



Santa Cruz Lawn Bowls Newsletter

July 2011

Please mark your calendars now to attend the July 23 quarterly meeting. I welcome your ideas and your suggestions. This is your club and quarterly meetings provide an opportunity for your voice to be heard. Welcome to new dual members: Frank Matysciela Jerry Ridley and Laura Lewis, and regular members: Don and Dorothy Lea.

July calendar: All events at the clubhouse unless noted.

July 8 Friday- Field Trip to Del Mesa 11:30 carpool

July 10- Sunday- FunRaiser Series: Sundae Sunday 12:00

July 11-13 Monday-Wednesday PBA prep work days

July 16- Saturday- Board meeting 12:00

July 22- Friday Bowl and Pot luck wine/hors d'oeuvres at Graham Evans 2060 Ocean St Ext. 4:30 Carpool from clubhouse at 4:00

July 23- Saturday- Quarterly Meeting 12:00

July 23-24 Saturday-Sunday Parks and Rec class 3:30-5:00

Thanks: Thanks to Caleb Radice for the pre-painting prep of our new benches; to Ann and Gil Morse for assisting with ditch cleaning and with the Hope/Darwin project; to Pete Blacklock for placing hooks on which to hand the blower and painting the front door and trim; to Gary Luttringer for helping with the Grand Jury visitors; to Pete Blacklock and John Curwen for replacing the rusted screws on the bench plaques; to Janet Goss for her donation of items for the prize baskets; to Glen Johnson, Sara Mikles, Ken Brideau and Stephen Shoefeld for driving to Carmel for Friendship Day at Del Mesa. A special thanks to Bob Rible for his service as treasurer for almost 3 years and to Dave Witte, our new club treasurer.

Goals:

Personnel

1. To increase membership by 25 new members

Twelve new full members so far with our recent additions of Don and Dorothy Lea.

2. To increase competitive event participation- July 10 Sundae Sunday coming up. Another chance for stress-free competitive bowls! (see below)

Facilities

1. To have bathroom plans approved and construction/furnishing priced

Suggestion was made that we approach the city about dedicating the existing restroom facility, women's section, to SCLBC use and refurbishing the mens' restroom for dual purpose. At this point costs are prohibitive for construction of an addition due to inadequate sewage system necessitating complete new line with liner be installed. We must maintain the restricted reserve funds are designated for green replacement.

2. To update bowls collection with purchase of 2 sets : Done

Finances- To transfer \$5000 to green fund

Focus: A review regarding touchers...

A toucher is a bowl in its original course which touches the jack, even though it comes to rest in the ditch within the boundaries of the rink of play. A bowl is also a toucher if, after having come to rest it falls and touches the jack before the next bowl is delivered; or in the case of the last bowl of an end, it falls and touches the jack within the period of 30 seconds. No bowl will be a toucher if it comes into contact with the jack when the jack is in the ditch.

The position of a toucher in the ditch should be marked by a brightly colored indicator on top of the bank, immediately in line with the toucher. It is recommended that lines be drawn in the sand around the toucher.

A toucher should be marked with chalk by a member of the team that delivered the bowl or the marker as soon as it comes to rest. If, a toucher comes to rest in a position in which marking it would be likely to move the bowl or alter the head, the bowl should not be marked but nominated as a toucher instead.

If, before the next delivered bowl comes to rest or, in the case of the last bowl of an end, before a period of 30 seconds a bowl is neither marked nor nominated, it is no longer a toucher.

The position of a toucher in the ditch will be validly altered if the toucher is moved by: a jack in play; another toucher in play; or a non-toucher while it is partly on the rink and partly overhanging the ditch, as long as part of the non-toucher is still on the rink when it comes to rest after it has moved the toucher. If, once its position has been marked, there is further valid movement of a toucher in the ditch, its new position should be marked by moving the indicators and removing and redrawing the lines as appropriate.

Sundae Sunday: Sunday, July 10, we will have our second event in the 2011 Fundraiser series. Check-in time is 12:00 with games being held at 12:30, 1:30 and 2:30. Cost is \$5 and includes a participation pin. Each participant will play in a triples, pairs and singles match with and against many different competitors. As at in the rodeo, individual scorecards will be kept; you accumulate points for yourself. Based on the total number of points, you will be eligible to enjoy a wide variety of sundae toppings. All are guaranteed a dish of vanilla ice cream, the rest is up to you!

USLBA Raffle tickets: Every year the National Open tournament must raise funds to cover the expenses of running the most prestigious event. We have books of raffle tickets available if you wish to buy or sell tickets for the USLBA. For every \$300 in ticket sales, our club will receive a box of Henselite SureLock measures, Jacks or 4 bowl carrier. The prize list includes dinner coupons, movie tickets, bowls bags, a set of Henselite bowls, Taylor bowls and airline tickets. You do not need to be present to win. Please let me know if you wish to purchase or sell tickets.

Membership Drive: We have 12 new full members on our new member board. The raffle basket for Phase II will be awarded at the quarterly meeting, July 23. You will receive a raffle ticket for every bowls postcard mailed. There is still time to mail more and cards are available in the clubhouse. Remember that we will provide postage; just place the cards in the basket on the front table. This quarter sees the beginning of Phase III. We ask each member to invite someone to the green for hands on bowls. Our final, and largest, raffle basket will be awarded at the October quarterly meeting. Every guest who comes to the green and bowls will be entered in 2 raffles: a Jamba juice gift certificate and lunch for 2 at the HindQuarter.

Work day: We will also be having workdays on Monday-Wednesday (July 11-13) to prepare our green. We will be cleaning clubhouse, grooming ditches and adding sand, brushing and re-stringing green, and misc. grounds maintenance. Please join us as many hands truly make light work.

Additional Games: A suggestion has been made that we create a list of members who are interested in playing during non-draw times (e.g., Friday evening, Wednesday morning) on short notice. If you would like to be on such a roster, please let me know and I'll generate a list to be shared.