



Santa Cruz Lawn Bowls Newsletter

June 2017

Congratulations to our Quattro de Mayo Powerplay Tournament winners, Aumao and Heidi. A great turn out for the game and wonderful taco bar hosted by John and Linda Lyons. Thanks to Gary, we now now why quattro de mayo is such a special day. We begin our summer evening series this month with our Solstice Celebration on June 21. We have advertised this in the Parks catalog and are hoping to make this a training opportunity also. Heidi and Jerry are hosting the 7:00 dinner. Guests are welcome. Note that the draw is at 5:30. Please start to think what format you would like to have for our club singles tournament: round robin vs bracket elimination? single elimination vs double? one weekend or arrange your own times over an extended period? We will discuss this at our July meeting. We need one or two volunteer coaches for the June 30 Food Truck Festival in the park. Green will be open 5-7 p.m.

Calendar: All events at the clubhouse unless noted.

June 7, Wednesday, Friendship Game at Santa Cruz bring your own lunch \$3

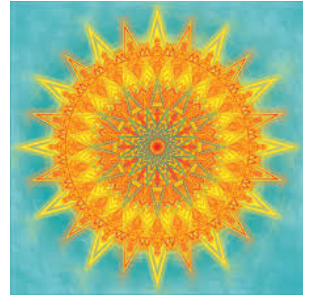
June 14, Wednesday, Friendship Game at Carmel bring your own lunch \$3

June 21, Wednesday, Solstice BBQ \$10 Draw at 5:30, Dinner at 7:00 Members \$5- Guests \$10 (dinner only) Guests' dinner and bowls \$15

June 30, Friday Food Trucks in the Park Blue Grass Festival coaches needed 5:00-7:00

Thanks: John Lyons for hosting Quattro de Mayo; for Gary helping us understand the importance of Quattro de mayo; to Earl and John B for green brushing;

Solstice BBQ We will play Lightning Singles/Pairs depending on attendance. Each person will play 3 four end games with a random draw (Games at 5:30, 6:00, 6:30 with snacks provided in between in the garden.) For every end you win, you will receive a playing card. At the end of the evening, create a poker hand from the cards you have won. Winning hands wins \$20-\$10-\$5 prizes. Please sign up on the front table



Focal Point: First a review of what has already been presented in past newsletters:

*Place bowls gently on green; do not drop from bank. Only bowls, jacks, mats and rakes are to be on the green. No bags or bowls carriers.

*At the conclusion of an end, all players kick bowls toward the center string and raker has only walk the string to scoop up bowls.

*Remember to follow through after your delivery

*Stay on the mat...and watch and learn something from every shot you deliver."

*Train your self to scrutinize the first 20 feet of your your bowl in court to determine how to adjust your next shot

And for this month ...

Rob Judson's "Lawn Bowls Coaching" has the following suggestion for grip: "At present, new bowlers are instructed to place their middle finger parallel to the rings and the running surface. At best, only a small minority can automatically manage it as an inspection of the middle fingers of our best bowlers would find them out of line. Why teach something that is 'more honored in the breach than in the observance'? If a bowler stops himself in mid-action at the point of delivery and places his bowl on the green in perfect alignment with his bowling line and then picks up the bowl in a comfortable grip, then provided the end joint of the middle finger is on the crown of the running surface, (midway between the rings) then he has a comfortable grip suited to his physique and perhaps as unique as his fingerprint"

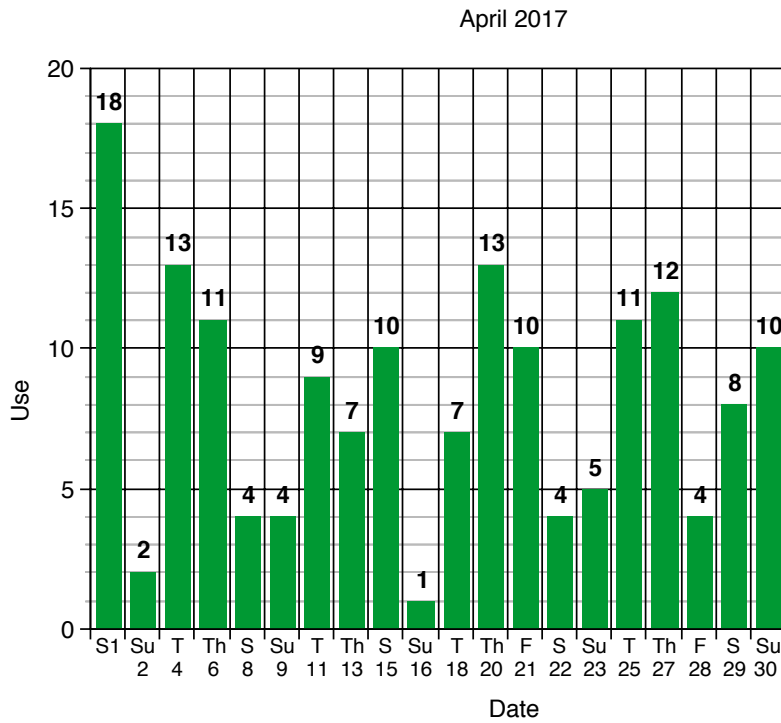
Goals 2017:

Personnel: To have a net gain 10 members added to our January roster of 37 bringing our total membership to 47; to have 2800 games played

Facilities: To have all members participate in clubhouse garden and green maintenance

Finance: To add \$3000 to green replacement fund

Attendance: Sign in roster for April showed 163 games played.
Average daily draw was 9.



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