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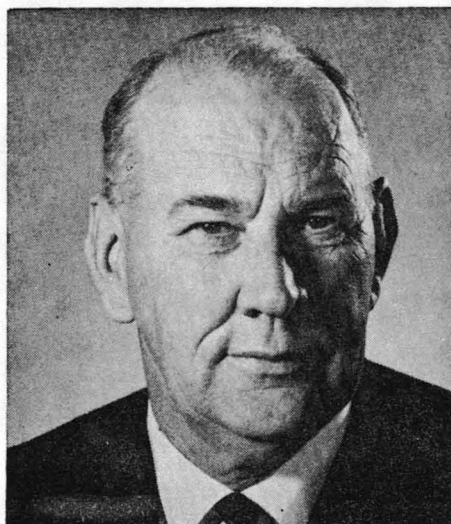
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WITH WYETH BOWLING LEGENDS

I have written many times about the origins of most of what was known about bowling techniques until recently when was privileged to make available through these columns the results of the careful studies conducted over a period of six years by specialists in the analysis of sporting techniques. They brought with them not only their research techniques but also a considerable store of knowledge about other games that they applied to lawn bowls. All we had till then came from so-called experts whose knowledge amounted to appeals to experience and opinions. Unfortunately the experts rarely agreed among themselves and even when teams of them got together to find definitive answers their findings added only to the confusion.

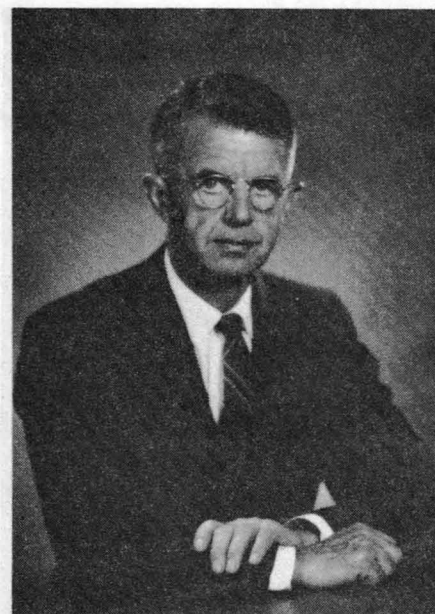
Where does the new bowler go to if he is confronted with a confusing picture of advice offered him by all the enthusiasts in his club? To a book? How does he decide which book?

Virtually every book written about bowling suffers from the following serious faults.

1. The authors do not apply the rigid, scientific analysis demanded for books on techniques. They do not have the backing of solid research evidence.
2. The authors show little knowledge of human anatomy and body movement.
3. They virtually ignore individual differences.
4. They show little, if any, knowledge of the vast store of knowledge available in other sports that can be applied to bowling.

Early last year I began to take you once again through the findings of the U.S.A.

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EDGAR R. HALEY

A WORD ABOUT EDGAR HALEY By The Editor

Dr. Edgar R. Haley, born in New Brunswick, Canada, came to Santa Monica at age 15. Introduced to bowling by his father in 1934. Bowled at Beverly Hills and at Brentwood Park. Charter member of Santa Monica Club. Moved to Escondido and joined San Diego L.B.C. 1950. Built green at Escondido 1965, at which time introduced into the problems and difficulties involved in trying to produce the best possible bowling surface.

At present, engaged in full time surgical practice.

Avocation is maintenance of Escondido green and the promotion of better greens in the belief that this is the key to greater enthusiasm and enjoyment of lawn bowling.

Edgar has agreed to write a series of articles on "Greens" for "Bowls" magazine. This one is the first. Be sure to look for future articles! Dr. Haley's address is 1209 Destree Road, Escondido, Calif. 92027.

THE SLOW SLUGGISH GREEN: THE FUNDAMENTAL TREATMENT By Edgar Haley

Of the numerous letters received for aid on green's problems, by far the largest number, from the country over, describe a slow, sluggish, bumpy irregular surface. "My wife simply cannot heave the bowl over half the length. The fun is gone and we haven't bowled for the past month."

The description is that of a green overgrown with thatch, containing weeds and

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SOUTHWEST DIVISION

Wayne W. Ovington, Staff Correspondent



WAYNE W. OVINGTON

SOUTHWEST DIVISION NEWS

The Southwest Division Open Tournament was held on April 27 through May 3, 1974 on the Arroyo Seco greens in Los Angeles. This is the only location in the United States with four greens available for play; the greens were in superb condition running about 14 seconds and our sincere thanks goes to the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks for keeping the greens in such excellent condition.

The entries included 44 teams of triples, 50 double teams and 72 players in the singles. Over 30 bowlers participated from the Pacific-Inter-Mountain Division, plus Dave Lindell from the Greenwich club in New York. Tournament Chairman Carroll Chase, assisted by Ted Hoopes conducted the tournament. The arrangements were handled by S.W.D. secretary Ed Harris, who also selected the beautiful awards. Luncheons were taken care of by Arthur Hansen and his charming wife Gertrude. Special mention is due to Harold Halverson for taking care of the coffee and pastries provided free to the contestants by the S.W.D.

The results follow:

TRIPLES CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT, MEL HOOPER TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—S. Souza, D. Manhan, D. Cegavske; San Francisco, Friendly Valley
2nd Pl.—G. Bowbeer, J. Monk, J. Parkhill; Recreation Park, Hermosa Beach

A FLIGHT, FRANK MURRAY TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—R. Folkins, R. Rapp, C. Chase; Arroyo Seco

- 2nd Pl.—C. Cannistraci, D. Redo, P. Regoli; Richmond

B FLIGHT, ED HARRIS TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—C. Pyron, R. Barrow, C. Suits; Recreation Park

- 2nd Pl.—F. Petit, S. Epstein, H. Dodds; Arroyo Seco

2nd FLIGHT, JOSEPH BELL TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—J. Godfrey, H. Sorensen, G. Imlay; Santa Barbara

- 2nd Pl.—H. Ervin, M. Whitmore, J. Fuller; Riverside

3rd FLIGHT, VERNE POTTER TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—G. Santos, L. Osmund, A. Marques; San Francisco

- 2nd Pl.—W. Todd, J. Brady, J. Palmer; Friendly Valley

DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

TOM GARDNER TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—R. Folkins, R. Rapp; Arroyo Seco

- 2nd Pl.—G. Cormack, D. Liddell; MacKenzie Park, Greenwich, N.Y.

A. FLIGHT, SUN VALLEY TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—C. Chase, F. Petit; Arroyo Seco

- 2nd Pl.—R. Burks, H. Beckner; Pomona

B. FLIGHT, CARROLL CHASE TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—J. Godfrey, G. Imlay; Santa Barbara

- 2nd Pl.—N. McInnes, E. Wyeth; Arroyo Seco

2nd FLIGHT, FRANCIS PETIT TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—P. Higgins, O. Artist; San Francisco, Oakland

- 2nd Pl.—D. Coyle, F. Souza; San Francisco

3rd FLIGHT, GEORGE REYNOLDS TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—A. White, T. Dion; Hermosa Beach

- 2nd Pl.—S. Fisher, J. Mitchell; MacKenzie Park, Santa Barbara

SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

C. C. TEEL TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—R. Folkins, Arroyo Seco

- 2nd Pl.—R. Burks, Pomona

A FLIGHT, CARL WATERBURY TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—D. Stephen, Hermosa Beach

- 2nd Pl.—W. Shanborn, Pomona

B FLIGHT, HARRY QUINNELL TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—C. Lee, San Diego

- 2nd Pl.—S. Souza, San Francisco

2nd FLIGHT, JOSEPH CONTENTI TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—F. Souza, San Francisco

- 2nd Pl. D. Liddell, Greenwich, N.Y.

3rd FLIGHT, WILLIAM KENNETH HALEY TROPHY

- 1st Pl.—R. Quillen, MacKenzie Park

- 2nd Pl.—J. McDonald, San Francisco

G. R. RIGNEY TROPHY, OUTSTANDING BOWLER IN THE TOURNAMENT

- R. Folkins

W. G. "BILL" HAY NOVICE DOUBLES S. W. TEAM

- J. Corrigan, E. Burns, Santa Anita

CONSOLATION TRIPLES

- 1st Pl.—T. Cowan, R. Haley, B. Herbert; MacKenzie Park, Oakland

- 2nd Pl.—E. Van Aman, P. Houseman, H. Greenfield; Palo Alto

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CONSOLATION DOUBLES

1st Pl.—F. Robinson, W. Sayers; Arroyo Seco
2nd Pl.—J. McIntyre, W. Wombold; MacKenzie
Park

STATE RINKS, P.I.M. TEAM

C. Coyle, F. Souza, S. Souza, F. Bacon

WATERBURY TRIPLES, S. W. TEAM

N. McInnes, E. Wyeth, A. Crabtree



Making the presentation was Ed Harris, right, of Arroyo Seco, division president. Receiving the honors were Hank Pearson, membership chairman, and Al Jones, president of the Cambria club. —Cambrian photo by Bill Miller

CAMBRIA L.B.C.

By Henry R. Pearson

The 1973 Membership Growth Trophy has been awarded to the Cambria Lawn Bowls club by the Southwest Division of the American Lawn Bowls Association.

Growth is determined on a percentage basis, and the Cambria club's increase in membership last year was 38.2%. There are 30 clubs in the division and winning the top honors among this large group is a notable achievement.

Two plaques will be sent to the Cambria club; one will be in the permanent possession of the club, and the other is a perpetual plaque, to be returned to the association's headquarters at the end of the year.

The increase in membership this past year is indicative of the growing popularity of lawn bowling in Cambria.

Club president for the past year was Cliff Rawson, and membership chairman was Hank Pearson.

EDITOR'S NOTE—

The above article and picture were submitted for the April issue but through an error it was omitted. Our apology.

SANTA BARBARA L.B.C.

By Anita Imley

The big tourist season is over and we have settled down to our regular games schedule. Our Ladies Day is a new feature to our many activities and the ladies are challenging the men. One of the high-

lights of the day will be the sharing of a birthday cake by our 91 year old active member, James Mann.

An interesting feature of the S. W. Division Open Tournament in Los Angeles was that the husband and wife teams (all from the city of Santa Barbara) of Imlay, Sorensen and Godfrey won the same event at their respective greens.

Our greens are quite good now, but the park department is trying for a 12 second or better as their goal.

HOLMBY PARK L.B.C.

By C. West

Probably it is only human nature to excuse oneself for a poor shot by blaming an uneven green, but if all rinks were as precisely level as billiard tables, Bowls might be a dull game. There would never be the satisfaction that comes from challenging varying conditions of green speed and contour, and putting the bowl where it counts.

Recently Holmby Park bowlers have had plenty of opportunity to test their skills in this regard. Visitations to Friendly Valley and Laguna Hills, competition at several clubs in the Western and Central Leagues and participation in the Walt Disney tournament have provided a wide variety of bowling surfaces.

Alta Swanson solved the fine, fast greens at Beverly Hills in winning the Walt Disney Women's Open and was runner-up in the A Flight of the Women's Masters tournament.

Meanwhile, intra-club competition on the familiar turf at Holmby Park resulted in Ray Stipik besting Lou Silk in the Allison Singles, and Kay Hine winning the Mabs Elliott Women's Singles over runner-up Irene Riley.

With Virginia "Ginny" Rood as hostess, Holmby entertained ninety members of the Southern California Women's Lawn Bowling Association at an all-day event in May.

The Naylor Doubles tournament is now in progress, to be followed by the Lillian Taylor Triples.

POMONA L.B.C.

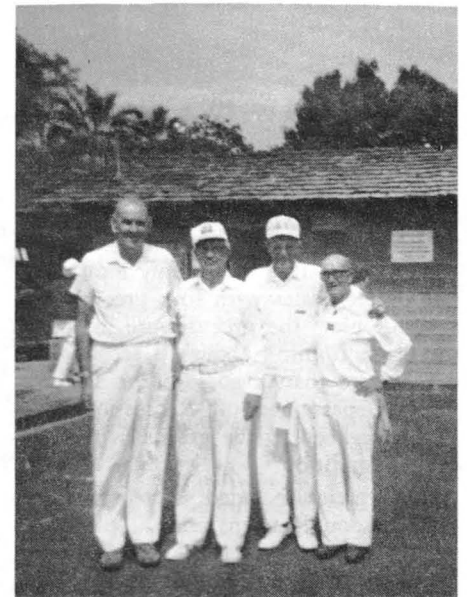
By Wayne W. Ovington

On Friday, May 10, that peerless lawn bowling authority, Ezra Wyeth, held a bowls clinic on the Pomona greens. Including some bowlers from nearby Claremont the group numbered nearly 100 bowling enthusiasts. Ezra worked from 9:30 a.m. to nearly 4:00 p.m. giving instruction to every one in the group. Before the clinic got underway, Ezra talked for nearly one hour on all aspects of the game. During the question and answer period at the end of the talk, almost

everybody in the huge crowd had a question they wanted answered.

Since Ezra's visit to Pomona our bowlers have been up in the clouds; their interest in the game and the desire to improve bowling skills has increased tremendously. It is difficult to put into words the appreciation felt by th Pomona club toward this fine gentleman who gives so much time and thought to our wonderful game of bowls.

Two of our members, Alice Ovington and Bill Shonborn, can attest to Ezra's teaching ability. Alice was runner-up to Luise Godfrey in the Championship singles of the Walt Disney Women's Masters; she lost by only 3 points on the 27th end. Bill Shonborn was runner-up in the A flight "Masters" and defeated some nationally known bowlers. In the same Walt Disney event Grave Schrock was runner-up in the B flight.



Left to right, Ezra Wyeth, President Manuel Robinson, Rennie Burks and Wayne Ovington.

DISNEY TOURNAMENT

By Mrs. W. Ovington

This year both men and women participated in the Walt Disney "Open and Masters", with Carroll Chase and Corinna Folkins acting as tournament directors for each group.

In the ladies "Open" Alta Swanson of Santa Monica won first place in the championship flight and this qualified her to play in the "Masters" on the final two days of the tournament.

In the womens "Masters" Luise Godfrey of Santa Barbara won first place in the championship flight and Alice Ovington of Pomona was runner-up.

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**THE VALUE OF BOWLS TO
MENTAL HEALTH**
By Dr. Thomas N. Davis III

Reprint from *Bowls N.S.W.* Nov. 1973

Presenting a paper on lawn bowling in Australia is truly bringing coals to Newcastle, for Australia has more than 2,000 lawn bowling clubs, including some 250 in Sydney.

My interest in this participant sport began in part with a visit of Australian bowlers to Chicago in 1962. The enthusiasm for the game by both the visitors and the local players induced me to try bowls. Like so many people who play the sport, my wife and I became fascinated with it. Indeed, my enthusiasm for it, like that of other devotees of bowls, borders upon addiction. But if it's an addiction, it's a healthy one!

I soon became interested in the health aspects of bowls, partly because I'm a psychiatrist, but largely because I noticed that so many of the players appeared astonishing young and zestful for their ages — often five or ten — even 15 years less than their actual age! I was also gratified that my involvement in bowls was accompanied in time by a loss of 14 lb. excess weight.

I reviewed literature about sports and exercise and about bowls. I was unable

to find any clinical or scientific studies about bowls, but I learned that this sport of ancient origin has had for centuries a reputation for aiding health, longevity and a sense of well being.

Enthusiastic opinions about its value to health go back at least as far as Francis Bacon (1561-1621) and Shakespeare. In the latter's *Richard II* bowls was recommended to the Queen, who had what today might be diagnosed "Depressive neurosis, precipitated by husband being away at war." The sport was recommended to her "to drive away the heavy thought of care."

Another example is that in 1768 Herriot's Hospital in Edinburgh, Scotland granted land for two bowling greens so that "an exercise so beneficial to the health of the inhabitants might not be totally lost for want of proper bowling greens."

I corresponded about bowls with Paul Dudley White, the eminent American cardiologist who has led in recognising physical activity as important to health. He wrote that he heartily approves of lawn bowling. I corresponded with several psychiatric hospitals in Canada and the U.S.A. which use bowls as recreational therapy. And I visited one in Scotland — Ailsa Hospital. I corresponded

about bowls and health with physician bowlers in America, Australia, Canada and South Africa. There was an enthusiastic consensus of these correspondents that lawn bowling can be beneficial to health. By the way, at least three doctors have written books on the game: John W. Fisher of England, Harvey Maxwell and Edgar Haley of the U.S.A.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Dr. Davis is Medical Director of the Stickney Mental Health Centre, Illinois.

He presented the accompanying article as a paper to the 25th Anniversary Congress of the World Federation for Mental Health in Sydney.

I learned in reviewing psychiatric literature that the use of sports as therapy goes back at least as far as Celsus, a physician in the time of Julius Caesar. What is the rationale for the use of sports therapy? Psychoanalyst Helene Deutsch has said that sports are an ideal medium for mastering inner fears by projecting them onto the outside world.

Some psychiatrists have emphasized that sports enable inner tensions and conflicts — especially hostility and aggression — to be relieved. American psychiatrist Karl Menninger has said, "We do not keep patients playing tennis just to keep them busy, but to enable them to get their aggressions outward

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and thus to relieve their need for expressions of internal aggressions." A related view is that the release of tensions through sports is a safety valve against violence.

Human Needs

Another view, and as old as Plato, is that play or having fun is a human need. This is implicit in the saying that all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. American psychiatrist Paul Haun hypothesized that play or having fun is a basic need analogous to specific nutritional needs.

Some studies, including ones by Dr. Salek Minc of Western Australia, suggest, "Action without emotion may burden the heart more than emotion without action." When activity is not emotionally motivated, the heart "is not in it" and works less economically.

Others have pointed out the importance of keeping in balance such activities as work and play, frustration and gratification, effort and relaxation. Other benefits attributed to sports participation are enhanced self-esteem and improved interpersonal relations. Paul Dudley White has said that exercise is a better tranquiliser than any drug on the market today.

Feature of Games

Now to describe some of the features of bowls. The many kinds of bowling games throughout the world fall into two general types. One consists of rolling balls at "pins" to knock them over as in skittles and ten pins. The other, including the subject of this paper, has the objective of delivering balls closer to a target than does an opponent. In this respect it's like horseshoes or quoits. A subtype of this sport is the Italian bocce or French petanque. Curling, a winter sport popular in Canada, Scotland and other countries, has elements of this type of bowling.

The subject of this paper is the kind of bowling so popular in most countries of the British Commonwealth. It's called bowls, lawn bowling or bowling on the green. It was recently said that the game "has emerged from its origin with stone rolling cavemen to become a world wide sport with more than five million men and women bending and rolling." Now that it's played in Israel and Japan as well as English speaking countries, it may be played in the Olympic Games.

Bowls is played with balls of about five inches diameter and weighing about three pounds. They have a unique feature that gives added dimensions to the sport. This is their lopsided, non-spherical or "bi-

ased" shape. As a rolling ball or bowl loses momentum, it swings to one side as much as ten feet or more — or as little as a few inches — depending upon the playing surfaces, the distance the bowl is rolled and the technique of delivery, as well as the bowl's shape.

One result of the bowls' bias or curving tendency is a greater challenge to skill. It takes skill, indeed, to roll a lopsided ball or a small target as far away as 120 feet.

The biased bowl also makes for a great variety of play. A player can roll a bowl curving via the right or left side depending upon how he holds it. He can roll it straight if he delivers it with enough force. He can knock away his opponent's bowls. He can guard his own "shots" by interposing a "blocker." He can even move the target itself to a better position! (The target "jack" is virtually the same as a billiard ball.) And there are other shots, too, for outmanoeuvring his opponent.

The grass or playing surfaces vary greatly — even the same green varies on the same day according to usage and weather. And the distance of the target varies. Indeed, finding a player's best length and his opponent's weakest is an element of competitive bowls.

Thus, strategy, is an important part of bowls. Indeed, bowls can rival chess in this respect. For instance, bowls located too near the jack can be an easy target or "catcher" for the opponent. There are also elements of chance, uncertainty, suspense and luck as in a card game.

A British authority on bowls, C. M. Jones, has said, "You're not merely trying to deliver one ball to another. You're attempting to master the playing surface, the sun and the wind, and above all, the play of an opponent. You're seeking to discover his strengths and weaknesses, likes and dislikes, faiths and fears, his temperament, reaction to various techniques that have been learned over the years. It is a friendly but complete battle of physical and mental skills. At higher levels of skill, bowls is a constant battle to produce your best shots while setting up situations, positions and pressures that hinder or prohibit your opponent from doing likewise."

These, then, are some of the many variables in bowls which make the game continually challenging despite its deceptive simplicity. Another feature is of interest to environment planners. Bowls requires less space than most sports for the number of persons who can play it simultaneously. Indeed, it's been said that,

"Bowls provides the most fun per square yard of any sport." A green 120 by 120 feet square can accommodate as many as 64 bowlers at one time. Compare this with the space needed for a tennis court in which a maximum of only four players can participate. And, by the way, some one has defined lawn bowling as "a method of putting life into a locale without marring its beauty."

Now to discuss some of the features of bowls important to health, especially mental health. Its exercise is one. Exercise is important to health in direct proportion to the elimination of physical exertion by technology. It's said that the danger of our bodies "rusting out" from arteriosclerosis is much greater than that of their wearing out. But it is also said that the "weekend athlete" can predict when he will die — he will die on the weekend. The American Heart Association's Committee on Exercise encourages "widespread adoption of exercise programs tailored to the capacity and interest of individuals." The Committee recommends activities that provide pleasure without causing prolonged discomfort or fatigue. They say it is wise to place special emphasis on a c t i v e recreational games.

The exercise is bowls is not dangerous, being non-strenuous and non-jerky. For persons of middle age and older, it's ideal. It consists of walking as well as bending and rolling. As the playing alternates from both ends of the green, which is 120 feet long, there is a minimum of 40 yards walking each "end" played. It's estimated that in the average doubles or pairs game, each payer "gets over two hours of rhythmic arm and body exercises, he walks about a mile, bends over as least 160 times, lifts some 300 pounds of bowls and propels them nearly two miles all done in mild homeopathic doses." A South African physician has put it simply: "The usual physiologic response of bowls is that associated with walking, bending and good fellowship."

Any long term program of exercise or other therapeutic activity must be fun or it is doomed to failure. In playing bowls there is no lack of fun and joy. Most of the people to whom I've introduced the game exclaim, "How fascinating!" when they discover the challenge of mastering the biased bowl. This and other features can maintain a player's interest for years — even a lifetime. A British expert, A. T. Evans, has said that it takes 10 years to become a *good* bowler, though a reasonable standard can be learned in two or three years. Bowls has been called "The most skilled ball game played on earth."

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Other features which make bowls fun for so many years include the variety of shots and of strategic situations, the give and take with opponents, the competition. The suspense about the outcome of each shot adds to the richness of the sport. The player of average skill more often upsets an expert than in most sports.

I've already discussed one of the most important psychological benefits from sports — the acceptable release of tensions like aggression. Symbolically, bowls provides a good medium for aggression and competition. Despite its gentlemanly image, the emotional involvement in bowls can be fierce! It's an exhilarating experience to beat an opponent's good shot. And it's even more exhilarating to knock it away! I can well believe that bowls is a direct descendent of cavemen hurling stones at each other!

Competitive success aids self esteem. And as to losses, it's easier to rationalise them in bowls than in most sports because of varying conditions of play and a considerable element of luck. Competitive bowls also provides some opportunity of psychological understanding, for an important component of success is the exploiting of players' strengths and weaknesses within the bounds of rules and good sportsmanship. Several authors of books on the games discuss personalities encountered on the green.

Opportunity

The sport also provides some opportunity for insight into one's attitudes, because success very much depends upon one's mental attitude, including both the ability to concentrate and the ability to relax. For instance, I became aware of having certain attitudes at times which interfered with my playing successfully — as over-confidence; or making winning too important; or blaming circumstances too readily when my game was not going well.

The interpersonal or group aspects of bowls aid emotional well being. It makes a fine team sport (though also enjoyable as singles). Lawn bowlers soon learn that a team is much more than a mere aggregate of players. Four excellent individual bowlers will achieve only mediocre results if they have not learned to play as a team, to cooperate. Nothing is more important to team play than harmony. And achieving it is emotionally rewarding. Each team in bowls is directed by a captain and he needs much more than mere technical skills. He needs to know the players' strengths and weaknesses and how his teammates can best play together.

He needs such qualities as empathy and leadership. Ideally, he should be *authoritative* but not too *authoritarian*. Good sportsmanship is a strong tradition and "gamesmanship" is discouraged. This aids satisfactory interpersonal relationships. There's more camaraderie with bowls than with most sports.

Lawn bowling is generally organised at clubs. Belonging to a bowling club and sharing in its pleasures and responsibilities promotes a feeling of acceptance and worth and a sense of identity. I know of a Canadian who recovered from a mental illness and said retrospectively that his working on the hospital's bowling green helped his recovery more than anything else.

Adaptable

Perhaps the most valuable feature of all about bowls is that it's so adaptable to various persons and their individual needs. Dr. John W. Fisher, an English mental health professional, has discussed this. Youth can play it at a fast tempo, and older persons leisurely. It's enjoyable for both robust and infirm people. It's fun and refreshing both for persons needing respite from responsibilities and for persons having little to do. Two general types of lawn bowlers are easily recognised — the competitive and the social. The game can be played as competitively as any other sport — and it can be no more than an excuse to get outdoors with friends. One can play it only an hour or so at a time — or all day or all week. Singles and doubles games are comparatively active sports, triples and fours less so. In singles a bowler actively participates one half time — in fours only one eighth time.

Bowls is a lifetime sport — fun at almost all ages. I've known enthusiastic players as young as nine years and over 90. I met a Canadian who had played it 75 years! I've seen three generations of the same family play in the same tournament. Truly, "Bowls is the sport of a lifetime!"

Summary

In summary, lawn bowling is a fascinating participant sport which has had a reputation for centuries for aiding health, longevity and emotional well being. Although its value to health and mental health has had little modern scientific assessment, any bowling green or any bowls club presents much impressionistic evidence of its benefits. Psychiatric hospitals and physicians find it useful as therapy and bowlers the world over enthuse in playing the sport. In this paper I have discussed some of the reasons why bowls appears to benefit health, including mental health. It can help solve some of the

problems created by technology and overpopulation — increasing leisure time, diminishing physical exertion, early retirement from work and destruction of natural environment. I hope that medical researchers and mental health professionals will make scientific evaluations of lawn bowling and that practitioners and community planners will make abundant use of this lifetime sport.

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The brain is a wonderful organ. It starts working the moment you get up in the morning and doesn't stop until you reach the office.

Tommy: "How come I didn't get a hundred percent in my test?"

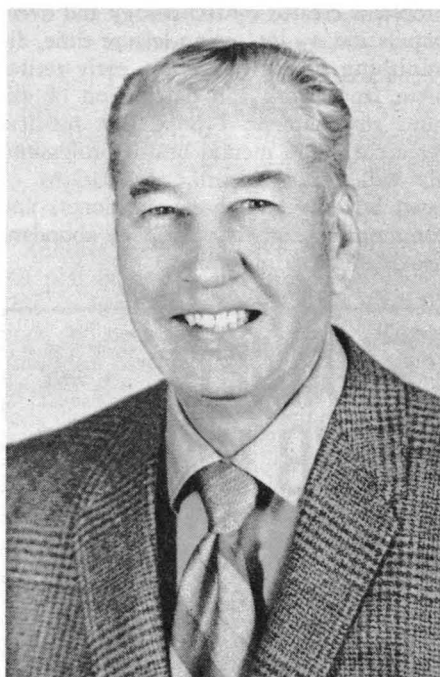
Teacher: "Remember that question about why the pioneers went into the wilderness?"

Tommy: "Yes."

Teacher: "Well, your answer, while quite interesting, was not correct."

A third grader went home and told her mother that she was in love with a classmate and was going to marry him. "That's fine," said her mother, going along with the gag. "Does he have a job?"

The little girl replied: "Oh, yes. He erases the blackboard in our class."



HOWARD BECKNER

WE'RE BIASED!

By Howard Beckner

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It would seem that no one interested in bowling could doubt the value of maintaining a national organization like A.L.B.A. Yet several have hold us that there are many who do question it, and wonder what they are getting for their money?

It has been suggested that our promotion committee prepare a bulletin of some sort setting forth reasons for A.L.B.A. and why each member is benefitted, whether or not he is interested in tournament play. We hope to do so. But first, let me hear from you regarding this. Sit down and write to me, and let me know what you believe makes A.L.B.A. worthwhile. My address is at the top of this column.

To start your thinking, bear in mind the great quality and quantity of service rendered gratis by dedicated officials. A.L.B.A. pays no salaries, and almost no honorariums. If you have ever belonged to any national or international organization like a service club, you should have no difficulty in thinking of super-sufficient reasons for supporting A.L.B.A.

Some good biased people are presently helping carry on promotion in the Eastern Division, and we believe fortunately for that area, Ray Northam has accepted responsibility for guiding it. Warren Swager and company are in the midst of establishing a new club at the Amherst Senior Centers in Williamsville, N.Y. And not too far away, in New Jersey,

Ken Giesselmann is actively working to establish a new club in the vicinity of Bricktown.

Perhaps your club could profit by using some of the techniques of the Cunningham Club of Milton, Mass. Through the courtesy of Col. Henry Tourville, we learn that this club has a "season launcher" which includes a number of special events, one of which is "Newcomer's Day". Personal invitations are sent out inviting those interested to come to an open house. Even the churches carry their announcements. Visitors are informed of the game and of the opportunities that can be theirs. (Incidentally, don't forget that the April number of BOWLS contains a club directory, in case you ever wish to obtain more information from anyone).

A noteworthy bowler who is really biased right is Dr. Thomas N. Davis of Waukegan, Ill. The following quote comes from the New South Wales bowling magazine, "Presenting a paper on lawn bowling in Australia is truly bringing coals to Newcastle, for Australia has more than 2000 lawn bowling clubs, including some 250 in Sydney". The occasion was the presentation of a paper by Dr. Davis to the Anniversary Congress of the World Federation for Mental Health which was held in Sydney last fall. He stressed the physical and mental health values of lawn bowling—a lifetime sport.

Editor's Note: The complete report of Dr. Davis appears elsewhere in this issue of BOWLS.

Furthermore, he sent in a number of excellent suggestions for promotion. Indeed, every division has contributed to our growing list of these. We are now faced with a problem of selection. The small amount of money available prohibits implementing a number of them. Another problem is the inability of your national committee to meet as a group. Russ Fourman, for one, correctly considers this to be a major need.

Complicating the above, is the fact that your national chairman accepted an appointment which is now expiring, without either precise directives or an opportunity of discussing the assignment with our association officers and councilors.

And so! Keep up your input, but remember that patience is often a necessary prelude to action.

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

By Joe Bell

Public Relations and Publicity
Chairman S.W. Div.

I was justified in the thought that we were making progress, for have we not obtained several new clubs in the South-

west division in the past year, namely, the Harlingen L.B.C. of Harlingen, Texas, the Sundial L.B.C. of Sun City, Arizona, and the rejoining of the Santa Ana L.B.C. of Santa Ana, Cal. The progressiveness of the Beverly Hills club, of the Riverside club and of the two clubs in Santa Barbara all of whom are sponsoring bowling classes in co-operation with the various Universities in their localities. Generally, all of the students are majoring in Physical Education and will receive credits for completion of the course. Surely, that is progress.

I have received letters from various clubs stating that they are endeavouring to conform with the wishes of President Reynolds in attempting to get better greens, more members and complete harmony within their clubs, again that is progress and so I had a feeling of contentment when the morning mail arrived and in it was the February edition of the New South Wales "BOWLS" magazine and it contained the listing of the various countries and their membership that comprise the I.B.B. (the listing was also included in our last edition) and of the ten countries that have full membership, we, the U.S.A. were in 9th place with a membership of 5,984.

I have before me the listing of our full membership in 1968-69-70-71 and in those years our membership was 5,786, 5,957, 5,880 and 6,029 so we have been showing a gradual increase, now we show a loss of 45 in the span of those years.

We, in the S.W. Division have increased our membership in that same space of time from 1631 to 2018 and in 1972 and 1973 by approximately 200 more, so again I ask "where are we going?"

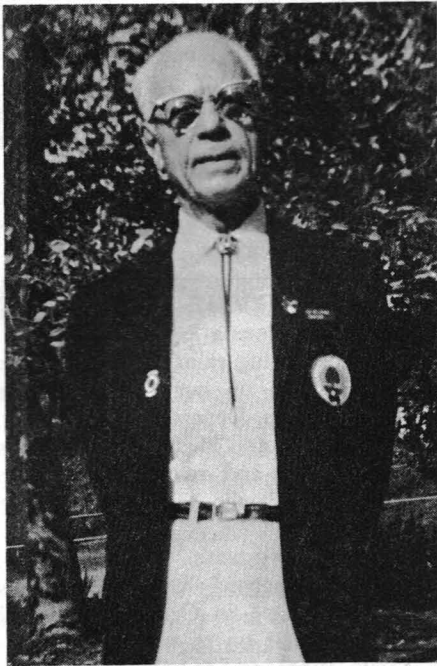
I personally believe, and I am sure that it is the feeling of all the members of our division that we have the largest responsibility of the six divisions that make up our A.L.B.A. in that we have the best playing facilities, the best weather conditions that allows us to play 12 months of the year, the largest membership, one third of the total membership of the A.L.B.A. and so let us accept those responsibilities and endeavor to put a little something back into the game that means so much to us and from which we have taken so much.

Once again I repeat the message that I sent to our 34 club presidents, the wish of President Reynolds, What have you done regarding it? Have you tried to obtain publicity, have you contacted the sports editor of your local newspaper and got no response from him, quite possible, and if so the only thing to do is try again and again and again. There are only two re-

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PACIFIC INTER-MOUNTAIN DIVISION

Clifford C. Rea, Staff Correspondent



CLIFFORD C. REA

GENERAL COMMENT P.I.M. DIVISION FRUSTRATIONS OF A PUBLICITY MAN By Cliff Rea

In an endeavor to get some publicity for the Division PLAY-OFFS for the U. S. Singles in San Francisco which had 42 entries your correspondent sent a concise but complete information to all news media in the Bay Area. It went to four newspapers and four TV Stations and one Sports minded radio station. It was advance information and where I have had previous contacts for over 12 years. Not a one gave the event a mention. Too many MONEY games going on at the same time. HO HUM.

PLEASANT THINGS DO OCCUR

Your correspondent had a recent letter from a bowler from the north of England who has been bowling since he was fourteen. He receives our ALBA BOWLS from his brother here in the States and wrote of his experiences at length. But only a brief quote which parallels our experiences. "The playing greens down South are very nice to play on not like the Public Parks in Newcastle which are very poor and very slight supervision. Then youngsters come to play football on the Bowling Green until they are chased away, also the Bowls Pavilion windows broke and then they break things inside."

"There are of course some greens that are looked after and nice to play on and

you can really enjoy playing on, these are mostly the private greens." Likely we will need to come to private greens to have really good ones well kept by professional and interested greens keeper or go to synthetic surface.

NATIONAL FRUSTRATIONS OF PUBLICITY MEN

In the August-September issue of MODERN MATURITY magazine your correspondent had an article accepted on Lawn Bowling, but an edited and curtailed article. It produced 211 inquiries. However because of the magazines editing most inquirers thought it was a back yard game like croquet so only a small percentage were of much value. However there were 30 or 40 that looked good. All were forwarded on to the proper party in the Division involved. To date not a single report on any. The only ones that were followed up and reported on were those where your correspondent phoned a promotion minded bowler to follow up on. One of these still has possibilities. Let's hope it develops.

OAKLAND L.B.C. By Cliff Rea

To date Oakland has taken in 13 new members, 5 more than all of 1973. 11 of these 13 were spectators where a bowler took the time to talk to them and hand them one of our promotion and explanation pamphlets. So that promotion effort is beginning to pay off. Let's keep up the good work for then our club can gain in membership, more than replacing those who pass on or move away or have to give up bowling because of illness or too advanced age.

Our greens are only in passable condition. If our greens keeper would start using the harrow and again start using the expensive and good Australian mower provided for him we might again have good greens.

BERKELEY L.B.C. By F. B. Griffith, Jr.

Readers of the daily newspapers have frequently seen articles in which the date line is Berkeley. There are other things which happen in Berkeley that only appear in this column to-wit: We have a wonderful Vice-President this year—Winfield Sisson—better known as "Wyn" around our club. He and his charming wife, Anne, are both recent new comers to the game of lawn bowls and both are doing extraordinarily well as players. It wasn't their ability to bowl that I started to write about.

Wyn has accepted delivery of our new power mower from Australia and our greens are getting faster every day thanks to his efforts in promoting this. In addition, he and his crew of co-workers have now replaced the old canvas mats with newly tailored fiberglass groundsheets. These are light and roll up two together to fit into compartments in carts which Wyn constructed for each of the two greens. These carts can be wheeled around and have places for the jacks and the colored nails which are used to nail down the ground sheets. We are certainly fortunate to have such a devoted member as Wyn.

Berkeley was pleased to offer its facilities for the playdown for the U.S. Doubles on several weekends in the latter part of May and the first part of June. This event naturally attracted many spectators who were treated to some real fine bowling.

June 15th was selected as the date for our annual Open House and Guest Day. On this occasion many prospects are always invited and after a demonstration guests are offered the opportunity to "try it—you'll like it." Refreshments taper off the really pleasant afternoon.

OAKMONT L.B.C. Santa Rosa, Calif. By George T. Rowse

We are progressing. We have done better this year in the Bay Area Retirement League, even including one heart-breaker—losing by one point to Rossmoor, 167-166. We also won one very closely, 103-101 against Sunny Glen.

A kind anonymous donor, with some member's help, has given us some fancy new score boards for the several rinks. The Club is grateful.

We have been working with a Beginners' Class and hope soon to have several new members join our Club; they show good promise. Incidentally, this is a private club, with membership restricted to residents of Oakmont. "The Active Adult Community". Of course, ALBA members and guests are welcome.

1974 means progress and greater participation in PIMD events. For the first time, Oakmont will have a men's Triples Team in the Murray Cup, in June and July. This is one of the PIMD competitive series. We may not win but Club interest and the competitive spirit will be expanded and doubtless induce better bowling. Also, on October 5 (Sat.) Oakmont will host its first Invitational Event, which will bring top competition bowling to Oakmont, an event we are anticipating with pleasure.

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ROSSMOOR L.B.C. Walnut Creek, Calif. By Maggie Goff

In June 1,200 members and guests assembled in the West Room of Hillside Clubhouse for a gala luncheon in honor of the Club's fifty or so charter members whose persistent labors culminated in the Rossmoor Lawn Bowling Club. Sandwiches and salads were provided by those bowlers on the green who were not Charter Members. Douglas Smith, the Club's first President, recalled the 1967-68 founding year events with humor, but the many frustrations of establishing the facility for a recreational activity about which the Powers-That-Be were completely ignorant came through clearly. The Sing-a-long with bowling songs was masterminded by the Starrs and Bacons and led by Rossmoor's Singing Lawn Bowlers; and the day finished on a high note with the usual afternoon bowling on the green.

The Rossmoor greens are being used to capacity this season, and plans are underway for a third green within the next year or two. The Mat House is due for enlargement later this year to provide additional lockers for the growing membership and storage space for the hardware of Lawn Bowls. The usual Intra-Club contest are in progress and the Club is well represented in all Area and State Competitions. The Bay Area Retirement League is in the wrap-up stage with Rossmoor and Leisure Town neck and neck for the trophy.

SAN FRANCISCO L.B.C.

By Doug Coyle

This year the members of the San Francisco Club are showing a fine competitive spirit, so much so, that we have more players than competitions to accommodate them all.

With so many competitive members the Tournament Committee has had a trying time picking out teams to participate in Inter-City and doing their best not to offend any one player.

In the South West Divisional tournament, held in Arroyo Seco in May, over fifteen members entered, most of them made it to the Finals, Semi-Finals or Quarter Finals, a very good showing for one club. On Memorial week-end quite a number entered for the Walt Disney Masters at Beverly Hills. Four of the eight players left in the Finals were from San Francisco and the competition was won by Frank Souza, one of our younger members. Two years ago Frank's father, Sat won in this competition.

In the play downs for the U.S. doubles there were six teams left to play a "Round Robin," four were from San Francisco and the event finished with San Francisco club gaining first and second place. The winners will represent the Division at Sun City in September. The singles play-down is in progress now and are down to the last six competitors, four are from San Francisco. The final results will be known by June 16th.

A trip is being planned to Hong Kong for the fall of the year by our Portuguese-American members. This gives them a chance to visit their homeland and to renew old lawn bowling acquaintances. In September several of our members are going to Vancouver, B.C., Canada to play in the Gold Medallion tournament.

In late September a number will be going to Sun City, Arizona for the U.S. Championship.

The Bay Area clubs have done a remarkable job in entertaining many visitors. A lot of the credit must go to the ladies of the different clubs cooperation and willing service.

This year, in San Francisco, we entertained a party of forty from Sun City, Ariz. Thanks to our Pres. Frank Cunnene, Vice Pres. Pat Higgins and our Secretary Bill Kirkpatrick who worked so hard to make the visit a successful and happy occasion.

Another happy occasion for our club was the surprise visit from Australia of Lionel Sequeas three brothers. They were all born in Hong Kong and later the family moved to Australia. Lionel lived there for a few years and then decided to come to San Francisco, he has become one of our more promising bowlers and is a strong advocate of competitive bowling.

We regret the fact that we have lost some of our older members but we also have enrolled several new members who are proving to be an asset to the club.

SAN JOSE L.B.C.

By Hamil O. Wagnon

The San Jose Mercury had a three page article on Lawn (also pictures) Bowling in its magazine section yesterday, one page in full color.

We entertained the Cambria Club yesterday. Our Club will journey to Cambria Aug. 4 and 5, later this summer. This home and home program between our clubs has been going on four or five years. The Cambria green is Astro Turf. The adjustment is difficult. Astro Turf is faster than natural grass, and the difference showed markedly yesterday.

We played on four rinks of our natu-

ral grass and our players (triples) won on all four rinks.

After the games were finished (eighteen ends) a lunch was served by our club (host) and the lunch was closer to a banquet than just a lunch—bowls of potato salad—plenty of baked chicken—gallons of coffee and 2 ft. x 2 ft. double layer cake with a beautiful welcome spelled out on the top layer.

Everyone had a joyous time and we are looking forward to our trip South to Cambria in August.

SUNNYVALE L.B.C.

By Pearle Patton

After the Spring rains, and two weeks of refurbishing of our Green by the Sunnyvale Parks Department personnel, the turf is lush and lovely. The Green is open five days and two evenings each week in the summer, so we do not lack for bowling practice.

Our club women's singles winner, Mrs. Tecla Shepard, won the Brooks Trophy (singles) in Oakland on April 11th, then went on to win the California State Womens Lawn Bowling Tournament Secondary Singles Trophy at the Santa Anita Greens in Arcadia on April 30th.

The Sunnyvale and Palo Alto clubs have this year initiated games for a Friendship Plaque. Palo Alto played host to several Sunnyvale teams—and won the 1974 series.

On May 18th eighteen members of the Cambria Lawn Bowls Club journeyed to Sunnyvale. Games were played in the morning, lunch was served, and more games filled the afternoon hours. Cambria has Astroturf, so our Green seemed heavy to our visitors. Everyone enjoyed the games and visit, and Sunnyvale teams plan to accept the hospitality of the Cambrians in the late summer.

Several new members have joined our club, with prospects being coached each week. A brochure and other information on bowling is kept in a box on our equipment cart which is rolled from the mat room to the Green each time we play. This material is given to any interested bystanders.

DEL MESA CARMEL L.B.C.

By Norman H. Angell

Bowling weather has been good and our improved green has been enjoyed by our bowlers.

Not being in a position to do much if anything in the way of inter-club matches, we have instigated a sort of permanent intra-club "ladder" type tournament.

To start, members names were drawn

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from a hat and placed on the "ladder" in the order drawn. Anyone on the ladder can challenge any one of the three immediately above him, and if the challenger wins, the names on the ladder change places.

The basic theory of this arrangement is that over a period of time the order established on the ladder will reflect the ability of the players, and improving players have the opportunity to climb the ladder to a more imposing position.

The rules require that a challenge match be played within two weeks. If it is not, the challenger wins by default. There has therefore been a wild scramble to challenge those members whose wives have them on a junket to Europe or the South Seas and who, probably completely without their knowledge have had to forfeit a dozen or so matches. Upon their return they will presumably be out to re-establish their position.

The man whose name was drawn last is in an enviable position. He is low man on the totem pole. He is free to travel unscathed, and travel or not, no one can challenge him. It is the only stable position on the list.

RICHMOND L.B.C.

By Dave and Judy Redo

Richmond is entertaining again thanks to Bill Fewins and the city for restoring our burnt-out club house. With our "new look club house" have come quite a few new and prospective members. Ferb and Bessie Drenth have brought three new members into the club and have interested several prospective members. Our games have also been graced with a very lovely and entertaining Irish visitor, HESSIE DICKSON (Martha Hill's sister).

Blow the trumpets!!! The Bowling News Challenge Trophy, a PIMWD trophy, was won by our ladies over Palo Alto LBC. Winning in a close game were Ann Baker, Judy Redo and Erma Artist.

Fresno LBC hosted 17 Richmond bowlers in our annual Richmond-Fresno competition. The bowling was great (Richmond retained the trophy), but the highlight of the weekend was the fantastic shish-ka-bob dinner prepared by Kay and Angie Soghomonian. Trophy winners were Glen Batchelder, Ferb Drenth and Hazel James.

LEISURE TOWN L.B.C.

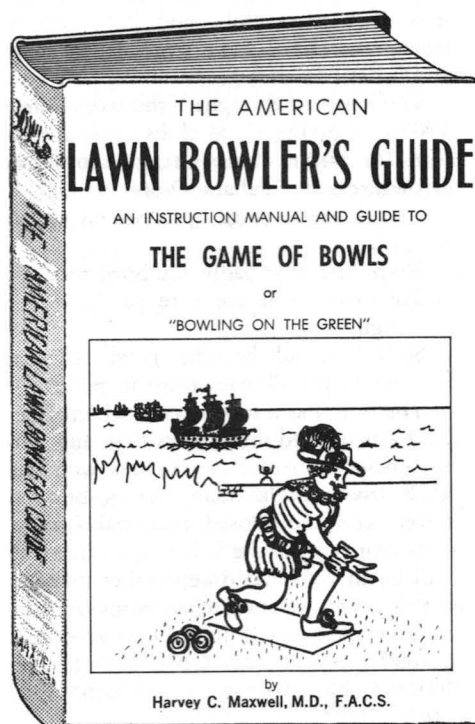
Vacaville, Calif.

By G. D. Crane

By the time this appears in print, we will have completed the BARL (Bay Area Retirement League) games. At pre-

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sent our club holds a comfortable plus with but two games to be completed. It will be recalled that Leisure Town won last years series. All credit must be given to Phil Moehr for the way he has handled the organization and play of the games.

Our club has but one more 'get together' game this year—our Invitational to be played September 21st. We have quite a few 'on-coming' bowlers, who, it must be admitted, are eventually going to make the older players look to their laurels.

Our greens, thanks to the excellent work of Jack Schoedinger and his crew, are now in very good condition.

On a personal note may I express great grief and sorrow over the condition of John Diest. When active in the San Francisco Club, I had many personal and correspondence contacts with this excellent gentleman and bowler. We all wish him every success in his recovery and hope to again see him an active player in our—the greatest of all games.

PALO ALTO L.B.C.

By Paul Houseman

A New Shining Light At Palo Alto.

Dick Sund will not win a beauty contest even if he does get his hair styled like a Roman Gladiator at a hair stylist.

After retiring a year ago at Stanford, he became an active enthusiastic lawn bowler. The usual job a new member falls heir too were performed in excellent fashion. He willingly took an any projects that came his way. His bowling improved with practice. Developing a smooth delivery and deliberate style.

Dick's winning way makes friends for him at every turn. What a pleasure to ride with him to the South West Tournament in Pasadena. It did not take him long to make friends on the Green at Arroyo Seco.

During our building construction this spring, Dick spent at least 4 hours a day for 3 months cleaning and helping make it possible to bowl during this period.

He was chosen to play on one of the Inter-Cities teams and again on a cup team. He participated in the U.S. Singles and Doubles competition winning one game in each. A respectable showing in all his games. How nice to have a new member like Dick Sund in our club.

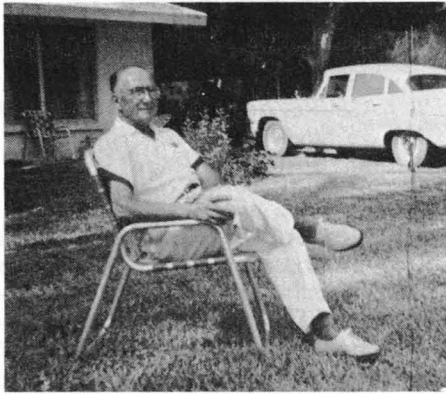
Old Lady: "Here's a penny, my poor man. How did you get to be so destitute?"

Beggar: "I was just like you, lady. Always giving away vast sums of money to the poor and needy."

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SOUTHEAST DIVISION

Russell Fourman, Staff Correspondent



RUSSELL L. FOURMAN
SOUTH EAST DIVISION

The Truth in a Vein of Humor

The first year you learn to bowl, you are told 399 things you should do to become a good bowler. Every club member wants to be helpful with advice.

Gradually you will receive lots of criticism. During the first year you will be happy, learn to love yourself. You won't expect too much from yourself and you won't recognize a mistake when you make one. You will become enthusiastic and a perfect booster.

The second year, you will learn to hate yourself, when you throw a wrong bias and make 500 other mistakes, for you know you should bowl a better game. Also you think you know everything about the game.

The third year, you have learned you know very little about the game and you will go into a 27 year slump. Some days you play a perfect game and the next day you will miss everything and learn to say in silence "Dam it".

When resting at home, looking at TV, watching golf—ten pin bowling, baseball, or any other sport, you will see all the experts and professionals use a different stance, proving each person has a different built body, and a different method of delivery.

All the past and present greats were never taught spot bowling. The JACK is moved many times during any game and the creation of new spots must be comedy. As to width and length only you and God control that. I bowled my first 36 years without a wrong bias, which act represents plain carelessness.

Have pride in your bowling, be a pal to all in your club, let humility be uppermost in your actions and never domineer or use sarcasm. God did not give all the brains to one man.

Like Ezra Wyeth, I have visited and

bowled, and taught bowling at about 72 clubs in America over a period of 40 years and I find some social, some competitive, but an equal amount of happiness. The grass clubs and hard surface clubs, each have their own league play and it has proven a great success.

The summer drought, (the worst since 1907), is giving some clubs quite a concern for water. If no change soon, you can address us, "Sahara Desert."

Life is only a stage upon which we all play,

No matter how badly you bowl today, Tomorrow you are sure to do it the right way

So let us all become good bowlers, when you deliver, learn to pray.

The S. E. has a top bowler, whom I believe has bowled more years than any other bowler in America. He has won the U. S. open singles many times, but has never won the Closed National Crown. This year he won the S. E. singles title and will be in Arizona in September, playing the 5 other division champions for the most coveted cup. If John Deist gives him a good green and the Good Lord takes a liking to him, I know he will win. Good Luck, Art.

DAYTONA BEACH L.B.C.

By Leo J. Lalone

Our congratulations go to Roy Stone for coming in first with 28 out of a possible 30 points in our inter-club tournament for the 1974 Season.

Another first for our club was President's Day and although the weather did not co-operate, everyone had a good time and the winners of the event were A. Royle, H. Wise and A. Evans.

We trust all our members will have a good Summer and we hope to have them all back in the Fall for another successful Season.

DE LAND L.B.C.

By Gordon R. Bateman

We are in the middle of a very ambitious summer program of Lawn Bowling. Some "Snow Birds" have gone north but many bowlers have remained.

One group bowls regularly in the cool of the morning, six days a week. Sunday is available. Sometimes we play "Cut-throat" each person for himself. No skip is used. Only the nearest bowl (one) is counted.

Several evenings, under the lights we bowl again. This summer we plan a singles and doubles tournament. We hope for

exchange visits with Orlando and Mt. Dora. We have hopes for one pot luck supper per month on a Saturday. Bring some food, paper plates, service, put all of the food out and hope for the best.

Our air conditioning installation has just been ordered and we plan on some social evenings at our excellent clubhouse.

Have you ever tried breakfast at 7 a.m. and bowling at 8 a.m. We have. Have you ever tried fun games of bowling skill? You should. Enthusiasm is the key word and this summer we seem to have it.

We hope for light refreshments after the evening bowling. With each person dropping a coin in the box. We plan on a final "bang up" show and dinner around October 15.

Correct address for De Land L.B.C., South Amelia Ave., Earl Brown Park.

SUN CITY CENTER L.B.C.

By Sid Dargie

Our Bowling Season was completed at the end of March and we held our Annual Banquet at Bahia Beach Restaurant at which time we had good entertainment and showed a good Lawn Bowling Film from Australia and gave out all the trophies won by the Ladies League winners also the Mens—Mon.-Wed. League and the Mens Tues.-Thurs. League and of course the very popular Mixed Doubles League winners. Many of our regular season bowlers have gone North on vacation or leaving soon, however we have bowling every day throughout the Summer. WE have quite a few newcomers to Sun City Center this Spring who were interested in Lawn Bowling and we have had a series of clinics for these friends starting last April and just completed this past week and we feel that we will have some very good bowlers out of this group.

Our Season is from April to April as we bowl all Winter and our election of officers was held at our General Meeting on April 5th and the following were lectured:

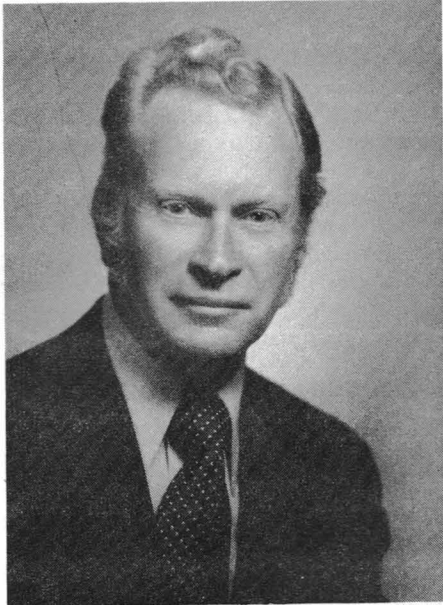
President, Norval (Bill) King; Vice President, Charles W. Clapp; Secretary, Dorothy Dohrn; Treasurer, Bernard R. Dohrn; Assistant Treasurer, Herbert J. McMullen.

The various Chairmen have all summer to pick their committees and arrange schedules so that when the first week of November rolls around they will be all ready. Our greens committee under the capable leadership of Ken Reed have promised to have our greens in good shape and we have the assurance of the Sun City Center Civic Association that they will do all they can to help make them in A-1 shape.

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EASTERN DIVISION

John F. Gilbert, Staff Correspondent



JOHN F. GILBERT
NEW YORK L.B.C.
 By Toni Mercer

On Saturday, April 27, we opened our 48th season with record-breaking attendance, 110 people. Among those present were reporters and photographers from The New York Times, New York Daily News, New York Post, Manhattan East (a neighborhood paper with approximately 200,000 circulation) and CBS-TV.

We received coverage in all four papers (New York Times article with photos, May 6; entire centerfold with pictures and story in the Daily News May 11) and CBS-TV 11th Hour News on April 27.

Since Opening Day, we've signed up 30 new members with more on the way and we're rapidly approaching the 100 membership mark. (This, despite the loss of 14 members from last year.)

Our ad in IMAGE, monthly program guide of WNET/Channel 13 (our local public TV station), produced 15 written responses and thus far five paid members.

Among our new members: Stan and Marion Lum (bowled at Spalding Inn, live in Manhattan, never knew the greens existed in Central Park); Bob Radford (newly arrived from England, taught bowling in Australia for 15 years—saw Opening Day announcement in the Daily News); Bob Psotto (our very own bag-piper! brought to the greens one Tuesday evening by Toni Mercer and new member Ted Coakley who found him playing the pipes in front of the Plaza Hotel.)

We've also received a request from the Recreation Department, Town of North Hempstead (L.I.) for information regarding cost of building and maintaining a bowling green.

All of the above boils down to one word: PROMOTION! If it can be done here in New York where opportunities abound for varied leisure time activities, it can be done anywhere. We urge every club to reach out to their community and surrounding area to attract new bowlers. There really are people out there who are interested. Our job is to let them know about us. Wouldn't it be great in a few years to give tennis and golf some real competition?

Following are winners of club tournaments thus far:

Mix/Match Doubles May 11—Henry/Mercer; runners-up Tomchik/Bowe.

U.S. Double May 18—Roache/Rodger; runners-up Tomchik/Radford.

Singles May 25—Men's: Tomchik; runner-up Altman.

Women's Bittner; runner-up Haferkamp.

Mix/Match Triples May 27—Roache/Rodger/Burk; runners-up Mercer/Henry/Siek.

One final note: Thanks from the club (especially the ladies) to Ted Coakley for his generous gift of a permanent Ladies Club Singles Trophy.



L. to R. Sports Editor N.Y. Times, Ms. Toni Mercer, Bob Protto.

BRIDGEPORT L.B.C.

By Robert Baxter

At the club's first meeting for 1974, the incumbent officers were re-elected for another year. Officers and committee chairmen for 1974 are:

Duncan Brown President
 Robert Baxter Vice President
 Hal Bartholomew Secretary-Treasurer
 Robert Smith Greens
 Robert Baxter Tournaments
 Donald Bundock Publicity
 John Donnachie Entertainment

Play for 1974 has begun on the new green which continues to improve steadily. Considerable work is being done on both the inside and outside of the new clubhouse, and when completed, the total facility will be really fine. The basic shell of the clubhouse is concrete block. The entry side, facing the green, is being faced by random stone and this is almost complete. The other three sides will be faced with a light colored brick, some of which is on site. Except for the concrete floor which was poured by the city, all of the labor has been voluntary mostly by club members, but also by friends on some specialized work. Great credit is due to all who have contributed.

The club continues to provide the bulk of the competition in the district tournaments, 21 teams out of 52 (40%) that took part in the first four. In doing so, these teams have won 5 out of the 10 prizes or 50% so that the club is more than holding its own in this regard.

As the season progresses, more members will be traveling further afield for tournament play, some already planning for the Nationals in Chicago and for the Division Tournament in Hartford-Springfield and elsewhere.

Just about the time that this issue of BOWLS is being received, two of our members, John Donnachie and John Fleming, Jr., will be representing District No. 1 in the U.S. Doubles Eastern Division playdowns at Buck Hill Falls. The good wishes of the club go with them.

HOLY NAME L.B.C.

By Paul A. Noffke, Jr.

Our schedule opened with the George Duffy-Gene Pelland Memorial Trophy on June 8 with a good entry expected. Congratulations to John McInnes, Bill Lewis and Charles Knightly for winning the 1973 Wednesday Night League.

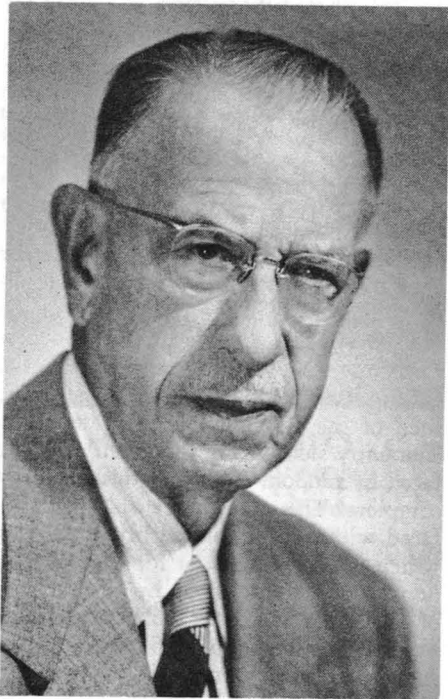
We welcome our newest members, Lawrence McKenna and Arthur Morin, both of Springfield. We look forward to success in obtaining many more new members this year.

Our greens are in top condition for the upcoming tournaments, thanks to the

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NORTHWEST DIVISION

Charles P. Middleton, Staff Correspondent



CHARLES. P. MIDDLETON

JEFFERSON PARK L.B.C.

By Ralph Andrews

The scenery was greenery and the April clouds were kinda kind and 120 members made the official bowling season opening on the 27th a day for renewing of spirits and friendly rivalries.

Many members were back from winter trips, from California and Hawaii tarryings and hands were out for Tacoma, Queen City and Portland delegations. Color was everywhere . . . the flags, the flowers outside and inside on the lunch tables were the potted blooms grown by Mary Anderson in her greenhouse and place settings by Ruth Campbell . . . and all of us better believe both of those women have the angels on their side.

John Johnson's House Committee, Margaret Andrews' Social Committee, Fred Burr's Grounds, and Bill Craig's Greens Committees, Alex Smith's Games people have all been efficiently active.

The triples winners for this day were—*morning game*—Kent Ratcliffe (skip), Ruth Richardson, Miller Bodell—*afternoon game*—Ralph Andrews (skip), Randy Ord, Helen Strohm.

Jefferson Park announces here its team for Inter-Club Competition: Joe Patelli, Bill Craig, Larry Hennings, John Johnson, Bob Boehm, captain. Alternates are: Bill Thies, Kent Ratcliffe, Warren Moir, Lloyd Anderson.

JP Men's Pairs, May 11-12, with 8 teams competing, were won by Bob Boehm and Bill Craig; runners up, Joe Patelli and John Johnson. Twilight League got under way for weekly Wednesday evening games, May 8.



The Tacoma Club, 22 strong, came visiting May 18th. In the games competition JP retained the inter-club trophy, but the Tacoma Triples team of Pat Boehm, Al Carlson, Ida Dahlberg was the highest scorer, defeating two JP teams 17-3 and 14-3. Runners-up in points was JP's Bud Bingaman, Roy Palm and Don Patton—this team also with two wins.

Northwest Spring Tournament opened May 25th with Bob Boehm winning the Singles, Kent Ratcliffe runner-up, both are JP. The team of Lewis Storm and Bill Burt of Queen City won the Pairs event; Jack Lambrecht and Walter Fairfax of Queen City were runners-up. Arley and Priscilla Hudson, of JP were mixed Pairs winners with Bob Boehm and Vera Bingaman both of JP were runners-up.

The club officially welcomes new members Vince LeVeille and Dick Hanson.

GRANTS PASS L.B.C.

By Cassie Higginbotham

We lost one of our most faithful members, when Herbert Berg died in April. Mr. Berg was one of our charter members and helped build our green. He was a carpenter and built our benches and retrievers for us, besides always being available to help maintain our green. Bill Quinnell, our vice-president moved to Eugene this spring so we have lost an-

TACOMA TEAM WINS HONORS

High scoring team, Tacoma Dayl of Jefferson Park: L. to . Ida Dahlberg, Pat Boehm (skip), Al Carlson.

other important member. We are going to have to get some new members this year.

We haven't been able to bowl this year due to the cold weather and reseeding of the green. We hope to get started soon, as it has finally warmed up and our new grass should take hold. We were sorry not to be able to participate in the tournament this year but our green was not ready and we did not have enough men, due to vacations, to field a team. We hope to see some of you later this summer. Be sure and stop if you are vacationing in this area. Grants Pass is a nice stopover spot if motoring up or down through the Pacific Coast states.

TACOMA L.B.C.

By Arnold MacKeen

Due to inclement weather for several months, rain and cold wind mainly, we have been unable to get in much bowling as yet.

However, on our Opening Day, April 20th, it calmed down sufficiently for us to play bowls, and a good crowd was on hand, including several car loads from Jefferson Park and Queen City Clubs, Seattle.

May 11th had been scheduled for President's Game Day, but we had to postpone that event because of the cold wind.

Of course, we are not the only club that has been slowed down by the weather; several other clubs have also had similar conditions. We are hoping for improvement soon.

An innovation this year has been our renting of a mini-bus to transport a dozen or so bowlers to visit Jefferson Park and Queen City clubs in Seattle. This has proven to be very satisfactory, as not very many members' cars were available. "Chuck" Hendry was the instigator of the idea, as well as the driver.

Well, June 1st turned out to be a warm, sunny day, and as twenty or so bowlers showed up ready to bowl, we decided to put on the President's Game, which we had to postpone back on May 11th. It was a most enjoyable affair, and President Dr. Sheppard presented generous prizes to the first and second winning pairs teams, namely Tekla Nygaard-Arnold MacKeen, and Theresia England-Charles Hendry.

Back on May 18th our Club visited Jefferson Park Club, but failed to bring back the inter-club trophy—22 of our members made the trip. However, the Triples team of Ida Dahlberg, Al Carlson and "Pat" Boehm, Skip, "made the headlines" by winning games by big scores.

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NEW BOWLERS CORNER

By Harvey C. Maxwell, M.D.

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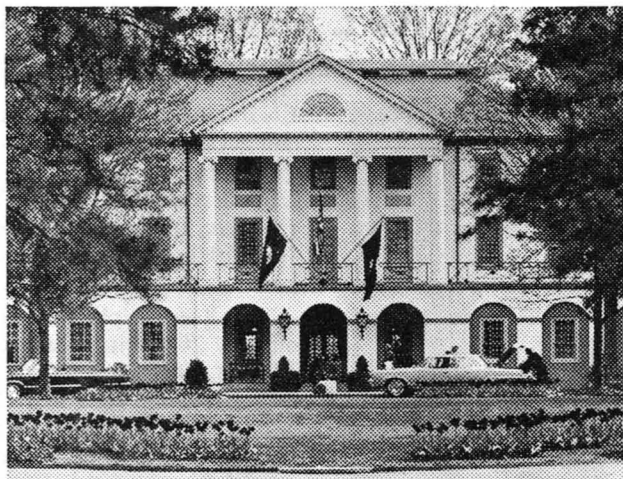
One of the most important problems facing the new bowler, and one in which there is considerable confusion, is deciding exactly how and where to place his feet correctly on the mat.

The crucial part that foot position plays in maintaining balance was never more forcibly brought home to anyone than to me. As many of you know, I am now undergoing the difficult task of rehabilitation following a severe cerebral vascular accident (or "stroke") which completely paralyzed both legs and both arms, and destroyed all sense of balance. By some miracle, and in answer to our prayers, there has been definite improvement, and the prognosis is encouraging.

Some ten years ago I started intensive research to determine the position in which a bowler should place his feet in order to best maintain balance and equilibrium. The results were as follows:

The Oblique Stance: **STAND OBLIQUELY**, place your feet so that you face the point of aim (not the jack), using the rink boundary marker as a guide. **STAND ERECT**, relaxed, knees slightly bent, *feet in normal standing position, with the toes turned out, and the heels far enough apart to maintain balance.* I am now more convinced than ever that this is the best stance for most bowlers.

It is a source of great personal satisfaction to me, at this time, to find the accuracy of this foot position once again very definitely corroborated. The physiotherapists here at the Beverly Manor Convalescent Hospital are all College Graduates with each a Bachelor of Science Degree and four years of training in his or her specialty. Day after day, with the crippled, the polio victim, the amputee, or the paraplegic trying to walk, they demonstrate that the feet must be well apart



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and the toes turned out, to broaden the base, in order to insure stability and equilibrium.

Balance is greatly impaired if the feet are close together, the toes parallel, or with a step placing both feet on the same line. It is not by accident that the police test the inebriate by having him walk a chalk line. This is a difficult test of balance, and an unnecessary handicap to a bowler. Fortunately most Americans, especially those with military training, naturally stand with the broader base.

I can not conclude this article without a few words of gratitude to my wonderful wife, Winifred, who has shouldered all the burdens and handled all the problems so well during this ordeal. One of her minor problems has been taking all this down in longhand and teaching herself to type it out!

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fine cooperation of our Park Department. The Park Commission and the Superintendent.

Our Charles Knightly, Treasurer of the 1974 Eastern Division Tournament Committee, is hard at work with various committees to make this tournament a memorable one.

CUNNINGHAM B.G.C.

By H. M. Tourville

On opening day, May 5, our 46th year in continuous operation, we had members from the tri clubs, Providence, Pawtucket and Chatham Clubs present. Opening ceremonies were conducted by Horace Wood and were honored by the presence of John P. Linehan, Chairman of the town of Milton Selectmen. Winners for the

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CENTRAL DIVISION

Ross Brown, Staff Correspondent



ROSS BROWN

GARY L.B.C.

By R. Brown

The Gary L.B.C. is off to a slow start in the 1974 bowls season. Here in the midwest, the weather hasn't been too conducive to our getting in much early season roll-ups. The season so far has been more like that of the late fall atmosphere.

We do hope to enter as many of club members as possible this year in the competitive events of the both the Chicago Lawn Bowls Association and those of the more competitive events of the Central Division and with other clubs in the area.

Our Opening Day went over with a fair amount of success, but there was the absence of a few of the old guard to bring about the really true bowls activity, nevertheless, it was a grand day and as always the Women's L.B.C. put on a nice lunch between the afternoon and morning games. It turned out to be a grand social event to start off the 1974 year on the Gary greens.

MILWAUKEE L.B.A.

By Alvin Wolfe

The greens at Lake Park were once again in excellent bowling condition for the opening of our 1974 season at the beginning of May, but cold weather and rain limited the bowling for several weeks. The Promotion Day luncheon on May 18, held at the Lake Park Pavilion, was a grand success, thanks in part to the co-ordination of Ray Baker, our hard-working and congenial Entertainment

Chairman. A record number of sixty-one guests (42 men, 19 women) showed great interest in the bowling program. Club secretary Ralph Welton reports that these recruiting efforts have already as of June 10 brought us 24 new male members.

The Reed Triples matches were played off May 26, having been postponed from May 11. Otto Hess skipped the winning team, bowling with Fred Hicks and Al Wolfe, Neil McCairns, Leroy Steller, and George Anderson (substituting for Howord McCotter who unfortunately had to go to the hospital for a short spell) formed the team that took second place in the event. Last year Otto Hess and Fred Hicks won the Stuart Doubles at Lake Park, an honor that somehow failed to get notice in Bowls magazine. Another correction of the reports of last year's bowling: Ken Degenhardt and Chet Schuller won the Thursday Evening Doubles, and Ed Erdtmann skipped the winning team in the County Triples.

The St. George's Singles were contested June 8 and 9, with Ken Degenhardt and Chet Schuller once again eliminating all other contestants up to the final event, which had to be postponed due to inclement weather. The same two men were matched in the final of the same competition last year, and in that case Degenhardt won. Whoever wins this year we know they are both outstanding bowlers.

The Women's Club Triples was played in early June, and the winning team was Carol Devlin, Barbara Prendergast, and Mary Nohl, skip. Dee Antinucci, Sara Harrison, and skip Gladys Bertrand were the runner-up team in that competition.

COLUMBUS PARK L.B.C.

By Mel Scott

The Bowling Season officially opened at Columbus Park on Sunday, May 5th, although a number of eager beavers were out for practice on Saturday. A doubles competition was held both morning and afternoon with the following winners:

A.M. 1st	Betsy White	2nd	Jean Scott
	Norm Taylor		Frank De Beers
P.M. 1st	Bridie Rowan	2nd	Cal Wright
	Pat Rowan		Ray Geer

The "Lockhart Trophy" was competed for on Memorial Day and after three games in ideal weather, the highest score was posed by Mary Stevenson and Art Horton.

On Sunday June 2nd Columbus Park were hosts to Lakeside LBC. Seven teams from each club competed in the City Mixed Trebles event. Again the weather was kind, unusual for this very wet spring. Separate events were held in the morning and afternoon with the following results:

A.M. 1st	May Henderson	Lakeside
	Pete MacDougall	
	Ken Henderson	
2nd	Betsy White	Columbus Park
	Mel Scott	
	Dan White	
P.M. 1st	Carol Altman	Columbus Park
	Cal Wright	
	Tom Davis	
2nd	Betsy White	Columbus Park
	Mel Scott	
	Dan White	

Many thanks are due to the volunteers who have worked hard to get the grounds and clubhouse ready for the season. Dan White, Norm Taylor, Elizabeth and Les Findletter, Betsy White and Jessie MacKenzie, to mention only a few, did a yeoman job. Thanks again are due to the clubhouse volunteers for tea preparations. Here we have to thank Florence Wolski, Lucille Nelson, Nancy De Beers and many others.

New skips elected for this year include Sam Creelman, Dan White, Tom Davis and Horace Jay. Best wishes to Nic Lauriston, a good bowler and faithful worker for many years, who has recently moved to Detroit. Kind regards to Donald McClay another fine bowler and enthusiastic worker who has been in poor health for some time. Preparations are already underway to improve our grounds and clubhouse for the Nationals in July which are scheduled for Lakeside Club, but Columbus Park will be making its greens available especially for the ladies' events.

We all know what an enjoyable and healthy game Lawn Bowling is and we all regret our declining membership due to retirements and transfers, but what a difference to the club it would make if each member set a personal goal of introducing just one new member to the club each year.

DETROIT EAST SIDE L.B.C.

By Gordon R. O'Hara

On the Saturday before our official opening on Memorial Day our club house was broken into and vandalized. In spite of the severe damage our members pitched in and cleaned up the mess in time for the season's first tournament for the Graham Dick trophy. There were four rinks of very keen competition in trebles. The winning team was (Pres.) W. Bernard, T. Dick and Skip D. Hunter. A delicious

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**RESULTS OF THE 1974 A.L.B.A.
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TRIPLES: CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

- 1st Place—R. Grove, Skip; H. Esch, P. Milroy.
2nd Place—R. Lindsay, Skip; B. Farrell, J. Gilbert.
3rd Place—O. Hess, Skip; H. Drost, A. Wolfe.
4th Place—R. Dickman, Skip; D. Young, F. Ocepeck.

1st Flight

- Winner—D. Coyle, Skip; D. Redo, O. Artist.
Runner-up—B. Shinn, Skip; V. Jackson, J. Flood.

2nd Flight

- Winner—J. Grainger, Skip; L. Wales, F. Perkins.
Runner-up—R. McGaffney, Skip; R. Brown, J. Donnelly.

DOUBLES: CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

- 1st Place—R. McGaffney, Skip; and R. Brown.
2nd Place—D. Young, Skip; and F. Ocepeck.
3rd Place—E. Erdtmann, Skip; and H. Drost.
4th Place—F. Roddy, Skip; and J. Roddy.

1st Flight

- Winner—A. Logan, Skip; and A. Walker.
Runner-up—D. Prachthausen, Skip; and C. Prachthausen.

2nd Flight:

- Winner—B. MacWilliams, Skip; and J. Stewart.
Runner-up—D. Coyle, Skip; and D. Redo.

SINGLES: CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

- 1st Place—F. Petit.
2nd Place—K. Martin.
3rd Place—B. Lindsay.
4th Place—L. Wales.

SINGLES:

1st. Flight:

- Winner—T. Rogers.
Runner-up—T. Davis.

2nd Flight:

- Winner—C. Forrester.
Runner-up—A. Wolfe.

Many thanks are extended to Lachlan McArthur of the Chicago Lakeside L.B.C. and his staff for running a good National Tournament under the overhanging conditions that seemed to prevail but were evidently conquered. (In order to save time and space, this report will be brief—A further and more extensive report will appear in the Central Division section of BOWLS in the next issue.)

Editors Note: This issue of Bowls was delayed in order to bring you the results of the A.L.B.A. National Open Tournament.

**From Bowls N.S.W.
THANKS FROM AMERICA
From Ezra Wyeth of California**

About this time a group of N.S.W. bowlers should be in Suva on its way back home after a grand tour of the West Coast here. They leave behind them a very deep impression of fine ladies and gentlemen who are a credit to themselves, the game and to Australia. We are sorry to see them leave.

I was unable to play against them due to a back problem, but did spend time watching and talking with them. I was privileged to drive four of them to a new club and it was a delight to listen to them.

One important by-product of the visit was the presentation of copies of your magazine to each club visited. I had received the copy of your June issue a few days before and was very glad to be able to look at the July issue that they brought.

I regard your June issue as the best issue of any bowls journal I can recall reading. You are to be congratulated. The cover set the very high standard and I have heard many excited comments about the picture. It is a winner.

For me there was special pleasure. I do not know how to express my thanks to you for publishing my two articles. Your bowlers were very impressed by them. I even had to sign some copies of my book for them and stopped proceedings twice—or rather your bowlers did—to pay tribute to my contribution to the game. I doubt I deserved the notice, but I did appreciate what they said. The long years of effort are being rewarded by the reaction of such as your bowlers.

One sought me out to tell me that after reading what I had written about getting a picture in the mind before playing a shot and being able to play the shot with the eyes closed, he and a friend went out and surprised themselves at the accuracy they achieved when bowling with their eyes closed.

For your part in all this, thanks.

Definition of a baby: An alimentary canal with a loud voice on one end and no sense of responsibility at the other.

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"I cannot say, madam. Perhaps Mr. Smith has taken a fancy to you. He is a widower and you are very beautiful and—yes, ma'am, one dollar. Thank you."

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lunch was served during the day by our ladies. Because of several problems our membership committee could not follow all the plans we had devised to attract new players to our club. However, to date we have John Barron sponsored by C. Gurney and a most welcome Angus McDonald who, being in his early twenties will be a real booster for our club. He is sponsored by J. Smith. Now that summer is here we can expect many days of competitive bowling and, as usual, invite any lawn bowlers who come to this area to visit our greens. We are listed in the phone directory under Detroit East Side Lawn Bowling Club.

EAST CLEVELAND L.B.C.

By Fred H. Klein

Happy to announce another successful Opening Day Ceremony May 5th of our club, complete with the Commonwealth Highlanders Color Guard and the Caledonia Pipe Band. This is an occasion enjoyed by all.

Both our greens seem to be in good condition. We have acquired fourteen new members so far who are taking quite an interest and show great promise.

This is the 40th year for our club, we have five active Charter members. They are: Al Shillito, Archie Dow, Peggie Dow, Tom Adie, and Duncan Sloan. We also have one active and competitive bowler, Chris Adie, who is eighty years old. We would be interested to hear how many bowlers are bowling at this age or older.

We regretfully announce the death of Jim McKechnie, one of our oldest and finest charter members. He was president of the club three times, he was eighty-three years old. Jim will be greatly missed by all of us. Hope this will be a successful bowling season for everyone.

CINCINNATI L.B.C.

By Proxy for Victor Abnee

In keeping with our custom of recent years, we spent Opening Day and the next-day Open House watching the rain from the Club House porch. This was especially disappointing because Central Division President Burt MacWilliams and his lovely wife had journeyed down from Cleveland to attend the festivities. Better luck next time, Burt, and make it soon.

With that slight postponement, our 1974 season got off to a great start, with record attendance at the Memorial Day Tournament. This was a gala, day-long affair with a sumptuous picnic lunch topped off by heaps of home-made cookies and gallons of punch. For all of which,

THANKS to Florence Lloyd, Martha Seigfreid, Gwen Mancuso, Bessie Black, and Lucie Manke.

Thanks to 1st V.P. Red Lloyd and helpers, the Lady Members were pleasantly surprised to find a newly decorated Locker Room, complete with a rug on the floor and a new mirror in the powder room.

Again, rain washed out Opening Night of the Mixed Couples League, so we have our fingers crossed for the upcoming Men's Singles and Doubles Tournaments. Y'all Come See Us.

MILWAUKEE WEST L.B.C.

By Neil D. Bultman

Our summer season is getting under way, starting with beautiful and fast greens, we are well into our club events. We will again be having our Tuesday evening contests with the men's club from Milwaukee (Lake Park) during the bowls season.

The few remaining bowlers from Racine LBC were recently visitors to our greens and we enjoyed a full day's bowling and lunch with these old stalwarts of the game.

Columbus Park teams will visit us this year for an inter-club match and a group of us will travel to Racine to return their visit to our green. We look forward to an enjoyable visit to both clubs and to try to match their skills with some of our own.

JOE BELL

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plies that you can get, yes and no, so there is a 50-50 chance that you may get the answer we want. How about it!

In my letter to the editor for the April issue of "BOWLS" I mentioned that I had sent letters and literature to 16 Recreation and Park Depts. in southern California requesting that they consider the formation of a lawn bowls club and the installation of a bowling green.

I have had several replies and I feel sure that we have publicized our sport in the best places and eventually will be gainful.

Today, I received a letter from President Reynolds containing the news that the City of Anaheim has requested a meeting with our Divisional greens committee, Anaheim was one of the cities that received the letter and literature, so, as I have already said, ask a question and you may get the answer you want.

I have received queries from Kingman, Arizona and Garland, Texas so our horizon is growing.

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COURSE ON BOWLS

By Ezra Wyeth

The outline of the course on lawn bowls has made slow progress through committees at California State University, Northridge. It will become part of the regular program in the Fall, 1975. However, it will be offered in the Extension program in the Spring semester which starts in late January. It will be taught at Beverly Hills L.B.C. on Wednesday afternoons.

It is a 16 week course which calls for 2 hours instruction each week. Most students will follow this schedule. To meet the needs of some who wish to become coaches the schedule will be varied. They will meet for 4 hours on alternate weeks. For the first two hours they will be in class. Then for the next two they will act as teachers. Some of their students will come from Beverly Hills High School.

In addition to receiving instruction in techniques those who enroll will study the laws of the game.

If you are interested either in becoming a better player or a coach the course will offer something for you. The cost will be \$35—about a dollar an hour. For further information please write to me at CSUN, Northridge 91324.

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CLEARWATER L.B.C.

By Kurt Dornau

As this article is going to press many of our Northern friends have left us for cooler climes. We wish them well and hope to see all of them again when the next season rolls around.

Our weather has been superb for bowling. However, as of this writing the water shortage is so acute that our sessions have to be curtailed. Afternoon bowling has been eliminated since early May. Our plans for Evening/Night also are up in the air until such time as "PLUVIUS" will give us the benefit of some rain.

Results of the Annual Fun 'n Sun Mixed Triples:

First place—3 wins 51 plus 13 points
Dorothy and Charles Weeks—skip
Ivan Patchell

3 teams had three wins—43 plus 3 points

Dorothy Tewksbury, Bob Livingstone, skip—Willis Tewksbury

Dora Lang, Hub Pypers, skip—
Dick Lang

Carmon Smith, Jack Muir, skip—
Harry Hope (St. Petersburg)

Mount Dora Visit: Clearwater won 10 games to 5 in the morning session. A fine lunch was served by our ladies committee under Kaye Minions. Mount Dora won 8 of 16 games in the afternoon with one tie recorded. The highlight was a rare BIG NINE scored by our team of Grace Bush, Henry Moore and Rollin Bush.

The Singles elimination for the National title play in Arizona in September was an all Clearwater affair. Clovis Lutz put on an excellent show losing his first game to Bill Smith 21-12, but thereafter he easily subdued Ray Grove 22-9, Peter Milroy 21-3 and in his second encounter with Bill Smith he won 21-7. Bill Miller's play against Arthur Hartley, the eventual winner by 21-19, also was a very spirited game, with Hartley winning in the last end after four ties had been recorded.

In the S.W. Women's L.B.A. Triples Tournament held in St. Petersburg March 19th and 20th the following winners emerged:

Clearwater—K. Minions, D. Weeks, J. Dunn 65 plus 10
Canada—J. Bell, M. Dodds, R. Pegg 65
Clearwater—E. Holmes, D. Lang, P. Dunbar 55

Several "Get Acquainted" tournaments have been held between some of our players and those of our Neighbor Club, Top of the World. It is planned that these affairs will continue and become part of our playing pattern.

During the South Eastern Tournament, on Monday evening March 18th, St. Patrick's Day was celebrated at our club house. All amateurs, certain of our members excelled in their presentations of sketches and songs which professionals would be proud of. Nancy and Peter Tait covered the stage settings, Tom Duncan was an efficient Master of Ceremonies, Rhene Jaques kept things moving with her piano accompaniment and Kaye Minions arranged and supervised the buffet and many others behind the scenes.

Officers for the year—President, Arthur Hayes; Vice President, Craig Shepherd; Treasurer, Carl Christman; Secretary, Phyllis Parkman.

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TOP OF THE WORLD L.B.C.

By Walter Lane

May has been a big month on our Lawn Bowling rinks.

Early in the month our Singles Championship was decided with Al Hogue winning over Jiggs Wheler. Each player had won three games in the elimination series and met for the championship final. Al's fine draw shots brought a win of ninety-five points to seventy-six for Jiggs. This singles tournament will be an annual event in our club program.

On May 7 six teams of men from our club visited the Clearwater Lawn Bowls Club, playing an eighteen-end game with picked teams from that club. Our bowlers were winners in only one game, losing five closely contested matches. The winning team from TOW included Walter Lane, skip; Fred Lyons, Vice skip; and Henri Carter, lead. We plan to continue this exchange from time to time, giving our bowlers an opportunity to gain valuable experience against high calibre opponents.

On May 8 the ladies took center stage when we entertained twenty-four lady bowlers from the Clearwater Club. Our rinks were a beautiful sight with forty-two ladies in action, all dressed in their white costumes. Eight teams were skipped by TOW ladies and eight by Clearwater skips, with the other members of each team drawn from the bowlers of both clubs. Two games were won by teams skipped by Anne Thomson and Dorothy Tewksbury for TOW; the other four wins went to skips representing Clearwater. This visit by the Clearwater ladies was such a happy event that our ladies will be guests of the Clearwater Club later in May.

Another championship was decided in the third series of match games which have been going on through the winter. In this five-game series, involving eight teams of selected bowlers, only one team was undefeated, and two other teams won over half their games as follows:

First, Wheler, Luckheim, Archer, 5 wins 75 points; second, Ringholm, Lyons, Cartier, 4 wins, 1 loss, 77 points; Third, Burns, Lane, Heimbrook, 3 wins, 2 losses, 81 points.

With so many of our regular bowlers now leaving for various periods of vacation, all tournament play will be suspended until October. Our Saturday morning Jitney will continue, and we shall arrange our regular, friendly draw games each morning starting at 8:30 a.m. during the summer months.

MOUNT DORA L.B.C.

By Alex Whiteside

Our winter visitors seemed to be scared of Florida summer weather. About half of us who stay put really enjoy life and have a good time on the rinks. Here are a few short excerpts about the weather taken from our weekly Mount Dora Topic written last summer.

Over 100 enjoyed the Memorial Day picnic until the crowd stuck their noses outdoors in the heat, but 42 signed up for bowling.

July 26. Last tuesday was the hottest night of the year, 92 at 7:30 p.m. Russ Trenholme rode his bike down to the rinks as usual and there were three rinks going.

Aug. 9th. Lawn bowling may be enjoyable when it is hot, but the best part is because it feels so good to quit. Mornings are comfortable. The thermometer invariably reads in the lower seventies at wake up time. As the shade leaves the eastern rinks and the sun gets in its licks games are curtailed and the faithful hurry home for a nice cool shower. Evenings are different. One watches the thermometer and hopes it will go down. Usually it does or a rain comes and cool it off. Note: Showers are usually short and we get in our evening bowling over fifty percent of the time.

About half of us stick it out and really have a good time in the summer months even when Old Sol and Jupiter Pluvius are busy.

Our new roster carries 376 members, eleven of them honorary. Quite a few no longer bowl but continue to pay their dues and I call them "good will" members. I consider this quite remarkable for a town as small as Mount Dora.

Yesterday evening about sixty showed up for a picnic lunch in the club house, in spite of the fact that it had drizzled all day and there was no bowling. Last year there was over a hundred. So you see we do keep right on rolling all summer in spite of intermitant rains. We depend upon these rains to keep the grass green and the flowers blooming and get in our games between them.

ST. PETERSBURG L.B.C.

By N. C. Farr

Almost ninety percent of our membership are now bowling on the green on their home rinks and those left here just envy them. Change is a way of life, of course, and greatly accelerated it seems these days, but it comes to our club with a capital "C" this spring. To serve with our President Carmon Elliott during the 1974-75 season will be Stan Bryan, Vice

President; Secretary, John Kirby; Treasurer, Harry Hills.

With the resignation of our greenskeeper Lee Grimshaw who served us well for nearly fifteen years, and the sudden and tragic illness of our custodian James Miller and the resignation of jovial Bill Chapman as Sec'y-Treas. the tremendous burden of picking up the pieces fell solidly on the shoulders of President Elliott who could call on few indeed for assistance. Fortunately before the exodus this spring many members volunteered to assist in cleaning and painting all frame buildings and other structures around the premises. The city assisted in painting the main club room.

The primary concern of all was the quite unsatisfactory bowling surface endured this past season. With the willing and very able Pete Larsen, Carmon was happy to remove the old sand, scrape and roll the base and apply reclaimed Rubico to bring our rinks back to their former excellence.

In addition to all this the A.L.B.A. Bowl Testing Facility except for bowl manufacturers so far as known being the only such facility in the world is under the able management of member Elliott. Fortunate was he to find to assist him on the table and lathe Elmer Talbot a fine technician. These two keep the shop open for business five days a week and service some dozen clubs here in Florida. These clubs bowling on hard surface comprise nearly twentyfive percent of all lawn bowling in the United States which adds up to being a very important adjunct of the A.L.B.A. as well as making hundreds of hard-surface bowlers here in Florida happy.

As hosts to the Southeast Division next March encourages us to make every effort to have our rinks in fine shape and the premises ship-shape and hope nothing will prevent full and happy participation next spring.

SARASOTA L.B.C.

By Kay Prachthauser

Things are rather quiet around here these days as the winter months are our season. About mid-April we start bidding our friends au revoir and one by one and two by two they begin to leave us for home and northern climes. By mid-May our numbers are few but we have wished them all a safe trip, a good summer and a happy return in the fall. We've had a wonderful season with the acquisition of new members who are a good and welcome addition to the club.

However, all summer we will be bowling with a dozen or so each day, and it really isn't too hot to be doing something

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day included: M. Benos, P. Motta, W. Wallace, J. Ziniti, Cunningham Club; S. Oldershaw, C. Reeves, A. Russell, Quincy Club; A. Cline, Boston Club.

On Newcomers Day, May 11, conducted by former Eastern Division President Jack MacDonald, the club hosted several prospective members. We welcome our newest members, Mr. and Mrs. George C. McCarty.

Our Memorial Day Tournament was very well attended in spite of the 48 degree temperature. Winners for the day included: R. Murphy, M. Holderried, L. MacDonnell, M. Tourville, Cunningham Club; I. MacArthur, D. Dunn, F. Fyfe, P. Mackay, J. Fraser, Quincy Club; M. Fishman, S. Haight, Boston Club.

We will participate in the Town of Milton, Revolutionary War Bicentennial Celebration by co-hosting the 1975 Eastern Division Tournament. The event is expected to attract lawn bowlers from the Eastern Seaboard and Canada. Lawn bowlers from any club will be welcome to take part in the tournament and to attend the many side events and sight-seeing tours planned for the Bicentennial. Keep this tournament in mind for 1975.

SPALDING INN L.B.C.

By Randall E. Spalding

Early season activities here have been highlighted by lawn bowling "clinics" and other demonstrations primarily for the benefit of the various college reunions, seminars, and other small convention groups, which patronize Spalding Inn Club previous to the arrival of our

regular Spring and Summer clientele. These events have proved to be of great interest to dozens of visitors unfamiliar with the game, and they are encouraged to participate following the exhibitions and after receiving a modicum of instructions.

For the first time since lawn bowling was inaugurated here in 1952, Mrs. Spalding and the writer were not present at the Club's opening as a result of being members of Hamilton McInerney's "Lawn Bowling Adventure" in the British Isles. We found this to be a wonderful experience and had the opportunity of bowling at Dublin, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Keswick, Torquay and London.

Our Irish, Scotch and English hosts could not have been nicer and their hospitality was really overwhelming. All the greens which we played on were in excellent condition and very fast; Twenty foot rinks. At the Bainfield Club in Edinburgh rain interrupted our game, really a fortuitous circumstance for it afforded us the opportunity of moving inside to finish the match on a magnificent carpeted indoor green even faster than outdoors, and also with twenty foot rinks.

Mid-June found us safely back home here in New Hampshire where our surrounding mountains, dense forests, open green fields, lakes, brooks and rivers, are a constant reminder of similar scenes abroad, in which good companions and cordial hosts, all combined to create a memorable, happy and exciting adventure.

*Don't drive as if you owned the road.
Drive as if you owned the car.*

SMITHFIELD AVENUE L.B.C.

By Joseph McKechnie

Fraternal greeting to all brother bowlers!!

The good weather is once more with us and our club looks forward to another fine season. As of now, our green looks real good thanks to the many hours of preparation put in by our Bob Watt and his group of willing helpers. Our floral part of the landscape is again in the hands of our man with the green thumb, Harold Dickinson, so a fine display is assured.

1974 officers are: George Sayer, President; Robert Brandon, Vice President; James Candelet, Secretary; Howard Bacon, Treasurer; David Adam, Financial Secretary. Members of the Board of Directors are: Robert Smart, George Gregory, James McGlashan and Larry Mosier.

A hearty welcome to two of our promising younger members, Robert Santa Padre and Robert Chorney who will be co-chairmen of the Twilight League Committee as well as our club and invitational tournaments. We wish them all success.

Our retired members group, a separate entity and 26 strong, plan another fine season including six home and home matches with our good friends of the Quincy Club.

James Doctor is 88 years young and he and his good wife have just celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary. Then we have Ray and Mrs. Sawyer celebrating a partnership of 50 years. To these good members, we offer our best regards and good wishes and "Lang May Your Lums Reek."

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SANTA CRUZ L.B.C.

By Sandy Davis

Enthusiasm for bowls and enjoyment of the game for fun, sociability or serious play can best be served on a quality playing surface of the bowling green; our green needs only a few spots levelled to make it an ideal haven for lawn bowlers.

We have quality equipment, a new Parks Department Super in charge of our green, with advice and lots of help from our club members; however, we should follow Dr. Edgar R. Haley in "Bowls" magazine articles—his avocation is better greens for enjoyment of lawn bowlers.

The logical club expansion in Santa Cruz is to go into retirement communities and mobile homes parks for new members, and convert them to lawn bowling.

For younger members in our club, they could be vouched for by an older member; thus their numbers would have to be limited.

This club is located on public grounds and lawn bowling is a recreational sport sponsored by the City Parks & Recreation Department, and as long as we can share their good-will we are "in good hands" and can enjoy our bowls in peace.

We can supplement our individual efforts in membership by passing out to interested people our brochure on lawn bowls, and gain some new members. Our new members are coming into the Club at a reasonable rate now and will soon fill our busy one green lawn bowling facility.

May 20th the Santa Cruz Lawn Bowling Club members celebrated—we honored our charter members—this on the 10th anniversary of dedication of the Park and the Bowling Green—our generous Board of Directors served a free dinner to all active bowlers of the Club. Everybody attending this affair, headed by Andy Walker and Committee, enjoyed the repast and had a good time. The entertainment after dinner was very good for this special occasion.

HONOLULU L.B.C.

By Ray Johnson

The Honolulu Lawn Bowls Club 1974 Open Doubles Tournament was won by John Bray, skip, and Alex Corpacius, lead. Skee Bishop and Bill Gullede finished second followed by Kay Eaton and Randy Crossley.

At the time of this report, Don McArthur is at the top of the Singles Lad-

der, followed in order by Jack Bird and Martin Mason.

The quality and pace of our Green is much improved, thanks to our new 30-inch Scott-Bonnar mower-roller purchased recently from the factory at Thebarton, Adelaide, South Australia.

Don McArthur, et al, have removed the last high spot on our Green so that the grass does not vary more than 1/4-inch above or below the Green level.

The Bank, Retaining Wall, Line Markers, and Numbers (painted directly on the Bank) have been freshly painted. Also, 2 new rinks have been added, bringing our total number to 32.

LAKESIDE L.B.C.

By Paul Regoli Jr.

Lakeside Club, Oakland, California, is one of the smallest clubs—(21 members), with two of the youngest members, Joseph (15) and Tim Regoli (14). They have been bowling since they were nine years old. Lakeside Club has encouraged them and put them in all the major tournaments which resulted in their intense interest and desire to become lawn bowlers. They both entered the Walt Disney Masters in Beverly Hills. Their Grandfather, Paul Regoli, Sr. and their father have been bowling for many years. The Club's plans are to attract more young bowlers and make them welcome. Also we'll see that they participate in all the activities. It seems that if new members are left out, they soon lose interest.

Lakeside Club will host their Invitational on July 4th. This is their main activity of the year. We had four teams entered in the Intercities and finished second in the playoffs.

PACIFIC INTER-MOUNTAIN WOMEN'S DIVISION

By Jennie Higgins

Members of several of our clubs were active during a recent weekend, acting as markers for the men of the P.I.M.D., who were playing down for the right to represent the division at Sun City. We were greatly appreciated as, alas, there was little interest shown by the men to aid their clubmates.

We are now looking forward to our Tournament, September 7 through 13. This will comprise triples, pairs, singles and mixed pairs. Play will be at Berkeley for two days and then at San Francisco. Mrs. Wm. Service, 183 Parnassus Ave., San Francisco, 94117 will be happy to take your entries.

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you love with good people. This summer we will be bowling on the Porter grass green instead of marl as in previous years. The full green will be closed for a rest and reworking and the Porter green with three rinks has been put into great shape and ready for us.

Since last reporting there were three good tournaments. The Gail Porter Ladies' Doubles was won by Joyce Schindler and Laurie Daughenbaugh. The Men's Doubles results were Van DellaBianca and Ed Knable. Trophies for the City Friendship Tournament went to Clarence Arnold, Max Brandt and Charlie Gauvreau as winners and Helen Bugenhagen, Mary Scott and Charlie Herman the single high game winners

April Fools Day was really a fun day with 9 teams of trebles participating both morning and afternoon. We started with a spider and then a game where Leads were Skips and visa versa. It was found that Skips don't always make the best Leads! Helen Bugenhagen skipped her team of George Bradbury and Charlie Gauvreau to a win. After a delicious lunch served by the ladies, regular teams were drawn and two more games played. The high score winning team was Gertrude Schacht, Laurie Daughenbaugh and Ed Bentley.

Last but not least Sarasota is once again in possession of the Central Florida Grass League trophy.

Our annual meeting was held in March. The following are our officers. President, Tom Vorbach; Vice President, Ray Sarricks; Treasurer, George Boli, Secretary, Kay Prachthausen.

BELLE MEADE L.B.C.

By William Waller

BMLBC members have been active on their two rinks since early spring, although the hybrid Bermuda turf did not become luxuriant until the arrival of warm nights. In view of the ability of some of our bowlers to move the jack several yards from its original position on the last or next to last bowl of the end, with drastic changes in relative positions, we have introduced the rule that no bowl more than five feet from the jack shall be scored. We have also introduced the rule that the team knocking the jack out of bounds shall score one point, with the end being counted as an end played. Since these rules have been made, however, there have been few occasions to apply them.

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SPRINGFIELD L.B.C.

By Bill Keay

The opening of our greens was delayed for about three weeks, however, opening day finally arrived and we had an excellent turnout of members. We now look forward to a fine season of competitive bowling, both home and away, also other special events calling for play extending well into October.

On Saturday, May 25, four teams journeyed to the Thistle Greens in Hartford to participate in the Hartford Courant Trophy. There were 18 teams entered and four teams reached the finals, a team from our club, John Davidson, Ernest Nicoll and Bill Keay (skip) placed third in the finals.

On Saturday, June 1, our club had four teams competing in the Bill Bliss Tournament at the Thistle Greens in Hartford. There were 14 teams entered. Four teams were winners of three games each. The result of the final playoff was a team from Springfield, John Davidson, Ernest Nicoll and Bill Keay (Skip) defeating Don Ward, Jim Ward and Frank Dobek (Skip) from the New Britain Club.

We were saddened by the sudden passing of Joseph Sneddon. All of us will miss his fine personality and cheerful attitude on and off the greens. The members of the Springfield Club extend their deepest sympathy to his wife and family.

CATARACT CITY L.B.C. INC.

By Alex Dunlop

Delayed one week owing to inclement weather, our lawn bowlers are now making up for lost time. Jim Willis, Duncan Gillis and Skip Ernie Fisher won 2nd place with three wins at Beamsville, Ontario.

Saturday, June 1st, three of our bowlers, Alex Dunlop, Ed Ventry and Skip Dave Kennedy took down 1st prize with three wins in a Niagara Frontier Lawn Bowls Tournament at St. Catherine's Ontario.

We opened our regular Thursday night Jitneys on May 30th with Dougie Henderson and Alex Dunlop teaming up to win 1st prize.

Club officers are planning a bigger and even better Jim O'Sullivan Tournament on Saturday, August 24 which was so successful last year. Entries came from Southern and Western Ontario, including St. Catherine's, Hamilton, Toronto, London and also Cleveland, Ohio. Seen from coast to coast, the home of the Miss U.S.A. Pageant, our new Niagara Falls Convention Center is a thing of beauty and we

invite all our lawn bowlers throughout the country to come see our Rebuilding Downtown Program. Come see the American Niagara and Horseshoe Falls and bowl on our 3 greens at beautiful Hyde Park. Send your entries for the August 24th Tournament to Lou Schira, 733-15th Street, Niagara Falls, New York, phone 1-716-285-7221.

Edward Ventry, our club president, will become president of the Eastern Division on August 5th the opening of the Eastern Division Tournament at Hartford, Connecticut. We wish all lawn bowlers a successful season.

BROOKLYN/B.G.C.

By Noel Hemming

Our members are looking forward to one of the most active seasons in recent years. Contrary to rumors which have been circulated in recent years in the Metropolitan area, the BBGS is *not* in the process of being disbanded. Thanks largely to the patient efforts of our ex-president, James Nicholson and continuing cooperation of our new president, Earl Valet, our relations with the New York Park Department have improved. More important, a handful of dedicated members have taken over maintenance of the greens and the playing surface is now vastly better than a year ago.

This season we are resuming the Invitational Brooklyn Cup Tourney to be held on July 27. Also, there will be the first contest for a trophy donated in memory of Howard Thurman. Howard, one of our oldest and most beloved members, died last year. The Club will also be represented at the Eastern Division Tournament this summer.

GREENWICH CT., L.B.C.

By William C. Babbitt

The 1974 season at Greenwich L.B.C. was off to a good start with an excellent turnout on our usual late April opening day. The green is in fine condition, thanks to our efficient and interested Parks Department.

Greenwich hosts the Connecticut State Rinks Tournament this year (June 30) and, as usual, is participating actively in the Southern Connecticut League's 20 scheduled tournament of which it will host four. Best performance to date is by the team of Ray Marchand (1), Andrew Anderson (vs) and David Liddell (s) which won the Currie Trebles Tournament at New Haven on June 2.

Officers for the year are: Patrick Gentle, President; Andrew Anderson, Vice President; David Liddell, Secretary-Treasurer assisted in the latter connection by George Andrew.

SUNRISE L.B.C.

By Marie Gorman

Open Day, April 27th, was bright and sunny with a fine turnout. Despite the loss of some bowlers who have moved, we have added seven new members and have several good prospects.

Many local newspapers and radio stations have given us spot announcements and we have a weekly notice in Long Island's largest newspaper, so our club is in a healthy position of recruitment.

On May 3, Club President George Bouton and his lovely wife celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. At the coffee break, we presented them with a beautiful gold card tray properly inscribed.

To Chris Cramer, sincere condolences on the death of her husband, Bill, a past president, was a fine gentleman who bowled into his 85th year.

Our first tournament of the season, a mixed triples, was played over the Memorial Day weekend. The winners were Jim Buttar (skip), Shelia Buttar (Vice skip) and Gene Casey (Lead). A hotly fought contest with victory obtained by just one point in the final game.

THISTLE L.B.C.

By Frederick C. Libutske

Despite the shock of a considerable raise in club dues, a good number of bowlers turned out for opening day and for the Hartford Courant Trophy Tournament.

The City of Hartford raised the annual fee for bowling from \$15.00 per person to \$40.00. Protests that this would cause a hardship on our members were unheeded. At the present writing, it now seems that we will retain most of our members despite the raise in dues.

The club is looking forward to the Eastern Division Tournament in early August. It will be held on the Hartford and Springfield greens.

A successful card party sponsored by a woman's committee from the area clubs was held in May. The proceeds from the party will help defray expenses for entertainment in connection with the Eastern Division Tournament.

David Kidd, President of Thistle, has announced that Mark Heber will head the Games Committee; James Campbell, the Greens Committee and Marion Strom, the House Committee for the coming season.

After you hear two witnesses tell about an auto accident, you're not so sure about history.

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soaking wet. It is a shame, as a short forthright program followed by a little extra routine care can change such a situation to one of happy exciting bowling, with the thrills of skillful shots.

We will discuss the problem of the heavy thatch, its removal and control, at this time. Later the eradication of weeds and proper irrigation will be taken up.

With few exceptions, if any, the turf of bowling greens is composed of grass plants which spread by runners which may be on the surface of the soil or just below. This is true of all of the bent grasses and the hybrid bermudas. Without such runners a tight smooth turf can hardly be obtained. Such runners, if allowed, will build up into a thick thatch, aided by dead grass stems and clippings, until a soft springy mattress surface develops. This makes for wretched bowling, and also encourages a poor puny turf prone to most diseases.

If a plug of turf be cut, using a pocket knife, usually there will be a grass layer about $\frac{1}{2}$ " long which is yellow surmounted by green tips (despite the mower having been set to cut a $\frac{1}{4}$ "). Below this is $\frac{1}{2}$ " of thick runners, some alive and some dead, with much detritus, all interwoven and soaking wet. Then comes a layer of wet sticky "soil" almost like tar interspersed with runners, probably about 1" thick. And, hopefully, the underneath will be a layer of pure sand, about a foot thick, containing grass roots to a 2 or 3 inch depth.

Some variations of these findings will occur and thus only a general outline for the remedy can be given. However the picture is quite universal and if the following is adhered to with lots of faith, the results can be remarkable.

1. Allow the surface to dry, down to the top $\frac{1}{2}$ " of soil. Never disturb the actual soil when it is wet or a muddy mess will occur. This means no watering for from four days to a week.
2. Using a proper verticutter (*not* a renovator), set to a depth of about $\frac{3}{4}$ ", the turf is cut vertically. As with mowing, the verticutting must always be at forty-five degrees to the ditches, overlapping by half and done in both directions. Thus the surface is actually covered four times, that is, double coverage in each direction.
3. The cut thatch is raked up—and the amount removed is simply astonishing. The raking can be done with members of the club helping the greenskeeper.

4. The green is then mowed with the mower set at $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Again a huge amount is removed because now the mower sinks into the thinned-out thatch. A large proportion of the green colour (which is present on the tips of the thatch stems) is removed, and the surface is yellow-brown and feels and looks like a coarse dead brush. It looks awful, but have faith.
5. Fertilize lightly with ammonium sulfate, about sixty pounds per green. Water moderately, carefully covering all of the turf evenly. Preferably this is done by hand, for accuracy. This can all quite easily be done in the first day.
6. Water again the next day.
7. Mow again on the third day and daily on the fourth and fifth day. Do not water. There is no reason why regular bowling should not be carried on during this time, after the very first day.
8. Verticut again on the fifth or sixth day, followed by mowing and watering.
9. Mow daily, at $\frac{1}{8}$ " to $\frac{3}{16}$ ", until the actual soil is visible. The heavy brown brush is being mowed down and the stems die due to the growing tips having been removed.
10. It may be that a third episode of verticutting is necessary if the thatch was unusually deep to start. About this time, two and a half weeks, a soft healthy green grass has started growing from the roots. This new grass will form the new bowling surface. It must be kept mowed to $\frac{1}{8}$ " to $\frac{3}{16}$ " only, measured from the actual soil.
11. After about another week or ten days, the surface is ready for a light top dressing of pure sand. This requires $3\frac{1}{4}$ tons of sand, which should be ideally uniform in size (0.15 mm to 0.5 mm. in diameter) and contain no more than four percent silt and clay. This is a relatively fine sand and can be found with a moderate amount of effort in nearly every community. As a last resort a coarser sand such as "rapid plaster sand" or "fine nursery sand" can be used. This is important. Any old sand will not do. Also, regardless of what your greenskeeper may wish, *never never* add any top soil to the sand and never any organic materials. NEVER. NONE. Just pure sand, and please believe me. The sand can be added by a spreader, or can be spread by shovel and then dragged with a

chain mat (borrow from the local golf club) pulled by a light garden tractor.

12. The surface is now dragged *with your scarifier (which the members can make, following the drawings in the book on "Maintenance of the Lawn Bowling Green"). Every club must have a scarifier (or a Greens Planer—see article elsewhere in this issue). The sand, plus the scarifying, will fill the vales and level the ridges. This must be thorough, and on a dry surface.
13. Followed by mowing.
14. A second light application of ammonium sulfate is due about now.
15. Evaluation of thatch build up is a constant responsibility of the green committee.

A program, forthright and courageous, will pay off in good bowling. *You* must be boss of the turf, rather than letting the turf bully the club.

If the above is not clear, for goodness sake write to me. By all means let's have the glorious bowling that lies there underneath the thatch, just waiting for enthusiastic forthright action.

*An electric golf cart makes an excellent tractor for pulling the scarifier.

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SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT L.B.A.

By Robert Baxter

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held on Sunday, March 31 in the New Haven club rooms. Representatives from all member clubs were present except Stamford, and at this writing, it appears that Stamford has ceased to function as a viable club. Let's hope that the signs are wrong. R. Dettmar and A. Bell of the Fulton Park Club in Waterbury were elected President and Secretary-Treasurer of the Association for 1974. The main order of business was preparing the tournament schedule for 1974 and, again, the thrust was to trebles instead of rinks. 17 of the regular Sunday tournaments were scheduled for trebles and 4 for rinks.

These Sunday tournaments got off to a good start, only one of the first five being rained out, which is probably a little better than average for Southern Connecticut in May. Following are the results of the tournaments played to date:

FULTON TROPHY AT GREENWICH

- 1st—Bridgeport L.B.C.
M. Lodge, H. Bartholomew, R. Smith (Skip)
2nd—Bridgeport L.B.C.
S. Morrison, A. Jelenik, R. Baxter (Skip)
3rd—Bridgeport L.B.C.
T. McIntosh, A. Almasy, W. Miller (Skip)

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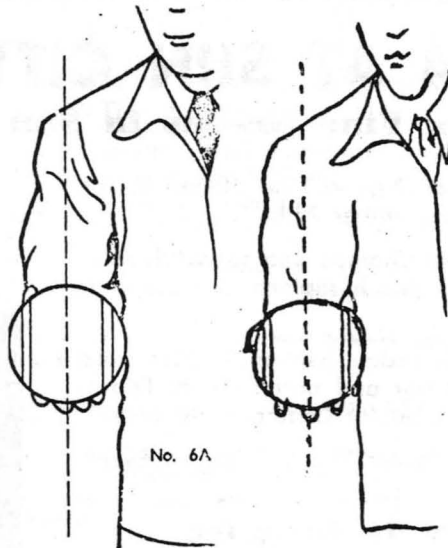
study. I interrupted this in October and again in January so that I might offer the evidence available for dealing with the kind of faults I was finding among players who came to the clinics I had been privileged to conduct at a number of clubs. I was proposing to return to the presentation of other results of the study but a decision of the ALBA Council focussed attention on a Victorian publication *IN THE GROOVE* and *ADVANCED TECHNIQUES AND TACTICS*. For a number of years I have been involved in discussions with the authors about some of their recommendations in these publications and I am reasonably certain that were the booklets to be written again in the light of what the U.S.A. study found there would be many changes, some of them major.

Recently, one of the councillors, Dick Folkins, was kind enough to suggest it might be of use to you if I were to deal with some of the errors and contradictions to be found in books that are currently available and to offer you evidence on which to base your own judgment about what is true and what is not. I propose to follow Dicks advice.

Let me start with what may appear to be a very logical basis for a good grip. Here are copies of two diagrams: The one on the left is from *IN THE GROOVE*; the other is from the New Zealand *GUIDE FOR COACHES*.

You will find another diagram in Dr. Maxwells book which shows a line running through the bowl and middle finger. I did not include it or similar ones from other books in order to avoid confusion. They all virtually subscribe to the same general theory. I mention Dr. Maxwell's because the position he advocates for the thumb is different from what you find in the diagrams. He likes it on top of the bowl.

Do take time to examine the differences between the two diagrams. First the thumb. Now the fingers. Do get a bowl and try both methods. Which is better for you? If neither, then you may have a problem; unless, of course, you are prepared to find your own grip, one that is demanded by your own unique characteristics. Because you are you, your grip has to be custom made. Let me, as I take you through the evidence about the theory behind the grips advocated in the diagrams, try to help you find what you need to know in order to decide which of the groups of experts is right for you. If that fails then I shall offer you another way for determining your special grip. For the present it will help greatly if you use a



bowl and work in front of a full length mirror.

First assume one of the positions in the diagram and see, if, in fact, your shoulder, elbow, middle finger and a line through the centre of the bowl are in the same vertical plane. They probably are not. Now put down your bowl, assume the same position as before and look where your middle finger is pointing. Next let your arm hang at your side with your palm facing the front. Notice what has happened to your forearm and wrist. They point away from your body. And where does that middle finger point; further away from the body or straight down to the ground? You may find it very revealing if you repeat everything you have done so far but with your other arm and hand. You are likely to find that there are differences and right at this point you will be ready to challenge the whole theory behind the diagrams. Again I beg you to be patient. There is more evidence.

Assume your normal bowling stance, but without your bowl. Hold your arm and hand as you would if it were in your hand. Now take your forward step and go through your backswing. Two things you need to look at. First see how your body has shifted. Your shoulders no longer face the front. Your arm does not swing at your side but partly across your body with your elbow passing close to your hip. It could be that your arm and hand have both turned towards your body. And at no stage is there a straight line from your shoulder through your elbow to the middle finger, unless you have turned your hand and arm.

Once again you are probably away ahead of me and arguing that the experts would have done better to show in the diagram a bowler holding his bowl with

his foot forward and his body turned. But would they?

From the end of your backswing deliver your imaginary bowl. Again watch two things. See how your upper body turns to a point just at the release when your shoulders are facing the same way, but with one lower than the other. Stop at the point of release and look once again to see if the middle finger is directly below your elbow or your shoulder. Where is it pointing? In the direction the bowl will travel, to the right or to the left?

Let me add two other pieces of evidence to what you have already discovered for yourself. They come from the careful analysis of the movies of good players in action that I mentioned earlier. The thumb leaves the surface of the bowl first. Then the fingers leave it together. From these facts two important conclusions follow. First, the fingers can and do affect the movement of the bowl after the thumb leaves it, so they assume a greater importance than the thumb in the delivery. Second, the middle finger is whittled down to size and it is not the key element in your grip. The bowl does not, as some experts keep telling you, roll off your middle finger. All four fingers are important; they act as a unit.

You now have all the evidence you need to decide which expert or group of experts is right for you, if any. If you decide all are wrong where does that leave you? May I presume to suggest a way in which you can decide how to hold your bowl?

The ultimate test of your grip is whether the bowl leaves your hand smoothly and in the direction it has to go. Logic suggests that you start from the point of release or just before it, to avoid stretching. Go through your delivery to a point just before release. Now set the bowl down on the ground and, with the help of someone else, check to see that it is pointed in the right direction and that it is resting upright on its running surface. Now pick it up. That is your grip. It is unique and suited to your special qualities. It is custom made.

Young Girl: "I blush so easily. Whenever I sit down and think, I blush. What can I do about it?"

Psychologist: "Try thinking about something else."

"I tell my wife everything I'm thinking or doing," a newlywed told an old-timer.

"I don't need to," said the old-timer. "My wife knows everything I'm thinking and the neighbors tell her everything I'm doing."

SCORE IN '74 AT SUN CITY, ARIZONA

On Six Fine Greens in Sun City

The U.S. Singles and Doubles Championships will be played in Sun City, September 23rd through Friday, September 27th.

All are Welcome to come and meet the Champs and to watch them perform. Activities for Visitors, as well as Champions. See dates on Front Cover. Open to All—No Limit.

Social Affairs: Get Acquainted Mixer Saturday, September 21st. Meet the Champs. At Lakes Club—No host bar and buffet. Then, Friday, September 27th No host bar and banquet for Champion Awards.

Tournament Headquarters—Lakeview Center Lounge. Special Events and Tours for Non-Players.

Get Your Reservations In Early for Tournaments Following Championships

MEN'S DOUBLES ENTRY BLANK

September 28-29

Fee: \$12.00 per Team

Skip

Lead

Closing Entry Date September 14

Entry to Herb Lamansky

9428 Greenway Rd., Sun City, Ariz. 85351

MIXED DOUBLES ENTRY BLANK

Sept. 30 - Oct. 1st

Fee: \$12.00 per Team

Skip

Lead

Closing Entry Date September 14

Entry to Herb Lamansky

9428 Greenway Rd., Sun City, Ariz. 85351



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TOWN HALL L.B.C.

By John McClelland

Tournaments arranged by Carl Luthy, featured during the past three months.

Women's Doubles: Won by Velma Luthy and Ruth Gregg defeating Angie Olsen and Harriet Hunter.

Men's Doubles: Bill Gregg and Herman Morris were beaten by Elbert Bushnell and Seward Owen.

Mixed Doubles: Harriet and Bill Hunter overcame Alice and Herb Lamansky.

Novice Tournament: 14 entries, with Frank Terry defeating the runner-up Peter Moscinski.

The superior type of the bowling reflected great credit on the teaching of Bill Hadden and the perseverance of his students.

Other aspects of bowlers' activities were not overlooked.

Bette Morris and Angie Olsen supervised a "pot luck" supper on April 10th that earned the gratitude of the members and their internal satisfaction, while on June 5th a collection of "finger foods" and appropriate beverages shortened the evening bowling quite markedly.

LAKEVIEW LAWN BOWLS CLUB

Sun City, Arizona

By Duncan Malloch

During the past three months Lakeview has completed all of its tournaments with the exception of the novice singles. Winners of the Lakeview events will meet winners of other clubs for the Arizona State Championships, to be held possibly in November.

Our main objective now is to have our facilities in good order for the September U. S. Championships, and all of us are looking forward to what is bound to be a fine display of lawn bowling. Our play-downs here were completed several weeks ago, and our representatives had their opportunity in May and June at Arroyo Seco. Their fine efforts were not quite good enough to overcome the bowling skill of the winners — but we are already looking forward to 1975.

Again — let us say how fortunate we feel in having the opportunity of hosting the U. S. Lawn Bowling Championships next September.

Someone dropped a rubber band into the office computer. Now it makes snap decisions.

OAKMONT L.B.C.

Sun City, Arizona

By Dorothy A. Bartley

Our club's spring tournament was completed in April. Trophies were awarded the winners at our regular meeting June 4th.

We changed from daytime to evening bowling in May and to celebrate we had a delicious potluck supper in the patio before the games.

Our President David Anderson organized a group of 42 lawn bowlers (22 from the Oakmont green) chartered a bus and made all the arrangements for a wonderful bowling trip of 4 days. The group was treated with unsurpassed hospitality wherever they went, and had a wonderful time thanks to the members of the clubs they visited.

NEWPORT BEACH L.B.C.

By Max Lorimore

Reflecting the excellent conditions at our new location, where the club now has two greens instead of one and they are more advantageously located, the membership has risen by almost 40 ladies and gentlemen since these greens came

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into use in late 1973. We now have about 175 members including associates.

These greens are truly busy all week and the club has finally been able to institute Saturday bowling. Of considerable added importance has been that new bowlers are active, showing great progress and are making a real contribution to the club's success.

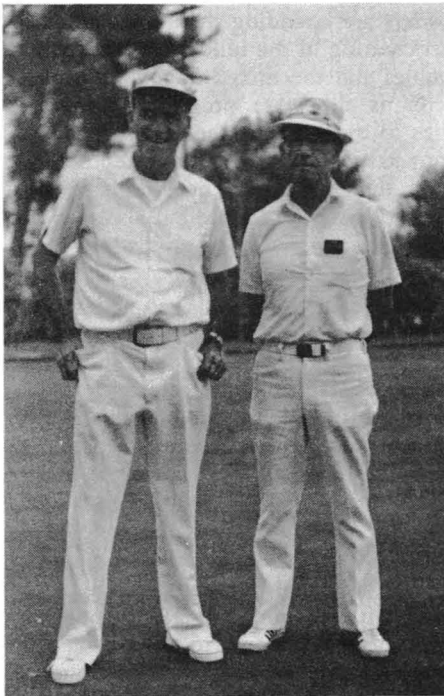
Our 1974 president is Stan LeLievre, an outstanding bowler of long experience. Our new singles champion is a fellow well known to many bowlers everywhere, none other than Jack Harold.

SANTA ANITA L.B.C.

By Ralph H. Scofield

Ed Burns (left) and John Corrigan from Santa Anita were the winners of the ALBA Southwest Division Novice Doubles.

They also defeated the winners of the Pacific-Inter-Mountain Division to become the California State Novice Doubles Champions.



WALT DISNEY MASTERS

By Jack Hunsaker

The Walt Disney Fifth Annual Singles Masters Tournament held on May 26 and 27 and the Open Singles on May 24 and 25 by the Beverly Hills L.B.C. were very successful. There were 96 entries (all that could be accepted) in the Men's Division and 46 in the Women's Division. Although Beverly Hills has three Greens the Womens preliminary matches had to

be played on the neighboring Holmby Park L.B.C. Greens. The competition was extremely keen. Individual trophies were awarded to the finalists and all entries received a Tournament pin.

MASTERS (MEN'S DIVISION) CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

Winner—Runner-up

Frank Souza, San Francisco; Arnold White, Long Beach

A FLIGHT

Dick Folkins, Arroyo Seco; Bill Shonborn, Pomona

B FLIGHT

Ezra Wyeth, Beverly Hills; Arthur Grimmitt, Santa Barbara

C FLIGHT

Tom Rowland, Honolulu; Cliff Lauster, Santa Anita

MASTERS (WOMEN'S DIVISION) CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

Luise Godfrey, Santa Barbara; Alice Ovington, Pomona

A FLIGHT

Erma Artist, San Francisco; Alta Swanson, Santa Monica

B FLIGHT

Isabella Stephenson, Riverside; Grace Schrock, Pomona

OPEN (MEN'S DIVISION) CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

Dean Cegavske, Friendly Valley; Ray Stipek, Beverly Hills.

A FLIGHT

Pete Rombach, Beverly Hills; Herbert Webb, Beverly Hills

B FLIGHT

Cal Rood, Holmby Park; Kasper Njus, Redlands

C FLIGHT

F. S. Rogers, Santa Anita; Lowell Offutt, Friendly Valley

OPEN (WOMEN'S DIVISION) CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT

Alta Swanson, Santa Monica; Juanita Wilson, Santa Anita

A FLIGHT

Susie DiSilvestri, Riverside; Ruth Jaenecke, Arroyo Seco



CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS—MASTERS

Left to right: Ezra Wyeth, Isabella Stephenson, Luise Godfrey, Alice Ovington, Tom Rowlands, Dick Folkins, Frank Souza, Erma Artist.

RECREATION PARK L.B.C.

By Wm. C. Ferguson

Despite unfavorable weather for spring growth our three greens are progressing very satisfactorily and a splendid season of play is anticipated by our two clubs.

Sorely needed equipment quarters for our mechanized equipment has been built under city direction. There is also sched-

uled a shaded area adjoining our club house for outdoor use.

Our various intra-club tournaments are well under way under the direction of George Bowbeer and Ches Braly. In previous years results have been rather late in the season.

Star Titus and Chuck DeSalvo and wives are enjoying the British Isles tour. Bob Gray and Ches Braly are returning from freighter trips. Seemingly there is no lack of vacation money as many others are making plans. The rest of us will mind the store.

SUN CITY, CALIF. L.B.C.

By Harold M. Mannheim

This quarter year has seen some excellent bowling on our greens, both by our club members and visitors alike. We have fared well on our Inter-club visitations on our home grounds, winning against Rancho Bernardo, Pomona, Santa Ana and losing to Redland and Riverside; and abroad winning from Redlands and Santa Ana and losing to Pomona, a performance record of five games to three, not too awful for a gang of aged retirees.

A new beginners class started in March with fourteen members, some of whom have already participated in the above games and we are justly proud of the work of our instruction committee consisting of John Simon, Chairman, Bill Baurle, Ross Bahrs, Oscar Christopherson, Amos Greenamyre and Ed Shoemaker.

Prior to the Rancho Bernardo game we had a very impressive Flag and Flagpole raising ceremony with the local American Legion Post officiating, both flag and pole having been contributed by our president Arnold Bopf. Arnie says he is tired of saluting a flag belonging to our Civic Association which is entirely concealed by trees.

Greens chairman Lou Hudon arranged a visit by Dr. Edgar Haley who came with Mr. Jorgen Damsbo from Escondido, bringing with them a very cleverly designed machine, a dual verti-cutter that reels on a leveling frame, attaches underneath to a garden tractor that zipped over the green and all in all gave a most creditable performance, a very generous co-operative gesture on Dr. Haley's part.

On April 22nd we held our Annual Awards dinner, with 150 members and guests present. Our president Arnold Bopf, presided and was awarded a cleverly designed gavel in the shape of a bowling bowl made by our talented cabinet maker Oscar Christopherson. John Norman, vice-president made the awards to the winners of our Intra-Club tournaments. An exceptionally beautiful trophy

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was awarded to Ann Baurle, who had already won it for the Women's Singles Championship of the SCWLBA, the first of its kind in Sun City's history. Arnie Bopf was understood to have said that he would award Ann a delicious cake for the honor brought to our club. Russ Trengove, who was president in 1968 and 1969, and his wife Ellen, also a bowler, had just celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary so Arnie changed his mind and decided to award them the cake. However a handsome plant was awarded to Ann instead. Arnie said the cake went back to the freezer, but it isn't there now and he is going back to Wisconsin for the summer, with a slight bulge under his belt.

At the playdowns for S.W.D. Doubles held here, Chris Gilbrandsen and Charles Lee, of San Diego put on an impeccable performance for a win. Several of our teams have accredited themselves in various Invitationals.

CALIFORNIA STATE WOMEN'S LAWN BOWLING ASSOCIATION

By Jean Haley—Secy.-Treas.

The annual tournament of the C.S.W.-L.B.A., held at the Santa Anita Greens, April 27th — May 3rd, was a fine success under the able guidance of President Velma Briggs and Games Chairman Adriel Hanson, with the following results:

SINGLES—Golden State Trophy

Winner—Lois Riggs; Runner-Up—Ina Jackson

2nd Flight

Winner—Tecla Shepard; Runner-Up—Bess Powell

DOUBLES—Exposition Park Trophy

Winners—Pat Boehm and Irma Artist; Runners-Up—Ollie Roberts and Eve Peterson

2nd Flight

Winners—Lilly Godfrey and Mildred Hoopes; Runners-Up—Norine Bell and Jean Haley

TRIPLES—Irving Memorial Trophy

Winners—Corinna Folkins, Dorothy Bacon and Margo Denman; Runners-Up—Henrietta Krohn, Irene Russell and Huldah Tichenor

2nd Flight

Winners—Anita Imlay, Agnes Sorensen and Luise Godfrey; Runners-Up—Betty Ewen, Ina Jackson and Pegeen Barker

NOVICE SINGLES—Henry Maltby Memorial Trophy

Winner—Ruth Gregg; Runner-Up—Kay Pollock

The Mildred A. Graham Trophy for Mixed Doubles, always a popular event, used all the available greens at Santa Anita and Arroyo Seco. The winning team was Lee Erdle and Ed Harris.

The Charles M. Boynton Trophy, triples games between the North and South, was won by the South.

The E. G. Marshall Trophy, awarded to the top bowler of the tournament, was won by Ina Jackson.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Velma Briggs; Vice-President, Ethna Johnson; Secretary-Treasurer, Jeanne P i z e y ; Games Chairman, Irene Russell.

SUN CITY LAWN BOWLERS VISIT CALIFORNIA

By John McClelland

Having in mind to promote fellowship between lawn bowlers, David Anderson led 42 members from the four Sun City Lawn Bowls Clubs on an eight-day excursion to San Francisco. Here they were royally entertained by the local club with whom they played 48 games. The Sun City Bowlers did quite well in spite of the San Franciscans having several National Champions on their teams.

Following bowling, the Sun Citizens rode the cable cars and visited the exotic sights of the City.

SAN DIEGO L.B.C.

By Ted Ruenitz

San Diego lawn bowlers were surprised and amazed one warm, balmy afternoon when two male streakers dashed across the greens, avoiding some well delivered bowls. The Club membership continues to expand with a current membership of 162, including a good number of younger participants. This is a new record.

Each Thursday morning during the month of April a regular schedule of instruction was set up under the direction of President Charles Lee. The classes were for both new and older members, with some of our better bowlers acting as instructors. Since attendance averaged 35 members per session additional classes will be scheduled in the future.

Under the direction of our Vice President, Carl Ellinger, a schedule of Challenge Games have been set up for the month of May during the morning hours. Players make up their own teams, either doubles or triples, and challenge other teams. Thirty or more players compete on Friday mornings. Regular games are played during the afternoons.

Our program of visitations continues with a great deal of friendly rivalry. On April 10 we hosted Rancho Bernardo; on April 17, Santa Ana; on May 1, Newport Beach, with mixed teams; in addition to having many visitors from nearby clubs. District Singles Tournaments took place on May 18 and 19. On May 29 a bus load of our bowlers traveled to Laguna Hills, and on June 20 we visited Santa Ana.

On June 1 the Escondido Invitational Tournament was held at San Diego.

The Recreation Department of the City of San Diego is renovating the South Green in June and plans to renovate the North Green beginning August 8. This insures maintaining our excellent greens. The Club appreciates the cooperation of the City and its interest in the condition of the greens and the well being of our Club.

SOCIALIZING A FEATURE AT U.S. CHAMPONSHIPS

By Frank Mixon
First V.P. A.L.B.A.

An interesting and pleasant sidelight to the United States Singles and Pairs Championship Tournament has been developing during the few years this event has been conducted out in the Divisions. It is the social aspect that always characterizes gatherings of lawn bowlers. This year in Sun City, Ariz. this feature promises added emphasis to great successes in Laguna Hills, Santa Barbara for two years and San Francisco in 1973.

The reason for all of this appears to be that more and more non-competing bowlers are attending the event and then participating in the following open men's doubles and the mixed doubles. Another factor is the close proximity of many clubs to the scene of the action although many travel great distances. Reports indicate there will be many visitors to Sun City, not only to spectate but also to have a look at the world famous adult community.

The social whirl will get under way with the official "Meet the Champs" social hour and buffet Saturday evening, September 21. The other official event will be the traditional "Championship Awards Banquet" on Friday evening, September 27. Both affairs will be held in the Lakes Club with the social hour at six and food at seven. Everyone is invited and urged to attend.

An invitational reception will be hosted by Mildred and Ted Hoopes of the Lakeview Club and Sun City for the champions and their wives on Sunday evening in the ballroom of the Lakes Club on September 22. Both Mildred and Ted are well known in bowling circles and tireless workers in the interest of the game.

Guests will include primarily out of town visitors and the presidents and immediate past presidents of the Sun City bowling clubs along with the champions, all with wives or husbands.

It all promises to be a great ten days for old and new friends.

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GALBRAITH TROPHY AT WATERBURY

1st—Fulton Park L.B.C., Waterbury
W. Aitchieson, B. Garray, J. Garvey (Skip)
2nd—Greenwich L.B.C.

B. Sokolowski, Jr., D. Liddell, S. Gil (Skip)

PAST PRESIDENT'S TROPHY AT BRIDGEPORT

1st—Essex County L.B.C.
J. Coppola, W. Farrell, R. Lindsay (Skip)
2nd—Bridgeport L.B.C.

T. McIntosh, L. McDougall, W. Miller (Skip)

CURRIE TROPHY AT NEW HAVEN

1st—Greenwich L.B.C.
R. Marchand, A. Anderson, D. Liddell (Skip)
2nd—Bridgeport L.B.C.

S. Morrison, J. Smith, R. Smith (Skip)

3rd—Fulton Park L.B.C., Waterbury
D. Aitchieson, W. Aitchieson, A. Bell (Skip)

In the early part of the year, district bowlers were saddened by the loss of two good friends. Archie Hamilton of the New Haven Club passed away in January following closely by the very sudden death of Bill Davidson of the Irvington Presbyterian Church L.B.C. These were two of the happier and more jocular members of our group and they will surely be missed.

At this time, many of our area bowlers are looking forward to the Eastern Division Tournament being held the first week in August in Hartford-Springfield, which means that it will be just around the corner when this issue of BOWLS is being received. As President of the Division, may the writer of this column steal a little space to extend a warm welcome to all who will be there.

HOLLYWOOD L.B.C.

By William Kerr

We were indeed sorry to learn of the illness of Mr. John W. Diest and the Club has expressed their feelings in writing to him.

Norman Yeoman, a long-time member from Toronto, Canada, died suddenly early March 22nd. Norman participated in our Canadian Day Tournament Thursday, March 21, and passed away during the night due to a heart attack. This year he was runner-up in the Men's Singles.

March 15th we held our annual banquet in the Reef Restaurant when 124 members and friends attended. Trophies were presented to the winners of the various tournaments held during the winter season.

Many of our winter visitors from Canada and Northern States have returned home for the summer but recently we have had many local residents join the club.

Carl Cross has returned to his home in Hartford, Conn., due to illness. He was president for two years and the current vice president. The Club sponsored a

"Carl Cross Day" in recognition for his services and the occasion was well attended.

With resignations and transfers taking place some changes in the Executive Committee had to be made. Dave Ure was appointed 1st Vice President; James Bulloch, 2nd Vice President.

May 25, 26, the Hollywood Recreation Dept. held an Arts Fair in the Hollywood Mall. The Club was assigned a table which was attractively decorated with Lawn Bowling equipment, literature and pictures featuring Lawn Bowling. We feel the effort was worthwhile in stimulating Lawn Bowling among local residents.

Hollywood has the unique experience of entertaining world-wide lawn bowlers. On this occasion Mr. William Fletcher, retired from the British Army, now a resident of Durban, South Africa, joined our club while on a six-week visit with his family in Miami. He knew a good friend of ours, whom we visited two years ago, Dr. A. R. De Villiers, former Presbyterian minister in Durban, now dean of a college in Pietermaritzburg.

ORLANDO L.B.C.

By Harold Esch

The Orlando Panthers captured the North Central Florida League championship for 1974 by three games over the Orlando Twins and Daytona Beach who were tied for second. The Panthers then defeated the St. Petersburg Mets of the West Florida League in the Championship match played at Mount Dora, this contest pits the winners of the two leagues against each other annually.

The Orlando Twins team of Bill Kaestle, skip, Ralph Callow and Sarah Meserve captured individual team honors for the 1974 NCFL season with the Panthers trio of Harold Esch, skip, Irene Hughes and Vivian Esch the runnerups. Harvey Reive, skip, Bill Holland and Marjorie Holland of the Panthers were third. All three teams posted identical won-lost records at 7-3. Kaestle had a plus of 82 points, Esch a plus 74 and Reive a plus of 16.

In club tournament results on the season, Ralph Callow, skip, Elmer Zimmerman and Mirian Cummins won the mixed triples; Harold Esch, skip, Tom Apsey and Rand Hickey won the men's triples; Bill Kaestle, skip, Don Snider took of the men's pairs while Frank Cornelius and Bert First finished on top in the mixed pairs. Harold Esch won the men's singles and Hazel De Meyer the women's singles.

In the second annual Feasel Memorial Champion of Champion Singles within the N.C.F.L. clubs both Orlando representatives won top honors, Harold Esch and Hazel De Meyer. This event is staged annually at De Land, Florida.

BRADENTON L.B.C.

By Fuller G. Sherman

The Bradenton Lawn Bowling Club members are gradually drifting home in the north, and preparations are being made to do some repair on the rinks.

The club mourns the death of Mrs. Kenneth Martin during the month of February.

Our retiring President Russell Quast and Mrs. Quast presented the club with a large Canadian flag in honor of our members from the north.

Our bowling activities have met with some success this season. We finished second to St. Pete in the West Florida league only one point behind the winner. The triples team of Dr. F. G. Sherman, Alta Quast, and Del. Smith finished tied for third place in points won in the West Coast League and for the third year in succession made the All Star team to compete in the annual tournament held at Mt. Dora, Florida.

In the Sun and Fun Tournament held at Clearwater this team won two and lost one match. In the S. E. Division Tournament the Doubles team of F. G. Sherman and Del. Smith won all games but one.

In the All Star Games held at Mt. Dora the team of F. G. Sherman, Alta Quast, and Del. Smith won both morning and afternoon games from Orlando and St. Pete teams.

In publicity we are showing the Lawn Bowling films taken in Australia to various clubs and groups along with some description of the game.



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BOSTON L.B.C.

By Stan Haigh

The Tri Clubs opened the season at Quincy on May 4 and on the following day, Milton had their opening day with a large attendance.

The Tri Club Senior Citizens Trebles with Pawtucket were held at Quincy with Pawtucket winning on total points.

The 1975 Eastern Division Tournament Officers and Committee Chairmen have been selected: Al Cline, Chairman; Joe Ziniti, Secretary-treasurer; Dave Dakers, Games; Jack McDonald, Banquet and Entertainment; Harold Sprague, Housing; Henry Mulholland and Alex Russell, Prizes; Stan Haigh, Transportation.

QUINCY B.G.C.

By John Bissett

Approximately 100 members and friends attended our opening day ceremonies on May 4. We were honored by the presence of Mayor Hannon and several city councilmen. In addition to the Director of Parks and Recreation who commented about the new lights installed during the past winter. During the ceremonies, the women's club and men's club exchanged gifts.

The opening festivities were followed by two 10 end games after Doris Dunn threw out the first jack and bowl. In between games, Meg Corcoran and Eva McGregor supervised the refreshments served by the ladies. Awards were made to P. Wakeling, H. Sprague, W. Kritzman, N. Wakeling, C. Whittal, J. Milne, C. MacLeod, P. McKay, E. Sharp, M. Holderried and M. Walker.

On May 18, a scramble was held with 48 players participating. Awards were won by A. Cline, A. Bissett, W. Wall, J. Fraser, P. McLeod, C. McLeod, D. Dakers, J. Hay, M. Milne, S. Oldershaw, E. Sharp and M. Walker.

BUCK HILL FALLS L.B.C.

By Charlie Riedell

The Buck Hill Falls Bowling Greens opened on May 11, 1974. The greens came through the winter in excellent shape but were quite slow. Warm weather and sunshine will soon have them lightning fast. Buck Hill meets Trenton, Essex County and Skytop Lawn Bowling Clubs in interclub competition this year. The 17th Annual Buck Hill Open Doubles Tournaments for ladies, men and mixed couples will be held September 8 to September 14 with a Dutch Treat Mixer on September 11, 1974.

ESSEX COUNTY L.B.C.

By Annabella B. Nelken

Our 1974 season was officially opened on Memorial Day. President Joe Stevenson welcomed all the members present. Jeanne Murdoch sang the Star Spangled Banner beautifully and then we all paused for a moment's silence in memory of two of our dear members, Jack Bloomfield and Eddie Peill. President Stevenson then turned the meeting over to our Games Chairman, Bill Farrell, and a few moments later the bowls were rolling. Results of the morning games are: A. Nelken, J. Gilbert, J. Stevenson (Skip) first; V. Hay, A. Zihlbauer, J. Turnbull (Skip) second. The afternoon winners were B. DeJonge, A. Buchanan, B. Lindsay (Skip). The lunch was delicious as usual and thanks go to all who helped make it so.

On June 1, we had our first open tournament with a turn out of 22 teams. The winners were an Essex team composed of S. Arcula, B. Farrell and B. Lindsay (Skip). Many more tournaments are planned during June and July and I shall be happy to report the results in the next issue. We are especially looking forward to our 50th Anniversary celebration on June 22. We already had the club competition for the U.S. Doubles and are happy to report that the winners were Duncan Farrell and Chet Wintsch. We wish them good luck in their forthcoming elimination games.

NORTHWEST DIVISION

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We anticipate a good year in our membership, as several new members have already joined. Our President, Dr. John Sheppard, and the Games Committee have scheduled a full program of activities on which we are all "raring to go".

QUEEN CITY L.B.C.

By Cliff and Frances Slade

The Park Board has done re-seeding and sanding of our greens this Spring, and is planning another application of sand this month. Our members have been helping with this work, and doing the rolling. With this cooperation of Park Board and Club Members, the greens are in good condition. We expect them to be in excellent shape for our summer activities—our tournaments and the visitation from the Terminal City Club of Vancouver, B. C.

Our club exchanges visits with three Canadian Clubs. One year the Canadian Club comes here, and the next year we go there. The schedule this year is Queen City visits Stanly Park Club (Vancouver) on August 11; Terminal City (Vancouver)

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ver) visits Queen City on August 18; and Queen City visits White Rock on August 24. These days are always fun times for all.

During the Northwest Division Spring Tournament, held in Seattle this year, there were special events for ladies—Ladies Singles and Ladies Pairs. We are happy to have our ladies members of Northwest Division and taking part in tournaments.

PORTLAND L.B.C.

By John L. Phillips

At this writing the 3rd Annual Rose Festival's Men's Singles Tournament for the Alex Veitch Trophy is over. There could not have been any better, more expert bowling than that of the two finalists, Bob Boehm, Seattle, 1973 A.L. B.A. Singles Champion and Ron Veitch, Portland, 1973 Rose Festival Champion. It took three tight games between these two hot shots to eliminate Ron and establish Bob as the 1974 Rose Festival Champion.

The mixed pairs competition ended just in time for this report to meet the deadline of this issue. Bill Burt, Seattle, and Pat Boehm teamed up to beat Jack Phillips and Zola Cole, Portland, in the final game.

How come those Boehms are always winning? Because they are #%&\$&\$ good bowlers, that's why!

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COMPETITION IS THE SPICE OF BOWLS LIFE

Comment By

C. M. Jones

World Bowls June 1974

Tall oaks from little acorns grow and it seems the 'little acorn' planted by White Horse Distillers last year is conforming to that ages old saying.

It was the introduction of the White Horse Bowls League in areas 7 and 8 of the Middlesex C.B.A. Starting this month of May, that particular league is being supplemented by two more, one in areas 5 and 6 of Middlesex, the other in North West Kent. Altogether a further 19 club teams, each of 16 players, will be involved. Plus, of course, the Burton-on-Trent League which runs throughout this summer.

Personally, I am delighted by this growth and, even more, by the promise of much more to come. It seems a near certainty that the whole of Middlesex will be involved by the summer of 1975, Surrey have shown an interest, and I cannot see Kent standing still. Tom Brown, their current President, is not one to make rash statements about what he will or will not attempt, preferring another old adage, 'actions speak louder than words.' His belief in the new league, and its President John Canham, suggests to me that he will personally advise the various divisions in Kent of the value of league play.

This particular project has come into being largely because of the intense enthusiasm of George Cairns, President of the Middlesex League; what a lucky day it was for bowls when the proximity of a nervous breakdown made him take up the game.

There are, of course, opponents, men who believe that this is yet another intrusion of competition into a game which should be only social and recreational. As human beings they are absolutely entitled to their opinions, and to the respect of those to whom they tell their beliefs.

On the other hand, disagreements need never betoken any lack of respect. Was it not Voltaire who said "I disagree with everything you say but I am prepared to defend to the death your right to say it?"

In this instance I completely disagree that competition need lessen or destroy pleasure. Man is an achieving animal and effort spent striving for a prize at an afternoon spoon drive almost always entails an involvement which drives out the cares and woes of the everyday world. And can the pleasure of a good shot made

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS AND CORRECTIONS— APRIL 1974 DIRECTORY INSERT.

As you probably know, the Secretary keeps all basic records and, therefore, provides the data for each year's Directory. This year the Secretary was in the hospital and of little or no help so Cress Tilley was left with the whole job with Zelma's help getting data out of the office files. This situation resulted in some unfortunate, unintentional omissions, a few problems in getting the latest Club Secretary's name in some cases. We all hope you forgive our transgressions. Will try to do better now that things are more back to normal.

PLEASE CORRECT YOUR 1974 DIRECTORY AS FOLLOWS: Most of the Club Secretary name changes came in too late to make the Directory and would have required correction in any case!

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during a friendly evening 'roll up' compare in any way with a similar shot made in the closing stages of, say, an inter-club match? After all, is not the shot achieved by the late Bert Keech in the 1946 Middleton Cup final of almost 30 years ago still the most talked of in the whole of English bowls?

And to any reader I would ask the question "which shot that lives in your memory brings you the most satisfaction?" I'll wager that in 70% or more cases it is one performed in this or that match or competition.

George hit the nail squarely on the head during the reception at the Forest Hill B.C. by saying "this friendly business is all very nice; drinks after at the bar, friendly spirit and so on. But bowlers like to have something to show at the end. It does not have to be anything valuable. Just something to remind them of what they achieved."

Factual evidence as match secretary of

his club supports his words. He revealed that the League matches last year mainly replaced friendlies against the same clubs. In previous years he had found difficulties in raising full teams, especially for away matches. He said "often I had to go around trying to persuade two or three members to make up a team. When we started League matches last year 36 members put their names down for the first match, 40 for the second, and even more for matches after that. Everybody wanted to play. All the other clubs in the League reported the same thing."

So WORLD BOWLS congratulates all concerned, at the same time reminding readers that, really, competition is the spice of life.

Tip for parents: After your teenager has been driving your family car adjust the rearview mirror, change the radio station, and head for the nearest gas station.

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NORTHWEST DIVISION

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Next year we would like to have entries from all sections of the U.S., and there is good reason to expect them. Our Rose Festival is worth traveling miles to see. There are many exciting events in addition to the bowling, so why not plan to visit Portland next June and take part in the fourth Rose Festival Tournament?

It was a real satisfaction to us to be able to get our greens back in shape after the wettest winter imaginable. We have to thank the Park Department men and our own willing workers for a beautiful job of patching, sanding, mowing, rolling and all the other numerous things

that have to be done, and our House Committee for their efforts to make things pleasant and for furnishing refreshments for the players.

ROSE FESTIVAL OPEN PORTLAND, ORE.

By Ron Veitch

Although I blew a 15-9 lead over Boehm in the final match, the Third Annual Rose Festival Tournament was a great success. We drew our first Canadian and our first entry from Eastern Division. The presence of our new champion and reigning U. S. Singles Champ attracted great press coverage. We got close to five

minutes of television coverage, front page and editorial page comment, and sports page reports of scores and schedules.

BOEHM CLIPS VEITCH

U.S. singles champion Bob Boehm of Seattle dethroned defending Rose Festival singles champion Ron Veitch of Portland in the Rose Festival Open Lawn Bowling Championships Thursday at Westmoreland Park.

Boehm had defeated Veitch and Giuseppe "Joe" Patelli of Seattle in earlier rounds to capture the winners' bracket in the double-elimination competition for the Alex Veitch Memorial Trophy. Veitch eliminated Patelli, 22-12, and upset Boehm, 21-14, Thursday morning to earn a rematch won by Boehm, 21-15.

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