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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Due to the fine cooperation of all six of our Divisions we now appear to be in good financial shape. We should have enough cash on hand at the end of our fiscal year (Sept. 30) to publish the October and January issues of the magazine and to take care of the expenses of starting the new calendar year such as new membership cards, stationery etc. Dues for 1978 will start coming in from some Divisions in February.

I will do all that I can to see that the Council comes up with a balanced budget for 1978. This will mean a cut in some of our services (or possibly an increase in dues) because at the present time about \$2.75 of the \$3.50 dues goes to the magazine, leaving a relatively small amount for operating expenses and promotional activities. By the time you read this the Council will have acted. As you know each Club will get a copy of the Council Minutes (probably sometime in November) and pertinent points will be brought out in the January 1978 issue of A.L.B.A. BOWLS.

I wish to thank Randall and Ted Spalding and the Spalding Inn Club for their wonderful hospitality at the U.S. Championships. Also Bill Farrell for his excellent handling of the games in spite of inclement weather.

I also wish to take this opportunity to thank several men for the exceptional quality and quantity of work they have done this year for the Association. Ferrell Burton as Secretary, Don Irwin as Promotions Chairman, Edgar Haley as Chairman of Grass Culture and Maintenance, Ezra Wyeth as Chairman on Bowls Instruction, Cress Tilley as Editor and Business Manager of A.L.B.A. BOWLS and Bill Farrell as Fund Raiser.

Richard Folkins

SPECIAL NOTICE

This issue of Bowls was published about ten days later than usual, in order to report the results of the important National Open Tournament which concluded on October 8, 1977.

The A.L.B.A. wants to thank Ted Hoopes for his untiring efforts in handling the score board and markers at the spalding Inn Club in New Hampshire plus his help in assisting Rowland Rapp in running the National Championships in Pasadena.

All rumors to the contrary — The Arroyo Seco Greens are not being closed down permanently — they are just being refurbished one at a time.

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

My wife and I just returned from the East in time to get ready for the Annual Meeting which has kept me busier than a one-armed paper hanger with the hives. The trip through New England to the Spalding Inn in New Hampshire was just great. We had fun watching the U.S. Championships and enjoying the hospitality of this great Inn. We later drove through Lake Placid to Toronto and then on to Buck Hill Falls, Penn. to watch the ladies perform in their very first U.S. Championship. We began to realize that there are other nice places besides California.

My thanks to John Dennett for his meticulous audit of the Books of the A.L.B.A. for the first time in some years. The Annual Meeting of the ALBA was held at the Hilton Hotel, Pasadena in the shadow of Mount Wilson in the Mount Wilson room. The complete minutes of this meeting are in the process of being prepared and should be mailed to your Club secretary within 30 days.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING ADDRESS CHANGES

The July issue carried a request for the Post Office to notify me of any address changes. 372 notices were received, as shown here by Division: Central 42, Eastern 26, Northwest 16, Pacific Inter-Mountain 51, Southeast, 92, Southwest 145.

In addition to "UNKNOWN" and "MOVED-NO ADDRESS," many were for wrong zip numbers or not having space or apartment number.

Members and secretaries must be especially careful to give COMPLETE ADDRESSES, which include apartment or space number and zip code. DO NOT GUESS at the zip Code, BE SURE. When giving change of address, the OLD ADDRESS MUST BE GIVEN ALSO, as the mailing list is in numerical order by zip code.

"SNOWBIRDS"—it has long been the policy of the magazine to require one permanent address at which all copies will be received. Please so designate. However, if a member pays full ALBA dues to a summer and winter club, then he may receive a copy at each address.

SECRETARIES—the quarterly form should include all changes of any kind during the three months elapsing since the previous issue. Forms, and changes from individuals, should be received in this office fifteen days before the month of publication, in order to have those changes effective for that issue.

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YES, THE A.L.B.A. IS ON THE MOVE

By Donald Irwin Jr.

It is a joy to be part of something that is a positive factor for a good cause. Certainly we have some negative thinking people; but overall A.L.B.A. members are positive thinking people investing their time and money in helping others get to know about the remarkable game of bowls.

Many old timers—and I mean people who are long time bowlers, are saying our greens are, as a whole, better than they have been for a long time. From the letters we are receiving we know that there are many bowlers anxious to be called on to be helpful in their division and their clubs.

From J.B. Brown, President of the P.I.M. division, we hear of wonderful progress this year. He proudly speaks of the cooperation of most everyone in the P.I.M. division to make A.L.B.A. "a growth and on the move association." While he speaks about the go-go positive thinking of all the clubs, I will pick out from his letter the story of the South Bay area which is made up of Santa Clara County. The city of Santa Clara has just completed a bowling green. It is completely fenced in and landscaped. They have new equipment, new buildings, grass planted and play will start around Dec. 1st.

The city of Los Gatos plans on starting construction of a new green about October 15th. They have the financing and budget for maintenance. Mt. View bowlers are hoping for a green there in a couple of years.

Here is what I liked most about J. B. Brown's letter and I quote "Thanks to our promotion committee it looks like we will have six clubs within a 15 mile radius. The greens are located or will be located in San Jose, Santa Clara, Los Gatos, Mt. View, Palo Alto, and Sunnyvale and with Santa Cruz just 25 miles from San Jose, this will develop into a healthy inter-club competition."

All through his letter J. B. Brown compliments the division committees. J. B. Brown, you are a man after our own heart. You are working through people in getting the job done. We need more J.B. Browns to be given an opportunity to lead people.

I often think of the words of John D. Rockefeller, who has been quoted to have said, "The important thing in managing anything is to take average people and let us do our thing and if given good leadership we will do a superior job." The P.I.M. division is to be

congratulated. J. B. Brown takes no credit for the success in his division—he gives all the credit to the bowlers of the division and the other officers, committee chairmen and their committees.

There is a gentleman in the Central Division about whom I have heard much. I refer to Ross Brown of Gary, Indiana. He is doing an excellent job under some tough conditions. The climate in the Central division on a year round basis isn't exactly made for year round bowling. Ross would like an overall better approach to see that more promotional dollars are spent in an equal share for overall bowls promotion in the United States. I am sure that promotion of bowls will be given more and more of the dollars in our A.L.B.A. budget as years move on. This year A.L.B.A. has distributed promotional material to every club which has asked for it. For next year we hope to start a National new bowlers training program. We hope to have a training film in the hands of all the divisions for their use.

Please each one of you remember we need you to help promote bowling! To over a hundred people who have given us promotional ideas this month, I regret not being able to mention all of you. However, we will get around to you.

Now for a promotional event which was outstanding and was held in September. Bill Arnold, President of the San Diego Bowling Club arranged for "The Gladventurers," a travel club, to have Ezra Wyeth speak at their September meeting. Some thirty members of the San Diego club attended the meeting. There were over 100 members of the Travel Club in attendance. Ezra, in his usual delightful manner, talked about the game of bowls and afterwards many of the travel club members visited the San Diego greens for a free lesson from Ezra and the five San Diego coaches. Bill, congratulations on your imagination and for taking seriously your assignment as the President of your club.

Art Hansen has spent a year of his life planning to have the best National Open Tournament ever. As I write this, the tournament is two weeks away. I sincerely hope it will be the greatest ever—the same wish goes out to the Spalding Inn and the committee for the U.S. Championships.

We have sent out over 35 copies of Henrietta Krohn's training program to those who have asked for it. Henrietta Krohn hails from Laguna Hills Ca. We have sent about the same number of copies of Ezra Wyeth's "Tips for bowlers."

Just imagine this—we are getting letters pretty nearly every day asking for some of A.L.B.A. promotional material! Ross believes we must have a more educational approach in bringing the game into the sports limelight in the United States. This we are also doing in a small way now. We have had inquiries from the "Wall Street Journal" and "N.B.C. Sports" recently. One of the bowlers in Los Angeles was responsible for having an excellent article printed in the Los Angeles Times. Three hundred thousand people had the opportunity to read this article.

Our job is promotion, but we have also tried to see if we could be helpful in the direction of better publicity. Howard Beckner, promotional and publicity director of the southwest division, has had some good pieces of publicity in our Southern California papers.

Ross Brown goes on to add that he believes a more intense approach should be made to bring to the attention of the non-bowler what the game of bowls is all about. He says also that perhaps during the eleven years he has been involved in bowls, the competitive approach has been the dominant part of the promotion of bowls. He further states this is good, but he would like to see more promotional effort put behind the thinking that the promotional approach of recreation should be uppermost in the promotion of lawn bowls. Competitive approaches will normally follow as the game becomes more adaptive to new and added recreational activity in many areas of the United States. He wants to see bowls publicized as an economical, relaxing, and easy to play recreational game. Ross has many other thoughts, but basically his thinking is built around the premise that we need a better foothold in the recreational realm in the United States. Ross, we hope we have made some progress this year along the lines of your thinking. We agree with you when we say "the friendly game bowler is the person around whom a dynamic club is built," and remember most of our tournament bowlers are everyday friendly game bowlers. However some bowlers become tournament bowlers because they only bowl weekends or only Saturdays because they are still "bringing home the bacon as wage earners." Thanks Ross for your thinking.

Willard Sniffin of the Rancho Bernado Club helped raise over \$3200 for a new land planer which Andy D'Hyevre designed along the lines of Dr. Edgar Haley's thinking. The planer has been in use over a year now and the green has improved some 300% or more. Willard

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has been a man of achievement all his life and one should listen when he speaks—here is a suggestion from him. "I would like to see the A.L.B.A. DESIGNATE one week a month during the year as "A.L.B.A. Tournament Week (or month)."

During the period each member club would hold a tournament among its own members in each of three classification of players, such as lead, vice-skip, skip. There would be a suitable trophy furnished for each classification and the trophies would be donated by A.L.B.A. This gesture on the part of A.L.B.A. will create tremendous good will and make the "friendly game bowler," who is actually the backbone of the A.L.B.A. know that something is being done for him.

Willard is all for A.L.B.A.—he is one of the best bowlers in the Southwest Division, but he unselfishly spends his time working in the best interest of his club and very rarely enters a tournament. He believes the program as outlined above will greatly help make all realize that A.L.B.A. stands for what is good for the friendly game bowler. He is for building the image of A.L.B.A. and for a united A.L.B.A. Willard loves the game—lives the game—and yes, he is the fellow who drives the land planer over the green at Rancho Bernado.

BOWLS CLINICS

The A.L.B.A. offers clinics to bowlers and clubs can arrange these in the Southwest Division through the Henselite agents or directly with me. Each clinic takes about 90 minutes and can accommodate 32 players. Where the need is great two or more clinics can be held in a day.

Clinics take two forms. The one most in demand deals with bowling techniques, the other with strategy and leadership on the green.

In addition to the clinics, bowlers can get help with individual problems if they come to Beverly Hills LBC. Each Monday I work with a number of handicapped players starting at 11 a.m. I am usually at the green until 2 p.m.

I am also there from 11 a.m. till 2 p.m. on Sundays.

If you decide to come, please call me beforehand to set up a time.

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WITH WYETH

Earlier I wrote two articles designed to help a new bowler develop his own appropriate style and to help him deal with any problems that might arise with his delivery. The articles offered very few reasons for the suggestions that were made.

I have now prepared six further articles that deal with the evidence behind the suggestions. If a bowler has that evidence, if he knows why something happens he can set about developing his style and making corrections where necessary.

The articles will appear in this order:

1. **Basic principles.** It sets out six basic principles that anyone who wants to bowl well must know and apply.
2. **Forward movement of the bowl.** This deals with the movement of the bowl in the hand and how some of the principles apply.
3. **Getting ready to deliver the bowl.** This offers evidence that helps the bowler decide his stance, how long a step he should take and how far back he should take the bowl.
4. **Choosing your bowls.** This examines a standard way of selecting bowls, one that has little to commend it and shows how it should be done.
5. **Learning your grip.** This article stresses the uniqueness of every bowler and helps him find his own, distinctive grip.
6. **On the mat.** This article attacks the foolish legends that persist about what to look at while on the mat and offers evidence from other sports that will help the bowler make a sensible decision about what to do on the mat.

BASIC PRINCIPLES

In the introduction to the article dealing with the essentials of a good delivery I referred to the confusion among experts on this subject. The reason for the confusion was that all the experts did was to say "I am successful. This is what I do. Copy me." At times groups of experts were brought together to offer advice about bowling but this in no way reduced the confusion. It merely added to it.

Some readers will recall the findings of one group in South Africa. It published its opinions early in the sixties. Later on it was followed by a group of Victorians who produced **In The Groove**. Then the New Zealanders did much the same

thing and a team of them put together a **Guide For Coaches**. The differences among the findings of the three groups are legion and any novice reading them would end up in a state of confusion.

Two things the experts neglected to do. First, they did not set down any basic principles that anyone with a knowledge of sport should know. Second, the only support they could offer for what they said was opinion. There was absolutely no backing from research evidence.

When I decided over 10 years ago to try to clear up some of the confusion the experts had created I went to colleagues at the university where I teach, colleagues who knew a great deal about sports and were competent to conduct research. One of them, Paul Thomas, was a kinesiologist and an authority on body movement. He was to offer much that was critical for the study we were to make.

To give some idea of the way we worked, I offer the following. We took films of good bowlers on the green and then analyzed them frame by frame. From this we learned a great deal. For example, we knew for the first time that in delivering the bowl the bowler's thumb leaves the surface of the bowl before the fingers do. This had important implications for deciding matters about the grip.

Later as the professors began to ask searching questions I had a strip of concrete put down in my yard and covered it with carpet. On this perfect surface I was to spend thousands of hours and put down hundreds of thousands of bowls.

I was to find many answers. I was asked why David Bryant starts his backswing with the back of his hand towards the jack. For four months I copied David's style. My findings supported what the kinesiologist knew had to happen.

There is much less strain on the arm muscles with David's delivery and since it is necessary for him to turn his hand sometime before beginning his delivery there could be a brief pause at that point and the backward and forward movements of the arm could be separated, something that has to be done to ensure best control and accuracy.

In succeeding articles I will refer to other findings and their implications. At this time I would like to offer several basic principles that must be taken into account by anyone who wants to develop the best possible delivery.

1. There is no one way to do anything in bowls. Each bowler is unique and any principle must be interpreted in the light

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of his physical abilities. He alone can decide what length of step to take and how to hold his bowl.

2. In making such decisions he must be guided by his feelings of comfort and balance.
3. In any moving machine the fewer parts that move the fewer things can go wrong. This means that a bowler is wise to make as few movements as possible in delivering his bowl.
4. When changes are made in the speed of a machine the fewer the things that have to be changed to effect this the better the change will be. Most people can change speed smoothly in a car with automatic gear shifts. With stick shifts they may not.
5. In delivering an object by hand the longer it is in the hand before it is released the greater the accuracy.
6. To increase the chances that an object will go in the direction it should after it leaves the hand it should travel for as long as possible in that direction before it leaves the hand. This is true of both the horizontal and the vertical movement.

In the next article I will deal with the application of some of these principles to help you reach a decision about the forward movement of the bowl in your hand.

SOME HISTORY OF BOWLS

by

Schuylar Kleinhans

Nearly every new lawn bowler has wondered about the origins of the game, and just how true are the many anecdotes that are told and retold around bowling greens most of which give the impression that Bowls was invented sometime in the 17th century. The truth is the roots of the game are prehistoric and that it has had a long and colorful evolution.

Man's earliest weapons were things to throw — stones, coconuts, sharpened sticks. To develop skill required practice, which in turn led to competition. Games were devised, involving throwing objects at a target and scoring hits and misses. Many of these games are still being played at the present time.

Archeologists found well-shaped stones in an Egyptian tomb dating back to 5200 B.C., and concluded that they were used in some kind of bowling game. But un-

doubtedly simple games of throwing or rolling objects at a target must be much older.

Early history includes mention of a type of bowling game played by Roman soldiers in what is now northern Italy. They took the game with them during campaigns in Gaul — now France and the Germanic states. The present Bocci, popular in Italy, the French Boule and Petanque and even the various pin bowling games are direct descendants of this early Roman bowls.

There is considerable difference of opinion as to the time the game was introduced to England — whether with the Roman conquest or much later during the Norman invasion. It also is possible that bowls developed in England independent of any foreign influence. In any case, the British improved the game tremendously by playing on turf, establishing rules and inventing the biased bowl.

The earliest reference to lawn bowling in England is made in a Latin biography written by a William Fitzstephen in 1190. He lists recreations of the period as "leaping, shooting, wrestling, casting of stones (jactus lapidum), throwing the javelin, which they strive to fling at a mark." Whether this reference to "casting of stones" meant a primitive bowls game or putting a weight (or shot) is difficult to determine. An English manuscript of the 13th Century includes a drawing showing men bowling to a small cone, and another sketch of the same period illustrates men bowling to a small target ball. "Jactus Lapidum" gave its name to the "jack" of modern bowls, and until recently, our jacks were made of a stone-like ceramic material.

From these early beginnings the game grew in popularity until it was deemed to be interfering with archery practice and therefore with the defense of the kingdom. Statutes prohibiting bowls and other sports were enacted in the reign of Edward III (1312 to 1377), Richard II (1367-1400), and succeeding monarchs.

Bowling was brought in doors in 1455 to escape the inclement weather and probably also the eyes of the law. Whether these indoor games were pin games, similar to those being played in Germany and Holland, or were games rolled at a single target is open to question.

The word "bowls" occurs for the first time in a statute of 1511 in which Henry VIII confirmed previous enactments against "unlawful" games. In spite of this official edict, he had facilities for indoor games built at Whitehall castle and was inclined to bank his skill with substantial wagers.

Biased bowls are said to have been introduced in the 16th Century. Robert

Recorde wrote in a publication in 1556: "A little altering of one side maketh the bowl run biasse waise ..." Shakespeare's "Richard II," written about forty years later, but referring to a period 200 years earlier, has the Queen reply to a suggestion that a game of bowls might relieve her boredom. "Twill make me think the world is full of rubs and my fortune runs against the bias." If Shakespeare's reference is correct, then bias bowls were in use by the end of the 14th Century. The reference is also interesting as an indication that ladies were playing bowls during Shakespeare's time and possibly much earlier. We do know that during this period bowls was looked upon as a legitimate Sunday recreation.

Lawn bowls has been a sport of kings and noblemen for centuries. James I recommended the game to his son, Henry; Charles I was an enthusiastic bowler, and was reputed to play for high stakes; Samuel Pepys often mentioned great persons "at bowls". But the prevalence of gambling, and the fact that most common greens were adjacent to taverns, gradually brought the game into disrepute, and it lost its popularity for a time and became an unfashionable sport.

After an interval of more than 100 years, bowls was revived in Scotland. The Scots had known the game from early times, but as the Church issued edicts in 1595 prohibiting playing on the Sabbath, greens were few and far between. Little had been done over the years in either England or Scotland to standardize rules, but the upsurge of interest in the game in the 19th Century resulting in more and more greens and inter-club competition, fostered a demand for uniformity. The Scots appointed a committee delegated to establish regulations to govern the game. In 1875, W. W. Mitchel, secretary of the Committee, wrote "The Laws of the Game of Bowls," which were immediately successful and became the backbone of the Scottish Bowling Association, formed in 1889. Clubs in England and Australia also accepted the rules of the Scottish Association.

Greens at this time were hardly more than well-kept lawns, of widely differing dimensions and not always surrounded by boundary ditches. The grass was usually meadow turf, cut either by scythe or by grazing sheep. The Scots pioneered in improving bowling surfaces. They took very fine and creeping grasses from the seashore for their greens, and this type of turf has since become standard wherever the climate is suitable. They also improved methods of leveling, and adopted recently invented mowers to keep the greens

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clipped short to provide faster and more playable surfaces. These developments, along with the standardized rules, spread from Scotland to every English-speaking country.

Bowls had been popular in America since Colonial times. Dr. Harvey Maxwell, in an article in **Bowls**, pointed out that British officers bowled on the Boston Common, and that George Washington's father built a green at Mt. Vernon in 1732. The original green at Williamsburg is still in existence, but now is used only for ceremonial occasions because of the rough and coarse grass. The subway station in the Bowery of Manhattan is still known as Bowling Green Station, although the green in Battery Park has long since been put to other use. Many names of American cities, streets and parks can be traced to bowling greens in their vicinity at one time.

It is generally believed that interest in bowls declined in America because everything British was down-graded during and immediately after the Revolution. Although there may be some truth in this assertion, it must be remembered that the same decline was taking place in England during this period.

While not pertinent to a history of lawn bowls, it is interesting to note that other bowling games, such as ninepins, duck pins, and skittles, introduced by the Dutch in the 16th Century, also acquired a poor reputation in America, due to the gambling and drinking that had become so much a part of all bowling sports. In the middle of the 19th Century, New York, Connecticut, and Massachusetts all enacted legislation outlawing the game of nine pins. However, some genius added another pin, rearranged the target from a diamond to a triangle and changed the scoring system. The game went happily along, well within the law, and became the modern game of alley bowling.

The Scottish renaissance produced a resurgence of lawn bowls in the United States. The Dunnellen Bowling Club of New Jersey was organized in 1879 by a Christian Schepflin, based on the new rules. Interest rapidly spread to other communities, and by 1915, there were enough lawn bowling clubs to justify a national organization. As a result the American Lawn Bowls Association was formed in Buffalo that year.

A dramatic increase in the popularity of lawn bowls in this country has taken place since the A.L.B.A. was organized, most of it occurring during the lifetime of the present generation of bowlers. American

teams have participated in international events abroad, and foreign teams frequently tour the United States. A particularly significant development has been the construction of bowling greens at or near retirement communities, bringing the game to many older people. However, the future of lawn bowling will depend on the creation of a cadre of young players as a nucleus about which an expansion of this wonderful sport may develop.

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BETTER GREENS Preparing for Winter By Edgar R. Haley

Whether we live in the East or the West, the Far North or the South, the approach of the winter season demands special planning and care for the bowling green. And this preparation, odd as it may sound, is fundamentally the same for every clime. The common factor, of course, is the handling of excess water. Snow and freezing complicate the situation, but the basic problem, nevertheless, is the disposal of excess water.

A green composed of pure sand simplifies the problem tremendously. Unfortunately most of our greens antedate the use of pure sand and consequently have poor and unpredictable drainage. The major portion of the excess water must be dissipated through evaporation, with consequent great delay in use of the greens in springtime and great distress to the turf. This is especially true in the northern states and Canada. Huge amounts of water are locked up in the frozen soil, when the latter is of the usual sandy loam or sandy clay. To complicate it all, an infestation of snow mold can be devastating to the sprouting turf.

In the southern climes, the poorly draining greens usually have a secondary turf along with a weedy unpredictable surface. The rains of winter compound the situation.

Thus we come back, the continent over, to the problem of easing the disposal of excess water.

Regardless of the composition of the soil, regardless of the climate, the first problem to solve is that of thatch. The presence of any thatch whatever adds tremendously to the basic problem, and for these reasons: Thatch, especially as it becomes soaked, behaves much as a layer of felt placed between the upper grass leaves and the earth. It acts to prevent evaporation, keeping the earth in a prolonged soggy state; it delays the warming of the soil for at least three extra weeks in the spring; as a dead organic material, thatch is a wonderful medium for the growth of fungi and mold; and the soggy thatch markedly denies the infiltration of oxygen to the roots, which we have learned is all-important for the health and growth of turf. And while the effect is far more important in the northern areas, it is of great significance in the south, also.

There is only one way to handle thatch on the bowling green, and that is the use of the verticutter. The heavier the thatch,

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the more important it is to remove it entirely, even in the face of a relatively puny turf. Multiple verticuttings, perhaps every two days, at a relatively shallow (but definitely deep enough to get results) cut will always produce results.

Once the thatch is removed, the green must be aerofied, using the hollow-tyne plugger. Use tynes of at least 1/2" in diameter. The plugs are always removed and discarded. The poorer the quality of the turf, the more is the aerofication needed. Never hesitate.

Finally, the holes must always be backfilled completely and meticulously with a relatively fine sand. The sand can be grossly spread by shovel and the surface dragged with the chain mat. Areas missed are filled using a large, three foot squeegee (obtainable from the local janitorial supply). Excess sand is then removed, using the squeegee and scoop shovels. Approximately five tons of sand are needed per green.

This program will help every green and is highly indicated in the fall. The farther north, the greater the indication.

In the northern states and in Canada the problem of snow mold can be very great. This devastating disease occurs especially when snow lies upon unfrozen earth, and occurs particularly in the late fall and early spring. Two types of fungi, fusarium and typhula, are mainly responsible, growing rampant on dead vegetation (thatch) in a dripping, sloppy medium, and at a temperature barely above freezing. It enjoys high nitrogen, which means that fertilizing of the green should cease at least 8 weeks before anticipated snow.

There are a number of fungicides used against snow mold, most quite effective. In all cases the applications must start before the symptoms appear. Dr. J. Drew Smith, plant pathologist at the University of Saskatchewan, one of the highest respected authorities on snow mold, states that in the very far north, applications should start about the middle of August and continue monthly until a permanent snow cover develops. Fungicides are applied as late as possible before the first snow, repeated if a January thaw occurs, and again in the spring as soon as the ground permits traffic. He suggests the use of different fungicides at different times to prevent development of a possible resistance.

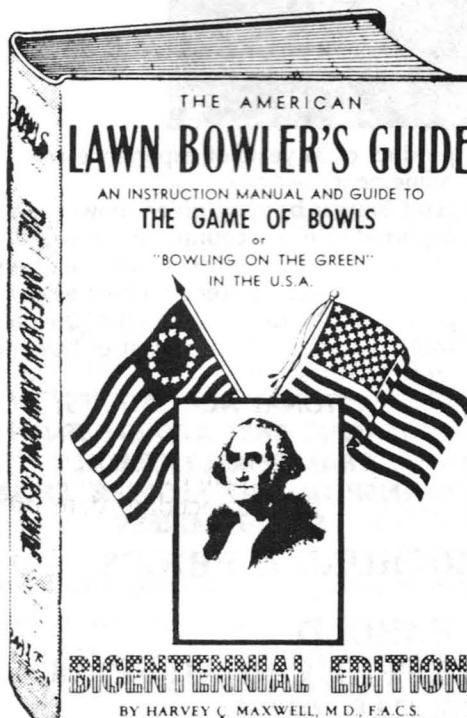
There has been a number of fairly effective fungicides available, notably the mercurials. Until recently, one of the

most effective materials used has been phenyl mercuric acetate. As effective, perhaps better, are quintozen (trade name, Terrachlor), and chloroneb (Tersan). Quintozen is applied 6 to 12 oz. per 1000 sq. ft., in 2 to 5 gal. (for the average green, this adds up to 6 to 12 lbs. in 30 to 60 gallons). Chloroneb is applied 8 oz. per 1000 ft. in 3 to 5 gallons (7.5 lbs. in 43 to 72 gallons, per green).

To summarize: With the approach of winter it becomes imperative to particularly prepare the bowling green to withstand excessive precipitation. This problem involves all greens from East to West and from North to South. A complication, snow mold, is added to the problems of the far north. In all cases, the complete removal of thatch and proper aerofying will decrease the problems of difficult drainage and carry the greens to a stronger and earlier start in the spring.

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Maccabiah Games

The United States won the unofficial team championship at the 10th World Maccabiah Games. Like the Olympic Games, the Maccabiah Games (the Jewish Olympics) have only individual and team competition winners, not national team honors. But the young Americans brought home more medals than any of the other national teams representing 34 countries in 31 different sports.

What was new about this year's Games was the appearance of Americans for the first time in the lawn bowling where a group of young players met more experienced bowlers from South Africa, Australia, Rhodesia and Israel. They narrowly missed adding to the cache of medals won by the Americans. They surprised their more experienced rivals and narrowly missed bringing back the bronze medals in both the pairs and triples.

South Africa swept all the gold medals in the singles, pairs, triples and rinks. Israel took the silver in the singles and rinks. Australia won the bronze in the singles and rinks and added the silver in the triples. The Rhodesians had to be content with the silver in the pairs.



Matt Gordon and Helman Sodes.

Representing the U.S.A. were: Helman Todes, Beverly Hills LBC. He played in the singles and was joined by club mates Joe Seigman (vice-skip) and Bud Gold in the triples. In the rinks were Dick Simon, Bud Gold and Sherwin Glink, all of Beverly Hills. The fourth member was Mel Stich of the New York LBC. In the pairs Dick Simon played with Dick Nelken from Essex County LBC. The eighth member of the team became ill after arriving in Israel and was able to play only on the final day. He was Max Fishman from the Quincy LBC. He substituted for Bud Gold in both the triples and pairs.

The two games in which he played were

very exciting. In the morning Australia needed to beat the Americans to win the silver medal. After the game was over the Australians considered themselves very lucky to have eked out a tie on the final bowl of the game. In the team standing they just finished a point ahead of the US team. In the afternoon the South Africans need to beat the Americans to take home the gold medal. It was a nip and tuck battle and entering the last end the score was a tie.

Each successive bowl from lead to skip changed the point with Todes having the last bowl. His bowl finished in an apparent tie with the nearest South African bowl. But after much measuring and remeasuring the South African bowl was adjudged the closer by no more than the thickness of a dollar bill.

A camera bug with a flair for the dramatic brought back this photo of the two bowls. Helman's is on the right.

The hospitality and bowling greens of the Israeli hosts were superb. Israel has three clubs; two in Tel Aviv - Ramat Gan and Savyon. The third club is on the scenic Mediterranean coastline in the Community of Cesarea.

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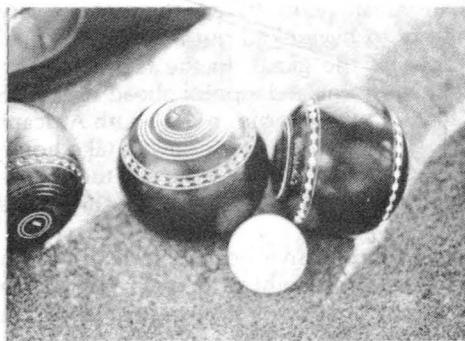
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Ladies' events

A somewhat hastily assembled group of three ladies took part in the games but could play only in the singles and pairs. Annabelle Nelken played in the singles and Shirley Stich and Esther Rosenberg in the pairs. Faced with very tough competition they acquitted themselves well and played beautifully. Some idea of the nature of the competition may be had from the fact that the singles player from South Africa was the National champion.

Note: Some of the greens the Americans played on ran 14 seconds. Such are almost unheard of in U.S.A. Beverly Hills where the majority prepared for the games rarely reaches 11 seconds especially on Sunday mornings when most of the players could practice. Advance reports suggested that the Israeli greens would be slow and these were false. That the team acquitted itself so well on the final day was a tribute to its adaptability. The young players, none of whom has played much more than a year found themselves at a disadvantage in building heads. Only experience will help them here and they are determined to get it. Already they are preparing to develop a full team of 10 men and 10 women for the 1981 games. Already also, two South Africans who almost made their country's team have joined them. They will probably join Beverly Hills, also. If there are any other bowlers of the Jewish faith who would be interested in being considered for the 1981 games, they are invited to get in touch with me. My telephone number and address are in the Henselite advertisement in this journal.

Ezra Wyeth

After the man had been struggling for several minutes with an uncooperative telephone operator, he finally asked, in a rage, "Am I crazy, or are you?"

"I am sorry, sir," came the answer, "but we do not have that information!"

NEW BOWLERS CORNER

By Harvey C. Maxwell, M.D. AN AMERICAN BOWLING SHRINE:

With the recent barrage of early American history, inspired by the bicentennial, still ringing in his ears, the New Bowler, and the "oldtimer" too, must by now be well aware of the dramatic role lawn bowling played in the early American scene. Although we know, from British and Canadian records, that the game flourished throughout the Colonies right up to the outbreak of war on July 4, 1776, it is only since the turn of the century that we have uncovered American records to amplify and verify the British reports, as well as clarifying our own history.

We must not underestimate the great significance of these records. They clearly list in chronological order for the first time, the correct dates of bowling at Mt. Vernon. It is important to know that George Washington's father did "lay down" the first green at Mt. Vernon in 1732, the year George was born. George grew up with the game, and when he came into his inheritance continued the family tradition until the war stopped all games.

MOUNT VERNON is already designated as a National Historical Monument and the bowling green where Washington played is a "natural" to become an American Bowling Shrine.

The potential value of such a Shrine is enormous. In the British Isles, thousands flock each year to the Cotswolds to stand in Ann Hathaway's garden and view the scene where Shakespeare played. Similar thousands of bowlers crowd the greens at Plymouth Hoe, on Britons S.W. Coast, and cheerfully pay a few shillings to "cue up" for "bowls." In Americanese this means "to stand in line" and wait for hours, or even days!

All discomforts are forgotten in the pleasure of actually bowling a few bowls on the very green where Sir Francis Drake played his famous game—"with the Spanish Armada in sight."

In every case, these tourist crowds have brought a financial bonanza to town and country alike. The Mayor of Plymouth Hoe is frank in stating that tourists provide all the funds needed for financing the City plans for business expansion, shops, hotels, new jobs, and health and welfare projects. Alderman Miller of Plymouth states "Drake is to Plymouth what Shakespeare is to Stratford-on-Avon."

Here in America we now have ample historical proof to qualify for and sanction a similar shrine at Mount Vernon. Properly handled, this should give a tremendous boost to the game in America, and benefit us all.

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BUGS "N" BOWLS

By. M.W. Stone, Riverside.

Much has been written as to the preparation and maintenance of lawn bowl greens but seldom is there any mention of the permanent inhabitants such as insects most of which live under ground. Insects greatly appreciate the efforts of green keepers in maintaining optimum soil moisture that they may enjoy the succulent roots and tops of whatever turf has been planted. Their destructiveness to the turf may not always be noticeable, nevertheless the same insects could destroy entire crops if control measures are neglected. To obtain information on the insects present a 15-W fluorescent black light was installed adjacent to the greens in Fairmont Park, Riverside, CA. It was in operation from June 1, 1976 to May 31, 1977. The insects killed by cyanogas in a container placed near the bottom of the trap were removed at weekly intervals and all specimens identified and recorded. Insects not familiar to the writer were submitted to specialists for identification.

Of the dozen species of moths trapped the majority belonged to the family Noctuidae, of which cutworms, armyworms and loopers are the principal offenders. All are voracious feeders on many agricultural crops. Cutworms are not readily discernible as they remain hidden in the soil during the day and become active at dusk feeding on roots or stems of plants. Only 4 species of moths are mentioned here since these were the most abundant and the most destructive. Of these the variegated cutworm which occurs over the entire U.S. was the most numerous. Over 1800 adults were trapped in the 12 month period of these studies. The armyworm and the alfalfa looper ranked next in numbers collected. A. Noctuid moth was especially abundant during the fall. The highest percent of moth emergence occurred during the months September to December. Larvae hatching from eggs from these moths would be most destructive during the late fall and early spring months. All of the moths mentioned were collected in small numbers throughout the entire year, an indication that there may be 3 or 4 broods annually, or more, especially in the warmer interior areas.

Most bowlers are familiar with a brownish appearing beetle called the June bug and which belongs to the Scarab family. Ten species were collected, all different sizes and varying from dull brown to brightly colored beetles. The larvae or grubs may be white or yellowish, usually

thick, wrinkly and with well developed legs. The grubs live in the soil and feed on the roots of plants. The adults work below and above ground feeding on vegetables, grasses and on many varieties of trees. Two species of June bugs were the most abundant, namely *Cyclocephala pasadenae* and *Serica alternata*. Others less numerous but perhaps as destructive are *Parathyce carpentevi* and the carrot beetle *Ligyrus gibbesus*. Table 1.

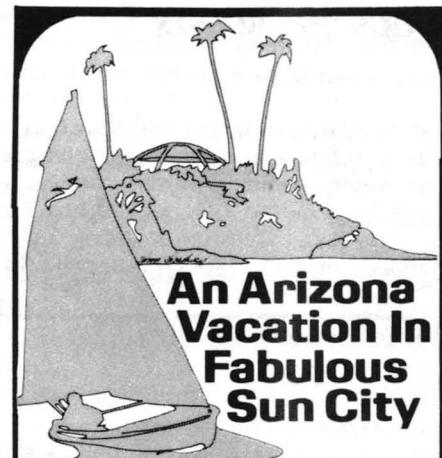
Three species of wireworm adults were collected, the majority between May and August. All belong to the family *Conoderus*. The larvae are yellowish brown in color and wiry-like in their movements. The most destructive being *C. exsul* a New Zealand specie, the larvae of which were found feeding on grass roots at Alameda, CA., in 1937. The two other species are the Southern potato and Gulf wireworms both recently introduced from the Southeastern U.S. These insects spend from one to two years as larvae feeding underground on a variety of crops and grasses before reaching maturity. Tests by workers in South Carolina indicate that the latter wireworms have become difficult to control, having become resistant to certain hydrocarbon insecticides. Soil fumigation might be considered especially when greens are being renovated.

March Flies or Black Gnats: Larvae of this group are primarily scavengers living under turf on decaying organic matter in the soil. The adults are blackish in color, are poor fliers, but when numerous are extremely annoying in that they may force a bowler to release his bowl prematurely so that he may swat the culprits. They are often blamed for the lousy shot that occurs.

Earthworms: Earthworms are beneficial in that they improve the porosity of the soil by swallowing large quantities and eliminating same as castings. When active near the surface such as in overly wet soil these unsightly castings or mounds may interfere with the movement of the bowl. If large populations persist it may be necessary to apply an insecticide. Sprinkling less often will help in that the worms migrate downward as the moisture recedes.

Insect Detection: Greens should be inspected frequently to determine if insects are visible, or if damage is prevalent, as indicated by changes in the appearance of the turf, wilted areas, or the presence of bare spots. A paper "Turfgrass Pests" by A.S. Deal, et, al. recommends the pyrethrum test for determining whether or not insects are present in sufficient numbers to undertake control measures.

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repeated in several areas. Treatment is recommended if more than 5 cutworms or 15 sod webworms are found per sq. yard. White grubs may be detected by cutting and rolling back the turf in injured areas. One grub per sq. foot will require treatment.

Many other moths and beetles were collected during the year but most were not injurious to turf. Large numbers of a

small scarab beetle were trapped but were not injurious. Sod webworms were present but not in sufficient numbers to be harmful.

Control: Many of the insecticides used for the control of these pests in the past are no longer being recommended. For the latest control information contact your State Agricultural Extension Service or the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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RED CARPET DAY AT LAGUNA BEACH LBC

By Carl C. Waterbury

Rarely does a bowling club have the opportunity to honor an outstanding member, such as was celebrated July 8th of this year, when the Laguna Beach LBC rolled out the red carpet for Dr. Harvey Maxwell. It would take too long to list his credits and accomplishments, for they read like a chapter from Who's Who.

Dr. Maxwell, a specialist in Optical diseases, received his post graduate training in Vienna, Austria. He served with the Army Medical Corps in W.W. II, after which he opened an office in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, transferring later to Santa Ana, Calif. Upon his retirement, he moved to Laguna Beach, where he discovered Lawn Bowling in 1962.

From then on, to the present time, he has dedicated his life to the promotion of Lawn Bowling. His lovely wife, Winifred, as enthusiastic as he, aided and abetted him all the way. His prowess as a bowler improved at an astounding rate, winning him the Rookie of the Year Trophy during his second year at the game. He and his wife Winifred won the National Mixed Doubles in 1967, and the Walt Disney Trophy at Smoke Tree Ranch in 1971. His local and inter-club achievements are too numerous to mention.

Not only is Dr. Maxwell a fine bowler, but he also became interested in the management of his local club. He became a director in 1965, and was elected President in 1967. During his tenure in office, he single handedly guided the club back into the folds of the ALBA. This one accomplishment alone is enough to make each of the Laguna Beach members everlastingly grateful to him.



Dr. Harvey Maxwell and wife Winifred.

In 1966 he published his book, (LAWN BOWLERS GUIDE) and it is now in its fourth printing. It is recognized as a "must" for all beginners.

So it is understandable why his club turned out en masse to honor him for his dedication and unflagging efforts to promote and improve the grand old game of Lawn Bowls. The occasion was his birthday. The celebration was ably conducted by our own President, John Nunneley, with Tod Sloan as Master of Ceremonies. A silver salver, duly inscribed, and an Honorary Life Membership were presented to our Honoree, Dr. Harvey Maxwell. Coffee and cake was served by the good ladies of the club.

Harvey, we of Laguna Beach LBC and your countless friends, salute you!

THE LAWN BOWLER'S COACH As Observed By Art Ryhn

The lawn bowler's coach is an unselfish man,

But more often than not he's on the pan.

His own bowling time he will willingly lend, As he teaches day after day with patience no end.

His pupils are bright and willing too, And are well recommended by you know who.

But out on the green with an aching back, They learn there's more to it than rolling the jack.

The coach keeps them busy rolling the bowl, Til the pupil finds it all a little droll.

As the days go by and the lessons pall, Some pupils decide that they know it all.

They put on the pressure to get in a game, and when they do the coach gets the blame.

Their jack goes one way and the bowl goes another, And the game winds up in one big pothole.

Their skip protests to the Club President, That the Coach's instructions were not well enough meant.

So the pupil goes back to the Coach's care, Who can do nothing at all but just grin and bear.

But as more time passes, the pupil learns how, And then the Coach tells him "the time is now".

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1977 NATIONAL OPEN TOURNAMENT

By Dr. Charles R. Daily

The largest National Open tournament ever held in the United States was hosted October 1-8 by the Southwest Division in Southern California, with ideal weather conditions. 315 male bowlers were entered — 86 Triples teams — 124 Doubles teams — and 200 Singles players. Each event ran two and one-half days, using 15 greens at 6 clubs. Clubs (and no. of greens) assisting were: Beverly Hills (3); Claremont (2); Long Beach (3); Pasadena (2); Pomona (2) and Riverside (3). A five-flight playdown system was used. Arthur Hansen, "OPEN" Chairman, and Rowland Rapp, Tournament (Games) Chairman, and Bill Shonborn, Secretary, did an outstanding job in promoting and handling the many complex arrangements for this large event. Spectators were privileged to see many of the top bowlers in the world in action.

A.L.B.A. is deeply indebted to the many ladies and men who so graciously handled the food, beverage and equipment requirements during the eight days of bowling, and also helped as Markers during the Singles matches. Special thanks is also extended to the several City Parks Departments and their fine staffs in maintaining the greens in good shape.

160 of the bowlers entered came from clubs located more than 400 miles from Southern California. In addition 155 bowlers entered from more than 25 clubs in the Southwest Division. The following table shows where they came from and how many awards were received in the three events.

AREA	No. of Entries	No. of Awards Won
Australia	4	0
South Africa	3	3
England	3	2
Canada	31	12
Eastern Div.	19	4
S.E. Div.	3	2
Central Div.	24	6
N-W Div.	8	3
PIMD Div.)	61	17
Hawaii)	4	0
S-W Div.	155	23

SINGLES

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

Winner	N. McInnes	Hermosa
Runner-Up	B. Boehm	Seattle
3rd	J. Sergay	South Africa
4th	T. Stirrat	Santa Ana
2nd FLIGHT		
Winner	D. Conley	San Francisco
Runner-Up	R. Folkins	Arroyo Seco

2nd FLIGHT

Winner D. Conley San Francisco
Runner-Up R. Folkins Arroyo Seco

3rd FLIGHT

Winner H. Esch **Orlando, Florida**
Runner-Up J. Roddy **Rockford, Illinois**

PAIRS

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

Winner (S) (L)	R. Folkins G. La Pask	Arroyo Seco Arroyo Seco
Runner-Up	C. Forrester	San Francisco
	D. Conley	San Francisco
3rd	H. Esch	Orlando, Florida
	F. Souza	San Francisco
4th	N. McInnes	Hermosa Beach
	F. Petit	Arroyo Seco

2nd FLIGHT

Winnger	T. Miller	Palo Alto
	F. Bahrt	San Francisco
Runner-Up	S. Epstein	Arroyo Seco
	P. Craig	Arroyo Seco

3rd FLIGHT

Winner	J. Berry R. Veitch	Vancouver, Can. Portland
Runner-Up	J. Davis J. Furman	MacKenzie Park Mackenzie Park

TRIPLES

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

Winner (S)	B. Irish	England
(VS)	P. Line	England
(L)	R. Haley	MacKenzie Park
Runner-Up	C. Perkins	South Africa
	J. Sergay	South Africa
	D. Kaye	Sunnyvale
3rd	B. Boehm	Seattle
	O. Artist	Berkeley
	J. Shepard	Sunnyvale
4th	D. McDonald	Vancouver, B.C., Can.
	B. Scullion	Vancouver, B.C., Can.
	S. Morrison	Nanaimo, B.C., Can.

2nd FLIGHT

Winner	C. Cannistraci E. Lawrence H. Leigh	San Francisco San Francisco San Francisco
Runner-Up	V. Sutherland J. Berry A. White	Vancouver, B.C., Can. Vancouver, B.C., Can. Recreation Park

3rd FLIGHT

Winner	N. McInnes T. Dione D. Stephen	Hermosa Beach Hermosa Beach Hermosa Beach
Runner-Up	B. Shinn R. Kutz V. Jackson	Chicago Chicago Chicago



SINGLES: — Winner - N. McInnes, S. W. Division. Runner-up - B. Boehm, Northwest Division.



PAIRS: - G. LaPASK, S.W. Division and D. Folkins, Southwest Division.



Rowland Rapp, Games Chairman and Arthur Hansen, Tournament Chairman did a superb job.



TRIPLES: R. Haley (S.W. Division) P. Line (England), B. Irish (England)



BOWLER OF THE TOURNAMENT AWARD: Co-winners: - N. McInnes (S.W. Div), J. Sergay, South Africa, Bob Boehm, N.W. Division.

Photos by F. Burton, Jr.

1977 UNITED STATES CHAMPIONSHIPS - AN

BY HAROLD ESCH

The 1977 United States Championships returned to the site of the very first singles playdowns back in 1957, Spalding Inn Club, Whitefield, N.H.

The ALBA's first three years of singles play was staged at Spalding Inn in 1957, 58, 59 before shifting back to Buck Hill Falls, PA, to join the pairs event in 1960.

Highlights of the 1977 event included a repeat win in the pairs for ALBA President Dick Folkins and his partner Jerry La Pask of Arroyo Seco LBC Los Angeles, a near repeat win for Bert Mac Williams from East Cleveland, Ohio in the singles.

The opening ceremonies on Monday morning under bright skies and under the watchful eye of enthusiastic Inn guests was ably handled by Spalding Inn Club Lawn Bowling President Randall Spalding. Mr. Spalding handled all arrangements for the first U.S. Championships in 1957 and his brief opening remarks touched on many aspects of that historic event.

Raising of the flag by representatives of the American Legion, introduction of all Division champions in singles and pairs as well as ALBA officials and the parade to the green led by Parade Marshall Luther Mitchell and the Scottish Pipers all led up to a morning round of practice.

Then the rains came and for nearly two solid days the bowlers were idle, itching to resume the competition. Two rounds of singles were managed by late Wednesday afternoon but the pre-tournament scheduling, so neatly arranged by Tournament Director Bill Farrell, had to be scrapped and new starting times for all matches arranged.

Despite the rain and overcast sky the greens managed to run 10 to 11½ seconds. The losers didn't complain and the winners couldn't.

Compounding the regular scheduling and making it even more difficult with

postponements was the fact that two players participated in both singles and pairs. This required ten starting times for both Orville Artist from San Francisco and for Dick Folkins of Los Angeles. Artist was involved in two playoffs and Folkins in one to add to the already tight scheduling.

At the conclusion of regulation round robin play in the singles, Bert MacWilliams, 1976 Champion, and Artist were tied with 4-1 records. Artist lost to Bob Tillman of Seattle by 7-21 while MacWilliams' lone loss was to Artist 12-21.

In the playoff for the championship the game was very closely contested all down the card. Both men displayed keen play with close to the jack takeouts and rests to give the spectators their money's worth. Artist was the eventual winner 21-19 in 24 ends.

The pairs saw a similar situation develop as the Folkins-La Pask duo posted a 4-1 mark and a tie with San Francisco's Sat Sousa and Artist after regulation play, also at 4-1.

Folkins-La Pask lost to Bill Kaestle and Willis Tewksbury of Clearwater, Fla. by 13-23 while Souza-Artist went down Folkins-La Pask by 17-22.

Souza-Artist were down 0-5 after 3 ends but then they scored eight of the next 11 ends to lead 18-9. What looked like a runaway for the Pacific Inter-Mountain Division pair was just not to be. Folkins pulled some hat tricks and picked up a 4 and a 5 and a total of 17 shots in the next six ends to win going away 26-20.

Steady lead play by Jerry La Pask and telling saves by Folkins all added up to a win for the defending champions. It was the first time in the twenty years of play

for the pairs championships that the same team has won back to back victories. Several times individuals have been successful but with different partners.

A number of the contestants displayed outstanding skill throughout — Tillman was referred to as a "giant killer" knock-off Artist, Folkins and Arthur Hartley of Clearwater. Hartley, a many-times S.E. Division rep. in this event still finds the U.S. closed title an elusive one for him — Souza played very consistently throughout the pairs as did MacWilliams and Artist in the singles — Bob Boehm and Bill Craig of Seattle with three wins in the pairs played very good bowls with only four shots down in both losses.

The Spalding Inn family were perfect hosts, leaving no stone unturned to make the competitors feel right at home.

Pool-side buffets were but a few of the extras afforded the players. Many facets of entertainment were available, including an afternoon of bowling on the indoor carpet at nearby Mountain View House when rain curtailed outdoor play.

The awards banquet was presided over by Randall Spalding. Presentation of the plaques were made and speeches held at a minimum.

Charles Riedel represented Buck Hill Falls in awarding the doubles trophy to the winners and Randall Spalding presented the Spalding Inn Trophy to the singles champion.

The program booklet was very attractive and contained all the up-to-date information on current champions and past winners. A very attractive color picture of the Spalding Inn Club bowling green adorned the cover. These books are still available to bowlers that are interested.

The ALBA is indeed grateful to the Spalding Inn Club for hosting the 1977 Championships.

1977 U.S. CHAMPIONSHIPS

SINGLES

	C	E	P	NW	SE	SW	WON	LOST
CENTRAL	X	W 21- 9	L 12-21	W 21- 7	W 21-13	W 21-18	4	1
EASTERN	L 9-21	X	L 11-21	W 21-13	L 10-21	L 8-21	1	4
PACIFIC	W 21-12	W 21-11	X	W 7-21	W 21-18	W 21-17	4	1
N.W.	L 7-21	L 13-21	W 21- 7	X	W 21-11	W 21- 8	3	2
S.E.	L 13-21	W 21-10	L 18-21	11-21	X	O	1	3
S.W.	L 18-21	W 21- 8	L 17-21	L 8-21	O	X	1	3

O-Did not play

PLAYOFF: Artist 21 & MacWilliams 19

PAIRS

	C	E	P	NW	SE	SW	WON	LOST
CENTRAL	X	L 18-20	L 11-22	L 17-20	L 16-17	L 16-18	0	5
EASTERN	W 20-18	X	L 15-22	L 12-21	L 6-31	L 20-27	1	4
PACIFIC	W 22-11	W 22-15	X	W 21-17	W 21-16	L 17-22	4	1
N.W.	W 20-17	W 21-12	L 17-21	X	W 20-11	L 16-20	3	2
S.E.	W 17-16	W 31- 6	L 16-21	W 11-20	X	W 23-13	3	2
S.W.	W 18-16	W 27-20	W 22-17	W 20-16	L 13-23	X	4	1

PLAYOFF: Folkins-La Pask 26 & Souza-Artist 20

AMERICAN LAWN BOWLS ASSOCIATION



Randall and Topsy Spalding present Bert MacWilliams with the Runner-up Trophy. Bert came within a whisker of repeating his win of last year.



Topsy and Randall Spalding present the Spalding Inn Club singles winner trophy to Orville Artist.



Impressive is the word for the Pipers and Guardsmen leading the Champions to the green during the opening ceremonies.



Mark Benos gives signal for eight shots. We have submitted the above picture to be featured in the next Liars Club TV show.



Bill Farrell was in total charge of the play while Harold Esch was the assistant in total charge. Considering the adverse weather, they did a terrific job and managed to keep the competitors sullen but not quite mutinous.



Charles Riedel of Buck Hill Falls LBC presents the Buck Hill Falls Pairs Trophy to winners Jerry LaPask and Dick Folkins. Runner-up Sat Souza is forcing a smile while his partner Orville Artist looks inscrutable.

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CLUB NEWS

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HOLMBY PARK L.B.C.

By C. WEST

This Year of Drought may not have been all that bad for Holmby Park bowlers, and perhaps others in the parched Southwest.

Municipal park officials, as a class, have been said to judge bowling turf on how green it is, rather than level reservoirs half-empty the amount of water allocated for parks has been sharply reduced, and bowling greens have become somewhat faster and dryer. At Holmby Park the greens have benefited further through expert verticutting and aerating by the park greenskeepers. Greens Chairman Sky Kleinhans now hopes to persuade the park people to cut the grass shorter.

On this improved turf Dave Rudolph won the recent Allison Singles tournament, by out-scoring Chris Flores in the finals. Jack Hamlin was winner in the "B" division, with Henry Malekont runner-up. The Lillian Taylor Triples trophy was won by the team of Dave Rudolph, Dorothy Cella and Lucy Reid, who bested Erny Riley, Jim Ashforth and Violet Longaven on the last end.

The resignation of Duncan Howie as president, due to ill health, was accepted with regret by the Executive Committee. Duncan was in the last three months of his second term. Vice President Jim Ashforth has taken over the presidential responsibilities, and former president John Dennett agreed to fill the gap as V.P.



'Holmby Parks' Annual Hawaiian Party was attended by over 100 bowlers in aloha shirts, some of whom are pictured here.

LONG BEACH L.B.C.

By Phyllis Madden

Our Fourth of July Tournament was a great fun affair, highlighted with a decorated cake symbolizing the theme of the day.

Labor Day was celebrated in fine tournament fashion with a "Spider" following the morning and afternoon games. Prizes were awarded for all events.

The Mulligan held on the 16th of June drew a sizable crowd. Winner in the skip division was Carroll Chase.

Women's State Tournament—July 10: Runners-up—Corinna Folkins S. (Arroyo Seco); Margaret Chase V. (Meadows); Priscilla Furjanick L. (Long Beach) lost the finals by one point in overtime tie-breaker game.

The Long Beach Invitational Triples was held on September 17, drawing 24 teams from surrounding areas.

A Division winners: Neil McInnes S. (Arroyo Seco); Arnold White V. (Long Beach); Mark Bolton L. (Hermosa).

B Division winners: Fred Allen S. (Long Beach); Queenie Allen V. (Long Beach); Gene Tincher L. (Long Beach).

C Division winners: Jack Drews S. (Riverside); Isabel Drews V. (Riverside); Ozella Yocom L. (Riverside).

Long Beach will be one of the hosts for the Men's National Championship Tournament starting October 1, ending Oct. 8, due to unforseeably, unplayable greens at Arroyo Seco.

SUN CITY L.B.C. OF CALIF.

By Harold Mannheimer

We will have a big surprise for all you visitors in the form of our brand new Club Quarters just completed through the courtesy of Sun City Civic Association in co-operation with our club, and our excellent Building Committee, Allan McAndrews, Harold Arnold, and Gil Hartmann.

This will extend from our former "shack" which was used for checkins and some storage, to the end of the Shuffleboard Court, affording space for all of our rakes, mats, jacks, and other equipment used in games, which will be transported on two trucks, one for each green, trucks build by our excellent cabinet maker Oscar Christopherson, who just celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary.

Furnishings will be paid for by the club, assisted by a Memorial Fund es-

tablished by Martha Starns, in recognition of the love for the game of Lawn Bowls, by her late husband, our beloved Don Starns, contributed in lieu of flowers by our membership.

Our Instruction Committee, headed by Oscar Christopherson, and assistants, Frank Pease, Lee Bumiller, Maria Bahrs & Starr Titus, with substitutes Bill Baurle, Zennie Banks and Trudy Rich, have graduated 20 new Club Members, and are now working on a new crew of trainees.

We were represented at several Invitations, some of which we won!

Marge Hodges complains that we omitted her name from our list of Champions in last issue: honestly we didn't Marge—your name was included in a separate paragraph to give special attention, but unfortunately the paragraph was deleted. Marg is our dean of women, and women's Singles Champion!

Seems long ago, but we held a Red, White and Blue Mulligan on the fourth of July, consisting of three teams, each one wearing clothing containing either red, white or blue—each player alternating as skip, vice and lead, against different opponents selected by draw; and after the three short length games, three spiders—one for women, one for men, and one for the other kind (mixed).

We expect to return to our regular 1:30 p.m. games about October 1, Tuesday through Sunday, with morning games, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 9 a.m.

NEWPORT HARBOR L.B.C.

By Max Lorimore

We are most pleased to welcome a new, and quite different, member to our club. His name is simply "Sylvester II."

Sylvester I is a rather weird appearing black stuffed cat (?) which resides at the Godstone Bowls Club in Surrey, England. As their mascot, he is credited with bringing them considerable success in matches, etc. His twin, Sylvester II, will attempt to do as much for our club. This gift to us from Godstone came about because one of our members, Hamilton McInerny, visited their Club with a tour group, and upon admiring Sylvester I, was given a duplicate. We thank both Hamilton and the Godstone Club.

Speaking of England, it brings to mind that our club recently lost its oldest member, Frank Vennall, who emigrated from England many years ago. Frank had bowled for probably 70 to 75 years, and was understandably an institution in our club. We shall miss him.

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SANTA BARBARA L.B.C. By Gene Furgason BETTER BOWLING & MORE FUN

Members and guests of the Santa Barbara L.B.C. are now enjoying much better bowling on the new and improved greens which are responding to the scientific care and treatment of Dr. Edgar R. Haley and his associates.

Since the inception of the Santa Barbara L.B.C. the Club and the City of Santa Barbara have had a working arrangement whereby the City Parks Commission furnished the manual labor to take care of the mowing, aerating, sanding and watering. This often times resulted in poor greens, and Club officers had very little if any control over the situation.

This is now changed, and the results are beginning to show. It is expected in near future to have a super-excellent greens, perfectly true and level, fast enough to satisfy the most experienced bowlers. The Santa Barbara L.B.C. and the newer MacKenzie Park L.B.C. have contracted with Dr. Edgar R. Haley of Escondido, California to completely renovate, recondition and maintain the greens of both clubs. Dr. Haley is not only an accomplished bowler but a nationally known authority on the building care and maintenance of lawn bowling greens. This arrangement became effective July 1st and excellent progress is being made daily. According to Mark Scholtz, President of Santa Barbara L.B.C. "We'll have the best greens this Club has ever had for the forthcoming tournaments later this year."

This new arrangement will cost members a higher fee yearly, but it was a step that had to be taken if playing conditions were to be improved. And that's the name of the game. The clubs will no longer pay an assessment to the city. All dues and monies collected will go towards club maintenance, and be directly controlled by the appointed officers. This contract is for a period of one year. So far the additional expense seems justified and the improved playing conditions have added to the zest and satisfaction of the players.

John Fry, an outstanding bowler and member of S.B.L.B.C., is the able assistant of Dr. Haley. John Fry and volunteers (who are too many to name) are doing an excellent job and the results have been outstanding.

SAN DIEGO L.B.C.

By Jo Zolla

Not much to report from San Diego this time, as we have had our greens torn up alternately for renovation these past two months.

We held a barbecue July 19 with good old Charlie Lee and Ed Fosdike manning the grills. Had our usual tournament and wound up with a tie between the teams of Andy D. Hyevre, Jean McGonigal and Trudy Stein; and Don Bacon, Owen Ard and Bobbie Hansen.

Oaks North came down for one of our quarterly matches and we got the plaque back from them.

Riverside visited us on August 3 and we all had a very enjoyable day.

On August 8 we had a novelty singles tournament, with prizes galore. Top winners were Chuck Melvin and Jim Smith.

Two of our members passed away this quarter—Don Chestnut and Harold Bohm.

We visited Rancho Bernardo (Seven Oaks) August 24 and beat them on their own turf.

What a bowler I might be if I asked myself these questions before each shot I made. How much can this shot win for me? How much can this shot lose for me? What are the chances of success? This is the thinking one should use in business before making a decision in every day life! These are truly three important questions! Why don't I ask myself these three important questions before I bowl a shot? I haven't in the past—but I am going to do so in the future.

A San Diego Bowler

REDLANDS L.B.C.

By Peg Bennett

It is great to see Betty Ewen back on the bowling green after a lengthy tussle with a back problem. Welcome back, Betty, and good bowling.

We held our last potluck of the season on Labor Day, September 5, at 5 p.m. With all the good cooks in the club, it was an effort to bowl at the conclusion of the dinner but we gave it a good try.

With the end of summer in sight and all vacationing bowlers back at the club, we will switch to daytime bowling. On Mondays through Fridays, we will bowl at 1 p.m. On Saturdays, we play two games, starting at 12:45 p.m. and have a refreshment break between games. We welcome all visitors to the Redlands greens.



SANTA MONICA L.B.C. by Ferrell Burton, Jr.

Ben Zippert pictured above prostrate with grief is a continuing example of the adversity caused by the tragic run shot. On his first run he caused \$650.43 worth of damage to a car parked on Wilshire Blvd. On his second run he destroyed a city bench to the tune of \$251.69. His third and last run gave his opponents six shots. You will note by their expressions that the assembled members are not giving him much in the way of sympathy, compassion or understanding. The prestigious HERMOSA BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TROPHY now resides in our trophy case, congratulations to our two teams who made this possible: Jack Shribbs, Art Hansen, Bill Barlow and George Laurie, Catherine McCullough, Earl Allison. The final Club match — triples — was won by Jack Brockstein, Zella Brockstein, Tom Harris and Helen Siebels who substituted on the last day.

SANTA ANITA B.G.C.

By Mike Eberle

Our cup runneth over! Formal dedication of Santa Anita's fourth green is scheduled for Oct. 21. Master of Ceremonies for the occasion will be Bob Weitkamp, former Club President, who organized the drive to secure the additional green that makes our Club one of the few in the U.S.A. to have four greens. County Supervisor Pete Schabarum, a true friend of lawn bowling, will be the honored guest as well as officials of the ALBA and the Southwest Division. Officers of other Clubs in the Division will participate in a mini-tournament on the new green and hopefully there will be a momento for everyone. Music will be provided by the Arcadia Jr. H.S. Band (another winner) and a delicious luncheon will be served to our guests.

The new green was approved by the County for bowling on Sept. 1 and club tryouts proved it to be a perfect 14 second piece of turf. We are especially

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elated that the new green will be available for the AWLBA National Tournament scheduled for our greens Oct. 1 through Oct. 8. Santa Anita is eagerly awaiting the ladies' visit and Winnie Eberle, the Club representative to the Southwest Division AWLBA, has her volunteers ready to take care of all of the visitors' needs.

Santa Anita had a delightful visit to Laguna Beach and we are awaiting a visit from our fellow bowlers in Riverside.

The Open Doubles was the only Club event during the past quarter with the following results:

A Flight winners—Al Pearson and Bob Watson; Runners-up—Paul Sadler and George Scherer.

B Flight Winners—Pete Mazzetti and Peter Campanini; Runners-up—Joe Hall and Roc Hollinger.

MacKENZIE PARK L.B.C.

By Joe Bell

We regret the passing of our Past President, Charles E. Johnston on July 7, 1977. The membership extended their sincere regrets to his family.

The club had ordered a Scot-Bonnar grass cutting machine and Charlie had started with the assistance of Ed Fletcher to raise money towards its purchase. The day prior to his sudden death they had given a check to the club to the amount of \$568 raised from the sale of sun visors. Approximately \$1,200 was donated by some of the members and the purchase was consummated.

Moving to happier things it is a pleasure to say that our greens are "running" well and once again our thanks to Dr. Edgar Haley and his superintendent, John Fry, for their conscientious endeavors for our playing conditions.

The annual 4 day bowling carnival, over the Labor Day weekend, held by the MacKenzie Park and the Santa Barbara clubs was an outstanding success and the 4 greens were used every day.

The results were:

Santa Barbara triples winners: Bob Owens, Skip, Ward Thomas, Vice, and Ed Kiessig, Lead all from MacKenzie Park. Doug Rose Triples winners: Fred Bowen, Skip, Mackenzie Park, Mildred Hoopes, Vice, Sun City, Ariz. & Jim O'Shea, Lead Mackenzie Park, Grimmitt triples winners: John Fry, Skip, Joan Fry, Vice, John Dean, Lead, all from the Santa Barbara Club. The winners of the Chet Sheere doubles were the team from the Arroyo Seco Club of Neil Mc Innes and Frank Petit.

The club is now maintaining the greens and the assessment of \$60 per year per member, plus A.L.B.A. dues etc., has made quite a difference in the total membership. It has caused a lessening of dual membership and a probability of economic pressure on others so that the membership shows a decrease from 262 to 236, a loss of 26.



THE "SNOOPY" TROPHY SANTA BARBARA L.B.C.

The Snoopy Trophy recently developed by Stan Palmer, using all his skill as an artisan & designer, for the Annual Santa Barbara Labor Day Week-end tournament.

Pictured above are West supporter Joe Bell, Stan with the fabulous trophy, and Art Hansen who was rooting for the South. The trophy will have to remain in neutral territory since the SOUTH (teams south of Santa Barbara) and the WEST (Santa Barbara teams) fought to a tie 28½ to 28½.

NORTHWEST DIV.

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NORTHWEST DIVISION NEWS

By John L. Phillips

Individuals who win tournaments and the clubs they represent are justly proud of such accomplishments. Skill in bowling comes only after much practice, aided by whatever natural ability, coordination and patience one is endowed with. But there is another phase of our bowling experience that, while taken for granted, is as important as skill. That is the composition of the various clubs, the type of people attracted to the sport, the friendliness, the hospitality shown to strangers, the courtesy toward one another, all of which makes the game

attractive to skilled and non-skilled alike.

In what other sport can one travel from city to city and find immediate acceptance, be treated as a friend with all the considerations usually reserved for a V.I.P.? In what other sport are we eager to have visitors to whom we can return the hospitality we have received elsewhere? If this were generally known we would have little trouble doubling or even tripling our membership.

NORTHWEST TOURNAMENT NEWS, summer of 1977.

SPRING: Elsie Urton, Queen City, won ladies' singles. Bob Tillman & Lew Storm, Queen City, won men's pairs. John Johnson, Jefferson Park, won men's singles.

OPEN: Mario Brandolino & Stan Holmes, Queen City, won men's pairs. Bob Tillman & Gerry Barnhart, Queen City, won mixed pairs. Pat Boehm & Margaret Feldsher, Tacoma, won ladies' pairs. John Johnson, Jefferson Park, won the men's singles. Dan Mahan, Ski Cegavskie & John Swaim, Southwest Division, won the triples. Bob Tillman won Player of the Tournament award. A.L.B.A. PLAYDOWN: Bob Tillman, Queen City, won men's singles. Bob Boehm & Bill Craig, Jefferson Park, won men's pairs.

N.W. TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP: Won by Jefferson Park.

'Tis better to have tried and lost than never to have tried at all!

PORTLAND L.B.C.

By Ron Alex Veitch

NORTHWEST TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP: Berl Martin starred as #2, Herman Runge and Cliff Houghton played well and Al Crabtree lent support as vice skip on the winning four as Portland startled the perennial power, Jefferson Park at Tacoma. The two clubs split four matches, and Jefferson Park retained the title by a single shot, 68-67.

Ron & Ruby Veitch scored a double with each representing Portland in both Northwest Singles and Doubles Championships. Neither was successful at Seattle. Ron teamed with Al Crabtree and Ruby with Doris Bowman in pairs.

Portland hosted Jefferson Park and later Queen City, and 44 bowlers from Sun City, Arizona. Sixteen of our number were well received at Grants Pass, and we exchanged a series of visitations with King City. Drop in visitors from far away places enjoyed our fine greens, "the best I've seen," according to a Rhodesian visitor.

1977 Portland L.B.C. Champions:
A.L.B.A. Singles: Ron Veitch (Cliff Houghton Runner-up)

A.L.B.A. Pairs: Ron Veitch & Al

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Crabtree (Herman Runge & Cliff Houghton Runners-up).

A.W.L.B.A. Singles: Ruby Veitch (Doris Bowman Runner-up).

A.W.L.B.A. Pairs: Doris Bowman & Ruby Veitch (Zola Cole & Helen Cook Runners-up).

Men's Singles: Herman Runge; Pairs: Cliff Houghton & Homer Dunakin; Triples: Herman Runge, Hal DeTemple & Harold Fletcher.

Women's Singles: Doris Bowman; Pairs: Doris Fletcher & Marian Martin.

Mixed Pairs: Berl & Marian Martin; Triples: Berl Martin, Ray Laws & Pearl Polette; Fours: ASEL Taber, Ray Lewis, Peggy Hamilton & Amma Runge.

Cutthroat: Kack Phillips.

GRANTS PASS L.B.C.

By Lucie Blanchard

Bowling began late April on a better green this year. We have had a good summer with several new members. A doubles tournament took place in July. The plaque was won by Robert & Rosemary McKay and was presented to them by President Jim Jones. Sixteen members from the Portland club favoured us with a visit July 19-20 which we all enjoyed. We are planning to visit them next summer. We are in the process of a singles tournament this week. Weather has been very hot. Hopefully, we'll bowl into October.

JEFFERSON PARK L.B.C.

By Ralph Andrews

Well, John, Joe, Jake...and Esmeralda—it's been a good season. You all agree? Win, lose or draw we've had a good time. Oh sure, we got cold, got wet, got hot but got richer in spirit (except those who have to win every game to have fun).

Now off to the field of battle go Bob Boehm and Bill Craig (NW winners ALBA Pairs) to joust with other stalwarts in the New Hampshire frays. We hope they win big. And here at home, sitting high in the cat bird seats, all smug and haughty, are club winners John Johnson (Northwest Singles), Lloyd Anderson and Joe Patelli (JP Mens Pairs), Bill Craig with Alex and Jenny Smith (JP Mixed Triples). And the brother act—Kellie and Dick Hammett (Seattle Pairs), Hazel Howard (Howard Cox Cutthroat), Charles Gordon (Old Pros), Harry Schuck and Lloyd Anderson (Twilight League) and Jefferson Park Pro Team won Northwest finals. If any winners have been omitted and demand dueling reparations, let our seconds make arrangements.

TACOMA L.B.C.

By Arnold MacKeen

There has been a great deal of activity this summer, including Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Several new members have joined us and some prospects keep coming back to learn. Pat Boehm has been kept quite busy teaching them.

King City, Oregon and Tacoma enjoyed their first visitations. We mourn the passing away of Al Carlson and George Wilkinson, two of our loyal and constant bowlers.

Pat Boehm and one of our new members, Margaret Feldsher, were winners in the Northwest Open at Queen City.

Fred Gilbert won the Neal Cup and Ingeborg Everson won the Walter Heath Cup.

Tacoma has had the pleasure of visitors from Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Rhodesia.

P.I.M. DIVISION

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OAKMONT L.B.C.

By George T. Rowse

Results of recent Club Tournaments this year are as follows:

Ladies Singles: Winner: Mary Rowse; Runner-up: Ginnie Baldwin. Men's Singles: Winner: George Rowse; Runner-up: Walter Kutz. Mixed Pairs: Winners—Chas. Gay (skip), Irene Loretz; Runners-up—Harold Brown (skip), Ginnie Baldwin. Triples:

Winners—Red Raymond (skip), Edith Crawford, Chris Waite; Runners-up—G. Rowse (skip), W. Phillips, A. Bonner.

Annual Banquet and prizes presentation will be on Nov. 17.

Oakmont was represented in some of the PIMD Tournaments:

John Hill Memorial: Aug. 14, S.F. (Triples); Mary Rowse, H. Brown, G. Rowse, won 2 of 3 games.

PIMD Pairs: Aug. 27 & 28 at S.F.; G. Rowse (skip), H. Brown finished 5th in the Championship flight, with 32 teams competing overall.

PIMD Singles: Sept. 3-5 S.F.; G. Rowse lost 18-21 in C flight final to Armando Ribeiro, present SF Club Singles champion.

Our green is in fair shape and with the influx of quite a few new members this year, our potential is expanding. We hope to have some of our keener new members enter PIMD Tournaments play next year.

FRESNO

By Leon Sullivan

I would like everyone who knew George Zwiefel or who read his articles in the magazine to know about his passing and to share with the club members their grief.

George was a member of the club along with his wife, Olive, for 5 years. For the last two he had been our games chairman. Along with the other club members I shall miss him. Please join me in offering sympathy to Olive.

FRESNO L.B.C.

By Phyllis Sullivan

In July the F.L.B.C. went to Cambria to play for the "Jack Kilmee Trophy." As usual, their excellent playing plus turf proved too much for us and they will keep the trophy till they return to Fresno.

During the summer months we have Sunday classics with a trophy going to highest total score for 10 Sundays to a man & lady, so as of now it's still anyone's chance.

We have voted to purchase a memorial trophy to be played for the memory of all past members.

PALO ALTO L.B.C.

By Bob Wilson

The Annual Intra-Club Tournaments are almost over but the shouting. This year the shouting is for Paul Houseman who won five trophies for a club record. The details follow with the skip's name first:

Men's Singles—Paul Houseman; Women's Singles—Margaret Goff; Team Men's Pairs—Paul Houseman, Bob Wilson; Women's Draw Pairs—Doris Koenig, Helen Young; Men's Draw Pairs—Howard Greenfield, George Dodds; Team Mixed Pairs—Paul Houseman, Florence Mall; Draw Mixed Pairs—Paul Houseman, Winnie Glynn (Opal Bailey, Sub.); Draw Mixed Triples—Doris Koenig, Margurite Miller, William White; Draw Mixed Rinks—Paul Houseman, Herbert Deckert, Dorothy Beckett, Harold Koenig.

The Palo Alto Inter-Club Invitational Tournament was held on September 11. It seems like this is usually won by Oakland or Sunnyvale. However this year San Francisco won it with Fran

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Cunneen, Skip; Fred Barht, Vice Skip; and Hattie Barht, Lead. Scoring all three wins and 30 net plus, a maximum. Modesty forbids our mentioning that Palo Alto teams were second and third. Many thanks to all who bowled, for an enjoyable day, especially to the far-distant teams from Fresno and Leisure Town.

SUNNYVALE L.B.C.

By King Symington

The green is closed for rehabilitation—expected to take at least 8 weeks. In the interim Palo Alto and San Jose and more distant clubs have, in typical bowling club style, graciously invited Sunnyvale bowlers to enjoy their facilities.

The tournaments and winners follow!—Champion of Champions: Joe Shepard; Sill Doubles, Tom Miller and "Sat" Souza; Mixed Triples (under point system) Joe Shepard, Marguerite Miller, Carl Tomeo; Ladies Doubles: Marguerite Miller, Tecla Shepard. P.I.M.D. (North) Novice Doubles: Kent Arnold, Ray Rauenhorst.

Tecla Shepard (Sunnyvale) and Erma Artist (Richmond) will represent P.I.M.D. in U.S. Women's Doubles at Buckhill Falls, PA. September 19-21. Best wishes to all champions.

The "Point System" developed by Hugh Houston, tournament chairman has been well received by S.L.B.C. Bowlers. It should lead to greater participation by ALL bowlers in future events.

SAN FRANCISCO L.B.C.

By Doug Conley

Two club events were recently contested, the Championship Club Singles and 4-3-2-1 Singles. The Club Singles champion is Armando Ribiero who defeated Henry Leigh in the final match. A new event was played this year, 4-3-2-1 Singles. Consistency is the key here, and George Santos was the winner. Runner-up was again Henry Leigh.

San Francisco bowlers have won a number of PIMD events this year, and their performance deserves recognition.

Waterbury Triples winners: Doug Conley-Lead; Orville Artist-Vice; Clive Forrester-Skip.

State Rinks winners: Doug Conley-Lead; Frank Souza-Second; Clive Forrester-Vice; Chuck Cannistraci-Skip.

PIMD Triples winners: Vincent Guterres-Lead; Bill Campbell-Vice; Henry Leigh-Skip.

PIMD Doubles winners: Joe DaLuz-Lead; John DaLuz-Skip.

PIMD Singles winner: Doug Conley.

RICHMOND L.B.C.

By David Tweedie

Have you ever wondered what it'd be like if your healthy active Club had suddenly found itself deprived of its focal point, the Clubhouse? Well it has happened to us in Richmond, the City of Richmond and the Parks and Recreation Department have been involved in a labor dispute since July, and the green and Clubhouse have been closed to our Bowlers. Our members have been invited to use the facilities in Berkeley and Oakland and many of us do. Fortunately, we are blessed with good friends in these two fine Clubs but it isn't the same, they have their own problems. We have fallen behind with our schedule, the last trophy we had was the Baker Trophy played at Berkeley, when our green was closed for an entirely different reason.

It will be a problem getting our members together when the green at Richmond opens again, after the long absence and inactivity. I am hoping that we will be Bowling on our own green by the time you read this. We have six Cup Games to play off yet and time is getting short so let us all cooperate and make the last few months of 1977 a success.

Winnie Stewart is back from Worthing and she reports that the American Ladies did very well considering the adverse conditions. Erma Artist came back with a bronze award. It's nice to have them back again.

SANTA CRUZ L.B.C.

By Sandy Davis

The overwhelming enthusiasm of Santa Cruz lawn bowlers was really heartwarming to our club members, especially in the intra-club tournaments competitions; and, the results will show that the winners were: Triples—Jim Gray, Skip, Pete Shearer, Vice and Myrtle Lowmiller, Lead. Men's Doubles—Maarten Bolle, Skip, and Bob Bauernschmidt, Lead. Maarten Bolle also won the Mens' Singles. Maarten is experienced in competition lawn bowls; his English background where they call a bowl a wood is sufficient in England and quite adequate in the USA. Maarten is very congenial and he takes an active part in our club affairs—in fact we could call him "The Bowler of the year 1977 in Santa Cruz." The Ladies' Singles event and trophy went to a charming lady, Mildred Walker, she could share "bowler for 1977" honors. Mildred knows the real gist of bowls on our drought affected green, she is a very active player and really loves the game,

figurative, fun and sociable—when the chips are down—Mildred wins. The intra-club players have all contributed to our lawn bowling image; this is good for bowls.

The water shortage has reduced our former bowling green to dirt, sand and dead grass, and it is desert-like; however, this damaging handicap has not dampened the spirits of our devoted players as they turn out in goodly numbers four days in the week—they just love bowls.

Renovation will come with the rains—we hope it will be soon; so we await the creative force that makes the game more enjoyable.

SAN JOSE L.B.C.

By Tom Mansfield

As of September 5, 1977, our San Jose Green is not in the best of condition. There is a very good reason as we have found out. We have been trying to encourage the Tiffway Bermuda which was a very minor component of our original turf. This year we are more than fifty percent bermuda. Our Tiffway has a root system between four and eight inches deep, our bent grass and the poa have much shallower root systems. We have had some very hot dry days which tended to draw water from the green. As a result tensiometer reading's frequently showed about 10 in the Bermuda with readings from 20 to 30 where there was no Bermuda. This has meant that we have had to hand water in order not to stop the growth of our Bermuda which we are encouraging with selective fertilizers. We have not done a good job of hand watering and as a consequence poa and some bent has burned out. By we, I mean our club, the city of San Jose and our greenskeeper have done a great job but cannot be expected to do it all. As greens committee chairman, I feel Mr. Reed, Mike, Roger, Bill and Paul have all done a great job in trying to give us a good green and good equipment. A good green can lead to good bowlers and San Jose is getting some good bowlers. Lois Rigg from our club will represent P.I.M.W.D. as the singles player at Buck Hills Falls in September and Jean Foot was the novice singles winner in the California State Women's Tournament. Our men's Waterbury team lost the finals in the twenty second end by one point. We have a good green which we will improve, we have a number of good bowlers and some good ones coming along. Look for San Jose to win a few awards in the future.

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P.I.M.D. Division News

By George Rowse

Quite a few of the PIMD Tournaments have now been completed with the following results:

John Hill Memorial Trophy (Mixed Triples), Aug. 14 at S.F.; Winners: F. Cunneen (skip), Ed Lawrence, Irene Maguire; Runners-up: Sat Souza (skip) Orville and Erma Artist.

Waterbury Triples: (July at Oakland)—Winners: C. Forrester (skip), D. Conley, O. Artist; Runners-up: J. Brown (skip), J. Mansfield, M. Brunt.

State Rinks: (Aug. at Richmond); Winners—C. Canastracci, C. Forrester, F. Souza, D. Conley.

(Winers of Waterbury & State Rinks to play against S. Calif. prior to U.S. Open in L.A. in September.)

U.S. Singles playdown—Won by Orville Artist.

U.S. Pairs playdown—Won by Sat Souza (skip), Orville Artist.

P.I.M.D. Open Tournament

Men's Triples—Aug. 20, Oakland. Winners: H. Leigh (skip), W. Campbell, V. Guterres; Runners-up: Joe DaLuz, C. Cameron.

Men's Pairs—Aug. 27 S.F. (Bob Veitch Trophy). Winners: Joe DaLuz, John DaLuz; Runners-up: Martin Wong, A. Smith.

Men's Singles—Sept. 3, 4, 5 at S.F. (Frank Mixon Trophy). Winner: D. Conley (S.F. Club) Runner-up: G. Santos (S.F. Club).

BERKELEY L.B.C.

By Beatrix Bakker

B.L.B.C. is proud to report that, at the P.I.M.W.D. tournament held in San Francisco in August, Anne Sisson won the singles championship and the distinction of Bowler of the Tournament. Anne Sisson and Kay Swan won the second flight doubles. Betty Weiss and Lois Rigg were runners-up in the championship doubles.

After a long dry spell, B.L.B.C. regained possession of the Neat Axe in the annual competition with Palo Alto on August 11, and continued its fine performance on August 17 by winning back the Allende trophy from Rossmoor.

It is with sorrow that we report the death of Sterling Taylor on June 18. Sterling had been a member of B.L.B.C. since 1954 and contributed greatly to the welfare and pleasure of the Club.

SUNNY GLEN L.B.C.

By Gena Hawkins

A long hot summer and the drought have taken their toll on our green. We

will now have to do a complete reconditioning when the "rains" begin. We have still managed to continue play within the club but have been grateful for the many invitationals in our area of which our members have taken full advantage.

We held our Annual Fourth of July Family Picnic which was a huge success. This event with the Men's Club Pancake Breakfast are our big money raisers each year. Over 100 people attended the Pancake Breakfast and the food was delicious.

This year, for the first time, four of our women members entered the Annual California State Women's Tournament hosted by Sunnyvale. Our doubles team of Betty Spence and Kay Vervais made it to the semi-finals which was great, considering the competition. The event was well organized, the bowling was excellent and the opportunity to meet so many of the women's group was a wonderful experience.

The only intra-club tournament we have completed is the singles event. Elko Hulley again took the Men's Singles and Betty Spence once again won the Women's Singles.

We have had great success in gaining new members this year and our coaching staff headed by Phil Flores is to be congratulated as they are all becoming good bowlers.

ROSSMOOR L.B.C.

Marjorie Bartlett

Our Allende El Cerro tournament ("Over the Hill") with Berkeley has been so successful for several seasons that we will have one with Oakland on September 10th. This is a mixed triples, one 16 end, game. This has been great fun and an excellent way to get acquainted at luncheon which precedes the game.

Rossmoor will host an Invitational on September 17 for all Bay Area teams. This usually brings a fine representation of outstanding players. Also, the Championship Singles will be played at Rossmoor October 15 and 16. In spite of the severe drought in Northern California, our greens are in fine condition, thanks to the careful attention of our greenskeeper and all our members.

We have a large and active membership, in fact we now have the greatest number of active women members in all the United States Lawn Bowling Clubs. It is sincerely hoped that

before too many seasons we will add a much needed third green, as we are fortunate to be able to play so many months in the year.

HONOLULU L.B.C.

By Astrid Hormann

Our club has recently welcomed several new members. We look forward to the arrival of our customary quota of winter visitors. Some of our best bowlers have flown off. Tom Rowlands, Fleming and Elsie Yates, Kappy Njus, Jane Tanida and Jack Marnie will be seen competing in Los Angeles. Fleming and Elsie will journey on to England where they hope to investigate the bowling scene.

EASTERN DIVISION

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TRENTON N.J. L.B.C.

By Al J. Lyon

Trenton Club has been the scene of lots of activity and we are enjoying a banner year in turnout of bowlers.

Since the last issue of "BOWLS" we have defeated the Dupont, Delaware Club, Buckhill L.B.C. and Fairmount L.B.C. in inter-club play.

Our Club Champions for 1977 are: Robert Stewart, Club Singles; Dan Walker, Pt's Singles; Andy Campbell and Irv Taggart, Club Doubles.

In the two League Competitions it looks like a race down to the finish. The Powerful Essex Co. L.B.C. trio of Dick Nelken, William Farrell, with Skippy Arculli (skip), captured our "Percy Caris Memorial Trophy." But we are hoping for better things for the "Harry Hart" trebles in late September, but the powerful Essex Co. L.B.C. have won this competition 6 of the 7 times it has been played.

To bowlers everywhere, we hope you had a good year of fun and bowling, and try and get new members for 1978. Your club will benefit and our game will prosper.

SOUTHERN CONN. L.B.C.

By Robert Baxter

The district Sunday tournaments continue to be well attended and, touch wood, we have not had a single rain-out to date. Following are the results of the tournaments played since the last report.

Bisset at Waterbury: 1st Waterbury L.B.C. M. Hunt, A. Bell, D. Bell (Skip).

Conn. State Rinks at Bridgeport: 1st

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Bridgeport L.B.C.: J. Hellewell, T. Barber, M. Scott, R. Smith, (Skip).

Simpson Crowe at Bridgeport: 1st Greenwich L.B.C.: B. Schinto, L. Paul, A. Anderson, (Skip).

Mixed Rinks at Waterbury: 1st Bridgeport L.B.C.: J. Kirstein, A. Kirstein, M. Bush, D. Baxter, (Skip).

Blackburn at Greenwich: 1st Bridgeport L.B.C.: J. Scott, T. Barber, J. Fleming Jr. (Skip).

Traurig At Waterbury: 1st Bridgeport L.B.C.; J. McDade, J. Scott, A. Jelenik, (Skip).

Gardiner at Greenwich: 1st Bridgeport L.B.C.: J. Scott, Al Jelenik, W. Miller, (Skip). In the singles and doubles district championships at Waterbury, winners were Dave Liddell and the team of Ed Durner and Dave Liddell, all of the Greenwich L.B.C.

These players will represent the district in the Eastern Division U.S. playdowns in 1978.

Congratulations also go to Dave Liddell who is right now representing the Division at Spalding Inn in the 1977 U.S. Singles finals, after his win at Niagara Falls. Quite a year for "Dave."

NEW YORK L.B.C.

By Marion Morey

Our Club had a marvelously active summer of bowling, and at this writing we're looking forward to the first Waterford Tournament, mixed doubles Sept. 17. The trophy is elegant, hand engraved with the N.Y.L.B.C. emblem. In October, we've scheduled Open Trebles the 8th, Club Singles the 15th and our Annual Party Friday, October 21st. Mel and Shirley Stich, entertainment chairmen, have planned a festive dinner-dance, with door prizes and trophy presentations. We expect a large turnout, and all are welcome.

Membership is at an all-time high, and we're pleased to have been featured on Channel 7 Eyewitness News on Labor Day. Peter Bannon and his crew were at our greens for almost two hours and edited a fine presentation of bowling. Many thanks to all club members who articulated and played so well!

Winners of tournaments to date:

June 25—N.Y. Open Doubles (Howarth Trophy): Winners, Ladies: M. McGowan, B. Preene, N.Y.; Runners-up: M. Morey, S. Stich, N.Y.; Winners, Mens: B. Lindsay, D. Farrell, Essex; Runners-up: D. Liddel, D. Sokolowski, Bridgeport.

Aug. 19—Ladies Eastern Div., Buck Hill Falls, Singles (Clara Schempp Memorial Trophy): Consolation winner: M. McGowan, N.Y.

Aug. 27—N.Y. Club (MacWhinney Trophy): Winners: S. Moore, H. Ryan; Runners-up: B. Altman, L. Seligman; Consolation: B. Preene, J. Keating.

Sept. 3—N.Y. Club (Kelley Trophy) Winners: M. Stich, T. Pierce; Runners-up: J. Brown, L. Thompson; Consolation: S. Moore, H. Ryan.

GREENWICH (CT) L.B.C.

By William C. Babbitt

This year we set up three club tournaments, opponents arranging their own games, but with an Aug. 15 date for completion. Winners are:

Women's Singles: Florence Durner, who won all of her games. Men's Doubles: The team of David Liddell and Edward Durner likewise won all of its contests, and will represent G.L.B.C. in the Southern Connecticut L.B.A. Doubles at Waterbury, August 20. Men's Singles: Still in progress as this is written, the winner to be G.L.B.C.'s entry in the SCLBA Singles, August 21.

We are highly gratified that David Liddell, our games chairman, won the Eastern Division Singles at Niagara Falls and will represent the Division in the National Championship matches in New Hampshire in September.

Our green, which showed great improvement this Spring over previous recent years, has continued to improve in playing qualities. We have been following Dr. Haley's manual and recommendations closely, to good advantage, insofar as applicable.

We succeeded in getting the mowers set to 3/16" (instead of 3/8") and the improvement was marked.

In particular, we have had two long, very hot, very humid spells, and the green has come through fine with no burned out areas as heretofore.

THISTLE L.B.C.

By Mark Haber

Our bowling season is regrettably almost at an end, with only three more scheduled events to be played until October first. However, we will have some local activity until the end of October, as usual, when the greens are at their best at this time of the year.

Our season has been a good one, with participation from the clubs in our district #2, and from the clubs in the Boston area, and vicinity.

The highlight of some of the victories attained by Thistle Club during the season were obtained by our triumphant trio, Tom Teasdale, Bill Teasdale and Tom Teasdale, Jr. who won the annual New

England Trebles event on July 2nd. Tom Teasdale is a veteran bowler who resides in Florida during the Winter and bowls at Thistle Club all Summer. Tom and his two sons usually team up together for major events.

Our annual Club Singles event this year was won by Bill Teasdale and the Club Doubles was captured by Les Bacon and James Milliken.

The Charles Warner Memorial Tournament was well attended, as usual, and was won by a Fernleigh Club team...Merritt Banks, Skip, together with Roger Pattison and Jack Hamilton.

SMITHFIELD AVENUE L.B.C.

By Joseph McKechnie

Because of severe winter damage to the playing surface, most of our Club Tournaments had to be cancelled.

However, through the fraternal good offices of our Mass. friends, our Archie Stevenson Bowl will be competed for on the Milton and Quincy greens Sept. 8th.

Thank you brother "Bowlers."

The father and son combination of James and James Jr. Candelet played in top form to win the Club Doubles Championship, with Fred Davis and Warren Dennis placing second.

George Sayer bested Bob Smart in the Final of the Club Singles Championship.

Congratulations, to our Robert Brandon, James Candelet and Peter Campbell on placing second in the N.E. Trebles Championship at Hartford. Also to our James Candelet and partner Victor Ford on winning the N.E. doubles at Milton, and to our Peter Campbell on taking the N.E. Singles also at Milton.

BUCKHILL L.B.C.

By Charles Riedel

The season opened at Buckhill May 14. With a large opening day attendance, our Memorial Tournament was won by the team of Les Sefton, Jeanette Reese and George Rogers.

Our Club Singles for the Wood Memorial was won by Fritz Mock with Al Hughes runner up.

In inter-club play we lost to the Trenton L.B.C. and we defeated Essex Co. and Skypyot.

The Twentieth Buckhill Open Doubles was won by Ernie Tonkins and Paul Meltfessel.

The Ladies Doubles saw Ann Woods and Margaret Medlock of Canada the winners.

The Mixed Doubles were won by Stan & Larlene Willinott of Windsor, Ontario.

The 21st Buckhill Tournament will be held next year Sept. 23.

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CUNNINGHAM L.B.C. By Larry MacDonnell

This Milton (Mass.) Club got off to a flying start on Opening Day, May 14, and maintained it at a merry pace with some forays into National competition.

The most conspicuous of these was the Eastern Div. U.S. Doubles playdowns won by Mark Benos and George Archilles at Buck Hill Falls, Pa. They will be competing at Spalding Inn Club for the national title. Good luck, fellows!

More than a dozen trophies and tournaments were up for grabs and the action was torrid. Following are some results:

MEMORIAL DAY TOURNAMENT: Won by the Cunningham Club with top three prizes going to Archilles, Gene Ritchie and Ellie MacDonnell.

J. EARL TAYS MEMORIAL TROPHY: Won by a team from Pawtucket, RI. They defeated a Cunningham team of Benos, Ellie and Larry MacDonnell.

WALTER MORRISON TROPHY: Won by Al Cline, Dave McGilchrist and MacDonnell, by one shot in the last end.

EASTERN DIV. ANNUAL TOURNAMENT, NIAGARA FALLS: Benos, teamed up with John Milne of Quincy, won the 2nd flight. Archilles, with Lou Motta and son Paul, won 3rd place in the championship flight.

GRABLE CUP MIXED DOUBLES: Won by Norman and Phyllis Wakeling of Quincy, with George and Helen Archilles of Milton runnerup, and Tom and Kathy Robertson right up there.

MEN'S CLUB DOUBLES: Won by Jack MacDonald and Rollie Bourdon.

CLUB MIXED DOUBLES: Won by Sam Drevitch and Sheila Ritchie.

ESSEX COUNTY L.B.C. By Isabella Forbs

"Recruit" that was the aim this season, and we have done just that. We have brought in 11 new members to date. We hope to see all of these new members entered in our New Bowlers Tournament on October 16, 1977.

Results of some of our accomplishments are as follows: Essex County Open Trebles: Blanche Preene, Mary McGowan, Bob Lindsay, (Skip).

N.J. State Doubles: Duncan Farrell, Bob Lindsay, (Skip). Essex County Anniversary Trebles: Jo Gilbert, Angie Siek, Isabella Forbes, (Skip).

N.Y. Open Doubles: Duncan Farrell, Bob Lindsay (Skip). Essex County Park Commission Trebles: Ralph Brown, Dick Nelken, Bill Farrell, (Skip).

Essex County Open Mix or Match

Doubles: Skippy Arcullie, Bill Farrell, (Skip).

Essex County Men's Doubles: George Ralston, Dick Nelken, (Skip). Brooklyn Open Trebles: Jack Gilbert, George Schick, Bob DeJonge, (Skip).

Trenton Open Trebles: Skippy Arcullie, Dick Nelken, Bill Farrell, (Skip).

In the Men's Eastern Division Tournament, Dick Nelken, Skippy Arcullie, and Bill Farrell won the 3rd. Flight Trebles, Duncan Farrell and Bob Lindsay won the Doubles and Bob DeJonge took 2nd place in the 3rd Flight of Singles.

LOOK OUT CALIFORNIA. "HERE WE COME!"

FERNLEIGH L.B.C.

By Richard D. Jervis

With good greens, ideal weather and five new members we have had an active summer and happy to have some winning teams in District #2 competition.

In the William Bliss Memorial Tournament, our trio of Phil Bauer, Roger Pattison, Charles Rauch, (Skip) won first prize over the sixteen teams entered. Later on our team of Roger Pattison, Jack Hamilton, and Merritt Banks, (Skip) won the Charles Warner Memorial.

Then on September 5 with eleven teams entered, Fred Krapels, Joe Pattison and (Joe's son) Roger Pattison (Skip), won four straight games and the Max Liberman Trophy.

Of our ninety Members, our Club Champion is Hugh Gallagher. Doubles Champions are Harry Butcher and Merritt Banks.

Our mixed Trebles events are days of fun, frolic and food and well attended. Winners on Memorial Day were Janet Cole, Bill Nicoll and Phil Bauer (Skip) on July 4. Marne Modig, Al Thieme and Hugh Gallagher (Skip), were winners and for the Kay Boker Annual, Genevieve Clay, Ann Weeks and Hugh Gallagher (Skip). Clay and Weeks repeating last years wins.

DUPONT COUNTRY CLUB

By Willard F. Spengeman

The club singles championship was won by Ray Gesell, who defeated Will Spengeman in the finals two to one in best-out-of-three 21-end games. The doubles championship was won by Dave Maharg and Charles Koenig, who defeated Ida Jordan and Dick Clark two to nothing.

In inter-club play with the Trenton Lawn Bowling Club, DuPont won on the home green in a match played July 24, but lost in a return match on the Trenton green on August 21.

TAM O'SHANTER L.B.C.

By Les Bacon

Another Lawn Bowling season is fast drawing to a close. The hot humid weather is reluctantly giving way to crisp, invigorating and beautiful fall weather.

In spite of some uncomfortably warm bowling weather, the Tam's have enjoyed a successful season. The Tam's to date, have entered teams in 10 tournaments and have captured 2 first places, three second places, and 1 third place finish. In addition four Club members made the trip to Niagara Falls to participate in the Eastern Division Tournament. The trio of Ken Bacon, Les Bacon and Frank Dobeck finished second in the Trebles Championship event. The two doubles pair of Ken Bacon, Les Bacon and Jim Ward, Frank Dobeck captured second place in the first flight and second place in the second flight respectively.

It is with deep regrets and sadness to have to report the passing away of Louis Kasiski in August. Louis was a long time member of the Club, who will be sorely missed.

HOLY NAME L.B.C.

By Bill Lewis

After playing off our Singles Tournament on one of the hottest days of this summer, Lou Raschi came out the winner over Joe Burns. The game was tied 20-20 going into the 23rd end when Lou sprang ahead by a perfect shot on the jack to end it all.

Holy Name won the Lawn Bowling Tournament (Singleton-Dube Memorial) August 20 in one of the largest entries in quite a while. The team of Ted Gagnon, Ben Novak and Skip Jerry Foley took the top honors.

The team of Foley, Raschi and Skip Knightly won the Joe Unwin-Tam O'Shanter Memorial Tournament August 27 at Hartford, Connecticut.

Our Annual Picnic will be coming up Sept. 18 at Jerry Foley's Place in Hampton Ponds, Westfield, Mass. The big event of this Season will be coming up October first between Springfield and Holy Name for the City Lawn Bowling Championship.

CATARACT CITY L.B.C.

By Alex Dunlop

By the time this article is read, our season will be finished. The Eastern Division Tournament is now history, but we will remember it fondly.

We, at Niagara Falls, in the western New York State area, unlike the Eastern coast area, have to go it alone.

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We had to badger the city officials to get our 3 greens into tournament condition, and, in retrospect, we feel that we did all that was humanly possible.

We got a few knocks, but we also got praise from those who understand. We renewed old friendships, made new friends, and we feel that is the object of the tournament.

Our club members won quite a few prizes and we trust that the official results will appear in these pages.

Congratulations to all those who won prizes. My own personal pleasant memories are competing against Alex Dakers in the doubles final, and Bill DeJonge in the 3rd event final, and all those other competitive gentlemanly bowlers in the U.S. Singles.

Hope to see you all in 1978.

BRIDGEPORT L.B.C.

By Robert Baxter

The club continues to provide substantial support to the district Sunday Tournaments.

The club league was won by the team of J. Scott, T. McIntosh and R. Baxter (Skip), who went undefeated through a nine-game round robin. The club singles was won by D. Baxter and the U.S. Doubles by the team of J. Hellewell and H. Bartholomew (Skip).

As in the past, the Annual Barnum Festival Tournament was an outstanding success.

Prior to the bowling play, the combined Men's and Ladies clubs hosted the entire Barnum Festival family to a buffet lunch, prepared by the members of the Ladies club with the liquid refreshment provided by the Men's Club.

The Tournament was won by the teams of R. Kuchn, S. Witick and E. Miller (Skip).

QUINCY L.B.C.

By John Durant

An unusual amount of hot, humid, showery weather slowed the pace at the Quincy green this summer.

However, that is no excuse for the tardy play in club championship matches.

Some players hadn't even played their first match three months after the start of the tournaments.

At the present rate, the finals will probably be played in a bowling alley Christmas Eve with Santa Claus as umpire. Good care, however, has kept the green in excellent condition.

Al Cline, although bowling infrequently because of business pressure,

has dominated the club tournament winners.

He skipped wins in the Cowie Cup, Morrison Trophy and Dave Dakers New England Trebles.

The Haigh Memorial was won by skip Alex Dakers, D. Dunn and D. Cunningham.

The Grable Cup went to president Nerm Wakeling and wife, Phyllis, with several couples dropping out because of the heat.

Quincy had moderate success at the Eastern Divisionals at Niagara Falls, J. Milne, A. Dakers, M. Fishman and J. Durant were on teams that won flight championships.

SUNRISE L.B.C.

By Marie Gorman

We had a fine turnout for the Sunrise Metro Division Men's Doubles. For the first time in many years a Sunrise Team—Doyle and Gorman—came in first, with last year's winners Breslin and Marchand second and Bloore and Duncan third. Many thanks to our ladies and George and Rosemary Schiffmacher for handling the food and refreshments.

A lucky year for Sunrise ladies at the Buckhill Eastern Division Tournament. Mattie Duncan was runner up in the Singles, Marie Gorman and Mattie won the Doubles and Kay Bartley and Effie Doig in their first tournament won three games—got into the playoff and made fourth place. While they didn't win one of the beautiful pieces of Waterford crystal, having gone that far was a "trophy" in itself. Applause, Applause to Isabella Forbes and Marie Manners for running a great four day tournament.

Results of Club events will be reported in the next issue.

BROOKLYN L.B.C.

By Jim Nicholson

We opened our season with vastly improved greens and a newly painted clubhouse plus an enthusiastic turnout of members. To date 90% of our Club Tournaments have been completed.

The "Thurman Trophy" Doubles competition was won by the duo of Earl Valet and Frank Meyer.

Our traveling bowlers have so far met with fair success but having fun.

Brooklyn Day competition was played under adverse weather with umbrellas and rain gear uniform of the day, but clubs New York, Essex Co., and Sunrise competed with the Essex Co. team of Jack Gilbert, G. Shick and Bob DeJonge the winners.

Runners up also from Essex Co. were David Lindsay, Bill Farrell and Skippy Arculli.

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MOUNT DORA L.B.C.

By Dwight Akers

As our late spring news items were not printed in the July issue they are reported again for the record.

Three of our most popular tournaments were played in April with the following winners:

FUN & FROLICS—Mixed triples: Alva Akers (S), Helen Manges, Alex Whiteside.

KIMBERLY TROPHY—Mixed triples: Frank Kennedy (S), Carl Carlson, Rose Fisher.

FOX HILL OPEN—Mixed triples: John Travis (S), Al Leeberg, Alice Edgar.

The Mixed Pairs in February won by Charles Coppinger and Mildred Shouldice.

A small class of 4 men and 3 women completed the 4 week bowling instruction course in May. Instructors Ed Graham and Bill Vroom report that though small the class was enthusiastic and talented. This makes 35 new bowlers trained in 3 classes this past season. It should be pointed out that the Al Fiske mentioned in Promotion Chairman Donald Irwin's column on page 10, Spring Issue of BOWLS, started formal classes for new bowlers at Mount Dora L.B.C. in 1956. A review of the records indicates that over 300 of our presently active bowlers received their introduction to lawn bowling in our instruction classes.

After 6 months of very heavy play our 14 rinks accumulated an excess of spent Rubico which was affecting the roll of the bowls. This excess was removed by volunteer crews on two week-ends in May and the rinks are now rolling quite well. During the summer the drainage has been improved and the heavy summer rains did not have the usual washing effect on the lower rinks. New surfacing material will be applied late in September and rinks should be in excellent condition by the time winter season begins in November.

In spite of many members away on vacations the daily PILL GAMES still attracted enough players to fill several rinks morning and evening throughout the summer. On Labor Day Night 38 enjoyed bowling for special prizes.

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LAKELAND L.B.C.

By James D. Pond

Members of the Lakeland Lawn Bowling Club are reeling from the shock of recent action of the Lakeland City Council which abruptly raised green fees to \$25.00 for resident members, and to \$50 for non-resident members. This, plus the \$10 membership fee, will make a great dent in the pocketbooks of club members, especially those from Canada. They are already paying a nine percent exchange fee, so this action may mean a loss of membership in our club.

Landon Fuller, one of our active members, and afraid of no one, asked the council to reconsider, maybe making the fee a straight \$25 for both residents and non-residents, but the council refused to change its decision. With city taxes going up a mere pittance, it appears that clubs and other groups must carry a heavier load.

There are 194 regular Canadian members plus 14 social members, out of a total club membership of 309, so it is almost like the tail swinging the dog!

Night bowling has been in effect since May 16, starting off with a covered dish supper for some 25 couples. Labor Day eve a group of some 30 couples enjoyed a potluck supper at the clubhouse, then adjourned to a full court for enjoyable but stiff competition on the well kept sward.

Walter Steineke, a member since 1970, first went to a nursing home in July, then returned home under supervision of a housekeeper, and hopes members will call on him at 833 Lemon St., East, to keep him company.

Members are looking forward to a full fall schedule of matches and tournaments under the leadership of Douglas Mather, who moved up into the presidency due to ill health of Wally Wellman.

BELLE MEADE L.B.C.

By Fred Russell

The Belle Meade Lawn Bowling Club had its first representative at the recent national tournament in New Hampshire as Arthur Reed attended. He will make a full report to the membership at a coming dinner.

Late summer rains have put the green at the home of M.S. Wigginton in ideal condition. It is hoped that play may continue until November.

Chancellor Alexander Heard of Vanderbilt University has established himself as the club's most consistent scorer in September competition.

DELAND L.B.C.

By Hattie Hansen

Many plans were made for a summer program but few of these could be carried out because of the weather conditions. First, it was so hot that our bowlers would not play and then the rains came. It rains every day at least once and some days, two or three times. Our greens never get a chance to dry out enough to bowl on.

The men have been able to get their first and second singles and pairs played off, they will bowl the third flight during the "Grand Finale week," beginning the 24th of October.

The women's pairs were re-scheduled and the date for the first flight is set for Monday the 6th of September.

On Labor Day September 5, we had a cook-out with about 25 members present. The greens were dry enough to bowl on; several took advantage of this rare privilege.

We are looking forward to the "Grand-Finale" week in October and then to the return of our "Snow Birds" and beautiful Florida weather.

ST. PETERSBURG L.B.C.

By H. H. Hills

The House and Grounds Committee, Chairman Peter Larsen, reports an active summer in repairing and improving the bowling green of our club. Our greenskeeper, Charles Bozenhard, has been in charge of all work and has done a good job for us.

Summer in the north is almost over and members, although advising a busy bowling season in the many towns and cities in the Northern States and in Canada from Winnipeg in the Middle West, to Halifax in the East, are now turning their thoughts to the day they will pack up the old gas-guzzler and head it south.

Our Officers for 1977-78 are as follows: President, Jack Dodds; Vice President, Harry Hills; Secretary, Jack Stone; Treasurer, Charles Riedinger; Auditor, George Vogt.

WEST PALM BEACH L.B.C.

By Claude Gray

A few of our members have bowled all Summer, weather permitting of course. We shall have a new Senior Citizens building completed in the near future and we are hoping for some new members also. The bowlers from up north will soon be arriving and things will be humming again.

DAYTONA BEACH L.B.C.

By Alexander King

Thank you for the post card received in the mail reminding me of subject matter for the A.L.B.A. magazine's next issue...As there is no lawn bowling here during the months May through October and all the members being Canadians I have no new information as at present.

I didn't see any paragraph pertaining to the Club's Annual Meeting held in March at which the Officers for the ensuing season '77-'78 were elected nor any mention of the members gradually heading North for the Homeland after a somewhat cold and generally good season...In case of mislaid information, herewith, a list of the Officers elected for the '77-'78 season: President-Alexander King; Vice-President-Art Evans; Treasurer-Walter Royle; Directors-Earl Albertson, Ed Cooper, Cec Hough and Fred Gauvreau.

CLEARWATER L.B.C.

By Kurt T. Dornau

The summer is fading fast away and with it new life begins to bloom on our greens which have been less frequented during the torrid dog-days which made life a little uncomfortable at times.

While our rainy season from June to September provided us with the very much needed plentiful rain, our greens crew, under the supervision of Art Hartley, kept up with the required repairs to give us a chance to play on most mornings. The occasional grumblers were far and few in between.

With no tournaments on the agenda during the summer months many of our bowlers were gripped by the wanderlust which was evidenced by the many letters and postal cards on our publicity board. We thought a few personal notes may be in order—

The dean of our bowlers, age-wise, Adam Brown who will celebrate his 95th birthday on October 20 left several weeks ago to attend the wedding of one of his grand-daughters in Westerville, Ohio. Adam has nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Feeling that his bowling career has come to a close he sold his bowls. Coming back, the bowling fever again overcame him and now he is back practically every day enjoying our pastime. Old bowlers just keep on bowling—they never die. What better advertisement does our game need?

On the less happy side we have to report several serious illnesses. Russell Fourman, the staff correspondent of the Southeast Division, has undergone serious heart surgery which necessitated the installation of a pacemaker.

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HOLLYWOOD L.B.C.

By John Flood

I am sorry to report the deaths of Ann Arnott, Bud Wise, and Mrs. Jack Morse. Mrs. Morse had been convalescing for some time, but Ann and Bud succumbed to heart attacks.

Most activity at the green has been related to work. After Dr. Haley's visit, the green was verticut and mowed mercilessly, and when all of the thatch was finally removed there was a patch of green color left in the middle and all the rest was brown or bare.

For two months there was a dearth of rain, the temperature was 89 in the shade, and the sun shone relentlessly, but with careful watering, top dressing solely with sand, and steady use of ammonium sulphate, the color of health is returning over the entire surface.

Crabgrass and other broad leaf weeds are gradually being eliminated by concentrated spraying on the weeds from hand carried pressure tanks.

Much has to be done to level and smooth the surface over a period, but I believe the ground work has been laid for a good green.

SARASOTA L.B.C.

By Mary Scott

Not too much activity on the Sarasota Green this summer but gradually the members are returning from vacations. The new Green is coming along slowly but surely and the big question everyone is asking just now is "When can we try it?" Our official opening of the 1977-78 Season has been tentatively scheduled for October 10 with just one Green available, but hopefully, it won't be much longer before the second Green will be finished. Meanwhile, we will welcome all bowlers who care to join us at the Sarasota Lawn Bowling Club.

BARTLETT PARK L.B.C.

By Paul D. Page Jr.

The small but dedicated group of bowlers composing this club is preparing to celebrate after the turn of the year two events of major importance. One is the club's twenty-fifth birthday. The other is Sam Boyer's ninety-sixth day in try out. Sam, in spite of his youth is the club's hardest man to beat, and the rest of us hope to be around when he is recognized as ALBA's most dangerous centenarian.

Hot, sultry weather has not prevented our hard core of year-round three-days-a-week bowlers from performing on schedule since our snowbirds flew north,

and we have been rained out only one day, when hurricane Anita came a little bit too close.

We are now happily preparing to welcome our Canadians and other snowbirds back. Sam Boyer has repaired the drinking fountain, and we hope to have the ground cloths, mats, benches and of course the bowling surface in apple pie order when cool weather comes.

CENTRAL DIVISION

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MILWAUKEE WEST L.B.C.

Neil Bultman

Milwaukee West social match against Racine L.B.C. was rained out this year. We hope to reschedule later in the year. In our club Men's single competition, John Wolf edged out Joe Janisch. In the club Men's Pairs event, Milt Loester and Herb Ferber (S) wicked their way to a win over Neil Bultman and Paul Hansen (S). Club mixed trebles had the trio of Peg Hansen, Gladys Riemer and Paul Hansen (S) winning over Jean Fitzgerald, Clary Paulin and Neil Bultman (S).

In the club Women's events, Virginia Wolf bested Milly Kahabka in the singles competition. In the Women's Pairs event, the team of Virginia Wolf and Milly Kahabka bested the team of Florence Schiller and Marge Paulin. The best outcome for the Milwaukee West women was taking the First Place trophy in the Women's Central Division tournament in the Triples event. The team of Marge Paulin, Peg Hansen and Virginia Wolf (S) captured the winner honors.

DIVISIONAL CORRESPONDENTS
NOTE: Ross Brown, the present BOWLS magazine correspondent for the Central Division, is seeking a replacement for the position. Under the circumstances, and being assigned to the job on a "temporary" basis, I would like to relinquish the job to a more professional type person, one who could really take the job over and do a more thorough job of Division coverage. If you know of a person who would be desirous of handling the correspondents job for BOWLS magazine, please let your division president (Bert MacWilliams) or division secretary (Dave Blake) know about your desire to apply for the position. I will hang on until a replacement is chosen. Ross Brown, Central Division Correspondent, 6440 Ash Ave., Gary IND.

LAKESIDE L.B.C.

By Marie Claussen

On August 7, Lakeside played host to the Milwaukee Lake Park Club at a social event. Team points for the entire day affair were, Milwaukee, 280 points against Lakeside's, 297 points. Our club events for 1977 were: TREBLES (Men's Division) 1st: Lou Martens, Andy Clausen, Ted Perry (S); 2nd: Bob Savage, Jim Rarity, Lachlan McArthur (S); 3rd: Alan Walker, Jim Rodgers, Archie Rodgers (S).

PAIRS (Men) 1st: Bert Thomson, George Clyde (S); Runner-Up, Carl Johnson, L. McArthur (S), 2nd: Not Played OFF; 3rd: Duke Harlan, Joe Nebel (S). TREBLES (Women's Division) 1st: Olive Young, Margaret Johnson, Alice Schneider (S) 2nd: Erma Walther, Madoline Kutz, Lillian Magnuson (S). PAIRS (Women) 1st: Olive Young, Alice Schneider (S), 2nd: Peg Clyde, Marion Altendorf (S).

Lakeside L.B.C. hosted the Central Division singles playdowns for the U.S. Championships. The event was won by Bert McWilliams of the Cleveland L.B.C. Bert will represent the Central Division at the Championship event in New Hampshire.

ROCKFORD L.B.C.

By John Blake

Progress on our Lawn Bowling Green has slowed down because of weather conditions. To date, there is a base of nine inches of sand and gravel, five plastic drainage pipes, each one hundred and twenty feet long. In addition, there are thirty three loads of sand on the site, all awaiting suitable weather to permit grading operations.

The final 'Layer' will be four inches of fine sand, into which Stolons will be planted. This operation will take place in the Spring of 1978.

The Foreman of this gigantic operation is Don Young, assisted by Ralph Dickman, other members pitch in and help when necessary.

COLUMBUS PARK L.B.C.

By Fred Rarty

On July 30-31, Columbus Park L.B.C. hosted the City Pairs event. The competition was won by the pairs team of Bob McGaffney (S) and Ross Brown of the Gary L.B.C. The City singles competition, originally scheduled for Columbus Park L.B.C., was transferred to the greens at the Lakeside L.B.C. This event was won by Vic Jackson of Lakeside against runner-up Ross Brown of Gary L.B.C.

Mel Scott and Dan and Betsy White were winners of the 3rd Place honors in the Trebles competition.

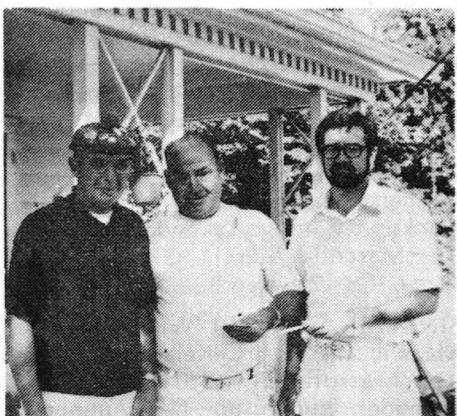
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MILWAUKEE LAKE PARK L.B.C.

By Fred Sauer

A team from Gary, Indiana, consisting of Bob McGaffney, Dan McKay and Jim Kujaca won the 15th Annual Milwaukee Lawn Bowling Invitational Tournament held on the club's Lake Park rinks on Labor Day.



L. to R. Bob, McGaffney, Dan McKay, Jim Kujaca.

This was one of the largest tournaments held in the history of this event with a total of 48 men and 30 women competing for prizes and awards. The highest previous total for this event had been a total of 12 teams.

Sixteen mens' teams and ten womens' teams participated in the three day tournament held September 3, 4 and 5. Each mens' team rolled a total of 7 elimination games of 14 ends and one final game of 16 ends to determine the champion. The womens' teams rolled a total of 9 games of 12 ends each.

After three consecutive days of competition, the team from Gary, Indiana emerged the victor, with Bob McGaffney as Skip, Dan McKay as Vice Skip and Jim Kujaca as Lead. Second place went to a Milwaukee team skipped by Dick Brown.

The tournament was hosted by The Milwaukee Lawn Bowling Association with rinks located at Lake Park. Mr. Fred Sauer was chairman of the tournament.

FINAL STANDINGS—MEN

1st Place Gary, Indiana, Skip Bob McGaffney; 2nd Place M.L.B.A., Skip Dick Brown. (Gary team beat Milwaukee in the finals 16 to 10).

Rockford beat Lakeside in finals 18 to 17.

Milwaukee beat Gary in the finals 12 to 11.

Chicago beat Detroit 20 to 7.

FINAL STANDINGS—WOMEN

1st Place M.L.B.A. with Gladys Bertrand, Skip, Leone Thornburg, Asst. Skip, Sara Harrison, Lead.

2nd Place Lakeside Club of Chicago with Marie Clausen as Skip, Lorry Blanksma as Asst. Skip, and Jessie MacKenzie as Lead.

Games Chairman for womens' events was Carole Kevlin of M.L.B.A. A total of 10 womens' teams participated in the three day tournament represented by 4 teams from M.L.B.A., 3 from Lakeside Club of Chicago, 1 from Rockford, 1 from Detroit, and 1 from Columbus Park, Chicago.

IN MEMORIAM SOUTHWEST DIVISION

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Harold Bohn

Lakeview L.B.C.

George Gay

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Leo Gravelle

Adda James

BOWLING DREAM By Karl P. Zerfoss

Although arthritis has forced me to the sidelines in lawn bowling, I was able the other night to turn the tables on "it", at least for a brief time. During the night, while fast asleep, I dreamed of bowling. I was bowling alone with four bowls and had light enough for the purpose, even though it was dark except for an oblong area, illuminated in what way I do not know. Although I did not see the jack, I seemed to be aware of just where it was supposed to be.

My first bowl was wide of the mark, but the next two were perfect, as judged by the feel of the delivery. I was able to assume the correct delivery position. The bowls, without dumping, moved perfectly smooth, with proper force which gave me the feeling characteristic of such performances in the past.

However, just when ready to bowl the fourth bowl, I awakened, which spoiled the sequence. Upon return to my bed I was unable to get back into the dream mood. Reality had taken over.

I think this is interesting because in a dream I was able to do what would have been impossible in reality, on account of arthritis in shoulders and knees, and to do this without any pain whatsoever.

I look back on this brief episode with great pleasure for it is symbolic of the many occasions in the past when bowling on the green was sheer delight.

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ERNIE GAULD
Member San Diego Bowling Club.

AWLBA NEWS

1977 NATIONAL OPEN A.W.L.B.A. TOURNAMENT

By Velma Dorsey

The 1977 National Open AWLBA Tournament was held October 1 thru 8th on the Santa Anita and Pomona Greens. With the Southwest Division, Priscilla Furjanick, President, as official hostess and Irene Russell, Tournament Chairman. The 7th AWLBA Tournament was the largest ever held: trebles, 165, bowlers: Pairs, 152, bowlers: Singles, 92 bowlers; Mixed Pairs 144. Pat Boehm was the Bowler of the Tournament.

The California women, north & south, enthusiastically entertained the many visitors from other states and other countries. In charge of hospitality were those gracious ladies, Marian Dawson and Isabelle Drews. Frances Schaffer was in charge of transportation. Irene Russell, Tournament Chairman, was ably assisted by Henrietta Krohn and Hulda Tichenor.

SINGLES:

Championship: Pat Boehm
Runner-up: Corinna Folkins
Secondary: Ruth Gregg
Runner-up: Isabella Forbes
Flight A: Mabel Hay
Runner-up: Betty Weiss
Flight B: Lura Burling
Flight C: Anne Sisson
Flight D: Alice Duncalf
Flight E: Luise Godfrey
Flight F: Marie Ranchand

PAIRS

Championship: Pat Boehm and Erma Artist
Runner-up: Peggy Waine and Ruth Gregg
Secondary: Jennie Drude and Pegeen Barker
Runner-up: Nell Parkhill and Priscilla Furjanick
Flight A: Dorothy Henry and Edith Denton
Flight B: Christina Irvine and Jean Marshall
Flight C: Marie Bahrs and Ann Bauerle
Flight D: Doris Koenig and Bess Powell
Flight E: Lilly Godfrey and Luise Godfrey
Flight F: Mabel Hay and Irene Furman

TRIPLES:

Championship: Christina Irvine, Kay Pollock and Mary Sneed
Runner-up: Edith Denton, Dorothy Henry and Marie Gorman
Secondary: Dot Graham, Isabella Drews and Merle Brugger
Runner-up: Mabel Erickson, Gladys Anderson and Bess Brandson
Flight A: Pat Boehm, Tecla Shepard and Erma Artist
Flight B: Adriel Hansen, Jean Haley and Norinne Bell
Flight C: Velma Egan, Eva Petersen and Ella Mae Torango
Flight D: Mabel Hay, Ann Wiersema and Gladys Beck
Flight E: Margaret Mathieson, Peggy Clarkson and Amelia Clark

AWLBA UNITED STATES CHAMPIONSHIPS

Winners at the first AWLBA United States Championships held at Buck Hill Inn, Penn, on Sept. 19-21, 1977 are Pat Boehm, North-western Division, Singles Championship, and Corinna Folkins, Runner-up; Edith MacWilliams and Donna Stewart, Central Division, Pairs Championships, and Lilly Godfrey and Ina Jackson, Runners-up from Southwestern Division. Congratulations all around!

AWLBA COUNCIL MEETING

Out of range of this issue, the AWLBA Council Meeting to be held Sept. 30th at the Pasadena Hilton has been scheduled by President Corinna Folkins. As we go to press, we can only advise the membership that reports from officers and committee chairmen will be heard, and votes on proposed Rules and Regulations, on the proposed amendment changed to read "The council may formulate its own rules for the conduct of business consistent with the provisions of the Constitution with Robert's Rules of Order as a guide;" and on the tabled motion re: the method of choosing International Team, Page 4, Paragraph 8 of the 1976 minutes. We will report these actions in our next issue.

At this meeting, new officers will be elected.

AWLBA NATIONAL TOURNAMENT OCTOBER 1-8, 1977

The AWLBA National Tournament will be held Oct. 1-8 in Arcadia, Calif. concurrently with the ALBA Tournament. Bowlers from Hong Kong, England, Australia, Canada, and the U.S. will compete. Ladies will enter Singles, Pairs and Trebles.

CENTRAL DIVISION

By MARIE S. CLAUSEN

Central Division AWLBA's 1977 tournament took place July 9th through the 13th at Lake Park L.B.C. in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Games Director, Virginia Wolf (Milwaukee West) reports an increase in participation over last year's event. Although not dramatic there has been an increase in entries each year since 1973 when the first AWLBA Central Division tournament took place at Milwaukee West, Dineen Park. The AWLBA Central Division playdowns for Pairs and Singles U.S. Championships were held July 15th and 16th. Results of the above tournaments:

TRIPLES: 1st Flight Winners—Virginia Wolf (Skip), Peg Hansen, Margaret Paulin, (Milwaukee West); Runners-up—Joann Landgren (Skip), Barbara Prendergast, Leonie Thornburg, (Milwaukee, Lake Park); 2nd Flight Winners—Lillian Magnuson (Skip), Madoline Kutz, Lorry Blanksma, (Chicago, Lakeside); Runners-up—Gladys Bertrand (Skip), Nancy Shepherd, Sara Harrison, (Milwaukee Lake Park).

PAIRS: 1st Flight Winners—Edith MacWilliams (Skip), Melba Klein, (East Cleveland); Runners-up—Joann Landgren (Skip), Barbra Prendergast, (Milwaukee Lake Park); 2nd Flight Winners—Marie Clausen (skip), Lorry Blanksma, (Chicago Lakeside); Runners-up—Marcella Marcia (Skip), Helen Varga, (East Cleveland).

SINGLES: 1st Flight Winner—Edith MacWilliams, (East Cleveland); Runner-up—Marion Altendorf, (Chicago Lakeside); Runner-up—Dee Antinucci, (Milwaukee Lake Park).

CENTRAL DIVISION PAIRS PLAYDOWN:

Winners—Edith MacWilliams, (Skip), Dora Stewart, (East Cleveland); Runners-up—Leonie Thornburg (Skip); Joann Landgren, (Milwaukee lake Park).

CENTRAL DIVISION SINGLES PLAYDOWN:

Winner—Sara Harrison, (Milwaukee Lake Park), Runner-up—Lorry Blanksma, (Chicago Lakeside).

Edith MacWilliams, after a stint of six years, has resigned her post as council member. Thanks, Edith, for a job well done and for helping to inspire Central Division women to raise their bowling standards. Gwen Blake (Rockford), the alternate, could not serve so Joann Landgren of Lake Park Milwaukee Club, nominated by Nancy Shepherd (Milwaukee Lake Park), was elected as the new councilor to AWLBA from Central Division. She will serve out Edith's two years and will be the proxy at the September 30, 1977 AWLBA meeting.

The Fund for the International Team for Central Division Women has been increased sizably by a money raising event manned by Edith MacWilliams from the East Cleveland L.B.C. Chicago Lakeside's effort toward this end is being held September 10th in the form of a Rinks competition — R.I.F. The Milwaukee Lawn Bowling Invitational Tournament results:

AWLBA NEWS

1st Place—Milwaukee Lake Park L.B.C., Gladys Bertrand (Skip), Leonie Thorneburg, Sara Harrison; 2nd Place—Chicago Lakeside L.B.C., Marie Clausen (Skip), Lorry Blanksma, Jessie MacKenzie.

Results of the first annual R.I.F. (Rinks for the International Team Fund for Central Division Women) held September 10 at Chicago Lakeside:

Winner—Rebecca McArthur (Skip), Lorry Blanksma, Rhoda Eichholz, Margaret Johnson. Runner-Up—Lillian Magnuson (skip), Madeline Kutz, Peggy Clyde, Kay German.

Many men Lakesiders contributed to this fund helping to make a sizable amount to be sent to Central Division AWLBA. It was a relaxed and fun tournament!

Results of Chicago Lakeside Women's Novice Singles held Sept. 11: Winner—Barbara Bevins, Runner-up—Fern Ronaldson.

EASTERN DIVISION by TONI MERCER

The Eastern Division is proud to have the opportunity of hosting the first AWLBA U.S. Singles and Pairs Championships at Buck Hill, September 19-21. Many months of planning have gone into preparations for the event and we are sure it will be a memorable experience. Dorothy Henry, Chairman of the Championships and 1st Vice President of AWLBA, reports that sterling trays will be presented to AWLBA as Championship trophies—the generous gifts of Spalding Inn, Whitefield, N.H. (Singles) and Buck Hill (Doubles). In addition, through the kind generosity of John Miller, President of Waterford Glass in America, we have obtained crystal prizes for the winner and runner-up in each event.

Our Division Playdowns for the Championships were held at Buck Hill on July 9-10. With 14 Pairs and 24 Singles entries, results were as follows: SINGLES WINNER: Frida Mixon, Bridgeport (Conn.); RUNNER-UP: Isabella Forbes, Essex County (N.J.); PAIRS WINNER: Linda McDougall, skip, Vi Baxter, lead, Bridgeport; RUNNER-UP: Barbara Weaver, skip, Eva Mathieson, lead, Bridgeport.

Our Eleventh Annual Tournament was held at Buck Hill, August 18-21. Highlighting the event was the first playing of the Clara Schempp Memorial Singles with 32 women entered. The trophy was presented to the Eastern

Division by Dorothy Henry, past-President. We were pleased and honored to have Fred Schempp, his daughter, Arline, and her family with us as Fred presented his gift of permanent plaques to the 1977 Champion, Linda McDougall of Bridgeport, and runner-up Matty Duncan of Sunrise (Long Island, N.Y.).

Results in the Second Flight Singles: WINNER: Mary McGowan, New York; RUNNER-UP: Ellie MacDonnell, Cunningham (Mass.).

In the pairs competition 30 teams entered, and 14 teams in the rinks. Results were as follows:

PAIRS WINNER: Matty Duncan, skip, Marie Gorman, lead—Sunrise; RUNNER-UP: Frida Mixon, skip, Marion Bush, lead—Bridgeport; THIRD: Eva Mathieson, skip, Agnes Zihlbauer, lead—Bridgeport; RINKS WINNER: Isabella Forbes, skip, Angie Siek, vice, Mary Brown, second, Jo Gilbert, lead—Essex County; RUNNER-UP: Mary Scott, skip, Jean Larson, vice, Dody Palmer, second, Ceil Brown, lead—Bridgeport; THIRD: Marie Manners, skip, Bertha Adams, vice, Clara Woolsey, second, Vi Hay, lead—Essex County.

At the Annual Meeting, Marie Manners presented past-Presidents Frida Mixon and Dorothy Henry with beautiful plaques with thanks from the Division for their outstanding contributions to lawn bowling.

Many thanks to all who contributed toward the success of the Tournament. Particular thanks to Marie Manners, President; Isabella Forbes, Tournament Games Chairman; and Ann Wood, Buck Hill Club representative for all her help and support.

P.I.M. DIVISION By MAGGIE GOFF

International Tournament: PIMWD represented by Dorothy Bacon and Erma Artist, with Dorothy Bacon playing on the triples team winning a bronze medal (3rd place) for the U.S.

California State Women's Lawn Bowls Assn. Annual: Boynton Trophy won by North. Championship Triples: Tecla Shepard, Marguerite Miller, Erma Artist, Sunnyvale; Second Flight Triples: Doris Koenig, Hattie Bahrt, Gertrude Whittingslow, San Francisco.

Championship Pairs: Runners-up First Flight, team of Lois Rigg, San Jose. Runners-up Second Flight, team of Estelle DaCosta, San Francisco.

Championship Singles: Runner-up First Flight, Mary Leigh, San Francisco. Second Flight Winner, Bess Powell, S.F.

Novice Winner: Jean Foote, San Jose; Runner-up: Phyllis Pimental, Oakland; Mixed Doubles: Sat Souza, Gertrude Whittingslow, San Francisco.

U.S. Championship Singles & Pairs Playdown: Singles Winner—Lois Rigg, San Jose; Pairs Winner—Tecla Shepard & Erma Artist.

P.I.M.W.D. Annual Open:

Triples, First Flight: Doris Koenig, Hattie Bahrt, Gertrude Whittingslow, San Francisco; Runners-up: Dorothy Powers, Betty Service, Virginia Hill, San Francisco; Second Flight: Mixed team, S.W. Div. & P.I.M.W.D. Runners-up: Peggy Regoli, Freda Schessler, Jean Shepard, Richmond & Sunnyvale.

Pairs: First Flight: S.W. Div. Team, Runners-up: Lois Rigg and Betty Weiss. Second Flight: Anne Sisson and Kay Swan, Berk. Runners-up: Judy Redo and Winnie Stewart, Richmond.

Singles: First Flight: Anne Sisson; Runner-up: Irene Maguire, San Francisco; Second Flight: Erma Artist; Runner-up: Margaret Dahlquist, Rossmoor.

Novice: Irma Needham, San Francisco; Runner-up: Joan Gascoyne, San Francisco.

Bowler of the Tournament: Anne Sisson 800 pts.; Runner-up: Erma Artist 700 pts.

Consolation Triples: Anne Sisson, Kay Swan, and Helen Steedman, Berkeley.

Consolation Pairs: Doris Koenig and Bess Powell Mixed Doubles: Erma Artist and Orville Artist.

Sill Trophy play was completed on September 13th with Palo Alto losing the trophy to Sunnyvale.

Sunnyvale Team: Tecla Shepard, Millie Manfrey, Marguerite Miller, Freda Schessler; Palo Alto Team: Meg Knapp, Florence Mall, Ellen Dodds, Eleanor Dinzez.

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