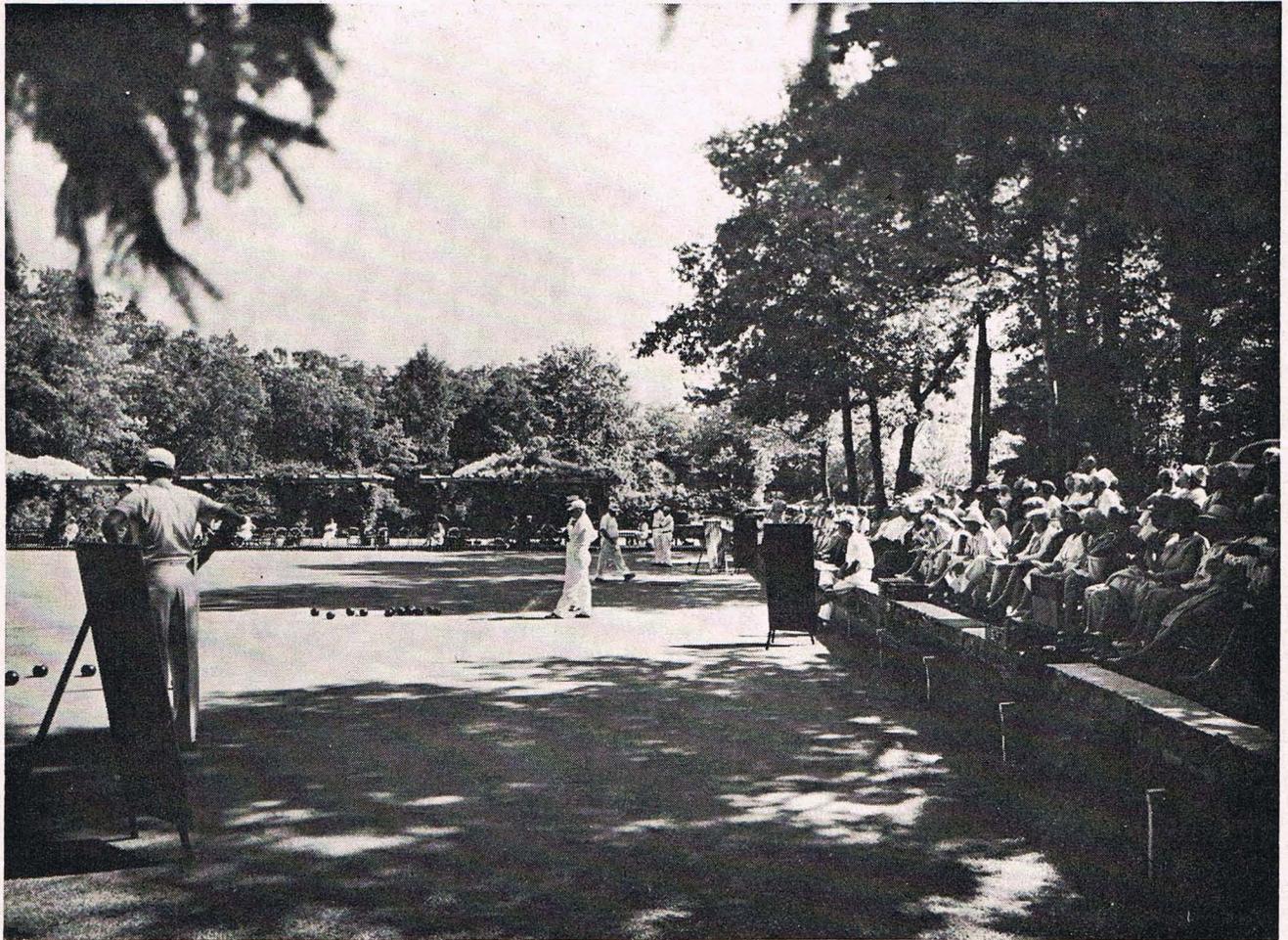




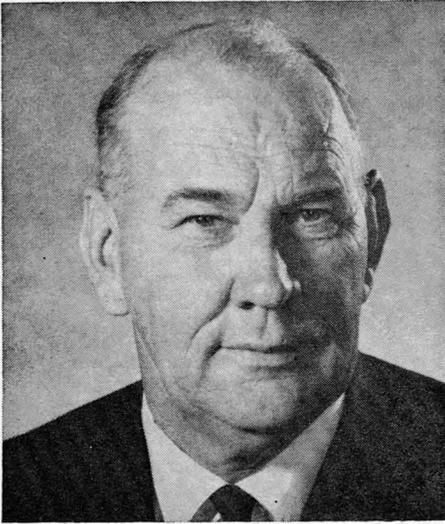
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WITH WYETH

Ezra Wyeth was captain of the U.S.A. team at the World Championships in Sydney in 1966. He has won both the U.S.A. Singles and the Open Singles. Before coming to California he represented two Australian States in interstate competition. He is a professor at San Fernando Valley State College and he has written extensively in professional journals in U.S.A., Australia and Ceylon. He is also a member of the Beverly Hills L.B.C.—Editor.

Once again it is a great privilege to welcome a guest. Geoff Kelly is one of Australia's greatest bowlers and has won virtually every major title his country has to offer. He represented Australia in the singles and pairs at the World Championships in 1966. If you have seen the film of those championships you will recall the dramatic moments in the pairs game against Arthur Hartley and myself. He was responsible for one of the most debated shots in the whole series. In poor light—a storm was imminent—he tried to draw to five of our bowls behind the jack. He was slightly narrow and pushed the jack among our bowls to give us the match by one point.

Despite this loss the Australians won the pairs title and Geoff writes for you as the skip of the Worlds Champion pairs team. (If Geoff's name sounds familiar it is because he appears on a film on how to play bowls, produced by the Australian bank that employs him.)

PAIRS PLAY

Under the laws of the Australian Bowls Council the pairs game is played in a different sequence from that played under International Bowling Board laws. In Australia the Lead plays two bowls (in alternate sequence with his opponent) followed by the Captain (Skip) playing two bowls. The Lead then delivers his second two and the Captain then plays his two. Whilst it is agreed that pairs as played under the I.B.B. laws enables each member to achieve

greater consistency by playing his four bowls consecutively, we in Australia consider our method a good one because it gives all four participants and particularly the two Leads, a greater interest in the game.

Irrespective of the laws under which a pairs game is contested there must be that same teamwork between the two partners as is necessary between all four members of a fours team. It is not sufficient for each player to regard pairs as a singles contest with his opponent. Each man is required to play in two positions, depending upon whether the match is played under I.B.B. laws or Australian Bowls Council rules. If played under I.B.B. laws the Lead plays his first two bowls in that position and his next two in the Second position with the Captain playing the role of Third (Measurer) with his first two and then assuming the position of Captain (Skip) with his second two bowls. Under A.B.C. rules the first player is a Lead and Third and his partner plays as Second and Skip. Many a pairs match has been lost because one or both of the team members have failed to play in his correct role when required to do so.

I have emphasized the necessity for teamwork. Let me tell you what is considered the most successful approach to a pairs match.

Bowls 1 and 2: These must be drawn as close as possible to the Jack (Kitty), irrespective of where the opponent's bowls are positioned. In pairs play bowls in the head are of the utmost importance and every effort must be made to achieve this with these first two bowls. It is not necessary to get the shot at this stage; rather is it far more important to have two close bowls. Some Leads favour using the narrow hand always. This is sound provided the narrow hand is a true one, but it is suggested that the kinder of the two hands be used to give best results. Do not fight a bad hand if the other one is easier to play. It should not be necessary, except on very rare occasions, to change to the other hand with the second bowl. Best results are usually achieved by the Lead who sticks to the same hand.

Bowls 3 and 4: They are most important and must be used wisely either to consolidate the position if there is only one counter on the head or for position if Bowls 1 and 2 are close counters. On the other hand they may be required as draw shots to retrieve the position if Bowls 1 and 2 not close, or to break up the head if the opponents' bowls are close.

Bowls 5 and 6: Can be used for a variety of shots but it is suggested they be used to draw close if the position is adverse and none of Bowls 1, 2, 3, and 4 is close. Firm shots are risky if there are no close bowls held by the aggressor. An important point to remember is that one must never be narrow with these two bowls if the shot is held as the jack could be moved to the opponents bowls. Bowls drawn wide of the head will not do this.

Bowls 7 and 8: Use them to consolidate the position; to score more counters if the shot is held and the position safe or, if there is any danger spot, they must be played to that position. In this

regard there must be a careful study of the opponents' tactics to determine what use will be made of these two vital bowls. Should the position be adverse draw or firm shots should be played to gain the shot but, as with Bowls 5 and 6, the playing of firm shots here is precarious without at least two reasonably close bowls in the head, otherwise the opportunity could exist for a big score by the opponents'.

Pairs is a game in which the aim is to lose as few shots as possible and to score as many points as sound tactics will allow. Play it safe always. Partners playing as a team will mostly succeed, but they are headed for disaster if playing as individuals.

THE DISNEY MASTERS

By Ezra Wyeth

Information about the Disney Masters will be published in England, Australia, New Zealand, Suva and Hong Kong.

At the time of writing, replies have not been received from the other countries in which Bowls is played.

Interest is high in the five countries that have responded and all commend the idea. The most exciting response comes from Victoria, Australia, where the Patrick Travel Service is organizing a tour for bowlers who wish to play in Masters in 1970.

Support for the Masters comes all the way from Rhode Island, Florida, Laguna and San Francisco. Two excellent designs have been submitted for the trophy which will incorporate Walt Disney's bowls. There is still time for more.

Mrs. Disney continues to give her support and encouragement and she has given Walt's second set of bowls for the Beverly Hills Club to use as it sees fit.

CAVALCADE OF SPORTS

By Jack Hunsaker

The Southwest and Intermountain Division Clubs of the A.L.B.A. had a booth at this mammoth sports exhibit held June 19 to 29th in Los Angeles. Every known sport was represented in colorful displays and activity performances. For example sky divers made pin point landings in the adjacent parking area.

Bill Hay and Carl Waterbury of Beverly Hills L.B.C. designed and decorated the A.L.B.A. booth and manned it eight hours a day for the ten days. Ezra Wyeth, former National Singles Champion, demonstrated the game on an indoor rink.

The booth was decorated with a table top display of 400 Club badges loaned by Carroll Chase of Arroyo Seco L.B.C. and a wall banner of 500 Club badges furnished by Carl Waterbury. Walt Disney's bowls were on display along with several National Championship Trophies as well as huge pictures of players in action.

Those who stopped to look were given a sales talk and informative literature in an all out effort to acquaint more people with the ancient and honorable sport of Bowls.

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NEW BOWLERS CORNER



Dr. Harvey C. Maxwell

FOOT POSITION—HOW AND WHERE TO STAND

Now that our new bowler has been fitted with a bowl of the correct size and weight for his hand, and has mastered the perfect GRIP for delivering that bowl, he is ready to step on to the Mat and take his STANCE. "STANCE" is the bowling term applied to the position assumed by a bowler when the prepares to deliver his bowl, and the first problem is, "WHERE DO I STAND?"

It is well to remember that our A.L.B.A. Laws are quite specific in the regard, and that all bowlers are required to start with at least one foot FULLY WITHIN THE CONFINES of the 14 by 24 inch mat area, and that the bowler must finish with one foot ON OR OVER this area.

THE RIGHT HANDED BOWLER, who normally steps forward with his left foot leaving the mat, MUST therefore start with his RIGHT foot completely within the mat area in order to avoid FOOT FAULTING. Unfortunately, some of our older bowlers are not too careful in this detail and it can cause trouble in tournament play. All bowlers and especially the beginners should acquire the habit of STARTING WITH BOTH FEET WELL CENTERED AND NEAR THE REAR of the mat.

As we ALL know we must allow for the normal bowl bias and a "POINT OF AIM" must be selected lateral to the back line. Use the RINK MARKERS, (as they are the only permanent fixed guides). STAND OBLIQUELY, placing your feet so that you face the "Point of aim" (not the jack, using the rink boundary marker as a guide, STAND ERECT, relaxed, knees slightly bent, feet in the normal standing position with the toes turned out and the heels far enough apart to maintain balance.

POINTS TO REMEMBER

1. FACE YOUR "POINT OF AIM"—NOT THE JACK.
2. CHANGE YOUR FOOT POSITION and the direction you face every time you change from forehand to backhand.
3. If your skip cannot tell from your stance which hand you plan to bowl, YOU ARE NOT STANDING IN THE CORRECT POSITION.

The ultimate goal of every bowler should be to acquire a smooth, machine-like delivery that becomes almost automatic.

The correct foot position is one of the most important basic facts of bowling life for the new bowler in attaining this objective.

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NEWS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL BOWLING BOARD.

By Larry R. Hennings

A.L.B.A. Representative to the I.B.B.

Many bowlers may not know that we, as the American Lawn Bowls Association, are a part of the International Bowling Board. Also affiliated as full members are Australia, New Zealand, England, Scotland, Ireland (both parts), Wales, Canada, South Africa and Rhodesia. Associate members include Fiji, Japan, Jersey, Guernsey, and Hong Kong. The IBB is the governing body of our sport.

Recently there has been a flair-up in which the British Isles countries entered their formal withdrawal from the IBB for fiscal policies. These problems have now been resolved everyone is happy. There was some uneasiness for a while.

At the recent Sydney meeting a new Constitution was adopted and steps undertaken to standardize the playing rules through out the bowling world. These will be considered at the Edinburgh meeting in 1970. An interchange of visits was authorized and South Africa will be visiting us in the summer of 1970.

George Boulton of New Zealand was elected the new President. Bob Thompson of Ireland the new Vice President. A rotation of officers is being set up and USA should have another IBB President in 1984.

World Championships are under the aegis of the IBB. New Zealand has offered to stage another in 1971 or 1972. Funding the cost is a problem but New Zealand is still hopeful.

"ALF" ANDERSEN

Says "Thank you" for the many cards and letter received with expressions of good will. Alf is still confined, but is progressing very well. He would like to answer all you, "clubs and individuals," personally but due to the number involved asked "Bowls" to express his thanks for him.—By the Editor.

EASTERN DIVISION

R. Gregg Rodgers, Staff Correspondent

Congratulations to "Gregg" for his fine organization and contribution to "Bowls". Many good articles, club news, are all well Edited. Thanks.
Bowls Editor.

PROMOTION COMMITTEE REPORT EASTERN DIVISION

By Bill Keay, Chairman

In the last several issues of BOWLS we have discussed our Promotion Program in terms of the organization of new clubs. This phase of our promotion efforts is well in order and looks very promising. In this article we are to concern ourselves in trying to originate interest in the individual lawn bowler to give of his time to recruit new members into his own club.

We in the Eastern Division are right smack in the middle of our bowling season. We are bowling every day and participating in weekend tournaments in each of our own specific areas and also taking the advantage of traveling to other areas to participate in their tournaments. At all of these tournaments we usually see many spectators looking over the fence so to speak and probably wondering what this sport of Lawn Bowls is all about. We have to admit that very few of us will take the time to speak with these people and explain the sport to them. Granted when we are competing in a tournament our interest concerns the particular match we are involved in which just does not permit conversation with the spectator. However, I think it can be arranged by the club officers and the skip of a team to permit the lead or second men to entertain a conversation with the spectator without affecting the game being played.

We all know when we are playing in a rink tournament the lead man and second man according to the rules of the sport must leave the rink or stay well behind the head. It is, therefore, suggested that the first and second men or anyone for that matter be equipped with literature to give to the spectator. A new brochure, "A Look at Lawn Bowls," conceived by the Promotion Committee of the A. L. B. A. and just recently off the press will serve the purpose very well. The new brochure is specifically designed to do a selling job on the individual to become interested in the sport of Lawn Bowls. To obtain copies of this new brochure write to Raymond Northam, Secretary of the Eastern Division. His address is 44 Riggs Avenue, West Hartford, Connecticut 06107. Ray will be glad to mail the number of copies you believe necessary to assist the members of your club in their efforts to originate the interest of the spectator and residents in your community to take up the sport of Lawn Bowls and become a member of your club.

When any organization starts a membership drive it is the old story, if each member will bring in a new member the membership will double. This method to recruit new members very seldom works out. It has been the experience of some clubs that in trying to get an individual to become a member of their clubs

it will take two of three members to make the effort successful. In other words, a club with a current membership of sixty bowlers would organize 10 three man committees to talk to a potential member. For example: if one of the three man committees approached a spectator, a relative, or a friend, etc. to become interested in the sport, it would be the responsibility of that three man committee to teach the individual to bowl and stay with him until he has grasped the fundamentals of the sport so that he will become an enthusiastic member of the club. Too many times an individual who was asked to take up the sport and enjoyed the game finds himself after visiting the green a few times neglected, and the result is he loses interest completely and a potential member is lost to the club.

In my travels to participate in other club tournaments I have had the opportunity to see the progress which has been made to increase the membership of these clubs. These new lawn bowlers became members of a club because the active member did an excellent selling job on the individual and stayed with him until he was considered to be qualified to participate in competitive competition. This is the only way (and I mean the only way) in which membership can be increased in your clubs.

It certainly was gratifying to read in the April issue of BOWLS of the large number of bowling clubs who have started a membership drive in their respective clubs. We want you to know that your Promotion Committee is vitally interested in your efforts to increase membership in your clubs and will be glad to assist in any way you believe necessary in your program. We are not only interested in the formation of new clubs in the Eastern Division, but we are also very much interested in a large increase in membership of the current member clubs. However, it is the officers and members of your club and the lawn bowler himself who is the important link to the success of such a program.

One may ask where are these potential members? Well, we have the very young who will sell the sport to young people. There are the so-called middle-aged people who will sell the sport to other older persons. There is, of course, the large population of retired people in our communities who once they take to the sport generally become very enthusiastic and make a very important contribution to the sport of Lawn Bowls. However, we must have younger people who are interested, because with the experience they gain through a period of a few years makes them the potential leaders of the sport in their respective communities and eventually in the operation of the organization such as the executive Board of the Eastern Division of the American Lawn Bowls Association.

I have to repeat what I have said many times in my other reports to BOWLS, and that is if we are to face facts, we would admit there is a great deal of complacency on the part of too many lawn bowlers who enjoy the sport. 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 for his own interests. This lack of interest and desire on the part of some lawn bowlers is unfortunate because if each and everyone of us were to accept an individual responsibility to our club and sell the sport of Lawn Bowls to the public, the resulting satisfaction would be very rewarding. I believe if we all tried to recognize this opportunity to share the sport with others and become interested in being part of an organized program to expand the sport by the increase in membership of our respective clubs, it would be helpful to all concerned particularly so in bringing the sport to the attention of the public and making it as popular as that of golf, tennis, or any other outdoor amateur sport. So let us make the year 1969 a successful one with a substantial increase in the membership of each club associated with the Eastern Division, A. L. B. A.

I think it will interest you to know that the potential prospects of organizing new clubs is promising. We can see in the future a definite trend in cities and towns throughout the Eastern Division where parks and recreation authorities, country clubs, resorts, and inns are showing a great deal of interest in the sport of Lawn Bowls as a recreation facility for the residents of their communities and the members of their country clubs, etc. However, this promotion program has to be a crystallized combination of effort, persistence, and resourcefulness to accomplish our objective. During a recent conversation with Gregg Rodgers, Publicity Chairman for the Eastern Division; we concluded that the next logical step in furthering this promotion program is to place it on a committee basis, recruiting additional interested members and expanding the number of workers involved by setting up regional promotion chairmen throughout the division in order to multiply our efforts and to provide wide geographical coverage. In this connection we plan to scout out possible lawn bowlers to work with each of the regional chairmen thereby spreading the work, time and expense that may be involved. In this way we are sure we can organize a continuing combined effort that will produce the results we aspire to.

The Eastern Division Tournament will be held in Niagara Falls, August 4th through the 8th. The delegates meeting will be held at 7:30 P.M. on Sunday, August 3rd at the Parkway Inn, Buffalo Avenue. Your Promotion Committee extends to each and every one of you a cordial invitation to attend this meeting so that you may give us your thinking on this promotion program. We will welcome any suggestions or any criticism which will be constructive towards our efforts to make this promotion program a successful one in the Eastern Division.

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**Need a lift to
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The First International Ladies Lawn Bowls Championship is coming up December 7 through 14, 1969, in Sydney, Australia. Come swing Down Under with Qantas. No one has more flights to the South Pacific. Or lower fares. And Australia is less than a day away.

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SOUTHEAST DIVISION

Harold L. Esch, Staff Correspondent

BREEZING THROUGH THE SOUTHEAST DIVISION

By Harold Esch

Expansion at Clearwater . . . four new Rubico rinks are to be built this summer by Arthur Hartley . . . New sports complex at Daytona Beach calls for 14 new Rubico lawn bowls rinks, new shuffleboard courts, tennis courts, etc. New clubhouse also planned. Lawn bowls facility lined up by Mr Hartley.

New sports complex is being planned off one of the causeways from Miami to Miami Beach. Rubico is being planned for this site too . . . The J.A.H. Brocklebanks, residents of Sreetsville, Ontario and long-time St. Petersburg visitors have moved into the Top-of-the-World apartment complex in Clearwater.

Southeast Division is indeed proud to have two representatives at the First Women's International Lawn Bowls Championships to be staged in Sydney, Australia in December. They are Eleanor Holmes of St. Petersburg and Vivian Esch of Orlando . . . Interesting to note that Southeast Division clubs have had better than a fifty percent turnover in club secretaries within the past few months . . . It is sad to report that the "South African Bowling Magazine" was forced to stop publication with the April issue due to lack of support on the part of the bowlers.

De Land LBC is proudly distributing new full color postal cards of their new bowls facility in Earl Browne Park . . . New members of the De Land LBC include Mr. and Mrs. William Sherertz, former members of Columbus Park-Chicago, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rhodes, former Orlando members . . . The Sherertz have purchased a home in nearby Deltona where energetic Bill hopes to persuade Deltona officials to include lawn bowls in this retirement home complex.

Summer bowling activity on the sun coast is highlighted by a summer "league" between Clearwater and St. Petersburg clubs. Exchange of games each week, alternating between the two cities is planned.



OFFICIAL OPENING DE LAND'S NEW FACILITIES
Officials participating in De Land's official opening on Feb. 20th are (L to R) Tom Sperling, Director Parks and Recreation, City of De Land; Harold L. Esch, Orlando, Southwest Division Secretary and A.L.B.A. Councilor; Wayne Sanborn, De Land City Manager; Roger Pinkerton of the De Land Chamber of Commerce; Frank Austin, De Land LBC President who presided as MC and Edward J. Hayden, Clearwater, ALBA President.

LAKELAND HOSTS SOUTHEAST DIVISION SINGLES PLAYDOWNS

By C. J. Dence

On April 24 and 25 the Lakeland L.B.C. was host for the Southeast Division playdowns to determine the representative for the United States Championships at Buck Hill Falls, Pa., in September.

Representatives included W. J. Tewksbury of Clearwater; Ira Spurgeon of Lakeland club; Howard E. Ringholm of Sarasota; James Rodgers of Hollywood and William E. Kaestle of Orlando.

Tewksbury was the eventual winner of the double elimination play, defeating Spurgeon in the finals. Rogers of Hollywood was third. This was the first time that the division finals has been contested on the grass in the Southeast Division.

Although a majority of our Lakeland club members are spending their time at their northern homes or are away on summer vacation club activities are not entirely at a standstill. Our year round resident members, about ninety strong, are bowling during the summer evenings under newly installed floodlights on our west green.

Meanwhile the grounds maintenance crew is working on our north and south greens in order that they may be in prime condition for the coming winter-spring season when the full membership will be on hand for what promises to be a record season.

ESCH AND HUGHES REPEAT IN SOUTHEAST DIVISION DOUBLES

By Harold Esch

The 1969 Southeast Division Doubles playdowns for the United States Championships were played on the De Land rinks April 14-15-16-17 with seven clubs sending representatives. Harold Esch and Al Hughes of the Orlando LBC captured the playdowns for the third consecutive year by defeating Arthur Hartley and Peter Milroy of the Clearwater LBC in two straight games of the double elimination play.

The winners were required to play seven straight 21 end games. Other clubs represented included De Land (Ray Hague and Ben Gravina); Mount Dora (Ed Ullmann and Frank Corriden); Winter Park (Bill Cummins and Jack Woods); Sun City Center (Sid Dargie and Fred Coffman); Hollywood (Gil McGovern and Lowell Gardner).

Hartley-Milroy defeated Esch-Hughes by 17-13 in the third round to put the Orlando pair in the lower bracket. Hartley-Milroy, winners of the championship bracket, had to face Esch and Hughes again in the "finals" with the Orlando pair winning 20-13 and forcing the playoffs into a third match between these two pairs. Esch-Hughes winning, what was the final game, by 21-16.

The Southeast Division is indeed grateful to the De Land LBC for hosting this event on their brand new Rubico rinks. A large and enthusiastic gallery watched the playoffs each day, many coming from surrounding clubs.

ORLANDO SWEEPS N.C.F.L.

MIXED TRIPLES

By Harold Esch

The Orlando LBC took the three top honors at the 1969 North Central Florida League Mixed Triples Championships for the Winnie and Al Berry Trophy. The event was played at De Land, Florida on April first. The original date of March 26th was cancelled due to rain.

First place honor was won by the team of Harold Esch, skip, Vivian Esch and Irene Hughes. Runnersup, Word Sonley, skip, Eva Sonley and Al Hughes. Third, the William Kaestle, skip, Irene Rhodes and Arthur Rhodes trio. The two top teams were representing the Orlando "Panthers" while the Kaestle skipped trio played under Orlando "Twins" banner.

Last year's defending champions—Syd Elsdon, skip, Orville Quick and Lucy Fox of Peabody-Daytona Beach—also competed in this year's games.

Winnie Berry presented individual trophies to each member of the top three teams in ceremonies following completion of play.

ORLANDO CLUB FINISHES SEASON WITHOUT DEFEAT

By Harold Esch

The Orlando Lawn Bowling Club completed the 1968-69 season of social matches without a single defeat. Games against St. Petersburg, Clearwater, Winter Park, Mount Dora, De Land and Peabody of Daytona Beach were included on the schedule. A total of fifteen matches (five with Mount Dora; four with De Land; two each with Peabody and Winter Park and one each with St. Petersburg and Clearwater) resulted in 104 Individual game win as against only 43 defeats. Four individual games ended in a tie. Orlando scored 2,616 points compared to 1,834 for their opponents.

Based on individual participation, non-league bowlers, individual awards went to Weir Van Houten as the top skip, Hazel De Meyer as the top vice-skip and Sarah Meserve as the top lead. Individual trophies were presented to this trio at the club's annual meeting.

The Orlando Club's three year record in social matches shows an equally impressive record—thirty-six victories in forty-one matches.

ORLANDO "PANTHERS" WIN INTER-LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

By Harold Esch

The Orlando Panthers, winners of the North Central Florida League Championship, faced the Bradenton LBC, winners of the West Florida League, on the Clearwater rinks on March 29th. winning Orlando teams included Word Sonley skip, Eva Sonley and Al Hughes and Harold Esch Skip, Vivian Esch and Irene Hughes. Winning three games out of four from the Bradenton squads they captured the William J. Stewart Trophy.

In conjunction with the championships, individual teams representing each of the other members clubs from both leagues participated in the annual all-star contest for the David Britton Trophy. 1969 winners was the Orlando

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NORTHWEST DIVISION

Chas. P. Middleton, Staff Correspondent

FROM THE NORTHWEST DIVISION

By Condie M. May

Lawn Bowling in the Northwest is available throughout most of the year, however, we had official opening days at the Tacoma Club on April 19th, the Jefferson Park Club, Seattle on April 26th and the Queen City Club, Seattle on May 3rd.

The Semi-Annual meeting of the Officers and Directors of the Northwest Division was held in Olympia, Wash. on April 5th.

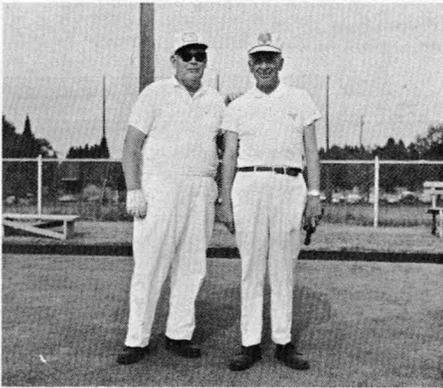
Larry Hennings, Chairman of the committee on promotion of new clubs, reported that several prospects were being contacted and he hoped for some success.

Chas. H. Gordon has since been named Chairman of this committee and is working real hard on it.

Chas. Middleton spoke in favor of Indoor Carpet Bowling with 4" biased bowls, in use at present in some Retirement Homes and hopes that the game can be promoted on a National basis and that possibly the A.L.B.A. can set up a Carpet Bowls Section.

A visit to the Grants Pass Club was made on June 6th. Interclub visits are made each year and also exchange visits are made with various clubs in Vancouver, B.C. Canada.

On May 4th the King County Singles were played on the Jefferson Park greens with Jack Lambrecht defeating Cliff Slade, both players members of the Queen City Club. On May 18th the King County Pairs were played on the Queen City greens and Harvey Hansen & J. O. Jones of the Queen City Club defeated Dave Ireland & George Barne-cut of the Jefferson Park Club.



Jas. Reno left and Al Davis

The Northwest Spring Tournament was played on the Jefferson Park greens May 23, 24, 25. Condie May won the men's singles from Ed. Duclos, both are members of Queen City club. Jas. Reno & Al Davis of Jefferson Park defeated Dick Parker & Stan Homes of Queen City in the men's pairs. Flossie Carr & Theresa Day won the Ladies pairs from Priscilla Hudson and Grace May. All members of the Queen City Club. Jack Lambrecht, Lloyd & Evelyn Gilbert won the Mixed Triples from Ernie Myers, Arthur Carrie & Joan Loeser all members of the Queen City Club.

On June 1st Bill Mattocks, Walter

Schuck, Jack Lambrecht & Harvey Richardson won the Ed James Rinks from Ernie Myers, Arthur Carrie, Chas. Dickinson & Cliff Slade. All members of the Queen City Club.

QUEEN CITY L.B.C., SEATTLE

By F. Howard Weaver

When it came time to renew, after a 6-year agreement had expired with the Park Department, our secretary mailed a questionnaire to 37 clubs up and down the coast, to arm our negotiators with some facts and figgers. A splendid response came back from 35 clubs with detailed information and suggestions. We ended up somewhere in the middle at \$100 a month for two greens, a clubhouse, and a couple hours a day work from groundskeepers with their equipment. Some clubs reported considerably higher costs, but the majority are almost entirely subsidized by their park departments, and only require minimum dues to buy bowling equipment and supplies. This year's greens director, Phil Reed, is prevailing on the mower men to cut the grass closer, and he has been out every day with the roller to improve bowling conditions.

It was a long hard Winter in Seattle, but the clubhouse provided a meeting place for pinochle and bridge tournaments. Bowling started in April, but the official Opening Day was May 3. Two 10-end games found Bill Mattocks, Jack Lambrecht, and Flossie Carr the winners. An additional prize was given for "secret score" which was drawn from a hat. It could have been worst score, but turned out to be winner of 2 games with the lowest plus score, won by Howard Angell and Helen Strohm. Memorial Day was a picnic day with two 10-end games, won by Lloyd Gilbert, Howard Angell, and Helen Dickinson.

The Wednesday night cutthroat tournaments started June 4 with Lew Storm the first week's winner, followed by Walt Schuck the following week. Cutthroat is so popular it often solves a problem for the games director on draw days when there are an odd number of players. Three to five players will volunteer to play cutthroat. For those who are not familiar with the rules, the jack plays from anywhere it lands, even in the ditch, and players cannot approach the head, but must remember where their bowls are placed and usually also where the high score opponents bowls lay. All bowls in the ditch are dead, even if they have hit the jack. Two points are scored for nearest and one point for second best bowl. After the preliminary develops a winner on each rink on tournaments night, a semi-final reduces the contenders to two players. Then the side boundaries do not count, and the jack can be thrown anywhere on the entire green. The 25c entry fees are divided into first and second prizes.

The Ed. James Rinks at Tacoma, June 1, was won by the team of Hansen, Lambrecht, Schuck and Richardson.

By the time this issue of Bowls is printed we will have completed the ALBA Singles and Doubles, Women's

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CENTRAL DIVISION

Thomas N. Davis III, M.D., Staff Correspondent

By Thomas N. Davis, III, M.D.

The latest word about the visit of Australian greens expert M. Fax Bonnar is that he'll arrive in Chicago August 6th and will visit greens in the Chicago area. On August 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Museum of Science and Industry he'll discuss greens care to interested bowlers, greensmen and park officials. He'll show slides and films and answer questions. August 8 he is to demonstrate at Lakeside LBC his equipment and how to prepare a good green. Then a luncheon meeting at noon in the Museum's Balcony Room for further discussion and showing of pictures. He'll also visit Milwaukee and will probably have another meeting about greens there August 10 at Lake Park LBC. For more information about his Chicago visit, write to John Flood, 222 Homestead, La Grange Park, Ill. 60525; or myself at 83 Lagoon, Lake Zurich, Ill. 60047. For more information about his Milwaukee visit, write Ralph Welton, 1829 E. Wood Pl., Milwaukee 53211.

Let's all take full advantage of these opportunities to learn how to get better greens!

We hear that Detroit West and Milwaukee West are disappointed that their new greens are not yet in good condition. But, then, good greens usually don't just happen in one season. They usually require patience as well as good planning, hard work and good weather.

I recently visited a sad sight—a kind of monument of what had meant to be a wonderful bowling green—now a caricature of one. It lies behind the Chicago Curling Club on Dundee Road in Northbrook, Illinois. It's a regulation size "green" surrounded by good ditches—but it's mostly dandelions and coarse grass. Alas! Those curlers never had opportunity to play on a good green! I heard that even husky and experienced bowlers could not "get them up" to the hog line. There was no drawing, of course—just heaving. I was told that the curlers were so eager to get started at bowls that they couldn't or wouldn't wait for a good fast surface. Their eagerness turned into impatience, then disappointment, then indifference. What a pity! No lawn bowling club can afford poor greens!

July may seem the wrong time to talk indoor bowls, but after a wet spring with several "greens closed" week ends, the indoor carpet game has much appeal. Indeed many of the best bowls clubs overseas now feature both outdoor and indoor bowls. John LeNoble of Lakeside has been giving some good suggestions to Charles Middleton of Seattle on organizing "I.B.A.N.A."—Indoor Bowls Association of North America. John recommends that IBANA have a committee to draw up specifications to submit to manufacturers of carpeting. These "specs" should include such items as 1. speed, 2. maintenance or upkeep, 3. wear or durability, 4. surface, 5. installation, 6. stretch or non stretch, 7. color (neutral?), 8. necessity of footwear restrictions, and 9. thickness, backing, padding (need for underlayment).

George Madden of Lakeside should al-

so have much to contribute to such an organization. An experienced and champion bowler, George recently retired as a carpet salesman in the contract department of Marshall Field & Co. And another thought is to promote the sport to architects and building contractors. Every home should have a 30 foot carpet for four inch bowls! And what could be a better feature in an apartment building than a good bowling green?

OBITUARY: Harold B. Moran, Lakeside, died 3/11/69.

SOME FOOTNOTES TO HISTORY

By Tom Davis

Most every bowls enthusiast knows that Sir Francis Drake insisted upon finishing his game of bowls in 1588 before going out to defeat the Spanish armada. But did you know that he didn't bowl on a grass green? At least he didn't according to English gardening columnist Frances Perry. She has written, "If Sir Francis Drake really did have that game of bowls, he undoubtedly played it on a 'green' of camomile, which unlike grass, needs no cutting. The finely cut grass lawn as we know it only became a practical proposition in 1830 when Edward Budding of Stroud invented the mower. Until then the only methods of keeping the grass down were scything and cropping by animals."

Here's another item of bowls history that is known to very few. It was written in *Boy Life* by Jasper B. Sinclair and comes to us via *On And Off The Green*, the newsletter of Chicago Lakeside LBC: "The Jamestown colonists sponsored the white man's first competitive sports event in this country. It was a lawn bowling tournament held in the autumn of 1607.

"Things had not gone well for Captain John Smith and the Jamestown colony in that first summer of the first permanent English-speaking settlement in North America. Crops had failed, many of the colonists were suffering from malnutrition caused by a lack of variety in their diet, and the constant threat of Indian raids did not add to their peace of mind.

"The Jamestown colonists did not assemble in the town hall to complain about the difficulties of pioneering in a new land, however. Instead, they planned a lawn bowling tournament, marked off a portion of the village green, and promptly endeavored to forget their troubles by engaging in this continent's first sports tournament.

"The Jamestown tournament was noteworthy in another respect. It was one of the earliest recorded instances in which competitive sports were called upon to sustain public morale."

Bowls is said to have been the most popular sport in colonial America. At least half a dozen towns were named "Bowling Green." And visitors to Williamsburg, Va. can see bowlers on the green today dressed much the same way as colonial bowlers.

The Bowling Green Building, 11 Broad-

way, New York City has a stained glass window showing a bowling green scene. A photo of this window has been published in Spalding's Athletic Library and in the program book of the 1966 World Bowls tournament in Australia. (Can we publish it in A.L.B.A. BOWLS, Mr. Editor?) But, frankly, from the looks of that green, it's not surprising that the sport died out, for it was anything but flat and level!

The International bowls authority, Dr. Neil Benjamin of Australia, has written that George Washington loved to bowl on his estate at Mt. Vernon, where a green was laid in 1732. "If gambling blighted the game in Britain at this time, the Revolutionary War killed it in America. George Washington patriotically, if not enthusiastically, dug up his green. A leaden statue of George III in New York's Bowling Green was toppled in 1776 and molded, so record has it, into exactly 42,000 bullets, to be fired at the accursed British. For amusement the Americans turned to skittles (alley bowling)."

It seems to me high time that we Americans forgive the British and resume bowling on the green!

COLUMBUS PARK, L.B.C.

By John Herberts

Memorial Day was our first competitive event with the second annual games for the James Lockhart trophy. It was a trebles match of 3 games, and was won by Peggy McIntyre (the first lady), Lester Findlater, and John Pollock. They earned the highest number of points with 2 wins and a tie. Close behind them was another strong team of Elizabeth Findlater, Dave Campbell, and John Murdoch. Other prizes for individual high scores were won by Jessie McKenzie, Bridie Rowan, Marian Hopkins, Dave Anderson, Art Horton, Pat Rowan, Ernie Rosser, and Dave Morrison. The spider prize was won by the brilliant play of John Conn.

Our first inter-club competition was held on June 1 at the Lakeside Club between Columbus Park, Lakeside, and Gary. This was a mixed trebles event with only 18 teams playing. It was a cloudy and windy day, but free from violence, in spite of the fact that we were in the shadows of learning and culture (U. of C.). The winning team for the day was skipped by George Clyde, who had excellent help from his wife Peg, and Bert Thomson. The runner-up team was Art Horton and his wife Doris, and John Herberts. Other teams playing were skipped by Read Rogers, John Murdoch, Ernest McIntyre, and Les Findlater.

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Pairs, Men's Pairs, Mixed Pairs, and Women's Singles. Cross town competition will have started for the Hennings Trophy, the married couple league, and other morning, afternoon and evening contests. Portland and Vancouver will have visited Seattle, and we hope many more bowlers from other clubs will come by to visit us.

GRANTS PASS L.B.C.

By Bart Brooks

We call it the "ALBA LIFT", the delegation from Portland and Seattle that came, bowled and gave us the brotherly boost we needed. Some 20 of them, men and women, arrived on Friday evening, June 6, preceeded by a good write-up in the *Courier* with pictures of our people in action, in time for dinner at Larry's Due to the high school graduation ceremonies several of the invited city officials could not be present, but it was a good send-off for the occasion.

As master of ceremonies, Andrew Brugger of Portland, President of the Northwest Div. A.L.B.A. introduced all the visiting bowlers; ALBA Councilor Larry Hennings and Pres, Ivor Bebb of Jefferson Park (Seattle) and ALBA Councilor; Paige Newton of Portland, expressed the pleasure of all the visitors to be playing in Grants Pass giving a friendly hand to its new club. Pres. Bart Brooks thanked the officials and visiting bowlers for their efforts in making the visitation. He introduced

Grants Pass club members and invited guests, which included Recreation Director Jack Shipley and wife Penny.

Seven rinks were busy Saturday all day and into the evening, our bowlers showing up well. A cold ham and turkey lunch was served. All of our small group of members highly appreciate the Northwest Division bowlers' efforts to draw our club into ALBA network, thus indicating we are indeed an integral part of the Northwest Division. It was indeed a most happy occasion!

JEFFERSON PARK L.B.C.

By Ralph Andrews

Here comes Seattle's beautiful temperate summer . . . in June, too, to confound the weather prophets. And with it come innovations to our club—LADIES DAY Thursday afternoons in which the lovelies set up their own games, and COUPLES DOUBLES on Tuesday evenings for those married pairs who can't get to the greens by day. And the Games Committee promises more goodies!

The Northwest Tournament and King County matches were a thumping success, Play in two leagues got under way during the last few weeks—SEATTLE PAIRS, continuing for 6 weeks at Jefferson and Queen City on alternate Mondays for the perpetual Hennings Trophy, and our own COMMERCIAL LEAGUE with 8 sponsors played on Wednesday evenings.

An early highlight in June was the Northwest Division A.L.B.A.—sponsored junket to Grants Pass, Oregon, which will be reported by that club. We wish

it well in its efforts to find a place in the bowls world. Doris Kelso and Miller Bodell are back on the "mending list", and we hope will be bowling soon. Several of the newer members, including Bill Craig, Gerry Lawrence, Al Reuter and Eldon Schmad are bowling well, and will be entered in the Novice Tournament coming up soon.

New clubhouse progress? It's being made behind the scenes. Our Board appointed Fred Burr to coordinate club matters with the Park Board architect. bers will be available to Park Board The entire \$20,000 subscribed by members when bank interest and due bills accrue on scheduled date.

PORTLAND L.B.C.

By Homer Groat, Sr.

Since our opening on May 6, after the most severe winter of record here, we have been blessed with perfect bowling weather. Due to our recondition job last fall our greens are the best in many years.

On June 6, 7, and 8, a very enjoyable trip was made by fourteen of our members to the Northwest's newest affiliated club, Grants Pass Lawn Bowling Club, in beautiful Riverside Park on the Rogue River. Traveling bowlers can now have a game of bowls in this "Vacation Land" of Southern Oregon.

Another activity this month will take 39 bowlers by bus to Seattle for the annual mixed triples competition of all Northwest Division Clubs, on the greens of Queen City Lawn Bowling Club.

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- 1966 ROBERT SMART & JAMES CANDELET — Eastern Division
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- 1968 RALPH R. GORDON & ALEX "BOB" VEITCH — Pacific Inter-Mountain Division

SOUTHERN CALIF. WOMEN'S L.B.A.

By Mrs. Mary Clark

In August 1912 the first women's bowling club in the United States was organized in Golden Gate Park, San Francisco. The Southern California Women's Lawn Bowling Association was formed on September 9, 1939.

This association has grown steadily until it now boasts a membership of approximately 230 women from 21 clubs located in Southern California. The most popular tournaments are the mixed doubles—one in January, at which time the women must skip, and the Australian (men skip) in November. These two meetings are held at Arroyo Seco, as they have four greens and are usually filled both times (56 entries). This group also sponsors a Mid-Winter Tournament in February, at the Santa Anita greens, a Singles Tournament in the Spring, at Arroyo Seco, and hosts the California State Women's Association Tournament the even years.

The association members meet the fourth Wednesday of most months at the various member club greens for a day of fun and good fellowship—usually filling two greens of triples (84 bowlers).

The annual meeting was held December 4, 1968, at Santa Anita, and the following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. Lena Lemaster, Pomona
Vice President—Mrs. Vicki Rudolph, Friendly Valley

Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Kitti Flint, Pomona

Mrs. Mary Clark, Laguna Hills, was appointed Games Chairman for the year 1969.

Mrs. Dorothy Mumma was appointed to recruit a team of five women bowlers to enter the first International Bowling Tournament. This team has been accepted by Australia, and the women will leave Los Angeles on November 19, 1969, on a 30-day tour. Two women will be present as delegates at the meeting to be held in Sydney, Australia, on December 4, 5 and 6 to form an International Women's Lawn Bowling Association.

Mrs. Dorothy Mumma (Team Captain), Riverside, California

Mrs. Dorothy Veitch, Berkeley, Calif.

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Mrs. Eleanor Holmes, St. Petersburg, Florida

Mrs. Vivian Esch, Clearwater, Florida

Alternates:

Mrs. Pegeen Johnson, Santa Monica, California

Mrs. Betty Ewen, Redlands, California

Any number of American women are welcome to enter the open tournament, to start December 7, 1969, in Sydney, Australia. Competition will be in Singles, Doubles, Triples and Fours. Anyone interested in going may contact Mrs. Edith Luscombe, 350 Eastern Valley Way, Chatswood 2067, New South Wales, Australia.

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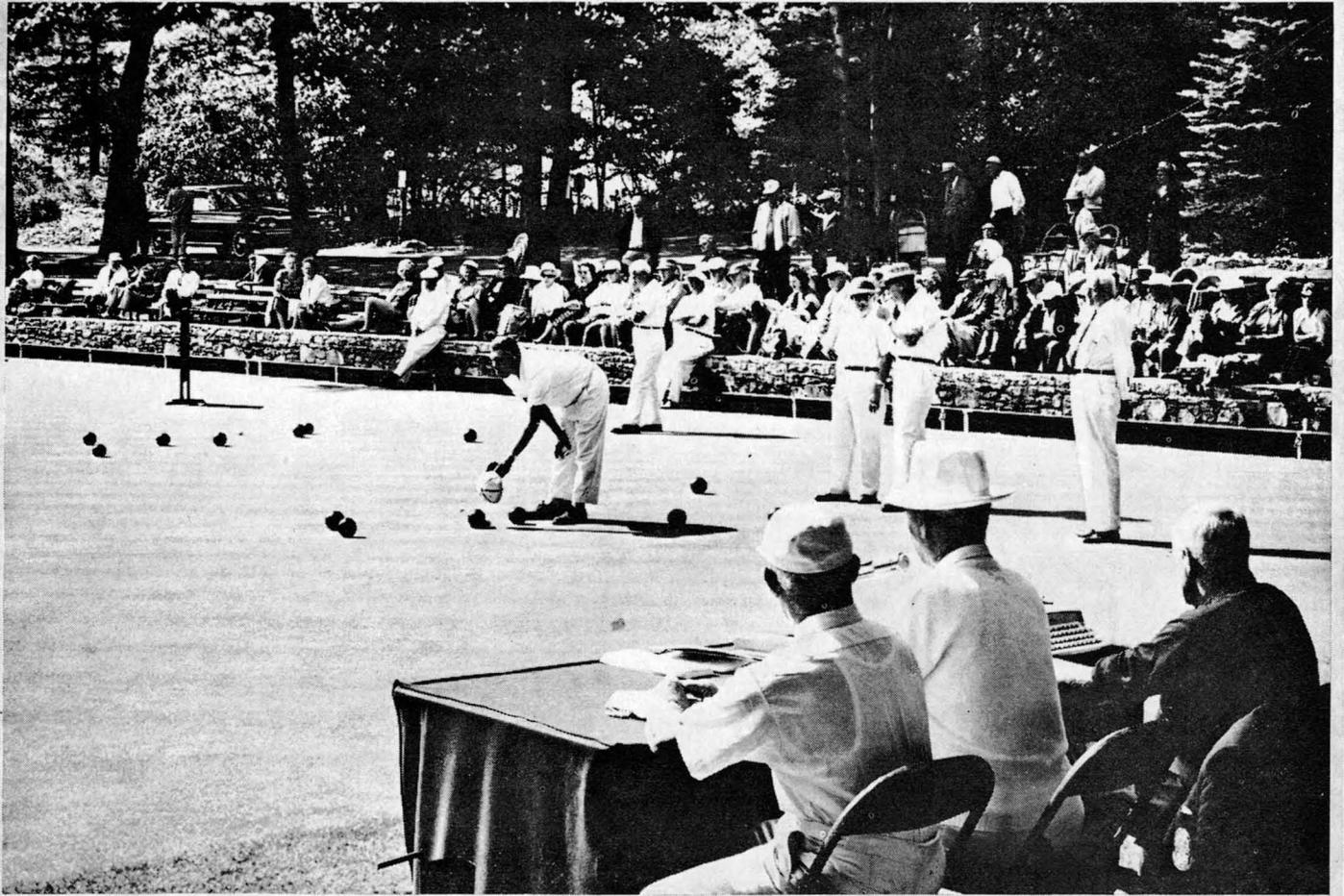
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By Clifford Rea

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Growth is still in the offing. Sunnyvale, Calif. in its new Senior Citizens Park has a bowling green ready for planting the grass. Hawaii reports a new club formed on the big Island of Hawaii and one being planned on the Island of Kauai. Our active interested and investigative President Harry Soderstrom reports finding recently that the cities of Los Gatos and Campbell, Calif. are planning new parks and expects to try selling them on bowling greens.

The U. S. Doubles play-offs are under way and the U. S. Singles due to start soon after this writing. Both will be completed by time this July issue goes out.

Plans are completed for the NATIONAL TOURNAMENT. More about this in the OBSERVATION POST column.

1969 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT September 27 thru October 4 THE OBSERVATION POST

By Harry Soderstrom

Tournaments are the life blood of sports activities. Certainly tournaments are the best thing in a lawn bowlers life. The big National will be held in the Bay Area, September 27 through October 4, 1969. We expect a tremendous attendance for this event. Many entries are already in from different parts of the country and Canada.

Enough games are guaranteed to keep you bowling all week: 4 in triples, 4 in doubles and 2 in singles. Prize awards plus Certificates of Merit will be given for these events. Bowlers, don't hesitate to enter because you think you aren't good enough. High class competition will sharpen your game and you may surprise yourself by walking off with an award.

Don't be concerned about too many entries causing delays in starting games. We will have 3 greens available in Oakland, 3 in San Francisco, 2 in Rossmore at Walnut Creek, 1 in Richmond, and 1 in Palo Alto if needed. Berkeley's 2 fine greens have been set aside for the women.

Entertainment will be on tap, as much as any bowler could wish for. Friday and Saturday are registration days. Saturday is also the day of the big luncheon at the Lakeside Park Garden Center. This is a gorgeous hall, adjacent to the greens. Our experienced ladies will handle all the details. Don't eat breakfast for this one—and it's FREE.

Sunday night from 5:00 to 7:00 o'clock is a no host cocktail party at the Jack London Inn, 444 First Street, Oakland. This is the place most of you out-of-towners should stay. This party will honor the ALBA officers and their wives and give everyone a chance to meet them. You really should know these chaps because they are the ones that make our outfit click, nationally.

Tuesday, September 30 at Goodman's, 10 Jack London Square, is the big banquet. Speeches will be few and short. Entertainment will be lively and lovely. And food: we have always had the best at Goodman's and they promise to outdo themselves this time. Don't miss this affair. It would be a good idea to send in your reservation for the banquet along with your entry fee. All in one package with one check.

During the week there will be the usual parties at the various local homes and bowlers' rooms. These are the affairs where you think you have a cast iron constitution and the next day you find out you haven't.

Transportation will be available from and to all the greens for those who stay at the Jack London Inn. Transportation is always a ticklish matter at tournaments. We have a top flight committee working on it. If you come without a car be sure you stay at the Jack London Inn because it is obviously impossible to call at separate motels. The rates for us are reasonable. Secondly it is the residence headquarters for the tournament. Here you will be with your own kind, with all the comforts and diversions you want.

The women's events will be played at the Berkeley greens — triples, doubles and singles. I hope it will be possible some time to have, at least the women's finals, played along with the men's events. When you get the top flight women bowlers operating you really have something worth watching. Women send all entries to Mrs. Betty Service, 183 Parnassus, San Francisco, Zip 94117. And be sure to include a reservation for the Tuesday banquet.

For the non-bowling women there are agencies who can fill practically every form of entertainment; from a trip around the city, to night clubs, to symphonies and operas. Brochures will be available at headquarters covering points of interest.

The complete Program of Events will be mailed to all club secretaries about the middle of July. This covers both men and women's events. Be sure to post the program on your bulletin board in a prominent place. Also club presidents should make a special talk about this tournament at the next local meeting. With the amount of interest already displayed, the 48th promises to be the outstanding National Tournament of all time.

AUSTRALIAN BOWLING TOUR OF BRITISH ISLES SAN FRANCISCO STOPOVER

By Harry Soderstrom

The British Isles Tour of the Australian group stopped over one night, April 22, in San Francisco on their way to Europe. There were about 30 men and 15 women who checked in at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel. A tour had been arranged for them, Tuesday afternoon, covering Mission Dolores, Twin Peaks, the Cliff House, the Palace of the Legion of Honor, Golden Gate Bridge and other interesting points.

In the evening a group of Bay Area bowlers met them for cocktails at the Palace. After this, various groups were taken to dinner.

The next day, Wednesday, they were taken to the San Francisco Bowling Club in Golden Gate Park for lunch. Ted Downie, Leader of the Tour, expressed his thanks for the hospitality shown them. A game was played in the afternoon between teams representing the Australians and the Americans. This game was really a pleasurable affair and we talked about it for days after the Australians left. It is unfortunate that these touring groups cannot spend more time with us when they come here. We got requests from dozens of local bowlers to play for every Australian available. The game of bowls in the United States is largely associated with Australia. Every Australian is so good a bowler and fine a gentleman that we welcome their arrival and hate to see them leave.

A note on the pace of the green. We had one green so fast for this event you could blow a bowl in the ditch. Unfortunately it rained the night before. Result—the green was below standard. But we enjoyed the game and the pleasure of their company. Good bowling in the British Isles.

OAKLAND

Oakland's Club matches have about all been cancelled. Due first to two months of heavy rain. Then the Park Department closed all three greens for over two months to get them in good shape for the NATIONAL. Play resumed on one green the middle of May and it is in playable condition and should be good by September.

Lacking other news of interest we ask, "Did you hear about the fellow who said he was glad that his wife gave up golf for Lawn Bowling because she hadn't lost a ball yet?"

THE SEQUOIAS PORTOLA VALLEY
President W. E. Burdick reports they have about 20 active bowlers but at the moment haven't developed enough enthusiasm for tournament play.

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BERKELEY

Berkeley's annual GUEST DAY was held on June 14th. Special engraved invitations were sent out by all members with possible recruits for the club. Guests were invited to come prepared to try their hand at Lawn Bowling. An excellent program was arranged by John Wood and his committee. Refreshments were served following the bowling exhibitions and the guests try at bowling. In previous years this event has brought an increase in membership.

Teams have been picked to play in the three Inter-City Cup matches. Last year Berkeley won the Golden Gate Trophy.

The WOMEN'S CLUB'S annual mixed tournament on June 4th brought forth a good almost a capacity attendance on our two greens. 14 rinks were in use and all but two were rink games.

ROMANCE ON THE GREEN. Dorothy Wyckoff and Roy Peterson and Calista Crutcher and Alva Guy Starr were married recently. Bowling produces many important events.

Berkeley won the INTER-CITIES CHAMPIONSHIP by winning two out of three games. The team of Ralph Gordon, Skip and Mel Swartz and John Wood won by 26-13. Jim Forster's team of Harold Offord and Fred Bacon won 20-12. Frank Mixon's team of Phil McCombs and Leyden Erickson lost a heartbreaker on the last end 20-24. 10

clubs were competing in a Round Robin. The final games were played on the Rossmoor greens in Walnut Creek.

HONOLULU L.B. ASS'N.

Dr. Clifford F. Roberts

The month of March saw the completion of the Hawaiian Championship games. In the shadow of the famous Diamond Head, with the Koolau Mountains for a back-drop, very keen play-offs in Doubles and Singles took place.

The elimination games in Doubles, finally left Fred Denison and Jack Bird, Skip, to bowl against Ed Albright and K.C.W. Day, skip for the trophy. The game was close, and after nip and tuck tussel for points, Ed Albright and K.C.W. Day finally disposed of the opposition.

Singles were played off in tournament fashion, and there were some excellent games in which bowling was at its best. Excitement indeed prevailed. J. W. Stewart, the club's president, won his game, and this placed him in the Singles Final, to play against K.C.W. Day, already a winner in the Doubles, with Ed Albright as his partner.

The Singles Final was tough. The game was fast on a very good green. Each man held the lead for a while, until the opportunity afforded K.C.W. Day to score a 3, and he took the lead from J. W. Stewart and went on to win the 1969 Singles Championship.

After the games, a meeting was held at Vice-President John Beukema's home. Here some very fine films of the cham-

pions of Australia in action were shown, after which Randolph Crossley presented the medals and trophies to the successful winners.

John Dray, Vice President of the Honolulu Lawn Bowls Club will be leaving for the Mainland in September and expects to attend the National Tournament in Oakland Starting September 27th.

Our President, Mr. J. W. Stewart, will be in Vancouver, B. C. during the months of July and August. He anticipates participating in the British Columbia Annual Tournament there. The event is of some interest to Washington State bowlers who arrange for membership in a B.C. club in order to qualify for entry. Mr. Stewart is a former Director of the West Vancouver B.C. Club and is keenly interested in what A.L.B.A. and the B.C.L.B.A. are doing to widen the interest in the game of bowls.

It may be of interest to you that the H.L.B.C. is vigorously campaigning for new members here. There is a club on the big Island, Hawaii, and one in the process of being formed on Kauai as reported by President-elect, John Beukema. However it won't be long before other clubs will be organized in this fertile field. We are proud of the new green the Parks and Recreation Board has developed for us. Tourists who come here in large numbers, are welcome and have the opportunity of persuing the game while away from home.

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John T. Hunsaker, Staff Correspondent

MacKENZIE PARK L.B.C.

By Virginia L. Bower

The MacKenzie Park L.B.C. celebrated a long anticipated ambition and the culmination of months of hard work when on May 23, 1969 they officially opened their second bowling green. The new green is named the Joslyn Green after the late Marcellus L. Joslyn who established the Joslyn Foundation to promote recreation for older adults. The Foundation donated \$20,000 towards this second green. The MacKenzie Park L.B.C. gave an additional \$8,823.00 which they had raised during the year by donations, loans, and various fund-raising projects, such as raffles and card socials.

The Invocation was given by Len Cuthall, and the ceremonies were presided over by the President, Earl Baker. He gave credit and recognition for the promotion and the raising of the money for the new green to Joe Bell, first President, and to Glen Boyles, Club Representative. Joe, unfortunately, could not attend the dedication because of a severe chest congestion which had caused him to cut short his trip to Great Britain. The Foundation was represented by Mr. Robert D. MacDonald, Trustee, by Mr. Remy Hudson, Trustee, and by Mr. Joslyn's daughter.

Many city officials were present, including the Mayor, Jerry Firestone, who presented the MacKenzie Park L.B.C. with a certificate for outstanding service to the community.

Seventeen clubs from the Southwest Division were represented. Some of the well-known personages who attended and were introduced were Bill Hay, Remy Hudson, John Deist, Dick Folkins, Dan Mahan, Bill Kelly, and Ed Harris. Gene Tincher, President of the Southwest Division, gave the dedication speech.

The meeting was adjourned with an invitation to everyone to be our guests for tea, prepared under the capable chairmanship of Edith Gamble. Following tea, bowling was resumed in the Doug Rose doubles tournament, won by Paul Huntington and Earl Ball from MacKenzie Park. Members of the MacKenzie Park L.B.C. ended the day with a great feeling of satisfaction in their achievement for themselves, for their city and for the entire bowling fellowship.

SANTA BARBARA L.B.C.

By S. G. Barnett

For the past three weeks our No. 2 Green has been renovated and is now back into play: No. 1 Green will be treated as soon as our big weekend of the 22nd to 25th May is over when the Southwest Divisional Tournaments and central league games are over.

Our Spencer Adam Triples Trophy was won by Elwin Harris ably assisted by Luise Godfrey and Clyde Chall and with special assistance from the Gods: We say this because Silvio Maddalon who was his opponent had the Game all tied up on the last end and was sitting pretty with one shot Jack high with Elwin Harris lynng second shot at

pretty nearly measure distance and Silvio cleverly placed a block shot to prevent Elwin knocking himself in; Elwin played and tried to get in but narrowly missed; Silvio placed another Block shot with his last bowl confident that he was lying shot; Just as Elwin Harris was about to bowl his last bowl the shot lying second place quietly rolled over into 1st place and he won the game; It is said that the game is never won till the last shot is played—How correct!

Our Membership is now up to over 200 and still coming. We miss our Canadian Visitors who have written us such appreciative letters at our wonderful welcome to them and hope they all return next year.

CAMBRIA L.B.C.

By W. E. Cunningham

On May 26, 1968, The Cambria Lawn Bowling Club dedicated a new 8-rink green, the first ever to be surfaced with ASTROTURF, a synthetic "grass" made by the Monsanto Chemical Company. In spite of an unusually rainy winter, we managed to bowl some each month. Within three or four days after the heaviest rains, we were bowling again. Water that remained on the turf in some spots, was pushed to the ditch with wide squeegees made for that purpose. We know that the upkeep of our green has been much less than that of grass greens. We are proud of our "First" and invite bowlers to stop and try it out when passing through Cambria.

We are handicapped by being isolated from other clubs, so our competition has been almost entirely intramural. A few of us entered in competition at Santa Barbara, and we have had visitors from other clubs on several occasions.

Our main intramural tournament consisted of three events:—(1) Men's Singles won by Frank "Laddie" Biggs (2) Women's Doubles won by Verna Swanson & Ruth Cunningham and (3) Mixed Doubles won by Remy Hudson & Elizabeth Burwell. The Em Hudson trophy was awarded to the winner of the mixed doubles, and club trophies went to the other winners.

The following people were elected or appointed as officers for our club's second year:

PresidentW. E. "Bill" Cunningham
Vice-PresidentWilliam Sewell
SecretaryRuth Cunningham
DirectorsRoland Crane & Joe Lapis
Tournament Chairman.....Laddie Biggs
Games Chairman E. F. "Gene" Tebow
Representative Leon Cunningham

SANTA MONICA L.B.C.

By Ted Ruenitz

Spirited competition took place during the Annual Triples Tournament, sponsored by the Union Bank, Santa Monica Branch. Finals were completed on April 3 with the winning team consisting of Les Wiggins, Skip, Helen Graham, Vice-Skip, and Elmer Krehbiel, Lead. The final match was hotly contested, with Skip Wiggins team winning by one point, 18-17. The runner-up team consisted of Dexter Rau, Skip, Bill

Toomey, Vice-Skip, and Florence Parker, Lead. Individual trophies will be presented by the Union Bank officers.

The Annual Doubles Tournament was completed on May 14 with the winning team consisting of Floyd Mishler, Skip and Ida Mae Wiggins, Lead. The score on the final match was 18-7. The runners-up team consisted of George Parry, Skip and Bill Pineau, Lead.

The Annual Singles Tournament will follow. The second Thursday of each month is open house day when we have bowling both in the morning and afternoon.

President Earl Allison and wife have recently returned from a six-week springtime tour of the Orient. Immediate Past President George Tichenor and wife Huldah Tichenor (both Bowlers) have toured the United States by car and enjoyed springtime bowling at the Williamsburg Inn and on the beautiful Buck Hills greens, location of last year's U. S. Singles and Doubles Championships. Past President E. Arlo Byrum and Mrs. Miriam Byrum will tour Scandinavia this spring and later this fall visit Australia and New Zealand. Another Past President Bill Voss enjoyed a tour of Europe.

Members of the Santa Monica and Holmby LBC were saddened by the death on May 24 of Maybelle "Mabs" Elliott, one of our dedicated bowlers.

HOLMBY PARK L.B.C.

By Dorothy Cella

After weeks of heavy rains the activities of the Holmby Park Club have finally gotten into high gear. During the months of May and June, the members had the pleasure of entertaining large groups of bowlers from Laguna Hills L.B.C., Beverly Hills L.B.C., Laguna Beach L.B.C. and the Santa Barbara L.B.C. During the months of July and August Holmby Park members are looking forward to visiting the aforementioned clubs.

So far this year we have added five members to our roster, Mr. Robert M. Belden, Mr. Arthur J. Bridwell, George Parry (a member of the Oakland L.B.C. but living temporarily in Southern California) and Marilyn and Bill Tenny. At the present time our membership stands at 46 males and 31 females.

Always watchful for prospective members and interested in promoting the game of lawn bowls, a suggestion was made at a recent Executive Board Meeting that we set aside one day a month for the purpose of inviting our friends for a course of indoctrination.

NEWPORT HARBOR L.B.C.

By Elsie Hubbard

As Spring turned the corner at "the beaches", two teams from Newport Harbor Club participated in the annual Disney Invitational Triples at Smoke Tree Ranch, Palm Springs. Skipped by Al Morrison and Ted Tarbox, the Newporters enjoyed fine bowling and good companionship.

During May and June invitationals have been enjoyed at Riverside, Santa Ana, and Recreation. Coast League continues every two weeks. Newport hosted the group in May.

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"Twins" squad of William Kaestle, Irene Rhodes and Arthur Rhodes.

Specially struck NCFL-WFL All-Star pins were presented to all participating players in ceremonies prior to the morning play.

CLEARWATER FINISHES ONE-TWO IN SUN 'N FUN

By Harold Esch

The Clearwater LBC hosted the 1969 Sun 'n Fun Invitational Mixed Triples on March 28th. Thirty-six teams from around Florida participated. The local squad Dan Penny, Allen Penny and Charles Mc Cracken took top honors with another local team made up of Andrew Coubrough, Hazel and William Gavine second. Third prize was awarded to the De Land trio of Frank Austin, skip, Mayme and Gordon Bateman. Because of the large entry there were a number of other three game winners. A delightful lunch was served in the Clearwater clubhouse at noon to all participants as part of the tourney entry fee.

This event is staged annually in Clearwater in connection with the week-long Sun 'n Fun festival, one of the winter's high points in the entertainment of winter visitors and residents alike.

ST. PETERSBURG L.B.C.

By Carmon Elliott

To many of us here on the Sun Coast, with three score and twelve years behind us are too ready to sit back, count what blessings we have, be thankful for the game of bowls and too often take no stock of the morrow which may never come. Not so with our oldest Active Member, Francis J. Nardi who will probably start celebrating his 97 th birthday on Sept. 13th with his usual game of bowls.

Twenty five years ago when Frank was 72 he decided on a change of pace and quit his executive job at the Illinois Central Railway in Chicago. While spending his first winter here in St. Petersburg his good friend and relative Claud Howell, who is no youngster himself and is still bowling,



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introduced him to the game of bowls. Frank became a member of the St. Petersburg L.B.C. and with his usual perseverance became a much sought after lead for tournaments. While to-day he sensibly doesn't go around looking for 16 end games, nobody is thinking of his age either. Moreover, he is always friendly Frank Nardi, a good Sportsman and above all a perfect gentleman.

Back in Chicago for the summer Frank joined the Lakeside L.B.C. On his 90th birthday Lakeside made him an Honorary Life Member.

More recent honors have been bestowed upon Frank. Our columnist Dick Bothwell of the Times has given space to his background, among other things stating that "Nardi", 96," is a hail and hearty old timer who still is hard to beat at lawn bowling! He also had his picture in the Times receiving his 70-year Masonic pin from the Grand Crossing Lodge No. 776, Chicago.

Article from Douglas Coyle Oakland, Calif.

Dear Sir,

It was with great interest that I read Tom Davis' article on "What Speed the Greens" in the April edition of the A.L.B.A. "Bowls".

I heartily agree with the ideas which were expressed in this article and I would like to elaborate a little on the following:

All clubs should, if possible, least their own land on a long term basis. Employ a green-keeper who would take his instructions from a "Green's Committiee" or better still, appoint a manager to take full responsibility.

When greens are cut every day, with

a 400 lb. machine, then further rolling is unnecessary and will do more harm than good, particularly during the playing season.

Regarding the use of long ground-sheets, they are a curse to good lawn bowlers. If they are left on the greens during hot weather, then grass is damaged. They should not be used in any competitive play at any level.

All clubs should have a license to serve alcoholic beverages and after a game participants could sit over a cold beer and discuss the merits and demerits of all things pertaining to lawn bowling. The benefits could be used to advertise, to bring the game to the attention of the public. At present people look blank when lawn bowling is mentioned or remark that they have never heard of it or they thought it was a game just for old people.

On numerous occasions I have been asked by spectators for an explanation of the game but they find it almost impossible to follow and go away uninterested.

In competition bowling, particularly between inter-club and inter-city matches, bowls should have an identifying colored disc on each side of the bowl. Those discs are available and are easy to attach or detach. If this were done arguments amongst players could be avoided. Colored shirts could be worn with whites, identifying the different teams. How many times have we heard this question, "Where do you bowl out of?"

Adoption of some of the above points and a more modern outlook is needed if bowling is to rise out of the slough of despond into which it has fallen.

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INTER-MOUNTAIN DIVISION

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PALO ALTO L.B.C.

By Harry S. Moyer

Reviewing our activities for the past three months, I find that we have had a lot of catching up to do in more ways than one. Our membership during the first six months has remained almost static. At that time we had approximately 80 men bowlers and 30 ladies. Keeping in mind that we have only one green and about seven playable rinks on that green—this number of active bowlers would make us look real busy. Therefore we have found it necessary to restrict new membership to follow an established ratio of residence members against those coming from outside communities adjoining us who have no lawn bowling facilities. This ratio has been set by our club in agreement with the City of Palo Alto at 75-25 and when we started to equalize our position we were at about 60-40. Therefore,

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since the first of the year we have only taken in 5 new members while we have lost about an EQUAL NUMBER AS ACTIVE BOWLERS.

At the end of 1968 we ran into one of our longest rainy spells and with the holidays coming together we got behind on our club matches along with our special trophy matches and did not get to have our annual trophy presentation with our annual meeting. Our regular club matches running from Singles thru rinks, plus our ladies matches and then our special trophy competitions involved about 20 winners to be recognized for the year 1968.

So along comes Memorial Day—and it was a Memorial Day in more ways than one. Besides presenting our 1968 trophies—we had a special events day promoted in co-operation with the City of Palo Alto in recognition of their 75th anniversary. It was one of a number of special days recognized by the city during the month of May in Celebration of their Anniversary and with the city doing the promoting all

SOUTHEAST DIVISION

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the city fathers and city council were invited to our events as well as the public.

The outstanding event of the day was a special trophy match to all bowlers 75 years old or older. We had three triples games in this category. Bob Wilson was our General Chairman for the day and the winners of this event were Gene Hausman, Skip with Everett Wasson and Olive Brace making up the winning team. Each received trophies.

The remaining players entered four draw games, one being a rinks game and three being triples—playing for highest scores. The rinks team won—consisting of Bob Veale, Skip, assisted by Ruth Wallace, Gertrude Moyer and Bob Vanderlip.

Lunch was finished and we had the spider which was won by Ruth Vanderlip and Charlie Stocker. Games Committee Chairman was Arch Mease. I handed out the trophies and the day's prizes and snared one myself.

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LET'S HELP BOWLS GROW!

By Cliff Rea

In order to grow, lawn bowling needs more promotional funds. Individual clubs, in most cases, are financially sound. However, the A. L. B. A., the Divisions and BOWLS magazine are operating on a Penny Ante basis.

I suggest that every bowler and the Officers of the A. L. B. A. consider a

raise in dues for every member of \$5.00 per year. This \$5.00 to be divided as follows: \$3.00 to the A. L. B. A. one dollar of this to go to BOWLS magazine and the other \$2.00 to the Divisions.

What would \$5.00 do? The \$2.00 to A. L. B. A. would give around \$11,000.00 to the promotion fund and assist those who are responsible for promotion some help in postage and phone expense and some help in travel expense to visit prospects. As it is now every officer and promotion man invests his own

time and expense. It would also help with promotion literature. It would make it possible to publish a Year Book every year. We have not had one in several years.

For BOWLS magazine it would make it possible to have more than 24 pages. Now some articles are refused for lack of space. It would make it possible to use more photographs which would enliven each issue. As it is now many are not used as the sender does not send the proper photo and the Editors have no funds to pay for enlargements. \$1.00 more to BOWLS would mean about \$5,000.00. Enough to operate as a magazine should. The Editors work for free and I'm convinced often dig into their own pocket for postage and phone calls. They might even hire a part-time Secretary so they could answer all letters. I am told by those who read the magazine published by the New South Wales Bowling Ass'n and World Bowls published in London that our BOWLS has become a better magazine. Lets make it easier to keep it that way.

The DIVISIONS are treated worst of all financially. \$2.00 more per member for each Division would give them ample funds to promote tournaments. Tournaments are the life-blood of any sport.

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NEW YORK L.B.C.

By Ralph Loffler

The New York L.B.C. official opening took place on May 3 under favorable skies and was attended by one of the largest opening day turnouts of record. The traditional President vs Vice President games of mixed doubles provided good entertainment for all members. The games were won, incidentally, by our congenial vice president Charles Bittner—in spite of pre-season training by president Gregg Rodgers and his wife, Letta, at the Pinehurst (N.C.) bowling tournaments in late April.

Our Club was favored on April 27 with a visit by the Official Australian Bowls party which was then enroute to the British Isles on a world tour. This fine group of lawn bowlers consisted of 30 men and 10 ladies, led by Ted Downie, Captain, Tom Bampton, Vice-Captain, Gordon Bruderlin, the Hon. Manager, and Doug Drummond, the Hon. Treasurer. The accompanying picture gives some idea of the distinguished appearance of these visitors in their green blazers, monogrammed ties, "panama" hats, and whites. Neighboring clubs joined in the welcoming ceremonies which included remarks by Ed Hayden, President, A.L.B.A., Percy Caris, First Vice President, Eastern, A.L.B.A., and Sam Schofield, Immediate Past President, Eastern Division, A.L.B.A. Australian Captain Ted Downie replied for the visitors with generous words and gifts, typical of these fine people from "down under." This was a day that will be long remembered.

New Member Day was celebrated on May 25. A full day of bowling and instruction was followed by "open house" in the late afternoon at the Alexander Robertson School Gymnasium where refreshments were served and two lawn bowling movies were viewed. These included a re-run of our own Club movie film made on the greens last year, and a showing of an excellent new 16 mm film in sound and color which presents with professional excellence the elements of the game of lawn bowls for beginner and experienced player alike. It was well received by all who attended the showing. Many of our players reported good results from applying the principles learned from this movie.

Tournaments played so far this season and the winners are:

Mixed Doubles—Dan Tomchik, Mary McPoland
Men's Club Doubles—Dan Tomchik, Gregg Rodgers
Women's Club Doubles—Letta Rodgers, Lily Seligman
U. S. Doubles—Dan Tomchik, Ed Roache
Men's Club Singles—Ed Roache
Women's Club Singles—Mary McPoland
George Reid Cup (Trebles)—Dan Tomchik, Ed Roache, Tom Bowe
Open Mixed Trebles—Any Gabor, Gregg Rodgers, Letta Rodgers.

All are welcome to the remaining open tournaments at our club. We hope to see you on the green.



(Picture by Paul Hansen)

Seen in the picture second, third and fifth from left are Percy Caris, Ed Hayden, and Ted Downie, captain of the touring group.

TRENTON L.B.C.

By Percy W. Caris

One outstanding feature of our new season is the way we are attracting new bowlers. Although we lost several from last year's roster, the signing of nine new members has already swelled our membership beyond the old number—and there are more to come. Best of all, five of these newcomers are beginners, eager to learn the game and the veteran bowlers are eager to teach them. Our ladies have also greatly increased their numbers, with most of the new ones also beginners.

Before this is in print we shall have passed two dates toward which we are now looking forward with keen anticipation. On June 8 we travel to Philadelphia for our annual Devitt Cup, dual-club match with Fairmount Park L.B.C. This most enjoyable event has alternated between the two cities since 1956. About 20 of us will be in attendance. Also on June 22 we will hold our annual, open doubles—The Jersey State—which usually draws a goodly number of entries from North Jersey, New York City, Long Island, and Southern Connecticut. Initiated in 1941, this competition has continued without interruption since 1949.

The Districe 4 Championships in the U. S. Singles and Doubles will be held in New York and Brooklyn, respectively June 14 and 21. Trenton will be represented by Harry Hart in the Singles, Charles Wagner and Clarence Middleton in the Doubles.

We are also looking forward toward

the Eastern Division Tournament in August, where we shall have at least two teams entered; also to the many 'opens' on the Metropolitan District's schedule. On that schedule, October 4, we shall have a repeat of the very successful, 'Mix or Match' Trebles Tournament, run last year for the benefit of the Promotion Fund. (Mix or match means that teams may be composed of all men, all women, or mixed in any combination.) This year part of the proceeds of this tournament will go to the Eastern Division's promotion fund.

EASTERN DIVISION—MISCELLANY

By R. Gregg Rodgers

"Tam O'Shanter" L.B.C. (New Britain, Conn.)—Jim Gibson reports bowling started late May and they held their first tournament on May 30. Bowling every day and participation in Greater Hartford District 2. . . .

Fulton Park L.B.C. (Waterbury, Conn.)—Joe Garvey says they are having a late start but now taking part in Southern Connecticut Association schedule. . . .

Philadelphia Country Club (Gladwyne, Pa.)—Tom Prendergast says bowlers are welcome and greens available daily and weekend. . . .

East Orange L.B.C. (E. Orange, N.J.)—Ed Speer advises Thursday night league will start soon. Greens open every day but Mondays. . . .

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BROOKLYN BOWLING GREEN CLUB By John V. Helberg

The Spring meeting of our Club was held on Saturday, April 26 at our club house with a good turnout of members. Our first vice president, Howard Hallock, presided in the absence of our president, Charles King, who was participating in a tournament at Pinehurst, N.C., along with our Howard Thurman.

Membership chairman Charles Duffy reported progress by introducing four new members at the meeting. We were also advised by the Clubhouse chairman, Arthur Reid, that a new water main and new plumbing fixtures had been installed, thanks to the efforts of our senior officers, Messrs. King and Hallock. Reporting on games and tournaments, Richard Webster, chairman, announced that the A.L.B.A. section doubles are to be played on our greens June 21. He was also happy to announce that the new Fred Maulbetsch Trebles would be played June 14, initiating this new event in tribute to this Honorary Life Member. The publicity chairman, John Helberg, reported that letters had been sent out to Brooklyn newspapers announcing the opening day of Saturday, May 10.

A proposal was introduced by Ray Markland to confer honorary life membership on two of our members, Dick Webster and Steve Woolsey, and this proposal was received with whole hearted approval of those present.

Our attention was called to the visit of the official Australian Bowls Party from New South Wales, Australia, scheduled at the New York L.B.C. in Central Park, Manhattan, on April 27, and a group of bowlers from Brooklyn promised to represent our Club.

Our greens were officially opened Saturday, May 10 with ceremonies highlighted by a greeting and throwing out of the first bowl by James Roche, Director, Borough of Brooklyn, Parks Department. We were also delighted on this occasion to welcome a delegation of bowlers from the New York L.B.C. headed by its president Gregg Rodgers and his charming wife, Letta. A "spider" was won by one of our own members, lucky John Keller. Howard Hallock, our vice president and gardener promised us the best garden ever with special emphasis on Johnny Jumpups, Money Plants, and Hens and Chickens. Thanks were extended to our greens-keeper Joe Ehlich for his hard work and cooperation in getting our green in such good shape.

We regret to report the loss of one of our real old timers and lovable member William J. McNair, who passed away on May 1 in his 80th year.

BRIDGEPORT (CONN.) L.B.C.

By Robert Baxter

Much has happened at the Bridgeport Club these past few months. When we stopped play at the end of the 1968 season, it appeared that the club was going to lose its green which is the property of the city and is maintained and operated by the Parks Dept. The property had been donated to the Board of Education for construction of a school complex and the green was originally slated

to go. Now, thanks to the efforts of many but principally of the club's Jack Meikle, the latest word is that the green will be retained as part of a recreational facility attached to the new school.

As if the above was not upsetting enough, vandals appeared to regard the property at the green as a target over the winter and did massive damage to both the green and the club house facilities. Fortunately, due principally to the efforts of the city Park's department and with the help of some of our own members, the green has been repaired, was playable on opening day and is now in good shape. However the club house was so badly damaged that it had to be razed to the ground.

In spite of the above trials and tribulations the season has made a good start. The green opened officially on May 4th when the club hosted a full green of 16 clubs for the opening tournament of the Southern Conn. L.B.A. Mr. Joseph A. Williams, City Director of Parks and Recreation, declared the green open and commented briefly on the situation vis-a-vis the green that has been mentioned above. A Bridgeport team skipped by Jack Fleming won the tournament.

The club league started on Wednesday, May 14th with ten teams (rinks). Play is on a round robin basis and will therefore last for nine (9) playing evenings. After three (3) games only one team, skipped by Campbell Blaney remains undefeated.

A mixed jitney was held on the afternoon of Memorial Day when three 11-end games were played. Two 3-game winners emerged and the final play-off resulted in a win for Bob Gilleran, Mary Scott and Matt McFarlane (skip). The runner-up team was Ina Fleming, V. Baxter and Campbell Blaney (skip). This was a grand afternoon.

The first of our Saturday night mixed jitneys started on May 31st. This is a "best 5 scores out of 7" affair and always attracts a good group for a pleasant hour and a half's bowling on a Saturday evening.

Entries have been sent off to Niagara for three (3) teams to compete in the A.L.B.A. Eastern Division Rinks tournament and six (6) in the doubles tournament. We are looking forward to a good week there. Also at Niagara representing the Southern Conn. Association in the Eastern Division's singles play-offs will be our own Campbell Blaney—and for the second year in a row. We all wish him well.

IN MEMORIAM

Simpson Crowe

By his death on March 14, 1969, the lawn bowling fraternity in general and the Bridgeport club in particular lost a skillful player, a willing worker and a good friend. He will be sorely missed.

BOSTON AND QUINCY L.B.C.

By John W. Daley

These Clubs have held their annual business meetings and appointed committees. The usual opening ceremonies have been conducted with the attendance of Mayors, Selectmen, Park Officials, etc. The Ladies of the Quincy Club conducted the annual Whist Party which was well attended and contributed a good size check to the Quincy Club treasury. Mayor MacIntyre in his ad-

dress praised Al Artis, president of the Club, for his interest and cooperation with him in municipal affairs.

The annual McCallum Cup Games played at Boston on May 24 were won by Boston's secretary-treasurer Sam Drevitch. Our congratulations to Sam who has participated in the games only two years.

Other games scheduled for the month of May and June are as follows. Results will be published later:

May 31—Boston Club Doubles

June 7—Metropolitan Doubles

June 8—Lord Nelson Tournament, Smithfield Club, Providence, R. I.

June 15—Quincy Club Doubles

June 22—The Cas. Bursley Tournament, Smithfield Club, Providence, R. I.

We note that although it is only June when this is being written, Dave Dakers is in touch with officials at Buck Hill Falls making arrangements for the U. S. Singles and Doubles to be played in September. The efficient operation of these games can be attributed to the fact that Dave has the knowhow and does not neglect the minutest detail.

We are pleased to report that the Boston Redevelopment Commission has included in the plans of a new housing project to be called the India Wharf Complex space for new bowling greens and that our Promotion Committee are in contact with the Boston Director.

It will be of interest to historians of our game to know that the Boston Club has documentary proof that a lawn bowling green was in operation in the then town of Boston in the year 1714. The Boston L.B.C. was organized in 1905 with Mr. Al Clark first president. Mr. Clark, to this day, is an active bowler.

We regret to report the death of Boston's Daniel Koch and George Buchanan, and Milton Club's J. Earl Tavs. Our sympathy is extended to their families.

The sudden death of Earl Tavs, past president of the Eastern Division, A.L.B.A., has saddened the hearts of all who were fortunate enough to know him. He was an active member of the Cunningham Park Club, which he served in many capacities including president. He was a gentleman on and off the green, a terrific competitor and an asset to the game. We bowlers will miss Earl's friendly disposition. He was exceptionally close to the members of the Boston, Quincy, and Milton clubs who wish to express to his family our deepest and most sincere sympathy.

On a personal note, ye scribe was the guest of the Cunningham Park Lawn Bowling Club at one of their Saturday night socials and was afforded a very pleasant and entertaining evening. These socials do not and should not overshadow the primary interest in the game of bowls, but they are an excellent means of contacting new members since many non-bowlers attend.

The members of Boston and Quincy Club are very grateful to Walter Morrisson, the efficient secretary of the Quincy Club who not only handles his job well but is always at the service of members making contacts for bowls measures and other equipment required by individual bowlers and takes a personal interest in new members.

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WILLIAMSBURG INN L.B.C.

By L. E. Kaufert

In the words of the Town Crier, "ALL IS WELL" in the city of Williamsburg, the colonial capitol of the Commonwealth of Virginia and home of traditional lawn bowling. Costumed Colonial Williamsburg craftsmen are bowling on the green today as they did long ago.

At the Williamsburg Inn we too are on the green but in a more modern setting. Bowling at the Inn is a major attraction to many of our guests and the numerous visitors to the restored area. I believe that at present our greatest contribution to lawn bowling, here at Williamsburg, is the missionary work being done to introduce people to the game, particularly young people.

Our greens are open daily, morning and afternoon. Andy Havola, our gracious host on the green, is always ready and able to set up a game for you. He regularly demonstrates the finer points of the game to all who are interested. The accompanying photo shows Andy with one of his young guests.

Come and visit with us.



SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT ASSN.

By Robert Baxter

The annual meeting of the association took place in the club rooms of the New Haven club on the afternoon of Sunday, April 13. All six member clubs were represented by two voting delegates, with some other interested bowlers attending.

Bob Hilditch, New Haven, out-going President, opened the meeting with a moment's silent prayer for three of our membership who had passed away during the winter — Simpson Crowe of Bridgeport; Jack Barr of Greenwich; and Bob Paton of Irvington. After a financial report by the out-going secretary, Tom Scully, New Haven, new officers for 1969 were voted in—Norman Howe, President and Dave Liddell, Secretary, both of Greenwich. Delegates from each club take turns in holding office and running the affairs of the association.

The principal item of business was

the drawing up of the tournament schedule for 1969. The following was agreed upon.

Date	Venue	Event
May 4	Bridgeport	Fraser Trophy
May 11	Waterbury	Galbraith Trophy
May 18	New Haven	Currie Trophy
May 25	Greenwich	Fulton Trophy
June 1	Waterbury	Bissett Trophy
June 8	Stamford	Bamber Trophy
June 15	New Haven	Cape Codder Trophy
June 21	Greenwich	Past President's Trophy
June 22	Bridgeport	Smith Memorial Trophy
June 29	Greenwich	Webster Trophy
July 6	Bridgeport	Conn. State Rinks Trophy
July 13	Waterbury	Hayes Trophy
July 19-20	Buck Hill	Eastern Div. Doubles Playoffs
July 20	New Haven	Muir Trophy
July 27	Greenwich	Irvington's Hunter Trophy
August 2-3	Niagara	Eastern Div. Singles Playoffs
August 4-8	Niagara	Eastern Div. Tournament
August 10	Bridgeport	Vander Kruik Trophy
August 17	Waterbury	Traurig Trebles
August 24	Greenwich	Gardiner Trebles
Sept. 6-7	Greenwich	Singles & Doubles Playoffs
Sept. 14	Greenwich	Aitchenson Trophy
Sept. 21	Bridgeport	Maikle Trophy
Sept. 28	New Haven	McGowan Trophy
October 19	Bridgeport	Closing Day
October 26	Bridgeport	Diehards

All rinks unless otherwise stated

The above schedule got off to a fine start when Bridgeport hosted a full green of 16 teams for the Frazer Trophy in its opening day tournament. After a fine afternoon of bowling, a Bridgeport team of J. Karwin, E. Christoff, D. Bundock & J. Fleming, Sr. (skip) made the win, with a New Haven team skipped by D. Brown taking runner-up spot.

The following Sunday, Waterbury's Galbraith Trophy was rained out for the second year in a row tough luck! Waterbury, let's hope old sol shines on you for the rest of the year. As if to make up for Waterbury's debacle, New Haven and Greenwich ran the Currie & Fulton Trophies in spectacular spring weather the following two Sundays.

At New Haven, winners were D. Meek, D. MacIntosh, R. Ditmar and A. Bell (Skip) of Waterbury. A Bridgeport team skipped by R. Harkness took second place.

At Greenwich, for the first time this season, the winner was from outside the association. The team of R. DeJong, J. McCrae, A. Ewing and S. Schofield (skip) of the Essex Club in Bloomfield, N.J., came, saw, and conquered. Ah! that Sam Schofield, he's a tough man on the bowling green. One of the host Greenwich teams, skipped by T. Robertson took second place.

GREENWICH L.B.C.

By Walter Lehr

Our Green opening on April 27th was really a day of days, not only from the standpoint of the weather which was ideal, sunshine and balmy, but the enthusiasm of our bowlers.

We had a full complement of 64 bowlers, both ladies and gentlemen, completely filling the Green with sixteen rink teams.

After playing twelve ends, refreshments were served at the Green by a catered lunch company to the players and some fifty odd of our guests after which another twelve ends were played.

This was the kind of day all bowlers look forward to and after play just hated to leave our wonderful Green surroundings in Bruce Park.

Civic officials were on hand to assist us in the opening ceremonies and we are

most fortunate in having officials who are really interested in their recreation facilities, not only during such gala days as our Green opening, but all during the year for which we are most appreciative.

At our postponed annual meeting, held a few days before our Green opening, the following officers and Greens Committee were elected for the ensuing year.

Ray MarchandPresident
Adrian AttwellVice President
David LiddellSecretary-Treasurer
52 Glen Ave., Port Chester, N.Y. 10573
James GardinerGreens Chairman
Adrian AttwellWalter Lehr
Norman HoweAlexander McKeown
Don Shreve

We are always happy to have our bowler friends visit us at Bruce Park and can always guarantee them a game, so do come.

BUCK HILL L.B.C.

By Irving C. Reese, Secretary

Opening of the Green took place at Buck Hill May 24 and the following schedule of events is reported for the current 1969 season:

July 4—Flag Raising and Blind Bogey
July 7—Club Tournament
July 19 and 20—Eastern Division
Doubles Playdown
July 26 and 27—Memorial Tournament
August 2—Club Tournament
Week of August 11—Dorothy Tily
Betts Memorial Women's Club
Singles Championships and Men's Club
Singles Championship Tournaments
August 16—Cottagers versus Inn
August 23—Blind Bogey
September 3 to 6—A.L.B.A. U.S. Singles and Doubles Championships
September 7 to 10—Men's Open
Doubles
September 10 to 13—Mixed Open
Doubles

FERNLEIGH CLUB

By W. K. Panzenhagen

Our greens on Lancaster Road in West Hartford officially opened on Saturday afternoon May 3, under most favorable conditions for that time of the year.

An interesting Lawnbowling Clinic was held on Saturday afternoon, May 17, and nine prospective new bowlers showed up and were ready for their initiation to the game, under the direction of Russell D. Leinbach, past president A.L.B.A., assisted by instruction teams staffed by members Adams, Barney, Panzenhagen and Preston.

Tournaments, both on Fernleigh Greens and other greens in the district will keep us busy and, as always, we are looking forward to an enjoyable and successful 1969 season.

The spirit of spring this year was saddened by the untimely death of our beloved President, Arthur J. Bushell, who died on April 20, 1969, leaving a deep void in the life of our club. We shall miss him.

ESSEX COUNTY L.B.C.

Bloomfield, N. J.

By James Morton

Our 1969 season opened with a bang on Memorial Day, Friday, May 30, at Watessing Park, with one of the biggest member turnouts in many years. The beautiful weather, hot and sunny

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but with a tempering breeze, may have had a lot to do with it.

President "Brownie" Mitchell opened the proceedings with a welcoming speech shortly after 10 a.m. Ethel Kennedy, president of the Ladies Auxiliary seconded his remarks and added some of her own. Jean Murdoch sang the "Star Spangled Banner" and she really hit the high notes. Dave Scott, after several helpful bumps, won the "spider." The first day of official play continued until late afternoon except for a break for lunch which was served on the clubhouse porch in very nice fashion by the ladies. Everyone had a good time, with a lot of gossiping about how we all came through the long winter.

Even before the season had started we had signed up six new members. However, Ellis Bentley passed away this winter and Herbert Spencer, aged 90, also handed in his ticket "up there."

Officers of the Ladies Auxiliary for the current year are: Ethel Kennedy, President; Marie Manners, Vice-President; and Annabelle Nelkin, Secretary-Treasurer. Two of our ladies who have moved to other parts of the country are Susan Turnbull, moved to Toronto, and Rhoda Pritchard, moved to California.

Judy and Dave Redo are expecting sometime in July — a future singles champion (year 2000) A.L.B.A. Hi fellows, watch it, this could be a female.

Sam Schofield, skip, lead Adam Ewing, John McCrae and Bob DeJong went to Greenwich Club Sunday, May 25, where they played two Bridgeport teams, two Greenwich teams, and a Waterbury team in the finals to ennex the Fulton Cup. This looks like a good season for the Essex Club.

Our thanks are due the members who renovated the clubhouse during the off season. Also, we understand the Park Commission plans to install an automatic pop-up sprinkler watering system on our big green this season. Thanks are certainly due the Commission representatives for their past and present services to the Club.

DUPONT (C.C.) L.B.C.

Wilmington, Del.

By Dave Meharg

The Dupont Lawn Bowling Club can report progress in several respects. We expect a 300% increase in membership by the end of the current 1969 season. After a Club match with Philadelphia June 22 we will start the Club Tournament with twenty players instead of the usual seven or eight. We look forward to drawing additional players to our Club through competitions with both Philadelphia and Trenton, continuing into next year. We hope to send three teams to Buck Hill for the open doubles there in September.

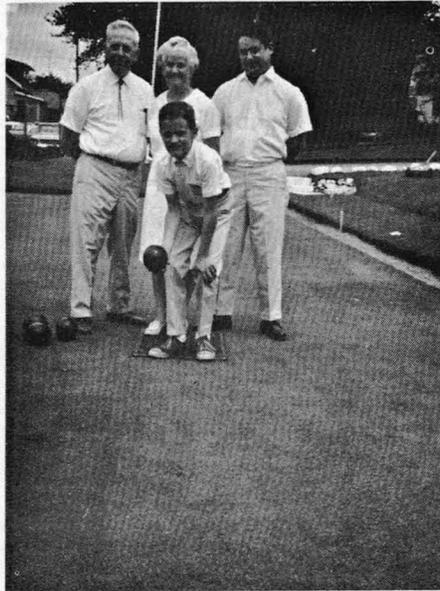
The Dupont rinks are in fair condition and have fine grass, and we have hopes of making them into a full green in the near future. The prospect of a full green and a very healthy enthusiasm by half a dozen new members is most encouraging.

We extend our greetings to A.L.B.A. members everywhere and a very cordial invitation to any bowlers visiting this area to join us. Call Roy Kinchiner, President, 1-302-652-6423 or Dave Meharg, Secretary, 1-215-268-2732.

SMITHFIELD AVENUE L.B.C. Pawtucket, R. I.

By Joseph McKechnie

On opening day, Saturday May 9, the weather man was on his best behaviour. At 2:50 P.M. prompt, President Fred Davis assisted by Mrs. Lilli Sayer, president of the Ladies Section, raised Old Glory to the accompaniment of singing of the National Anthem led by Mrs. Kenneth MacCaskill. His Honor Mayor Robert Burns took time out from his busy schedule to join us for the occasion and spoke for the people of the City. The A.L.B.A. was represented by our Jim Candelet as vice president of the national body. After a few words of briefing by George Sayer, Chairman of the Greens Committee, we got down to the real work of the day.



The accompanying picture of the Sayer family might be called Pawtucket's answer to the so-called generation gap. Comprising three generations of number one type citizens, the youngest, Robert Sayer, who is just twelve years old (he is one of our new members this year and, incidentally, he has the delivery of a potential future U. S. champion) is shown with his Dad, George and his Grandfather, Ray. The Lady in the center is the Grandmother of the combination and as mentioned above is president of our ladies group. Both George and Ray are top flight bowlers as skips and in match play. We now have in our membership active players ranging in age from 12 to 86 years young; which surely speaks well for this game.

Last year we had the pleasure of receiving into our membership the Rt. Reverend Charles Gilson, retired Episcopal Bishop of Tiwan. And now it would seem we have measured up as a Club, indeed, for this year we have had the Rt. Reverend John Several Higgins, the present Episcopal Bishop of Rhode Island to win his lot with us. Despite their high calling we have found that both of these gentlemen are real good sports—and then it isn't every day the ordinary man in the street gets the chance to knock spots off a Bishop even if it he only on the Bowling Green.

Of course, our season schedule is again a very busy one. Our Club will participate in the New England Trebles championship in the Boston area, the Eastern Division championship at Niagara Falls, and various other tournaments in our section. On our own green we have scheduled five club tournaments for mixed teams. We will be host to the U. S. singles sectional play down on Saturday, June 14 and we will also hold five Invitation Tournaments including one for the Ladies. Additionally a Twilight League with twelve teams will play on Tuesday evenings, there will be Club singles and doubles championship matches, an individual points tournament of seven weeks duration with two games played each week for retired members, with twenty three entries. The ladies division conducts its own Twilight League on Monday evenings. Wapinsnows serve to fill in open dates.

The playing surface of our green is slowly recovering from the beating it took during the winter. The many hours of devoted work put in by Robert Watt is now bearing fruit for which we owe him a great debt of gratitude. Also we cannot forget Harold Dickinson who continues in his Hobby of creating a garden of the surrounding property.

STAMFORD (CONN.) L.B.C.

By Peter A. DeBartolo

On May 25, 1969, the Stamford L.B.C. was happy to hold its first official opening in three years. The green was well attended by men and women bowlers. We thought it would be appropriate and arranged to have a flag raising along with the opening ceremonies. The group enjoyed refreshments provided by the lady bowlers.

As another milestone, on June 8 Stamford held its first tournament in about ten years. We played host to four clubs in the Southern Connecticut Lawn Bowling Association, Waterbury, New Haven, Bridgeport, and Greenwich, for the Bamber Cup Trophy and other prizes. This was such an important event to our community that we issued advertising and publicity flyers, and invited city officials and the public to attend. We filled our green and showed the public what a "green in action" looks like.

Stamford is now enjoying a newly sodded bowling green, thanks to a year and a half of hard work by the Municipal Park Department and our own Club members. By cooperation we did it, and we are very happy.

BUFFALO L.B.C.

By Robert Joslyn

We are pleased to report that all the previous year's officers have been re-elected for the 1969 season.

John Brown—President

Alan Brothers—Vice President

Earl Erckert—Secretary and Games Chairman

Robert Joslyn—Treasurer

Best wishes are extended to our friends everywhere. We are looking forward to another rewarding season following the start of Club activities with the traditional rinks games on Memorial Day. Our greens are in good shape.

Please stop in, anyone, if in town.

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**SUNRISE BOWLS CLUB OF
SALISBURY PARK**
By Matty Duncan

Our annual meeting was held on April 20th, with most of our members present, and it was a pleasure to have Malcolm Davis, our president, presiding over the meeting. The club had a very successful and harmonious year in 1968 with Malcolm as president, but now having moved to a new home approximately fifty miles from the green, he felt that he could not continue on as president in 1969 and do everything that would be expected of that office, so he declined the nomination for president in 1969. The following officers for 1969 were then elected: Dan Gorman, President; Larry Marinello, Vice President; George Bouton, Treasurer, and Jack Erwin, Secretary (Jack has been secretary of the club for more years than most of our members remember.) Dan Doyle, Fred Taylor and Eben Duncan were elected to the Executive Committee.

It was also a great pleasure for the members to elect Dr. F. W. Williamson to life membership in our club.

Fortunately for our club we had the use of the Parish Hall of St. Paul's Church in Roosevelt, L. I., for our meeting. We have met there for the past several years and our thanks go to Cynthia and Jack Bloore for their efforts in obtaining this hall for us.

There is a good deal of cheer among the Sunrise bowlers these days too because for the first time in years our bowling season opened on May 3rd, a few weeks earlier than in previous years, and we are most grateful to Herbert J. Simins, Commissioner of Nassau County Department of Public Works, and Robert R. Gamble, Deputy Commissioner, for making this early date possible. The green has taken on new dimensions and is beyond description, greener than usual, and beauty all around it with lovely trees, picnic area, etc., and in a very peaceful spot in the park.

Now we hope the County's next step will move towards a clubhouse as well as lights on the green for bowling "under the stars." It may seem farfetched now but we hope the officials for the Division of Recreation and Parks will figure out some way of getting them installed for us. It would be so appreciated by the lawn bowlers and I am sure by those who use the other facilities in the senior citizens' area of the park.

Most of our active members were in attendance on opening day and after a few words of welcome from our president, Dan Gorman, and pledge of allegiance to the flag, we proceeded to bowl for the rest of the afternoon.

President Gorman announced that instead of bowling only three days a week as in previous years, we would now bowl on Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, starting at 1:30 p.m., and on Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. Since we seem to be attracting some new bowlers this year we have set aside Thursday evenings for those who would like instructions in lawn bowling and also others who would like to clear up some of their problems. Fraser McLeod will be among the instructors.

We are looking forward to a very active club year. Among the events

scheduled at our green are our own inter-club tournaments and a ladies' day to be held on June 28th, when we hope to have a fine turnout of lady bowlers from our neighboring clubs, and also our Sunrise Doubles on July 19th. Most of the men bowlers in the division are familiar with that day.

During the month of August, and at the request of the County Parks Department, we will conduct tournaments for ladies' and men's singles and doubles—and also a mixed doubles contest. Trophies for these events will be presented by the Parks Department and will be open to men and women bowlers of Nassau County. The next issue will contain a report on these events.

Of course, the men bowlers are considering entering some of the open tournaments at other clubs and the ladies are planning to participate in the Eastern Division tournaments in New York City on September 6th and 7th.

Undoubtedly one of the major events of the season so far was when the Australian bowlers were in New York City recently. Mabel and Jack Erwin and Fred Taylor were elated at the thought of spending a day with these fine bowlers along with members of other clubs in our district. They spent the day bowling and entertaining the visitors and they are still talking about the marvelous day spent with them. We should like to thank these members for taking part in this important event.

Congratulations to the winners of our first tournament of the season on Memorial Day. We played four games of six ends each with each skip drawing a new lead and vice-skip for each game—and the players with the highest plus score for the four games were declared the winners. Emerson Denton was the best skip of the day; Dick Wood the best vice-skip, and Fraser McLeod for the second year in a row the best lead. We had a picnic lunch between games, a large group remained at the green for supper, and then we bowled until dusk. It was the unanimous opinion of all that the day was really a huge success and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

HOLY NAME L.B.C. By Paul Noffke

Holy Name Lawn Bowls Club spring meeting was held on March 31, 1969.

Thomas Quinn was elected President for 1969 season replacing Raymond Metzger who served admirably for 1968.

Paul A. Noffke, Jr. was elected Sec. Treas.

The President appointed the following to Committees: Games Committee: Charles Knightly, Chairman. Joseph Loizzo and Charles Lynes.

Greens Committee members are: Victor Butler, Chairman. Joseph Pio and F. Joseph Burns.

This year in cooperation with the Greater Hartford, Conn. District #2 committee in its desire to have a schedule we can live with, we reduced our sponsorship of tournaments from three to two by combining into one tournament the George Duffy and the Gene Pelland which will be known hereafter as the Duffy-Pelland Trophy. The second tournament will be the Singleton-Dube Trophy. Other Clubs in the District did likewise.

The Duffy-Pelland Trophy will be held on Sunday June 15 and the

Singleton-Dube on Sunday Sept. 14.

On April 28 six of our members sat down with twelve members of the Springfield Lawn Bowls Club to organize and prepare for the Eastern Div. tournament for 1970. It is a joint effort.

Wednesday nites is practice night for the Holy Name Club and two new faces showed up on opening night, namely Frank Vaill and Jerry Foley. We hope they will maintain interest and become active members. They are both fine fellows. Welcome aboard.

We will enter at least 2 teams in the McGregor Trophy to be run Saturday, May 24 at the Forest Park Greens, Springfield, sponsored by the Springfield Lawn Bowls Club.

The Forest Park Greens look in pretty good shape and we hope that the weather man will cooperate with us to make this season one of the best.

PROVIDENCE L.B.C.

By Bob Chorney
IN MEMORY OF
ALFRED BUTTERWORTH
1883-1969

The last of the charter members and founders of the Providence Lawn Bowling Club in 1933 and Past Secretary (1946-1964) died May 31, 1969 at the age of 85.

Mr. Butterworth was an active member both on the greens and administratively. Until recently when he was forced to stop bowling because of leg ailments, he could always be found lawn bowling in his favorite position, lead. Although he was forced to stop lawn bowling, he did not quit altogether, he still continued to serve the club in an advisory capacity and introduced new members to the game of lawn bowling. He had many friends on and off the bowling green and was very active in church affairs as well as the Boy Scouts. Those who knew and admired Mr. Butterworth will miss him dearly.

HYDE PARK L.B.C.

By Al Merrin

The Hyde Park Lawn Bowling Club is experiencing a very poor season weatherwise. Our greens are in very good condition, but we have been unable to use them very much, owing to cancellations due to wet weather.

Our Industrial thirty-two four man team league has been rained out three of the first four weeks. The Inter-Club, also, a thirty-two four man team league was fortunate in having only one rain-out to date.

The club opening day and the following two Sunday tournaments also were cancelled.

Our membership is hoping for a much better June and the balance of the season.

We are pleased to announce an increase of about twelve new members over last year.

CUNNINGHAM BOWLING GREEN CLUB

By Henry Tourville

The Cunningham Bowling Green Club opened its Forty-First Season, Saturday, May 10. Opening Day ceremonies were conducted by President Murphy. Cunningham Park Superintendent Charles Carlson welcomed the Lawn Bowlers and

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expressed the hope the season would be a successful one. The Green was filled to capacity on a beautiful day with Boston and Quincy Bowling Green Club members participating. Winners of the Treble event included: J. Martin; A. Kaufman; H. Kilpatrick; L. Birnie; M. Holderried; Sam Oldershaw and J. Daly.

On the following Saturday, May 17, the Cunningham Club held its inaugural Season Opening Ham and Bean supper with an evening of entertainment consisting of group singing and a whist party. President and Mrs. Murphy with a committee consisting of lassies Mrs. K. Johnson; Mrs. Y. Koelsch; Mrs. A. Bourdon; Mrs. M. Holderried; Mrs. E. Weeden; Mrs. H. Tourville made the party a huge success.

The season's first tournament on Memorial Day was favored with excellent weather and enjoyed by the area Clubs Boston and Quincy. With another large turnout for the event winners included Dave Dakers; E. Weeden; A. Holderried; Al Kline; J. Martin; S. Haight; W. MacKay; Sally Oldershaw; Tom Howitt; L. Rugo; J. West and A. Wood.

The Club program has been printed and distributed to all members and area Clubs and includes District events as well as New England Division and Eastern Division events which are too numerous to enumerate here. The schedule for intra-club events includes the Singles, Doubles, Trebles competition and in addition provision has been made for mixed doubles which has always proved a most popular event. The entries for these several events are filling up and it appears the competition will be excellent and keen this year. After trying last year the Thursday Evening Mixed couples league for Club members will operate again this year, commencing on Thursday, June 5. The entry list is larger and it is intended for the novice, beginner and those who have just started Lawn Bowling and it is hoped they will gain experience and help from the Clubs more advanced Lawn Bowlers. Club members are participating in events sponsored on the Quincy and Boston Bowling Green Clubs greens and a special feature is the Tri-Club Tuesday evening Lawn Bowling where it is rotated among the three Clubs.

The green survived the winter. The Greens Committee has various plans and projects to improve it which Park Supt. Charles Carlson has indicated will receive high priority.

Members vacationing this past winter in Florida, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Wester; Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Knox; Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Keeler and in Hawaii, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Benos report they enjoyed Lawn Bowling while visiting these locations. They may be advanced over some of our members who participated in ten pin and duck pin bowling indoors during the winter.

It is with deep humility that we report the passing of one of our most ardent and outstanding Lawn Bowlers. J. Earl Tays suffered a heart attack May 28th and has joined our other illustrious Lawn Bowlers who are Lawn Bowling on Greener Greens. Earl Tays was a Cunningham member for over 30 years and always participated in sectional, regional and national tournaments. He was a

fierce competitor whether he won or lost, always a humble winner and a gracious loser. He won and held many individual and team honors throughout his career. He was a Past President of the Cunningham Club for which he did so much during his association with the Club and he served the Eastern Division as President.

CARBORUNDUM L.B.C.

Niagara Falls, N. Y.

By Jerry O'Leary

After a relatively dry Spring, the rains came—and unfortunately coincided with the opening dates of May 12 and 13 for the Industrial and Fraternal L.B.C.'s respectively. The inclement weather extended well into the second week causing postponements which will require future evening double-headers.

The Frontier District League has held two Saturday Tournaments, May 24 and 31, at Merrington and Beamsville, Ontario, Canada in excellent weather and with full entry. Several members of the local Hyde Park and Carborundum clubs participated and were among the winners.

All of the local clubs have graciously arranged their season schedules to permit a two week period for the Eastern Division, A.L.B.A. Tournament which the Carbo Club will host the week of August 4. The City Fathers have promised to do extensive work during the week prior to the tournament, during which week the greens will be rested. Currently three new lighting fixtures are being elevated on one green and everyone is hoping the lighting system for all greens will be improved in time for the '69 Tournament.

The Carbo L.B.C. is continuing to review all aspects of the A.L.B.A. Tournament to assure that it will be enjoyed by every participant and their families. Entries are being received and our goal is a 64 rink entry. The prizes have been selected and a host of other arrangements have been contracted for. Many of the business establishments have donated gifts. The local Chamber of Commerce have led the way by extending their stenographic help and also their mailing services.

SPRINGFIELD (MASS.) L.B.C.

By Herbert F. Payne

The Annual Meeting of our Club was held May 4, at which officers elected for the 1969 season were Robert Shankland, President; F. S. MacDonald, Vice President; Roy T. Fenton, Secretary; and Herbert F. Payne, Treasurer.

Forest Park, in which our greens are located, is a beautiful park of over 750 acres. Our greens came through the winter in fair condition thanks to the Springfield Parks Department fine efforts in spite of limited staff and funds. Lawn bowling commenced on May 10.

A full season of games has been planned, as in former years, with the other four clubs in District 2. We will have four tournaments in Springfield, the McGregor Trophy on May 24, the William Keay Trophy on July 19, the Dr. Dillenschbach Trebles on September 27, and a Mixed Ladies-Gents Competition on October 11. Our Annual Club Championships, Singles and Doubles playdown will start in July.

We report with sadness the loss of a fine gentleman and fellow bowler, and

member of our Club since 1946, Alfred B. Nicoll, who passed away April 2, 1969.

SPALDING INN L.B.C.

Whitefield, N. H.

The Spalding Inn Club opened its 44th season on Thursday May 29. This historic scenic spot will again offer bowling at its best on northern New England's first lawn bowling green, site of the first United States National Singles Lawn Bowling Tournament. "Dad" Spalding will be arranging games, running tournaments, and handling equipment. Despite a winter of record snow, the bowling greens came through beautifully. Squire Oscar LaVigne, Master of the Bowling Green, will be on hand.

The 1969 tournament dates are July 15-19, annual July Singles Cup Tournament—men and ladies; August 12-16 annual August Singles Cup Tournament—men and ladies; September 2-4 Minutemen Team Qualifying Matches for Williamsburg Event—Men; September 5-7 annual Colonial Williamsburg-New England Tournament—men; September 5-7 Colonial Dames Tournament and Consolation Event—men and ladies; September 30-October 2 Gulf and Bay Club-Spalding Inn Beachcombers vs Mountaineers Tournament—men and ladies.

As in former years, the Williamsburg delegation, in their authentic colonial militia costumes, will participate in flag-raising, drills, and military maneuvers during their Whitefield visit, adding great interest and color to a pleasant and rewarding bowling season.

THISTLE L.B.C.

By Kenneth P. Bacon

Thistle L.B.C. season opened officially on May 17, 1969 with the running of the President's and Vice President's Tournament. After the traditional flag raising ceremonies the two game tournament got underway with ten teams entered. Considering the winter's lay off the competition was keen with four teams emerging winning both games, thereby sharing top honors.

Opening day ceremonies are normally held in the first or second week of May, but were delayed this year because the Park Department were working on the greens. The wait was well worth while, because the greens are in the best condition than they have been for years.

The first District #2 scheduled tournament was the McGregor Trophy, hosted by Springfield, Mass. L.B.C. Unfortunately, to the disappointment of all it was rained out. However, the weatherman made up to some degree by providing an ideal day for the running of the Hartford Courant Trophy on May 24, 1969. This is the season's first all day tournament hosted by Thistle Club. A total of eighteen teams were entered with four teams outside of District #2 being represented, one from Waterbury, Conn. and three from the Smithfield Ave. L.B.C. of Pawtucket, R. I. The four game tournament with two games in the morning and two in the afternoon proceeded smoothly with the rink from Waterbury skipped by Art Bell emerging as winner by virtue of winning all four games. Second and third place went to two Thistle rinks, one skipped by Dave Kidd and the other by Hugh Gallagher.

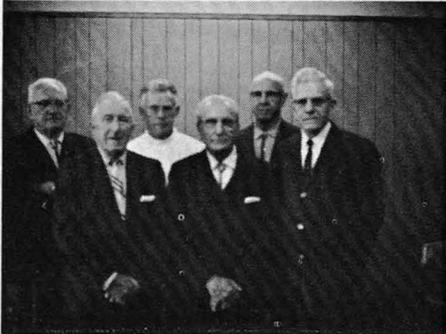
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Why should our Divisions have to GRUB FOR FUNDS, BEG FOR DONATIONS to put on a tournament properly? Proper TROPHIES and some funds for entertainment should not be a problem. These are some of the reasons for the \$5.00. Who would it hurt? Not the member who golfs occasionally for he spends more in two days golfing. Not the member who "Tips the Bottle" or buys drinks to entertain for they spend many times in a year this proposed raise.

In writing this I am reminded of a comment made by a prospect to our Membership Chairman. He had him sold on trying our game until asked what it cost. The reply, "If that's all it costs it cannot amount to much."

Every bowler I've talked with has agreed with me that this raise should be made. If you agree fill out the Ballot and mail it at once to the BOWLS Editor. With these ballots in hand the A. L. B. A. officers will know the consensus and be able to make the right vote when they have their annual meeting during the NATIONAL in September.



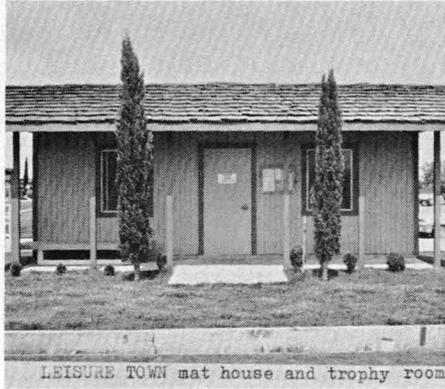
LEISURE TOWN LAWN BOWLERS

Jack Taggart, Phil Moehr, Walter Powell, Sam Timbrell, George Caldera, Chris Giese.

LEISURE TOWN L.B.C. VACAVILLE, CALIF BY Arthur G. Lind

Now that the summer season has started we have again scheduled our bowling at 9:30 every morning except Tuesday. Our club though comparatively small in membership is a giant in enthusiasm, entering teams in most of the PACIFIC INTER-MOUNTAIN DIVISION activities. At the local level we are in the midst of the men's Singles Championship play down. The women have completed their play with a new champion to be crowned; Connie Lind defeating the Champion of Champions Freda La Plante a two time winner. Our schedule calls for mixed doubles next, followed by Points Game and handicap Singles and Doubles.

As we depend on our own efforts for Green improvements our greens committee is busy with fertilizing, spot seeding and watering. Mowing and general watering is done by the Home Association. We have recently built additional shade pergolas at green side and completed the interior of our Mat House and Trophy room. This building was erected entirely by volunteer labor from our members.



LEISURE TOWN mat house and trophy room

ROSSMOOR L.B.C. By Mrs. Mazie L. Nelson

Rossmoor L.B.C. is now busily engaged in their club matches. For this year, only, the matches are confined to novices, in the four categories, singles, doubles, triples, and mixed triples.

In spite of the foregoing activities and our daily draw games, the members are looking forward to many events: (1) our Semi-Annual Meeting on June 26, (2) the invitational triples with Berkeley L.B.C. on the Rossmoor greens, on September 11, (3) a guest day for Rossmoor residents on September 27, and (4) hosting the invitational triples of the Pacific Inter-Mountain Division on October 11.

We had planned to have guest day for Rossmoor residents in June, but the Activities Council of Rossmoor has planned to give Rossmoor residents the opportunity to sample all the activities available at Rossmoor on September 27. We are therefore happy to cooperate on this later date. Naturally we are hoping to attract more residents to "Bowl for Fun and Health."

SUNNY GLEN L.B.C. By Raymond Kuntz

THE SUNNY GLEN LAWN BOWLS CLUB wishes, at this late date, to extend best wishes to Harry Wagner co-founder and progressive worker for the Club. Harry has re-located his place of residence.

The Club is enjoying some new life with a male membership of now 18 the largest in anyone year. Some new members are showing a real interest and that is what it takes. We all enjoy "bowling on the green", as a sport, but then again, there must be a desire to challenge and improve. Whatever position one elects to play; that position and its duties should be studied.

Our inter-club tournaments were underway in April. Our Invitational was a "happy day" with a good turn out. Later Sunny Glen hosted Leisure Town for a day of bowling. Also San Jose hosted Sunny Glen for a day of bowling. These meetings are good as many more members are able to associate.

This correspondent, wishes at this time, to say farewell to all the many bowling friends in the area. There have been many enjoyable days with so many ladies and gentlemen. We are making our home to the South.

SANTA CRUZ L.B.C. By Sandy Davis

We think there is something extra special about little San Lorenzo Park with its bowling green, the not too small clubhouse, and the growing family-of-bowls who play here in the very best days of their years; all of this in Santa Cruz, California, the resort City on Monterey Bay, just below the forests of redwood giants; what could possibly inspire a more satisfying setting for a game of bowls?

The warming sunshine, gentle cooling breeze of ocean air and one of the best bowling greens in California; it is here we welcome visitors with a passport to pleasure from all parts of the U. S. A. and the wide world—we invite you to join our friendly people in a game of bowls at 12:45 P.M. on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays throughout the year.

The lawn bowling fraternity of California needs no introduction to a dedicated player of championship caliber who has excelled in performance at the test of skill on the bowling green; Santa Cruz L.B.C. is proud to present our Bert Horne, "Champion of champions" of the Pacific Inter-Mountain Division of the A.L.B.A. in Sill Cup Singles 1968 and 1969.

To win the Singles two successive years is a singular performance for consistency most worthy of top lawn bowlers.

The amount for time Bert has devoted to the administrative side of bowls should not be overlooked; he has been three times President of Hermosa Beach L.B.C. and President of the former Southern California Lawn Bowling Association, as well as our present Club President of Santa Cruz.

Harmony on our bowling green is due to adjustments to reconcile differences between competitive and social lawn bowlers, men and ladies. The right mixture in the classified blind draw is the equalizer in team make-up.

The driving factors: individual initiatives, genuine enthusiasm and intense love of the game, with a sprinkling of luck, all contribute immensely to a most enjoyable game of bowls; win, lose or draw, the serious and the relaxers, play to enhance the Club's image as a special dimension in pleasure with bowls.

RICHMOND L.B.C. By Jack Barry

The members of the club were saddened by the sudden death of Junior Past President Archie Iveagh, who was a member for a long time and avid lawn bowler. We will miss him in the coming months.

The club contests—Chuck Cannistraci won the Men's Club Singles and will represent Richmond in the U. S. Singles next Year—Dorothy Plummer took the Women's Singles in stride. The Club Doubles are in the semi finals and the Club Triples will be played off in the finals. In the Baxter Club Twilight Doubles played each Tuesday Night—Gordon White and William Files are making a runaway of the contest with only one more game to play and no losses.

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The Fresno Club came to Richmond on May 31st to play the Annual Fresno Richmond Contest and while they were wine and dined they went back home empty handed as Richmond kept the old strangle hold on the Trophy and put it back in the showcase for another year.

Many visitors have dropped in on the greens including Ian and Barbara Wright from Darlington England, they only had a short visit as they were on tour and enjoyed visiting with a relation Chris Caygill.

Vandals broke into the club rooms on May 24th, the only thing they took this time was the telephone, including the coin box, they made a mess but only got a few dimes from the phone box.

The greens are in good condition and we have had many visitors from the surrounding clubs to enjoy the days with us.

SAN JOSE L.B.C.

By O. S. Hubbard

The most interesting news from this area is the splendid progress in the building of a new green and club house by the Department of Parks and Recreation of our neighboring city, Sunnyvale.

The green is an integral part of adult center planned for the exclusive use of Senior Citizens. The center is located on the home site of an early California pioneer, Martin Murphy. The Murphy home had to be torn down, because it was infested with termites, but in its place the city is building a large Spanish style club house with tile roof and all the necessary facilities for use by Senior Citizens. The setting for the green and club house is among the beautiful old oaks and eucalyptus trees which surrounded the old Murphy home.

Walks, fence, benches and parking area around or near the green have already been installed. All that remains is the planting of the grass which will be done in the spring. Mr. Richard Milkovich Director of the Sunnyvale Parks and Recreation Department reports that the green will be ready for use in 1970.

Congratulations to Sunnyvale on this forward-looking project. The San Jose L.B.C. welcomes this new member to the ever increasing number of clubs in this area. We expect to work closely with Sunnyvale and to give all the help we can to getting the new club off to a good start.

The San Jose Club is entering a team in the National Doubles competition in Oakland.

On July 19, we start inter-club competition for the Murray and Golden Gate Inter-Cities Trophies.

President Ham Wagron was recently instrumental in persuading several park officials to visit the Golden Gate bowling green, for the purpose of studying problems connected with the care and Maintenance of Lawn Bowl Greens.

Our club participated in a Mixed Triples Invitational meet held on Memorial Day at the San Francisco Lawn Bowls Club in Golden Gate Park.

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The semi-annual meeting was held in the clubhouse May 9. Approximately 50 of the 100 members attended. A friendly discussion was held concerning club rules, bowling etiquette, tournament procedures, and future plans for the club's outside activities.

During a recent Northwestern vacation Godfrey Lumsdon, club secretary enjoyed the hospitality of the Portland, Oregon Club and a reunion with the Asel Tabers and Harold Fletchers.

We have appreciated the moral support and continued interest of our honorary members, especially Laura Kistinger and Colin Brown.

RIVERSIDE L.B.C.

When the rains came last winter the Riverside bowling greens were turned into lakes, and the members thought for a while that they would have to switch to water skiing. However, things finally dried out and the bowlers are back enjoying their favorite sport.

Floyd Jorgenson captured the club singles trophy, an honor he has achieved many times over the years. The doubles team of Otto Swancar and Ernie Richardson defeated Walter Lochen and Bob Russell to win the club doubles.

Riverside is very proud of their team of Adam J. Beno, Otto Swancar, Ernie Richardson and Delbert Stephenson who won the Walt Disney tournament at Smoke Tree Ranch. Congratulations to four fine bowlers!



Riverside L.B.C.

RECREATION PARK L.B.C.

Long Beach, Calif.

By W. C. Ferguson

Rehabilitation of our two greens has been progressing most satisfactorily despite the inclement weather. Pres. Dean and Ex-Pres. Mulhollen have received the finest cooperation of the membership in the necessary labor involved. Our third green project is anxiously awaited for the necessary municipal funding after July 1.

We have had numerous cases of illness this year however most have returned to active participation in our games. We miss Leroy Orman and Clint Wolfard but hope for their early

return to activity. The club was saddened during May in the passing of our long time member, Jay Reed. Jay was active in his field of banking and was well known throughout the area.

We are somewhat disappointed over the drop in new memberships, however our area continues to grow and many prospective members are available when properly encouraged.

Our tournament participation has been gratifying despite the inclement weather this spring. Recreation Park standing in the Coast League is not pleasing to us but Chairman Ben Lerner has not given up as yet.

The club's singles tournament is well under way with Charley Degele heading the committee and ably assisted by Burl McColm and Herb Vail.

BEVERLY HILLS L.B.C.

By Jack Hunsaker

Like most Lawn Bowling Clubs we found that Father Time keeps reducing our ranks. For several months our losses increased so sharply that a new approach to secure new members became imperative.

Under the direction of our President Bill Shilliam and Committee Chairman Bert Edwards a special dinner for prospective members was held. A dinner charge was made for members but the Clubs picked up the check for a members guest or guests. The only stipulation was that the guest be qualified as a prospective bowler. After dinner a very interesting and informative Lawn Bowling Training film, made in Australia, was shown. Door and Table prize drawings completed the program.

The affair was very successful as 10 new members signed applications that night and 6 more were received within a few days. 72 members attended, bringing 48 guests so we feel we have a background of good prospects. Obtaining new members is a year round program that requires bringing prospects to the Green so they can see and hear what goes on. As a "crash" program however the dinner was very effective.

BEVERLY HILLS L.B.C.

By Jack Hunsaker

Bridwell Singles. On March 29th, under (for a change) a cloudless sky, the finals of the long delayed Bridwell Australian Singles were played. Eme Newman was first with 84 points. That is an average of one point for every bowl the Roxbury Silver Fox rolled down the Green that day. Ralph Gowdy was second with 55 points. Bob Honner third with 50 points and Merrill Granger fourth with 21.

Beasley Doubles. This popular Tournament wound up the last week in April. Before a packed gallery, including some Little Leaguers, Ezra Wyeth and Ted Alton defeated Frank Pease and Augie Waterhouse in the First Flight. Don Welton and Dud Campbell lost to Eme Newman and Don Milton in the Consolation Flight. This was Don Milton's first Tournament try since his recent illness.

Earl Rice Triples. The finals of this Tournament, on May 31st, had been

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postpone one week because, we understand, the Tournament Director did not want to detract from the Appollo 10 Flight. That was good thinking as the game turned out to be one of the most exciting seen in a long time. Listen to this. At the 18th end 20 to 20 At the 19th end 22 to 20. At the 20th end 22 to 22. At the "sudden death" play-off, the Wyeth, Alton, Campbell team defeated the Thompson, Pruessing, Rice team by a single point and that was on the last bowl. An overflow gallery stayed to the suspense-loaded end, causing eleven cars on Olympic Blvd. to be ticketed.

SUN CITY L.B.C.—Arizona

By Harry O. Planz

PIONEER BOWLERS: It is quite appropriate that we recognize pioneer bowlers like Paul Burns and Chris. Eardley as the originators of lawn bowling in Sun City Arizona. Although Bowling Greens were on the agenda when Sun City was created nevertheless the above bowlers took vital part in supplying bowls and getting the game under way. We salute these two ardent bowlers, Who are still with us.

In eight years the bowling in Sun City has increased to over 350 members.

On May 21st, some 75 bowlers assembled to celebrate a PAUL BURNS DAY. Refreshments were served and at mid-day Paul was presented with a Remembrance Book containing letters and pictures for his memoirs A letter by bowler Reginald Sturdy was read by Marion Stone that expressed the sentiment of all of us. The original roster as of October 1960 included bowlers and students, Paul Burns, Chris Eardley Jack Morris, Clarence Toldrain, William Drogkamp, Louise Dinnison, Mildred Toldrain, and George Bayne. (Sun City's first Citizen).

On March 26th. S.C.L. Bowls Club hosted a fiesta for all bowlers of Sun City. About 155 were present, refreshments were served and all had a good time. The "Spiders" were won by Mariam Botts and Bill Pritchard. Wall Show Case: An idea for all clubs Bowlers visiting other clubs have a hobby of exchanging Club Badges. When they get home most pin the badges on their caps, the caps get overloaded and badges are scattered around. To remedy this we created a WALL CASE with glass hinged front, velvet backing. Badges are pinned on the velvet for display. In one month we accumulated fifty badges with more to come. Novel idea? We must not sell the Women Bowlers short for ETTA PHELPS as Vice Skip on Triples bowled nine points in one end. Also in a tournament play she moved the "jack" 11 times in 16 ends. And won the game.

We had visitors from Beverly Hills, Seal Beach, San Diego, Long Beach, and Los Angeles Calif. Also from Lafayette Ind New Westminster B. C. and Seattle Wash.

One sad note to report is that Art Paff passed away Apr. 26th, he was a fine bowler. Glad his wife Evelyn is still bowling with us.

We started bowling under the lights May 23rd, all new lights and a beautiful

green. 8:30 A.M. and 7:30 P.M., Mon., Wed., Fri., & Sat., A.M. The Spring Tournaments are over. The "Buck" Meyer Memorial Trophy for Singles was won (1968-1969) by S. C. Van Laere. Mixed Doubles was won by John Deist. Womens Doubles won by Mrs John Deist. Men Doubles was won by Mel Phelps. Mens Triples won by S. C. Van Laere. The above were Inter-Club games. In the local Tournament—Mens Singles—Winner John Gadosh, Mens Doubles, Mel Phelps, Men's Triples, Prime Bartley, George Alcorn, Mel Phelps Skip, Womens Doubles, Dot Bartley Alberta Fulcher. Mixed Doubles, Floyd Lyne, Mae Carpenter.

TOWN HALL L.B.C. SUN CITY, ARIZONA

By Lillian Nelson

'Tis the good old summertime again, and by car, plane, bus and train, a great many SUM CITIANS are taking off for the mountains and seashore, or just going "back home" for a visit. For some, it is the reverse, as we see our pools between the hours of 12:00 and 2:00, full of small fry with the proud grandparents standing by—both young and old enjoying life in SUN CITY. Our summer bowling hours went into effect in May—8:30 A.M. and 7:30 P.M. Tho' many have left town, the greens are filled to capacity, particularly for the night games; with almost as many spectators as bowlers, enjoying the cool evenings. It seems no matter what the season, the crowds continue to come—as witness another typical sight, when 2 busloads stop off at our Monday morning gym class, holding their brochures, and going thru' the same routine WE did—asking SHALL I?—SHAN'T I? (And MOST OF THEM "SHALL!")

Our tireless C.D. AND GRACE GLENN continue with their instruction classes, now at 7:30 A.M., three times a week. Our ladies luncheons continue, when both clubs meet, with an average attendance of 45 or more. Bowling is still a very important part of our lives and we are eagerly looking forward to the first green in our new lakeside area with the artificial grass, which will be ready for play this fall.

So you can see, we laugh at the heat, turn on the air conditioner and continue to enjoy life—playing hard, early and late. Dont forget to stop off and see us —YOU ARE WELCOME!

LAGUNA BEACH L.B.C.

By Dr. Harvey C. Maxwell

THE COAST LEAGUE:

Tension in the COAST LEAGUE reached a new high last week as the leading LAGUNA HILLS bowlers from Leisure World saw their comfortable lead vanish as HERMOSA BEACH came through with another four spectacular wins and closed the gap to tie for the top spot. NEWPORT HARBOR moved up to tie with SANTA ANA for the third position, while the last year champions from LAGUNA BEACH with three wins made a noble but futile bid to get out of the cellar.

Competition between the seven Clubs of this South Coast area in this all-sea-

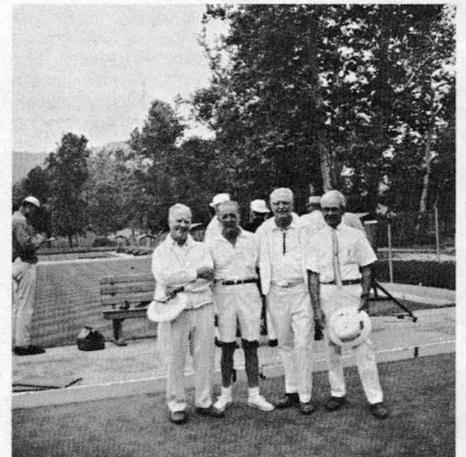
son event is always spirited. As they enter the home stretch the standings are as follows:

TEAM	Won	Lost
Laguna Hills	23	9
Hermosa Beach	23	9
Santa Ana	15	17
Newport Harbor	15	17
Long Beach	14	18
Recreation Park	11	21
Laguna Beach	11	21

The Laguna Beach team of Dr. Harvey Maxwell and Lou Houdon reached the finals in the annual Buck Hill Falls doubles playdown held at the ARROYO SECO Greens in Los Angeles June 7th, 8th, and 14th., only to be eliminated by the precision play of the veteran team of Joe Mahoney and Carl Waterbury of Beverly Hills in the final game. Winners will represent the Southwest Division in the National championship games at Buck Hill Falls, Penna. in September.

FINALISTS IN S.W. Division "Buck Hill Falls" Playdown

Finalists in the seasonal playdown for the team to represent the SOUTHWEST DIVISION in the National Championship Doubles Matches at BUCK HILL FALLS in September pose on the greens at Arroyo Seco in Los Angeles. From the left, the winners, Carl Waterbury and Joe Mahoney of Beverly Hills, Dr. Harvey C. Maxwell and Lou Houdon of Laguna Beach, runners-up.



FRED HOWARTH TROPHY

The annual play for this Orange County event always brings out the top teams of the Southwest. This June event, sponsored by the GLENHAVEN CLUB of Orange, Calif. was held this year on the Santa Ana greens in order to accommodate the large number of entries. When the smoke of battle had cleared away the trophy went to the Laguna Hills team of Kirk, Ross and Gilroy with three wins and 28 points, closely followed by the Arroyo Seco team headed by Dick Folkins with three wins and 26 points.

"George," she said to her husband as he arrived home from business that evening, "that diamond ring of mine has somehow worked loose off my finger and I can't find it anywhere."

"It's all right, my dear," he replied. "I came across it in my trousers pocket."

MAINTENANCE OF GREENS — CUTTING EQUIPMENT

By Harry Soderstrom

Once a green is reasonably level and has good root development, there is nothing as important as proper cutting of the turf. Proper cutting can only be done with a good quality, well adjusted mower. First: the blades must be sharp. The reel should be put on the lapping machine at the first indication of drag while in operation. Lapping, or sharpening should be done by a qualified operator. The reel need be left on the machine only long enough to get a sharp edge, usually about 15 minutes. If left on much longer the blades wear down unnecessarily. The result is a poorly adjusted mower which will not give a close cut.

Correct adjustment is of paramount importance. The blades should be adjusted to 1/8 of an inch, and no more than 3/16 of an inch, from the bed knife. Present day turf will take a close cut without damage. There is an expression where there are really fast greens that "we bowl on the roots". With good green maintenance this is a practical possibility.

The care of the mower is often slighted. The greens mower is a precision instrument and should be treated as such. It must be thoroughly cleaned after each mowing and oiled frequently. There is a manual issued with each mower and all that is necessary is to keep the manual and follow the points outlined. There have been instances of mowers becoming so badly rusted they had to be junked. Also, mowers should never be jolted or roughly handled since it doesn't take much to throw them out of adjustment.

Greens should be mowed frequently. More mowing and less heavy rolling is a good maxim. It would be excellent if a green could be cut every day. While this is probably more than we can get at most places, certainly three times a week should be possible. If the turf is not cut closely at frequent intervals, the greens mower, a precise operating machine, will not do its' job properly. An Australian greens director once said he advocates daily cutting with very little rolling. During the fast growing season he suggested cutting twice a day if a tournament is being played. An excellent idea is to cut the turf one way and follow up immediately by cutting in the opposite direction. As much as 1/3 of the cuttings will often be obtained with the second cutting. Do this religiously about once every two weeks with a heavy turf and it will be a revelation how the pace will be improved.

Along with the regular mowing, is its counterpart, vertical mowing, or verticutting as it is known. For a green to be healthy it must have good roots and must be fertilized at regular intervals. Fertilizing produces heavy growth and thatch which makes a slow green. The best and fastest greens are thinned out periodically with the vertical mower. Without it most greens will result in slow bowling. In addition, vertical mowing will improve growth by permitting better root aeration. An excellent combination is vertical mow-

ing several times a year and harrowing about every two weeks during the growing season.

Lawn bowling is an exacting game, a precision game, as much so as billiards. Unless we have the surface to play on we can't have a good game. Frequently you hear that Park Departments want lush, green turf so it "looks good". That is hard to believe. I have talked to many Park Superintendents and they usually say, "we have plenty of green grass in the Park and if you want the bowling greens an off color that's okay". Mostly we don't approach our Park officials in the best way. If we did we would get better results. Also a little suitable recognition, where it counts, for a good job done by the greens keepers will work wonders.

If we are ever to make Lawn bowling a big participant game, we must improve our greens. With consistently good greens, increased membership will be easier to get. Once a Park has gone to the expense of installing a green, most superintendents' will agree it is their responsibility to see that it is maintained in first class condition, the same as other Park facilities. Again, good rapport with our Park people will go a long way in helping our cause.

You often hear the argument that a good bowler can bowl well on any kind of green. If that is the case why do the Australians insist on a certain pace before they will certify a green for a tournament. A slow, irregular green takes the pleasure out of bowling and penalizes the player who is unaccustomed to it. Further, a heavy green makes it a different game since a bowl will not respond as it should. We must set up well recognized standards of pace in order to produce good lawn bowlers. Otherwise we don't have a game of bowls, we have a game of heaves.

In conclusion, Clubs should see that articles appearing in the A.L.B.A. magazine, and pertaining to greens, are brought to the attention of Park Superintendents. Send him, or better still, have the Club President bring him a copy when you are finished with it.

The Promotion people of the A.L.B.A., have been asked to look into the possibility of placing certain Recreation Departments on the regular mailing list. This will help since several of them have said they have their staff people read these articles carefully.

This article has been reviewed with the Farm Advisor, the University of California, Agriculture Service.

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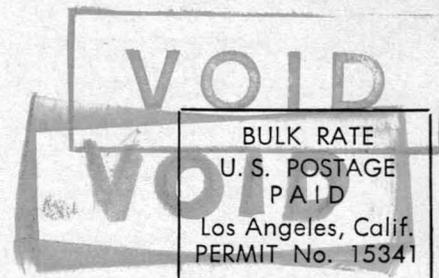
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