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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By R. Gil Stephan, Jr.

As I was about to start to write this article the phone rang and the mailman made his delivery. The phone call brought sad news that Joseph "Roy" Webb, Southeast Division Councilor, had passed away. Our sympathy goes out to his wife, Vivian. Roy was very active in bowls and we had some great games while he was a member of the East Cleveland Club. He truly will be missed.

I opened the first piece of mail only to find out that Steve Chaytor and wife are returning to British soil for good in May, 1997. We wish you both the best of health and happiness. All will miss the roll ups and MGDs we had with Steve.

Second piece of mail was my invoice for 1997 Packer season tickets. I have had season tickets for the Green Bay Packers since 1958. Yes, I renewed them.

I looked at the above and see THREE TRUE CHAMPIONS: Roy Webb—National Open Triples Champion 1980 & 1990, U.S. Singles Champion 1986; Steve Chaytor—National Open Singles Champion 1992; Packers—winners of Super Bowl I, II, XXXI.

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**ON THE COVER:** Many of North America's top bowlers from faraway places found themselves on the same green in late April at the 1997 Southwest Division Open Tournament in Riverside, California. Standing: (l-r) from England via Canada and Phoenix—Peter Fish; also from England via Los Angeles—Michael Ashton-Phillips; from Northern California's San Jose—Steve Jones; from England via Canada—Steve Wojcik. Kneeling: (l-r) from South Africa via Houston and Orange County, CA.—Merton Isaacman; and from Hong Kong via Vancouver, B.C.—Danny Ho. SW Open results will appear in the Summer issue of BOWLS.

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## Letters to the Editor

### WINNING . . . At What Price?

Is winning the only important goal in Lawn Bowling?

If the better bowlers across the country aren't willing to expand their compact circles and encourage new bowlers by asking them to bowl with them, soon there will be few tournaments left with anyone to compete.

At a recent smallish SW invitational triples event, with 16 team entries, there were just three novices in the competition. The other 13 teams, as usual, were "loaded". This tournament carried no points for the National Team. Like most non-Division sponsored tournaments, it was ostensibly for fun.

This is the perfect setting for good bowlers to encourage novices to join them. The price for not doing it may be lawn bowling's demise. Think about it. Is it necessary to win every time out?

Dick Cole  
Long Beach, CA

### FAMILY TREE

Thank goodness for "What's ALBA/AWLBA?" (*Winter '97 issue*)

I'll betcha every club makes copies of your National Association family tree and gives each new member a copy in red ink with yellow background, then puts another copy on the bulletin board. Great chart.

Anne "X" Tejada  
Newport Beach, CA



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### HOLD THE MAYO

As the 1997 Edition, "Laws of the Game" hits the membership and in reading the fine article by Pat Mayo, "Laws of the Game" (*Winter '97 issue*), perhaps the technique instituted at our February 1997 meeting of the Pinehurst Lawn Bowls Club has merit.

Printed sheets describing a unique bowling situation were made available to all attendees to take home after the meeting. Members were asked to determine the correct answer and told to use their 1992 edition of "Laws of the Game" (the '97s hadn't yet arrived).

I had several reasons for trying this idea—one of them was to minimize the time taken on the discussion of rules at our club meetings.

Not everyone has turned back their answer to the proposed question, but one thing has been immediately recognized: Hassle time regarding rules at monthly meetings is now kept to a minimum. The really interested members actually took the question home and looked up the answer. I think they also discovered that answers to most questions that come up on the green are right there in the little book.

Arthur E. Tempel  
Pinehurst, NC

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*Once Upon A Time...*

# The National Open Tournament Story

By Harold Esch, *ALBA Historian*

The ALBA's first National Open Tournament was held in 1918, at Boston's Franklin Field. Eighteen rinks teams of four men each comprised the entry list that inaugural year.

Interest in the game spread, and in 1920 the introduction of the Pairs competition took place in Hartford, Conn. It wasn't until 1928 that the game of Singles was added to the schedule, also in Hartford.

The Fours event continued annually through the 1946 season. The first of the popular Triples competition was introduced at the Seattle Open in 1947. In the years that followed, the host Division was given the privilege of determining the type of events to schedule. Beginning in 1973 (in Seattle) Triples became the standard format.

While bowlers worldwide were always welcome competitors, it was not until 1947 that a Canadian triples team won this team event. In 1951, George Robbins, of London, Ontario, was the first Canadian to win the Singles (played at Hartford). The first Canadians to win the Pairs were Frank Wilson and Jeff Smith (London, Ont.) in 1955. They were winter residents of St. Petersburg, FL. Orlando was the host club that year.

Covering the period 1918 through 1996, a total of 268 different bowlers have captured the "GOLD" in National Open play. Further breakdown shows that 210 players represented U.S. clubs, 51 from our neighbor Canada, and 7 overseas representatives.

A unique "club" of just twelve players (of the 268) have been able to win *all three* of the National Open competitions—each of them, truly, "triple crown" winners.

It must be noted that in the early years of the Fours competition (1918-1940, inclusive), we have only the names of the *winning skip* from each team. It is quite possible that additional triple crown winners could turn up if and when we are able to research those missing records.

*America's "Triple Crown Club"***Folkins, Dick**

Dick is the only player to win *three* titles in the *same* year—(Singles, Pairs and Triples). He accomplished the feat *three* times—in 1950, 1954 and 1957.

In 1962, he won two titles in the Seattle tournament (Triples & Fours), held in conjunction with the "Century 21 Exposition". It was the only year that both "team" events were held.

Dick won "Bowler of the Decade" twice, covering the 1950's and 1970's. He was "Bowler of the Tournament Award" winner in 1943, 1950, 1957 and 1962.

Of his 15 Open titles, seven were won in So Cal and seven in Seattle. He picked up his 15th win in Milwaukee in 1980.

**Folkins, Hugh**

Like his brother Dick, Hugh's seven titles were accomplished at either Los Angeles or Seattle venues. Pairs and Triples wins in both 1950 and 1954 (L.A.), and Singles and Pairs in 1952 at Seattle, which won him the "Bowler of the Tournament Award".



National Open "Triple Crown" bowlers Clive Forrester, center, and Dick Folkins, right, with teammate Bill Miller, after the American trio captured the 1972 World Bowls Triples Championship in Worthing, England. Miller, himself, owns the 1971 National Triples and 1982 Pairs titles.

Hugh's final victory came in 1973 in the Triples, playing lead for his brother and delivering his bowl with a specially designed cup attached to the toe of his shoe. This was necessitated following his long battle with polio, which had affected his arms. With this foot delivery, his accuracy was astounding.

**Tulloch, Stewart**

The first man to accomplish the "triple crown" trick. This involved a Singles win in 1932 in Buffalo, N.Y, a 1934 Pairs victory with teammate Bob Dunlap in Boston, and being a member of the winning Fours squad in Chicago in 1946. This latter event was the start of a new era for bowls in the U.S. The jovial Scot added two more Triples titles in 1953 and 1958.

**Souza, Francisco**

Frank is #2 on the list of Open victories, behind Dick Folkins, with *nine* titles to his credit. His impressive accomplishments include: four Triples, three Pairs and two Singles victories. On two different occasions he posted dual wins: 1975—in Pairs and Triples, and 1979—in Pairs and Singles. Frank earned "Bowler of the Tournament Awards" in 1975 (tied with Harold Esch), 1978 (tied Skip Arculli and Bill Farrell), and 1979. He won the "Bill Hay Bowler of the Year Award" in 1975 and 1987.

**Esch, Harold**

He is a winner of eight titles in 30 years, beginning in 1958 with a Singles championship in Milwaukee, to a 1987 Pairs victory in Berkeley. Harold won back-to-back Triples crowns 1974-1975, and won Pairs events in 1963, 1969 and 1975. In 1976, he won the National Open Singles Championship (Clearwater). Harold was "Bowler of the Tournament" three times: 1975 (tied with Frank Souza), 1976 and 1980. He was "Bowler of the Decade" for the 1960s. Since his first National Open Tournament in 1953, through 1993, Harold missed competing in only seven of the national events.

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We've been getting a couple of letters a week asking for help with membership drives or ordering one of the tapes or syllabi that we have for sale. Now that Spring is here, most of us are getting into the recruiting mode and I'll copy one of the letters I sent out with an order for a video.

"Dear Bowler:

"I've enclosed the tape you ordered and some other membership materials that may give you a few ideas. Building membership is the most important job that we do, and you are to be congratulated for accepting the job of Membership Chairman of your club.

"Let me fill you in for a few minutes. The largest drop in membership takes place in the second year. Why can't we turn this around? Most clubs teach lawn bowling at times when only seniors can take advantage of the lessons. Why not target other groups and make the green available when they are able to participate? Most clubs profess to be friendly, but new bowlers don't always feel welcome. Many instructors fail to use all available help. The ALBA syllabus insists that lawn bowling be taught to groups with many people acting as coaches. Why can't your club be operated like a business? Put your product, Lawn Bowling, on the market and sell it.

## The Membership Trail

By Frank Ransome  
ALBA Membership Co-Chairman

"I'm working with several clubs that have begun campaigns to find new members. We've agreed to advertise and put placards in strategic places.

Some of the clubs are furnishing speakers to other organizations whenever possible. One club is working with physically disadvantaged and another has sponsored a group of Boy Scouts with parents. My own club writes weekly news releases that stress recruiting for the local paper. We canvassed Realtors and held an open house for real estate salesmen to introduce them to the sport.

"The Open House is the most acceptable way to introduce new people. You don't just advertise an open house. You culminate your recruiting campaign with an open house, at which time your guests see, feel and participate in lawn bowling. All this is sandwiched around good food, soft drinks and plenty of friendly conversation. You should concentrate on building 1 or 2 classes of new bowlers at a time that is convenient for them. You could do Housewives in the A.M., Seniors in the afternoon, Children after school, Working People after 5 p.m., and everybody on the weekends.

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# 1996 National Recruiting Award

By Michael Ashton-Phillips

Since 1991, this award has been successfully used by some 20 clubs and their members to provide new members with a beautiful membership kit to welcome them into our respective ALBA and AWLBA organizations, and prizes to clubs and existing members for their recruiting efforts. These have been the results:

	ALBA	AWLBA
1991	184	90
1992	83	108
1993	141	81
1994	129	125
1995	101	117
1996	<u>53</u>	<u>131</u>
	691	652

TOTAL NEW MEMBERS: 1343

Many of you might find it strange that you have not heard of this award, judging by your comments. Strange, but true, these kits have been shown at Council meetings, applications mailed to clubs and results have been published in this magazine. The realization of the following facts have caused us to rethink our award system and, temporarily, we are putting the N.R.A. on hold for the current year and returning to the drawing board to plan anew:

- 1) These kits have a net cost that is more than the current membership fee.
- 2) AWLBA new membership has been funded by ALBA support.
- 3) The ALBA Council has requested that ALBA marketing become self-funding.

As a result, we are returning to the drawing board.

## 1997 WINNERS CLUB AWARDS

Lakeland LBC	70
Mount Dora LBC	43
Sun-N-Fun LBC	25
Sun City, CA LBC	23
Suncoasters LBC	14
Hemet-Joslyn LBC	9

## CRYSTAL VASE WINNER: LAKELAND LBC

We thank those of you who have supported our award system over the past few years. It has been hard work, but truly worth every minute spent. *What say you Councils!*

# 1996 SUPER SHOTS CLUB RESULTS

By Michael Ashton-Phillips

Many, many congratulations to all you supporters of ALBA's Super Shots Club. From year to year we endeavor to provide recognition for all your wonderful lawn bowling achievements, both at club and tournament player levels. Once again, our computer has been straining to produce the 1996 club winners. Finally, a little "mouse" has pointed us to these lucky members.

## SUPER SHOTS CLUB

1st PLACE	# OF ENTRIES	2nd PLACE	# OF ENTRIES
Bill MacDonald	6	Dave Barrett	4
Its Nishikawa	6	Raul Perez	4
Nancy Nishikawa	6	(\$40 Henselite Voucher, each)	
Ray Turman	6		
(\$60 Henselite Voucher, each)			

## SUPER SHOTS CLUB LUCKY DRAW

1. Chuck Baker  
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2. Joe Cassidy  
(\$40 Henselite Voucher)
3. Donald Miller  
(\$20 Henselite Voucher)

## TOURNAMENT PLAYERS

1st PLACE	# OF ENTRIES	2nd PLACE	# OF ENTRIES
Dick Cole	9	Bob Nunes	4
(\$50 Henselite Voucher)		Bob Forget	4
		(\$30 Henselite Voucher, each)	
3rd PLACE			
Pat Gonzalez	3	Clair Ott	3
Mike Michalek	3	X. Tejada	3
(\$20 Henselite Voucher, each)			

## TOURNAMENT PLAYERS LUCKY DRAW

1. Mary Jane Henrich  
(\$50 Henselite Voucher)
2. Anne Vilkin  
(\$30 Henselite Voucher)
3. Patricia Cronshaw  
(\$15 Henselite Voucher)

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# 1997 NATIONAL OPEN



## LAWN BOWLING TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18th to FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24th

### SOCIAL SCHEDULE

*Friday, October 17th at 2:30 p.m.* OPENING CEREMONIES. Leisure World Lawn Bowling Club, Laguna Hills. Open to all.

*Friday, October 17th at 6:30 p.m.* HOLIDAY INN WELCOME PARTY. Holiday Inn, Irvine.

No host cocktails. Southwestern hors d'oeuvres and lots of salsa. Courtesy of our hosts the Holiday Inn. Open to all Holiday Inn guests.

*Tuesday, October 21st at 7:00 p.m.* BANQUET and DINNER DANCE. Holiday Inn, Irvine.

Dance to the Big Band *The Fabulous Esquires*. Awards, speeches, Sponsor Drawing. Open to ticket holders only.

*Thursday, October 23rd at 7:00 p.m.* COCKTAIL PARTY. Holiday Inn, Irvine.

No host cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. Hosted by the Southwest Division.

Awards, prizes, speeches, and Super Cash Draw. Open to all competitors and tournament helpers and friends.

### BANQUET DINNER DANCE

in the Holiday Inn Grand Ballroom. Irvine / Orange County Airport. No Host Cocktails 6:30 P.M.

Dinner & Dancing 7:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. Tuesday, October 21st.

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### '97 NATIONAL OPEN STUFF TO KNOW

The 79th annual National Open Tournament will be held in Southern California October 18-24, at various competition venues in the Orange County area. The men's and women's events are again being held concurrently, with the major social functions chaired by both organizations.

The full page advertisement on page two of this issue provides many important facts about both the men's and women's events. The coupon at the bottom of the ad is designed for use by both men and women who wish to participate.

Some factoids about the Open:

- The headquarters hotel for both ALBA and AWLBA is the Holiday Inn in Irvine (little more than a long jack from the John Wayne/Orange County airport). That phone number is 1-800-HOLIDAY, or 714-863-1999.

- Opening ceremonies begin at 2:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 17, at the Leisure World Lawn Bowling Club in Laguna Hills. It's where the Opening ceremonies took place last time the Open was in Southern California.

- The Official social calendar reads: Holiday Inn Welcome Party at the headquarters hotel, Friday evening, October 17, at 6:30 p.m. On Tuesday night (October 21) at 7 p.m., the ALBA/AWLBA Banquet & Dinner Dance, also at the Holiday Inn. And, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, October 23, a closing Cocktails shindig—featuring awards, cocktails, prizes, cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, speeches, cocktails, and the Super Cash Draw.

Yes. There will be a Super Draw raffle with a *minimum* top prize of \$1,000.

If you have any questions about anything pertaining to the National Open event, give one of the Tournament Directors listed in the advertisement on page 2 a phone call.

#### NOTICE

##### 1998 ALBA NATIONAL TEAM APPLICANTS

Application forms are now available to all bowlers who wish to apply for the 1998 National Team.

Completed applications must be received by both the National Team Selection Chairman and the applicant's Division Review Board Chairman no later than September 1, 1997.

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#### PETALUMA'S GENI ON BOWLS CRUSADE

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According to Petaluma (CA) Recreation Supervisor Don Phoenix, Eugenia Shribbs is "a very persistent lady. Once the sport gets going here, she could be considered the godmother of lawn bowls in Petaluma."

Shribbs, a member of all three of L.A.'s Westside lawn bowling clubs (Santa Monica, Holmby Park, Beverly Hills) for more than 20 years before moving north to Petaluma in 1995, says she was "flabbergasted" to discover nary a single bowls facility in her stretch of Pacific Inter-Mountain Division territory. So, she began a bowling green crusade. Aided by the PIM Division, in general, and PIM Councilor Frank Ransome, in specific, Eugenia appears to be on the brink of success.

Says Supervisor Phoenix regarding proposed construction and maintenance costs: "If it can be done for skateboarders, it can certainly be done for lawn bowlers". Petaluma has three new parks on the drawing board for development within the next 3-5 years. Funds have already been budgeted for a skateboard park.

Shribbs expects to have at least 40 members in tow by the time the Petaluma bowls facility is greenlighted.

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# CALENDAR

## MAJOR TOURNAMENTS - REGIONAL - NATIONAL - INTERNATIONAL

<b>MAY</b>	24-25	ALBA AWLBA	SPRING OPEN - PAIRS	Portland, OR
<b>JULY</b>	19-24	ALBA AWLBA	CENTRAL DIVISION OPEN	Milwaukee, WI
	26-AUG 1	ALBA	EASTERN DIVISION OPEN	West Hartford, CT
<b>AUGUST</b>	9-15	ALBA AWLBA	NORTHWEST DIVISION OPEN	Seattle, WA
	21-24	AWLBA	EASTERN DIVISION OPEN	Buck Hill Falls, PA
	21-SEPT 2	AWLBA	ATLANTIC RIM GAMES	Wales
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	6-12	ALBA AWLBA	PIMD DIVISION OPEN	San Francisco Bay Area, CA
	9-12	ALBA AWLBA	NORTH CAROLINA OPEN	Pinehurst, NC
	14-19	ALBA AWLBA	U.S. CHAMPIONSHIPS	Buck Hills Falls, PA
<b>OCTOBER</b>	25-28	ALBA AWLBA	NORTH AMERICAN CHALLENGE	Southern California
	18-24	ALBA AWLBA	NATIONAL OPEN	Orange & Los Angeles Counties, CA
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	17-30	ALBA AWLBA	PACIFIC-ASIA GAMES	Australia

To list your regional, national, or international tournament, contact: Shirley Cam, Calendar Editor, 1625 Skycrest Dr. #25, Walnut Creek, CA 94595.



## COACH'S CORNER

by Frank Ransome  
*National Coaching &  
Instruction Chairman*

One of the finest recruiting tools that a Lawn Bowling Club can have is the ability to keep most of the bowlers happy while they're on the green. Older bowlers are sometimes reluctant to bowl in the draw because they don't have the confidence they once had and they're not sure how well they'll do. They need to roll a few bowls with a coach and have someone encourage them.

The new bowlers have finished their lessons and are now bowling with the club, but they don't know very much about the game. They should take a refresher course designed to bring back what they learned in training. We expect these new bowlers to know how the game is played and to be able to roll a bowl and a jack, but they are usually a little uncertain and need to be reinforced and encouraged until they are sure of themselves.

People who have been bowling for a

couple of years may be the most important persons in your club. They are looking for the key to being better competitors. They can bowl well, but they know that there is more to bowling than what they see in the draw games.

These bowlers may leave your club if you can't show them the fine points and strategy of the game. The mystique that makes lawn bowling one of the most addictive of all sports is the way bowlers interact with each other to help their team win the game.

**IF THE 2ND YEAR BOWLER DOESN'T HAVE ANY WAY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FINE POINTS OF THE GAME HE WILL LEAVE THE CLUB.**

We are talking about having remedial classes. Every club should have someone who can encourage the older bowlers to play another year, someone who has the patience to build the confidence of the new bowlers, and lastly, someone who knows enough about the fine points to satisfy a bowler's desire to learn more about the game.

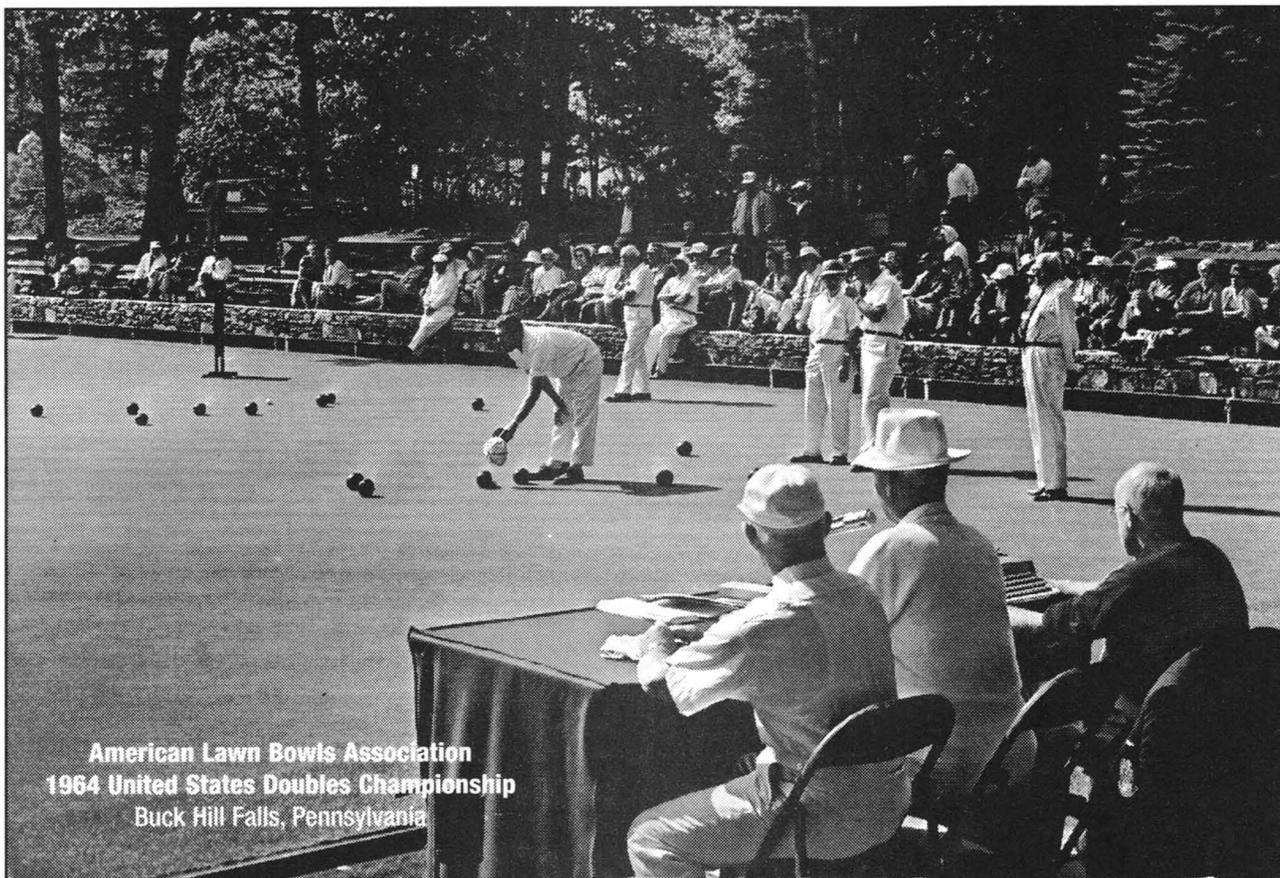
That someone is your club Instructor. He or she should be familiar with the ba-

sic syllabus and have the advanced syllabus well in mind. The Instructor should work closely with the Draw Committee and the Membership Committee of the club. Who are the bowlers who aren't coming out? Which bowler is upset because he or she has to play lead all the time? Who was made a Second or a Skip without any preparation? Who had an operation or suffered a physical setback and needs to be shown that there are many different ways to deliver a bowl? Which of the new bowlers deserves a chance to play Second once-in-awhile or, conversely, needs to be helped before the rest of the club members refuse to bowl with him? Each of the above are important people because they are already members of your club. They don't have to be recruited, but they do have to be made to feel that the club cares about them and shares their concerns.

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By Jim Copeland  
ALBA Senior  
Delegate

# WORLD BOWLS BOARD

World Bowls President Gerald Turner (South Africa) called an extraordinary meeting of the WWB Executive for January 22 and 23 (97), in Preston, England, site of the World Indoor Bowls Championships.

## Think Tank

The meeting purpose was to serve as a "think tank" to solve the most important problems facing the sport of Bowls: a) amalgamation of international bowls organizations, b) television and media exposure, and c) relations with the professional players. All international organizations were represented: WBB (outdoor-men), WIBC (indoor-men and women), Women's International (outdoor-women), as were the Professional Bowlers Association, representatives from bowls

natural and artificial surface manufacturers, the media (David Rhys Jones of the Times of London), and David Harrison, promoter and director of the World Indoor, who has successfully negotiated with BBC Television.

## Amalgamation

President Turner, a charismatic leader and visionary, began the meeting with a stirring address, wherein he stressed that to be successful the game of Bowls must speak with a single voice. Separate organizations confuse the media and the public, compete for scarce sponsor dollars, inconvenience manufacturers (who want a single standard), doom effective promotional efforts, hinder negotiations for televised bowls, and cost the club bowler extra pence to support several organizations.

Speaker after speaker from New Zealand to England, from Israel to Australia, spoke of how there was a need for an overarching "Bowls Incorporated" to sell the game to the media, the public,

and sponsors. In a true *beau geste*, WBB senior Vice-President Norman Thompson declared that individual positions and badges were unimportant, and that he would gladly give up his future World Board presidency if all international associations could come together.

## Disintegration

When the subject of funding was raised it was generally agreed that the average club bowler, uninterested in fat player purses, world competition, or the setting of rules and standards, would not pay additional pence for yet another international organization. The American delegate pointed out that no additional funds were needed since the existing organizations (WBB, WIBC, and Women's International) would be dissolved, and dues currently going to their bodies would now accrue to Bowls, Inc., which then could vigorously raise funds from sponsors, TV, and manufacturers.

At this point, the wheels came off the cart! The International Women's president was aghast that her organization would "lose their identity". At various times and in several speeches she alluded to "rude and unequal treatment of women bowlers by men", and that the women's dues would finance "you boys to run around the world". The meeting adjourned in confusion—the morning's lip service swept away by the afternoon's cold reality: organizational identity, badges of office, parochial power, might be lost.

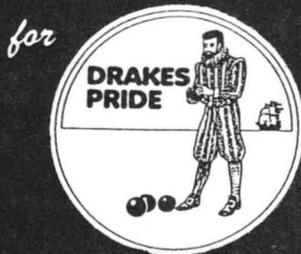
## Procrastination

The cold light of morning dawned with two compromise proposals. Jim Evans, President of Bowls Australia, declared: "The ideal model—one authority governing, marketing, running, and promoting bowls throughout the world with all other bodies merged into this—was currently not achievable because bodies wish to maintain their identity." He proposed a second model, which would have representatives of the WBB, WIBC, and International Women,

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# WOMEN'S PAGES



## FROM THE PRESIDENT

*Virginia Marlar*

We have a busy schedule this year. World Bowls delegates Ann Wood and Charlotte O'Keefe will make a quick trip to England for a special meeting of the International Women's Bowling Board in late April. The Atlantic Rim Team will travel to Llandrindod Wells, Wales in mid-August to compete. The U.S. Championships for men and women will be held in Buck Hill Falls, PA in September. The National Open will be held in Orange County, CA starting with the meeting of the Councilors, October 16-17, with tournament play starting on Saturday the 18th. The North American Challenge with Canada will compete after the National Open. The Pacific Rim Team will travel to Australia to bowl at the Warilla Bowls Club. The dates are November 17-30.

There are many decisions to be made and plans to be formalized for all of the above events. We wish all the participants good bowling. Hopefully, there will be many supporters attending these events and encouraging our men and women to bowl well and be proud to represent our country and the great sport of Lawn Bowling.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Correction in the new "Laws of the Game" listing of AWLBA personnel (page 1): National Umpire is Mary Terrill, 17806 129th Ave, Sun City West, AZ 85375

All Divisions are requested to forward their proposals for consideration of the National Council meeting in October to Ann Beckley as soon as possible. This is a notice from Virginia Marlar, President AWLBA.

## FROM YOUR EDITOR

*Winnie Eberle*

A recent letter to our National Secretary was of interest because it was the first written comment we have had about the Women's Pages. The writer was pleased that we listed the national officers, councilors and committee chairmen, but felt we should keep the members informed of the decisions of the National Council. Then she commented that the majority of the lady bowlers are strictly club bowlers—we call them social bowlers—and that items of interest to that group should appear. But the most interesting part of her letter asked a question that has been raised time and time again. What does the AWLBA do for the average bowler?

The average bowler is not really competitive. She plays at her own club and enters into the club activities. She pays

her dues, receives the Bowls Magazine, and sees little return for her money. She feels that the national organization is primarily interested in the avidly competitive bowlers, training and fostering them, sending a few to national and international games. The club members who furnish the wherewithal for these activities think they are forgotten in the shuffle. What do you think? We would be interested in comments you may have on this subject.

**NEXT DEADLINE**—June 25th

Winnie Eberle, 10A Bonita St., Arcadia, CA 91006

## SPECIAL MEETING OF THE IWBB

*Ann Wood, Senior Delegate*

The countries involved in the international aspect of lawn bowls have received a request to attend an executive meeting of the International Women's Bowling Board in Leamington Spa, April 30 to May 4.

A "think tank" studying the problem of amalgamating the IWBB and the World Bowls Board feels that the IWBB should be dissolved, so delegates from the Full Authority member nations are invited to send delegates to this important meeting. These are Australia, Canada, England, Ireland, New Zealand, Scotland, South Africa, Wales, the USA and Zimbabwe.

The unification of all governing bodies of Bowls will have far reaching effects on the future of the IWBB, and women's bowls in general. So this will be a crucial meeting. The IWBB has already stated it does not want to lose its identity.

More later on this important and significant development reported, in general, at our last council meeting.

## AWLBA MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

*Ann Wood, President*

The Foundation provided two grants in the past few months to assist the following:

1. The Southeast Division to hold a second sports clinic in Sun City Center. Last year 48 took part. This year more are expected.
2. The South Central Division and the Review and Selection Committee to hold a clinic for roster members who will form the Atlantic Rim and Pacific Games teams.

More contributions would make it possible to assist many more educational or literary projects.

All donations are tax deductible, so honor a friend or send a memorial contribution for someone who should be remembered.

The editor of the AWLBA Handbook would like to thank those who have sent items, articles, or suggestions for the publication.

All contributions to the Dorothy Mumma Todd Memorial Fund will be listed in the Handbook, since it will be dedicated to her. Our thanks to Alexa Hampton for her generous contribution.

## REVIEW & SELECTION COMMITTEE

*Cy Stephan, Chairman*

The Committee is excited about the two USA Teams we picked. We are sure they will bring home the "Pot of Gold" for the United States. The USA team for the Atlantic Rim Games: Anne Barber, Mary DeLisle, Olga Gomez, Patti Grabowski and Heather Stewart. They will be going to Wales with the very capable manager, Charlotte O'Keefe. The USA team going to the Pacific Games in Australia: Anne Barber, Regina Banares, Mary DeLisle, Mary Terrill and Irene Webster. They will be managed by the very capable Jean Haigler. The two managers have put in many hours of work to help both teams come back winners. Graham Jarvis has coached and taught the girls to play winning bowls. He has put in many hours of work and much thought into each camp that he has coached. He will be missed greatly in the future. We wish Graham Jarvis well in his new endeavors.

## CENTRAL DIVISION

*By Beverly Phillips*

The calendar says spring is here and all the clubs in the Central Division are gearing up for another season. Several CD women participated in the Forrester and Mixed Pairs Tournaments in Arizona, and this correspondent spent several weeks in Florida getting in a lot of lawn bowling. However, we are all looking forward to a summer of bowling. The CD Open will be held in Milwaukee July 19-24. Playdowns, also in Milwaukee, will follow July 25-27. Rockford Lawn Bowling Club will again host the Women's Pairs Tournament to be held August 2-3.

## NORTHWEST DIVISION

*By Dorothy Bell*

Woodland Park women are ecstatic over the added features they have in their rebuilt kitchen. The Seattle Park Department finally agreed to rebuild the clubhouse after the 1996 fire that had destroyed the clubhouse interior. The meeting room was enlarged and the kitchen now has a dishwasher and microwave. In celebration, Woodland Park is holding an Open house May 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m..

Jefferson Park held its annual Presidents Day event on February 17th. Ten ends of yardstick were played before and after lunch. The women served "Dump Cake" with cherry and whipped cream topping.

Susan Parker, Northwest Vice-President, is Chair of all planning for the 1998 AWLBA U. S. Championships.

PACIFIC INTER-MOUNTAIN DIVISION

By Adele Patterson

The Pacific Inter-Mountain Division has accepted an invitation to participate in the Cam-Am West Classic, which will be held in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada in June of this year. President Esme Krobusek will choose a team from volunteers. Frank Souza will manage the men's team, so PIM will be well represented. We hope the other western divisions will also participate so that the games can be held as scheduled. It should be fun as Edmonton is an interesting and beautiful city.

We are proud to acknowledge that both Regina Benares and Irene Webster have been included on the roster for international competition. They are both fine players and we hope they have a chance to compete.

There are also some changes in our officers. We sadly

SOUTHWEST

By Winnie Eberle

Our yearly activities opened with a general meeting in January, when our officers were elected: Corinna Folkins, President; Barbara McCowen, Vice President; Winnie Eberle, Secretary; Martha Quo, Treasurer. Jan Wessel became our Senior Councilor and K. Harland our Junior Councilor.

The Mumma Todd Mixed Pairs, with women skipping, was played at Santa Anita and Laguna Hills. At Santa Anita, Floy Torvid and John Spalenka were the winners on Green 1, with Gussie Blanc and Carver Koeleon winning on Green 2. At Laguna Hills, on artificial turf, Pearl Eisenberg and Don Greening took first place, while Green 2 had a tie for first place between Erica & Stu Sistad and Heather & Gerry Stewart. The overall winner for the trophy was the Eisenberg/Greening team.

February found us at Sun City for the K. Harland Triples. This had been the Doreen Collins Triples, but her trophy was retired when Doreen moved to Oregon and K. graciously took over the tournament. A Sun City team of Helen SeEVERS, Betty Mitchell and Alice Joyce won the trophy. Eloisa

announce that Phyllis Sullivan, of Fresno, has resigned as tournament representative. She was also our Senior Councilor and Second Vice-President. Shirley Cam has stepped up to Senior Councilor and Adele Patterson was elected to fill Phyllis' term. Ann Maron was elected to be our new Second Vice-President. Phyllis and Leon represented Fresno in our division for over 20 years. We will really miss them both.

The Division Open will be held from September 6-12. The Triples will be held in Berkeley on September 6-7. The Singles matches will be in Oakland on September 8-9. And, the Pairs events will be at Rossmoor on September 10-11. The entry fee for each event is \$16. We will also host a new event on September 21 at Rossmoor—mixed or matched pairs. Entry fee will be \$12. Ida Baker has designed a new pin for the event which is really beautiful.

Zermano, Erica Sistad and Jo Mumma were runners-up.

We were looking forward to a first time Ladies Day at Smoke Tree Ranch in Palm Springs and The Groves. Unfortunately, Smoke Tree was rained out, but we did have good participation at the Groves. Our day at Riverside was well attended.



We are happy to note that four of our women were selected for the International teams: Anne Barber, Heather Stewart, Mary DeLisle and Olga Gomez. We wish them well.

SOUTHEAST DIVISION

By Eileen Love

The Southeast Division completed its AWLBA Open Tournament in Sarasota, Florida. It was held March 1-7, and Ann Wood was the Tournament Director. It was quite successful due to Ann and all her work. Thanks also to the Greenskeeper and Sarasota and all the ladies who provided lunches, snacks, fruit, coffee, etc, each day. Congratulations to all the participants who came from all over the States and Canada. *Winners were:*

TRIPLES

*Championship Flight:* 1. Sherly Ann Milligan, Pauline Blastorah, Helen Kane. 2. Kitty Cox, Karlin Henderson, Jenny Bowden.

*2nd Flight:* Barbara Kelly, Glenna Boston, Eleanor Whitehead

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*5th Flight:* Muriel Rackcliff, Andie Van Wyck

*6th Flight:* Jo Koegel, Judy Hoare

*7th Flight:* Gerry Smith, Arlene Holder

SINGLES

*Championship Flight:* 1. Joan Jones. 2. Hilda Ferris

*2nd Flight:* Sandra Whitelaw

*3rd Flight:* Thelma Matthews

*4th Flight:* Jeanne McLoughlin

*5th Flight:* Pauline Blastorah

**BOWLER OF THE TOURNAMENT:** Jenny Bowden

This division held a mini-camp in Sun City Center, Florida, from March 31-April 4. We had 60 participants from all over the division. The SE Division AWLBA Mixed Pairs is scheduled for April 6th in Sun City Center. Our division playdowns begin April 14th in Sarasota..)

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Mount Dora, FL Ralph Knight & Harry Jacobson 1-31

Seattle, WA Richard Krueger & Ruth Barrett 2-25

### 7 SHOTS RINKS

Sun City West, AZ Bob Copley, Gordon Schiek, Marion Wearly, Fran Huberty 1-19

### 8 SHOTS PAIRS

Riverside, CA Danny Snyder & Barney Chapman 12-24

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Clearwater, FL Jim Hines, Bob Miller, Bill Pitts 1-16

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Mount Dora, FL Bill Forbes, Marge Romer, Jim Heckel 2-21

Santa Barbara, CA Duane Aasted, Chuck Baker, King Hudson 2-21

Palm Desert, CA Harry Shabaga, Izzie Hirschel, Frank Dunbar 2-17

Mount Dora, FL Mac McKean, Joe Eaton, Maxine Scott 2-3

### 9 SHOTS TRIPLES

Sun City Center, FL Cornell C. Clark, Neal Nightingale, Cy Boardman 12-11

Santa Ana, CA Leo Smith, Gary Ginther, Beebe Cameron 1-21

Sarasota, FL Fred Kent, Mary Duncan, Grace Brook 2-8

San Diego, CA Jan Wessel, Fred D. Meyer, Nancy McCrary 2-14

Pasadena, CA Don Butler, Gus Rheault, Ralph Evans 2-26

Cambria, CA Don Meyers, Gigi Ashlock, Eleanor Kryder 3-12

## Tournament Players Super Shots Club

### TWO-7 SHOTS ENDS & ONE-8 SHOT END ALL IN THE SAME GAME.

Lakeland, FL Roger Baker Trophy Tournament Eileen Malpass & June O'Leary 12-9 & 10

### 7 SHOTS PAIRS

Sun City West, AZ Thomson Zivec Open Pairs Bill Hiscock & Bob Nunes 1-22

Santa Maria, CA Australian Pairs Tournament Dave Biorn & Martin Seifert 1-28

Lakeland, FL Adair M.P. Tournament Eileen Malpass & Jim Steele 1-24

Pasadena, CA Veteran-Novice ALBA Tournament Don Hedge & Edna Kristich 2-2

Sun City West, AZ Thomson Zivec Open Pairs George West & Its Nishikawa 1-22

Sun City, AZ South Central Open Tournament Ed Quo & Bob Nunes 2-10

Sun City, AZ South Central Open Tournament Keith Yett & Norm Valek 2-10

Sun City, AZ South Central Open Tournament Pamela Fish & Betty Mayne 2-10

### 7 SHOTS TRIPLES

Sun City Center, FL Wetzel Tournament Ray Turman, Chuck Mather Patsy Barrett.

Clearwater, FL The Bill Miller Classic "Dot" Graham, Jim Graham, Jerry Hyde 1-4

Sun City, CA K. Harland Triples Helen Seevers, Betty Mitchell, Alice Joyce 2-15

Clearwater, FL West Florida League Jab Pierce, Larry Morin, Mary McKay 1-17

Mount Dora, FL North Central Florida League Herb Wintsch, Bill Forbes, Beth Forbes 2-18

Sun City Center, FL Suncoasters Pairs Tournament Jeanne McLaughlin & Dolores Phelps 2-18

Santa Maria, CA Santa Maria Mixed Triples Tournament Bill Macdonald, Clete Beatty, Georgia Evey 3-15

Sarasota, FL AWLBA Southeast Division Open Judy Hoare, Midge Ditchfield, Annette Duncan 3-1

Sun City, AZ South Central Open Tournament Pamela Fish, George Hermanussen, Marvel Mogan 2-18

Santa Anita, CA State Triples Tournament Ed Quo, Bob Nunes, Ivan Hyland 3-8

### 8 SHOTS PAIRS

Clearwater, FL Australian Pairs Tournament Dick Edney & Doreen McDermid 1-6

San Diego, CA Joslyn-Lake Hodges Vell/Novice Tournament Paul T. Rotter & Guido Chandler 2-2

Lakeland, FL Polk Seniors Games Elda Smith & Marie Ballantyne 3-13

### 8 SHOTS TRIPLES

Sun City Center, FL Winter League Tournament Larry Hanley, Patti Grabowski, Jeanne McLaughlin 12-10

Clearwater, FL Ladies Triples Scramble Tournament Marge Sanphy, Kathleen Mein, Abigail Graham

Pomona, CA Pomona Open Triples Tournament James Cronshaw, Larry Macdonald, Patricia Cronshaw 2-1

Santa Maria, CA Santa Maria Mixed Triples Ralph Page, George Perryman, Juanita Bustin 3-15

Los Angeles, CA Holmby Park Mixed Triples Helman Todes, Edna Sampson, Max Burke 3-11

### 9 SHOTS TRIPLES

Sun City Center, FL ALBA Grass League Tournament Stretch Bilharz, Ian Molloy, Mike Anevich 1-4

*The above entries received through March 30, 1997*

## World Bowls Board

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govern a new international authority. The New Zealand delegate proposed a small group planning session to set up such an organization. Most delegates hoped that this interim body would be the spring-board to eventually merge all groups into one.

### Divination

Perhaps the good will of Norman Thompson, Ian Armstrong, Roy Kivel and Jim Barclay will eventually create Gerald Turner's grand design. I am quite skeptical. The identity problem has not been solved by the compromise, it has been worsened. More badges and honors have been created for the same old groups.

During one meeting, I was asked how the new body should be governed. My plan, based upon the UN, consisted of a

"general assembly" of all bowls nations, each nation with 4 votes. (In Scotland, where there are four associations—outdoor-men, outdoor-women, indoor-men, indoor-women—each would have one vote. ALBA and AWLBA would each have 2 votes, etc.) This general assembly would meet each four years to ratify rule changes, vote the site for World Bowls, and elect three delegates to an Executive Council. Also on the Executive Council would be permanent reps from the three largest bowls nations: Australia, England and Scotland, as well as a PBA rep, a manufacturer's delegate, and a media rep. A paid CEO, like Peter Ueberoth would run Bowls, Inc.

The American delegate felt it was critical to dissolve the WBB, WIBC, and Women's International to use all dues money for Bowls, Inc., and speak with one voice to sponsors and television. As long

as different organizations exist they will require money, compete for sponsors and media, and fragment the sport. I vigorously pursued my ideas with speech and lobbying. The majority of the delegates chose another path: compromise and patience. Time will tell if they were correct.

*International notes.....* Jimmy Davidson resigned as Honorary Secretary of the WIBC due to ill health. Recent negotiations with the PBA were very hard on this great gentleman of Bowls ..... World Singles Champion Tony Allcock had his bowls ruled illegal and barred from the World Indoor. According to Times bowls writer, David Rhys Jones, they were "lightly biased".....A new sport, Bola, is being introduced to the South African native population. It features a large target (like archery) laid on the ground. It is bowled at with rubber bowls half filled with water (to provide bias)!

## National Open Story

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### Arculli, Skip

A winner of five Open championships, Skippy won both the Pairs and Triples in 1983. He captured his first Triples crown in 1978, and last in 1985. In 1981, he won the Open Singles. Skip was recipient of "Bowler of the Tournament" honors three times: 1978 (shared with Frank Souza and Bill Farrell), 1981 (tied with Henry Leigh), and 1983.

### Artist, Orville

Orville won five Open championships in seven years. He took the Singles championship in consecutive years—1986 (Milwaukee) and 1987 (San Francisco). He was "Bowler of the Tournament" both of those years. In 1981 and 1984, Orville won his Open Pairs titles; and he was a Triples winner in 1983.

### McInnes, Neil

Named "Bowler of the Decade" for the 1980's, Neil has won five National Open titles. He won a Pairs championship in 1971 and in 1993, 23 years later, won it again. In 1977 and 1993, he was the Open Singles titlest. And, in 1983, he won a Triples crown. Neil was "Bowler of the Tournament" twice: in 1977 (sharing the honors with Seattle's Bob Boehm and Dr. Jules Sergay, of South Africa), and in 1991.

### Jarvis, Graham

The British Columbian won both the National Open Singles and Pairs events in 1973. In 1979, his team won the Open Triples championship.

### Elieff, Jim

Jim won his first National Open title in 1992 in the Triples event. In 1993, he captured his first Singles championship. And, in 1994, the Canadian won both the Singles and Pairs titles. Jim was "Bowler of the Tournament" in consecutive years, 1993 and 1994.

### Forrester, Clive

Clive's teams won the Open Triples championship in 1959 and the Pairs crown in 1984. In 1983, he was National Open Singles Champion. In 1969, Clive was recipient of the Bill Hay "Bowler of the Year" Award.

### Proctor, John

This Chicagoan won both the Pairs and Fours championships in 1948. One year later, he won the Open Singles title. John was "Bowler of the Tournament" in 1949, and a year earlier was runner-up for the honor.

NOTE: A complete listing of National Open winners dating back to 1918 is found in the "Official Lawn Bowls Almanac."

## More Notes... *continued from page 9*

### MISSING CHAMPIONS???

Once-upon-a-time, record keeping wasn't so good.

Prior to World War II, the only record of ALBA National Open Tournament Triples and Fours winners was a listing by skip. So, if your father, your uncle, or your past clubmates were on winning teams, but did not skip, only you know about it. That special display of memorabilia or wall of dated photos in the clubhouse are your little secret. No mention appears in the Official Almanac, and ALBA does not have a record of the achievement.

With the establishment of the ALBA Hall of Fame, curator Harold Esch, the "keeper of the flame" for American lawn bowling, would like to fill-in the missing names. Such information is not only important for research and records, but also affords the opportunity to forever recognize outstanding achievements.

If you can fill in one or more of the "blanks", please contact ALBA Historian, Harold Esch:

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## MACKENZIE PARK

By JoAnn

The MacKenzie Lawn Bowls Club began 1997 with a large group of enthusiastic and energetic novice bowlers, eager to improve their skills through competition. The Singles tournament in February saw James Cronshaw placing first, Pat Cronshaw second, and Carmel Bloom third. In the Novice Pairs tournament one week later, James & Pat Cronshaw were the winners, followed by Stan & Carmel Bloom, and Kermit Williams & Chris Rendessy.

MacKenzie is especially proud to claim Pat Fagan, Tom Dion, Mary DeLisle and Olga Gomez as new members of the 1997 U.S. National Teams. Mary and Olga will play for the U.S. Ladies Team in Wales this August in the Atlantic Rim Games, and Pat and Mary will be on the U.S. Teams in Australia at the Asia Pacific Championships in November.

The Davis Triples tournament in mid-March produced Joe Quinn, Forrest Dietrich and Thelma Duran as the winners, followed by James & Pat Cronshaw with Larry MacDonald second, and Steve Wayne, Natalie Martinez and JoAnn Wayne third. Hugh Finlay was runner-up in the Southwest Novice Singles. Tom Dion and Hugh Finlay came in third in the S.W. Veteran/Novice Pairs finals. Pat Fagan, Sam & Mary De Lisle won this year's Groves Mixed Triples Invitational. And, Mary DeLisle won the Ladies Singles at Sun City, Arizona.

The Board of Directors is now in negotiations with the City of Santa Barbara to procure matching funds to expand and remodel the existing clubhouse. Members are making generous donations to the building fund and numerous fund raisers are being held. With the world class greens MacKenzie boasts, it is time an appropriate clubhouse accompanies the facility and we're hopeful that soon it will become a reality.

We lament the deaths of several longtime members: Odie White, Bill Perry and Ken Richards. Of special note, Jean Haley also passed away. She and her husband, Rupert, were among the founding members of MacKenzie. Jean was not only on the National Team years ago, but was a National Champion.

## COVE COMMUNITIES

We were all saddened last year with the passing of long-time member Joe Evich. We will miss the enthusiasm he brought to the green.

Speaking of the green, ours is much improved this season. Several of our members spent considerable time and effort repainting the bank and re-stripping the rinks. The Senior Center's landscape crew met with us to discuss the proper maintenance of the green, and since the overseeding last fall, there has been a 100% improvement.

Four new members: Frank Dunbar, Les Grossman, Evie Hibberd, and Melody Villeneuve, joined our ranks this season. As the snowbirds came in our number of regular members grew to 22, with another 20 or so who join us for a week to a couple of months.

We had two teams in each of the three tournaments at Smoke Tree, but no winner this year. In our first annual Valentine's Day Triples Tournament, we had eight teams competing. Audrey Duckitt/Dolores Bernard/Allen Shapter came away winners, with Gloria Petitto/Murray Zapfe/Melody Villeneuve finishing second, and Bill Barnes/Marion Zapfe/Paula Kitchel third.

When you are in the desert, come join us on M-W-F mornings at the Senior Center in Palm Desert.

*In Memoriam  
Joe Evich*

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**SANTA MONICA***By Alan Power*

Typically, we have nothing to report as far as tournaments and matches are concerned since we do not start at Santa Monica until May. We are excited by the appointment of Bob Nock as our vice president and tournament chairman. He is pictured below—at left, when he was appointed and, at right, just a few weeks afterwards when he realized the responsibility of being tournament chairman!



However, our green is playing superbly (between 12-14 seconds), thanks to Wilbur B. Grant's continual supervision. We

are thoroughly enjoying our club games.

Bowlers from other clubs are most welcome to visit us for a game should they wish to see what an excellent green feels like. Please feel free to come along on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays at noon.

On Saturday, May 31, we shall be repeating the Invitational Open House, which was so successfully initiated last year.

Apart from our annual matches against Holmby Park and Beverly Hills and the club knockout tournaments, we are hoping to host the U.S.A. versus Canada international match in October. But more of this once the ALBA committee has confirmed the choice of venue for this year's event.

Our grand old bowler of SMLBC, Fritz Cattolico, is now recuperating from a stroke at the Santa Monica Hospital. We wish him a full and speedy recovery.

Sadly, we also have to report the passing of another long-time bowler, Dorothy Youel.

*In Memoriam  
Dorothy Youel*

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## Southwest Novice Singles

By Dick Cole

### YOUTH WINS OUT!

Oxnard's 31-year old Scott Russell won the 1997 Southwest Novice Singles title, topping a field of thirty novice bowlers who vied for the championship, March 1-2, at the Santa Anita greens in Arcadia. The gathering represented the largest group of Novice Singles competitors in memory.

After the first qualifying day, eight players were left, each representing different clubs—from Santa Barbara's MacKenzie Park to Sun City, CA. Following the first knock-out round on March 2, the four remaining bowlers were: Hugh Finlay (MacKenzie Park), Bill Scott (Oxnard), Scott Russell (Pasadena), and Gil Priore (Pomona).



Novice Singles Final Four: (l-r) Champion Scott Russell, runner-up Hugh Finlay, Bill Scott who finished third, and Gil Priore who took fourth.

It was Finlay and Russell in the first place finals, and the Pasadenan emerged victorious. Bill Scott squeaked by Gil Priore (21-20) to finish third, with Gil taking 4th.

The host club did a wonderful job (including tons of markers) making everyone glad they participated. Many thanks to all 30 of the novices! A promising crop of new and dedicated bowlers. Novice Singles Final Four: (l-r) Champion Scott Russell, runner-up Hugh Finlay, Bill Scott who finished third, and Gil Priore who took fourth.

## HERMOSA BEACH

By Jeanne Carr

Our club is thriving! We are *jacking* up our membership and our eight *rink* green is now very *bowlable*.

We have awarded Life Membership to our long-time member Olive Monk, who *hogged* the Women's Singles Championship in 1971 and 1972. She still *wicks* very well and is active in the club.

We have painted the clubhouse and our pictures and trophies dating from the 30's are attractively displayed. So, *ditch* your club and don't *skip* playing with us on a Tuesday and Thursday at noon, or Saturday at 10 a.m.

For more information call:

Jeanne at 310-379-7863

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## PASADENA

By Loretta S. Keller

Though still a fledgling myself, I can empathize with our longtime members when one of them leaves the area. Saying goodbye must be close to how it feels when a beloved family member leaves home. And, so it was at a farewell bash for Dick Lochridge on March 5th. Lochridge, who joined the club in 1977, is moving, together with his wife, to a retirement community in Laguna Hills. We wish them only the best.

Close to 80 people came to a lunch in his honor, which says a lot about the man. After a delicious repast of cold cuts, wine and cake (iced with farewell roses), quite a few fellow bowlers and friends said quite a lot more. The gist was that Lochridge imbued the club with heart, making successful efforts to bring in newcomers over the years, and giving of himself in just about every other way anyone could want—including sharing his poetry. Nicknamed (our group does a lot of that) Sgt. Bilko, because of his booming voice and commanding bearing, he served tirelessly on committees, was president twice, and bossed people around only when asked. In fact, old friends affectionately poked fun, saying he'll be forgiven for that and other such transgressions to the point of always being welcome here.

### Lochridge imbued the club with heart. . . giving of himself in just about every way

Thanks largely to our current president, Vern Leidig, and his charming wife, Marilyn, who organized the food, drink, and logistics (assisted by me), the event was a warm success.

We hope an upcoming "open house" on April 3rd will be successful, too. We've invited the members of the Pasadena Senior Center to be our guests that morning. Anyone bold enough to come and bowl will be given a free lesson.

Currently, Valley League games are progressing in stiff, but exciting competition. In late March (results too late for this issue), Pasadena held its club Doubles tournament.

Having missed the January issue of Bowls Magazine, I want to add that 1996 wound down with the inauguration of new officers, seasonal social activities, and of course, bowling. Our annual "Turkey Shoot" was especially merry, with fun games, prizes, drawings for wine and "white elephants," and traditional pumpkin pie.

At our annual meeting, "Bowler of the Year" plaques were awarded to: Gene Shearer (overall & skip), Gus Rheault (vice) and Everett Wood (lead). The year (96) closed with our traditional Christmas Party at the elegant Shakespeare Club.

Pasadena's 1997 officers are: Vernon Leidig-President, John Marshall-1st Vice President, Miles Coleman-2nd Vice President, Dick Clark-Treasurer, and Don Shrader-Secretary. For his long-time support of the club, Bob Weitkamp was awarded a plaque naming him an Honorary Life Member. Outgoing President Hugo Sahlein received a vote of appreciation and a plaque recognizing his accomplishments in two terms of office and his able efforts in putting together our club's 75th anniversary commemoration.

## POMONA

By Hugh Freeman

The year began with wet greens, but time dries all tears (and greens). Membership is down, but what else is new. This is a challenge that requires attention to recruitment. Despite obstacles, lawn bowling has been good and the greens are excellent.

The Pomona Triples in February was short two teams, but those present put in three challenging games. Pomona's Orton Olmstead skipped for a San Diego team that appeared sans a Skip. This team had the highest plus for the day!

Peggy Foot, well known for her culinary exploits, is also quite a bowler. She was the overall winner at the Clare Sallenbach Memorial Tournament at Alhambra in February.

Pomona's participation in the Citrus League finds its teams in the center of the pack—about even in wins and losses.

The crowning achievement for the Pomona Club this quarter was the planning of the Casa Colina Hospital Benefit Tournament. Lawn bowling clubs are like families, with all members helping to make a cohesive, successful whole. This was especially apparent as we prepared for the Casa Colina Tournament. "Many hands make light work", as the saying goes.

Peggy Foot organized the kitchen activity, ably assisted by Peg Olmstead and Vera Hammond. Orton Olmstead arranged for publicity with a reporter and a photographer on hand. An excellent article appeared in the Valley newspaper the next day. Robbie Robinson, Tournament Chairman, and Helen Hansen accepted entries and assigned rinks for the bowling. Many members bowled, and many helped set up and take down. It, truly, was a Club event.

Casa Colina, as usual, was of great assistance. Many of the prizes came from Casa Colina. Four wheelchair sports athletes were present, lead by Andy Houghton, Head of the Wheel Chair Sports Program for Casa Colina Hospital. Andy talked about the program and indicated to us how important our contributions are in enabling young, disabled people to succeed though handicapped. \$1,790 was donated through the Tournament—a record total for this event. It was all worthwhile.

## Pomona Triples

By Hugh Freeman

For over twenty years the Pomona Lawn Bowling Club has hosted one of the first, if not the first, Southwest Division tournaments of the year. On February 1, the tradition continued. The Pomona Triples has remarkably good luck with the weather. This year was no exception. Under sunny skies, 30 teams answered the call to begin the SW Division tournament season.

The results:

### North Green

1. Orton Olmstead, Olga McCord, Ralph Lopez\*
2. Amador Martinez, Armado Escalante, George Love (Oxnard)
3. Conrad Melton, Tom Mitchell, Don Baker (Sun City)
4. James Cronshaw, Larry McDonald, Patricia Cronshaw (MacKenzie Pk)



Right—South Green champs:  
(l-r) Ian Ho, Kottia Spangler,  
Michael Siddall.

Left—Orton Olmstead(l),  
one-third of the North Green winning  
team gets his victory check.



5. Clair Ott, Paula Bellone, Donna Ott (Hemet)

6. Fred Robinson, Floy Torvid, Bob Padgett (Santa Anita)

### South Green

1. Ian Ho, Michael Siddall, Kottia Spangler (various)

2. Dick Cole, Pat Gonzales, Sam Shumikse (Long Beach)

3. Michael Ashton-Phillips, (MAP kept his mates/club names a secret)

4. Joe Siegman, Helman Todes, Sam Benjamin (Beverly Hills)

5. Mert Isaacman, Sam & Mary DeLisle (various)

6. Art Mastro, Otis Wilson, Denny Dennerlein (various)

\*(This team arrived sans Skip. Orton, a Pomona member, filled in. The others are from San Diego).

## LAGUNA BEACH

By Ed Perry

After sixty-six years of bowling by the sea we are most grateful for those who spent many years on our greens and leading our Club's activities. We have lost many great bowlers these past years, but we do have many exciting new bowlers.

Our new Club Singles Champion is Heather Stewart, who defeated Jon Pearson in the finals. The Club Triples crown was taken by the team of Heather Stewart, Gene Virgin and Maryna Hyland, with runner-ups X. Tejada, Murray Brown and Fred Baker.

Our Pairs tournament will be played

late in the month. We had a great turnout for our Valentine's Day event. Then 58 bowlers were with us to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Our Greens Committee of Mert Hill, Bill Harper, and Gerry Stewart are doing a good job of supervising the maintenance of our greens. Come join us for good bowling by the sea!



**DEADLINE  
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**REDLANDS***By Peg Bennett*

The members of the Redlands club are sending out an urgent call for Sherlock Holmes and his friend, Dr. Watson. They're needed to help locate a Scott-Bonner 30" Queens mower and carrier that were stolen from a locked storage shed at our clubhouse the weekend of March 16-17. The loss was discovered on St. Patrick's Day when the park department came to work. The thieves cut the chain on the front gate and the bolt on the pad-locked shed. Although there was other equipment in the shed, the mower and carrier were the only things taken. We are hoping someone saw something that would help the police find the thieves. It is probably too late to have the mower and carrier returned. We are now faced with the task of trying to replace the stolen articles. The mower was two years old.

St. Patrick's Day was supposed to be a

fun day with the celebration of five birthdays and the start of our club tournaments. Mary Johnson, birthday chairperson, served ice cream and cake. Honorees were Betty Straesser, Pat Oesterlein, Vern Gaston, Len Carver, and Irwin Margolis. In the club singles tournament, the ladies' champion is Zelda Bain, and the men's champion is Len Carver (our President). Both women's and men's pairs was played March 24th.

In the upcoming Southwest Tournaments, our club will be represented by Zelda Bain, Pat Oesterlein, and Naomi Ruderman in the ladies' events, while Lee Bain and Joe Ruderman are entered in the men's competitions. Others may enter before the entries close.

We welcome new members John and Susan Mulder and hope they enjoy lawn bowling as much as we all do.

**SANTA ANITA***By Winnie Eberle*

At this time, Santa Anita is down to the use of one green. When the upper greens will be in shape for play is uncertain and work has begun on one of the lower greens. As a result, we cancelled our City of Hope Triples and will resume the tournament in June 1998.

**Circle bowling held before our monthly birthday parties is our most popular event**

In January, we hosted the SWALBA and SWAWLBA general meetings, and also the Mumma-Todd Mixed Pairs. February brought the Valley League to our club. In March, the Men's State Triples and Novice Singles were played at Santa Anita. We held our club Men's Pairs and were delighted to have a Ladies Pairs event this year. Circle bowling held before our monthly birthday parties is our most popular event and draws many enthusiastic bowlers. Home baked goodies and good entertainment have made our birthday parties the pleasant social events they have become.

Our Blue Feather ran smoothly and weather was no problem for those six weeks. Winners were Hector Nevarez, Bob Cone and Sandy Krieger. Dick Elliott, Pat Chiechi and Paul Ransom were runners-up.

Our activities are somewhat limited due to the progress of our greens, but we hope to be operating more fully by the summer.

*Men's Pairs*

## A Flight

1. Ray Obazawa & Doug Ferris
2. Dick Elliott & Bob Hill

## B Flight

1. Bill Gerahart & Bob Cone
2. Bob Oakley & Paul Ransom

*Ladies Pairs*

## A Flight

1. Floy Torvid & Cecelia Glancy
2. Jewel Seibert & Dora Swisher

## B Flight

1. Doralyn Clauson & Virginia Mortenson
2. Terry Higgins & Ruth Cornell

*In Memoriam  
Cliff Lauster*



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**1997****ALL-SOUTHWEST TEAM**

By Stu Sistad  
*SW Division President*

Fourteen top Southern California bowlers have been named to the 1997 Southwest Division's All-Southwest Team. Selections were based on 1996 major competition results. The Selection Committee was chaired this year by Bill Hiscock.

**The All-Southwesterners**

Michael Ashton-Phillips

Ken Bolton

Dick Cole

Tom Dion

Pat Fagan

Neil Furman

Ian Ho

Ivan Hyland

Merton Isaacman

Neil McInnes

Barry Pickup

Michael Siddall

Richard Simon

Dick Talt

**LEISURE WORLD**

(Laguna Hills)

*By Len Jenkins*

January was very wet and rain closed the greens until AWLBA's Mumma-Todd Mixed Pairs Tournament, when part of Clubhouse 2 greens were opened and there was a spill over to Clubhouse 1. It turned out to be a perfect day with the thermometer at 75, as Pearl Eisenberg and Don Greening won on the Clubhouse 1 green, with Mary Sneed and Mike Majer finishing second.

At Clubhouse 2 greens, Erica and Stu Sistad tied with Heather and Jerry Stewart for first and second. Jean and Ken MacAuley, and Marilyn Jerome and Bo Bowbeer finished third and fourth. The final results of the tournament show Pearl and Don the overall winners.

The next event was a joint Stag Day and Golden Apple Day in February, with a touch of Valentine's Day thrown in. There were 84 bowlers and 95 sat down to lunch. This was under the combined management of Grace Hickman and Archie Fletcher, who had been at work for weeks organizing it.

This was Grace's swan song in bowling-catering. At least for the time being. For four years Grace has been chairing the Golden Apple, and she finished this time when she introduced her successor, Pat Jespersen, to the joys of the job. That man-of-few-words and chairman of Stag Day, Archie, thanked the Ladies of Golden Apple for a wonderful lunch. He said we had a day to remember with all the wine and beer we could drink and over \$200 in prizes!

Well, Ken MacAuley and Ann Windham struck again. As the only entry to win all four of their games, they took the Club Veteran-Novice Pairs title. Lorna Bayes and Jim Robertson came a close second. Chad Julian and Susan Marshall finished third, and Art Greenberg and Terry Baade fourth out of 18 teams.

The bowling season really started on March 7 with the first day of the Coast League. Leisure World holds the Coast League Trophy for winning in 1996 and this year is managing the competitions. Foster Sampson and George Robinson are running the League with help from Mary Dillaway as secretary.

Once again, Leisure World LBC, Laguna Hills, has been selected for the opening ceremonies of the ALBA/AWLBA 1997 National Open Tournament. Various committees are forming and efforts are underway to improve greens and facilities. We look forward to seeing players and visitors in October.

*In Memorium  
Jean Abercrombie  
Thelma Bossard*

**SUN CITY**

(California)

*By Betty Munden*

Our club's first event of the year was hosting the AWLBA K. Harland Triples Tournament. We were very pleased to have been chosen as the location for this event and hope all who entered enjoyed it. Our greens, kept in top condition by Joe Rahm, Gene Hendershott and Charlie Cole could not have been in better shape. The weather was mid-February perfect—clear, warm 81 degrees, with a slight afternoon breeze. Eat your hearts out back East!

Two teams from our own club placed in the money, with the team of Helen Seevers, Betty Mitchell and Alice Joyce placing first (with a whopping plus 41 points), and Betty Munden, B.J. Cookson and Bev Talley placing 4th. The hospitality committee for the day consisted of Paul Chiappetta, Phil Dakin and Al McDannel.

In January, we were delighted to welcome seven new members to our club. They are: Joe Wilding, Jackie Wilding, Beverly Connors, Chuck and Sharley (not Shirley) Reutter, Mollie O'Brien and Mary Erickson. We are planning on another training class to begin in late March. We are making every effort to introduce as many people as we possibly can to this great sport.

Our club is also very pleased that so many more of our members have been participating in ALBA and AWLBA events. This is due largely to the enthusiasm of many of our newer members over the past few years. They are enjoying the challenges of bowling in competition and on greens other than our own, and meeting some of the fine people that populate our sport.



*Seven new members received their Sun City stripes: (l-r) Joe Wilding, Jackie Wilding, Beverly Connors, Chuck and Sharley Reutter, Mollie O'Brien and Mary Erickson.*

On March 7th we completed our Novice Singles Tournament, won by Gene Hendershott over Jon Bloomer. We had a field of 13 entries, ranging in experience from one month to our club limit of 15 months. As you might guess, the winner was the one with 15 months experience.

**CITY OF HOPE TRIPLES CANCELLED!**

There will be no City of Hope Triples Tournament in 1997!

Reports Tournament Chairperson Floy Torvid: "At this time, our new greens are in no condition for bowling, and may not be ready until sometime this summer. And work has begun on our lower green, so it is impractical to play a tournament here." Each of Santa Anita's four greens have been in a state of renovation and repair during the past year.

"We plan," reminds Floy, "to resume the charity triples in 1998". The annual tournament, a Southwest fixture for more than 20 years, raises, on average, nearly \$5,000 each year for the Duarte, California medical research institution.

## Southwest Veterans-Novice Pairs

By Dick Cole

Sixty five teams, divided evenly at four venues (Lake Hodges, Laguna Beach, MacKenzie Park and Pasadena), competed in the 4th Annual Southwest Veteran-Novice Pairs Tournament. Held over two weekend dates, January 25 and February 8, the event was open to both ALBA & AWLBA bowlers.

Four finalist teams from each of the venues reached the finals at Pasadena, February 8th. When the dust cleared, Southwest Division President Stu Sistad (Lake Elsinore) and novice Jim Walker (Long Beach) were undefeated and had the highest point differential.

Runners-up were Bob Hill (Riverside) and his brother Jim (Sun City, CA). Third place went to Tom Dion and

Hugh Finley (MacKenzie Park). San Diego's Jim Olson and Chuck Cooper finished fourth. All of the finalists won three games, so plus-points determined the winners.

Plaques were awarded to the victors at each venue as well as to the four finalists. And, the cash prizes weren't too bad. Certificates were also awarded to all of the novices who participated in the finals.

The 13-14 second Pasadena greens were true and were enjoyed by all the participants. Three women, all skips, reached the final 16. Congratulations to all 130 bowlers who participated in this important event, which introduces novices to the world of tournament bowling.

## SAN DIEGO

By Karen Anderson

Introducing the joy of lawn bowling to their friends is a high priority for the members of the San Diego Lawn Bowling Club. This was demonstrated by the success of our Annual President's Day Membership Drive. Our members sent invitations to 60 friends. Forty came to our President's Day Bash, and 31 signed up for one free lesson.

President's Day dawned cold and damp. Nevertheless, many faithful volunteers arrived early to prepare the clubhouse and greens for the festivities. At 10 a.m. members and guests assembled for a brief history of Lawn Bowling and an introduction to the sport by our talented Bill Hiscock. The prospective members were then allowed to try bowling for themselves with the help of experienced bowlers. The morning's festivities culminated in one of our fabulous potluck lunches. During the lunch the prospective members were invited to sign up for one free lesson.

Our coaching staff, headed by Loretta Geisner, is now busy giving lessons three days a week to 14 men and women who plan to become members of our club. Some of them stay and play together in a knock-out game during the daily afternoon bowling by our members. A few have even progressed to playing lead in a regular game. We all look forward to playing on a regular basis with all these new bowlers.

We are proud to announce those San Diego lawn bowlers who were the winners of local and division tournaments:

### *Pomona Triples*

1st—Olga McCord, Ralph Lopez, & Orton Olmstead (from Pomona)

*Novice-Vet Pairs (Preliminary-Lake Hodges)*

1st—Jim Olson & Chuck Cooper

*Novice-Vet Pairs Playoff (Pasadena)*

4th—Jim Olson & Chuck Cooper

*Loretta Geisner Australian Doubles*

1st—Mary Quick & Juanita Williams

2nd—Robert Marsh & Norm Rosenberg

*Jack Purdie Triples*

1st—Pat DiVincenzo, Lud Krodlund, Jack Coull

2nd—Robert Marsh, Ann Travis, Stan Wilson

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## RIVERSIDE

By Bob Hill

Officers elected for 1997: Bob Hill—President, Al Kreinberg—Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer—Bob Whitney.

Our All Events Day, put on by Larry Mumma, was won by Bob Hill. The Club Mixed Doubles was won by Ken Bolton and Jo Mumma.

The ALBA and AWLBA sponsored Vet-Novice Tournament was won by Stu Sistad and Jim Walker. 2nd Place went to Bob Hill and his brother, Jim Hill. In the annual Murray-Allison

Tournaments: Bob Hill came in the 2nd in the Murray, and Bob Lippman finished 4th in the Allison. At this time, Riverside is leading the pack in the Citrus League.

We hosted AWLBA's Ladies Day,

which had 75 bowlers. Everyone had a great time. The kitchen was run by Al Kreinberg and Ralph Nelson. They did a great job, as usual.

Our Club House is being painted under the supervision of Eloisa Zermeno, who has several volunteers helping her. The Hospitality Chairperson is Veta Combs, and she is doing a great job, too. Holly Hollingsworth is in charge of the visitations this year. Our coaching is being done by Scotty and Evelyn Robbie. Our Sunshine Lady is Wilma Sprouse. Our Games Board is taken care of by Ralph Nichols. The Greens Chairman is Ralph Nelson. Last, but not least, Denny Dennerlien is taking care of the membership and anything else that is needed.

I want to thank each and everyone of you for helping me make this a great year.

**HOLMBY PARK***By Marcella Krisel*

Bea Simon is coaching 14 very keen prospective bowlers. In February, she supervised Holmby Park's first Novice Singles Tournament. The winner was Sam Benjamin; runner-up Susana Camejo.

In the semi-finals of the Naylon Pairs, Brian Studwell and Hugh Simon had a two-point lead over Stanley Chase and George Seitz. At first, it looked as if Stanley's last bowl was a little wide, but it zeroed in nicely, taking the jack back to his own two back bowls, making the final score 22-21. In the finals, Margaret Moffat and Tom Seres vs Stanley Chase and George Seitz, Margaret's last bowl caught the jack and took it back to her four back bowls, winning the match 17-16. That ought to say something about the value of back bowls!

St. Patrick's Day brought on a burst of green on the green and some dapper and original headwear. April Fool's Day was celebrated with a luncheon of chili beans and hot dogs served by Virginia Little and her able assistants. A couple of fake weiners were slipped on the plates of unsuspecting men so as not to let the day go by without a bit of "fooling" around.



*Winners of the Naylon Pairs:  
Tom Seres and Margaret Moffat.*



*Naylon runners-up:  
Stanley Chase and George Seitz.*

**HEMET-JOSLYN***By Peg McCutcheon*

Our green is again in great shape as our greenskeepers and club members have been working very hard to get it in tip-top condition before our Rinks Tournament in April. New sod has been added where needed, backboards repainted, sunshades fixed, weeding done, etc. Many thanks to all the hard workers who helped.

A very successful Open House was held in February to interest new people in this sport. A demonstration was given and then they were encouraged to roll a few bowls. So we gained some prospective members.

Results of the Club Novice Tournament held in February: 1st-Dean Perry, 2nd-Gordown Howard (member for only 1 month); 3rd-Bob Rucinski.

Our first Cut-Throat competition lived up to its name. Dee Kessler edged

our Carl Henrich 70 pts to 69 pts. Gene Chavez was third with 67 pts, and Bob Rucinski followed with 66 pts.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: June Burns and her partner for their 2nd place in the Mumma-Todd (women skip) at Santa Anita. Also to Carl Henrich and Dean Perry's 2nd place finish at the Vet-Novice in Lake Hodges to qualify them for the finals in Pasadena.

Mary Jane Henrich held some interesting and informative Vice classes. These were much needed and appreciated.

We enjoyed a visitation to Sun City. It's always nice to bowl with them. April and May will be busy months with scheduled visitations, club tournaments, as well as other tournaments, regular club bowling and some socials, no doubt.

*In Memoriam  
May Rhodes*

**STOLEN MOWER**

BE ALERTED that a 2-year old Scott-Bonner "Queens" mower and carrier were stolen March 17th from the Redlands (CA) Lawn Bowling Club's locked storage shed. The chain on the gate and the bolt on the shed were both cut. Although other equipment was in the same shed, only the mower and carrier were taken.

If any bowling clubs—or golf courses—are contemplating the purchase of a used mower and carrier, please investigate before purchasing. Unfortunately, we do not have the serial number of the mower, but it was purchased from Australia. If you have any information, please phone Peg Bennett at 909-792-2274.

**CAL STATE TRIPLES PLAYDOWN***By Stu Sistas*

Sixteen teams met at Santa Anita March 8th and 16th for the Southwest Division half of the California State Triples event. The winning team earned the right to play the PIM Division champions for the California State Triples Championship in September.

*The four top finishing teams are:*

1. Lloyd Kennedy, Barry Pickup, Norm Wiles
2. Neil Furman, Ian Ho, Michael Siddall
3. Jim Graham, Dick Cole, Dick Simon
4. Mert Isaacman, Eric Sherman, Simon Meyerowitz



*(l-r) Norm Wiles, Barry Pickup and Lloyd Kennedy won the right to be the Southwest's entry in the California State Triples.*

**OXNARD-JOSLYN***By Fran Siddle and Zola Sportelli*

Our annual club election gave us the following new officers: President—Armand Escalante, Vice-President—Ed Otoupalik, Secretary—Audrey Barnden, and Treasurer—Ken Barrabee. The 1997 Board of Directors are: Bill Bustamante, Anita Delfs, Amador Martinez, Angel Ochoa and Doris Sneddon.

The Club has been busy with 1997 intra-club tournaments, with the following winners:

*Singles:*

Men—Angel Ochoa

Women—Doris Sneddon

*Doubles:* Men—Armand Escalante & Raul Perez; Women, Doris Sneddon & Pauline Escalante

Oxnard-Joslyn celebrated the Club's Anniversary Tournament on February 22.

*The results are:*

1. Art Christman, Bud and Stephanie Viard

2. Ed Weston, Joe and Thelma Duran

3. Bill Patrizzi, Sam and Mary DeLisle.

Many of our members have participated in and enjoyed out-of-club tournaments.

*Ladies Skip at Santa Anita*

2nd place Bill and Marilyn Taschek

4th place Raul Perez and Doris Sneddon

*Pomona Triples*

Amador Martinez, Armand Escalante and George Love finished second on the B green.

*Veteran-Novice (MacKenzie Park):* Amador Martinez and George Love were 3rd in the qualifying round.

*Novice-Singles (Santa Anita):*

Bill Scott placed third.

**CASTA DEL SOL***By Al Dassoff*

Our Valentine party was a huge success. We had 50 members attending, 28 participating in lawn bowling in the afternoon. We had four sets of triples and one doubles. Finishing first was the triples team of Tom Trainor, Marie Mooney and John Hirons. Second was doubles team of Omer Phoenix and Lew Passon. Al Dassoff, Ralston Bates, and Jim Pritchard finished third.

Alice Quick passed away in late February. She was one of our better bowlers and

**FRIENDLY VALLEY***By Bob Innis*

The entire community was invited to our green on Sunday, March 9th. The occasion was a match between Neil & Agnes McInnes and two of our top bowlers, Cor & Thea Verkoelen.

The day began with the raising of the flag by our Friendly Valley Patriettes, the singing of the National Anthem by Terese Visser, and an invitation to guests to try rolling a few bowls before the match. The turnout was good and, hopefully, we will pick up a few prospective bowlers from this group.

The marquee event was a good, close match. The official scorekeeper became so involved that he made a mistake in scoring and the match ended with no one certain who actually won. Our thanks to the McInnes's for being the stars of this event, and welcome them back at any time.

Our President has been very busy since taking office and intends to keep us on our toes all year. What with a Sunday evening get-together every month, visitations and club tournaments, we will have a busy season.

Valley League has begun. We started at the bottom and have been trying to work towards the top. As of mid-March, we have a one point lead. Now, if our teeth are sharp enough and can only hold on.

It is good to see that Leisure World (Laguna Hills) is making good use of Len Hollreiser and his artistic abilities. We all miss him and are happy to see that his talents are not being wasted. Keep going, Len.

gave generously of her time, instructing new bowlers and numerous other volunteer duties.

March 10th was fun day. We invited 7 other clubs to join us. Altogether, we had 48 bowlers. The morning winners were: 1. W. Ziegenbein, C. Glaser and A. Odenath; 2. D. Lloyd, A. Gillespie and D. Marvin; 3. (a tie) M. Majer, B. Brown, M. Mooney and T. Trainor, B. McCowan and N. Brown. Afternoon winners were: 1. R. Hall, L. Bayes, and S. Marshall; 2. B. Bayes, B. McCowan, and D. Wilcox; 3. J. Mooney, B. Brown and D. Mornim;

**SANTA MARIA***By Frank Holmes*

Our 1997 bowling year began with a new slate of officers under the leadership of President Bill Paulsen and Vice President Ethel Rice.

Our list of tournaments has been expanded to provide one every month (how fortunate we are to live here with gorgeous weather on the Central Coast of California). Australian Pairs, Veteran-Novice and Mixed Singles have been added. Tournament chairperson, Phyllis Seifert, has energetically promoted the events and so far this year the Australian Pairs, Stevenson Rinks and Mixed Triples have been well attended and managed. Our novices have bowled remarkably well, as Phyllis Serfert comments: "This is a tribute to the quality of our newcomers and the quality of the instruction they received."

"Bowler of the Year" award was presented to Linda Graham at our Christmas Meeting. John Maine and Phyllis Seifert won fine plump turkeys at our November Turkey Shoot, with Esther Andrews and Bob Hammond awarded Cornish Hens as consolation prizes.

Three of our "old timers" are ailing and may not be as active again. Billy Achiu, Bob Hammond and Arthur Albertoni are all well known among the clubs in our area and are highly regarded as accomplished bowlers.

The new Mixed Singles tournament to take place next September should be most interesting, as it will pit the men against the ladies to see who triumphs as the best in the club.

*In Memoriam  
Kenneth Eranio*

4. Jerome and Majer.

We had a big St. Patrick's Day party with 48 members for a pot luck dinner, preceded by bowling with 24 participating. First place went to Warren Ziegenbein, Don Lloyd and Mildred Parker; 2. Duncan White, Herb Eastland, and Vic Christensen; 3. Al Dassoff, Jim Pritchard and Nancy Tong.

For outstanding service in maintaining our greens, we presented plaques to Warren Ziegenbein and John Parker.

*In Memoriam  
Alice Quick*

## Casa Colina Tournament

The 18th Annual Casa Colina Benefit Tournament, held on March 29, at the Pomona LBC, had perfect conditions. The greens were in good shape, the weather was perfect, and 32 triples teams filled the rinks.

Present were four participants in the Wheel Chair Sports Program at the Hospital. Andy Houghton, one of the four and Head of the Hospital's Sports Program, talked briefly about Wheel Chair sports. His emphasis was how revenue generated from this lawn bowling tournament helped young, disabled people discover there is life, fun and competition even though one is in a wheel chair. Andy presented a montage of action shots of wheel chair sports activity to the Club. In return the Club presented checks totaling \$1,790 to Andy for the Program. This amount of money was the highest total in the Tournament history.

*Below: Casa Colina's Andy Houghton, Head of the Hospital's Wheel Chair Sports Program, rolls out the 18th Annual event's first bowl.*



*Above: Pomona's Hugh Freeman presents a \$1,790 check to Casa Colina's Andy Houghton, as Ed Ramirez approves. The amount was the highest total in the tournament's 18 year history.*

In the Tournament, after three games, seven teams had gone undefeated.

*On the South Green*—three game winners were: 1. Ed Quo, Bob Nunes and Anne Cheney; 2. Tom Best, Dan Snyder and Dave Snyder; 3. Hugh Freeman, Ed Ramirez and Helen Hansen.

*On the North Green*—three game winners were: 1. Fred Robinson, Russ Compton and Marian Compton; 2. Kathy Sloan, Jim Coates and Ken Patterson; 3. Bob Forgit, Terry Collins and Pat Scott; 4. Carl Henrich, June Burns and Mary Jane Henrich.

Fred Robinson's team was the overall winner of the Tournament.

Luncheon was provided through the generosity of O.H. Kruse Grain and Milling Co., of Ontario, CA. Prizes for participants were furnished by Pomona Club members and numerous merchants and businesses. These included: Los Angeles Dodgers, L.A. County Fair Association, Casa Colina Hospital, Stater Bros. Market, Sees Candies, Candlelight Pavilion, Raging Waters, Knotts Berry Farm, Wirtz Candies, and Sea World in San Diego.

## JOSLYN LAKE HODGES

*By Don Docker*

Our annual membership meeting in mid-December featured the election of officers for '97. After a lay-off of a year, Mike Michalek is back at the helm, assisted by Bill Kagan as "vee pee."

One week earlier, our annual awards luncheon took place. This year it was at a different location, namely the San Marcos Country Club in Lake San Marcos area.

This was a little more centrally located for most of the members. The food, service and surroundings were all extremely good and everyone enjoyed the occasion. All the ladies went home with a really nice Poinsettia plant which had served to decorate the tables.

1997 at Lake Hodges came in with a splash rather than a bang. Although we didn't actually become part of the lake, our greens felt rather like walking on jello at

## BAWLING AT THE GROVES

*By #One Crybaby*

We have ANOTHER lady champion here at the Groves. Congratulations to Shirley Martin, winner of our 1996 Club Novice championship (bowed in early '97). The final four bowlers included: runner-up Harold Wiberg, Bill Denison and Paul Young...all equally fine new bowlers.

On March 15th, we held our Groves Invitational Triples. There were seven or eight "top gun" teams in the competition, and I counted at least five National Team Members on the green. The winners were Pat Fagan and Sam & Mary DeLisle, down from the Santa Barbara area.



*Groves Invitational Triples victors: (l-r) Pat Fagan, Mary DeLisle and Sam DeLisle.*

By the time you read this we will be bowling at 4 p.m. on Sundays. Put on your "whites" and come and join us.

It's "Off the Chest Time". Question: "Is the aftergame handshake needed?" I think not. Although winners seem to enjoy a good shake, think about us losers. We have just been trounced, or worse yet—beaten on the last bowl (by a lucky triple-wick, what else!). Or, for the third time that day been clobbered. The last thing you want to see is happy face extending his ugly paw, waiting for congratulations.

Me, personally? I'm just a POOR LOSER.

*Mad Dog*

times. However, we did manage to get in the odd day of bowling between showers. Now, thank goodness, they have at last dried out.

We look forward to the '97 bowling season with anticipation.

Our visitation with Oaks North has already been played and arrangements are under way for a visit from the "Aussies." This will be the third year we have been privileged to play host to our "Cobbers" from down under.

## SOUTHWEST DIVISION

## CAL STATE RINKS PLAYDOWN

By Stu Sistad

The qualifying round for the Southwest Division's half of the California State Rinks (fours) Championship was played at two venues—Riverside and MacKenzie Park—on March 22nd. The four best at each location met on April 6th, at MacKenzie, to determine who would represent the Southwest Division vs PIMD's best quartet for the State title in September.

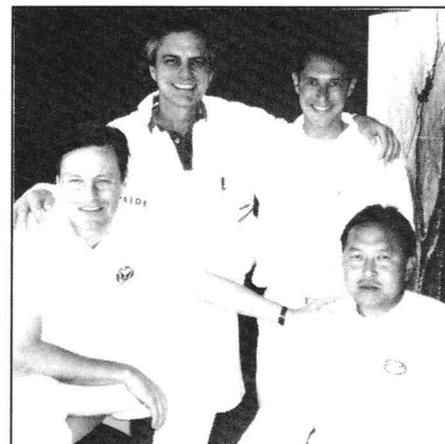
Qualifying was tough and the Finals were very competitive simply because there were many very good players on the green.

The eight finalist teams (by qualifying rank):

1. Isaacman, Sherman, Meyerowitz, Sistad
2. Robbie, Santini, Bright, Mastro
3. Furman, Ho, Phillips, Siddall
4. Graham, Cole, Talt, Shimonishi
5. Grimmert, Roberts, Bloom, Viard
6. Sacks, Siegman, Todes, Stubis
7. Kennedy, Pickup, Wiles, Dion
8. Erickson, Indvick, Farnsworth, Hempe

Final Four:

1. Neil Furman's "Dream Team"
2. Jim Graham and his "Crackers"
3. Mert Isaacman's "Workaholics"
4. Lloyd Kennedy's "Fearsome Foursome"



The California Dreamers captured the Southwest half of the California State Rinks: (L) Neil Furman, Ian Ho, Michael Siddall, Michael Ashton-Phillips.

## MURRAY-ALLISON SINGLES

By Stu Sistad

The qualifying rounds of the Murray-Allison Singles in mid-February were played at two locations: MacKenzie Park and Riverside. Objective of the split field of players was to attract more entrants from northern clubs by reducing their travel expenses. The finals were held at Riverside one week later.

The results were encouraging. We had 12 northern entries this year versus just two in 1996. On the other hand, our central and southern entries were down by five, from 37 to 32. Nonetheless, our net gain for the annual event was five, all as a result of the north region addition.

It appears that the regional concept works and that, if we build on it next year

(perhaps include a south regional as well), we can return to the 64+ days that were typical in years past.

The "Sweet 16" (survivors of the regionals):

### MURRAY

Jim Graham, Michael Ashton-Phillips, Neil Furman, Bob Hill, Ed Quo, Ian Ho, Bob Forget, Ralph Ryan.

### ALLISON

Dave Grimmert, Larry MacDonald, Dick Simon, Simon Meyerowitz, Ivan Hyland, Barry Pickup, Bob Lippman, Jim Walker.

### THE WINNERS:

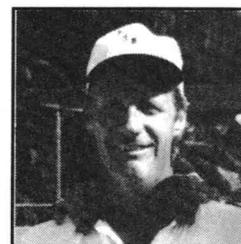
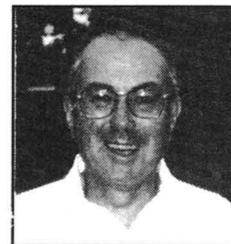
#### MURRAY

1. Jim Graham, 2. Bob Hill
3. Neil Furman, 4. Ian Ho

#### ALLISON

1. Dave Grimmert, 2. Dick Simon,
3. Simon Meyerowitz, 4. Bob Lippman

Right:  
Just call him  
"Mr. Murray".  
Jim Graham  
won 1997's  
top honors.



Left:  
Dave Grimmert  
was #1 man on  
the Allison side.

## OAKS NORTH

(San Diego)

By Joan Klein

The new Board for 1997 was unanimously elected at the Annual Meeting in December. Officers for 1997 are: Charlie Fullerton-President, Walt Selufsky-V. President, Joan Klein-Secretary, Esther Schoenberg-Treasurer, and Directors Wilma George, Len Rapoport and Jack Tripp.

Two special Club tournaments were held last fall. In September, the Club Championship (a two-day event) was won by Irwin Drut, followed by Paul Rotter,

Doris Pecora and Bob Lute. In November, the Gulbrandsen Triples was held during some chilly and blustery weather. The top team, winning all three games, was composed of Jack Tripp, Clarence Wilkinson and Bob George. Runners up were: 2nd—Ev Griffith, Paul Harford and Charlotte Hamilton; 3rd—Sunny Forbess, Milt and Norma Hirsch; and 4th—Charlie Fullerton, Margy Harford and Wilma George.

We welcome the return of Don and Dee Campbell to our club, and we also have three new associate members, John

Fetty, and Bob and Fran Nelson.

Colored attire brightened the rinks for the special tournaments the club held in celebration of both Valentine's Day and St. Pat's. The arrival of spring was also celebrated in April with a dinner held at our Community Center.

In January, Oaks North lost two devoted members, Doris Pecora and Frank Dylewski. Doris and husband Ferd were very active in Club affairs, and Frank, in addition to so many contributions, also served two terms as Club President.

In Memoriam  
Frank Dylewski  
Doris Pecora

## ALBA &amp; AWLBA'S

## SWD VETERAN-NOVICE PAIRS

By Stu Sistad

The ALBA-AWLBA co-sponsored Veteran-Novice Pairs Tournament this year was a major success thanks to all the help we had from our club Tournament Directors and Presidents.

A total of sixty-five teams entered at the four regional locations, with the best four from each venue advancing to the Finals at Pasadena one week later.

The skill level of the Novice players was not much short of astounding, and for that credit must go to the club instructors. We must have some very good people out there who are working very hard to bring these new people along. The results (veterans listed at left):

## REGIONAL PLAYDOWNS

MacKenzie Park

1. Pat Fagan & Duane Aasted
2. Tom Dion & Hugh Findley
3. A. Martinez & George Love
4. Bill McDonald & Seymour Hirsh

Pasadena

1. Stu Sistad & Jim Walker
2. Arnie Mortenson & Bob Hill
3. Helman Todes & Tal Stubis
4. Michael Siddall & Miller Newlon

Laguna Beach

1. Bill Harper & Nata Tubone
2. Simon Meyerowitz & Fred Baker
3. Dotti Panacek & Ken Buckley
4. Ann Tejada & Reikie Kramer

Lake Hodges

1. Jim Olson & Chuck Cooper
2. Carl Henrich & Dean Perry
3. Paul Rotter & Guido Chandler
4. Bob Forget & Pat Scott

## FINALS

1. Stu Sistad & Jim Walker
2. Bob Hill & Jim Hill
3. Tom Dion & Hugh Findley
4. Jim Olson & Chuck Cooper

## SANTA BARBARA

By Dudley Miller

Our local tournament schedule for 1997 includes a couple of significant changes. The SBLBC has assumed sponsorship of the Boyles Triples Tournament that has been sponsored previously by the SWD. The Boyles Triples is one of the big four tournaments bowled in Santa Barbara (including two at MacKenzie Park) over the busy Labor Day weekend.

Also added to this year's tournament schedule is the newly constituted "British Cup." This new tourney, to be bowled on May 26, is sponsored by a admirable group of our British members, headed by Peter and Jean Hand, and is to be played using the Australian Pairs 2-4-2 format. Both Santa Barbara and MacKenzie Park LBC bowlers are eligible to participate.

Our first two club tournaments for 1997 were dominated by novice bowlers Emily and Duane Aasted. Duane won the Novice Singles title in January, and then

combined with wife Emily to win the Novice Doubles in February. Second and third places in the Novice Singles went to Hershel Wright and Jim Stahl, respectively, while second and third places in the Novice Pairs went to the teams of Jim Stahl/Peter Hand and Lisa Taylor/Jan Richards. In March, the Jack Furman Mixed Pairs Tournament winning teams were: 1. Leo & Pearl Howe, 2. Gib Gibbs & Irene Furman, and 3. Art Christman & Dita Joseph.

Saddened to report the passing of SBLBC Life Members Louise and Lionel "Bud" Weiss.

Plans are being formulated for a gala celebration of the SBLBC's 60th birthday in May. Pearl Howe has outlined some exciting preliminary planning of appropriate festivities to properly observe this significant milestone in the club's history.

*In Memoriam  
Louise and Lionel "Bud" Weiss*

## LONG BEACH

By Ann Kirchberg

Starting off the new year with beautiful weather, we are happily honing our skills out on the green. Our club members did very well in the following tournaments:

*Pomona Triples:* Dick Cole, Pat Gonzales and Sam Yoshimi took 2nd place.

*Kay Harland Triples (at Sun City):* Naomi Ruderman, Patsy Morgan and Katy Stone took 3rd place. *Veteran-Novice Pairs (Pasadena regional):* Stu Sistad and Jim Walker finished #1.

On March 16th, we had our St. Patrick's celebration. There was a large turnout of bowlers decked out in their best greenery. Sure and begorra, we had a lot of fun. I think the Leprechauns cast a spell over our president, Pat Gonzales, who, pixilated by the occasion, came up with an innovative, completely off-the-wall bowling game, much too involved to go into here. If you would like the particulars, ask Pat! We all got caught up in the enchantment of the game and became more bewitched, bothered and bewildered as play ensued. Anyway, we all had lots of fun playing the game and six-packs of Guinness Stout went to the two winning teams.

After the play, we had a repast of corned beef sandwiches and wonderful side dishes from our club members. Our quintessential hostess was Freddie Hinson, with lots of help from Hazel Green, Pat Flagg, Dorothy Wotring and Brooksie Silva. Also, Bill Fowler lent his generous support in the clean-up department. A really fun day.

## ALHAMBRA

By Alice Lawrence

We are sad to report that the Founder and first President of the Alhambra LBC, Jim Bartow, passed away in his New York home in January.

The Club presented pens to Joanne, Jim and Bill for the great fourth annual lunch and tournament tribute to their mother, Claire Sallenbach. Stunning trophies were awarded to Peggy Foot, Betty Barnett, Nancy Trask, Carl Lawrence, Al Browne and Fred Robinson.

*In Memoriam  
Jim Bartow*

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It seems appropriate at this time to say that the future in our division is fraught with "Great Expectations". Start with our new arrangement with Secure Horizons, which brings us more sponsored tournaments, augmented prize money, open house parties, and more publicity to help spur our drive for new members. Then, there is a good possibility of developing a new lawn bowling club at Petaluma. Add to all that the decision of the P.I.M.D. Board to extend financial support to all clubs. It sounds like a win-win combination.

The P.I.M.D. Board members decided unanimously to extend to Leon Sullivan their sincere appreciation for all he has done for the Fresno Lawn Bowling club and for the P.I.M.D. It is our fervent hope that in the near future the Fresno club report will again appear in this magazine.

The "Greens Care" discussion at Rossmoor, conducted by Steve Caulkins, underscores our desire to improve all of our greens. Measures will be taken as necessary and the results evaluated later this year.

## Special People Sydney & Gertrude Whittingslow

Sydney and Gertrude Whittingslow have been familiar faces on the greens, competing in Division and National Opens since they joined the San Francisco club in 1974.

Syd was on the team that won the Open Triples in 1981 and 1986, and was runner-up in 1990. In 1981, he was on the team that won the State Triples and State Fours, and he won the P.I.M.D. Playdowns for the U.S. Singles. Gertrude has made a name for herself, winning in the U.S. Pairs Playdowns in 1982, and made the playoffs in Hawaii the only time it was held there.



*Gertrude and Syd Whittingslow*

English by birth, Syd and Gertrude were married just before the start of World War II, at which time Syd served six years in the British Navy. After the war, they migrated to San Francisco in 1947. Golf was their game until Syd retired and they became hopelessly hooked on lawn bowling.

The Whittingslows have held various division offices: Gertrude as P.I.M.D. Councilor in 1986-87, and on the Review Board in 1990-91. Syd was Assistant Secretary-Treasurer of P.I.M.D. in 1981. For the past several years, Gertrude has served as Sunshine Chairman for the SFLBC. We salute you, Gertrude and Sydney, for your contributions to the world of bowls.

## RICHMOND

*By Bob Scott*

It is with a heavy heart I report that the Richmond Club has lost four long time members. William and Ruth Miller passed away in a relatively short time of each other. James "Scotty" Villers, a great bowler and an official umpire, died after a long illness. And, William "Uncle Bill" Fewins, our last charter member, passed away just 12 days short of his 97th birthday.

After all that sadness we need a little levity. The following was submitted by member Winnie Stewart:

Here's the **Story of Bowling**, I think you'll agree, starting with A and ending with Z.

A is for the **All** of us, all bowlers I mean  
 B is for the **Bowls** we have on the green  
 C is for the **Clubs**, in which we take pride  
 D is for the **Draw**, whether narrow or wide  
 E is for the **Everything**, that bowling stands for  
 F is for the **Friendships**, that mean more and more  
 G is for the **Games**, in which we take part  
 H is for the **Hope**, that we have in our heart  
 I is for the **Improvement**, we all have in mind  
 J is for the **Jack**, that is so hard to find  
 K is for the **Kindness**, we find everywhere  
 L is for the **Laughter**, filling the air  
 M is for the **Memories**, cherished and sweet  
 N is for the **Noontime's**, when we visit and eat  
 O is for the **Odds**, sometimes good, sometimes bad  
 P is for the **Parties**, and good times we've had  
 Q is for the **Quarters**, we pay through the week  
 R is for the **Rivalry**, that stays at its peak  
 S is for the **Score**, that brings a sigh or a grin  
 T is for the **Trophies**, we all hope to win  
 U is for the **Unity**, that all of us treasure  
 V is for the **Visitors**, that bring so much pleasure  
 W is for the **Wonder**, of bowling each day  
 X is for the **X-cellence**, of the games that we play  
 Y is for the **Youth**, that we've all repossessed  
 Z is for the **Zeal**, and for the **Zip**, and the **Zest**.

## SANTA CLARA

By Russ Biltoft

The first club tournament of 1997 was held Feb. 15th. We had five rinks of mixed pairs playing two 14-end games, followed by a delicious pot-luck lunch. First place was won by Phyllis Mills and George Dolfin. Second place was a tie between the teams of Ann Maron/Russ Biltoft and Tecla Shepard/Harvey McFalls. A dinner of corned beef and cabbage followed.

Our green is in good condition and is rolling well, thanks to our greens committee. All club members have been sent a schedule of tournaments and social events for the first part of 1997. Members are urged to plan to participate in as many events as possible.

We have had very nice weather in February and March, and are looking forward to the resumption of evening bowling when Daylight Saving starts and warmer weather encourages our members to bowl under the lights. Plan to join us as often as you can.

## SAN JOSE

By Bob Van Wingerdam

Reporting from the fastest green in the entire Bay area. We've had a very good year with few days of no bowling. Our recently completed Mansfield Memorial Mixed Triples Tournament was a great competition! Most P.I.M.D. clubs were represented, some by more than one team.

The results are as follows: **First game winner** was the Leisure Town team of Peggy Johnston, Don Johnston and George Steebler. **Second game winners:** San Francisco's Arnie Barros, Alex Reid and Rob Pawlak. **The Overall winner** was the Leisure Town team, with second place going to Oakmont's Charles Mesow, Tina Foster and Kappy Njus. I think I can say

## Special People

### Eric Walden

Many members of the Berkeley LBC have rendered special services above and beyond the call of duty. But few can equal the time, dedication and know-how contributed by Eric Walden.



Eric Walden

A member since 1980, Eric has been actively involved in keeping our greens in bowlable condition. After learning the rudiments of lawn care from Win Sisson and the instructions of Dr. Edgar Haley,

Eric has been in charge of our greens for several years—and acted as advisor to the greens chairman for a few more years.

He was the one who monitored and ordered the needed supplies of sand, fertilizer and such sprays as we were allowed to use. He was the one who scouted around for machinery and spare parts for equipment as needed. Eric was voted our "Special Achievement Award" a few years ago. He was Club President in 1989, and served on the Board of Directors.

Now, and during the last couple of years, Eric has been the genial emcee at our monthly birthday parties. His Swedish jokes have become a tradition at these parties.

Eric and his "present" wife, Helen, celebrated their golden anniversary last November and renewed their wedding vows.

Our congratulations and very best wishes to you both!



Combatants in San Jose's annual Mansfield Memorial Mixed Triples.

with authority that everyone had a good time. Special thanks to all of the people behind the scenes who helped out to make all this possible.

With Opening day behind us, we are preparing for the coming season. Club tournaments are being scheduled and everyone is jockeying for position. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all those

club "rocks"—the people who selflessly contribute to the running of our club (and yours, too), who year after year continue to give of themselves. People like the Foresters, the Pattisons, Sherron Jo. And Earl, a real pearl. Special thanks to Murray for the great job he has done to keep this unique club going. And I know it ain't been easy.

## OAKLAND

By June Beitelspacher

We started 1997 with the second annual six-week OLCB Winter League Tournament. Twelve triples teams from Oakland, Berkeley and Rossmoor bowling clubs participated. The tournament consisted of eleven round-robin matches so that each team played every other team once. First place winners are: Paul Schmidt, Glen Godfrey and John Russell. **Second:** Andre Banares, Ricardo Ruiz, Harry Oh. **Third:**

Jerry Ridley, Paul Mansfield, Hugo DaSilva. **Fourth:** Keith Brooks, Charlie Black, Elmer Moss.

We enjoyed a delicious Chinese dinner catered by our new member, John Yen, on February 27th. We will look forward to more of them in the future.

We hosted an OPEN HOUSE on Sunday, April 6th, from 1 to 5 p.m. Bowlers from other P.I.M.D. clubs were

invited for an afternoon of social bowling. One of our three greens was reserved for demonstrations and lessons for interested future bowlers. More about this event in the next issue.

Our intra-club matches began recently with Ladies Pairs. We hosted the P.I.M.D. Opening Day on March 22nd.

*In Memoriam*  
Al DaSilva  
Mike Meiklejohn  
Henry Benkiser  
Helen Thurston

## SAN FRANCISCO

By Victoria DiLabbio Giambruno

The sun shone brightly on San Francisco, and the Opening Day/St. Patrick's celebration promised to be not only a double-header, but a triple-header. The Publicity/Membership committee, headed by Robb Pawlak and Carol Houston, had worked hard to publicize this event. The public was invited to see our bowlers in action and to participate actively. One entire balloon-festooned green was reserved for instructing interested visitors in lawn bowling. Flyers were to be handed out at an information table, with oral explanation to create interest in bowling.

But you guessed it! The rains came! But that did not deter our members from having a good time at the fabulous luncheon (corned beef, of course) served up by Angelo Mazza and Hattie Bahrt. About seven dedicated visitors stuck it out in the rain, taking lessons from past-president Bill Campbell and coach Henry Leigh.

At the quarterly meeting, recently installed president Arnald Barros invited discussion on the interpretation of the By-Laws, with respect to the privileges and limitations of Associate members. Opinions were expressed but no changes will be made. Carol Houston was elected to fill the vacant office of Assistant Secretary.



Above: Frisco's Publicity and Membership Committee: (l-r) Chairman Robert Pawlak, SFLBC President Arnald Barros, Victoria Giambruno, Co-Chair Carol Houston and Marion Norberg.

Right: Past-president Bill Campbell instructs a group of prospects just before the rains came.

President Barros informed members that from May 8-11, the Croquet Club would be allowed the use of our greens.

Betty Blue announced that the Fresno Lawn Bowling Club had withdrawn from the P.I.M.D. Al Diniz noted that all clubs were invited to send in names from which list will be selected the ten best bowlers to compete in the CAN-AM West Tournament in Edmonton next June.

Under new business, Jim Smutz asked the club members to consider the pros and cons of establishing itself as a non-profit



organization, which would allow the club to accept donations while a benefactor was still alive. This would allow the donor certain tax benefits. After a lengthy discussion, the matter was tabled to allow time for further study.

*In Memoriam  
Frank Hall*

## PALO ALTO

By Ed Arnold

Celebrated our club's 64th birthday on March 27th. It all started way back in 1953! A newspaper article of that year stated: "First steps in the organization of the Palo Alto Lawn Bowls Club were taken yesterday afternoon when Mrs. John Arnott was elected President at the Community House meeting...thirty-three charter members were signed up...a membership fee of \$5 a year was voted in...it was estimated by A. James, an engineer, that the proposed bowling green, including a wire fence surrounding it, could be constructed for \$500, exclusive of labor." Try doing that today!

It was good to see Margo Lockhart, a charter member and widow of Sandy Lockhart, a top tournament bowler of past years, present at our recent Christmas Party. She looked fit enough to do some bowling herself!

Our green had its first renovation of the year in April. It's looking better and better all the time.. like a soft carpet! Our Intraclub tournaments have started. Good-sized numbers are participating, and that's good. Interclub games had the team of Joel and Jeff Stearn taking the runner-up spot in the San Jose LBC Winter League. Andre Banares and partner, Shirley Lyons

(Rossmoor), came in third. The most improved member of our club, John Hickson, was just married (on the same day this issue of BOWLS Magazine was put in the mail) in England, where he will visit for awhile before returning here.

Our Esme Krobusek is President of the PIMD this year, so she's really busy now.

Pauline Liebovitz established a record by winning her 8th Club Women's Singles title last year.

Something new for us: The Palo Alto Park and Recreation Dept. is sponsoring two separate lawn bowling instruction classes on our green. They'll each run three weeks, on Wednesdays and Thursdays, starting June 18th and July 17th. The City plans to collect a fee like they do for other classes, and our club will receive a percentage of it for supplying the instructors. It will be interesting to see how this comes out.

A friend told us this: "If you're in your 60s, don't move to a retirement home because everybody there is in their 70s, 80s, or 90s...and whenever something has to be done, moved, lifted, loaded, repaired or cleaned, they always yell: "Get the kid!"

*In Memoriam  
Mabel Johnson*

**OAKMONT***By Harry Hunter*

This past November, December, and January we have been bowling on the dormant Bermuda surface of our renovated green. It was pretty bumpy and left a lot to be desired, but was adequate enough for our bowling-starved members to use for a couple of tournaments and daily draws. Now that the stolons are ready to sprout for the first spring of its growth, we have again discontinued bowling to allow it to get a good start on its turf-building chores. Our greens committee and their agronomist consultants will tell us when it will be safe to resume bowling activities.

In the meantime, a St. Patricks Day Luncheon celebration was arranged on March 17th. Our members brought assorted salads, soups, breads and deserts, while Leprechaun Punch and Irish Coffee was served at Oakmont's East Recreational Facility. Social events will have to do the best that they can to fill in for the bowling for a while longer.

Elsie Frankenfield has set up a schedule of Home & Home tournaments for 1997. She asked all of the participating clubs to offer their tournaments in the first part of the year and have ours later on when our turf is strong enough to support them. Our opening tournament will be away at Leisure Town, in Vacaville, on April 7th. Everyone wants to go, of course, so Elsie will have to use all of her diplomacy in deciding who will be selected for the teams. Whomever they are, we all wish them good luck and good bowling.

**SANTA CRUZ***By John Williams*

Our green is gradually recovering from the effects of Roundup, applied to rid it of the weed infestation that had built up over the long period during which no herbicides were permitted. With warmer weather, the recovery is accelerating and we expect to have the best green that we have had for some years to be ready in time for the Friendship Comes. The green is considerably faster than in previous years, due to the use of a mower incorporating a heavier roller for the first time.

Ex-President Bill Kather won the 1996 Ray Johnson Club



*Some of the bowlers in Santa Cruz's Home Savings Tournament.*

**DEL MESA CARMEL***By Thomas W. McLaughlin*

The weather has smiled upon us here in Carmel since the new year began. Enjoying it are our 1997 Officers, consisting of: Hewitt Clark, Harry Smith, Bob Moore, Milt Kegley, and myself. Occasionally our women participate, but not as often as we would like.

The San Jose Invitational in late-February was attended by a triples team consisting of Don Moseley, Emery Wanless and Bob Moore. Also, our Tournament Committee has established local competitions for us in April, June and August. Under discussion is an Invitational on September 13 or October 18.

Last October, we were contacted by the Sussex Martlets Touring Team, requesting play with us in the coming September. As of February 26th, a fax communique placed their numbers at 20/25 members so far. Hopefully, it will soon reach fruition. As an added note, on Saturdays, now, we are entertaining Peter Baker from the bowls club of Brisbane, Queensland. He is indeed a jolly fellow.

It may be of interest to some clubs that our President had maps of Bay Area bowls clubs laminated for use during invitationals.

We bowl every day at 1p.m., except Sunday and Monday. Visitors are welcome any day, but preferably call Mike McLaughlin (408) 626-6745 or George Agner at (408) 626-1190.

Singles Championship by default when Woody Maunder's hip decided it had had enough and wouldn't cooperate. Woody will be having surgery soon. We all wish him a speedy recovery and an early return to the green.

A good half of our membership participated in our first Pairs Draw Tournament in March. Prizes were won by Erica Schilling, Ralph

Brailsford, Elly Maunder and Stephen Cooper. The high turnout was in part due to the lovely spring weather and also perhaps as a tribute to our improved green.

**BERKELEY***By Howard Mackey*

Work has been advancing on installation of surface drains on our south green and we hope it is back in service soon. Berkeley is hosting a number of bowling tournaments and we need to have it in top shape soon.

Besides working on the greens we have a new roof on our clubhouse and on the mat house. Winter rains showed replacement was necessary and we were able to get it done quickly. The first work party concentrated on the south area and did a good job of pulling weeds, trimming hedges, removing debris, and cleaning the

ditch—all 480 feet of it. We are fortunate there are so many willing volunteers among the membership to keep our grounds in beautiful shape. Bill Gubser, Helen Owsley and Ted Culliver often don't bowl, but plant flowers, cut grass and pull weeds around the garden area. What would bowling clubs do without members such as these?

Birthday parties remain the big last Friday of the month event at Berkeley. The January BD had nearly one hundred members in attendance and February almost the same number.

In bowling events, we have had a Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day

games. Members enjoy these special draw games. The '96 intraclub competition is going to be completed in March and results given in the next issue of BOWLS.

Club Directors voted to have bowling every day of the week and are deciding on colored shirts for interclub competition. They have made Junior memberships available as well as Associate, Dual, and Novice.

Writing of members, Berkeley may have the oldest and youngest bowlers in PIMD, with Charles Warner at 97 and Danny Tompos at 13.

*In Memoriam  
Ella Collier*

## LEISURE TOWN

*By Joe Cross*

More than once during the January rains our green resembled a trout pond. But it was usable in February and March. As we went to press, a ten day closure was scheduled for repairs.

As we write this we're not really into our '97 season, but are making preparations for it and enjoying some social events. In January members relished an evening that began with punch and hors d'oeuvres, followed by a meal of pizza, salad, ice cream and cookies. Sincere thanks to our new president, Ed Klein, and his wife, Hulda, who hosted this event.

Our Valentine's Day potluck dinner brought out 44 members to partake of a wide variety of delicious food, with ice cream and cookies for dessert. Thanks

much to food donors and to Ruby Martin and her helpers, whose efforts insured the success of the evening.

On March 17th, Eva and John Hoekman, ably assisted by Anna and Gordon Dickman and Jane and Stan Mitchell, prepared and served an excellent dinner of corned beef and cabbage with all the trimmings. Decor consisting of shamrocks and leprechauns, the general display, and wearing of the green all created the appropriate atmosphere for the occasion. Any profits realized went to our club. Many thanks to the Hoekmans, Dickmans and Mitchells.

New schedules and rules of play were posted on our bulletin boards after our March quarterly meeting. At the meeting, a new tournament, "The Phil Moehr Mixed Triples Draw", was added to our

schedule. Phil is an honorary member of the L.T. club, which he joined in 1964. He has served as its president four times and was president of PIMD in 1971.

He and his wife Edith, both almost 93, attend our social functions regularly, and will observe their 73rd wedding anniversary in September. They have always been active in civic affairs, and were accorded the honor of being Grand Marshalls of Vacaville's Fiesta Days parade in 1983. For this and other reasons they were featured in the Summer 1983 Bowls Magazine. Phil stops by the green quite regularly to observe the skills his former proteges have attained, and occasionally spells some of us who poop out before the game ends.

I'm sure we'll be able to report later that the inception of this added event was a great success.

## ROSSMOOR

*By Frank Ransome*

Maria Feeney, President, has announced a policy of: "IT MUST BE FUN". She quickly adds, "MORE FUN", because most of us have been enjoying ourselves. We will not vary the social calendar that started with the President's Cocktail Party on March 21st—then Memorial Day, 4th of July and Labor Day fun tournaments and hot dog lunches. There is a big summer barbeque and the Awards Dinner in December.

Maria and Jessica Kinninger, Brown-Bag chairpersons, have been talking because those who missed the Valentines' Day Brown-Bag Luncheon found little love notes in our lockers. We always have ice cream on the last Saturday of the month when Virginia Sternberg hosts the Birthday Lunch.

The effort to make the game more enjoyable has extended to the green with our monthly Fun/Social tournament and wine party. There has also been an attempt to get the Skips to lighten up, and Shirley Cam teaches a class in Tournament Bowling for those who want to know more and act better. We will have ten home and home games again this year under the direction of Bernie Pomeroy and Bill McDonald. It's fun to visit other clubs even if we do sometimes get beaten.

The newspaper writing chores are being served by a committee. Tay Wheeler, Ruth Gillard, Marie Klos, Jessica Kinninger and Jed Crane have all had something good to say in the local paper.

Rossmoor hosts two large invitational tournaments each year. Our Parker Robb tournament is supported by the car dealership it is named for, and everyone knows that we honor Orville Artist at his tournament in late October. If you have your whites and are in the area, stop by, give us a call and come on over. #510-937-1765.

## SUNNYVALE

*By Wes Ireland*

I am back at this job following a bout with viral meningitis last summer. A big "Thank You" to Irene Webster for taking over this column in my absence. We will miss the Websters soon. Jim has taken an engineering job in Colorado for an indefinite time.

Our officers this year are: Jim Warwood-President; longtime member Bob Koeberle is our Treasurer; Jane Herold and Gwen Houston are Directors. New members ready to serve our club are: Cele Fletcher as Vice-president; Jackie Rusch-Secretary; and Audrey Van Lieshout and Al Camp as Directors.

Many newcomers, along with Skip Rice, serve on committees. Not to be overlooked are our old faithful, dependable Anna Tomeo, Stu Shoemaker, Mary Balsama, Al Cancilla, Seb Sacco, Al Rizzo and Joe Shepard...many of whom are holding multiple "jobs". Seb Sacco made and installed much needed bulletin boards.

Our club, like many others, is suffering declining membership. From the new students Joe Shepard and Al Rizzo are coaching, Al has signed six new members: Norman and Irene Nakano, Mas and Betty Oka, and Jim and Colleen Hunt. They are most welcome!

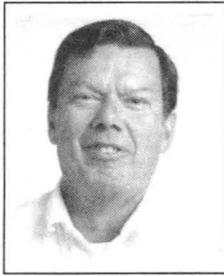
We have also added seven new Associate members: Emma Cancilla, Ginger Lockhart, Nell Rosingana, Jay Warwood, Bill Fletcher, Millie Manfrey and Pete Ringo. To them, a warm welcome.

President Jim Warwood states: "We must exert ourselves to compel, push, exhort, urge, or at least talk somebody into becoming a member of the Sunnyvale L.B.C."

Dorolou Swirsky, one of our original members, has been made an Honorary member.

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## JEFFERSON PARK

(Seattle)

By Hugh Ramsay

Winter is a time when Northwest bears and lawn bowlers retreat to their dens to hibernate and plan for the coming seasons. For Jefferson Park, the months ahead are filled with the usual club play and traditional tournaments.

Brave bowlers tested the waters in the Presidents' Day roll-out. Yardstick was the game and Nancy Nishikawa won high score for women; Bill Craig for men. Ruth Barrett got most fives for women and Roy Scully for men. We had a window of no rain, so we won't mention it.

Besides planning for local events we have to concentrate on 1998, when the Northwest Division hosts the U.S. Championships. Details are in the beginning stage to ensure that there is enough time to cover every element of the tournament. Of prime importance, naturally, is the condition of the greens. Greenskeeper Richard Krueger can be counted on to have them in the best condition possible.

As with every club, maintaining and building membership is of prime importance. At the last semi-annual meeting, President Mario Pereira announced plans for a junior league membership and a "Buddy system" to integrate new members into regular play and club activities. Ed Pina, retired from the Boeing Company, is active in recruiting fellow retirees, and is planning an open house in May for BMA Gold Card members. So we are trying to enlist them from both ends of the age spectrum!

In Memoriam  
Hap Harris

## PORTLAND

By Ken Norris

The Portland Lawn Bowling Club will be getting into the swing of Spring by hosting the ALBA/AWLBA Northwest Division Spring Open May 24-26. The tournament includes Men's and Women's Pairs on the 24th & 25th, and Mixed Pairs on the 26th, Memorial Day.

Last year, the tournament had representatives from most of the NW Division's clubs, and we'll hope to see a few more this year.

In a break from past years, PLBC will host the tournament alone in 1997, as the King City club has decided to sever its involvement with the event.

And, talking about breaking with the past...During its winter meeting, the PLBC Executive Board and Directors voted to sever its ties with the Portland Rose Festival, held each year in early June. The club had received some free publicity as an "officially sanctioned event" of the festival, and held an open house during one weekend of the festival. But the cost to stay a part of the festival, including an increase in insurance premium fees, made the tie prohibitive.

The Executive Board and Directors voted to withdraw from the festival, but the club will continue to hold a public open house during the festival's run and to seek other means of publicity.

The 1997 PLBC Executive Board consists of: Gordon Ringer, President (for the second consecutive year); Larry Edgar, Vice President; Debbie Tupper, Treasurer; and Peggy Roth, Secretary. Directors for the year are Zola Cole, Jim Tupper, and Ken Norris. Gordon Ringer and Dave Rostad are our ALBA delegates, and Debbie Tupper and Jessie Goett are the delegates to the AWLBA.

## SPOKANE

By John Marchi

Despite an ice-storm in November, deep snow in December, intense cold in January and February, and wind and rain in March, the Spokane Lawn Bowling Club has remained active with monthly Hot Stove luncheons.

We are looking forward to getting over to the green to clean up and get our club house and green area in shape for this year's bowling. We plan a replacement of some backboards and an overall painting effort.

Our 1997 President, Lowell Brooks, is ably assisted by Vice-President-Jack Tam; Secretary-Olivia Kissin; Treasurer-Derek Ware; and Members-at-Large: Dick Fitzpatrick, Marianne Speakman, Gerry Honn and Wally Eastwood. The committee chairpersons are: Social-Betty Honn, Tournaments-Dick Fitzpatrick, Greens-Lowell Brooks, and ALBA & Bulletin-John Marchi.

A 1997 club activity agenda was compiled and issued to all members for their attention and the hope for maximum participation this coming year.

The club voted unanimously to donate \$100 to the N.W. District Board, in order to assist with the preparation expenses for the forthcoming U.S. Championships to be held at the Jefferson L.B.C. in 1998.

The club has several sets of "wooden bowls" and the Board has decided to offer two of them for sale. Contact this reporter for more information at 509-838-8731.

We have been notified of the recent death of co-founder Frank Z. Douglas, and we extend our sympathy to wife Helen and family of Riverside, CA, and daughter Barbara Hutchinson of Spokane, WA.

At the March meeting, President Brooks emphasized the importance in having an all-out membership drive this year and to try and bring in ten or more members by year's-end.

## NORTHWEST DIVISION

**WOODLAND PARK**

(Seattle)

*By Roy Scully*

We have been in negotiations with the Seattle Parks Dept. for some time concerning the care and maintenance of our greens. Unfortunately, they want the club to eventually take over all of the work. Since we have a limited number of members willing and/or able to do such tasks as mowing, we face a real problem in the future. The possibility of having the work done professionally does not fit well into the current budget. Meanwhile, our new Greens Chairman, Ian Fyfe, is working very hard to get all the cooperation he can from the City, and checking numerous

sources for a solution to this problem.

On a happier note, the 1997 games schedule is pretty well set. It includes a new event for us: a two-bowl singles series, to be played on Sundays—a day when there has been little or no action on the greens in recent years.

Membership Committee Chairman Chuck Caddey is working on a "Love Thy Neighbor" program, pointing out that we would love to have our neighbors become lawn bowlers. Seeking some younger recruits, he has met with Youth Program Coordinators from the Park Department in an effort to cover all bases.

At long last, the finishing touches have been completed on our rebuilt clubhouse.

To celebrate the occasion, we have invited the Jefferson Park and Tacoma Lawn Bowling Clubs, and the Seattle Horseshoe Club, to an Open House in appreciation of the help these organizations gave us. Others invited include: Seattle Parks Department and City Council members who were involved in the reconstruction. It's been a long process, but it was worth it.

**TACOMA***By Myra Wood*

After a cool, wet winter, our club is looking forward to more Spring-like weather for the opening of our bowling season, which begins on April 12. Anyone visiting the Tacoma area is welcome to join our games, held daily from 1 to 3 p.m.

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**LAKE PARK**

(Milwaukee)

*By Buzz Althoen*

President Dan Matthews called the first meeting of the officers and board on February 13th, and it looks like things for the 1997 season are well under way. Members are looking forward to the spring luncheon and start of the season on May 3rd! Meanwhile, bowls are getting polished and our "whites" getting cleaned up.

Incidentally, experienced bowlers may know this but the newer ones may not. The January, 1997 SMITHSONIAN Magazine showed a painting of Sir Francis Drake bowling. Legend has it that Drake refused to let the arrival of the Spanish armada interrupt his game in 1588. (This is noted on page 86.)

**ROCKFORD***By Judy Arawinko*

Sweater weather, birds singing, grass, flowers, seeing old friends, wearing white, the sun on your face, just being outside, are all sure signs of Spring and bowling. For those of us here in the midwest, we are ready and anxious for both. And, just like a small child, we want it now!

Approximately half of the members of the club just couldn't wait for May, and in January we headed southwest to AZ to participate in tournaments. First stop was the Lola and Clive Forrester Tournament, where club members fared well. Especially Dora and John Stewart and John Devine, who placed third in the third flight, and Joe Zinna and Joan Carneron, who came in first in the fifth flight. All of us had a grand time just being able to see old friends, make some new ones, having dinner together, dancing—and, of course, bowling. Second stop for Joe Zinna and John Stewart was the Thomson-Zivec Pairs Tournament, where Joe finished second in the championship flight, and John placed first in the fourth flight.

But we're ready to play every week—so we still want Spring and Summer to come quickly so we all can be out on the green bowling. Let's see what's in store for us: Central Division, Playdowns, the Rockford Women's Pairs, the Butler Cup. Yes, you bet we are all ready for Spring

**FLINT***By Jeane Giesy*

I would like to dedicate this issue to all greenskeepers of lawn bowling greens everywhere—with a special thanks to Flint's greenskeeper, Paul Roberts, who does a great job of keeping our greens in good "rolling" condition. Let's all try to encourage them and thank them, for without a good green what would lawn bowling be?



*Flint greenskeeper  
Paul Roberts.*

This will be a special year for the Flint Club. In August, we will be a part of a group of 900 athletes who will travel to Hamilton, Ontario to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Canusa Games (Canada-USA). There are 36 events in the Games and we are pleased that Lawn Bowling is one of them.

The Flint Club is open May thru September, bowling Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m. We enjoy visitors so please stop by. For more information phone: 810-233-5128.

**EAST CLEVELAND***By Jean Sinzinger*

Our officers for 1997 are: Robert Walton, President; Tom Basler, V. President; Bernice Bode, Treasurer; Jean Sinzinger, Secretary.

Indoor bowling is coming to a close. It has been a wonderful season with new bowlers, very good attendance, and a refurbished arena for bowling. Now to turn our attention to outdoor bowling which will start May 4th. We are planning an Open House for May 18th.

This year we had an exhibit at Floralscape, a flower show held at the Con-

vention Center in Cleveland. We talked to many people about Lawn Bowling and distributed a lot of written information, including invitations to the Open House. Maybe we will need traffic control to handle the crowd—if not, a moderate response would be the next best thing.

With the death of Esther Morley Schloss, we lost a most faithful member of our club. Esther was awarded for her volunteer work at a state hospital, as a former math teacher, a curler and, as we knew her best, a devoted lawn bowler.

Today, the sun is shining and some crocus' are in bloom. One knows Spring is

just about here, and with it the desire to roll-a-bowl on our beautiful green.

*Ralph Sinzinger, left, with a prospective new bowler at the special ECLBC Floralscape exhibit.*

**FRICK PARK**

(Pittsburgh)

*By James C. Cunningham*

Things are well underway at Frick Park for the 1997 season. We had a great "Groundhog Dinner" in February. No. We didn't eat the critter, we honored him! For he is the great weather prognosticator, and we depend on him to give us lawn bowling weather as early as possible each year.

We then got the season started with a "Let's-Go" dinner meeting in April. This was followed by our trip to Williamsburg, Virginia for the annual Colonial Challenge Tournament. Bowling will begin in earnest in May with an Open House and warm-up practice games. Our leagues and

tournaments will swing into gear after the Memorial Day Picnic. Our new automatic sprinkler system has been installed and we hope the greens will benefit from the right amount of water at the right time. The members went all out in support of this expensive project and they are to be congratulated for their foresight. We expect much improvement in our greens this year.

Bud Fickley and Randy Ober will supervise our leagues this year, Beverly Phillips and Eileen Luba the tournaments, and Mary Lou Lingafelt our social events. Jack Phillips will chair the greens committee, and Ruth Cunningham membership. We look forward to a great 1997 season.

We congratulate Carolyn Cole and

Hank Luba who have completed the requirements for AWLBA and ALBA Certified Umpires.

**MILWAUKEE WEST***By Leonard F. Shaw*

Not much to report except that this winter has been very mild with little snow.

In the winter issue of BOWLS Magazine, this writer reported that we bowled on December 4th, the latest on record. WRONG! On January 4th, the temperature hit a balmy 62 degrees and a few of us bowled on excellent greens. With the lack of snow and mild temperatures, we probably will be bowling by mid-March.

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**SUN CITY***By Eleanor Sand*

The Sun City Lawn Bowls Club sponsored a dinner for all South Central Division members and their guests. The function was held March 6th at the Mountain View Center, and was aptly named "Spring Fling". The tables were beautifully decorated with Easter grass, vases of spring flowers and a few Easter bunnies thrown in for good measure. All of the 102 in attendance proclaimed the evening a total success. The combination of good fellowship, good food and good music made for a splendid time.

**PUEBLO EL MIRAGE***By Ronald Gilmour*

Our season is well under way now. We have had two club tournaments. Novice winners were CONNIE MORRISON and ED CARTER; 2. LOLA KEITH and DOLORES TURNER; 3. RALPH LONG and GENE HAGEL. The Club Doubles was won by FRANK FLYNN and ED CARTER; 2. DORA STEWART and JOYCE GILMOUR; 3. SANDY CORBETT and EDITH WILKINS. Our triples tournament will end our club tournaments later this month.

We have three visitations remaining with Sun City Oakmont, Sun City West and Monte Vista in Mesa, AZ. Many of our club's ALBA/AWLBA members have been enjoying ALBA Mondays at Sun City. They have an open draw for teams. We donate one dollar each and much of the money is returned to the winners in a drawing. It is great fun and helps promote ALBA. They also have snacks and refreshments following the games.

## THOMSON-ZIVEC PAIRS

By R. Gil Stephan, Jr.

The 1997 Thomson-Zivec Pairs trailed the annual Forrester Rinks, January 22-24, at the Johnson City greens in Sun City West, Arizona. The event is held in honor of Bert Thomson and John Zivec, sponsored by their many U.S. and Canadian friends.

In the winner's circle for this inaugural competition were Neil Furman and Ivan Hyland, the pair of Southern Californians (by way of South Africa) who, only days earlier, had captured the Forrester Mixed Fours. In the title match, Neil & Ivan downed runners-up Ken Degenhardt & Joe Zinna 16-14.

The Second Annual Thomson-Zivec Pairs will be held in Arizona during Super Bowl week next year. Watch for the advertisement in BOWLS.

Thomson-Zivec results:

### CHAMPIONSHIP

1. N. Furman-I. Hyland
2. K. Degenhardt-J. Zinna
3. K. Bolton-B. Ayotte
4. K. Roney-J. Roney

### 2nd FLIGHT

1. A. Ferguson-J. Ellieff
2. B. Lingeman-B. Weaver
3. D. McArthur-D. Mathie
4. S. DeLisle-M. DeLisle

### 3rd FLIGHT

1. G. Jarvis-S. Jarvis
2. T. Stirrat-G. Ralston, Sr.
3. B. Pickup-N. McInnes
4. S. Buttar-H. Lam

### 4th FLIGHT

1. J. Behling-J.M. Stewart
2. B. Hiscock-B. Nunes
3. A. Banares-H. Teichman
4. S. Thompson-M. Thompson

### 5th FLIGHT

1. N. Desautels-D. Bednarek
2. B. Patterson-C. Nobbe
3. V. Moore-H. Goodnough
4. J. Buttar-T. Lam

## PARADISE

By Tony Appollo

Paradise RV Lawn Bowls Club reports another busy season with lots of daily activity and many tournaments. This club has many members and only one green, so the competition to bowl is keen. Paradise has managed to hold 11 tournaments.

### Mixed Triples

1. Herb Heimer, Betty Dial, Bob Hill
2. Jerry Pringle, Elmer Edgell, Lloyd Peterson
3. Bill Bloede, Mellie Leng, Jean McKiernan

### Mixed Doubles

1. Mellie Leng, Bob Hill
2. Don McKiernan, Harold Berger
3. Phil Dial, Rubye Gilkerson

### Men's Singles

1. Lee Purnell
2. Dick Tiedgen
3. Bill Bloede

### Men's Novice

1. Richard Pavone
2. Woody Woodward

- Joyce & Jack Chadwick Memorial
1. Harry Leng, Mellie Leng
  2. Bud Wacholz, Rubye Gilkerson
  3. George Hallas, Dorothy Hallas

### Women's Singles

1. Bernice Wulfskuhle
2. Frankie Bye
3. Alma Rohrer

### Women's Novice

1. Marge Woodward
2. Marilyn Feyereisen

## FORRESTER MIXED RINKS

By R. Gil Stephan, Jr.

The 1997 Forrester Mixed Rinks Tournament was held January 18-20, at the Lakeview and Bell greens in Sun City. This year's event was won by the team of Southern Californians: Neil Furman, Anne Barber, Ivan Hyland and Maryna Hyland.

Runners-up were Canadian foursome: Keith Roney, Jean Roney, Laura DeWald, and Vince Donohoe.

A 1998 Mixed Rinks will be held in Sun City, Arizona in January, 1998. Look for the advertisement/entry information in the next issue of BOWLS.

Forrester results:

### CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Furman, Barber, I. Hyland, M. Hyland
2. K. Roney, J. Roney, DeWald, Donohoe
3. Stirrat, Haigler, Kenna, Ayotte
4. R. Wright, Creaney, Seymour, H. Wright



Lola Forrester, center, wife of the tournament's late namesake Clive Forrester, congratulates Third Flight winners: Beryl and Malcom Harrington, left, and Graham and Selina Jarvis, right

### 2nd FLIGHT

1. J. Buttar, S. Buttar, H. Lam, T. Lam
2. Lingeman, Hull-Ober, Valek, and Larson
3. Moore, Schassberger, Christiansen, Laughlin
4. Labron, Harrison, Urquart, Keener

### 3rd FLIGHT

1. G. Jarvis, M. Harrington, S. Jarvis, B. Harrington
2. P. Fish, Souza, Rackliff, P. Fish
3. J. Stewart, Devine, D. Stewart, Sand
4. I. Nishikawa, N. Nishikawa, W. Stout, S. Stout

### 4th FLIGHT

1. A. Ferguson, Ellieff, M. Ferguson, Symington
2. Fagan, Terrill, Lane, Siddall
3. D. Close, Towle, Morrison, L. Close
4. D. Mayne, G. West, D. West, B. Mayne

### 5th FLIGHT

1. Degenhardt, Zinna, C. Stephan, Cameron
2. J. Grabowski, P. Grabowski, P. Bucklin, S. Bucklin
3. T. Power, B. Riddock, B. Power, C. Riddock
4. Otto, Wesley, Ackerman, Hermanussen

## SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

## SUN CITY WEST

By Howard Goodnough

What a beautiful and fitting tribute to two wonderful people and bowlers. The THOMSON/ZIVEC (Bert & John) OPEN PAIRS Memorial Tournament was held on the R. H. Johnson Greens January 21-23, here in Sun City West. The 64 team turnout would have made Bert and John proud. Coming from Chicago in 1983, Bert's bowling knowledge and skills played an important part in our club's development.

Boy! Are we proud of bowlers BUSTER HOLLANDS, KERMIT ROBINSON and DALE BJORKLUN, winners of the South Central Division Open Triples Championship. Other bowlers from our club who performed extremely well are: ED BOGENSCHILD, HENRY BIANCO, BOB COPLEY, DICK WOODRUFF, and GEORGE RALSTON, SR.

Our ladies also placed high, with MARY TERRILL leading the way. Paired with EVELYN KENNER, they won the Women's Pairs Championship. Mary also placed high in the Triples and Singles. ROBERTA LANE and JEAN HAIGLER also had finishes to be proud of:

B and B big winners. LARRY BROHAMMER and HENRY BIANCO are the 1997 South Central ALBA Pairs Novice Champions.



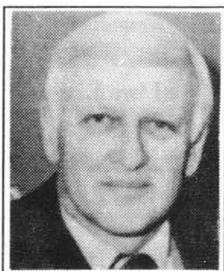
Above—South Central Open Triples Champs: (l-r) Dale Bjorklun, Buster Hollands, and Kermit Robinson.



South Central's '97 Novice Pairs Champions: (l-r) Larry Brohammer and Henry Bianco.

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## FERNLEIGH

(West Hartford, CT)

By George W Pardee

President Robert Ashcraft launched an aggressive and positive campaign program for Fernleigh's '97 season at a January Executive Board meeting.

Increasing Membership, a top priority for '97, is under the able leadership of 1st Vice President Ed Wood, who wants all club members to be involved in the program. A steering committee has been created to direct the programs activities.

Training this year will be under the auspices of the Membership Committee. All aspects of training, including rules, deportment and skill will be stressed. Special training will also be available for those who want to learn more about the duties of the Vice-Skip and Skip. We are seeking to expand the number of skips through advanced training.

Greens Chairman, Dave Anderson's aggressive program to restore Fernleigh's green to a first class condition has been under way since the closing down of our green on September 8, '96.

## CUNNINGHAM

(Milton, MA)

By Sam Drevitch

Well, here it is Spring again! We all are looking forward to our Opening Day the beginning of May. We again will be joined by the Slater Park Club to renew our rivalry and good fellowship.

Our schedule, worked out in conjunction with the Slater Park Club, will be full of Saturday Tournaments and Scrambles.

Our green was greatly improved last year. Now that we have the speed at a decent 10 to 12 seconds, we will be working to get out some of the runs and imperfections. With this accomplished, will be looking to schedule a major Eastern Division tournament in 1998.

Soil testing, dethatching, slit seeding and plugging, top dressing and leveling, hydro-aeration, reassembling of the planer on the tractor, and rolling of the green were all scheduled to be completed before the opening of our '97 Season.

Intra-Club Games Chairman, Frank Stolzenberg, wants ALL members to participate in the games, with afternoon and evening tournaments being considered with an evening supper.

Inter-Club Games Chairman, Ward Francis, has tournaments planned with Thistle and other regional clubs. Mark your calendars for the Eastern Division's August 23rd Dakers Triples, to be held at Fernleigh.

Thanks to the Pinehurst Club members and fellow ALBA-ites, Tom Kees and Art Tempel, for their gracious Southern hospitality extended to Betty and this writer during our winter visit.

**NEW YORK**

(Central Park)

*By Laralu Smith*

At the close of the 1996 season, New York Lawn Bowling Club Greens Committee made a contour map of both Central Park greens. Inspired by Dr. Haley's Greens Manual, the committee constructed a simple surveying tool from two pieces of lumber and a sight level. They marked the greens with string every ten meters and identified high and low areas. The Greens Committee will assist the Parks Department by keeping watch on the depressions and adding thin layers of top dressing in those areas on a regular basis. Our club will contribute sand for this leveling process.

Our Tournament Committee has done its best to provide a '97 tournament schedule that includes both old favorites and a few 'jazzed up' formats. The popular Out of Towners Invitational will be pairs this year rather than triples, and will be played on Saturday, July 19th.

We presented lawn bowling at New York Sports On Line's "Calling All Sports" publicity evening in late January. Held at the Flatiron Tavern on lower Fifth Avenue, this event provided an arena where NYC based sports organizations could present themselves in an informal setting and stir up interest for their sports. NYLBC was quite a counterpoint to the likes of women's rugby and inline skating/basketball!

Over the winter, Dong Kingman bowled a couple of times at Hong Kong's Kowloon Bowling Green Club. Introduced by a kind reference from Skippy Arculli, Dong received a gracious welcome and enjoyed the speedy, immaculate greens. I played on a Greenguage carpet surface for the first time at Highgate's Mansfield Club in London. They had both indoor and outdoor facilities and were well equipped with slot machines.

Back home the City rarely sleeps, and never for long! The New York Lawn Bowling Club in Central Park opened its season on May 10th. When you come to New York, call me at (212) 594-3525, or President Jane Jacobs at (212) 877-9890 to arrange a game.

**BUCK HILL FALLS**

(Pennsylvania)

*By Bob Gates*

Returning March 20, following two months of r&r in Hilton Head, I met our new company manager Floyd Hunter for the first time, of all places—on the bowling green! He was supervising the laying-out of ten-foot squares on both greens, preparing for a transit survey by an engineering firm.

This was a most delightful surprise: to find a manager at Buck Hill who has knowledge of lawn bowling (due to his work at nearby Spalding Inn, one of the old popular resorts featuring an emphasis on good lawn bowling). Floyd is familiar with lawn bowling terminology, because when I said we were working toward a twelve second green, he replied: "How would you like fourteen seconds?"

So, I am happy to report that the U.S. Championships Tournament should find true, fast greens here in the Pocono Mountains. This is Floyd Hunter's goal, and I believe he will deliver. However, there is much work to be accomplished and we may find restrictions on the use of a few rinks until around the middle of June. Much new sod and sand will be needed to bring the surfaces of the two greens into true levels.

Our club is finding that hosting such a prestigious tournament involves much work. But, with the able assistance of Jack Lucey and Isabel Forbes, and the involvement of our sister club at Skytop as co-host, we are confident of an interesting and successful tournament in 1997.

We are saddened by the passing of Mary Brown who, along with husband Red Brown, spent many summers here at Buck Hill assisting us with promoting and maintaining lawn bowling. Mary was an official umpire, and Red was always willing to do whatever he could to keep bowling alive in our resort. He instructed many of our new bowlers. Just this past winter I received letters from Red with engineering drawings, advising us on techniques of renewing the backboards and plinths of the lower green. He has written of his hopes to be here for the championships tournament.

**ESSEX COUNTY**

(Bloomfield, New Jersey)

*By George Shick*

The Essex Club opened for play on Saturday, May 3rd. Once again, the Club is working with the County Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs in maintaining a high degree of playability for our green.

The first tournament of the Essex season, the New Jersey Open Pairs, is scheduled for May 10th. The defending champions are Ann and Wayne Caskey, members of the Du Pont Lawn Bowling Club. We expect entries from clubs throughout the Northeast.

During the 1997 season, the Essex Club, under the direction of Membership Coordinator George Schick, will be hosting a series of free "Learn to Lawn Bowl" clinics on Sunday afternoons from May through October. These sessions have proven to be a great membership tool and a fun way for our new members and trainees to play with and against our established club members. The Club also plans to work with area schools in bringing Lawn Bowling to the youth of Essex County. Our Membership Committee also works with local civic and service organizations throughout the County in combining their business meeting with a demonstration of Lawn Bowling.

The Essex Club wishes to congratulate the Buck Hill Falls for being chosen as Host Club for the 1997 U.S. Championships. Committee Chairpersons Bob Gates and Toni Mercer are tireless workers on behalf of Lawn Bowling, and have built a strong committee base to provide an event worthy of past Championships. The Essex Club will be working with Bob, Toni and, Jack Lucey (current President of the Eastern Division) in supporting this event.

On other fronts, the Club congratulates Skippy Arculli upon his selection as a member of the ALBA's National Team for 1997. Once again, our club will be well represented in international Lawn Bowling events.

Also, the Essex Club would like to express its sympathy to the family of Mary Brown on her passing. Mary and her husband Red were longtime members of the Essex Club.

**DU PONT**

(Wilmington, DE)

*By Shirley K. Straw*

Although there was little snow in our area this winter, freezing temperatures kept our green closed. However, come April we were ready to roll 'em. We held Open House the last two Saturdays in April for prospects, Country Club members, or guest members. These events do bring us new members, but not in the quantity we would like.

May 3rd we held our Opening Day Games. The following Saturday our DPLBC Pairs tournament was played. It was early for the first one of the season! From May 12-19 we were closed down as the Du Pont Country Club again hosted the prestigious McDonald's L.P.G.A. (golf) Championship.

Invitations have gone out to clubs from Hamilton (NJ), Leisure World (MD) and Williamsburg (VA). This is not our year to host an Eastern Division event.

Our club will continue the weekly schedule of social bowling on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 9:30 a.m., and Sunday at 1:30 p.m. From the beginning of June through late August, we bowl Monday evenings at 6 p.m.

Visitors are always welcome. Please feel free to call our new president, Tom Lawlor, at (302) 478-2276.

**SKYTOP CLUB**

(Skytop, PA)

*By Ken Willig*

During the fall of 1996, our greenskeeper, Tommy Williams, along with his staff, accomplished major work. Now that warm sunshine and bright blue skies have returned the bowlers are being lured back to their favorite location.

With much enthusiasm, we are interested in starting our promotional program for lawn bowling, whereby more members and guests will participate. As an inducement to encourage "younger" (children and early teens), Miggs Ward ordered small size bowls for their use. It is our intention to hold a series of instructional periods, not only to learn how to bowl, but to learn the rules, too! Skytop Club Management totally supports our efforts in hopes of recreating new found interest.

The Skytoppers are extremely pleased that our neighbor club Buck Hill Falls will host the 1997 U.S. Championships. The Skytop Club is committed to helping Buck Hill Falls in anyway possible to make the event a memorable one.

Our first 1997 club meeting will be in June, at which time officers will be elected. We will also finalize our lawn bowling program. Ed Mayotte, General Manager, is dedicated to make lawn bowling a significant event again at Skytop.

**SLATER PARK**

(Pawtucket, R.I.)

*By Paul Motta*

It has been another long winter. The weather hasn't been bad, but when we are not bowling it seems like forever.

We open our season on May 17th with another non-stop schedule planned. One of the biggest highlights will be Ray Sayer Day. Ray will be 100 years young on October 4th. There is a two-day tournament planned for this occasion. This will be special, so let's clear our calendars so we can honor Ray, who has been a member of the Rhode Island Lawn Bowling Club for 60 years. He began bowling at the Providence Club in 1937, then bowled at the Smithfield Avenue green, and is a current member of our Club.

Our winter luncheon was terrific and we had the biggest attendance ever. The Kenny family and Sheri did another great job to make this a great time for all. George Zvanelich made a beautiful perpetual calendar that was raffled off, with the proceeds going to the building fund. Let's all give a hand to Jen Letourneau for all the hard work she put in to making crafts that were sold, generating proceeds she donated to the building fund.

Don't forget we are ALL needed to keep the club and greens maintained.

**BRIDGEPORT**

(Connecticut)

*By Tom McIntosh*

Winter's behind us and we're back on the greens after what seems like a long time. With the help of National Fairways, the new greens personnel who did a great job last season of improving our green (an almost impossible task), this year is already looking better and everything's looking good for the new season.

Thanks to all the clubs who gave us

great support last year. It was really wonderful to have you all here at Bridgeport. We look forward to bowling with you again in '97—both home and away games. Our green is open to all bowlers. Please join us.

On a sad note, we lost John Donnachie, our tournament chairman for many, many years. A bricklayer by trade, John built our clubhouse; and, with help from club members, gave it a stone finish in 1974. Thanks John, it looks great.

**SUNRISE**

(East Meadow, Long Island)

*By Harold Koenig*

Since we couldn't get the county to resume availability of indoor carpet bowling, some of us played bocci next to the lawn bowling rinks last winter. It certainly isn't lawn bowling, and vice-versa. Each is a good sport, but tactics and procedures, of course, are very different. While bocci-ing, we'd gaze over to the bowling green and think about the warm weather to come.

Until recently, our posted guard was still carrying out his duties diligently and in a congenial way. Through rain, sleet, snow, and dark of night, this dedicated servant performed with goodwill for everyone, with never a discouraging word.

Ah, if only he could bowl!

No he's not a cowboy or a mailman. He is the scarecrow of the rinks—a real bowls sportsman showing no signs of gamesmanship. He stands back and he stands still, and is quiet when it's your turn to bowl. With the help of the electronic squawkers on the clubhouse roof, he keeps birds and animals of all kinds away, possibly even human interlopers. To keep up the green's appearance, we pick up dead creatures and litter that might blow in.

Heard there might be some new spirit and ideas to increase the membership. More on that later.

*In Memoriam**Michael Horbeek*

## EASTERN DIVISION

**THISTLE**

(W. Hartford, CT)

By Joan B. Wood

Our greens are looking good and we are looking forward to another season of bowling. Regular scheduled play is Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, with the draw at 1 p.m. We will also play on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. following the six-week Doubles Tournament, which begins June 12.

Our intra-club tournaments are sched-

uled for Sundays: June 22, July 20, August 17, and September 21, at 12:30 p.m. (Raindates are the following Sunday.) We are particularly excited about the June 22nd tournament which coincides with the 100th Annual Rose Sunday in Elizabeth Park. (Our greens are located in this park, world-renowned for its rose gardens.) After our July tournament, we plan to repeat the barbeque that was so successful last year.

We are also excited about the prospect

of a bowling trip to England in 1998. While still in the planning stages, we see it as a wonderful opportunity to combine some travel and bowling. If anyone has participated in such a trip or is interested in more information about our plans, please call me at (860) 523-7459.

Finally, thanks to Joe Morin who has researched and documented the history of Thistle Lawn Bowling Club, and to Vic Bendzinski for keeping our clubhouse in such wonderful shape.

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Note that we have a new ALBA and AWLBA-affiliated club at Fleet Landing, FL reporting in this issue. WELCOME, FIRST COASTERS (that's what they call themselves)!

For the next issue of Bowls we are going to put together a 1997-98 calendar of open tournaments hosted by individual clubs in the Southeast Division. Club reporters are asked to send me dates and details (including the name and address and/or phone number of a contact person) about any tournament planned for the coming Fall, Winter and Spring that is open to lawn bowlers outside that club.

By June 25, please send your reports for the Summer issue to my summer home at 119 Bathgate Drive, State College PA 16801, phone 814-237-7149.

**PINEHURST**

(North Carolina)

By Tom Kees

Despite some cold and rainy weather, we continue to bowl regularly. We staged an exciting Singles tournament, won by Maxine Patridge for the women and Guy

**DAYTONA BEACH**

By Jack Gilbert

We welcome new members Marian Mandelstam, John Sears and Jim Stotts.

Our teams did well in North Central Florida League Invitationals this season. Alex Thomson, Andy Inglis and Meg Inglis won the Daytona Beach Invitational; Sally Bonstelle, Joe Attara and Bill Cannon finished second at Orlando; and Pete Wisse, Geoff Headley and Jo Gilbert came in second at Mount Dora.

Winners of our club tournaments:

Men's Singles—Alex Thomson

Women's Singles—Jo Gilbert.

Men's Pairs—Geoff Headley and Joe

Attara (who also won the NCFL Champion of Champions Men's Pairs); Women's Pairs—Connie Addington and Ellie Presley; Mixed Pairs—Pete Wisse and Jo Gilbert.

Opening Day—Geoff Headley, Frank Hammond and Jo Gilbert. Sadie Hawkins Day—Connie Addington and Geoff Headley. Lil' Abner Day—Geoff Headley and Jo Gilbert.

Gordon Hargreaves and some other members spent many hours trying to maintain acceptable standards on our rinks this season.

In Memoriam  
Ann Massey.

**BRADENTON**

By Joyce Schindler

Still-uncompleted club tournaments have produced these winners so far:

Mixed Pairs: Del Smith & Eve Knoll.

Men's Singles: John Koegel.

We've enjoyed two bowling visits to nearby clubs: one to St. Petersburg, where we bowled well enough to retain the Marg Walford Trophy; and the second to Sarasota, where 18 of our members joined their daily jitney game and many in our group experienced their first bowling on grass.

At our annual meeting, we recognized Ellen Hoffman, who has been a faithful club treasurer for 20 years.

Saldulli for the men.

Joe Coleman, manager, has announced that the field for the North Carolina Open, September 9-12, has been expanded from 32 to 48 triples teams. The event will open on September 9th with a Pro-Am Day featuring some new twists.

**DELAND**

By Jim Coles

The inaugural Tom Daley Memorial Trophy, honoring a longtime dedicated club member, was taken by Richard Humbert and Irene James, who topped seven other entries.

Other club tournament winners this season were: Men's Singles—Duke Caukin. Ladies Singles—Esther Sincerbox. Ladies Pairs—Aileen Kirtley and Dorothy Allan. Men's Pairs—Jack Munson and Hal Whitehall. Guys and Dolls—Duke Caukin and Chuck Cole.

Dick Humbert subbed for Duke in the Champion of Champions Singles of the North Central Florida League—and he won it!

Recently elected club officers are: Jim Coles, president; Betty Esty, first vice president; Steve Labchuk, second vice president; Irene James, secretary; Clarice Hennessey, treasurer; and these directors: Lottie Coles, Gene Alexander, Richard Humbert, Aileen Kirtley and Jay Hennessey.

O'Donohue & Bowden Take 'Bowler of Tournament' Honors

# SOUTHEAST OPENS

By Gene Goodwin (with assistance from Phyllis Raad and Barb Roller)

Pat O'Donohue, of Clearwater & the Isle of Man, and Jenny Bowden, Bradenton, earned "Bowler of the Tournament" awards at the SE-ALBA and SE-AWLBA Opens, held the first week of March—men at Lakeland and women at Sarasota.

Winners of the Southeast ALBA and AWLBA Opens are:

**MEN'S SINGLES**

**CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT**

- 1-John Koegel
- 2-Pat O'Donohue
- 3-George Whitelaw
- 4-Ken Roberts

**A Flight**

Bill Hiscock

**B Flight**

Bill Stevenson

**C Flight**

Al Ferguson

**D Flight**

Ivan Hyland

**E Flight**

Gordon Lockhart

**MEN'S PAIRS**

**CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT**

- 1-Eric Rank/Ron Jones
- 2-Eric Bedford/Cal Monroe
- 3-Al Ferguson/Jim Ellieff
- 4-Pat O'Donohue/Alex Graham

**A Flight**

Joe Dorsch/Del Smith

**B Flight**

Bill Broad/Larry Morin

**C Flight**

George Whitelaw/John Lawson

**D Flight**

Ron Buck/Mike Maneilly

**E Flight**

Dave Matthews/Bill Love

**MEN'S TRIPLES**

**CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT**

- 1-Ken Martin/Doug Marshall/Cal Monroe
- 2-Armand Geyer/Howie Kane/Chuck Mather
- 3-Bill Boettiger/Bill Riddick/Ted Powers
- 4-Robin Goldman /Jim Copeland/Bob Vernier

**A Flight**

Duncan Farrell /Len Hollran/Ron Robson

**B Flight**

Sam Drevitch/Stan Smith/Dan Berg

**C Flight**

Wes Hague/Bob Malpass/Remi Vanden Borre

**D Flight**

Pat O'Donohue/Mick McFadden/Bill Adamson

**E Flight**

Joe Grabowski/Bill Say/Ray Turman

**WOMEN'S SINGLES**

**CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT**

- 1-Joan Jones
- 2-Hilda Ferris
- 3-Jenny Bowden
- 4-Noreen Welsh

**A Flight**

Sandra Whitelaw

**B Flight**

Thelma Matthews

**C Flight**

Jeanne McLaughlin

**D Flight**

Pauline Blastorah

**WOMEN'S PAIRS**

**CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT**

- 1-Corinna Folkins/Jo Gilbert
- 2-Allison Cunningham/Rita Reid
- 3-Cecelia Noble/Mary McKay
- 4-Betty Adamson/Diana McFadden

**A Flight**

Mary Terrill/Gretchen Meixner

**B Flight**

Jeanne McLaughlin/Jo Gilbert

**C Flight**

Eileen Malpass/Shirley Hague

**D Flight**

Muriel Rackliff/Andie VanWyck

**E Flight**

Jo Koegle/Judy Hoare

**F Flight**

Gerry Smith/Arlene Holder

**WOMEN'S TRIPLES**

**CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT**

1-Sheryl Anne Milligan/Pauline Blastorah/Helen Cane

2-Kitty Cox/Karin Henderson/Jenny Bowden

3-Helen Wake/Maureen Scallon/Helen Baumbach

4-Mary Terrill/Roberta Lane/Maryna Hyland

**A Flight**

Barb Kelly/Glenna Boston/Eleanor Whitehead

**B Flight**

Mari Paterson/May Blair/Joan Barker

**C Flight**

Lorna Hollran/Nancy Tranvik/Mandy Smith

**D Flight**

Eileen Malpass/Marion Payne/Shirley Hague



Right—Women's 1997 Southeast Open Singles Champion is Suncoasters' Joan Jones. (AWLBA photos by Pete Lomeo)



SE Open Singles and Pairs champs: (l-r) John Koegel (Sarasota) Singles winner, and Pairs victors Ron Jones and Eric Rank (Clearwater).



SE Open Triples champion is the Lakeland trio of (l-r) Ken Martin, Doug Marshall and Cal Monroe. (ALBA photos by Marian Anderson)



Corrina Folkins (Mission Viejo, CA) and Daytona's Jo Gilbert captured the SE Open Women's Pairs Championship.

## MOUNT DORA

By Gene Goodwin

For only the second time in its 69-year history, the Mount Dora LBC has installed a woman president. She is Rosemarie Walsh, a retired line officer in the U.S. Navy, who has been serving as vice-president this season. The last woman president was the late Dorothy Pelton, who was top officer in 1980-81.

Other officers elected in March were: Mike Maneilly, vice-president; Eleanore Park, treasurer; Hazel Hogan, secretary; Herb Wintsch, grounds director, and Evelyn Sartain, house director. Jim Laux and Grace Pfirsch continue for another year as directors for games and social activities. Immediate past president Ed Ceiga became director for long-range planning.

Mike, a former building contractor, also chairs the committee supervising construction of our new and larger clubhouse planned for this summer. The project is being financed by two large gifts from members.

Nora and Jim Dorman are managing the third annual Holiday Bowl to be hosted by our club Dec. 5-7. The tournament will be played this year by teams of

mixed Fours (two men, two women) instead of Triples. The Dormans were chosen by a new Holiday Bowl Steering Committee appointed by then club president Ed Ceiga, who is serving as treasurer of the 1997 event.

Winners of our club tournaments this season were:

**Singles:** Barbara Roller, women's; Herb Wintsch, men's and 4-3-2-1; Bill Swartzlander, Bill's Game. Barb also won the NCFL Champion of Champions Women's Singles.

**Pairs:** Bill Forbes and Mac McKean Men's; Barbara Roller and Aileen Joiner, women's; Ralph Knight and Grace Curtis, mixed.

**Triples:** Belva Swartzlander, Ann Boeckh and Ruth Broeker, women's; Bill Swartzlander, Jim Hadley and William Sanders, men's; Ralph Knight, Lois Lindley and Dick Wagner, mixed; Herb Wintsch, Evelyn Sartain and Nels Huber, Major Marsh.

**Home League:** Mac McKean, Ruth Miller-White and Tusie Menne.

In NCFL Invitationals: Mike and Kate Maneilly, with Ed Ceiga, won at Orlando; Burl and Barb Roller, with Ginny Daniel, won at Mount Dora; and Maxine Hall, Peggy Lausch and Jack Daniels took top prize at DeLand.



Above—Winning skips Mike Maneilly, left, and Herb Wintsch took their Mount Dora triples team to 10-2 and 12-0 records to top the North Central Florida League.

Below—Barbara Roller, left, who won both the Women's Singles and Pairs at Mount Dora this season, with Singles runner-up Beth Forbes.



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SOUTHEAST DIVISION

**WEST FLORIDA LEAGUE**

The Clearwater Red Wings, one of three squads fielded by the Clearwater LBC, finished on top of the West Florida League this season. Other squads of four triples teams in this Rubico-surface League come from On Top of the World-Clearwater (two) and Bradenton (one).

Second place went to the Green Hornets of On Top of the World, followed by the Clearwater Blue Jays, the Bradenton White Herons, the On Top of the World Yellow Jackets and the Clearwater Orange Peelers.

**CLEARWATER**

*By Ede MacWilliams*

Because of wonderful weather this season, all of our tournaments were completed with the following winners:

**Bill Kaestle Memorial Mixed Triples:** Don & Cathy Stephan and Alex Graham. **Kurt Dornau Men's Pairs:** Howard Adkin and Bill Graham. **Otty Dornau** (lady must skip): Helen McLaren, Doug Shearer and Bill Miller.

**Bill Miller Triples** (*sponsored by Miller Lite*): Mick McFadden, Bill Adamson and Di McFadden. **Art Hartley Mixed Triples:** Al Ferguson, Bill Riddock and Ev Schwalm.

**Ladies Pairs:** Marge Sanphy and Kathleen Mein. **Ladies Triples:** Molly Turnbull, May Blair and Kathleen Mein. **Men's Triples:** Martin Noble, George Scott and Neil Kelly.

**Ladies Scramble:** The mythical team of Eleanor Calder, Evelyn Schwalm and Abbie Graham. **Sadie Hawkins:** Betty Adamson and Bill Graham. **Valentine Tournament:** Ian and Rita Moy. **St. Patrick's Day:** Ken Roberts, Flo Gagne and J. Gagnon.

**Mayor's Charity Tournament:** John Wilson, Ben Lamb and Ted Biggs. **4-3-2-1 Invitational Mixed Pairs:** Howard Adkin and Helen Dickson.

Although both clubs ended up with the same number of games won, Clearwater retained the Reciprocal Visit Trophy because our triples teams amassed more points than those from visiting Mount Dora.

If you are ever in our area, please come and have a game with us.

*In Memoriam  
Doug Culley  
Chris McAdam*

**SARASOTA**

*By Phyllis Raad*

As our members near the end of a busier-than-usual season, they can look back on two major tournaments: The "most colorful" and the "most strenuous."

The former occurred on International Day when 76 bowlers competed in costumes representing Scotland, England, Canada and the United States. John Lawson piped in the players with his bagpipe. The trophy went to Scotland, with England a close second.

The "most strenuous" competition was the six-day SE-AWLBA Open, which we hosted in March (results appear elsewhere in this section).

*Winners of our club tournaments this season:*

**Ladies Singles:** Kitty Cox. **Men's Singles:** Doug Claxton. **Ladies Pairs:** Jean Drummond and Sandra Whitelaw. **Men's Pairs:** Ted Treble and Frank Petrie. **Cut Throat:** Dick LaBrie. **Mixed Triples:** John Koegel, Arlene Holder and Ron Fraser. **Club championship:** Doug Claxton. More tournament results will appear in the next issue.

*In Memoriam  
Charlie Goetz*



*(Top) Sarasota Women's Singles champ Kitty Cox, left, with runner-up Sandra Whitelaw.*

*(Bottom) Sarasota's Men's Singles champion Doug Claxton, left, with runner-up John Koegel.*

**ORLANDO**

*By Pat McCann*

Our Women's Pairs champs this season, Virginia Houck and Pat McCann, also won the North Central Florida League Champion of Champions Women's Pairs at Daytona Beach in March.

Virginia also was our club Women's Singles champ, while George Backstrom won the Men's Singles. George and Ted Houck won the Men's Pairs.

**N. CENTRAL FLORIDA LEAGUE**

*By Gene Goodwin*

For the first time in a decade, a Mount Dora triples team has gone undefeated through an entire 12-game season in the North Central Florida League, made up of teams from Daytona Beach, DeLand and Orlando, as well as Mount Dora.

The undefeated team was skipped by Herb Wintsch, with Bill Forbes at vice and Bill's wife, Beth, at lead. The last time a Mount Dora team went undefeated through an entire season was in 1987 when Harold Esch, Nora Dorman and Ellie Esch won all 10 of their scheduled games. Another Mount Dora team took second place this season with a 10-2 record. That was the team of Mike Maneilly, Ed Ceiga and Lela McHenry.

Mike and Herb are in the same squad, the Mount Dora Bengals, which won first place among the five squads of four teams each. The Pirates came in second, followed by DeLand, Daytona Beach and Orlando.

In two NCFL tournaments for the two top teams in each squad, the Wintsch team won the Esch Trophy mid-season, and the Maneilly team won the AllStars Trophy at the end of the season.

**DELRAY BEACH**

*By Nancy Edwards*

We celebrated our 35th anniversary with a dinner in February, cheered by the 13 new members who joined in the past year.

In club tournaments, Dick Nelken, Mary Cookfair and Sig Bristow won the Triples League. In the resumption of Ladies Singles, Fran Feese took top honors.

Our Lynn Stokes was elected to the Board of Directors of SE-ALBA at the annual meeting held during the SE-ALBA Open, in Lakeland in March.

At our club annual meeting, Gerry McCaul was re-elected president. Others elected include Bob Knox, V. President, and these directors: Vi Baxter, Fran Feese and Bill Taylor. Nancy Edwards was appointed Sec'y and Gloria Farah Treasurer.



*Delray Beach Triples League winners: (l-r) Sig Bristow, Dick Nelken and Mary Cookfair.*

## *Honor A Friend Remember A Friend*

You've made such wonderful friends on the bowling green over the years. When the occasion calls for it—a birthday, anniversary, birth of a child or grandchild, winning the big tournament—why not honor your friends with a donation to the ALBA Foundation. Or, if a time comes when a bowling mate passes on, why not remember that friend with a donation to the ALBA Foundation.

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## LAKELAND

*By Doug Johnson*

Because our membership dropped a bit this year, we placed an advertisement in the Ontario lawn bowls publication, urging Canadian bowlers to winter in Lakeland and enjoy our three grass greens. We'll know next year whether there's power in advertising.

Meanwhile, we enjoyed a successful season under the leadership of our president, Cal Munroe, who was ably backed up by his wife, Betty. Special recognition also goes to Charlotte Hawes, our Hospitality chair, who was in charge of catering all club events.

Ken Martin, Doug Marshall and Cal Monroe demonstrated the art of "hosting and winning at the same time" when they won the Triples in the SE-ALBA Open, which we hosted in early March. We had some other Lakeland winners in that competition as well as in the SE-AWLBA Open at Sarasota (see SE Open results on page 43).

Josie Anson won the Ladies Singles club championship this year, while Wes Hague was the club's Men's Singles winner. In the play-off, Josie defeated Wes 21-18, in 24

ends, to win the overall club championship.

Our Competitive League, under Dick Whalley, had two winners: Helen Whalley, Rae Bower and June O'Leary for the women, and Ken Martin, Dick Whalley and Ken Payne for the men.

Another highlight was our Fun Day, hosted by Freda and Jack Allwright. The most fun was in a 12-end game in which bowlers rotated positions after four ends and all bowls were played before the jack was rolled without being centered.

## FLEET LANDING

*By Jeanne Stewart*

The Fleet Landing First Coasters Lawn Bowls Club has been formed in this retirement community in Atlantic Beach (FL), near Jacksonville. We are bowling on two rinks on the edges of a croquet court.

We had help from Jack and Jo Gilbert, of Daytona Beach, who visited and instructed us last Fall; and from Gene Goodwin, Barbara and Burl Roller, Mike Maneilly and Herb Wintsch, all of Mount Dora, who provided a morning of instruction and games in January.

## FORT LAUDERDALE

*By Al Rizza*

The *bad news* is that our green is in awful shape and our clubhouse has been condemned. The *good news* is that the City tells us they plan to relocate us and establish a new grass or synthetic green in Holiday Park. We hope the move will come soon.

We played only two tournaments this season. Winners in the Senior Olympics were: Ed Ryce, Eric Stier and Moe Marger. Canada Day winners were: Ted McTavish and Ernie Paget in the Pairs, and Bernie Kurtz, Marian Richardson and Arlene Bateman in the Triples.

We've had our first social, a picnic lunch, in our new gazebo at the rinks, enjoyed by 15 of our bowlers.

Our officers are:  
 Chic Elliott—President  
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 Helen Utley and Kate Schaffler are Social Chairs.



# THE LAST SHOT

By Joe Siegman  
Editor of BOWLS Magazine

I was just looking through a packet of correspondence from one of ALBA's super patriots. He must have invested a mountain of time—just in preparing the packet, let alone the ideas he wrote about. And, 95% of America's bowlers couldn't care less.

Okay. This isn't a major revelation. You think 95% is too low?

Fact is, most bowlers want to show up and bowl. Sure. Some care about who they are playing with and some who they're playing against. Others need to know whether they're skipping or leading. And many whether or not today is Birthday Tuesday or Potluck Friday.

Membership recruitment? Teach newcomers? National teams? That's *your* problem. SHOW ME THE GREEN! shouts the crowd. All I wanna know is who's my skip? What rink am I on? Three bowls or four?

I think it's called: "National Association Membership Syndrome". Every organization experiences it, and every one is looking for the cure.

Today's sermon has to do with National Team lethargy. Are you aware that the top players in the United States represent this country from time-to-time in international competitions? In 1997, American women will journey to Wales to compete in the Atlantic Rim Games versus the best of England, Scotland, Ireland, etc. And both the U.S. women's and men's teams will take on countries like New Zealand, Australia, Canada and Hong Kong at the Pacific Championships in Australia. For all intents, these are the equivalent to America's Olympic lawn bowls teams.

You're not on any team. (yawn) What's it got to do with you?

Well, most of us aren't on the U.S. Ski Team, or the U.S. Volleyball Team, or U.S. Track & Field Team, U.S. Swimming Team, or any United States Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, or any international team. But, many of us support them. Some in spirit and interest; some with spirit, interest and cash. You make a donation, small or large, to the sport(s) of choice. You've heard the pitch: "Our government doesn't underwrite our Olympic Team. The people do."

Ditto in lawn bowling. Neither ALBA or AWLBA uses dues income to send our teams abroad. Donations to either the men's or women's Foundations assist in funding the international teams. *The Foundations are separate and apart from the general Association organizations.* You've seen ads in past issues of this magazine regarding the ALBA Memorial Foundation—"Honor a Friend-Remember a Friend"; and read stories about the AWLBA Foundation on the Women's Pages. This is, generally, how it is done.

Of course, there is less of a pool of potential donors for lawn bowlers than there is for Olympians. That is why you are frequently reminded to support the Bowling Foundations with TAX DEDUCTIBLE donations. Your gifts support our international bowlers.

About ten years ago, a campaign inspired by Milwaukee/Sun City West's Champ Salisbury generated about \$25,000 for U.S. international teams. Champ's program proved that it doesn't take long for moderate donations from a large number of Samaritans to raise a meaningful sum of money.

The alternative is to send the rich and no so famous to the international competitions. Is that what we prefer? It only takes a few bucks—Tax Deductible bucks—to get behind our top players. And, you can Honor or Remember a good friend at the same time. Both the ALBA and AWLBA Foundations accept donations for both the men's and women's teams and apportion them accordingly.

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Joe Siegman



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