

THE WRITE SHOT

Long Beach Lawn Bowling Club - Founded February 8, 1929

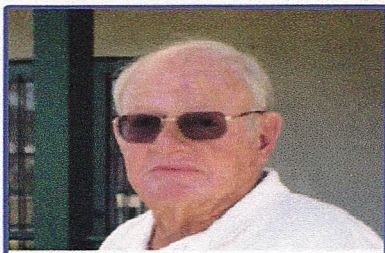


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The Presidents Message:

Quite a month we have had, our new mower is working great - even though we are

still working out how to use and adjust all the goodies that came with it. Open house was a great success with more sign ups than we have had before. A number of them seemed very enthusiastic and if they keep it up will be good players. We have had numerous requests for free lessons. Thanks to all the volunteers who were there - you helped make it what it was. Our club came through again with Katie Stone Singles, the food, as usual, the markers, the set up people and also the winners. We are getting used to our people being in the winners circle.

Coming Events in June

6/1 City of hope Trips @santa anita
6/2-The groves mixed trips@the groves
6/8 & 6/9-us singles playdowns men@santa anita & women@newport
6/15&6/16-us singles playdown finals
(Same locations as previous week)
6/19 wed-ladies day@santa monica
6/22 laguna beach open pairs@laguna beach
6/23sun. novice singles mens (tba)-womens@long beach
6/29-coronado mixed trips@coronado
6/30-laguna beach charity mix or match trips@laguna beach

Future events coming this summer

7/6-sat Ralph ecton trips@oxnard
7/7-sun-stirrat mixed trips@santa ana
7/13-8/14 us pairs playdowns-men@newport women (tba)
7/27 delta marvin mixed trips@laguna Beach
7/28 mens novice pairs location tba
womens vet/novice pairs@laguna beach
8/3 invitational mixed trips @san diego
8/4 invitational mixed pairs@san diego
8/10 8/11 cary macdonald pairs both days division rinks on sat.....men@long beach women (tba)

Editor's corner

As we head into the summer, let's be cautious of what 'ol Mr. Sun can do to us!...protection and hydration should join position, gyration, direction, and socialization during our actiontime on the greens! Speaking of the greens, I hope all of you are seeing as much improvement in them as I. We are all certainly trying our best to make them better.

If you have an uplifting comment or short story to share in July, please let the editor know.

Bits and Pieces and Bowling Points to Ponder

- Play the easiest hand to draw bowls into the head
- BE UP WHEN YOU ARE DOWN
- Create a target when down by drawing close
- Wrong-bias tosses PROVE human imperfection!

Quote of the month

"The world can only be grasped by action, not by contemplation. The hand is the cutting edge of the mind."

Jacob Bronowski



May Birthdays.....Name/DOB/ Years Bowled

Tony Crutchfield 7-1.....June Harriman 8-19.....Barry Hayes 24-2.....Gil Gillespie 26-6.....Peter Sinclair 26-6

Bias Defined

While the memory of a recent club singles match is still fresh in my mind, I must share with you an interesting observation... - **bias can do more than just "bend" our bowls.**

The dictionary defines **bias**, as it relates to lawn bowling, as "a slight bulge or greater weight on one side of the bowl or the curved course made by such a bowl when rolled."

Relative to human behavior, **bias** is defined as "a particular tendency or inclination, especially one that prevents unprejudiced consideration of a question; **prejudice.**"

Now we all know about prejudice, don't we? Negative connotations, right?

So, back to my game the other day..... playing Barry "mano y mano" in the first round of double elimination..... I was full of questions which certainly prevented unprejudiced consideration!..... Do I even have a chance against someone I feel is far better than I?..... Can I avoid a rout?..... Shall I increase my "arrow prayers" to God?..... Will the "committee" in my head consume me?

Well, now to a brief summary of our game:

I played him pretty even through the first six or seven ends - never being separated by more than two points... I think it was eight to six after nine ends of play. After a 3-end advantage and a couple of 2-enders by Barry, the score sat at 15 to 6. The high point for me was that it took several more ends for Barry to finally end it at 18 to 9.

So the question must be asked... How **biased** was I during my play and how did it hinder my ability to play Barry better?..... I do know I felt good about the **bias** of my bowls. I will, I am sure, continue to over think (i.e. over question) my own game of bowls. But in the process, I hope to more actively pose questions which are inclined to improve my game and help me to be **unbiased!**

(May the new members of our club enjoy the game as much as I do, as they learn to avoid over-complicating things!)

Jim Lee

CONGRATULATIONS!



RESTRICTIONS OF MOVEMENT OF PLAYERS

AFTER DELIVERY OF THEIR 1st BOWL PLAYERS WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO VISIT THE HEAD UNDER THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:

SINGLES GAME

OPPONENTS: AFTER THE 3rd & 4th BOWL

PAIRS - 4 BOWLS

LEAD AND VICE AFTER DELIVERY OF 2nd, 3rd & 4th BOWL

TRIPLES - 3 BOWLS

LEADS AFTER 3rd BOWL

VICE AFTER 2nd & 3rd BOWLS

SKIPS AFTER 1st, 2nd & 3rd BOWLS

FOURS

LEADS - AFTER 2nd PLAYER HAS DELIVERED 2nd BOWL

2nd LEAD - AFTER 2nd BOWL

3rd LEAD - AFTER 2nd BOWL

SKIP - AFTER EACH BOWL

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