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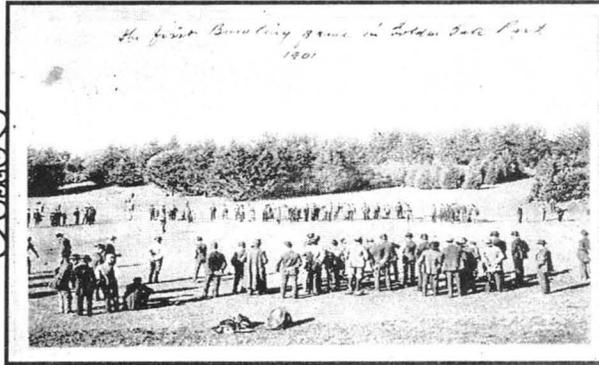


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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Donna West

**Y**es, it's time to move on. We need to spend our energies working to promote the game of lawn bowls rather than continuing to relive old grievances. We must overcome the animosity of the past decade that has created so much ill will and discontent. And we must use our resources to work toward common goals to build the sport of lawn bowls. Toward that end, I am identifying a Long-Range Planning Committee whose underlying mission is to develop goals and objectives for the USLBA.

I encourage you to give serious consideration to proposals for presentation at the Annual Council Meeting in Irvine October 4 of this year. Proposed amendments to the Constitution must be submitted by your Division Councilor to the USLBA Secretary, Tom Kees, no later than July 1. Proposals not pertaining to the Constitution and/or suggested agenda items should be in Tom's hands by August 1.

I'm pleased to report that since the last publication of *BOWLS*, Patricia Cronshaw (SW) has agreed to co-chair the Constitution & By-Laws Committee, and Myra Wood (NW) has been elected to chair the Women's National Review & Selection Committee.

To all who will be competing in the U.S. Championships at Buck Hill Falls, the North American Challenge in Montreal, and the Asia-Pacific Games in Australia—SAFE TRAVELS AND GOOD BOWLING!

Donna

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## BOWLS MAGAZINE

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## Letters to the Editor

The following is a letter written to one of USLBA's officers and sent, also, to the editor for comment. Names and places are withheld.

**T**he USLBA and this Division do not deserve the support of our Lawn Bowling Club, even though it costs a meager \$13 per year.

The USLBA and our division have done nothing while three local clubs and soon a fourth club go down the drain. During my 18 years at this club, I have never seen a national or division official representative appear in our area to make contact or to see if they could provide a service in recruiting new members.

All our members are seniors, and over 50% of them are visitors from up North or from Canada, who do not receive direct mailing of *BOWLS Magazine*, and do not participate in interclub matches because the nearby clubs have folded.

Up until this year, my club was one of the largest supporters in this division. At our annual meeting in March, our members decided that enough was enough, because we get nothing in return. About a half-dozen members, including myself, are continuing to pay the meager \$13 on the off chance that we will travel over 100 miles for a tournament.

As far as *BOWLS Magazine* is concerned, it is now a tournament-oriented magazine and no longer wants to report social events in the clubs. Members that run club luncheons, dinners and socials like to see their names in print, but that is no longer encouraged by the magazine.

The crowning blow was when my predecessor scribe sent in an interesting article about our blind bowler and it was never published.

If our few paying members are not enough to support our membership in the USLBA and the division, please let us know.

Name Withheld

**EDITOR'S NOTE** - As the previous resident of the White House used to say, "I hear your pain". While lawn bowlers pride themselves on fellowship and sportsmanship, we are occasionally a buck or two short on public relations. We assume that some members/groups don't need to be bothered with sweet talk, particularly seniors who have already seen and heard it all. Number one rule of p.r.—never assume! Every member of the USLBA deserves the right to be treated with respect, and that includes the association recognizing the members/clubs bowling-related problems.

I have no answer to your charge of neglect. The councilor to whom the letter above was

originally directed and the president of your division will have, hopefully, contacted you by now with some solutions.

Regarding other comments you made—USLBA member bowlers who live "up north or from Canada", as well as members who live anywhere in the world, should get their *BOWLS Magazines* delivered. Living out of town doesn't cancel a subscription. However, when snowbirds leave their winter nest, magazine mail, just like letters, cannot follow the recipients unless a "change of address" card is filled out. Time Magazine works that way. *BOWLS Magazine* works that way. Frankly, we have an awful problem with many snowbirds who apparently think the U.S. Post Office and our Circulation Manager operate like a detective bureau. We don't. But, we'll keep up with your changes when you let us know you're changing.

That you get nothing for your \$13 is hardly accurate. *BOWLS Magazine*, itself, is worth the price of admission. And, the access to free or inexpensive teaching tools, rulebooks, directories, equipment and, for those who wish to partake, tournament events, has to be worth something. And, then there is the matter of supporting the only organization responsible for keeping lawn bowling alive and active.

Your reference to *BOWLS Magazine* as "tournament-oriented" is ironic, considering the bombardment of recent criticism I've received complaining the magazine is too social—too much information about luncheons, dinners, barbecues, parties and clubhouse curtains; too much news about who is ill and injured, and who traveled where. Personally, I'd like to see mostly information about lawn bowling in the magazine. But, every club has been given a free hand to write whatever it wants in its allotted 250 words per issue.

Finally, that article you said was sent in about your club's blind bowler and was never printed—the article never reached the editor. There's no chance to print it if it isn't received.

Bottomline—Your club and your bowlers are valued members. And, we're an organization of earnest volunteers attempting to do our best.

### How to Write to Bowls

Letters should be brief and are subject to condensation. They must include writer's identification, and USLBA club membership. Send to:

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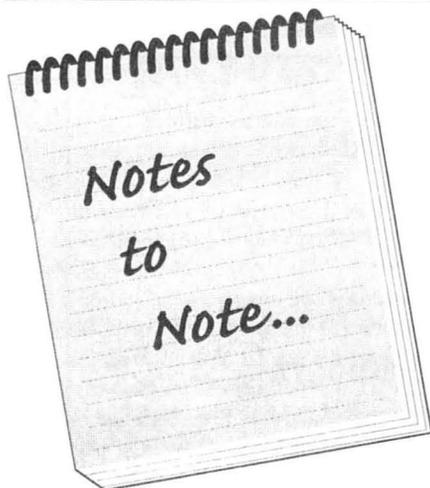
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## USLBA MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM 2001

At its October 2000 meeting, the retiring ALBA (men's) Council authorized the use of "revised team selection policies and procedures" on a one-year experimental basis. The revisions were intended to increase the number of applicants for team consideration. The National Team Selection Committee received twenty-seven applications, an increase of eight over the previous year.

A major procedural change was necessary to name two national team rosters instead of the usual one. One roster is for "North American" events and the other for all other international play.

From each roster, teams are selected to represent the U.S. in whatever international events are scheduled. This year, teams are required for the North American Challenge, to be held in Montreal in August, and for the Asia/Pacific Championships in Australia, in October.

The Selection Committee named the following rosters and teams:

### *North American Challenge Roster:*

Jack Behling, Richard Broad, Jim Cavender, Jim Copeland, Mert Hill, Ivan Hyland, Gordon Lockhart, Jack Lucey, Doug McArthur, Bob Nunes, Joel Stearn, Tom Stirrat, Joe Zinna.

### *North American Challenge Team:*

Behling, Broad, Cavender, Hill, Hyland, McArthur, Nunes, Stearn, Stirrat, Zinna.

### *Asia/Pacific Roster:*

Michael Ashton-Phillips, Richard Broad, Ian Ho, Ivan Hyland, Mert Isaacman, Jack Lucey, Doug McArthur, Bob Nunes, Ed Quo, Tom Stirrat.

### *Asia/Pacific Team:*

Ashton-Phillips, Ho, Hyland, Isaacman, McArthur.

Frank Souza will manage both teams.

By Jim Graham, Chairman  
National Team Selection Committee

## NEW LOGO SELECTED

By Adele Patterson

A national contest has produced a new logo for the United States Bowls Association. The winning entry was submitted by Robert Pawlak, of San Francisco, California.

Twenty different individuals submitted a total of sixty-five entries. The entries were varied, but they included similar themes.

The logo selected features a waving American flag, with three bowls and a jack on a green field. A dark blue band with gold lettering circles the center pictorial.

The committee liked the winning entry's artistic simplicity. As the winner, Pawlak will receive a \$200 gift certificate from Henselite Bowls, which will be presented at the Opening Ceremony of the 2001 National Open.

The committee would like to thank all who participated in the contest.

## WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM REVIEW & SELECTION REPORT

By Myra Wood

The Atlantic Rim Games, which were scheduled to be May 19-27 in Namibia, have been cancelled by the Namibia Sports Council. Ed Quo was to be manager of the team featuring Anne Cherney, Carrie Fossati, Linda McDougall, Kottia Spangler and Katy Stone.

The North American Challenge will be in Montreal, Aug. 9-11. A training camp will be held in Montreal prior to the competition. Two teams of five will be competing: Sybil Bernash, Pat Gonzales, Carrie Fossati, Maryna Hyland, Doris Leibbrandt; and Linda McDougall, Erika Sistas, Dora Stewart, Katy Stone, Kathy Vea.

The Asia-Pacific Games are scheduled for Australia, Oct. 22-Nov. 4. Women selected to represent the U.S. are: Anne Cherney, Carrie Fossati, Linda McDougall, Kottia Spangler and Katy Stone. Isabella Forbes is team manager. Ed Quo will coach.

The USLBA R&S Women's Committee members are: *Central*—Beverly Phillips, *Northeast*—Mary Scott, *Northwest*—Pat Boehm, *Pacific Inter-Mountain*—Shirley Cam, *South Central*—Roberta Lane, *South-east*—Muriel Rackliff, *Southwest*—Jan Wessel

Jan. 1, 2002 is the cut-off date for applying for the 2002 North American Challenge roster. If you would like to apply, contact your Division R&S representative. Two teams will be chosen.

Fund raising activities are in progress, Let's support our teams.

Team information available at this website: < [www.bowlsamerica.org](http://www.bowlsamerica.org) >

## NEW FLORIDA LBC JOINS USLBA

A new private lawn bowling green and croquet court has opened in Naples, Florida, and its club has affiliated with USLBA. The Naples area is one of the fastest growing in Florida.

Developed by Jonathan Burt, the club held its first tournament on March 31, a mixed triples event open only to USLBA members. All participants praised the green for being in excellent shape for its first year. SE President Mike Maneilly welcomed the new club to the USLBA family.

Naples lawn bowlers pay \$250 a year for unlimited play, or \$400 per family. Charge for walk-ins is \$10 a visit, or \$30 for one day of play per week, \$50 per month for unlimited play.

The club is located at 3285 Pine Ridge Road, west off exit 16 on I-75 just north of Naples. The club can be contacted at: (941) 593-8282, or <[jdjburt@naplescroquet.com](mailto:jdjburt@naplescroquet.com)>



Jonathan Burt, developer of the new bowling green at Naples FL.

## USLBA WEBSITE TO CARRY U.S. CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

Daily reports of the results of the United States Lawn Bowls Championships, held at Buck Hill Falls, PA, Sept. 9-13, will be available on the official USLBA website: < [www.bowlsamerica.org](http://www.bowlsamerica.org) >

Gene Goodwin, SE Councilor and former director of the School of Journalism at Penn State University, will cover the event, relaying daily reports to Woodruff Ogden, director of the website (and PIMD Councilor). Check it out.

## LAWS OF THE GAME CHANGES APPROVED

The highlighted changes listed below were approved by the Council at the Special USLBA meeting held on February 10, in Sun City West, AZ.

These changes can be copied and pasted into your current *2000 Laws of the Game*.

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### UNITED STATES CHAMPIONSHIPS Men & Women Rules and Regulations *as amended to 2000*

#### A. REQUIREMENTS for EACH ENTRY

1. **LAWN BOWLERS** desiring to enter the United States Championships competitions must be:
  - (a) Bona fide members of an affiliated Nat. Org. Club within the Division prior to the Playdowns and for 90 days prior to the Championships, and is fully paid up in membership dues, as well as green fees, and other fees, if any.
  - (b) Citizens of the United States and, if a member of more than one division, able to certify that their **HOME CLUB** is in the division where they have entered the Playdowns.
  - (c) Willing and able to attend any U.S. Championships Playoffs in which they are entered, at the announced location and dates.
  - (d) Able to certify that they have not entered the Pairs or Singles from any other Division in the same year.
2. Proof that only one of the above requirements has not been fully met can be considered as due cause for disqualification at any level of play.

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### UNITED STATES CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### Playoffs

#### MEN & WOMEN

At the end of Round Robin, those, if any, tied in Match Points for first or second place, will playoff as required by the U.S.L.B.A. Championships Committee.

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#### WOMEN'S DRESS CODE

- a. The dress for tournament play shall be white or cream, neat, clean and in good taste. Slack and skirts, shorts or culottes no shorter than three inches above the knee are permitted.
- b. Matching colored team shirts are acceptable.
- c. **FOOTWEAR MUST BE PER LAW 3E OR 16B.**

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*(Advertorial)*

## COMPLETE, FAST BOWLS EQUIPMENT SOURCE

Suppliers of lawn bowling equipment are in short supply in the United States. In many regions of the country, the sport is not known at all and there is not enough business to support a retail store selling lawn bowling supplies and equipment. Because of the limited demand, even the larger sports supply chains generally do not carry lawn bowling equipment. It is difficult for lawn bowlers to be able to compare equipment and prices. Generally, products are ordered from club representatives of distributors or from advertisements that appear in this magazine.

Even in Canada, which has many more lawn bowling clubs than the United States, there are no retail stores and only one company, Bowling Sales of Canada, carries a large stock of product. Bowling Sales of Canada is the North American distributor for Drakes Pride, manufacturers of the top line of lawn bowls.

American lawn bowlers can order with confidence from Bowling Sales of Canada via: 1-800-561-2695. Individual orders are sent by mail and arrive at the lawn bowler's home with no extra freight or shipping charges. Payment may be made by American Express, Visa or MasterCard.

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SUPER DRAW	#	\$
FIRST IMPRESSIONS	#	\$
SPONSOR	NA	\$
(US funds only)	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	\$

# U.S. LAWN BOWLS ASSN

## 2001 NATIONAL OPEN



### ENTRY FORM

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FOURS	October 8 - 9
PAIRS	October 10 - 11

Entry Fee : US \$40 *per person / event*  
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Mail entry & fee to : Bob Nunes  
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Yorba Linda, CA 92886  
Phone : (714) 993-0767  
E-mail : bobnunes@aol.com

#### WOMEN'S EVENTS

FOURS	October 6 - 7
SINGLES	October 8 - 9
PAIRS	October 10 - 11

Entry Fee : US \$40 *per person / event*  
Checks payable to : USLBA National Open  
Mail entry & fee to : Heather Stewart  
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**Teams will be limited. Closing Date for Entries : September 15**

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TOTAL ENTRY FEES: US \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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# MINUTES

## US Lawn Bowls Association

### Special Council Meeting

February 10, 2001

**F**ollowing is an abbreviated account of the Minutes of a special meeting of the USLBA Council, held Feb. 10, 2001, in Sun City West, AZ. A full set of Minutes of this meeting is available from each Division secretary.

President Donna West explained the purpose of the special meeting was to deal with such issues as financing and membership. She emphasized that no amendments to the association Constitution could be considered at this meeting.

Myra Wood, reporting as chair of the Nominating Committee, recommended that Tom Kees, of Pinehurst NC, be elected USLBA secretary to replace Lynn Stokes, who has resigned. A resume showing Tom's service as an executive of Sears and in several positions in lawn bowling at the division and club level was distributed. The Council unanimously voted to elect Tom secretary, effective immediately.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Shirley Cam and accepted by the Council.

President West reported that the Northwest Division North American Challenge

Committee for 2000 had returned "seed" money advanced by the old associations and that it had been distributed as follows: \$500 each to the Memorial Foundations of AWLBA and ALBA, and \$400 to the North American Challenge Fund.

Following a lengthy discussion regarding past and present membership policies, primarily various interpretations of "clubs within clubs" and their effect on the new USLBA, the Council referred concerns and disagreements to a special committee for study, with instructions to report to the regular Council meeting in October 2001. Councilors appointed to this committee are: Jack Lucey (chairman), Sam DeLisle, Myra Wood, Adele Patterson and Gene Goodwin.

The South Central Division offered to host the National Open Tournament in 2002, but there was no motion to change the standing commitment to continue holding the National Open in the Southern California in 2001, 2002 and 2003.

The Council agreed that National Open entry fees will be uniform for men and women. Entry fees for the 2001 National

Open were set at \$40 per player, per event.

The Council adopted a suggestion by Chief Umpire John Stewart to amend the *Laws of the Game* on U.S. Championships (page 27) to change the wording of A.1.(b) from "primary residence" to "Home Club." The Council agreed that tie-breaking rules now used by the men should also apply to women's events in the U.S. Championships. Umpire Stewart agreed to make the same changes in the *Laws of the Game*, and he also agreed to make it clear in the "Laws" that men and women participants can wear smooth-soled, heel-less shoes "of any color." (see *Notes to Note on page 9.*)

In the matter of whether "mixed" tournaments should count for points in considering applicants for the Men's National Team, the Council agreed with Umpire Stewart that team selectors should count victories in point-counting tournaments whether they be men's or mixed events.

To save money, the Council voted to eliminate the Summer issue of *BOWLS Magazine* for 2001, and move the deadlines for the Spring issue to May 1 and the deadline for the Fall issue to Sept. 1, so that the issues would come out every four months instead of every three months.

Non-councilor Conrad Melton, named by President West as chairperson of a special committee on USLBA Communications and *BOWLS Magazine*, led a discussion of what should be done to upgrade *BOWLS Magazine*. Councilors suggested less space for routine club news and more general interest

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## Major Tournaments Calendar

*Events listed are for both men and women except where noted.*

<b>JULY</b>	14-19	MEN	CENTRAL OPEN	Pittsburgh, PA
<b>AUGUST</b>	4-9	MEN	NORTHEAST OPEN	Buck Hill Falls, PA
	4-7	WOMEN		
	9-11		NORTH AMERICAN CHALLENGE	Montreal, Canada
	11-26	MEN WOMEN	NORTHWEST OPEN	Tacoma, WA Woodland Park, WA
	25-31	MEN	PACIFIC INTER-MOUNTAIN OPEN	San Francisco Bay, CA
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	1-3		NORTHWEST FALL OPEN	King City, OR
	9-14		U.S. CHAMPIONSHIPS	Buck Hill Falls, PA
<b>OCTOBER</b>	5-11		USLBA NATIONAL OPEN	Irvine, CA
	22- Nov 4		ASIA-PACIFIC GAMES	Moama, Australia

To list your tournament contact: Shirley Cam, 1625 Skycrest Dr. #25, Walnut Creek, CA 94595 E-mail: shircam@home.com



## MEMBERSHIP & INSTRUCTION

By Frank Ransome  
Chairman

**T**here are two new lawn bowling clubs in St. George, Utah, and a great opportunity for all of us to be a part of something wonderful.

Each year, the Huntsman World Senior Games are held in St. George and the plan is to have both Triples and Pairs lawn bowling tournaments included. The dates are October 15–16 for the Pairs and 17–18 for the Triples. We plan on playdowns the first day and flights on the second day of both tournaments, so every bowler will get in at least four games.

The concept of the Huntsman Games is for athletes ages 50 to whatever to compete in international competition by age groups for medals. There will be no cash prizes, but there will be many free perks for all participants.

The entry fee (early registration/prior to August 10 is \$59, or standard registration/August 11–September 10, \$79) includes a games shirt, gift bag, ID badge, \$10 dinner ticket, sport sponsor social, site refreshments, 2nd week ceremonies, emergency medical service handbook, official program, results book, health screenings and healthy lifestyle seminars. The free health screenings will include PSAs for men, breast cancer risk assessment, cholesterol, glaucoma, blood sugar, blood pressure, mammograms for women, body composition, bone density and hearing.

Lawn bowlers will compete for gold, silver and bronze medals in two age groups. One for teams under 70, and one for teams 70 and over. Frank Ransome will be the tournament director. The tournament will consist of three 12-end games each day and the weather should be mild (70 to 85 daytime). St. George is the gateway to the largest concentration of National Parks and Monuments in America, and everyone should plan some time to visit Zion, Bryce and the Grand Canyon before returning home.

Huntsman can be contacted at 1-800-562-1268, or by writing to Huntsman World Senior Games, 82 West 700 South, St. George, Utah 84770. Norman Olsen, owner of the Sun Brook Green, has volunteered his facilities to host the lawn bowler's final dinner. There will be many opportunities to visit the National Parks and for trips to nearby Mesquite, NM for gambling. The room rates at the Mesquite casinos are very reasonable if you don't mind the 40-minute drive back to St. George.

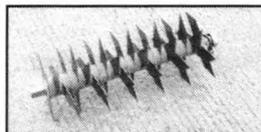
There will be at least 5,000 participants in the Huntsman Senior Games over the two weeks that it is held. It is styled similar to the Olympic Games and will give us an opportunity to show athletes from all over the country how challenging our sport really is. Send for your registration packets as soon as possible to be sure that your entry will be among the first to arrive.

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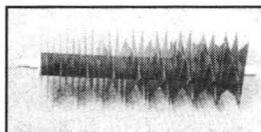
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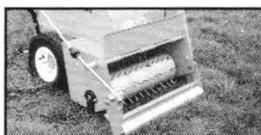
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Daytona, FL Lil Abner Chris Praties & Joyce Miller 2-22

Oakland LBC, CA Georgia Edling, John Yen 3-27

**8 SHOTS PAIRS**

Sun City West, AZ Dollar Thursday Marian Clark, Irene Horne

Lakeland LBC, FL Southeast Div Open Bill Broad, Sam Drevitch 3-06

**7 SHOTS TRIPLES**

Sun City, CA Ron Turner, Jon Bloomer, Jerry Turner 2-14

Holmby Park, CA Maureen Waldorf, Don Hedge, Mark Salmon 3-24

King's Point LBC, FL Arla Maginnis, Doris DeArment, Marion Wood 4-2

Cove Communities LBC, CA Margaret Rodman, Gwen Owen, Glenda McGlashan 3-30

Hemet-Joslyn LBC, CA Bob Wolven, Joan Burke, David Evans 3-23

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Sarasota, FL Southeast Div Playdowns Roger Rackliff, Al Polliccio 4-10

Pomona LBC, CA Chet Borger, Bill Kagan, Bob Forget 3-31

**8 SHOTS TRIPLES**

Sun-N-Fun Challenge Trophy Norm Hall, Frank Stuhmueller, Olive Walsh 2-18

Sun City Center, FL Al Kirms, John Bailiff, Ron Wilhelm 3-1

Richmond, CA Herb Miles Mixed Five Steve Ringwood, Gilbert Pang, John Yen

Cambria LBC, CA Don Swezey, June Smith, Monte Newsom 4-04

**9 SHOTS TRIPLES**

Lakeland, FL Southeast Div Open Neil Sloan, Ray Becker, Aubrey Fine 3-6

Oakmont LBC, CA Sandy Gravitch, Knobby Hudson, Dick Love 4-5

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Sun City, AZ, Presidents Five, Ann Howland, Gladys Sales, Betty Ackerman, Joan Cameron 3 - 10

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There are seemingly as many versions of teaching lawn bowling as there are lawn bowlers. Almost every club has someone who works with prospective bowlers and who is called "the coach". Some clubs just leave the coaching to whomever has the time, while others allow the sponsor of a new member to do the teaching. In many instances the coach is someone who has been doing the job for years, doesn't want to give it up, but resists any attempt to modify or update his/her methods.

I would like each of you to consider the following facts. Lawn bowling is an organized sport with an international federation that provides rules of play (with some national modifications), as well as rules of conduct and etiquette. Why don't we teach lawn bowling as a sport?

Is there anyone who reads this column that believes that any sport can be played without some degree of coaching? Every sport begins with lessons that become more involved as we increase our participation. In Little League, tiny kids learn how to throw a ball, hit a ball, run the bases and play a position. Can we be expected to do any less in our sport? Sure, there are some who quickly learn how to roll a bowl, but that doesn't make them lawn bowlers. It only makes them candidates to become lawn bowlers.

The most difficult job an instructor has is finding qualified help to assist with the teaching. This relates to the first paragraph of this article. "There are as many ways to teach lawn bowling as there are lawn bowlers." Too many bowlers have achieved a measure of profi-



## COACHES CORNER

By Frank Ransome

National Coaching & Instruction Chairman

ciency without mastering the basics and those bowlers should not be allowed to influence new recruits.

The preface to the basic USLBA syllabus was written six years ago and it's just as true today as it was back then. We all belong to the USLBA now and our biggest task is to increase the number of lawn bowlers bowling at USLBA affiliated clubs. Our instructors or coaches, or just

the guy giving the lessons, should follow the standard guidelines and should give credit for the thoroughness of the lessons to the parent organization. Every new member should learn how important it is to the club and to himself/herself to belong to the USLBA. Every coach should emphasize just where the club fits into his/her regional division and the opportunities that exist for new members to bowl with and against people who are experienced players. Every Division should have a "chief instructor" whose job is to train qualified coaches in his/her region. The teacher who stands in front of a class of first grade pupils must set the standard for those children's future education. How he or she influences and encourages those kids will carry them through the rest of their schooling. That's the guideline every club should use when they select their coaches. The job of a club coach can not be measured in terms of how fast he/she can get someone bowling in the draw, but how much pleasure does that someone get out of the game—also how long he/she remains a member of the club.

There is a standard syllabus for teaching beginning bowlers that has been distributed to all divisions and to most clubs. This is not

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### CLEARWATER

By May Blair

Another exciting season of club and open tournaments put the following winners' names into the Clearwater LBC record book: Lorne Reid and Ralph Ross, *Kurt Dornau Men's Pairs*; Lorne Reid, Brooke Reid and Russ Tees, the *Bill Miller Classic*; Bill Farrell, Eleanore Calder and Bill Stevenson, the *Art Hartley Tournament*; Jab Pierce, Olive and Douglas Shearer, the *Bill Kaestle* competition.

Also: Bill Adamson and Guy Thomas, *Club Men's Pairs*; Molly Turnbull and Betty Kelly, *Club Women's Pairs*; Gene Robertson, Jill Orchard and Grace Vandermade, *Club Women's Triples*; Eleanore Calder, Bill Farrell and Bill Stevenson, *Otty Dornau* (woman must skip) tournament,

Plus: Mary McKay and Bill Stevenson, *Bill Adamson Invitational*; Sam Drevitch, Bill and Joan Broad, *Charles Brock Tournament*; Margaret McBean and Bill Farrell, *Sadie Hawkins*; Neil and Betty Kelly, *Valentine's Day*.

After a first-day rain-out, Clearwater edged On-Top-of-the-World, 6 to 5, with one tie.

Many Clearwater bowlers, such as Barb and Burl Roller, Bill Farrell, Lindsay Blair, Pat O'Donohue, Ron Jones, Joe Dorsch, Charles Roach, Russ Tees, Cecilia Noble and Mary McKay, did well in the SE Opens and/or Playdowns and are chronicled elsewhere in the adjacent story.

Dorothy Tewksbury, ardent bowler and long a member of our club, died in her hometown of Lindsay, Ontario, in January of this year, at the age of 98. She was the widow of ALBA Hall of Fame bowler Willis Tewksbury. Other club members whose recent deaths are mourned include: Mae Goldie, Sam Loveman, Don McPeek and Bill Stonehouse.

## SE EDGES NE AT EAST COAST CHALLENGE

By Gene Goodwin

Southeast 37, Northeast 35!

Only two points separated the victor and the vanquished at this year's East Coast Challenge, a four-ring lawn bowling circus of Singles, Pairs, Triples and Rinks, held April 28-29 on the first-class green of the Pinehurst Lawn Bowling Club, in Pinehurst, North Carolina. This year's result was a far cry from last year, when the SE dominated the tournament and took home the Motta Cup.

Fifteen men and women bowlers each from the Southeast and Northeast Divisions of USLBA competed intensely for two long, beautiful days before the outcome was decided in the sixth round of games, in which the SE won three and tied one, while the NE achieved two victories and a tie.

Each division fielded three teams of five bowlers. The teams alternated in play between Triples and Pairs one round and Singles and Rinks the next round. Wins were worth two points and ties one point.

USLBA Vice President Jack Lucey, of Slater Park, captained the NE squad, made up of Duncan Farrell and Colin Smith, Essex County; Ron Buck, Dupont; Tom McLaughlin, Sonne and Paul Bucklin,

Maurice LaFond and his mother, Greta, all Slater Park; Dana Lum and Patrick Duffy, New York; Dan Berg, Ed Reynolds and Jack Edwards, Williamsburg; and Linda McDougall, Bridgeport.

The SE squad, captained by past ALBA President Bill Farrell, of Clearwater, consisted of John Shanklin, Cliff Bailey, Patti and Joe Grabowski, and Dodie Hann, all of Pebble Beach/Suncoasters; Russ Tees, Burl and Barbara Roller, Clearwater; Jo Gilbert, Daytona Beach; Bill and Beth Forbes and Gene Goodwin, Mount Dora; and Joe Coleman and Al Pelliccio, Pinehurst. Pinehurst's George Tucker and Louise Paul stepped in for the SE, subbing for Bill Farrell, whose knee needed a one game rest, and Joe Grabowski, who had to sit out four matches because of illness.

The Motta Cup, donated by Tom McLaughlin, stays with the SE this year. Mack Penwell, Director of Lawn Sports at Pinehurst, managed this year's Challenge, with help from Tom Kees, Pinehurst club president Patt Cawley, and scores of other host club members.

The 2002 East Coast Challenge is tentatively scheduled for April 27-28 at Pinehurst.

### FOUR SE CLUBS REMOVE GROUND SHEETS

**B**radenton, Mount Dora, Daytona Beach and World Parkway (just outside Clearwater, FL) lawn bowling clubs have this year pulled out the concrete-based ground sheets that have been fixtures on Florida hard surface rinks for decades. They had forced bowlers to bowl from fixed-foot mats.

The Clearwater club took out its concrete blocks two years ago. And, although Delray Beach also has Har-Tru or Rubico surfaces on its rinks, that club has always played the game with movable foot mats.

The only Har-Tru surfaced clubs still using the concrete-based ground sheets are DeLand, West Palm Beach and St. Petersburg. Florida also has 13 grass green clubs, but it is believed to be the only place left in the lawn bowling world with Har-Tru or Rubico lawn bowling surfaces. Removing the fixed foot mats in those five Florida facilities would allow them to cease being an exception to world rules and its members to play the game the way it is played on grass or regulation carpet greens.

The removal actions were also taken to simplify and decrease the costs of maintenance and to make the game safer for players.

### ST. PETERSBURG

By Ann Bodley

Because our clubhouse, built in 1917, has been declared historic, the City of St. Petersburg has taken over care and maintenance of our buildings. We continue to look after our greens and have first call on their use.

A highlight of our season was a luncheon to celebrate the 90th birthday of Elsie Owens, a long-time active club member who bowls three times a week; and who, in a game just before her 90th, delivered three bowls within six inches of the jack.



SOUTHEAST DIVISION

# SOUTHEAST OPEN

By Gene Goodwin

Sandra Whitelaw, of Sarasota, and Burl Roller, of Clearwater, earned women's and men's "Bowler of the Tournament" awards at the 2001 SE-USLBA Open. The annual weeklong event was held at Sarasota and Lakeland LBCs March 3-9. (Note: LBCs below listed in italics)

## MEN'S SINGLES

### Championship Flight

1. Cliff Bailey, *Pebble Beach*
2. Duncan Farrell, *Essex*
3. Burl Roller, *Clearwater*
4. Bill Hiscock, *San Diego*

### A Flight

1. Guy Thomas
2. Bill Broad

### B Flight

1. Mike Maneilly
2. Bill Riddick

### C Flight

1. Al Ferguson
2. Bill Stevenson

### D Flight

1. Larry McClelland
2. Robin Goldman

### Consolation

1. Ralph Ross
2. Norm Welsh
3. Joe Grabowski

## WOMEN'S SINGLES

### Championship

1. Judy Hoare, *Sarasota*
2. Patti Grabowski, *Suncoasters*
3. Mary McKay, *Clearwater*
4. Sandra Whitelaw, *Sarasota*

### A Flight

1. Eva Robson
2. Iris Sager

### B Flight

1. Pam Durbey
2. Pauline Blastorah

### C Flight

1. Noreen Welsh
2. Evelyn Sartain

## MEN'S PAIRS

### Championship

1. Joe Dorsch, Charles Roach, *Clearwater*
2. Don Adams, John Sager, *SunNFun LBC*
3. Larry McClelland, Wes Hague, *Lakeland*
4. Ron Buck, Len Hollran, *Dupont/Sarasota*

### A Flight

1. George Whitelaw, Bud Wake
2. Joe Grabowski, Bruce Petrie

### B Flight

1. Duncan Farrell, Dan Berg
2. David Gray, Doug Bamford

### C Flight

1. Al Ferguson, Ted Powers
2. Lynn Stokes, Mike Maneilly

### D Flight

1. Dave Houtby, Brian Luther
2. Ray Becker, Neil Sloane

### Consolation

1. Sam Drevitch, Bill Broad
2. Bill Bish, Bud Ricucci
3. Tom McLaughlin, Patrick Duffy

## WOMEN'S PAIRS

### Championship

1. June Marwood, Joyce Dewey, *SunNFun*
2. Cecilia Noble, Mary McKay, *Clearwater*
3. Shirley Hague, Helen Dickson, *Lakeland*
4. Marion Payne, Nora Rice, *Lakeland*

### A Flight

1. Eleanor Calder, Barbara Roller
2. Cathie Symington, Joey Dunn

### B Flight

1. Noreen Welsh, Sandra Whitelaw
2. Lenore Roach, Majorie Kells

### C Flight

1. Eileen Malpass, Sallie Lane
2. Lorna Hollran, Nancy Tranvik,

### D Flight

1. May Blair, Kathleen Mein
2. Margaret Molloy, Dodie Hann

## MEN'S TRIPLES

### Championship

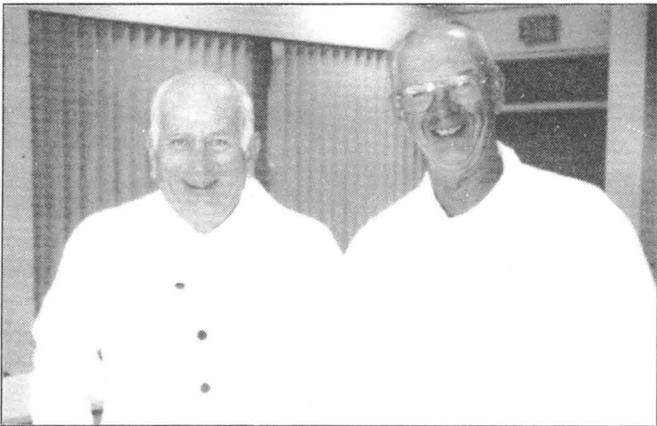
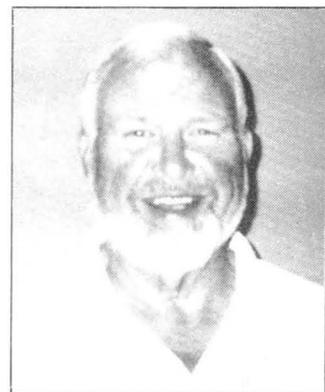
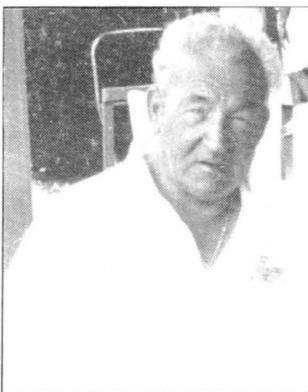
1. Lindsay Blair, Ron Jones, Pat O'Donohue, *Clearwater*
2. Norm Welsh, Chuck Townsend, Dave Gray, *Canada*
3. Burl Roller, Jack Mein, Bob Malpass, *Clearwater/Lakeland*
4. Bill Hiscock, Ross Craven, Ed Douglas, *San Diego/Sarasota*

### A Flight

1. John Irons, Alex Womar, Derek Tucker
2. Al Pelliccio, Mack Penwell, Tom Kees

### B Flight

1. John Irons, Alex Womar, Derek Tucker
2. Al Pelliccio, Mack Penwell, Tom Kees



Top left: Cliff Bailey captured the SE Open Singles.  
 Top right: SE Open Men's "Bowler of the Tournament" was Burl Roller.  
 Bottom: Joe Dorsch, left, and Charles Roach took SE Open Pairs honors.

### B Flight

1. Sam Drevitch, Bill Broad, Ken Roberts
2. Jack McGaugh, Chuck Best, Gene Dewitt

### C Flight

1. Aubrey Fein, Ray Becker, Neil Sloane
2. Al Ferguson, Eric Bedford, Ted Powers

### Consolation

1. Maurice Walter, E. Pearson, Ovas Wagg
2. Ray Turman, Dave Barrett, John Bailiff

## WOMEN'S TRIPLES

### Championship

1. Patti Grabowski, Dodie Hann, Carol Fahnestock, *Suncoasters*
2. Noreen Welsh, Helen Dewar, Sandra Whitelaw, *Sarasota/Canada*
3. Shirley Hague, Helen Dickson, Marjorie Ross, *Lakeland*

4. Peggy Bettridge, Donna Jackson, Eileen Petrie, *Bradenton/Suncoasters*

### A Flight

1. Iris Sager, Marie Adams, Evelyn Sartain

2. Eileen Malpass, Sallie Lane, Maureen Zelinsky

### B Flight

1. Alvina Casey, Eva Robson, Norma Kerns

2. Cathie Symington, Joey Dunn, Grace Smith

### C Flight

1. Cecilia Noble, Lenore Roach, Mary McKay
2. Eva Hill, Helen Wake, Sharon Farrish



## SOUTHEAST DIVISION

## MOUNT DORA

By Gene Goodwin

Janet Swartzlander, a retired banker who has served as Board secretary for two years, is the president of the Mount Dora club this year.

Also elected at the annual meeting in February were: Wayne Menne, vice president; Gene Goodwin, secretary; Anne Marie McKean, treasurer; Bob James, grounds director; and Lorraine Demman, house director. Past president Frank Anderson is director for long-range planning, and two other directors, Kit Olmstead for games and Jean Petersen for socials, are serving the second year of their two-year terms.

Two lawn bowlers over 90 were elected to honorary membership. Although the law won't license either to drive, they bowl regularly and well. They are Dr. Basil Hall, 94, who was an Air Force flight surgeon for 30 years and director of the local county Health Department, and Dr. Harry E. Jacobson, 93, a retired Southern Illinois University professor.



Janet Swartzlander gets Mount Dora's top post for 2001.



(l-r) Harry Tombleson, Beth Forbes and Ralph Knight won Mount Dora's annual Major Marsh Tournament.

Club tournaments since the last issue of BOWLS produced these winners:

*Singles:* Men—Bill Forbes, Women—Lois Lindley. *Pairs:* Men—Harry Tombleson and Len Clarke, Women—Evelyn Sartain and Hazel Hogan. *Mixed—*Kit Olmstead and Dick Tucker.

*Triples:* Women—Kit Olmstead, Jackie Little and Tracy Wulbrecht. Men—Bill Forbes, Dick Tucker and Bob James.

*Home League:* Bill Swartzlander, Charlie Hunter and Jackie Ricucci. *Major Marsh:* Ralph Knight, Harry Tombleson and Beth Forbes.

*Mount Dora Invitational:* Bill Forbes, Bud Ricucci and Beth Forbes. *DeLand Invitational:* Bill Forbes, Sy Carkhuff and Beth Forbes. *Daytona Beach Invitational:* Brian Bloomfield, Mary Bloomfield and Jean Petersen. *Bill's Game:* Jo Joyce. *Fox Hill Triples:* Lorraine Demman, Charlie Hunter and Bob LaPointe.

*In Memoriam*

William Campbell

Tom Fuller

Joseph Gryzich

Virginia P. Miller

## SARASOTA

By Ian MacRae

The improved Sarasota greens have been praised by many visiting bowlers this year, starting with the 30 from the St. Brelades Club in Guernsey. They spent two-and-a-half days with us to open our 2000-2001 season, ending with the SE-USLBA Playdowns, which we hosted in early April. In between, we played host for the women's events in the SE-USLBA Open in March, and the Sarasota Senior Games.

The Sarasota Croquet Club used one of our three squares this season on a schedule that gave lawn bowlers precedence. The 21 croquet players joined our lawn bowling club as full members and modified their equipment, namely the wickets, to assure that the green was not damaged.

Canada won our International Day trophy in February. Club members from the United States, Canada, England and Scotland vie annually for this coveted prize. They dress in their nation's colors and are led onto the green by their national flags.

More information about our club can be found on our website:

<[www.sarasotalawnbowling.com](http://www.sarasotalawnbowling.com)>

## DAYTONA BEACH

By Bill Cannon

With half our members heading north every spring, we lay back into our lighter summer schedule of "lawn bowling by the sea," thinking of the successful season we enjoyed over the winter.

Our club tournament winners were: *Singles:* Women's—Jo Gilbert; Men's—Geoff Headley. *Pairs:* Women's—Claire Sargent and Betty Praties; Men's—Chris Praties and Don Pierson. *Mixed—*Claire Sargent and Don Pierson.

*Lil Abner Day* was won by Chris Praties and Joyce Miller. *Sadie Hawkins Day* winners were Jack and Jo Gilbert.

Farewell to snowbirds: Nessie DeBattista, Clyde Mitchell and Kaye Wiswell.

Don Pierson is our new president for the coming year.

## BRADENTON

By John Meksa

Don Slinger is the new president of the Bradenton club. Others elected at the recent annual meeting were: Joe Quinn, vice president; Beth Slinger, secretary; and Ellen Hoffman, treasurer.

We welcome new members Peggy Bettridge and Donna Jackson.

Our top team in the West Florida League last season was made up of Joyce Schindler, Ellen Hoffman and Don Slinger.

Having joined Clearwater in removing our concrete-based ground sheets early last season, we have enjoyed bowling with movable mats. Our members gracefully accepted the change.

Don't be late!

Next deadline

for Division

Correspondence is

Sept. 1



The Southeast Division and lawn bowlers everywhere are saddened by the death of Freida Mixon last winter. She was one of the founders and a past president of the American Women's Lawn Bowls Association. A memorial service was held for her in February in Sun City Center, Florida, where she lived before her passing. She also served as president of SE-AWLBA.

## SOUTHEAST DIVISION

## FLORIDA LEAGUES

By Gene Goodwin, Lenore Roach and Jack Phillips

Scores of Florida lawn bowlers compete regularly each season in one of three leagues: The North Central Florida League, the West Florida League, and the Grass League. Here's how the leagues fared in the 2000-2001 season:

**NCFL**—For the sixth straight year, Mount Dora's team of Herb Wintsch, Bill Forbes and Beth Forbes won the championship of the North Central Florida League. This time with an undefeated record. Their 11 victories also helped the Mount Dora Bengals turn in the best record among the four five-team squads, followed by Daytona Beach, the Mount Dora Pirates, and DeLand.

The Wintsch team also took the Esch Trophy by beating the other top two teams in each squad at mid-season. Although Herb was off bowling in New Zealand, Bill and Beth recruited Bud Ricucci as a substitute and won the 2001 All Stars Trophy competition for the top two teams in each squad at the end of the Season,

Second place among the 20 competing teams was shared by the Bengals team of Gene Goodwin, Jim Laux and Eleanore Park, and the Daytona Beach team of Pete Wisse, Don Pierson and Jo Gilbert, each having won 9 of 11 matches.

**WFL**—With the return of St. Petersburg, the West Florida League competed this season as six squads of four triples teams each.

Once again, Bill Farrell's Red Wings from Clearwater captured the squad title, with

another Clearwater squad, the Orange Peelers, captained by Charles Roach, placing second. In individual team play, Bill Farrell, Eleanore Calder and Bill Stevenson took the title with 17 points. Two other Clearwater teams, skipped by Ron Jones and Rick Wall, claimed second with 16 points each.

Next season the WFL will be led by Margaret Lester, its first woman president.

**GL**—Sun City Center, made up of bowlers from the Pebble Beach and Suncoasters clubs, edged Sarasota, 53 to 52 points, to win the Grass League championship this season. Lakeland finished third.

In the GL, teams play a home-and-home series with each other. Each match is made-up of 12 men's games and 12 women's games.



NCFL Secretary Gene Goodwin, far left, presents League championship trophies to: (l-r) Herb Wintsch, Beth Forbes and Bill Forbes.

SUNCOASTERS/  
PEBBLE BEACH

By Jack Phillips

Members of the Suncoasters and Pebble Beach clubs have spearheaded the drive to build a new lawn bowling clubhouse at Sun City Center. It should be completed sometime in 2002. The fund-raising committee is headed by Muriel and Roger Rackliff.

Winners of our club tournaments this winter were:

Suncoasters—*Triples*: Liz Bailey, Carol Fahnestock & Joan Jones. *Pairs*: Jean Bonhaus & Jeanne McLaughlin. *Singles*: Gina Shanklin.

Pebble Beach: *Triples*: Ken Bratos, Peter Wood & Ken Hegley. *Pairs*: Ray Turman & Chuck Laughton. *Singles*: John Shanklin.

Newly elected officers are:

Suncoasters: Hilda Ferris, president; Carol Kulis, first vice-president; Ruth Allen Davis, second vice-president; Ella Fraser, secretary; and Carolyn Cole, treasurer.

Pebble Beach: Jack Phillips, president; Ray Turman, vice-president; John Bailiff, secretary/ treasurer.

## PINEHURST NC

By Tom Kees

By the time you read this, work should be underway on the construction of a regulation-size and fully ditched second green at Pinehurst, to be completed in plenty of time before our club hosts the 2003 U.S. Championships.

This green will replace the upper croquet green, and will be used for that sport as well as for lawn bowls. Like the primary Pinehurst green, the new green is to be laser leveled.

Our club Pairs championship this year was won by George Tucker and Louise Paul over Mack Penwell and Alan Langley. Flight A winners were Ann and Jim McGill over Tom Kees and Don Weaver. Flight B winners were Margo and Al Pelliccio, while Tom Cawley and Tom Ciaccio took Flight C.

Our Spring 2001 clinic attracted 73 potential new members, 16 of whom have joined by this writing.

## LAKELAND

By Jim Steele

Eighty of our 83 members turned out for the season-closing party, at which the winners of our in-house Competitive League were recognized. On top after a six-team round robin for women was the team of Eileen Mallpass, Sallie Lane and Maureen Zelinsky. The eight-team round robin for men was won by Ken Martin, Laverne Anderson and Ken Payne.

Officers elected for next season are: President Norma Rice, First Vice-President Peter Proctor, Second Vice-President Vaughn Zelinsky, Treasurer Doug Booker and Secretary Rae Ney.

The lawn bowling part of the Polk County Senior Games was held at our club and gold medals were won in the "A" Division by Jean Bertram and Marvin Falk, and in the "B" Division by Lionel and Wilma Young. The Florida Senior Games will be held in the Lakeland area for the next two years.

## SOUTHEAST DIVISION

## SOUTHEAST U.S. PLAYDOWNS

The Southeast will send the following Playdowns winners to the first USLBA United States Championships, at Buck Hill Falls PA, September 9-13:

**Women's Singles:** Barbara Roller of the Clearwater LBC, who finished second in Singles at the 1999 U.S. Championships at Long Beach CA, and fourth in the 1998 event in Seattle.

**Women's Pairs:** Jeanne McLaughlin, who has participated in four previous U.S. Championships, and her skip, Jean Bonhaus, a first timer. Both are Suncoasters at Sun City Center FL.

**Men's Singles:** John Shanklin of Pebble Beach LBC, who skipped the SE Pairs team at the 2000 U.S. Championships.

**Men's Pairs:** Al Pelliccio of the Pinehurst NC club and Roger Rackliff, Pebble Beach. Although Al is a relatively new bowler making his first appearance in U.S. lawn bowling's annual main event, his 77-year-old lead made it to the big show in the 1993 and 1994 Singles.

Runners-up in the SE Playdowns held at Sarasota in early April, were: **Women's Singles:** Jo Gilbert, Daytona Beach. **Women's Pairs:** Barbara Roller, Clearwater, and Margo Pelliccio, Pinehurst. **Men's Singles:** Mike Maneilly, Mount Dora. **Men's Pairs:** Bill Farrell and Russ Tees, Clearwater.



SE Pairs Champions Jean Bonhaus, left, and Jeanne McLaughlin



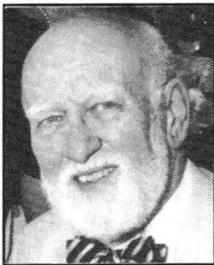
Barbara Roller returns to the U.S. Singles finals this fall.



John Shanklin won the SE men's Singles Playdowns.

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### DUPONT

(Wilmington, DE)

By Tom Lawlor

We are trying hard to compete with our returning Florida bowlers. Our Spring meeting was well attended and all enjoyed coffee and dessert. Assignments were given for the coming season, when we will visit Pittsburgh June 16-17 and Williamsburg will visit DuPont September 8-9. We will have about 30 members this year and hope to recruit more.

Our new "pushers" worked very well, and thanks again to Bernie Nicholls for their design and production. We have our older lightweight wooden rakes for sale and also have a quantity of bowls for sale, many of which were donated to our club by retired bowlers. Contact Pres. Jack Montigney 302/478-2789; email JMONTIGNEY@msn.com or Tom Lawlor: 302/478-2276, email TBBVLAWLOR@yahoo.com

We recently hosted a business group of 36 who enjoyed lawn bowling for the first time. They had a business meeting at the DuPont Country Club and elected to have lawn bowling as a sports activity. We expect to host four or five more similar groups during the season. We will also handle the Sports Academy for youths again this summer where about 150 children, ages 6-12, will lawn bowl.

Our green is in great shape. We're right off I-95 in Wilmington. Please give us a call and join us on our natural grass, ditchless green. We have social bowling in the summer at 9:30 AM on Tues. Thurs. and Sat., or we can arrange to bowl any day at your convenience. Lunch is available in the Club, and we also bowl in the afternoon, about 1 PM.

### SLATER PARK

(Pawtucket, RI)

By Ed Kenney

Our year 2001 starts off with our slate of officers: President, Ed Kenney; Vice-President, Yvonne Balthazard; Secretary, Donna Stojek; Treasurer, Dave Joncas

The bowling community lost a great bowler and friend Paul Motta in January. Paul spent many hours as a bowler and cribbage player with myself and family. He will be gravely missed.

We held our annual winter dinner in mid-February. A good time was had by all and many guests won door prizes. Again this year, George Zvanelich made a wooden perpetual calendar and paper towel holder. Winner of the towel holder was Parker Foss. Winner of the calendar was Betty Fewster.

Our opening day this year was May 5th (if the snow melted), and our season will end the last weekend in October.

If you are in this area during this time span please call me at (401) 728-0292, and I will arrange a game of bowls. We have bowls you can use and whites are not required.

## NORTHEAST DIVISION

**FERNLEIGH**

(West Hartford CT)

*By Ed Wood*

Our largest problem is to increase the membership of the Club. If we are to survive we need to give our best efforts to this problem.

A committee has met several times during the winter for the purpose of participating in the annual "Celebrate West Hartford" program. It offers civic service, sports, school and charitable organizations a way to increase awareness, and a way to participate in various activities that these organizations represent. This program attracts well over 30,000 people each year. Fernleigh will have a booth and a bowling demonstration area. John Rowson is chairman, assisted by Ellen Boyne, Dave Bradley, Bob Ashcraft and Ed Wood.

We have lost our greenskeeper, who has decided to retire. He has maintained our green for ten years. The club members will be maintaining the green. We will be getting assistance from a professional in turf management.

We now have our own website, thanks to George Babic and Len Killian: [www.ctnow.com](http://www.ctnow.com) Click "communities", then "sports".

The club will have its usual tournament schedule. Our Monday night doubles is still one of the most popular programs. The Wednesday afternoon triples, which was added last season, will be continued. We are eagerly waiting for the season to open.

**ESSEX COUNTY**

(Bloomfield, NJ)

*By George J. Schick*

This spring, our members looked forward to participating in the East Coast Challenge at Pinehurst LBC, as well as various division events. Our goal, as a club, is to place well in all events we enter and share the game we all love.

Club President Colin Smith (who works tirelessly for lawn bowling at all levels) has announced the following Committee Chairperson assignments:

- Skippy Arculli, *Club Liaison to the Essex County Department of Parks*
- Duncan Farrell, *Building and Greens*
- Joyce Fitzgerald and Nancy Stroud, *Grounds*
- Debbie Smith, *Hospitality*
- Bob and Lorraine Urquhart, *Membership*

Our Executive Committee is working closely with Daniel Salvante—Director of the Essex County Department of Parks, Recreation and, Cultural Affairs—on maintaining an excellent playing facility at Bloomfield's Watsessing Park. Mr. Salvante is a member of the Essex Club and we expect him to be very involved in the management of the Essex green.

The Essex Club is working with the Watsessing Heights Civic Association in partnership for needed improvements in and around Watsessing Park. In addition, we continue to build a promising youth lawn bowling program throughout Essex County.

Our Club would like to formally welcome four new members. Dana Lum, the Northeast Division's USLBA Councilor, has joined our club, along with her nephews Donny, Michael and Robert.

Visitors are always welcomed at the Essex Club. Please contact George Schick at 732-381-2027, or Bob Urquhart at 973-616-9753 to arrange a game. Our green is located in Bloomfield, NJ adjacent to Exit 148 of the Garden State Parkway.

**WILLIAMSBURG INN***By Susan Berg*

Club members are enthusiastic about the increase in membership and the great condition of our green. Several new members have joined and are actively participating in club round robins and tournaments. There were twenty bowlers at the April round robin, where Ernest Hopke took first place with a record 51 points.

*Spring and Fall are the best times for bowling in Williamsburg. If your travels take you near us, stop by for a game.*

Jack Edwards has organized a spring pairs league, and the popular singles ladder has been reinstated, with several members trying to dislodge reigning champion Joann Proper.

In late April, the club hosted a tournament with Frick Park from Pittsburgh. As usual, Frick Park kicked off the event with a Friday night wine and cheese party. Williamsburg had twenty-three bowlers participating versus ten from Pittsburgh. There were several close games, but Frick Park took home the honors. Saturday evening, the clubs met for a buffet dinner at a local hotel.

At the same time, Dan Berg, Jack Edwards, and Ed Reynolds competed in the East Coast Challenge at Pinehurst, NC. Dan, Jack, and Ed were part of a team of fifteen bowlers from the Northeast Division competing against a team from the Southeast Division. It was a close match, with the Southeast Division winning by only a few points.

Spring and Fall are the best times for bowling in Williamsburg. If your travels take you near us, stop by for a game. The green is open every day from 2 – 6 P.M.

**CUNNINGHAM**

(Milton, MA)

*By Sam Drevitch*

Not much to say as we don't bowl all winter and our season doesn't start until May. But it is great to look forward to starting a new season and renewing old friendships around the Northeast, especially with our close neighbors from the Slater Park Club, of Pawtucket, RI.

I am writing this from Florida where a number of our Division members and I bowled this winter season. But I understand that our green still has some ice on it.

I have had some inquiries regarding our arrangement with the Boston Croquet Club. First, we could not manage our expenses without the financial support of their dues, which is the same as the bowlers. However they maintain their separate club structure.

By using special designed wickets they do not damage the green, as they leave holes similar to an aerating machine. They are given our schedule, so they can avoid using the green at the same time. A normal croquet court requires a space of 108 by 85 feet, so a standard green can easily handle this. Once in a great while, they may inadvertently create a small divot, which is worse than a dumped bowl.

If your green has spare time on your schedule it is a good idea to let serious croquet players use your space.

## NORTHEAST DIVISION

**HAMILTON**

Bob Stewart, founder and president of the Hamilton Township Lawn Bowling Club, as well as its *BOWLS Magazine* correspondent, died in January. He was 89.

Bob played bowls as a teenager in Glasgow, Scotland, and came to the United States in 1947. Before organizing the HTLBC, he was a member of the Cadwalder Park Bowling Club in Trenton, NJ, with his brothers Pete and Jimmy. Last summer, Bob won Hamilton's 2000 Club Singles championship.

He was a World War II British Army veteran, and retired in 1977 as a trades foreman with the New Jersey Turnpike Authority.

**THISTLE**

(West Hartford, CT)

*By Joan Wood*

Our 2001 bowling season began with our third annual February Social. Over half our members attended the event, which was held in the elegant banquet facility adjacent to our greens.

Thistle is very happy to be hosting three Eastern Division events: The Fourth Annual Mix or Match Doubles will be held on Saturday, June 2. The Men's Classic Pairs will be on Saturday, August 18. Then on Saturday and Sunday, September 22-23, the Division Regional Challenge Cup will be played on our greens.

*Thistle is very happy to be hosting three Eastern Division events:*

*Mix or Match Doubles — Sat., June 2*

*Men's Classic Pairs — Sat., Aug. 18*

*Division Regional Challenge Cup —  
Sat-Sun, Sept 22-23*

Our opening day for the season was May 2. After the Annual Spring Meeting and a picnic lunch, we enjoyed our first bowling of the season. Our regular bowling schedule will again be Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays at 1 p.m., and Thursday evenings at 7 p.m..

Club tournaments will be held on June 24 (to coincide with Rose Sunday in Elizabeth Park, the site of our greens) and the third Sunday in July, August and September. We also look forward to joint bowling with Fernleigh, the other West Hartford lawn bowling club—one tournament to be held at Fernleigh and one at Thistle.

I would like to take a few words to publicly thank Ward Francis for his efforts on behalf of the club. For the five years I have been a member he has worked tirelessly on the greens, interfacing with the Parks Department and laboring on his own. He has also overseen most of the tournaments both within the club and with the Northeast Division. He has made my job so much easier.

We welcome visitors to the area to join us for an afternoon or more of bowling.

**GREENWICH**

*By Frances Novak*

April weather in the Northeast has been very unfriendly. But a few hardy bowlers have been diligently working on their skills on the rare days—sunny and at least 45 degrees.

May 12 will be our first Fun Day. Traditionally, Saturday mornings bring out our best attendance. Thursday evenings at 6:30 were also popular last year.

Throughout May we have scheduled bowling lessons. Members have been spreading the word and follow-up letters and calls made. Continuing Education pamphlets have been delivered to all Greenwich residents, which include bowling lessons. With all of this and, hopefully, some good publicity, we expect to grow as we did last season.

The green is in good shape. And, a surprise to us—the Town of Greenwich has remodeling plans in the works for our clubhouse and restrooms. Also, electricity is promised, which will enable us to host other clubs more easily.

Our Saturday Fun Day schedule is as follows:

June 2, 23; July 14; Aug. 4, 25; Sept. 15;  
and Oct. 13 (which is also our Annual Meeting).

**SKYTOP**

(Skytop, PA)

*By Ken Willig*

It has been a long winter, with much snow falling on our beautiful green high up in the Pocono Mountains. Since snow carries many minerals, our green should be in great shape.

Once again we will be embarking on a promotional program to engage more participants in the sport. We were very successful last year and anticipate the same results once again.

Our Skytop Tournament will take place between July 23-28. The week prior will be devoted to daily practice matches.

On Sunday July 29, we will take our "Bowlers" to Buck Hill for our annual match. Always a competitive environment, but with much camaraderie and fun too!

For the non-resident Skytop bowlers, make your plans early, as we need all the manpower we can muster.

See you on the green!

**NEW YORK**

(Central Park)

*By Bob Mancuso*

The New York Lawn Bowling Club mourns the passing of our former president and dear friend Anthony (Tony) Reynal, who died in March at 61.

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**CHICAGO LAKESIDE***By Patricia Brown LeNoble*

Chicago's Lakeside Lawn Bowling Club played host to Mayor Daley's third Senior Olympics Games this past September. Several of our members were on hand to give the 35 entrants first hand information about our game.

The weather wasn't too great. But this was a 'one-on-one' event, single elimination process. Bill Nakagawa and Charlean Smith were the coordinators for the day. This event is not run by park employees, but by the club. Trophies and ribbons were handed out to winners, with a welcome invitation to all participants to come to our club whenever they were so inclined!

We chose to have our awards luncheon combined with the winterizing of our clubhouse in 'one fell swoop' in late October. We had a very tasty lunch, followed by a dessert of homemade apple cobbler, from the kitchen of member, Robert 'Flash' Kingsley.

You have already perused our tournament winners, with the exception of the Ladder, won by John LeNoble. A special trophy was awarded Ernie Moorehead as the 'most improved bowler,' and all the winners were applauded!

We then went quickly about our respective duties of putting everything under wrap for the winter. The more hearty bowlers took to the green for a game of bowls and the last hurrah until spring climbs over our windows!

Lakeside Chicago had its first business meeting of the year at club President Laurie Michael's home. We know she will invigorate the appointed chairmen, as well as our membership, to strive for a great lawn bowling season!

*In Memoriam*

John Flood  
Mildred Peterson

**FOREST HILL**

(East Cleveland)

*By Tom Basler*

You might say that with the death of Bill Duncan we lost the heart of our club. Bill died March 20th of cancer. Even though he had a number of other physical ailments, he continued to bowl right up to the end.

This gentle Scotsman, also known for his wit and jokes, did everything he could to keep our club viable. Only last spring he organized a Scottish concert to raise money to re-seed the green. Bill's professional life as a florist carried over to our club facilities. Every year, until recently, he planted numerous flowers to beautify the area.

He was a recruiter extraordinary. In his quiet way he cajoled, begged or brow-beat potential members.

One of his favorite accomplishments was the establishment of our winter indoor bowling. We have been doing this for over five years, and it has become a favorite of our members.

We will have memories of a good man wearing either his kilts or his dress whites.

**MILWAUKEE LAKE PARK***By Buzz Althoen*

Milwaukee Lake Park recently had a winter luncheon, which is a fun get-together for the bowling folks during our snowy season. We also had our first board meeting with new president, Bob Schneider, in charge. Thanks to past president, Pat Mueller, for directing the club during the past two years!

The club was directed to develop a web site of our own. We will also develop leaflets for prospective members.

Our club has three famous members. Ken Degenhardt was recently elected to the Lawn Bowling Hall of Fame. Champ Salisbury, now of Arizona but formerly of Milwaukee, was also elected to this honor. Jack Behling, now of Arizona but formerly from Milwaukee, was recently named "Bowler of the Decade". We feel they all deserve a round of applause, as does our club, for producing them!

**PITTSBURGH FRICK PARK***By James C. Cunningham*

At this writing the spring equinox has just passed and some fine (i.e. lawn bowling) weather is in the offing. Our committees are busy with team and tournament arrangements, and the greenskeeper is hard at work preparing for eager bowlers to take to the greens.

Greg McCormick is again chairing our Leagues Committee this year and Beverly Phillips will handle the Tournaments Committee.

President Bud Fickley has scheduled tournament visits to the Williamsburg club in April and the DuPont club in June. We look forward to seeing many old friends at the Central Division Tournament here in July.

We begin this season as members of the new United States Lawn Bowls Association, and congratulate Jack Phillips, and all who assisted him, in completing the intricate task of combining the previous organizations into one operation. Lawn bowling will benefit greatly from their hard work.

**FLINT***By Jeane Giesy*

I would like to dedicate this issue to Charles Dager, deceased this February. He was one of the organizers of this club about 27 years ago. He had been an honorary member these last few years, but at 93 he was still interested in the happenings of the club.

Charles invented and built the bowls rakes we still use. He later went into that business with his son, and they supplied many clubs in the United States and Canada, and shipped as far away as Hawaii. It will be hard to replace Charles, for he was one of a kind.

Some of our members participated in the Senior Winter Olympics in the Carpet Bowling event. There were twenty-three events in the Games.

We hope some of you will visit and bowl with us this summer. For information call: 810-233-5128.

*In Memoriam*

Charles Dager

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(See details on page 38)

# SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

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DID YOU EVER THINK YOU WOULD HEAR lawn bowlers saying: "Oh, there are just *too* many things to do!" We have had a tremendous season of bowling...many tournaments, visitations, meetings, classes for new bowlers, a training session for United States' women's international team members and, don't forget, the parties and potlucks.

It's hard to believe we have completed so much this year, with the following major tournaments: the 4th Annual Arizona Mixed Rinks, 5th Annual Bert Thomson-John Zivec Open Pairs, Sun Cities Division Open, USLBA 2001 Senior Mixed National Open (age 70 years and older), Rebecca McArthur President's Five, the Desert Shootout, and the Division Playdowns.

A new twist was added to any USLBA tournament: if anyone throws a wrong bias bowl, they had to pay a dollar towards a fund that was donated to the Westside food bank for their charitable work. Can you imagine "experienced bowlers" collected dollars \$148 in two months time!

## LEISURE WORLD

*By Ralph Bednarek*

Bill Staab is leaving Leisure World. At a February luncheon, the lawn bowling club honored Bill for his many accomplishments as a lawn bowler.

President Verna Roth praised Bill for all he has contributed to the Club over the years. She then opened up the floor for other members, who bestowed many accolades upon Bill, expounding on his bowling ability as well as his outstanding character. Bill expressed his appreciation explaining that he and Connie, his bride of 56 years, were leaving because of health reasons, and moving to Peoria to be closer to their children.

Going back to February 25, 1986, Bill, along with Oral Holm, were the guiding forces in getting Leisure World to erect the Lakeside Building, which became known as the Lawn Bowling Club. Bill was President in 1975-76.

Bill's ability as an exceptional lawn bowler is shown by his many achievements over the years in a variety of club tournaments. He was a champion extraordinary: Men's Doubles '83-'88; Open Doubles '90, '91, '93, '98; Men's Singles '83, '85, '87; Open Singles '90, '91, '96; Mixed Triples '85, '88, '89; and Open Triples '94, '97.

We all understand the reason for Bill's departure and it is with great sadness that we say goodbye. After 29 years in Leisure World, he will be missed greatly. But the influence and contributions that he made over the years to our club will be with us forever.

## PARADISE

*By Marty Schans*

Our Season is wrapping up with completion of our club tournaments. Great bowling was shown by many, but the best were:

### CLUB TRIPLES

1. Lee Purnell, Tom Wright & George Clark
2. Elmer Howard, Dick Tiedgen & Bill Wernberg

### CLUB DOUBLES

1. May Bochard & Dick Kellogg
2. Don McKearman & Marion Norris

### WOMEN'S SINGLES

1. JoAnn Tiedgen
2. Frankie Bye

### MEN'S SINGLES

1. Darrell Shriner
2. Dick Tiedgen

We also had increased participation in South Central Division events outside the park and enjoyed modest success. In the South Central Division Open, Women's Fours, 3rd place was won by Mellie Leng, Marilyn Appollo, Annette Schans and Nita Burdick. In Women's Pairs, Mellie Leng and Marilyn Appollo finished third.

In the President's Five, Mellie Leng, Marilyn Appollo, Tomie Ferrao, Annette Schans and Nita Burdick were runners-up. And, Marty Schans was the Second Flight runner-up in Men's Singles.

Our last major project of the season is the aeration of our green by plugging and then spreading tons of sand. All of the work was done by club members with coordination by our greens committee.

Deadline Next Issue...Sept. 1

## AHWATUKEE

(Phoenix, AZ)

*By Robert L. Padgett*

Ahwatukee hosted Leisure World lawn bowlers in our last competition of the season in February. We finished in the proverbial "blaze of glory", winning on all five rinks. The visitation program also includes Venture Out, Silver Ridge and Monte Vista RV Vacation parks.

In January, we elected our Board of Directors for 2001: Bob Padgett, President; Bob Fischer, 1st Vice-President; Chuck Hawkins, 2nd Vice-President; Eleanor Collier, Sec'y; and Dave Collier, Treasurer.

Our annual Tournament Playdown was held in March. In the Winners' Circle were: *Triples*—Carl Gray, Frank Kirinich and Jim Shofner. *Doubles*—Ray Kubiak and Paul Cherep. The *Singles* champion was Don Simmons.

Another highlight of our season was a second visit from David &

Jean Garbutt of Scottsville, South Africa. Their home club has several hundred members and they regularly bowls 21 ends, with a break midway for "tea!" This year, the Garbutts joined Bob Padgett and Art McMaster at Dollar Monday in Sun City. David couldn't resist another invitation and returned with Art for the special Pizza Day Bowl & Social.

I want to thank USLBA *BOWLS* for listing Ahwatukee with a Phoenix address.

I have received several e-mails from fellow bowlers in Canada, England, Scotland, New Zealand and Australia. In the last case, we had a visit from a fellow bowler from Sidney. I even received an invitation for all bowlers in our area to visit the new green in Bangkok, Thailand.

And closer to home, we had an inquiry from a Show Low RV Park asking for information on how to create a green for their park.

## SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

## SUN CITY WEST

By Jim Obrock

We have held a Ladder every Tuesday afternoon, with players coming from El Mirage to compete with us. Every Thursday afternoon, we hold Fun Thursday with players coming from Sun City Grand, El Mirage, Sun City and Paradise. We play a social draw, then serve food snacks and drinks..

Members Larry Brohammer and Don Wood work our four green club area, keeping our equipment in good shape and introducing new equipment for our use. Larry had the recreation department remove the sprinklers from the center of each green. This now allows us to use all rinks on the greens without a bowl hitting a sprinkler hole. We are fortunate to have a great recreation department staff to maintains our greens.

In March, we held a Memorial for our deceased members. A draw was made and we played an eight-end triples match, served lunch, then finished the final eight ends. We ended the day with dessert and coffee.

We played a visitation at El Mirage and lost the plaque we won last year. We are trying to set up home and away visitations with Paradise and Sun City Grand, too. Sun City has been very heavily scheduled and we have not had visitations with them except for their Oakmont club.

We enjoy twelve months of sun in the Phoenix area with about six inches of annual rain. We get to play everyday but, come June through August, we must play early before the temperatures reach 110 (its dry heat) during the day. Someone asked, if we have the lights on when we play at 4 a.m. What do you think?

## SUN CITY

By Marion Mueller &amp; Harry Berry

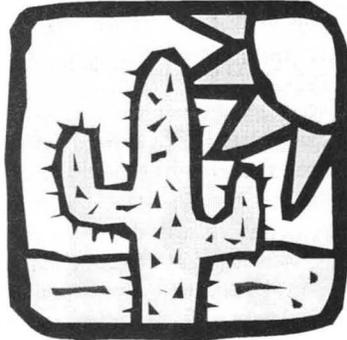
South Central women held the Rebecca McArthur President's Five tournament at Bell in March. Entries maxed out with sixteen teams, making this the best response to this annual fun day.

Rebecca McArthur passed away last fall. She was the first President of the South Central Division of AWLBA. Her husband, Lachlan, had passed away in January.

Winners of the tournament were:

Nancy Hull—Singles and Pairs, Cecile Hammell—Pairs and Fours, Ruby Veitch-Reed—Triples, Charlotte O'Keefe—Triples and Fours, Kathy Bruce—Triples and Fours. The team was undefeated in all four venues of the matches.

The Sun City Lawn Bowling Club appre-



## DESERT SHOOT OUT!

The 4th Annual Desert Shoot Out was held March 17-18 at the Lakeview and Bell Bowling greens.

## MEN'S PAIRS

CHAMPIONS—Peter Fish & Bob Christie

2. Tom Stirrat & Gordon Shieck

## MEN'S SINGLES

CHAMPION—Don Mayne

2. Bill Cameron

3. Peter Fish

4. Tom Stirrat

## WOMEN'S PAIRS

CHAMPIONS—Nancy Hull & Nona Larson

2. Roberta Lane & Lorraine Hitchcock

## WOMEN'S SINGLES

CHAMPION—Joan Cameron

2. Nona Larson

3. Lorraine Hitchcock

4. Nancy Davidson



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## S C OPEN

The South Central Division Open was played February 3-8 at various greens within the Sun Cities.

## WOMEN'S FOURS

February 3-4 at the Bell Lawn Bowling greens:

## CHAMPIONS

Kottia Spangler, Anne Cherney, Katy Stone, Erika Sistad

2. Joan Cameron, Cy Stephan, Phyllis Sullivan, Rosie Johnson

## WOMEN'S PAIRS

February 5-6 at the Lakeview Lawn Bowling green:

## CHAMPIONS

Maryna Hyland & Irene Webster

2. Joan Cameron & Phyllis Sullivan

## WOMEN'S SINGLES

February 7 at Bell greens and on

February 8 at Lakeview greens:

## CHAMPION

Marlene Cleutinx

2. Irene Webster

## MEN'S TRIPLES

February 3-4 at the Sun City greens:

## CHAMPIONS

Jack Behling, John Stewart, Leo Lalemand

2. Tom Stirrat, Ivan Hyland, Gordon Shieck

## MEN'S PAIRS

February 5-6 at Sun City West greens:

## CHAMPIONS

Tom Stirrat & Gordon Shieck

2. Jack Behling & John Stewart

## MEN'S SINGLES

February 7-8

CHAMPION—Peter Fish

2. Jack Behling



President's Fives Tourney winners: (l-r) Nancy Hull, Cecile Hammell, Ruby Veitch-Reed, Charlotte O'Keefe and Kathy Bruce.

## CENTRAL DIVISION

**THOMSON-ZIVIC PAIRS**

The 5th Annual Bert Thomson-John Zivec Open Pairs Tournament was played January 23-25, at the Bell, Oakmont, Mountainview, Lakeview and Fairway greens in Sun City. Participants came from all over the United States and Canada. Thirty-two teams competed.

**CHAMPIONSHIP**

1. Bill Lingeman & Len Hitchcock
2. Graham Jarvis & Bill Weaver
3. Tom Stirrat & Gordon Shieck
4. Ken Degenhardt & Joe Zinna

**2nd Flight**

1. Mark Sutyla & Anita Nivala

**3rd Flight**

1. Keith Roney & Jean Roney

**4th Flight**

1. Bill Hiscock & Jim Olson

**5th Flight**

1. Bruce Matheson & George Boxwell



2001 Thomson-Zivic winners are (far right) Len Hitchcock and Bill Lingeman. Runners-up, Graham Jarvis and Bill Weaver are at left. Ladies flanking sponsor I.D.'s are Gwen Thomson, left, and Jeanette Zivic, wives of tourney namesakes.

**Senior Open**

The Second Annual USLBA Senior National Open was held March 5-9 at Lakeview and Bell greens.

**TRIPLES****CHAMPIONSHIP**

1. Chet Towle, Dot Morrison, Harry Towler
2. Bill Lingeman, Bill Weaver, Leon Sullivan
3. Ken Degenhardt, Frank Roddy, Bill Cameron
4. Cy Stephen, Joan Cameron, Harry Berry

**2nd Flight**

1. Bert Haws, Bill Williams, Dan Pupillo

**3rd Flight**

1. Buster Hollands, Bob Copley, Dick Woodruff

**PAIRS****CHAMPIONSHIP**

1. George Ralston, Larry Brohammer
2. Bert Haws, Dan Pupillo
3. Miles Gehm, Bill Williams
4. Bill Lingeman, Bill Weaver

**2nd Flight**

1. Ken Degenhardt, Frank Roddy

**3rd Flight**

1. Chet Towle, Dot Morrison

**4th Flight**

1. Gordon Krueger, El Krueger

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**SUN CITY GRAND**

By Richard Borczak

As the Grand Lawn Bowling club of Surprise, AZ began its third year this winter, it ventured into its first club competition.

Thirty-two members participated in three different tournaments. Newly elected President, Geoff Auger and wife, Baryl, arranged a number of competitive programs and were encouraged by the response. Beth Hansen and Anna Klawitter both reached the semi-finals in the 75 Shots and Singles, respectively. Final results were: *Singles*-1. Glenn Hamm, 2. Derek Williams. *75 Shots*-1. Glenn Hamm, 2. Bill DesBrissay. *Pairs*-1. Bill DesBrissay and Jim Cromwell, 2. Len McGuire and Gary Evenson

President Geoff Auger presented awards to the finalists at the club meeting held on March 28. A Spoon Drive fun day was held in early March, with 24 members taking part. A good time was held by all. Ed Kizyma took first prize and John Manco the "Booby."

After the first series of club competitions, members are looking forward to a full program of competitive games, fun days and visitations next fall.

The Grand Lawn Bowling Club is fast becoming an active, enthusiastic and forward looking group, with an ever increasing membership.

Newly elected officers are President Geoff Auger, vice-president; Darrell Young, Secretary; Barbara Wegmann; and Treasurer Glenn Hamm.

Instructor John Lynn has training classes monthly for new residents of Sun City Grand.



Sun City Grand tournament winners: (l-r) John Sanchez, Tom Felhaber, Irene Horne, Bill Denison, Bill DesBrissay, Jackie DesBrissay, Baryl Auger and Ed Kizyma.

# SC U.S. PLAYDOWNS

The South Central Division Playdowns for the United States Championships were played in Sun City and Sun City West, Arizona, April 5 thru 11. Winners will com-

pete at Buck Hill Falls, PA in September against qualifiers of the other six American divisions for national honors in Singles and Pairs.

### MEN'S PAIRS

1. Jack Behling & John Stewart
2. Mary Schans & Ross Crawford

### MEN'S SINGLES

1. Douglas McArthur
2. Tom Stirrat

### WOMEN'S PAIRS

1. Mary Terrill & Roberta Lane
2. Cy Stephan & Joan Cameron

### WOMEN'S SINGLES

1. Irene Webster
2. Dora Stewart



Left: Jack Behling, left, and John Stewart won the Pairs Playdown.

Above: It will be Mary Terrill, left and Roberta Lane reprising the S.C. in the U.S. Women's Pairs.

Top: Doug McArthur won the Men's Singles Playdown.

Bottom: Irene Webster is the South Central Women's Singles finalist.

## PUEBLO EL MIRAGE

By Ron Gilmour

Our 2001 season here at Pueblo El Mirage RV Resort is rapidly winding down as most of our members are heading back up north for the summer. This has been an enjoyable year, but as usual, seems to end so soon.

This year's tournament winners were:

**TRIPLES**—1. George Dunlop, Ruth Carlisle, Walt Rathje; 2. Al Meyers, Marian Schaffer, Helen Roberts; 3. Frank Flynn, Rocky Bria, Pat Canfield.

**PAIRS**—John Burian & Curt Birkeland; 2. Frank Flynn & Connie Morrison; 3. Ralph Long & Ron Gilmour.

**NOVICE PAIRS**—1. Joe Hickey & Ron Livingston; 2. Harley Morrison & Joyce Livingston; 3. Ethyl Klopfer & Shirley Livingston.

Our new officers for 2001–2002 are: President, Ray Sosnowski; Vice-President, Gene Strandberg; Treasurer, Mary Niblack; Secretary, Joy Sauter.

Looking forward to returning this fall for another great season.

## SC MIXED RINKS

The 4th Annual Mixed Rinks Tournament was held on January 20–22 in Sun City, at the Bell and Lakeview greens.

### CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Jack Behling, Bill Lingeman, Mary Terrill, Irene Webster
2. Mark Sutyla, Ian Jones, Anita Nivala, Irma Bricker
3. Bert Haws, Bill Davidson, Nancy Davidson, Marj LaBelle
4. Regina Banares, Andre Banares, Bill Patrizzi, Helen Teichman

### 2nd Flight

1. Jim Logan, Perry Manns, Loreen Manns, Joyce Schisler

### 3rd Flight

1. Keith Roney, Ivan Hyland, Jean Roney, Maryna Hayland

### 4th Flight

1. Champ Salisbury, John Dodson, Peggy Salisbury, Babe Dodson

### 5th Flight

1. Al Burdick, D. McKiernan, J. McKiernan, Nita Burdic

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By Dr. Edgar R. Haley

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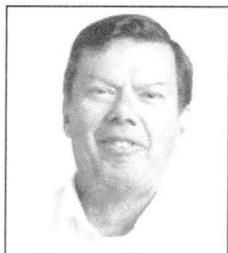
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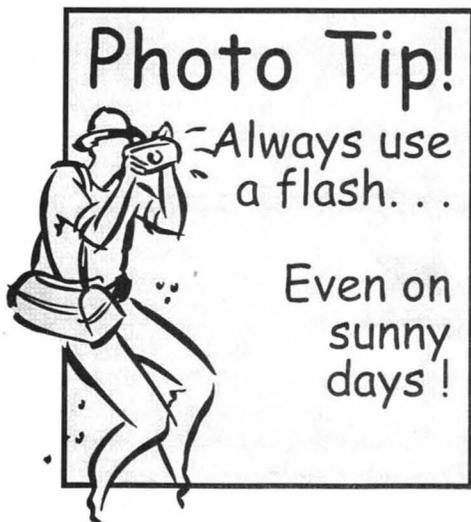
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CONGRATULATIONS TO DONNA WEST OF Tacoma on her election as president of the new USLBA. Also, once again, congratulations to the two Richards on their victory in the Pairs competition of the United States Championships.

The Spokane club will host the NW Division Spring Open over the Memorial weekend this year. Woodland Park will host our division's playdowns. The Pairs competition will be held July 7-10, while the Singles will take place July 21-24.

The NW Division Summer Open will begin August 11 with Tacoma hosting the Novice Tournament. The scene will move to Woodland Park for the Mixed Pairs on August 16, Rinks on the 17th, and Men's and Women's Pairs on August 18-19. Singles for both men and women will take place August 23-24, and Triples will be held on the 24-26th.

Our division's Fall Open will take place in Portland over Labor Day weekend, with Pairs being played on September 1-2 and Mixed Pairs on the 3rd.



## JEFFERSON PARK

(Seattle, WA)

By Hugh Ramsay

Jefferson Park Lawn Bowling Club shared its history with national Earth Day in April when more than 100 enthusiasts descended on and around the club to beautify the surroundings with plantings of many kinds.

It was all part of a grand plan envisioned by the Olmstead brothers to create local parks in Seattle. Fortunately for us, Jefferson Park has come to include an area devoted to lawn bowling.

Seattle's mayor, Paul Schell, was also in attendance and rolled a few bowls. He gave his stamp of approval on the new green which, according to our hardworking President, Chuck Caddey, will be hydro-seeded in late April and, if all goes well, will be playable in early fall. The whole event was an opportunity for the club to expose the sport of lawn bowling to many in the neighborhood and beyond.

With the enthusiasm generated by the event, the club is looking forward to a neighborhood potluck, with bowling lessons and demonstrations being the main events.

Summer plans include visitations with Canadian neighbors. We will travel to White Rock and Tssawassen, B. C., and our friends from North Burnaby will visit our green.

## WOODLAND PARK

(Seattle, WA)

By Roy Scully

After getting off to a slow start this spring, due in part to cool wet weather, we are now up and running. A Spring-Cleaning Day brought out some stalwarts who managed to spiff up the clubhouse and grounds for the new season.

Our greens are getting tender loving care, and we hope to have them as good as they were last year, which were deemed to be some of the best. We are especially anxious to have them in great shape since we will be hosting both the USLBA Playdowns and the NW

## KING CITY

By Ed Otte

Our green remained in excellent shape for bowling through most of the winter, thanks to exceptionally dry and mild weather. However, frequent showers and cool days have limited play during the Spring months.

Opening Day for this year's bowling season was April 20th, with bowling sessions scheduled in the morning and afternoon and a catered dinner in the evening.

## SPOKANE

By Dave Robb

April showers let up so our members could perform the spring cleaning and fixing up of our clubhouse and green. Fifteen members responded to the call and pitched in with enthusiasm.

The last week in April saw the beginning of our 2001 season. Our club was formed in 1976, and the green saw its first play in 1981.

While we lost a few of our active members over the winter we expect our membership to increase as spring turns to summer. Lessons for newcomers are scheduled to commence in May.

Canadian teams have reserved spots in our NW Division Spring Mixed Triples Open, May 26-28. Other teams from Portland, King City and Seattle have called-in entry reservations.

We are still looking for used bowls for resale. Please call us at 509-534-8292.

Former member George Perreault informed us in April of the passing of his wife, Jeanne Perreault, in Reno. Jeanne filled out the term of President Jay Johnson in 1993 and was elected three more times to the office. Her third term was cut short as they moved from Spokane in 1996. George has sent along some of Jeanne's bowling momentos to club friends with whom they maintained contact.

Summer Open.

For the second year we will be holding a "Green Lake Challenge" event. Potential members recruited from the area will be given a lesson in the basics of the game, then return to have a "Mini-tournament" complete with cash prizes. We hope to gain some new members from this event as we did last year.

In a separate effort, we will have a day set up called "Bring a Friend Day", where every member is urged to bring at least one friend to try our game.

We were pleased to learn that our U.S. Champion, Richard Broad, has been named to the National Team Roster.

Members of the Portland club will be visiting and bowling with us on May 19th, and we have scheduled a return visit to Portland's green on June 30th.

Clif Baxter is giving lessons to several prospective new members as weather permits, and we hope to have a lot more bowlers on our green when the showery weather is replaced by warm, sunny days.

In Memoriam  
Ruth Eichelberger

## NORTHWEST DIVISION

## PORTLAND

By Larry Edgar

Our club stirred from its winter hibernation when we had a work party on April 21st in preparation for another active season. Opening Day was held on May 5th.

On May 19th, we had a visitation to the King City club, which will pay a return visit to us on June 30th.

In between, we have a cutthroat tournament scheduled for June 9, our Self-Select Pairs on June 16, and Club Singles on June 23.

We plan to celebrate the 4th of July by holding our mixed triples competition. Our club tournaments then take a break for most of July to allow members to take part in the Division Playdowns, resuming on the 28th when we have our Club Select Pairs.

August will be quiet around our club since the NW Division Summer Open will be taking place over the course of two weeks.

## PACIFIC INTER-MOUNTAIN DIVISION

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THE FIRST MEETING OF THE PIM-USLBA was held on March 3, and the following officers were selected: John Chinn, of Oakland, was named President; Vanita Olinger, Oakmont, Vice-President; Gordon Lockhart, Sunnyvale, Secretary; and Keith Brooks, Berkeley, Treasurer. Woody Ogden, Berkeley, and Adele Patterson, Oakmont, were named national Councilors.

Bill McConachie, Palo Alto, has accepted the tough-to-fill position of Tournament Director. Our thanks to Bill for taking this on.

Jackie Purdy, Rossmoor, who is handling the funds for the 2002 U.S. Championships (to be held in Rossmoor), reported that the Oakmont Lawn Bowling Club held an overnight trip to Reno to raise funds for this event. Also, that Elsie Napoli of the Rossmoor club has successfully raised in excess of \$1,500 with several of these same trips.

## RICHMOND

By Frank Ransome

Richmond held the first tournament on their refurbished green on April 5th as a part of the newly established 5's with Oakland, Berkeley and Leisure Town. Now we look forward to hosting the PIMD Novice Pairs in September. The Richmond team of Howard Mackey, Frank Ransome, Lois Ransome, Roy Coppla and Norman Gammon finished

in third place after the three meetings. Barbara Mackey and Harry Neuman were the substitutes.

We now have three programs going for the disabled and are looking forward to the kids who attend summer classes and day camps. The Richmond Parks Department has been pulling out all stops to get the greens back to where they were 50 years ago.

Howard, Frank and Norman nailed a large tarpaulin over the leaky roof of the clubhouse just before the first big rainstorm hit the Bay area. We took our Scott Bonner mower to a repair shop in Santa Barbara where it was rebuilt under the direction of Lyall Adams, of Woodbay Engineering.

Several families have taken advantage of the Sunday walk up program and many others have stopped, watched and promised to come back. The Richmond club is more than 70 years old and local residents stop by to tell us how it looked many years ago. Some remember how grand it appeared to them and how envious they were of the bowlers on the other side of the tall fence.

We will be bowling with the newly formed Petaluma Club on Sundays until their green is finished.

REMEMBERING TWO  
FORMER  
SFLBC PRESIDENTS

Alfonso Diniz and Granger F. Hill, both former presidents of the San Francisco Lawn Bowling Club, have died this year.

Diniz, SFLBC tournament director for many years, served as the club president in 1990 and 1991. He died in early February.

A member of the club for over 20 years, Hill passed away in early April. He served twelve terms as SFLBC's treasurer, and was club president in 1979 and 1980.

## SANTA CRUZ

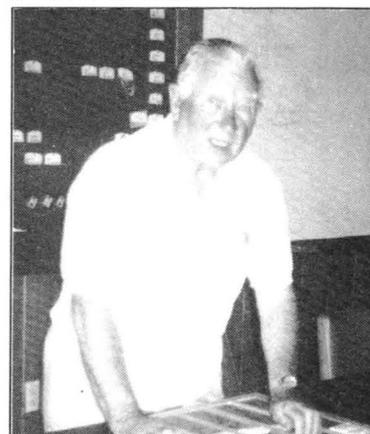
By Nancy Silsby

The fine weather and enthusiasm of some new members has kept our green very active. We did suffer the loss of one of our finest bowlers and twice past-president. Bill Kather died in March. Bill left his bright yellow bowls to the club.

A Thursday Challenge Ladder is a new addition to our activity schedule. Each Thursday members on the ladder can make a challenge and move up or down the ladder. Hugh Rideout defended his #1 position with a match against Ralph Brailsford. A few days later, Hugh broke his wrist on the tennis court, which meant he could not be knocked out of 1st place with his arm in a cast! (Tennis at 79?)

We hosted three John Brown Friendship Games. The first on May 2, when our guests were Santa Clara; May 9, Palo Alto; and May 10, Sunnyvale. San Jose and Carmel Del Mesa were invited to all three.

On May 6, Mayor Fitzmourice and City Council members were invited to bowl with club members in the first-ever Tournament of Governors. The local newspaper, the Sentinel, sent photographers to take action photos—a very ingenious idea to get publicity for the club! Ralph Brailsford said he would comb his hair.



Santa Cruz president Len Parry sets the draw.

## PACIFIC INTER-MOUNTAIN DIVISION

**ROSSMOOR***By Tay Wheeler*

Taking the place of Frank Ransome as correspondent for the Rossmoor Lawn Bowling Club will be no easy task.

Four major intra-club tournaments have already been held, plus a couple of "Donur" Don & Roe Hazelwood's Fun Socials.

The club Novice Singles titles were captured by David and Bette Johnson—deja vu of a few years back when Bill and Sylvi MacDonald accomplished that same feat.



*Rossmoor's Novice Singles Champions, Bette and David Johnson.*

The Mixed Pairs Draw title was awarded to David Johnson and Vera Belton. The Men's Pairs was won by the team of Rennie Barretto and George Parnoff. Sylvi MacDonald and Mariette Rozario won the Women's Pairs.

It is of interest to note that ten days before the start of the Men's Pairs, Rennie Barretto was in the intensive care unit of a local hospital and advised to rest and not engage in competitive bowling. He thought ten days should be enough rest and the bowling would take care of itself. It did.

Our only casualty thus far has been the loss of our Presidents' Day annual Cherry Pie Festival that succumbed to heavy rain. The downpour cancelled bowling, but did not dampen a whole bunch of cherry pies that braved the rain—but lost their lives to a swarm of eager eaters.

Our club took a Reno Overnighter, under the direction of Elsie Napoli, to raise funds for the 2002 U.S. Championships to be held here in Rossmoor.

Thirty-two members of Rossmoor and other local clubs will be leaving in mid-May for a two-week bowling tour of England and Scotland under the able direction of Rossmoor's Bob Hanson, which will also raise funds for the U.S. Championships.

Rossmoor lost what I consider to be one of our favorite leading ladies, M.E. Hamlen, who served as our club president in 1995. M.E. passed away in her home in April. Our club has suffered the loss of a good bowler, a great lady and a friend to us all. She will be forever missed, but never forgotten.

**SUNNYVALE***By Al Mendoza*

The first Club meeting for 2001 was followed by a delicious steak BBQ Potluck dinner. With almost 30 diners it was a great way to start the year!

Larry and Kathi Luiz have returned from their Arizona sojourn. Al and Marie Camps are on a short vacation in Spain. Michael Overton, Joe and Tecla Shepard are leaving soon for a bowling tour to the UK with a group from Rossmoor.

**LEISURE TOWN***By Virginia East*

The year 2001 brought the PIMD-PIMWD merger to which we are still getting accustomed. Our club representatives are Dick and Sally Ruddy and our tournament representative, for the present, is Sheila Stout.

Our Quarterly Meeting in March kicked off the year, followed by our St. Patrick's Day Potluck attended by 30+ members. The Home 'Home at Oakland in late March drew five teams from our club. We also sent five teams to the Special 5s in April, with the team of Don Johnston, Paul Regoli and Jane Casas being a two-game winner.

We are trying to get up to speed after the winter when we had spasmodic bowling as weather permitted. This, coupled with green's closure for repair and maintenance when the weather was good, kept ardent bowlers hoping to find a day to bowl, and someone to bowl with. Once we get rolling, we hope to drum up good turnouts.

Quite a few members turned out for the Work Day, with John Hoekman and George Stiebler turning out the day before to get some of the heavy work out of the way. Benches and covers over the ringside seating were repaired.

The green is in great shape so now we will concentrate on enlarging our membership.

**HONOLULU***(Ala Moana Beach Park)**By Sharon Hunt*

*ALOHA* from Honolulu! We have just had a wonderful winter season. Each year we have more visitors and they are really great people, not to mention good bowlers.

We started the year with the Mixed Triples tournament and had some new names in the winner's circle. In first place was the team of Brian Flynn, Stan Hart (and sub Ken Darrow) and Joanne Hamilton. Second place went to Jim Green, Don and Sharon Hunt.

*We have just had a wonderful winter season. Each year we have more visitors and they are really great people, not to mention good bowlers.*

Next, our locals narrowly beat the visitors 95-91. Last year, the visitors triumphed. Then the Men's Singles was won by John Gilbert, with Jim Green second. The Women's Singles was won by Marie Hansen, with Joanne Hamilton second.

We had our regular visit from David Bryant Bowls Tours from the United Kingdom—really good bowlers. We were beaten badly. We are expecting two groups from the U.K. in 2001, as well as a new tour group from Ontario, Canada, groups from California, British Columbia, and three groups from Japan. We love to have visitors, since we are the only lawn bowling club in Honolulu. These visitors make us realize the many wonderful people in the sport.

Remember, when in Hawaii call Dan or Sharon Hunt at (808) 941-2291 for a game of bowls. *ALOHA!*

We have more than our share of folks recovering from emergency or scheduled hospital procedures: Mary Balsama, Norma Boywer, Frank Coelho, Wes Ireland, Colman McDonough and Dorie Mendoza. The good news—Mary, Wes and Dorie are bowling again. Frank is straining at his leash.

The City continues to support us with its superb green maintenance crew and has encouraged us to bowl every day. So, we have an open invitation to bowlers: Whenever you're in the vicinity, come to Sunnyvale and join us at 12:30 on the green.

## PACIFIC INTER-MOUNTAIN DIVISION

## OAKLAND

By Joe Finke

We held our annual election of new officers. Our annual Winter League was a big success with only one rainout. We hosted the PIMD Opening Day ceremonies and tournament. We played our first Home and Home match of the season. We held our first intramural tournament. All this before the first day of spring.

At our January Annual Meeting, John Chinn was re-elected President, Norman Lum and Georgia Edlund were elected Vice Presidents, and Bea Keay and Phil Work were re-elected Secretary and Treasurer, respectively.

Incidentally, President Chinn was a member of the victorious Winter League team. Jerry Ridley and Tom Burnoski were his teammates.

Oakland was host to the PIMD Opening Day ceremonies on Saturday, March 17. Ninety-six bowlers participated in the tournament, which occupied all three of our greens. Oakland's Pat

Wiseman, Steve Ringwood, Angelo Marchi, Norman Lum, John Yen and Paul Schmidt were among the winners.

Two days before the official opening day, fifteen intrepid Oakland bowlers journeyed to Walnut Creek to take on Rossmoor for the first H&H of the year. The match was a real squeaker. We took the match on the basis of the cumulative point spread.

Our first intramural tournament, the



Oakland's 2001 leadership, (l-r) President John Chinn, and V.P.'s Georgia Edlund and Norm Lum.

Addleman Trophy, was held in March. This is a one-day blind-draw, mixed triples contest. The winner was the team of Dave Pugatch, Cora Hirschfield and Mitch

## SANTA CLARA

By Ida Baker

The first activity of the new year was our annual Valentine's Day tournament and potluck. The clubhouse was colorfully decorated with red hearts, paper bells, serpentine and red camellias on the tables. The bowlers wore red tops and white slacks. Sounds festive, doesn't it?

Well, it rained and rained so much no games were played that day! The bowlers spent time at card games and conversation, and around 1:30 the buffet was served. Every dish was so tasty the disappointment at not having the tournament was soon forgotten.

Our annual March St. Patrick's Day competition had perfect weather. Russ Biltoft and Cathy Rollison tied the morning game. Marge Bodah and Chuck Bailey won the afternoon game. With the help of Faith Bitner, Edna Shumway, Phyllis Mills, Marge Bodah and Veronica Schroeder, the tournament players and members were treated to corned beef, cabbage and other vegetables, plus dessert. Tecla Shepard put up great appropriate decorations.

The club Women's Singles was won by Cathy Rollison; runner-up, Phyllis Mills.

The Women's Pairs team Tournament was won by Tecla Shepard and Rebeca Vargas. Second place, Cathy Rollison and Marguerite Miller.

The Men's Singles winner was Frank Koenig. Pat Bayless was runner-up.

Our club welcomes Kurt Bodah, Nancy Leung, and Truman and Doris Gerkin. See you all on the green!



Frank Ransome and Jim Newton, right, tell Sun River's first class of lawn bowling recruits how it's done.

## LAWN BOWLS IN UTAH

By Boyd Silver

The Huntsman World Senior Games in St. George, Utah will include Lawn Bowling as a medal sport in 2001. This year's matches, Pairs and Triples, will be played at SunRiver, an active adult community in Southern Utah and nearby Sun Brook. Last year, lawn bowling was introduced as an exhibition sport.

With help from Frank Ransome (USLBA Membership Chairman) and Jim Newton, the SunRiver Lawn Bowls Club has about 80 resident members, as well as some from the City of St. George. Classes were held during April and May for all-comers who wished to learn to lawn bowl in St. George.

*If you are on vacation or in the area, stop by to bowl or to just say "howdy"!*

SunRiver has open bowling on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. The club held two tournaments including a Singles event in April. A Triples Tournament, held in January, featured ten teams, with the top two teams tied at the end of regulation play. In a five-end playoff, victory went to Marilyn & Harley Collins and Carl Cook over runners-up Steve Bradford, John & Judy Singleton.

The Pairs tournament was held in unusually inclement weather. Flights were established and a three match round robin held for each flight. The team of LaVerne and Cal Cottrell won all three of their matches and took first prize. Janice Tolbert and Paul Trotter finished second.

The SunRiver Lawn Bowls Club is looking forward to the Huntsman Games and hopes that other bowlers in surrounding states can come to St. George to be participants. If you are on vacation or in the area, stop by to bowl or to just say "howdy"!

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### SANTA ANITA

*By Winnie Eberle*

Seems like old times. Four greens and outside events being held on them.

The Men's State Triples and Novice Singles were here in March, and our Bob Schmalholz won the Novice Singles. The Women's Southwest Open was also held here the end of April-beginning of May. We anticipate having more outside events on our improved greens.

In January, the Southwest men and women held their annual meetings here, and the women held their quarterly meeting at Santa Anita in April.

Our ladies enjoyed Ladies Days at Riverside, Hemet and Sun City. Also, their club luncheon-meeting preceded by it game of bowls.

The birthday parties remain an important event, with good entertainment furnished by Warren Shaw. Also, a song and dance man, a singer, a former WASP, who told of her experiences ferrying all, types of planes to the various bases during World War II, and a speaker from the City of Hope, telling of the advances in medicine made by that institution. Circle Bowling, remains our most popular game.

Then we had our, tournaments:

**Blue Feather**-1. Hector Navarez, Ray Casey, Dick Harris; 2. Bill Gearhart, Joan Wignall, Helen Coates.

**Men's Pairs**-1, Hector Navarez & Dave Weaver; 2. Marinko Tudor & Eileen Donohue; 3. Gene Plunkett, Jim Donohue.

**Mixed Pairs** (sort of)-1. Bob Hill & Bob Schmalholz; 2. Floy Torvid & Jim Donohue.

**Australian Pairs**-1. Marinko Tudor & June Agular; 2. Marion Compton & Jim Chesney

*In Memoriam*  
Lydie Rogers

### LEISURE WORLD

*By Sherman Baumel*

On the chance that our community and club are not broadly understood, allow me this opportunity to re-introduce Leisure World to you. We are a city of 18,000 populated exclusively by seniors, most of whom are retired. The average age is about 75 and membership in our club is drawn solely from that senior population.

In such a setting, where daily work is a rarity, we bowl seven days a week. Only on Sunday afternoon do we close the greens.

The greens are located on a bluff that looks out on the valley that separates the Laguna Hills from Saddleback Mountain and the sea of humanity that now populates an area that 30 years ago was citrus groves as far as the eye could see.

Because of virtual unlimited free time we are able to manage almost every aspect of our operation with volunteer effort. Only the maintenance of the greens and clubhouse is given over to paid staff. We frequently host other clubs in our area such as our Invitational Mixed Triples to be played on May 12. We reserve one day each month to bowl and celebrate the birthday of members who were born in that month.

Social activities are an important part of club life. In April, we had our annual Spring Fling, a dinner party for members and their guests. Similar events are held on July 4, Labor Day and the holiday season.

### HOLMBY PARK

*By Marcella Krisel*

At the risk of sounding insufferably smug, not one bowling day was cancelled this new season because of inclement weather!

Holmby Park visited Friendly Valley in early February. Everyone enjoyed his own brown bag lunch. Friendly Valley served beverages, cakes and cookies to one and all. Holmby

Park won two matches, tied 1 and lost 1.

Those attending from our club were: Brian Studwell, Sylvia Mizraki, Bud Wakeling, George Alpern, Dan Cirlin, Bill Cowie, Harry Dickinson, Alan Goodnoff, Frank Grea, Steve Siracusa, Tom Seres, Peter and Beate Stubbings, Bill Michael and Vlatko Petrovic.

Colin Whittle, Chairman of our Set-ups, is recuperating from a broken hip.

*In Memoriam*

Barbara (Mrs. Wm) Michael  
Ed Little  
Mary Kaptur

### SAN CLEMENTE

*By Jean Carlson*

We've had several months of activities. We elected Shirley Meyer, formerly of Arcadia, CA, as President. She initiated special PlayDays. In March, she moved to Florida. We'll miss her.

Vice-President, Donna Bray took over the presidency.

Ivo Rindal chairs our activities. We had a costume Halloween Day, with games, prizes and drawing for King and Queen. Valentines Day was celebrated as well as Christmas, with lite refreshments and special games.

On Wednesdays we play "hit the Jack" or "cutthroat." Once a month we give money prizes for high scores. Many of our members are new the last few years and they especially enjoy the diversions.

A gentleman from England joined us for one week. He did very well although he was used to indoor bowling back home.

March 23 was San Clemente City Lawn Bowling Day, when we have our annual banquet dinner. Our Singles tournament trophies are presented then. This year's winner, Jean Kohnmeyer, was winner of 16 double eliminations. Ron Temple, last year's champ, was runner-up.

We do have fun, so come join us,

### HERMOSA BEACH

*By Virginia Evans*

In spite of a wet winter, our club continued to meet almost every Tuesday and Thursday at 11:45 a.m. and Saturdays at ten.

Ironically, a visiting couple from England played their first game of bowls on our green. They loved the lesson from our President, Lyle Campbell, and appear to be ready for stiff competition upon returning to their homeland.

Speaking of competition, several members of our club have enjoyed the Long Beach tournaments and are looking for more invitations. We are strengthening our membership through social activities such as post-bowling barbecues by our popular chef, Lucio.

We recently welcomed the youngest member by having a baby shower for an expectant couple in our club.

Upon popular request, there is often a game on Sunday afternoon.

Diversity in age and interest and a common love of bowling is our statement

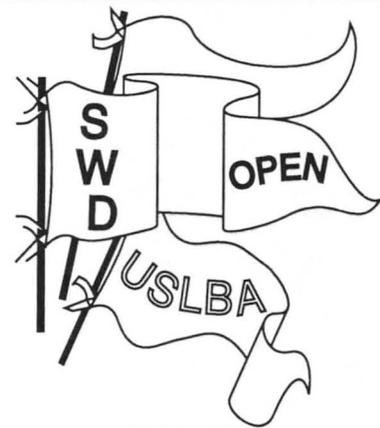
SOUTHWEST DIVISION

# SOUTHWEST OPEN

By Ed Quo

Southwest Division Men's Open, featuring Triples, Pairs and Singles events, was held April 21-26, at Riverside LBC. There were 27 entries in the Triples, 36 in Pairs, and 52 in Singles. Bowler of the Tournament was Jack

Behling, of Sun City, AZ, winner of the Singles and Pairs events and third in the Triples. Behling's teams only lost one game (the Triples semifinal) during the entire tournament.



## TRIPLES

### Championship

1. Malky Taylor/Sam DeLisle/Stan Bloom (San Diego/Santa Barbara)
2. Ian Ho/Ivan Hyland/Frank Souza (Diamond Bar/Coto de Caca/Fremont)
3. Jack Behling/Mark Sanford/Jim Copeland (Sun City, AZ/Toronto/Ripon, WI)
4. Tom Stirrat/Vince Donohoe/Gordon Shieck (Sun City, AZ/Toronto/Sun City, AZ)

### Second Flight

1. Bill Hiscock/Jim Olson/Ross Craven
2. Bo Bowbeer/Terry Loomis/Sam Benjamin

### Third Flight

1. Mert Isaacman/Michael Ashton-Phillips/Hugh Finlay
2. Rob Goldman/Aubrey Fein/Simon Meyerowitz

### Fourth Flight

1. Lyall Adams/Joe Shepard/John Stewart
2. Ed Quo/Rajnish Lal/Bob Nunes

### Fifth Flight

1. Neil Furman/Mert Hill/Reinie Kramer

## PAIRS

### Championship

1. Jack Behling/John Stewart (Sun City, AZ)
2. Chris Stadyk/Wayne Wright (Niagara Falls/Windsor, Ont.)
3. Steve Bezanson/Brain Studwell (Halifax, NS/Los Angeles)
4. Tommy Stirrat/Gordon Shieck (Sun City, AZ)

### Second Flight

1. Ross Craven/Chuck Cooper
2. Joe Molletta/Sam Benjamin

### Third Flight

1. Ivan Hyland/Michael Siddall
2. Neil Furman/Alan Power

### Fourth Flight

1. Ed Quo/Bob Nunes
2. Richard Broad/Richard Krueger

### Fifth Flight

1. Mert Hill/Simon Meyerowitz
2. Scottie Robbie/Ray Santini

## SINGLES

### Championship

1. Jack Behling, Sun City, AZ
2. Mert Hill, Laguna Beach
3. Malky Taylor, San Diego
4. Joe Ruderman, Riverside

### Second Flight

1. David Calam, Regina, Saskatchewan
2. Mark Sandford, Toronto, Ontario

### Third Flight

1. Neil Furman, Aspen
2. Richard Krueger, Seattle

### Fourth Flight

1. Rob Goldman, Baltimore
2. John Stewart, Sun City, AZ

### Fifth Flight

1. Bob Nunes, Yorba Linda
2. Sam Benjamin, Santa Monica

### Sixth Flight

1. Robbie Harshbarger, Carson



Malky Taylor, Sam DeLisle and Stan Bloom won the SW Open Triples.



Arizona's Jack Behling, left, captured most of the SW Open gold, winning the Singles and Pairs—the latter with pictured John Stewart—and Bowler of the Tournament honors.

## SOUTHWEST DIVISION

*Mark your calendars!*

**Create your Vacation plans!**

**U.S. Championships**  
**Sept. 9-14**  
**Buck Hill Falls, PA**

**USLBA National Open**  
**Oct. 5-11**  
**Southern California**

**Make Your Reservations now!**

**Plan to attend**

**POMONA***By Hugh Freeman*

We bowed to the weatherman and postponed the Pomona Triples for a week. By then, the weather was great. 26 teams paired off for this Annual tournament. Reports indicate that everyone had a good time and good bowling.

On the "A" green, the winners were a familiar group in our tournaments—Ian Ho, Eva Ho and Bob Nunes. If we gave out trophies this threesome would own them all. Second place went to a group from Riverside—Ralph Ryan, Linda Ryan and Neil Snyder. Third place went to a team headed by Malcolm Taylor. (If my information is in error please bear with the writer. He is unable to attend these events and is dependent on information provided by satellite, TV, telephone, carrier pigeon, etc.) On the "B" green a team of Compton, Tudor and Padgett was first. Second was a team led by "Andy", and third had Clair Ott as skip.

In March, 22 teams took part in our Annual Benefit Tournament for Casa Colina Hospital. Over a \$1000 was collected for sports programs for physically handicapped people. Winner on the "A" green was the team of Jim Hempe, Alan Goodnoff and Pat Gonzales. On the "B" green, first place went to Ray Santini, Joe Ruderman and Naomi Ruderman.

The Citrus League has completed its season of lawn bowling with Pomona leading the pack. This, at one time, was a common occurrence. The last decade has found Pomona more in the middle. Pomona participants were: Charlene and Russ Erickson, Helen Hansen, Carole and Cliff Hilliard, Robby Robinson, with Steve Dowd as a substitute. On to Waterbury!

**SUN CITY**

(California)

*By Betty Munden*

We completed our League play, with only one rain out this season, with our club placing second.

Our Club has been able to enjoy several visitations, at Hemet in February, and with Riverside here in March. In April, we enjoyed having San Diego visit us here and later a combined visitation with Hemet, Lake Hodges and Oaks North, all here at the same time. It was a large crowd of 60 bowlers on our two greens, and a really fine day. It was very impressive to see that many all in white enjoying themselves, thanks to the fine job done by our Visitation Chair, Pam Munson.

It was disappointing that our annual Club Novice Tournament was not held this year for various reasons. But our Club Men's Singles Tournament was completed, with one of our Novice Bowlers, Ron Foster, taking first place over vet Joe Rahm. Ron has been very active since joining our club, and he and Jim Hill placed second in the Vet-Novice Tournament in Pasadena earlier this season.

We are pleased that one of our members, Ray Grall, has sent in his design for the USLBA Logo! A request was printed in the Winter-2001 edition of "Bowls Magazine", and Ray has submitted his design. So we are waiting with crossed fingers for the summer edition and the announcement of the winner.

In the coming months we are looking forward to more visitations, Ladies Days and tournaments, as well as our regular social bowling. Also to some of our Special Fun Days that we all enjoy, such as the lasagna dinner we had in February, and the corned beef dinner we had in March.

**COVE COMMUNITIES***By Evelyn Hibberd*

This season our usual local count swelled to thirty, some days as many as 42, with the influx of snowbirds. Everyone agrees that our greens are much improved due to the attention given by the City of Palm Desert.

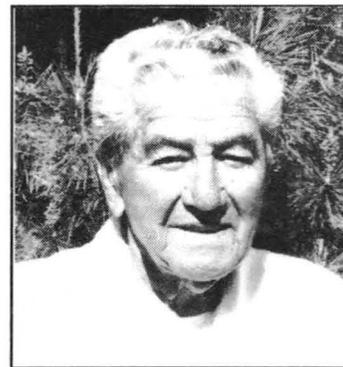
We are sorry to lose Tom Hodgins, our president. He and his wife have moved to Menifee. Our loss, a great addition to the Hemet club. Ernest Meathe, "Bud" to all, and Evie Hibberd, hosted a chili party to say our goodbyes. Bud Meathe has been elected to the position of President.

A first for most of us, we entered in the Palm Desert Senior Olympics in February. Medals were awarded to: *Gold*—Jim Bowman Smith, Bill Moore and Evie Hibberd; *Silver*—Gwen Outen, Margaret Rodman and Mavis Taylor; *Bronze*—Tom Hodgins, Rodney Mac Donald and Chris Wood.

At our annual Valentines' Day tournament, cash prizes went to: 1. Margaret Rodman, Delores Bernard and Melody Villeneuve; 2. Bob Krause, Joan Mullen, Anita Wood; 3. Doug Newton, Gwen Outen, Gloria McGlashen; 4. Jim B. Smith, Nita Evans, June Luth.

March 5-9 we bowled tournament at Smoke Tree Resort in Palm Springs. A fast green, most enjoyable. We placed first and second. Bob Krause, Ernestine Grant and Harry Shabaga finished #1, while Jim B. Smith, Mavis Taylor, and Marion and Murray Zapfe were second. Joan and Gerry Mullen, from Cove Communities but playing for Laguna Hills, came in third.

With wearing of the green for St. Patricks Day, we had a fun tournament. Cash prizes went to first placers Jim B. Smith, Gwen Outen and Bill Moore. Tying for second and splitting their prize money, were the teams of Bob Krause, Joan Mullen, with Kathy Olson and Ralph Kitchel sharing, and Doug Newton, Nita Evans and Evie Hibberd.



*We are especially proud of Allen Shapter, a former champion Australian bowler who, at 93, shows us how it's done three days a week on our green.*

## SOUTHWEST DIVISION

## ALHAMBRA

By Betty Barnett

Alhambra has had a rough time. Our ladies seem to want to have a bowling game in heaven. Alice Lawrence, Peggy Maase and Doreen Bumbarger will certainly give the them a good time. But we really miss them. Alice was the heart of our club and now we have to find a new beat.

It is time to resume the feeling of the game and move on. Our new President is Gary Jones. He is willing to lead us to a successful year.

Irene Brodie led a wonderful Sallenback Tournament. We had a full green, wonderful weather and so much fun. Hilda Wallace used her magic with the treats, always so good. Floy Tarnov won the beautiful clock for first place.

Nancy Trask is leading our Valley League this year. She works hard for us setting up teams and hosted the day at Alhambra. Nancy greeted us with bagels, cream cheese and jellies. And yummy pies for a lunch treat.

John Lambert is using his strength and persistence to bring our grass green up to bowling standards. A tough job, and we wish him luck. We are bowling on it once a week. George Wallace uses his wealth of knowledge to help with the mechanics of both greens.

Duane Marcus, last year's president, spent many an hour begging the city for permission and money to work on the green. Many of men in our club help out.

We have a number of new members. Alex Tse is responsible for bringing in many members. Gary brought in some from his church. We do keep trying.

## REDLANDS

By Peg Bennett

Where is our warm spring weather? The weather has been cold and rainy. Lawn bowling is being done wrapped up in sweaters and jackets.

At a meeting in November, all our officers were re-elected. For the 2000-2001 season, Don Poe was re-elected President; Jean Willingham, Vice-President; and Joan Worden, Secretary-Treasurer. This will be Joan's last year. She has filled the job for some 20 years, and being 90 years of age feels it is time to pass along the pen and typewriter to someone else.

Our Citrus League teams did very well. At last report, the teams were tied for 3rd place.

As we go to press, a joint party is being held for Joan Worden's and Hank Rutter's 90th birthday on April 21, at the Lugonia Fountains Clubhouse in Redlands. Fifty invitations were issued for the joint party, with sons and daughters joining the entire lawn bowling club to celebrate the event. Hosts and hostesses are Peg Bennett (Joan's sister), Barbara and Ken House (Joan's daughter and son-in-law), Betty Straesser, Fran Lopez and Lou Garcia. Both Joan and Hank were tournament bowlers and life-long members. Joan still bowls about twice a week.

Len and Sheillagh Carver are moving to Idaho in the near future. We will miss them very much.

A big welcome to Jim Dobbs who recently joined our club. We hope he will enjoy the game as much as we all do.



## SOUTHWEST MAJOR MEN'S TOURNAMENTS

By Ed Quo

Results of recent 2001 major events sponsored by the Men's Southwest Division:

## Southern California Rinks

At MacKenzie Park, April 21-22, (14 entries)

1. Bill Hiscock/Jim Olson/Ross Craven/Art Allen (all of San Diego LBC)
2. Neil Furman/Neville Sacks/Reinie Kramer/Bill Patrizzi
3. Ed Quo/Mert Hill/Jim Hempe/Bob Nunes
4. Pat Fagan/Sam DeLisle/Stan Bloom/Dick Rivera

## Southern California Triples

At Santa Anita, March 24-25 (20 entries)

1. Mert Isaacman/Neville Sacks/Simon Meyerowitz
2. Vlatko Petrovic/Harry Dickinson/Bud Wakeling
3. Ken Bolton/Sam DeLisle/Stan Bloom
4. Bob Knoth/Conrad Melton/Jim Olson



*Southern California Men's Triples champions.  
(l-r) Simon Meyerowitz, Neville Sacks and Mert Isaacman.*

## Membership Tip!

Join your local Chamber of Commerce.

Get to know your neighborhood leaders, and they you!

It couldn't hurt!



## SOUTHWEST DIVISION

## NEWPORT BEACH

By Clare Donovan

The City has replaced the fencing at the north end of our greens. Thirteen backboards have been replaced and new lane markers painted.

Ed Quo, at the March board meeting, and Mert Isaacman, at the April board meeting, were presented with proclamations acknowledging their accomplishments, viz: "IN RECOGNITION OF ED QUO, member since 1986, a Two Time (1992 and 2000) WINNER OF THE UNITED STATES MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP" and "IN RECOGNITION OF MERT ISAACMAN, member since 1992, a WINNER, (1999) OF THE NATIONAL OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP, THE (1998) NATIONAL OPEN PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP AND RANKED THIRD AS THE 1990'S "BOWLER OF THE DECADE". Appropriate plaques have been installed in the clubhouse.

Our January tournament, devised by Chairman Jim Altobelli, presented a true test of skill, i. e: bowling against the jack! Each of the twenty-five bowlers rolled four bowls solo for eight ends and competed against the jack. First was captured by Joyce Novak., second by Dick Anderson (a novice) and third by Shirley Kahan. The team of Harvey Miller, Jack Verfurth and Shirley Kahan won the afternoon triples game. The doubles match was won by Jack Sellers and Bob Montes (another novice!).

Our February tournament was a mixed pairs. Jerry Grady and Jan Hargraves won with an amazing four W's and plus 32 points. Elmer and Gail Hodgson were second and Joyce Swanson and Eddie Bower were third.

In the March tournament, Harvey Miller and Shirley Kahan took first; "JR" Rackliffe and Thelma Hopkins were second, Al Davis and Jack Saita third.

On the last day of February, after 5 1/2 months of fierce competition, Eddie Bower won the Ladder Tournament.

## MACKENZIE PARK

(Santa Barbara)

By Ray Stone

At the annual membership meeting in January, Roland Bersch was installed as president for the second year. It was reported that the Christmas party had been a phenomenal success with a record turnout. The year-long bowling limerick contest was won by Kermit Williams.

In the Forrest Dietrich Winter League, an annual mixed pairs, handicap tournament, conceived and directed by Walter Crooks, Amador Martinez and Armando Escalante won the round robin phase of the 14-team event. Playoffs between the top four teams was won by Jim Stahl and Natalie Martinez. Players from Santa Maria to Oxnard participated.

In the Tom & Donna Long Blind Draw Triples, victory went to Don Pisciotta, the only three-game winner. Plus points decided the second and third place winners: Carol R. Smith and Jim Whitmer.

The Al James Men's Singles Championship was won by undefeated Stanley

Bloom, in a 16 man field. Bill Joseph was second.

Women's Pairs Club Championship went to Natalie Martinez and Doris Sneddon—the event sponsored by Carmel and Stanley Bloom.

The club received a generous donation from the estate of the late Blaine Schnall, a long-time club member and past president. A gala Blaine Schnall President's Day affair is planned for May 11, at which the twelve living past Presidents will be honored. The oldest is 103!

Member Dita Joseph, an outstanding artist, contributed one of her paintings to commemorate our new clubhouse. Dita spent many hours researching and planning the details of the middle-19th century scene depicting "The Bowling Lesson". Don't miss it when you're in Santa Barbara!

*In Memoriam*  
Norman Andersen.

## JOSLYN-LAKE HODGES

By Bill Kagan

Despite the problems with the elements, we have gone bravely forward with our schedule of events. South League is rapidly approaching the halfway point of play and, true to expectations, we are experiencing another tightly contested series of competitions.

Lake Hodges hosted both the Men's Vet-Novice Playdown and Ladies Australian Pairs. Bob Forget and Bill Corbett qualified for the finals in the former, and Eva Ho & Kottia Spangler took the honors in the ladies event.

Friends from the San Diego club joined us for a visitation, and we will visit them in the fall. Our neighbors in Rancho Bernardo, the Oaks North Club, had us over for a special day of bowling and refreshments. We also traveled up the I-15 to spend the day on the Sun City greens—a most enjoyable day for us all, which included bowlers from the Hemet and Oaks North clubs.

We had a good turnout on April 16 for our Club Doubles event. The top spot went to Lucy and Hugh MacDonald, the only undefeated team in the competition.

In Southwest contests, we have fielded some highly competitive teams led by Lucy McDonald, Bob Forget and Paul Rotter. Bill Corbett came within a whisker of the Novice Singles title, bested on a tie-breaking extra end. We are proud of all our tournament bowlers, and urge everyone to try this level of bowling excitement.

Finally, I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge the efforts of Lois Kagan to provide a bountiful selection of very delicious treats for everyone to enjoy during competitions and visitations. While not a bowler, she is a wonderful representative for our club and our sport.

Join us when in the San Diego area. Our greens are always open.

## LAGUNA BEACH

By Ed Perry

As the Laguna Beach Club celebrates its 70th anniversary this year, a bit of history: Harland Kittle was our first president. We started with 95 charter members (all male). At the time, it was the largest charter membership of any club in Southern California. One of the charter members was H.G. Heisler, for whom the city park was named. The cost of the initial green was \$1,000!

Today, you can find our club on the internet at: <http://homestead.com/lblbc>

After three of ten rounds played, Laguna Beach leads the Coast League. Seventeen members have participated. Our Coast League directors are Mert Hill and Pat Turk.

We are pleased that five of our bowlers have made the U.S. National Team: (men's team) Mert Hill, Ian Ho and Ivan Hyland; (women's team) Carrie Fossati and Maryna Hyland.

LBLBC men dominate the 2001 SW Division Team with five of the fourteen members: Neil Furman, Mert Hill, Ivan Hyland, Simon Meyerowitz and Michael Siddall.

Come join us and bowl by the sea!

## SOUTHWEST DIVISION

## SANTA BARBARA

By Dudley Miller

Our social calendar has been filled with several outstanding events. In December, the ladies on our board of directors hosted a gala Christmas party. Some delicious eggnog (both leaded and unleaded) and fine wines added to the day's glowing aura.

The new year and the millennium were welcomed with the third annual New Year's Day Spaghetti Party, an event originated two years ago by the ever-resourceful Dorothy Thielges.

Later in January, Louis Moscardi hosted a party in celebration of his 85th birthday. Sixty-five members enjoyed a fine sunny day of bowling followed by a tasty lunch, including the traditional birthday cake and ice cream.

This year, we are enjoying a gala birthday celebration on the final Tuesday of each month, to honor those members with birth dates in that month.

We not only party, but we bowl a lot, too. A busy tournament schedule has been keeping Tournament Chairman Bill Schultz moving at full speed, with his chores exacerbated by greens' conditioning and many rain delays. During the first four months of the year, our tournament bowlers competed in five local events. And the winners were:

*Novice Singles*

John Stack, Inge Green and Glenn Turner

*Novice Doubles*

John Stack/Hemie Olivares, Jim Wilkes/Peter Beltran, and Glenn Turner/Jim Morton

*Veteran-Novice Pairs*

Jim Stahl/Hemie Olivares, Arnon Blau/Jim Wilkes, and (a tie) Ed Weiss/Inge Green and Ruth McLeod/Ken Gould

*Jack Furman Pairs*

Dorothy Thielges/Bill Schultz, Pearl Howe/Glenn Turner, and Ed Watson/Pearl Watson

*Spencer Adams Blind Draw Triples*

Connie Van Wingerden/Jo Pacelli/Vince Pacelli, Hank Van Wingerden/Carol Smith/Lynda Terres, and Byron Simmons/Dom Balistreri/John Stack

## HEMET

By Mary Ann Rucinski

Since our Instructor, Paula Bellone returned into action in January, we have obtained a good number of new members. Donna Kephart, Clifford & Cathy Sorenson, Fred & Patricia Wesley, Robert & Rita Raugust, Thomas Hodgins, Shirley Brake and James Chesney have all become full-time members. We have also obtained temporary past members, Bud Dey, Raymond Harrow, Warren & JoAnne Pready, and new temporary members Wanda Taylor, Walter & Elaine Thompson, Robert & Mary Larsen.

At the Kay Harland Triples, held in Sun City during March, Paula Bellone (Hemet), Erika Sistad and Jo Mumma (both from Riverside) took second Place. Tied for third were two more of our Hemet ladies, Mary Jane Henrich and Carol Robbins, who teamed with Marion Compton, from Santa Anita.

March Ladies Day was held in Hemet and we had a total of 42 ladies. Hortencia Gonzalez, senior delegate, and Verna Wallace, junior delegate, along with Miss Hospitality, Josie Loy, did a fantastic job. Paula Bellone and Dee Kessler worked together to organize the teams.

Conrad Melton held a "vice class" for some of our potential skip's and they found Conrad's instructions very rewarding.

First place in our *Club Pairs* went to LaDene Mowery and Fred Bertsch. Dee Kessler and Ken Peterson finished second.

Winners of our *Club Rally* in March, supervised by Gordon Howard, with assistance from Clair Ott, were: 1. Dick Van Zante, 2. LaDene Mowery, 3. Shirley Fairfield, 4. Dee Kessler, 5. Clair Ott

*Club Round Robin:* Skip-1. Paula Bellone, 2. Wen Mowery; Vice-Verna Wallace, 2. Leon Adams; Lead-Ed Kearns, 2. Glad Lill

Tony's famous spaghetti dinner was held in our clubhouse in March and it was the best dinner in town. A lot of work was put into the preparation by Tony Derrico. Serving was assisted by Josey Loy and her "voluptuous waitresses". Thanks, Emeril & Julia for a very tasteful meal.

## MURRAY ALLISON SINGLES

By Ed Quo

The annual Murray Allison Singles featured 38 entries this year. It was again played at Riverside LBC, March 3-4.

*Murray (Championship) Flight*  
CHAMPION

Michael Ashton-Phillips, Beverly Hills  
2. Larry Hood, Laguna Beach LBC  
3. Bob Nunes, Newport Harbor LBC

*Allison (Second) Flight*

1. Joe Ruderman, Riverside LBC  
2. Ed Quo, Newport Harbor LBC  
3. Pat Chan, Laguna Beach LBC

A *deja vu* notation in the Allison? Ruderman also beat Quo in the Allison final in 2000.



Murray Allison champion Michael Ashton-Phillips, right, with runner-up Larry Hood.

## BEVERLY HILLS

By Otto Pylet

We made a major outreach for new membership in concert with the Memorial Day weekend Annual (32nd) Walt Disney Tournament on our green.

We have purchased advertisements in the local newspapers and sent press releases to local and regional media in hopes of Mickey Mouse attracting the interested and curious to, first, read our ads and news items, then come to see, in person: "America's top lawn bowlers."

Four years ago we ran a similar promotion resulting in large crowds (for lawn bowling) each tournament day and a net of quite a few new members. It ain't gonna happen if we don't try.

Inasmuch as this information will be in print on or immediately following Memorial Day, we offer the standard: "Film at 11".

## TEAM USA FUND-RAISER

Team USA recently held a "donation raffle fundraiser" to assist with travel expenses. On the block were a stuffed Bunny and Bear, made by Judy Stewart of Williams, AZ. The items were raffled on April 29, at the Southwest Division Open.

Winners are: the Bunny went to Chuck and Sherrill Vanderbush of the Groves LBC. The Bear went to Jay Hanson of Long Beach.

Thanks to all who donated/participated. It is much appreciated.

## SOUTHWEST DIVISION

## SAN DIEGO

By Karen Anderson

We have renovated our clubhouse. Little had been done to since it was built in 1932. We would have liked to completely remodel it so we would have more actual space, but the cost was prohibitive.

A number of steps were taken to achieve the transformation. We donated our trophy case, which had taken up considerable area, to a National City Museum. We put up three new storage sheds and moved all of our lockers from the main clubhouse area, and topped it off with new paint, carpeting, and lighting fixtures. Juanita Williams' son donated rattan furniture and we are thinking of adding some folding "captians chairs".

This renovation was achieved by the hard work of many members. Many helped, but special thanks to Ross Craven and Al Anderson who built shelves for bowls, and Ross and Howard Fromson who did some serious painting. The Renovation Committee, chaired by Margaret Cooper, included Billi Gottlieb and Christine Ludwig.

To accomplish all of this renovation, we held fund raisers to give ourselves a nest egg. Our application for ADA (American Disabilities Act) funds was turned down, but Robin Olson negotiated with Balboa Park to get matching funds to cover the cost, of carpeting and light fixtures. They also agreed to construct three new sheds for our use, and gave us all the paint we needed.

Future plans hopefully include a concrete slab in front of the sheds to use as a social area. We also need to renovate our rest rooms. We do not currently have the money for these projects, but we're working on it.

### NEW SW BOWLS CORRESPONDENT

Jim Walker, member of the Long Beach LBC, will take over as Southwest Division Correspondent as of the next (Fall-Winter) issue. He succeeds Santa Barbara's Bob Roberts, who has served a number of years in the capacity, first as PIMD Correspondent, and later as the SW Correspondent.

Beginning with the NEXT issue, club reporters should send their reports to Jim at: 5754 Tilbury Street, Lakewood, CA 90713-3044. His phone is: 562-429-8962 and via email at: <Aug101947@webtv.net >

Jim needs to receive your typewritten copy no later than *AUGUST 25!*

## SANTA MONICA

By Sam Benjamin

The dominant force this year has been Vlatko Petrovic, who has returned to Bosnia for several months. He is already being missed, both because of his talent and also for his conviviality and good temperament.

Vlatko started off his successful season with a win in our First Annual Bill Grant Triples. His teammates included Bob Nock and Harry Dickinson. He followed up with a win in the First Annual Ferrell Burton, Jr. Memorial Pairs, with his able partner, Homer Worf. Finally, completing his triple crown, he defeated Alan Power in the First Annual Ruby Woodcock Memorial Singles in a match went right down to the wire.

We are pleased to welcome back Ann and Max Wurwand from Capetown, South Africa, and are presently awaiting the return of Moses Rahaminov from Israel, whom we hope will part the Red Sea for us in our upcoming hotly contested annual President's Cup against always formidable Holmby Park.

Finally, to cap off Vlatko's memorable winter, he won second place in the Southern California Triples, with team members Bud Wakeling and Harry Dickinson. This is the second year in a row that Santa Monica has come in second in the So. Cal. Triples.

Recently we were visited by Andy Andison, a great bowler from Victoria, Canada. We encourage visitors and guests to visit and enjoy our well-cared for green and genial hospitality. So, if in the neighborhood, please join us for an afternoon of bowling at our newly renovated Douglas Park in Santa Monica.

## PASADENA

By Vernon Leidig

New officers were installed at our December Annual Meeting. President-Jack Edwards, First Vice President-Larry Flanders, Second Vice President-Ron Williams, Secretary-Don Shrader, Treasurer-Dick Clark.

Marcia Masterson is our coordinator for the Valley League. Our teams consist of: Hal Edgar, Marcia Masterson and Jack Edwards; Ron Williams, Larry Flanders and Hugo Sahlein; Ed Hollywood, Travis Lindsey and Otis Wilson; Rita Marrs, Ray Marrs and Marian Bassett. Competition will be against the Alhambra, Friendly Valley, and Santa Anita clubs.

Ray Marrs chaired our Club Doubles Tournament. First place went to Ralph Kennon and George Muellerschoen. In second place were Jim Splitt and George Fox.

## SANTA ANA

By Elaine Hughes

Rainy weather cleared on game day as 22 teams took part in our annual Tommy Stirrat Triples. Unfortunately, Tournament Chairman Dick Wilson's prayers for clear skies lasted only two of three scheduled matches. But they were enough for Ian Ho, Eva Ho and Kottia Spangler to win the annual event.

Not only did the winning trio earn prize money and have their names engraved on the permanent trophy. Each player also won a fire extinguisher donated by Santa Ana's own Karen Holland, from her company Orange County Fire Protection.

Club president Doug Horwood, is the eternal go-getter. He has had the benches updated with new name plates identifying various members who donated money for the benches way back in 1990. Doug also noticed some of our 50 foot pine trees precariously toppling over. He called this to the attention of the City and has been assured of a remedy. Many of our resident green parrots would not like to see their demise.

Our resident Brits, Reg and Elaine Jones have advised that 45 British bowlers will be coming to our club from London on September 27th. Elaine and Reg have volunteered to translate!

Elaine Jones and Gary Ginther proved their mettle in the Club Pairs (cut-throat scoring), by taking first place. Second place went to Maxcy Collins and Bill Dietrich. Marion Horwood and Merle Clever were third.

It should be noted in the last issue's article, written by yours truly, an error appeared. Truth be known, Marjorie Patterson was the winner of the Marjorie Armstrong Novice Tournament. Mea Culpa!



Dick Wilson chaired the annual Tommy Stirrat Triples.

## SOUTHWEST DIVISION

**SouthWest Division Men's Novice Champs**

By Ed Quo

## NOVICE SINGLES

At Santa Anita, March 25 (8 entries)

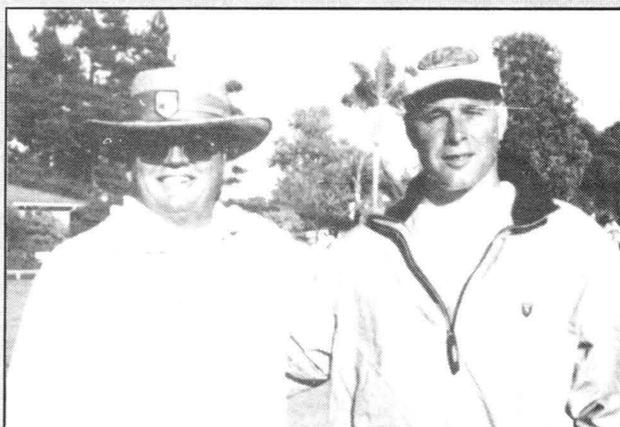
1. Bob Schmalholz, Santa Anita BGC
2. Bill Corbett, Joslyn-Lake Hodges LBC
3. Jay Robbins, San Diego LBC

## NOVICE PAIRS

At MacKenzie Park, April 21 (5 entries)

1. Pete Elieff/Liam Courtney, Pasadena LBC
2. Floyd Murphy/Jay Robins, San Diego LBC

*SWD Men's Novice Champions Liam Courtney, left, and Pete Elieff.*




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Special Council Meeting**
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articles; more news (not the Minutes) about Council and Division actions; expanding the calendar of tournaments and including contact persons; and improving the look of the magazine with photos, graphics, better paper and color.

Councilor Doug McArthur presented a plan for financing our National Teams by creating and investing a fund from the budgeting of \$1 per USLBA member. He agreed to fine tune the plan for presentation at the October Council meeting.

The Council budgeted \$6,000 for 2001 National Team Support, including \$3,600 for the Asian Pacific Games and \$2,200 for the North American Challenge.

Shirley Cam was elected the Alternate Delegate to the WBB (Virginia Marlar was previously elected Woman's Delegate), in case the pending WBB merger falls through,

Woodruff Ogden, continuing as director of the USLBA (formerly ALBA) web site ([www.bowlsamerica.org](http://www.bowlsamerica.org)), asked Councilors to provide him with information (entry fees, contacts, dates, etc.) about division tournaments of interest outside the division.

Frank Ransome, chair of ULSBA's Membership and Instruction committees, presented packets on Membership, New Members, Instruction and Greens to each division. He reminded the Council that although there are 150 places to lawn bowl in this country, we have only 106 affiliated clubs.

Gene Goodwin  
*Secretary pro tem*

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**COACHES CORNER**
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the work of any one person or even of one country, but a compilation of instructional concepts culled from many sources, put in a psychologically approved order to best teach older recruits. We also have syllabi for teaching youths, the blind and physically impaired, as well as advanced bowlers. But the principal is the same.

The Instructor must be a person who is friendly, confident and who loves his or her work. He or she represents the USLBA and the

sport of lawn bowling first, and local interests second. He/she must first impress upon students how important it is to protect the green and then build their interest so that they will know enough to have fun no matter what situation they find themselves in.

We do not subscribe to the theory that better bowlers make better instructors. In fact, just the opposite. A person who likes to teach, understands the rules and is a reasonably good bowler usually does the best job.

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

In either scenario, you will be honoring or remembering a lawn bowling comrade in the spirit that brought your friendship together—by supporting lawn bowling's future.

Gifts to the Foundations are tax deductible and may be made in any denomination. Donations to the Foundations will be acknowledged in *BOWLS Magazine*, similar to those listed below.

Other ways to support the future of lawn bowls include trust arrangement, will bequest, and other specially designed legal instruments. For specific details, you should consult your financial or legal advisor as well as Jack Phillips, Treasurer of the ALBA Memorial Foundation.

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# THE LAST SHOT

By Joe Siegman  
 Editor of BOWLS Magazine

I couldn't help but take note that all too many of this issue's club reports write of the passing of their LBC's number one citizen. The person who made that club tick. The local MVP.

It reminds me of yin and yang. How awful it is that so many good people would leave us at the same time. How wonderful it is to know that there were so many outstanding individuals who devoted their talents and countless hours of energy towards the betterment of the game of bowls and, specifically, their own friends who play the game.

If you take time to read these reports you will see how concerned surviving members are about their club's future. In many instances, the departed leader took on the responsibility for everything—being the chief officer, running the daily draw, overseeing tournaments, supervising hospitality groups, teaching new members, directing green and clubhouse maintenance, planning inter and intracub social activities, arranging non-bowling activities, et als. You're left with a "woe is us" feeling from the individual club reporters.

It's easy for me to suggest the logical remedy to this type of distress that often rears its unfortunate head. A sport that is centered upon senior citizens should insure itself with back-up man and women power. Have co-chairpersons, delegate responsibilities. Even if the MVP remains the uber honcho, at least others will gain familiarity and experience to carry on should the big bowler in the sky need a new skip or lead.

No one person should be permitted to be all things to all people. Some people, of course, are just like that. They're always ready to do and give. What a blessing to have such people. What a predicament when they go.

With the USLBA moving into its first summer of organization, new and old situations confront our newly amalgamated leadership. The major concern regarding membership continues, albeit with a few new wrinkles. While all divisions are now practically on the same page re membership, but not all agreeing on the routes necessary to get to that place, the fact still remains that there are likely as many men and women lawn bowling today in the United States who *don't* belong to the USLBA as do.

Is it so very hard for those who jumped at the opportunity to save a whole \$10 (by opting out of the USLBA) to understand why

membership in the national association is so important to the development and future of lawn bowls? Does a person have to have the disease to understand why a donation is important the scientists looking for its cure? Is a diagram necessary to explain why colleges make cash appeals to alumni who long ago left the campus?

The appeal to persons playing bowls in America—people who live here and long-term visitors—to join the national association is not made to disinterested parties. You are devotees of the game. Many of you play four-to-five days a week. The fact that you *don't have* to join doesn't mean you should not. You are heartily drinking from the well. Consider the words "sportsmanship" and "goodwill".

In today's world, without a national organization, lawn bowling's disappearance will accelerate at the speed of sound. We already face potential extinction. Bowling greens in public parks are under assault from citizen groups with other ideas on how to better use the green space. Parents want another Little League baseball or AYSO soccer field. Young adults want beach-type volleyball courts. Croquet cliques think they should control existing facilities. The City needs a new youth center or parking lot.

It is likely that bowling greens within retirement communities will have less immediate pressures, as snowbirds seek out suitable sites to winter or purchase. But, if bowling greens in seasonal places become extinct, so will the pool of lawn bowlers who turn into snowbirds. The bowling green factor that attracts seniors to gated communities featuring lawn bowls will diminish and disappear. Which translates to fewer home sales and less winter visitors. It may not happen overnight, but it will happen. And, you can bet your bippy that gated community management or homeowners associations will be quick to find other uses for the valuable bowling green acreage.

Fellowship and goodwill are two-sided streets. If you enjoy the game as much as you claim you do, \$10 a year is a pretty cheap measure of fellowship and goodwill. And please. Save the "it's the principle" argument. You are currently principle-ing lawn bowls out of existence.

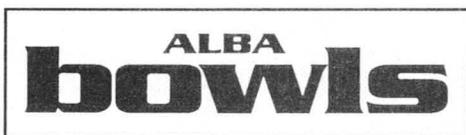
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If you wish to see changes in the content, layout and production, or any other aspect of *BOWLS Magazine*, please let us know. This is *your* magazine.

Finally, many thanks to readers who were so kind to send me get well greetings following the installation of my new bionic knee. I'm not yet faster than a speeding bullet, but watch out for me on the green!

*Joe Siegman*

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