



# Santa Cruz Lawn Bowls Newsletter

February 2011

As most of you are aware, we had another break-in in January. Nothing was taken but the clubhouse door was severely damaged. I am grateful to Dave Seivert for all his efforts researching and obtaining a steel replacement door and associated hardware which the city will install. The locks have been keyed to match your keys so there should be a minimum of inconvenience. I also would like to express my gratitude to Stephen Schoenfeld for his many hours of work in treating the green with copper sulfate last month. We had to wait for the weather to cooperate but the entire green has been sprayed. We have received many compliments on how beautiful the green looks. Thank you, Stephen!

We continue to work to keep our website current and accurate. However, misinformation continues to make its way into discussion. If you are uncertain of information, please double check by visiting the website or contacting David or myself.

If you missed SCLBC featured on "The Second Fifty Years", it will be rerun on February 3 and 5 at 6 p.m. on Channel 27

At the January board meeting, it was decided that part of our responsibility as a governing body is to help educate our members in the laws and practices of the sport. We are instituting a monthly area of focus emphasizing particular facets of the game to help familiarize members with the rules of the sport. Below you will find the focus for February: Rule 36-Position of players

**February calendar:** All events at the clubhouse unless noted:

13- Sunday- Valentine's Day - Snacks after Draw

24- Thursday- Board Meeting 3:00

\*Mark your calendars for the SCLBC FUNraiser series: Saturday, May 7- Rodeo, Sunday, July 1- Sundae Sunday and Saturday, October 14- Octoberfest.

**Thanks:** Thanks to Coral Singer and Peter Blacklock for their continuing efforts on green maintenance; to Heidi Louis for offering to be in charge of prize baskets for membership drive raffles; to Gary Luttringer for his work on creating “FUNraiser” participation pins; to Peter Blacklock serving as Snowbird liaison; to Glen Johnson for donation of set of bowls; and to John Lyons for helping with door research and beverage supply.

**Goals:** Keeping in mind our 2011 goals and progress:

Personnel

1. To increase membership by 25 new members

*Our “Rolling Forward” membership drive kick-off was held on January 22. The first phase of the program is to increase name recognition. Posters are available at the clubhouse and each member is requested to place 5 posters on their community bulletin boards. Please list your postings on the white board so we can avoid duplication. Members will receive a raffle ticket for each 5 posters placed. Take a look at the great prize basket in the clubhouse! We have welcomed our first new member of 2011, Gil Morse. Welcome, Gil!*

2. To increase competitive event participation

*Jerry Louis, Glen Johnson and Ken Brideau are participating in the San Jose Winter League competition.*

Facilities

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

*Meeting with city officials has been requested.*

2. To update bowls collection with purchase of 2 sets

*Glen Johnson has generously donated a size 1 Henselite bowls.*

Finances- To transfer \$5000 to green fund

*A slight set back here as we were faced with the expense of replacing the door.*

**Focus:** Rule 36 Position of players

36.1 In relation to the rink of play

1 Players at the mat end of the rink who are not delivering a bowls should stand at least 1 meter behind the mat.

2 Players at the head end of the rink who are not controlling play should stand

-behind the jack and away from the head;

- on the surrounds of the green if the jack is in the ditch;

-or well clear of the head if it is not possible to stand on the surrounds.

36.2 In relation to a neighboring rink

1 A player should not go into a neighboring rink where play is in progress

2 A player should neither go into or walk along a neighboring rink, even if it is not being used, while an opponent is about to deliver or is actually delivering a bowl

If you are physically able, please stand up on the surround; if not, stand at least 1 meter behind and out of the peripheral vision of the player on the mat. Do not begin to change

ends until all play has been completed; then walk close to the center of your rink with minimum delay.

Note from Palo Alto LBC Coach's Corner: In triples, only the two vices should be standing behind the head. The leads should be at the back of the green, preferably on the surround. When skip A is on the mat, then the vice for team A should be in the head to communicate with the skip. Once the skip's bowl comes to rest, skip B takes over the mat and vice B takes over the head.

Only one vice should actually be in the head at any given time until the end is completed. Then both will agree the score - after measuring if necessary. Normally the team conceding the end would do the measuring. In a pairs game the same rules apply only it is the leads alternating in the head.

**PBA:** If you are planning to join PBA this year, Frank Souza reminds us that dues (\$110) are now due. Please send them to Frank at 10343 W. Bayside Rd., Sun City, AZ 85351-2725

**Membership Drive:** We have had two articles in the Santa Cruz Sentinel: "Lawn bowling finds a niche in Santa Cruz" and "Getting to Know Harry Schoenfeld". Although we are focusing on name recognition, it is not too early to start inviting guests to try their hand at the game of bowls. We will be having one person assigned to "fence duty" at each draw game. We get a lot of foot traffic and curious on-lookers during games. You are wonderful about greeting and talking to these visitors but we need to take the next step and encourage them to come inside the fence, roll some bowls and if possible set up a time for instruction. Guests will be entered in a raffle to win a gift certificate at Jamba Juice for filling out a contact information card and a second raffle for lunch for two at the Hind Quarter if they get on the green and roll a few bowls. Please be patient if your game is disturbed by a member "on duty" having to leave a game. I also ask you to be willing to take a turn to work with our fence visitors. You can earn your own raffle tickets for the membership drive prize baskets.