt decided to retire as our secretary after 23 years. We thank him for a job well done. We're proud that Frank Roddy has been installed as first vice president of the Central Division.

RACINE L.B.C.

By Leone Seidel

A few of our polar bear types enjoyed bowling on the green on sunny days late into the fall. Some are so enthusiastic we wouldn't be too surprised to find 'em out there in February.

Our annual banquet and meeting was held in September and these officers elected for '69: President Gus Lindeman, Vice-Pres. Joseph Rowley and Secretary-Treasurer Mrs. Leone Seidel.

Last season Joe Rowley won the Wiseman singles trophy for the second successive year. He and Leone Seidel won the doubles and Catteral trophy for the second straight year. Our club finished the year with six wins and one loss in inter-club matches. We enjoyed as guests George and Ethel Bubin of Laguna Hills, Calif. They are very good bowlers! We hope they'll return.

We hope everyone is having a good winter and we look forward to spring and another Lawn Bowling Season!

MOLINE L.B.C.

By Cyrus A. Galley

Our new officers for 1969 are President Sumner R. Spiegel, Vice Pres. Frank Loete, Sec.-Treas. Cyrus A. Galley (3304 - 13th Ave. Ct., Moline, Ill. 61625) and Directors Ed R. Purse, Dave Evans, and Roy Gustafson.

When we had our annual meeting last November the treasurer's report noted a little surplus for the first time since we started bulding our new club house. And our members were pleased that the park board replaced our old unsightly fence. We may purchase a small tractor for maintaining our marl rinks. Trophies were presented to both our '67 and '68 winners, for our previous annual meeting was not held because of the death of our long-time secretary, Ray Ewing.

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In the River Cities doubles tournament Rockford beat us for the second year in a row, but it was close.

MILWAUKEE L.B.A.

By Willis Miller

Now's the time we store our bowls.
Except those very hardy souls,
With spirits like Davy Crocket's
Who bowl with hand warmers in their
pockets
Until the coming of the snows.

Good food and conviviality were enjoyed at our annual banquet, thanks to Ray Baker and other members of the entertainment committee. Officers elected were: President, Ben True; Vice President, Pete Bolliger; Board Members, Ed Erdtmann, Dr. John Huston and John Kuptz.

All club competitions were finished by the end of the season. Results not previously reported: Stuart Doubles, Neil McCairns and Steve Dooley scored over Paul Sullivan and Dick Tyrrell; Allen Singles, Neil McCairns winner, Dick Tyrrell runner-up; County Triples, Ben True, Kenny Degenhardt, Chet Schuller, over Jim Innes, Willis Miller and Art Landis; County Singles, Ben True over Chet Schuller.

DETROIT WEST SIDE L.B.C.

By John E. Short

Winter or not, we still enjoy thinking about that wonderful opening day of our new greens last August. They're at Plymouth and Burt Roads in Rouge Park. We have received many inquiries about lawn bowling and we look forward this year to bringing more members into our club. But we're sorry that we have lost another member by death, Richard Hamilton. Dick was president of our club in 1965 and he worked hard to get our new greens. He died September 5 after a brief illness. We will greatly miss him.

NORTHWEST DIVISION

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PORTLAND L.B.C.

By Homer Groat

After a rather slow start last Spring due to an all-time winter precipitation record here, we bowled our final game on our green, November 27, for one of our longest seasons.

Membership has been increased by 9 for a total of 76. Our number 1 green was taken out of play in September and thoroughly reconditioned by removal of all thatch, aerified, top dressed, leveled, seeded and rolled. The number 2 green will also be thatched, aerified and rolled, to give us hard and faster greens this coming year.

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The Forty-Eighth Annual National Open Tournament of the American LAWN BOWLS ASSOCIATION—OAKLAND, CALIF., SEPT. 27TH THRU OCT. 4TH, 1969

By Cliff Rea—Public Relations Director-Pacific Inter-Mountain Division

Oakland is proud to be the headquarters for the first National Tournament under the leadership of the new Pacific Inter-Mountain Division. Even tho Oakland is headquarters, San Francisco and Berkeley share equally in providing greens for all entrants, and providing hospitality. For overflow entries, Richmond, Palo Alto and Rossmoor are close by and offer the use of their greens. Altogether 11 greens are available—Oakland 3—San Francisco 3—Berkeley 2—Palo Alto 1 and Rossmoor 2.

An air view of Oakland is on the top half of the cover of this issue & San Francisco air view covers lower half. Oakland's greens in Lakeside Park are within walking distance of the business center. It's a beautiful setting as are San Francisco's greens in famed and beautiful Golden Gate Park. It is about 25 minutes driving time from Oakland's greens to those in San Francisco and about 15 minutes to Berkeley's greens.

All womens events will be played on the Berkeley greens.

Previous Division tournaments held in Oakland have attracted many Canadians from the Vancouver, Victoria area. This being a national one we expect many from Eastern Canada as well as all parts of the U. S.

BOWLERS FROM ACROSS THE SEAS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO PLAN TO ENTER THIS TOURNAMENT. The San Francisco Bay area is not far from Southern Calif., the Grand Canyon of Arizona, famed Bryce Canyon in Utah, the beautiful Redwood Highway, Crater Lake, Lake Tahoe and for those so inclined there is Las Vegas and its casinos. Hawaii is only a brief hop for those who want to extend their trip farther west. To go north from Crater Lake in Oregon it's not far to the beautiful Olympic Peninsula in Washington and the Puget Sound area. Going east one can take in Glacier and Yellowstone National Parks.

Accommodations for ALBA officials and others have been arranged at Jack London Inn at 444 First St. Oakland, Calif. 94607 This Inn is in famed Jack London Square near the Last Chance Saloon. Other motels are nearby. This location is 3 miles from the greens.

HEREWITH IS THE PROGRAM OF THE TOURNAMENT.

REGISTRATION—Friday & Saturday—Sept. 26-27, 1969 Oakland Clubhouse—Lakeside Park—371 Grand Avenue.

SATURDAY—Sept. 27—AM & PM Traditional Division competition—Southwest Div. vs. Pacific Inter-Mountain Division. Brooks Trophy—Calif. State-Fox and Waterbury Triples.

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ALL WOMEN'S EVENTS TO BE PLAYED ON BERKELEY GREENS. The usual 5 events will be played. First Championship Triples then the Championship Doubles, Mixed Doubles, Championship Singles and Novice Singles. For any further information write to: Miss Bess Powell, President of No. Calif. Women's-L. B. A. 1722-35th Ave. San Francisco, Calif.-94122.

SPECIAL TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE Brick Johnson & Raynor Gimbal Co. Chairman. Assistants are John Hill-Phil Moehr-Hal Myers-Clive Forrester and the best scorekeeper in the business, Charles McNeill.

The mother of a healthy young lad complained that after washing Junior, she had to wash the soap.

ROSSMOOR L.B.C.

By Peyton Alverson

Our President Douglas Smith has been in and out of the hospital for about a month. He is home now and on the mend.

Our members are very pleased with **BOWLS**, having so many novices, they are most happy about the articles for new bowlers.

Our membership is now 224. Membership will grow as new people move in to Rossmoor.

Our club was incorporated as a non-profit corporation on October 3, 1968 and is now known as **ROSSMOOR LAWN BOWLING CLUB, INC.**

We held our annual meeting on December 2, 1968 and elected the following four directors to succeed those whose term of office expired 12-31-68. Myron Krueger, Harold Graham, Dwight Stalker and (Mrs.) Margaret Dahlquist, they replace, Douglas Smith, Peyton Alverson, Clarence Eales and (Mrs.) Lucile Johns.

The new directors met with the hold-over directors, Lewis Bullock, Ray Hedrick and Fay Hawkins, after the annual meeting and elected the following officers for 1969. President—Myron Krueger; Vice President—Lewis Bullock; Secretary—Harold Graham and Treasurer—Fay Hawkins.

RICHMOND L.B.C.

By Jack Barry

The Taylor Cup seems to be the attraction for the Richmond Club the past few years—Richmond won it in 1965 and 1966 and now in 1968 the team brings it back to Richmond again—The happy warriors were Ralph McComas, Gordon White, John Hill and Charles Cannistraci.

Dave Tweedie and Charles Cannistraci won the Sills doubles in this area with no losses.

On August 8th—at Palo Alto—Debbie Cannistraci, the young daughter of Chuck Cannistraci won the Women's Novice Trophy of the Northern California Women's Contest.

The Club Championship games have been finished with the exception of the Men's Singles, as Ralph McComas is in the hospital he has been unable to take on Jimmie Stewart for that event at the present. The women's Championship singles was won by Marha Hill. The Club Doubles the victors were Martha Hill and Jay Plummer, The Club Triples won by Debbie Cannistraci, Martha Hill and Gordon White—Attention is called to the prowess of Martha Hill winning the Ladies Singles, also on the winning doubles and triples teams. That girl is sure a winner.

A turkey bowl was on the books for December 8th at 1:00 p.m. by the time you get the **BOWLS** mag six turkeys will find a place on some Richmond Lawn Bowlers Table. Turkey for the first and second place winners, on a 21 triples game.

At present we have 85 members with 25 ladies included, 10 new members were

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PACIFIC INTER-MOUNTAIN DIV.

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taken in this last year replacing those who have moved or have passed on.

The Regular Annual Banquet and Awards Dinner was held at the Cerrito Club on January 4th—John Hill was in charge of arrangements and Dave Tweedie the sweet singer of Ballads was in charge of the Entertainment.

A Nomination Committee has been appointed to present a slate of officers for the New Year—This will take place at the Annual membership get-together after the first of the year about middle of January, so the results will be in the next issue.

So that is about it, hope you have Happy Holidays and good health and hope the Editor doesn't leave too many names out.

Ralph McComas has been in the Hospital and we expect him back soon.

LEISURE TOWN L.B.C.

Vacaville, Calif.

By Arthur G. Lind

We have had another year of delightful weather for bowling, with very few days of rain causing cancellations of events. The club has been very active and can report seven new members joining our ranks of active bowlers.

All club tournaments have now been completed with the exception of the Handicap Doubles. However, trophies for all the other events were presented at our first annual Awards Dinner held on the evening of December 3rd with most of our members and their wives in attendance. This was followed by the showing of a color movie on how to bowl, complete with Aussie sound track.

The winning contestants in the respective events were: Men's Singles, Clarence Cambridge; Women's Singles, Frieda LaPlante; Mixed Doubles, Art Smith and Clarence Cambridge; Handicap Singles, Chris Giese; Points Game, Fred Pring.

Because of the number of clubs entered for the MURRAY PLAQUE Tournament, the PACIFIC INTER-MOUNTAIN DIV. was divided into two sections. Our LEISURE TOWN team was the winner of Section II but went down to defeat in the Play-Off with Section I.

PALO ALTO L.B.C.

By Don Knapp

1968 has been one of mixed emotions by our members.

In memoriam: Roger Stienstra, Daniel Zimmer and our secretary, Kenneth Cramphorn passed away. All were members of long standing, staunch workers and avid bowlers.

A number of our members have moved to other residences, but with one transfer and new bowlers we show a net gain of four in 1968.

During the year we held a "pot luck" supper which was a great success. On holidays, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day we hold special exercises with special events of Bowls and prizes, luncheon and regular bowling. All were well attended with approximately 100 attending.

Our annual Christmas party was held at the Recreation Department Center. Three feaures were Christmas carols by

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EASTERN DIVISION

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Mount Dora L.B.C., Mount Dora, Florida
View of the lower rinks and terrace on beautiful Lake Dora. Mount Dora will co-host with Orlando the 1970 A.L.B.A. National Open Tournament.

LAKELAND L.B.C.

By C. J. Dence

With the daily influx of winter visitors who spend their winters in Lakeland to enjoy lawn bowling and other recreational facilities which the city provides through the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Forty-Fifth Year of Lakeland Lawn Bowling is getting well under way. During the season intramural contests will be held as well as games with other Florida cities.

Mrs. G. R. Nodwell, chairman of Club Tournaments, has announced that eight tournaments will be held during the 1968-1969 winter season—the Fellowship Doubles on Dec. 9, followed by the Mens Singles on Jan. 6, the Ladies Singles on Jan. 16, the Club Doubles on Jan. 27, the Fellowship Triples on Feb. 10, the Mixed Doubles on Feb. 24, the Novice Singles on Mar 3, concluding with the Club Triples on Mar. 10. This schedule is subject to change, governed by prevailing weather conditions.

The date of the annual Club Get-Together Dinner was set as December 7. All club members and their friends were invited to be present at this dinner meeting. Mr. Harold Esch, Secretary-Treasurer of the Southeast Division of A.L.B.A. was the guest speaker. Another club dinner will be held in March at the close of the winter lawn bowling season, at which time the trophy awards to the winners of the season's club tournaments will be made.

The present officers of the club are—Ira M. Spurgeon, president; Walter C. Spracklin, vice-president; Frank H. Mulholland, secretary; and Leonard B. Job, treasurer.

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SOUTHWEST DIVISION

By Ed C. Harris

The Annual Midwinter Tournament which has been conducted by the Southern California Lawn Bowling for many years, will now be sponsored by the Southwest Division. This year it will be held at the Arroyo Seco Greens, Los Angeles, Saturday, February 15th through Thursday, February 20th. If you plan to be in Southern California at that time don't fail to enter. This tournament has become one of the outstanding Lawn Bowling events in America.

In sending the results of the Southwest Division Tournament held in August to the Editor of Bowls Magazine, an error was made by me. The winners of the Third Flight Doubles, Second Place were J. Costamagna and J. Ashley of Laguna Beach, not C. Cannistraci and G. White of Richmond as published. My apology to both of you.

HOLMBY PARK L.B.C.

By Dorothy Cella

A resume of the events of the Holmby Park Lawn Bowling Club during the year 1968 indicates that we have had a lot of activity. We added twenty-one members to our roster, lost two of our devoted members through death, Dr. Barrett Lumian and Mrs. Mazie Tegner and one non-playing Life Member Ed Manion. We completed the year with 80 regular bowling members (45 male and 35 female), 10 non-playing, 4 life and 3 non-resident members.

We entertained 14 clubs and the members visited 44 clubs. Holmby Park was a member of the Central League, made up of six clubs in the Southern California area. League games are played on the average of every other week. Usually, in May, the Central League Clubs journey to Santa Barbara for a day of bowling. Upon the completion of the Central League season Santa Barbara and MacKenzie Park are invited to participate in the C. L. Grand Finale.

The intra-club activities consisted of the Nylon Doubles Tournament and the Berryhill Triples. The champions of the Nylon Doubles were Les Wiggins and Bee Collier and the runners-up were Dave Rudolph and Viki Rudolph. The champions each received a chip and dip bowl and the runners-up a tray given by Catherine Nylon. The winners of the Berryhill Triples were Russ Bennett, Bess Myers, Irene Riley.

As has been the custom for many years, Holmby Park held birthday parties the third Thursday of every month and on November 21st we had the annual "Turkey Shoot." Forty-eight members participated, individual scores were kept and the 17 with the highest plus score won turkey certificates.

The Annual Meeting was held on Thursday, December 5th, 1968. The officers elected were President, Walter Hamlin; Vice-President, Tom Conaty; Treasurer, Les Wiggins; Secretary, Dorothy Cella. The newly elected officers met on December 10th, in accordance with the Holmby Park L.B. Club By-Laws, to select three additional Executive Board members. Those appointed were Schuyler

Kleinmans, Ernest Riley and Lillian Taylor. The various committee chairmen were appointed at a December 17th Board meeting but the information was not available in time to meet the printing deadline.

One of the highlights of the year was a "Pizza Party" hosted by one of our members, Joe Primavera, on Saturday, December 28th.

Through the efforts of our newly elected President, Walter Hamlin, and the permission of the Recreation Department, Holmby Park L.B. Club will enjoy an additional day of bowling beginning the first of January, 1969. The bowling schedule will be Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays (12:45 p.m.) and Sundays (1:15). Visitors are always welcome on any bowling day.

BEVERLY HILLS L.B.C.

By Jack Hunsaker

The Beverly Hills Lawn Bowling Club held its Annual Banquet and election of officers on December 2nd, 1968 at the Rancho Country Club House. About 125 members and guests attended which meant that approximately 80% of the membership were present.

The pre-meeting festivities were a complete success thanks to the diligence of chairman Don Milton's Banquet Committee which included "Lanny" Lanterman and Cress Tilley. There was no structural damage to the building but the sound waves from the numerous quarters raised the roof slightly.

Retiring President Carl Waterbury presided at the after dinner meeting, introducing the guests and speakers. He also monitored the election of the following Officers and Directors of the Executive Committee for 1969.

William S. Shilliam, President
Percival G. Hart, Vice President
George M. Chelew, Secretary
Frank H. Thompson, Treasurer
Lester S. Timmins, Director
Daniel J. Donohue, Director

RIVERSIDE L.B.C.

By Miss Alexa Fullerton

Riverside Lawn Bowling Club elected new officers for 1969 at its forty-second annual meeting December the 10th. Serving as President will be Harold Ervin, Vice-President, John Huffman, and Secretary-Treasurer Clarence Rhudy.

1968 President, Bill Mumma, presided at the meeting and introduced Don Derr of the Park and Recreation department who spoke of plans for the third green.

C. H. Rhudy gave the Secretary-Treasurers report and announced that Riverside had won the Citrus Belt Triples by four points from Redlands, also captured the doubles by nosing out Pomona. Tournament Chairman Ervin reported that Riverside bowlers had participated in sixty-two different events during the year. The local club triples were won by Adam J. Beno, Ernie Reichardson and Bert England while the Husband and Wife event was won by Bill and Dorothy Mumma.

Games Chairman Houston Smith stated that Riverside had exchanged visitations with sixteen other clubs. Other reports were heard from Bobbie Anstiss,

Hospitality; Harry McGrath, Membership; Rouie Weatherly, Southern California Womens Association; Bill Bonnett, South-west Division; Harold Brown, Fellowship; Curtis Chamberlain, Coaching; and Kenneth Dawson, Building and Grounds.

Matt Slaughter was awarded an honorary membership in the club in recognition of his many contributions to Lawn Bowls. Following the meeting a banquet was held at the Elks Club.

REDLANDS L.B.C.

By C. C. Iuppenlatz

All of us were deeply saddened by the loss of two of our veteran active members.

Neil Britnall passed away in March and Charles Lingenfelter in September. Neil was an enthusiastic bowler for 10 years and was helpful in the affairs of the club.

Charles Lingenfelter was a member for 18 years. He as well as Neil were accomplished bowlers. Charles having an interest in construction took an active part in the remodeling and repairing our buildings. He contributed immensely to the improvement and maintenance of our physical facilities. Both men whose wise counsel we valued so much will be sorely missed.

Through the good work of our games Chairman, Ralph Koppana, our intra-club championship matches were completed in about three weeks in October. This was an improvement for in previous years they "dragged out" too long.

Results of these matches were:

Men's Singles

Winner—Bert Haalboom
Runner-up—A. J. Beno

Men's Doubles

Winner—Ivan Hargrove, Ralph Koppana
Runner-up—Bert Haalboom, Porter Wall

Men's Triples

Winner—Ivan Hargrov, Clarence Mason, Frank Howell
Runner-up—Harold Martin, George Ewen, Leigh Matthews

Ladies' Singles

Winner—Betty Ewen
Runner-up—Margaret Hooper

Ladies' Doubles

Winner—Betty Ewen, Angela Track
Runner-up—Ellen Martin, Helen Kennedy

Ladies' Triples

Winner—Betty Ewen, Margaret Hooper, Angela Track
Runner-up—Gertrude Koppana, Vera Britnall, Muriel Spellman

Mixed Doubles

Winner—Betty Ewen, George Ewen
Runner-up—Herbert Paulus, Ruth Paulus

Our "batting average" for wins in our inter-club matches has improved over the last two previous years. Some attribute this to the decided improvement of our greens. Through the close co-operation of Charles Dawson, Redlands City Park Superintendent, with Greens Chairman, Ray Canterbury, our greens are in better condition than they have been for some time.

Our Annual Meeting was held on the evening of December 12th. The Board at that time explained a plan for quar-

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Harry Whetter

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"Vox Pops" a male chorus of over forty voices, solos by Chuck Cannistraci of Richmond L.B.C. accompanied by Ruth Vanderlip of our Club, group singing of Xmas songs with Ruth at the piano, the usual anonymous gift exchange with value limit \$1.00. Arch Mease, retiring president, was master of ceremonies.

The Club tournaments, some of which have not been completed due to unseasonal weather, have produced the following winners:

Men's Singles—Alex "Sandy" Lockhart
Ladies Singles—Dottie Pettengill
Draw Triples—Arch Mease, skip, Don Knapp, Olive Brace

Draw Rink—Bob Veale, skip, Ray Maddocks, Max Bloomfield, Mary Fran Pollard

At the annual meeting the following officers were elected:

President—E. W. Van Aman

Vice-president—Bob Wilson

Treasurer—Jim Gould

Secretary—Don Knapp

Board members to serve two years

Dottie Pettengill

Art Sutorius

Col. Marhl Welch

SAN JOSE L.B.C.

By O. S. Hubbard

The San Jose Lawn Bowls Club is proud that during its first full year of competition it has won the Murray Plaque, a trophy given for rinks play.

The San Jose Club won the Section I division by defeating San Francisco, Oakland, Palo Alto and Santa Cruz.

Leisure Town won the Section II division by defeating Berkeley, Sunny Glen, Lakeside and Richmond.

The playoff was held on a neutral green at Oakland. San Jose won 16 to 14.

Our team was skipped by John Brown, president of the San Jose Club. The other members of the team were Ed McKeown, Paul Dickey and Rudy Lord.

In addition to the above, our members have actively participated, with good results, in inter-club tournaments. The club has been well represented at all invitational meets throughout the division.

An interesting event resulting in a good turnout of members is the monthly birthday party a festive gathering honoring members whose birthday's fall in a given month. A "spider", held following the luncheon, for which each participant is charged ten cents helps to increase the club's coffer.

SUNNY GLEN L.B.C.

By Raymond Kuntz

The Sunny Glen Lawn Bowling club's annual dinner was well attended. M.C. was President Charnetski. Guests were Pres. Milliken and Secretary Hill. Mr. Milliken presented a very interesting history and resume on lawn bowling and division structure. Trophies were presented by Games Chairman Savidge to winners: Raymond Kuntz, Club Singles; D. Ackerman and E. Condy, Doubles; and W. Rue, C. Stinnett and M. Huston, Triples.

A contract has been let to renovate the greens which are now closed.

Newly elected officers are: John Savidge, President; D. Ackerman, V.-President; Raymond Kuntz, Sec.-Treas.; and Games Chairman H. Charnetski.

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SANTA CRUZ L.B.C.

By Sandy Davis

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As performance is the only basis for achievement, our theme for '69 is to be successful by undertaking the hard jobs assigned to officers and committees, and resolving the problems to a satisfactory reality; this includes operational and competitive activities.

Our club members, their guests, and members from the San Jose L.B.C.; approximately 100 in all, enjoyed an excellent Christmas party dinner and tuneful entertainment at Facelli's in Santa Cruz December 5th.

The S.C.L.B.C. meeting on December 11th unanimously elected the officers for 1969: Andy Walker, President; Bob Burton, Vice-President; Rie. Ganzer, Secy.-Treasurer; Martin Vosburgh, Chairman Games Committee; Lee Smith, Chairman Greens Committee; Doc Dustin, To Board of Directors.

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NEW BOWLERS CORNER

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to clarify the confusion in describing the variations of grips commonly seen on the bowling green. The problem has been greatly simplified by analyzing and classifying all grips into the three basic types. All grips fall essentially into one of these three, either the "PALM," the "CRADLE," or the "CLAW." Space does not permit a detailed description of each at this time, but suffice it to say that they vary from the "cupped" palm of the hand grip to the "middle finger and thumb" claw.

ONE PERFECT GRIP that would be ideal for everyone is probably neither realistic nor anatomically possible in the game of bowls. However, it should be comforting to both the beginner and the instructor to know that there are definite standards, now generally accepted by the worlds experts, as correct, and not only desirable, but essential for the perfect delivery.

These "basic standards" or "ESSENTIALS FOR THE PERFECT GRIP" are as follows:

1. It must be NATURAL.
2. It must control the bowl EASILY.
3. It must require a MINIMUM OF TENSION:
4. It must CONCENTRATE the propelling force on the RUNNING SURFACE.
5. It must deliver the bowl ERECT ON ITS VERTICAL AXIS.
6. It must start the bowl LOW and ROLLING.

There is now almost universal agreement that the position of the MIDDLE FINGER is basic. THE MIDDLE FINGER IS THE "KEY." "CENTER this finger under the bowl, parallel to the rings." If this finger is properly placed ANY GRIP has its best chance of success.

It should be obvious, however, that the bowler who leaves nothing to chance but starts with and persists with an unvarying, standard anatomically correct grip, with ALL OF THE FINGERS and the THUMB placed in the most advantageous manner, has a great advantage. The modified claw grip most nearly approximates all the essential requirements for the perfect grip.

This "STANDARD GRIP," which we cannot recommend too highly, is a modified "three finger and thumb" claw. It incorporates all the essentials for the perfect grip. It is anatomically correct, physically easy, and essentially NATURAL. In this grip the three long fingers are spaced evenly between the rings to support the bowl from below, with the MIDDLE FINGER CENTERED and parallel to the rings. THE THUMB grasps the bowl near the top, ON or just inside the finger rings, while the LITTLE FINGER steadies the bowl on the opposite side. The thumb is brought up above the disc, as high as is naturally comfortable. This allows a certain amount of adjustment for the individual hand which greatly facilitates the work of the instructor.

A satisfactory grip is really quite sim-

ple. Remember that "finger rings" were placed on bowls for a purpose. Use the "finger rings" to place your fingers correctly! A blind man can space his three long fingers between the bottom rings, feel the top ring under his thumb and get a perfect grip every time. Surely it should not be too difficult for the rest of us.

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terly dinner meetings for the entire membership during 1969. The purpose will be for each member to bring guests who are interested in becoming lawn bowlers. The problem of new membership is most pressing and the hope is that by the involvement of all members more progress can be made during 1969.

RECREATION PARK L.B.C.

By Wm. C. Ferguson

A most eventful year for our club has ended with our greens in splendid playing condition. During the year our lease arrangement with the city involving our club and our sister club, Long Beach L.B.C. made possible much improvement in over all operation. Plans call for reactivation of our third green during the coming year.

Our annual meeting was held at the

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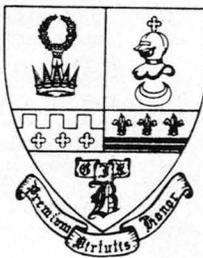
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A GREEN FOR SCOTTSDALE?

Submitted by W. F. Mixon, Jr.

Influences are at work to get a bowling green in Scottsdale, Arizona and perhaps lawn bowlers from all around the country can help.

Inspired by the determined efforts of Mr. Edward Hoopes, III, recently arrived to live in Scottsdale from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, things are beginning to happen. Recently Mr. Hoopes hosted a luncheon meeting with John Deist and George Milne, both of Sun City, Arizona, for the city manager, recreation people and the Chamber of Commerce of Scottsdale at which the ball was started rolling.

It appears there is a reasonable chance of success but the city people asked evidence of interest on the part of localites and also, if possible, by winter visitors to Scottsdale and the whole Phoenix area. This is where bowlers can help promote a new bowling green and club which they, themselves may well use.

If you would like to see a green in Scottsdale, and if the fact that it is there would influence you to make that area your winter vacation spot, then write to this effect to Edward Hoopes, III, 6341 East Quartz Mountain Road, Paradise Valley, Arizona 85251. This is your chance to not only do something for your own pleasure but also to help promote lawn bowling in an area where it could be a major pastime.

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SPRINGFIELD L.B.C.

By Herbert F. Payne

Our Club sponsored six tournaments during the 1968 season, in the Greater Hartford District No. 2, of the planned schedule, of which there are five clubs who participate, so we have plenty of activity during our short summer for Lawn Bowling.

The first tournament on May 18th, was the most successful one with eighty bowlers taking part, all entries from the five clubs. The other tournaments were also well attended with an average of sixty-four bowlers. In September, our last tournament is a mixed Ladies and Gents. Our Games Committee make the draw for rink games and no one knows who they are to bowl with, until they arrive at the greens. On this special occasion we have gifts for each lady bowler as well as others who attend to watch the games. They receive one-ounce bottles of Auvergne or After Five Cologne, and there are three or four other gifts to be drawn for, and of course the three winning team members receive a prize.

Our Annual Club Tournament starts early in the summer, and twenty-five entered in the singles and there were thirteen double teams. The singles was won by Scott Vining, a very consistent bowler, with another good bowler Harry Milroy, second. The doubles was won by Alex. Milne and his partner Charles Smith, both very good bowlers, and runner-up in the doubles was Ernest Nicoll and partner, Wendell Ritchie, the latter, a new bowler of two years. Gift certificates from one of our large department stores are secured at a discount for the winners.



Springfield (Mass.) L.B.C.
Herb Payne and Arthur Latourelle
receiving trophies.

Our Annual Meeting will be in the Spring of 1969. The present officers are: Robert Shankland, President; F. S. MacDonald, Vice President; Herbert F. Payne, Treasurer; and Roy T. Fenton, Secretary. These officers will serve until the spring of 1970.

Our Club with the co-operation of the Springfield Holy Name Club will sponsor the Eastern Division Tournament in 1970, and committees are being formed for that event.

I am pleased to state nearly all our members contributed to the Promotion or Publicity Fund, a total of one hundred thirty-five dollars. Some others are also members of other local clubs or in Florida.

In November, my Church had a Hobby Show and I created quite a bit of interest in Lawn Bowling by a table display. It consisted of two sets of Bowls, reading material including some Bowls Magazines, also an illuminated frame of slides and pictures of various tournaments at home, Spalding Inn, and at Buck Hill Falls, Pa. It is hoped that some new bowlers will be secured in the Spring.

SMITHFIELD AVENUE L.B.C.

By Joseph McKechnie

Again we at Smithfield L.B.C. extend hearty greetings and all best wishes to our brother bowlers of the A.L.B.A. for a banner New Year of 1969.

We in Pawtucket can look back on bowling events of the past season with much good feeling. Excellent work by the committees made it possible for so many to enjoy the fine greens and the games and tournaments and especially the complimentary remarks of many visiting bowlers who made repeated visits to our green. Looking ahead to next year several of our dedicated members under the leadership of Robert Watt have put in many hours preparing the greens for the next season; six tons of sand and loam were used in the process.

Our club had modest success in a number of sectional tournaments. The combination of Adam Latta, Robert Brandon, Robert Smart and James Candelet took top honors in the New England Rink Championships play at Boston, and the duo of Smart and Candelet continued their winning ways to final success in the U.S. Doubles at Buck Hill Falls.

Smithfield Avenue boasts quite a number of top flight bowlers who, for reasons of their own do not compete in national match play and consequently are not so well known. Three of them, Ray Sayer, Robert Brandon and Kenneth Hamilton travelled to Hartford, Conn., and won first prize in the New England Trebles Championship. It took Bob Russell from California to defeat our Joe Brisco in the final of the U.S. Eastern Division Open Singles.

To come out on top in the club singles and doubles championship one has to have plenty on the ball and Harold Dickinson has just established a record in being singles champion three years in succession. It also took top form for James McGlashan and Ken Hamilton to win top place in the doubles. In the final Invitational Tournament for the Archie Stevenson Bowl we had twenty teams in competition. We were greatly honored on this occasion by a visit from a young man who answers to the name of Edward J. Hayden and who hails from

Clearwater, Florida. Playing on a team skipped by Jim Candelet he showed just why he must be considered to be one of the finest leads in the country. However, after a grueling days play of three games of 13 ends each plus two playoff games of 5 ends each and 4 burnt jacks in the final five ends the Candelet team had to admit defeat at the hands of a former boy wonder who had a U.S. Singles championship to his credit—Peter Campbell must qualify in the opinion of many as the finest skip in the U.S. today. Ask Mr. Hayden when you next see him.

PROVIDENCE (R.I.) L.B.C.

By Alfred Butterworth

The Providence Club reports activities for the 1968 season and is especially thankful to members Ernest Hollingsworth and Robert Chorney for their devoted efforts in very ably maintaining the greens in good playing condition.

Larry Messier, E. Yeaw, Joe Garcia and Albert Boyes shared equally in the honors as this seasons game winners.

An increased membership is hoped for next year. Bowlers in this vicinity are urged to visit and play on our greens.

We all join in extending greetings and good wishes to bowlers everywhere for the winter season.

GREENWICH L.B.C.

By Walter Lehr

Our 1968 season ended with a membership of fifty-seven (57) our ranks having been depleted by the untimely death of our dear Secretary-Treasurer J. B. Blackburn who was also publicity director of the Eastern Division.

In July the Club held an Inter-Club tournament for the benefit of the Eastern Division Promotion Fund which netted the fund \$50. We contemplate continuing with this program.

Our club championships ended with John Nolan and Ray Marchand reaching the semi-finals in the singles with Marchand the victor in the finals.

In the doubles Ralph Nay and Bernie Sokolowski skip and Louis Paul and Walter Lehr skip, reached the semi-finals with Paul and Lehr the winners in a squeaker by one point on the 21st end.

During the year our Club Teams won the Cape Cod Trophy at New Haven, the Hayes Cup at Waterbury and the Herbert Howarth Cup at New York City.

Our Annual Dinner Dance scheduled to be held on November 23rd, instead of being rained out (a bowlers bug-a-boo) the dinner dance restaurant was burned out just two weeks prior to the event and too close to conclude other arrangements; a great disappointment.

The Annual Meeting for election of officers will take place at the end of the year.

SUNRISE L.B.C.

By Matty Duncan

The close of our bowling season was marked by the annual dinner held November 10 with a large group of members and friends present. After a very enjoyable dinner, club trophies for 1968 were awarded to the following members: Bassler Trophy (Men's Singles) won by Fred Taylor; Bruns Trophy (Ladies Singles) won by Jesse Dangerfield; Goodwin Doubles for men won by Jack Werle and Dan Gorman, skip; McDonald Tro-

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phy (Ladies Doubles) won by Ruth Neumaier and Matty Duncan, skip; Purves Trebles (Doubles) won by Ruth Neumaier and Jack Bloore, skip; Doxsey Trophy won by Marie Gorman, Emerson Denton and Jack Bloore, skip; Mixed Doubles won by Fred and Juanita Taylor.

Due to inability of our president, Malcolm Davies, to attend, the dinner was presided over by our vice president Dan Gorman, and we have nothing less than praise for Dan Gorman as he certainly did a grand job.

Although our annual meeting will not take place until early spring, plans are under way for 1969's activities including a drive for new members. We are very happy that Dan Doyle's son intends to join the club in 1969 and we are hoping this will be the beginning of some younger competition in the club. With our full size green we plan to hold the Sunrise Doubles in late July again this year, the exact date to be announced. This tournament is open to all members of the Eastern Division and we hope to have a large representation for this event.

Fred Taylor, Dan Gorman and Eben Duncan are now retired which means we will have three additional members at our weekday bowling competitions next summer.

As a means of getting together for an evening of sociability and bowling talk this winter, members who wish to do so will meet for dinner on the second Sunday of each month starting in January. Those wishing to attend should contact Eben Duncan prior to the second Sunday for reservations and the place of meeting. This is not limited to members of the Sunrise Club. Friends and members of other clubs will be most welcome.

TRENTON (N.J.) L.B.C.

By Percy W. Caris

We regret to report the passing away of Andrew Richardson and Clarence Wagner two well known members of our club. These two gentlemen were active members of Trenton for many years, and their loss is a stunning blow to all of us. Andy was our president for two years, 1955-56, and the reinstatement of Trenton in the A.L.B.A. was largely due to his efforts. His death came as the final result of a long battle with a lung ailment. It was his often expressed belief that he owed the last several years of his life to lawn bowling. In contrast, Clarence Wagner suffered a heart attack and went very quickly. Both were top-flight bowlers, as many an Old Timer in the Eastern Division will long remember.

On September 28 our club hosted an open trebles tournament for the definite purpose of raising funds toward the Eastern Division's contribution to the Promotion Fund. In spite of this date conflicting with two other events that prevented many from attending, there were sixteen teams entered. As all the expenses were donated (President Yates furnished the trophies and the Club furnished the morning coffee and rolls) all the proceeds went into the Fund. The total, consisting of \$96 in entry fees and \$91 of individual contributions, amounted to \$187. The trophy was won by a Trenton team—Dan Walker, Perc Caris and Luise Walker, with George Ozerov sub-

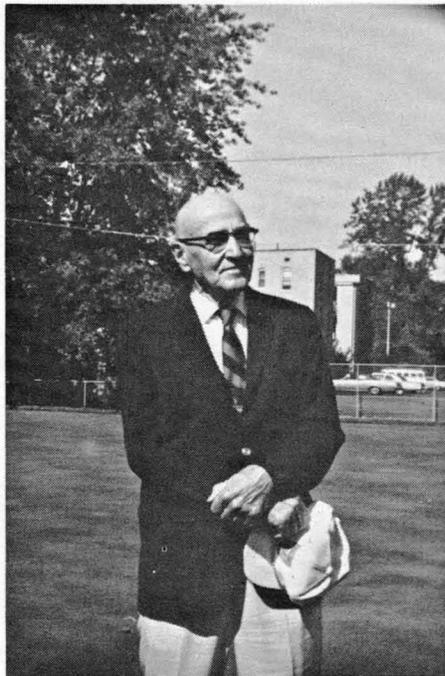
stituting for Mrs. Walker in the third game and the final. The runner-up team was composed of J. Forbes, D. Scott and G. Kennedy from Essex County L.B.C. There were entrants from Essex, East Orange, Buck Hill Falls, Philadelphia, and Hartford, Conn. Also, Mr. and Mrs. "Bob" Veitch from California were vacationing in the neighborhood and were among the contestants.

On November 23 Trenton elected officers for 1969 as follows: President, Clarence Middleton; V.-Pres., Daniel Walker; Secretary-Treasurer, Percy W. Caris; Asst. Sec./Treasurer, Joseph Melchier; Games Chairman, Harry Hart. Club competitions awards were made.

FERNLEIGH L.B.C.

By Bill Panzenhagen

On a sunny Sunday afternoon, September 22, 1968, bowlers and friends gathered to honor Harry Engstrom; all during the special tournament in the afternoon, won by Skip Harold Weeks with Estelle Eagles and Charlie Flight, Norma Gruninger, ably assisted by Zule Ewens and Shirley Brabec, served cooling punch followed by ice cream refreshments late that afternoon. The day was sunny and balmy and made to order for Harry Engstrom and his many friends who gathered on the green at Fernleigh. A token of appreciation was presented to Harry with laudatory remarks as only one Arthur Bushell, club president, can do.



Fernleigh Lawn Bowling Club
Harry Engstrom at games and ceremonies in his honor on the greens this past September.

The annual Club Championship Matches were brought to a colorful climax on another Sunday afternoon when Curt Brabac edged past Russ Leinbach in a closely contested Singles Championship Match. Curt repeated his feat for the second time in ten years. In the semi-finals of the Doubles Championship Matches Dr. Clinton Deming Skip and Bill Burling, after trailing through most of the match, bounced Skip Bill Panzen-

hagen and Harold House in the very last end with a couple of "untouchables", and then marched into the finals to meet the strong combine of Skip Ed Main and Larry McClure. From the start and through more than half of the game Dr. Deming and Bill Burling enjoyed a comfortable lead; then, it seemed, that Ed's lead man, Larry, slowly recovering from a hangover he suffered as a result of too many liquids and solids at his granddaughter's wedding party the night before. Result: With Larry back on the track, "Never stop trying" Ed Main skipped to win the 1968 Doubles Championship. It must be said here that Dr. Clint Deming and Bill Burling teamed up very well, and while they lost in the very end of the finals, they won the admiration of the members who played against them in the preliminary matches and the many other members who watched the finals that sunny afternoon, October 1968.

BROOKLYN BOWLING GREEN CLUB

By John V. Helberg

Our annual meeting and election of officers was held at the club house on Saturday, November 9, 1968. Two of our members, John Keller and John McInnes who have recently been hospitalized were missed, but we are glad to hear they are on the mend.

Officers elected for the coming season are:

Charles King, President; John H. Hallock, Vice President; John V. Helberg, Vice President; Matthew J. Hoey, Secretary; Noel Hemming, Treasurer.

In the absence of Dick Webster chairman of the games committee, Arthur Reid announced the final results of major competitions of the 1968 season:

Caton Trophy—Charles Duffy, winner; Tommy Milligan, runner-up; Paterson Trophy—Tommy Milligan, winner; Charles Duffy, runner-up; Johnstone Trophy—Howard Thurman, winner; Russell Fairchild, runner-up; Dyer Trophy—Charles King, Howard Thurman, winner; Frank Dyer, Alex Stuart, runner-up; Novice Trophy—Leif E. Lih, winner; Gene McKeever, runner-up.

Much interest was expressed in the national promotion campaign and our President announced that our parent organization, the Eastern Division of A.L.B.A., had asked all clubs to contribute to help promote lawn bowling in general. After some discussion the members voted to contribute and at the present time we have collected \$110 which will be forwarded.

We are looking forward to the 1969 season and intend to put on a drive for new members by making use of the very excellent brochures we have had printed for our club and which will be available.

BOSTON & QUINCY (MASS) L.B.C.

By John W. Daley

The annual business meetings of the Boston and Quincy Bowling Clubs were held in October. The following officers were elected for the 1969 season:

Boston L.B.C.—President, Jack Kaufman; V. President, Stanley Haigh; Secretary, Samuel Gorvitch.

Quincy L.B.C.—President, Albert Artis; V. President, Samuel Overshaw; Secretary, Walter Morrisson.

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We are pleased to report that the Rev. John Nichol Mark, D.D., retired chaplain of the Eastern Division A.L.B.A. is recuperating at home after a serious eye operation. Also we are most pleased to report that Tom Howitt, widely known in U.S. bowling circles, is well on the road to recovery after his recent heart attack.

The Quincy-Boston and Milton men and ladies attended the annual combined banquet in October enjoying a fine dinner and a series of movies depicting several bowling members and teams in action. Prizes were awarded to the seasons winners of inter-club competitions.

The word "loyalty" in every aspect defined in Webster's dictionary certainly fits our Alex Bigger — he travels fifty miles by public transportation to play in the games at our clubs each Saturday. That must be a record.

It is with great regret that we report the death of Dr. Carlton Allard, an active bowler and member of the Boston, Mass., L.B.C. for many years. "Doc" as he was affectionately called was well known in medical, fraternal and war veteran circles. He was past president of the Carney Hospital, he was a charter member and first commander of the Dorchester Post, American Legion, and a 32nd Degree Mason. Our sincere sympathy is extended to his family and friends.

WILLIAMSBURG INN L.B.C.

By Laurence E. Kaufer

LAWN BOWLING HAS RETURNED TO WILLIAMSBURG

Originally brought to Jamestown by the early settlers of that area lawn bowls was also enjoyed by the good folk of Colonial Williamsburg during the Colonial period. Visitors to the restored city have been able to see our costumed craftsman bowl in the green of Market Square in a manner much like that of the early Colonial days. Though most picturesque it gave little opportunity for visitors to try their hand. Visitor's bowling was limited to certain periods of the year or to the Garden of the Governor's Palace where bowls were played on an occasional summer afternoon.

Today, bowling has returned to Williamsburg, again, in the new Lawn Bowling facility recently opened at the Williamsburg Inn. This includes a championship grass green and a practice green. Both of these will afford the beginner and the seasoned bowler ample opportunity to enjoy the wonderful sport of lawn bowls.

Antero Havola, called "Andy" by one and all is coaching the Colonial Williamsburg guests in bowling on the green. Andy directs play on the greens and his instructions to the neophyte and his competition to the seasoned bowler does much to promote lawn bowling. Born in Finland, Havola served in the Army of that country and then came to the United States where he entered our Army from which he recently retired as you might guess—as an Arctic Expert or in his case, he is also an Antarctic expert.

The bowling season at the Williamsburg Inn is from April 1 to November 15. The hours are 10-12 in the morning and from 2-4 in the afternoon—everyday except Tuesday.

SPALDING INN CLUB

The New England Minutemen upset colonial Williamsburg for the lawn bowling championship played the week-end of September 7.

In an a-bout-face reversal of the 1967 tournament outcome, the New England Minutemen defeated the Colonial Williamsburg Craftsmen, nine games and 227 points to seven games and 180 points, in the ninth annual Colonial Williamsburg-New England Lawn Bowling Championship held on the National Championship Green at Spalding Inn.

The victory gave the Minutemen seven decisions to two for the colorful Craftsmen in the North-South competition which had its inception in 1960. After New England had won six times in a row, the Colonial Williamsburg aggregation came back to win in 1966 and 1967.

The trophy, a hand-crafted silver bowl emblematic of the championship will remain in New England pending the outcome of the 10th playing of this historic contest in September of next year.

As in former years, the Williamsburg delegation, in their authentic colonial militia costumes, participated in various ceremonies each day during their Whitefield visit. These exercises included flag-raising, drills, and military maneuvers not seen anywhere else.

A gala Awards Dinner Sunday evening, with Mr. and Mrs. Randall Spalding as hosts, was preceded by a hospitality hour. Mr. Spalding presented the team awards and individual trophies, along with a set of bowls and carrying case to the Williamsburg teams as the gift of Fred Moore, a Spalding Inn guest and sponsor of the games. The singing of Lawn Bowlers Chorus enlivened this gay occasion which marked the highpoint in the bowling season at Spalding Inn.

THISTLE L.B.C.

By Ray Northam

The 1968 lawn bowling season has come to a close and in looking back to opening day May 11, it has been a very enjoyable and successful season for Thistle Lawn Bowling Club. Out of the twenty-three scheduled tournaments in the Greater Hartford District No. 2, Thistle teams placed 1st. in eight (8), 2nd. in eight (8) and 3rd. in ten (10). Five tournaments were clean sweeps, with Thistle placing 1st., 2nd., and 3rd. and four were wash-outs, where in Thistle did not place.

It is customary for Thistle to close the season in late October with a Club Tournament and picnic. This year we planned to have a catered buffet lunch and had engaged the Pond House because it can become quite chilly on October afternoons. Unfortunately the weather man did not co-operate, as it couldn't have rained harder, making it necessary to cancel the event. Better luck next year.

Our annual meeting was held at the Senior Citizens Club in West Hartford on November 21, 1968 and the following trophies and awards were presented:

George Thompson, Club Singles Champion; John McNeill, Ernest Barth (Skip) Club Doubles Champions.

Points Competition winners for 1968 club nights: 1st., Hugh Gallagher; 2nd., Andrew MacLean; 3rd., William Teasdale; 4th., Ernest Barth, David Douglass,

Thomas Teasdale, Sr., Dennis Whalen; 5th., Robert Barclay, John McNeill and Charles Quinn.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Arthur L. Kinnane; Vice-President, Thomas Teasdale, Sr.; Secretary-Treasurer, William Bliss; Assistant Secretary, David Douglass; Assistant Treasurer, William Waring.

We are proud to announce that the Thistle Club has exceeded its self-imposed quota of \$160 for the Promotion Fund. This will be turned over to Ray Northam, Secretary/Treasurer of the Eastern Division, prior to January 1, 1969, the target date set by the Division for receipt of donations to the Fund.

BRIDGEPORT, CONN. L.B.C.

By Robert Baxter

The Bridgeport Club climaxed a fine season with their annual dinner-dance and presentation of prizes on Saturday, November 2. Seventy-five members and friends attended including visitors from both the Greenwich and the Irvington clubs, and I don't believe anyone present would disagree with me when I say we all had a grand time.

Following is a list of winners and runners-up in the club tournaments during the 1968 season:

Singles—C. Blaney, winner; M. MacFarlane, runner-up.

Doubles—E. Galt, J. Smith (Skip), winners; K. Goodfellow, D. Brown, (Skip) runners-up.

Rinks—H. Bartholomew, S. Dargie, M. MacFarland (Skip), winners; E. Christoff, R. Smith, J. Meikle (Skip), runners-up.

Mr. & Mrs. Doubles—Mr. & Mrs. M. Lodge, winners; Mr. & Mrs. C. Larson, runners-up.

In its participation in the tournament schedule of the Southern Connecticut Association, the club had an outstanding year. In twenty-two (22) tournaments, including the singles and doubles play-offs, the Bridgeport club placed first in eleven (11) and second in eight (8). In four of the tournaments the club placed both first and second, a feat no other participating club was able to achieve even once.

Although club members do not travel too much to tournaments outside the Southern Connecticut orbit, it did have some minor successes there also. Both rinks teams that went to the Eastern Division tournament in Boston in August brought back prizes, and one doubles team made the prize list also.

Another team ventured to New York on September 21, and managed to win second prize.

However three teams headed for Hartford on August 10 and played in the Dave Dakers Trebles. All came away empty-handed, but all had a wonderful day.

At the final club meeting of the season prior to the banquet, the entire slate of officers and committees were re-elected for another year. Officers are:

President—Calvin Larson
Vice President—Duncan Brown
Secretary-Treasurer—Halstead Bartholomew

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PROMOTION COMMITTEE REPORT

Eastern Division

By Bill Keay, Chairman

Have you seen and read the first piece of promotional material produced by the A.L.B.A. Promotion Committee? If not, then by all means do so. The booklet, "Anyone for Lawn Bowling," and the information therein is an excellent piece of work and a real professional job. It should be very helpful as an effective aid toward our efforts to promote the sport of Lawn Bowls in the United States.

The A.L.B.A. Promotion Committee has other effective material under consideration which will be produced as soon as the money becomes available from the clubs in each of the six divisions. The sport of Lawn Bowls is an amateur sport, but the production of the necessary material to promote the sport has to be a real professional job; however, it will take money to accomplish this ambitious program. The A.L.B.A. Promotion Committee has estimated no less than \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars) will be needed to produce the absolutely necessary material to accomplish an effective National Promotion Program. The Executive Board of the Eastern Division is to try to raise no less than \$2,000 (two thousand dollars) toward this National Fund, and each club has been solicited for contributions. If your club has not as yet contributed, may I suggest you do so now.

The need for the various promotional material becomes more acute every week. In the year 1968 we in the Eastern Division received more than 120 inquiries from people requesting information about the sport of Lawn Bowls. About 25% of these inquiries look like good prospects. We could say we are now off the ground with our Promotion Program in the Eastern Division and look forward this year to being successful with a number of the above prospects. However, we will be unable to move very far forward until the money is available to provide the necessary material and props to present an effective Promotion Program that will lead to new bowling clubs and a substantial increase in membership in the Eastern Division and nationwide. This should not be an insurmountable task by any means, but it will be greatly simplified by the concerted effort of all individual lawn bowlers. Remember, it is anticipated that all of this promotional material will be distributed free of charge by the A.L.B.A. Promotion Committee. This is the reason for the fund, to meet the cost of production of this long-needed promotional material with which to operate an efficient Promotion Program.

I dislike saying this, but it would appear there are two principal factors which are contributing to the lack of effort toward the promotion of the sport of Lawn Bowls and that is too little interest and desire on the part of the lawn bowler himself to undertake the task, and the absence of suitable promotional material to help in spreading information and technical data. The correction of the latter weakness may well help to overcome the first. If we are to face facts, we would admit that there is a

great deal of complacency on the part of the people who enjoy the sport of Lawn Bowls. The sport itself tends to foster such a condition because it often develops within the lawn bowler a feeling of self-satisfaction and a tendency to pursue the pleasures of the sport within his own club and immediate area. However, I believe if armed with the proper tools it is conceivable that some of us would recognize the opportunity to share the sport with others and become interested in being part of an organized program to expand the sport of Lawn Bowls throughout the territory covered by the Eastern Division.

In our promotional efforts in the Eastern Division what are we trying to do? Well this can be answered very easily with one big word, "SELLING." Yes, we are making every effort possible to sell the sport of Lawn Bowls to the public, to city authorities, to golf clubs, to resorts, to private projects, to inns, and to the individual. To sell a product you must know the product, and there is no one better qualified to sell the sport of Lawn Bowls than the lawn bowler himself. Therefore, may I offer some information which may be of help to you when you are trying to sell the sport of Lawn Bowls to an interested person or organization?

The sport of Lawn Bowls is played throughout the United States including Hawaii and Puerto Rico with about 7,000 lawn bowlers who are members of the 120 clubs which are affiliated with the A.L.B.A. Thirty-two of these clubs are member clubs of the Eastern Division. The Eastern Division incorporates all of the six New England States and the States of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia and West Virginia. The A.L.B.A. is also affiliated with the International Board that governs the sport worldwide. The sport is played in countries all over the world: Scotland, England, Ireland, Wales, Rhodesia, Fiji Islands, Kenya, Hong Kong, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Jersey, New Guinea, and Canada only to mention a few. However, the game in these countries is a well-known national sport. For example: In Australia it is estimated that 300,000 persons enjoy the sport; and in Scotland with a total population of over 5,000,000 it is estimated that 250,000 persons play the sport. This is quite a difference from the 7,000 persons who participate in the sport in the United States. The sport of Lawn Bowls in the United States is just as well organized as it is in any other country where it is played; however, like the world famous sport of Soccer, which is at present trying to come into the sport picture in this country, the sport of Lawn Bowls has made very little progress.

One may ask what the sport of Lawn Bowls offers to a recreational program which may make it worthy of consideration? Let's look at a few factors. It is an outdoor pastime that affords non-violent exercise that is beneficial both physically and emotionally and acclaimed as such by health authorities. It is a group participant sport which brings together in pleasant surroundings people of all ages, interests, and backgrounds. It is a sport one may play in keen competition or strictly for fun and the social aspects involved.

In addition to fun and healthful exercise, and competitive tournament participation, Lawn Bowls has several features of particular interest to park and recreation officials. A bowling green occupies little space for the number of people enjoying it at one time—a green can accommodate eight separate games of 64 players at one time. Lawn Bowls has a strong tradition of sportsmanship and friendship. It is strictly an amateur sport with little or no commercialism.

I am sure I have covered in this article many things you may already know, but then again the information may be just what you need to be of help to the promotion of the sport of Lawn Bowls within the Eastern Division. There is one difficult problem in the Eastern Division and that is the geographic area. We have received many inquiries from Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, and West Virginia; and although the members of the Executive Board are spread thinly over most of the territory covered by the Eastern Division, we do need representation in the above mentioned states. Anyone interested in giving of his time to help in this area, please write me. Personal contact is a "must" to promote the sport of Lawn Bowls, and we feel with representation in the above-mentioned states our Promotion Program will be that much more effective.

CUNNINGHAM L.B.C.

Col. H. M. Tourville

The Cunningham Bowling Green Club at its Annual Meeting in November re-elected present officers President, Richard Murphy; Vice Pres., Stuart Svedeman; Secy.-Treas., Fred D. Snyder for the year 1969. Committee Chairman will be announced by President Murphy at the first Executive Committee meeting.

The Club welcomes another new member Mr. Maurice Sathan.

The official scheduled closing of the green for the 1968 season was held Saturday, October 12th with all members participating. During the afternoon refreshments were served by the Lassies of the Club. Altho this was the last official scheduled event Lawn Bowling continued into November. Plans were discussed to hold a "Frostbite" event during November or December unless snow prevents the use of the Green.

The Thursday night intra club league for lads and lassies continued into late October. Winners included Mrs. L. Rugo; Mrs. J. A. Holderried; Mrs. L. MacDonnell; Mrs. R. Murphy and Mrs. A. Lagace. Also, R. Bourdon; J. A. Holderried; H. Tourville; F. Snyder and L. MacDonnell. President Murphy was awarded a special recognition award. Awards were presented at a Dinner and party in the Clubhouse November 15th.

The Club's Mixed doubles tournament final match between A. Keeler and E. MacDonnell versus M. Benos and A. Reader has been postponed due to unforeseen circumstances. It will be played off early in 1969.

The Secretary of the New England Division, R. B. Northam was a guest and visitor at the Club Dinner and fun night September 15th. Other events scheduled during the winter include Christmas party Dec. 14; "Bobby Burns" dinner and frolic Jan. 18th. It is anticipated the Club will hold dinners and parties on

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Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day in February and March. Present plans are to open the green in early May 1969—and the various committees will actively get under way in late March and early April.

It is with a great deal of sadness that we have to announce the passing of one of the Club's most active lawn bowlers. Alexander J. Abel a member for over 30 years was very active in all Club tournaments and affairs. Al participated in numerous district and area tournaments over the years and acquired recognition as a fine lawn bowler, competitor, sportsman, whether a winner or loser. Al Abel will be missed.

CARBORUNDUM L.B.C.

By Jerry O'Leary

The club's annual banquet was held on Saturday evening October 19 with over two-thirds of the membership attending to honor their special guest and club member, U.S. singles lawn bowling champ, George Dunn. Other guests were Carl Russell, a director in the Eastern District A.L.B.A. and Anthony Bax, former city councilman and a prominent business executive. Each guest spoke briefly.

The 1968 officers were reelected. Waide Webb, President; Alec Dunlop, Vice President and Jerry O'Leary, Secretary-Treasurer. Dan Benson was appointed games and tournaments chairman. The business of the past year and the financial status of the club was reviewed.

Trophies and awards were presented to the club singles champ Bert Shaw, doubles champs Jay Sprow and Ernie Fisher, singles runner-up J. Wilson, and doubles runners-up T. Bisland and B. Shaw.

The attracting of new bowlers was discussed. John Geddes, a club member was the prime promoter. He also had the assistance of several skips from the local Hyde Park L.B.C. Several new bowlers participated in jitneys which were held in the two month period after the regular bowling season.

Plans were reviewed by Chairman Carl Russell for the 1969 Eastern A.L.B.A. tournament, which will be held at the Falls. The Carborundum club will host this event.

HOLY NAME L.B.C.

By Paul A. Noffke, Jr.

The Holy Name Lawn Bowls Club sponsored the Gene Pelland Memorial Trophy on Sunday, May 26, at Forest Park, Springfield. Gene devoted many good years of his life to lawn bowling, and many will remember his chairmanship of the Eastern Division tournaments in the past. We all miss Gene. It was a beautiful day, greens in good shape, with entries from New Britain, Conn., Hartford, Conn., and the Springfield area.

John McInnes* skipped the winning team consisting of Tom Barry as Vice skip, Victor Butler, second and Paul Hanifin as lead. This team was one of three entries from Holy Name.

Second place went to Frank Dobeck's team from Tam O'Shanter, New Britain, Conn.

Third prize winner was Harry Milroy's team representing the Springfield Lawn Bowls Club.

The George Duffy Memorial Trophy was scheduled for July 21 and was cancelled because of a poor entry and was rescheduled for Sept. 8. Despite a small entry of but ten teams it was decided to hold the tournament.

The winning team was skipped by Alec Milne of the Springfield Lawn Bowls Club with W. MacLeod as Vice-skip, J. Ward, second, and Lead Paul Lavitt.

It was Paul Lavitt who donated the plaque in honor of George Duffy remembered by his many friends both in this area and in Florida where he spent many a winter on the courts there, as one of the kindest and most beloved sportsman produced in this century. He is deeply missed.

On Sept. 15 we conducted the Singleton-Dube Trophy with 14 entries. The Springfield Lawn Bowls Club entry skipped by Harry Milroy won this trophy, with Dentone Flint Vice Skip, Mike Latourelle, Second place and Lead Gene Randall. 2nd prize winner was the team from New Britain, skipped by James Ward and 3rd prize team from Thistle Club of Hartford, Conn. was skipped by Bob Dickson.

The Club Singles champion for 1968 is Joseph Loizzo.

The Club Doubles champions for 1968 are Joseph Loizzo and John McInnes.

To help the Eastern Div. Promotional Fund the Club sent a check for \$25.00.

The Holy Name Club voted to join the Springfield Lawn Bowls Club in sponsoring the Eastern Div. Tournament for 1970.

NEW HAVEN MUNICIPAL L.B.C.

By Lyndon S. Patrie, Jr.

This past bowling season has been an excellent and worthwhile one. There has been a renewed desire by most members, to not only participate as bowlers, but to join in the club's growth and maturation.

The majority of members have taken it upon themselves to give a boost to the game of "bowls" by having as a member a ten year old boy. (Who incidently, was a bowler at age nine but not a member of the men's club.) This young lad, Lyndon S. Patrie, III, bowled a minimum of two to three times a week during the entire bowling season, and competed at home as well as in many out of town tournaments.

The competition he experienced was sometimes fierce and unrewarding, but many bowlers took him under their guidance and offered their respect and assistance. His rewards were many-fold; sportsmanship, fair play and fine bowling. His eleven year old sister, Elizabeth, joined the women's club this year and is also proving that she can bowl well and be a credit to any club team she plays with.

This, we hope, is the beginning of a new generation of youthful bowlers. The very next year or two, many of the "older" bowler's children we hope will become members. This includes the daughters for the women's club as well.

On the other end of the spectrum, our club probably has the distinction of having the only twin bowlers as active members at the marvelous age of 87. Art and Fred Brady have been members for many years and as twins it is sometimes hard to tell them apart. Art is left-

handed and Fred right-handed, both very competitive bowlers. Fred as lead, helped to win the club doubles in 1967, and Art had done amazingly well in our Tuesday Night League this year.

Our annual fall club meeting was held October 2, 1968, with election of officers as follows:

President—Robert Hilditch; Vice-President—James Weir; Secretary—Lyndon S. Patrie, Jr.; Treasurer—John McLean; Greens Committee — Archie Hamilton; Social Committee — George Clarkson; Prize Committee—Archie Hamilton.

At this meeting it was voted upon to once again invite the Senior Citizens of Westville to use the facilities of our greens for the coming 1969 season. Evelyn Lenahan, of the Women's Club, was thanked for her fine job of initiating this program. Archie Hamilton, Tom McGow and Tom Simpson, as well, gave their able assistance to bowls instruction to this interesting organization.

The women also held their election of officers and is as follows:

President—Jean Patrie; Treasurer—Margaret Gray; Secretary — Janet McLean; Games Chairlady—Agnes Hilditch.

The following tournaments (club) were held with their respective winners:

Tuesday Night Mixed League — winners: Neil MacMillan, skip; Ronnie Crockett, 2nd.; Janet McLean, lead.

Wednesday Night Men's League—winner: Gibby Strathdee; runner-up: Robert Hilditch.

Mr. & Mrs. Tournament — winners: Lyndon S. Patrie III, skip (grandson); Agnes Hilditch, lead (grandmother).

Men's Club Doubles—winners: Archie Hamilton, skip; Lyndon S. Patrie Jr., lead.

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NORTHWEST DIVISION NEWS

By Condie M. May

The Northwest Division, A.L.B.A. held its annual meeting on November 9th and officers and directors for the next year were elected.

All Clubs were represented at the meeting with the exception of Grants Pass.

There was a discussion on the manner of holding the U. S. National Championships as the Buck Hill Falls Company had given notice that they could not continue their sponsorship under the present conditions, and Paige Newton proposed the following:

1st—That the U. S. Championships be rotated thru the six Divisions and be held just prior to the National Open Tournament at the same location.

2nd—That the Northwest Division underwrite the U. S. Championships in the amount of \$200.00 for one year or for two years at the most.

3rd—That it be recommended that the A.L.B.A. dues for all members be increased by 50 cents per member per year if necessary, to cover extra costs.

4th—That cost of Trophies of A.L.B.A. be geared to our ability to finance.

Motion was made, seconded and passed "That Paige Newton's idea be accepted in principal, to be instituted as soon as practicable."

You'll realize that the dog is man's best friend as soon as you start betting on the horses.

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International City Club on Monday, Dec. 2nd. Attendance was the highest in our history and a complete review of the year's activities was covered. The following awards were made covering tournaments won by the participants:

President's trophy: Arnold White; Bill Kenney trophy: Clarence Nebergall; Starr Titus trophy: Martin Katte.

In the Coast League events Ben Larner reported our club placed second in standing. We won the newly awarded trophy for the largest number of club players entered in the league tournaments. Ben will again head our group during the new year.

Officers elected for 1969 include the following:

President, Dean McCrum; Vice President, W. Burl McCole; Treasurer, Kurtz Ballou; Secretary, Wm. C. Ferguson.

Two long time members passed on in early December. Walter Bell and Robert Begnett. Begnett served as president of So. Calif. L.B.C. in 1957.

LAGUNA BEACH L.B.C.

By Harvey C. Maxwell

NEW OFFICERS AND NEW CHAMPIONS AT LAGUNA BEACH

Dean B. Clanton, retired Los Angeles lawyer, will head the Laguna Beach Lawn Bowling Club for 1969. Bowler Clanton was elected president of the club by the new board of directors at the annual meeting held Wednesday, Nov. 13, at the Art Gallery. He succeeds retiring president Ray Lavelle. John Rose drew the vice presidential post, John Asher, Dales Dunbar, Jack Harold and "Doc" Mallow were elected as new directors. "Doc" Mallow was instrumental in bringing lawn bowling to Laguna Beach, was Club president in 1931-32, and is still an ardent and active bowler.

Tournament chairman Ashley praised the thirty members of the COAST LEAGUE teams for retaining the COAST LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP, and presented awards to the winners of the clubs 1968 tournaments. The clubs singles championship trophy went to our versatile architect and entertainer Arthur Briggs. Dave Boyce and Rex Hamaker won the doubles award, while Jack Hunter, Jack Harold, and Carl Seawright received the triples trophies. Carl Seawright also was presented the award for "Rookie of the Year."

SAN DIEGO L.B.C.

By Joseph S. Keeney

The annual meeting of the San Diego Lawn Bowling Club was held Saturday morning, December 7. Our current president, Bill Erickson, was re-elected; Don Craddock and Fred Allen were elected to serve as Vice Presidents. Other members of the Executive Committee follow: Secretary, Ruth Erickson; Treasurer, Ralph Case; and, at large, Ernie Briden, Claude Miller and Al Nelson. Refreshments and bowling followed in due order.

Bowlers are enjoying the game as never before. Not that they bowl any better but the best greens in history, built and rebuilt in consultation with experts from the University of California Agricultural Department, make them

feel that they are bowling better. The usual bowlers pouring in from the northwest and Canada to take advantage of the hand-polished surface are a little concerned not to have anything to complain about.

Two of the three late-fall tournaments have been run off under ideal conditions. The winners of the Buddee tournament were Major Brenneman, Henrietta Leon and Meade Barrie, and of the Zellweger tournament Paul Green, Lloyd Hupp and George Nacht, who did not eek out a victory over runners-up Dave Johnson, Nancy Johnson and Jack Talyor until the last bowl came to rest.

Rudy Buddee and "Zell" Zellweger are two of many benefactors who have founded for us yearly tournaments and endowed them with handsome permanent trophies. The winners will find their names inscribed in bronze and thus may consider themselves immortal.

SUN CITY L.B.C. ARIZONA

By Paul Burns

Since the last issue of our favorite Magazine we've had an October trip to Pine, Ariz. and were guests of the Prime Bartley's and Lysch Fisk, who have homes there for cooling off the Summers. 61 bowlers and their spouses showed up for a good time and good eats, even a bit of rain spoiled nothing. The Fall colors were magnificent.

We had a visit from our good friends Chet and Muriel Chestnut, who now live in Sun City, California. Chet and this scribbler opposed each other in a triples game at Town Hall South that came within one point of being a tie. Chet won.

Town Hall hosted a fiesta on their greens on Oct. 23rd. Four games were played by all who were ready. The spiders were won by Lucille Schuessler and Reg Sturdy. It was a good mixer and everyone had plenty of cake and coffee along with a good time.

We wonder if everybody saw that the Lawn Bowlers made the November issue of National Geographic. Once on Page 602 in an article on Australia and again on Page 673 on England, telling the Sir Francis Drake story. This kind of publicity can't possibly hurt our promotional efforts.

Our popular Past Pres. of A.L.B.A. Larry Hennings showed up on his regular yearly visit with George Milne and bowled on our green. Strange as it seems he was up to his usual good form and—he won!

At our November meeting Nominating Chairman Abe Becker announced nominations as follows: Chairman, Floyd Lyne—Vice Chairman Gus Holmstrom—Sec'y Sophus Bolme—Treas, Marian D. Botts—Directors, L. T. McElvenny and Pat Kingsley.

These officers were subsequently installed in our December meeting.

On December 3rd sixty six lawn Bowlers and their mates attended the Annual Banquet at the Sun City Country Club. The food was wonderful and entertainment was furnished by our members of the Male Chorus of Sun City. There were some 9 or 10 door prizes and Poetic talent showed up with Marian Stone and John McClelland, very original and very timely. We'll want those efforts in our Log Book. John has a broken hip and brought along his "walker."

SANTA BARBARA L.B.C.

By Sydney G. Barnett

Another year has drawn to a close and it is with some sadness that we recall the many names of those whom we have lost in the past year, names which meant so much to the bowling community here in Santa Barbara.

Our Membership, nevertheless, has generally increased to the 200 mark and the standard of bowling among the newcomers is pretty high thanks to our Instruction Classes and our able instructor Cecil Forslund who runs a joint class with Mackenzie Park.

Our visiting Canadians are once again with us and are some of the friendliest people whom we enjoy no end and we do want to emphasize that they are most welcome at Santa Barbara Lawn Bowls Club and we do look forward to their annual trip to the sunshine.

Inter Club Tournaments have gone off very well and a day's outing does everyone good now and then; it is quite a job to arrange dates not in conflict with the numerous Divisional Tournaments which come up from time to time when most of our good players are away.

Our Greens have been excellent and have been well maintained throughout the year and we really do feel that we have the best greens in Southern California; in this respect we have to thank our Greensman, Leon Chaval and our Greens Chairman Travis Broadbent for their untiring efforts unselfishly given throughout the year.

Club Games have gone off splendidly and we are sorry to lose our Games Chairman this year, Jack Coleman, who requires a rest to recuperate from the arduous duties which his chairmanship imposed on him. He will be bowling with us but without the worries that he put into his work.

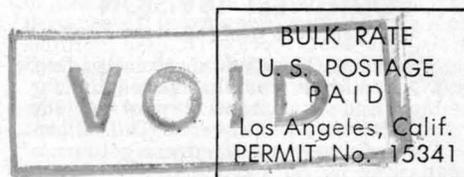
The Annual General Meeting was held at Spencer Adams Park on Saturday, December 7, 1968 and the following new officers were duly elected for the coming year:

President—Clement Hampton
Vice Pres.—Otto Pedersen
Secretary—Sydney G. Barnett
Treasurer—Clark F. Andrews
Committee Chairmen were also elected as follows:

Games Committee—Glenn W. Schuck
Greens Committee—Travis Broadbent
Tournament Committee—John Mitchell
Inter-Club Representative—Warren DeYoung
Membership Committee—Jeff Wood and Ed McKernan

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