

# NEWPORT HARBOR LAWN BOWLING CLUB

## Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting held March 2, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. Those present were 2011 Board Members: president, Dave Phillips; vice president, Jim White; secretary, Dee McSparran; treasurer, Jan Hargraves; directors, Darlyne Hilliard, Sharon Grady, Clark Westcott and Chuck Muser; and, immediate past president, Ted Farfaglia. Also present were members John MacDonald, Sally Westcott, Gary Fischer, and Ray Norris.

Farfaglia motioned to accept the Minutes of the Board Meeting of February 2 as corrected; seconded by Muser; and, unanimously carried.

Farfaglia motioned to approve the Treasurer's report; seconded by Grady; and, unanimously carried.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:** White presented a "plan of action items" document for the May 7 Open House event. An email to members regarding contacts for advertising in community newsletters will be sent. A sign-up sheet will be posted mid-March. A budget of \$500 and a discount membership fee of \$125 were agreed. Hargraves agreed to take care of the banner, Grady accepted to help with children's activities, Pauline Kozma and Tina Byrne will be asked to assist Grady. Groothuis will be asked to take care of decorations and Myrna Chan will be asked to instruct set up for PayPal service. Club Pride Day (property clean-up) will be scheduled for Saturday, April 30, at 9:00 a.m., and a sign-up flyer with a list of things to do will be posted.

Hargraves motioned to approve membership application of Noble Warrum; seconded by Muser; and, unanimously carried. Discussed a unanimously agreed was to refund all but \$20 to Elaine Sartin who withdrew her membership application due to health problems.

McSparran reported and provided current club roster of 139 members and a printed list of 89 members who had not renewed. Mentioned was made that all members with email addresses were sent a reminder to remit 2011 membership dues by February 28; a few replies were received of no intent to rejoin and three members replied that they plan to rejoin.

**PUBLICITY COMMITTEE:** The *Newport Navigator* provided an Open House ad in the February issue.

**GREENS COMMITTEE:** MacDonald reported a bid of \$2,600 to replace 27 sections of backboards with the need for at least 13 sections. Hargraves motioned to table the item until after the Open House; all voted in favor; and, unanimously carried. MacDonald reported a bid of \$3,000 for conduit installation to run outside the fence of the property. A permit from the City of Newport Beach is required and will be acquired. He will provide an update of the mowing schedule for Daylight Savings Time.

**CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE:** Westcott reported that he and Bill Day will handle trash duties until summer.

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE:** White will have flyer posted for the first Summer Sunday Bowls & BBQ club event prior to the Open House.

**HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE:** Grady reported that she has hospitality needs covered for the month of March and plans to post a sign-up sheet to recruit volunteers for the following months. Sharon objected to the date set for the club Vet-Novice Mixed Triples event on Palm Sunday. It was agreed by all to reschedule the event for Saturday, April 16.

**TOURNAMENTS COMMITTEE:** Muser reported that he received a request to have the President's Cup Singles divided into A and B groups/greens; discussed and rejected. Unanimously agreed was that the \$10 entry fee for the St. Patrick's/St. Joseph's Day club event would be disbursed with \$5 per person to food, \$4 to prize money, and \$1 to greens fees. MacDonald reported that Winter League continues with the finals competition. Hargraves reported that sign-ups have been acquired for the Coast League season which begins March 11.

**CLUB BOWLING COMMITTEE:** Discussion and agreement was to continue the Wednesday morning draw.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE:** Ray Norris reported that he had reviewed the club check register and found all in order.

**BYLAWS REVIEW COMMITTEE:** Muser reported that Groothuis recommended some revisions to language to the Bylaws and has received no input from Kelly Warren.

**MASTER SCHEDULING COMMITTEE:** Mar 5 (Sat) Outside Group (Baxt 2-4 p.m.); Mar 6 (Sun) President's Cup Singles; Mar 20 (Sun) St. Patrick's/St. Joseph's Day; Mar 25 (Fri) Coast League (for The Groves); Apr 1 (Fri) Casino Night Fundraiser; Apr 9 (Sat) Chris Hyland Triples (women); Apr 17 (Sun) Vet-Novice Triples; May 7 (Sat) OPEN HOUSE; May 22 (Sun) President's Cup Pairs; May 27 (Fri) Coast League; June 12 (Sun) FIRST SUMMER BBQ; Jun 25 (Sat) Novice-New Member Pairs; July 3 (Sun) Men vs. Women Pairs; July 8 (Fri) Coast League (for The Groves); July 9-10 (Sat-Sun) US Pairs Playdowns (women); July 16-17 (Sat-Sun) US Pairs Playdowns (finals); July 17 (Sun) SECOND SUMMER BBQ; Aug 7 (Sun) THIRD SUMMER BBQ; Aug 28 (Sun) President's Cup Triples; Sept 17-23 US OPEN; Oct 9-14 MAP; Oct 19 (Wed) Ladies Day; TBA Chicken Coop

All agreed to a social bowling draw of a 12-end game at 3:00 p.m. on April 1. All agreed that the President's Cup tournaments, the Vet-Novice Triples event, and the Novice-New Member Pairs event will be for Newport members only. McSparran agreed to check with World Bowls and SWD policies regarding reciprocal membership.

Hargraves agreed to consult with Myrna Chan regarding the Anderson School Fundraiser. Farfaglia motioned for a policy to refund prorated membership dues for resignations of those with medical concerns; motion failed. Grady motioned to make the refund decision on an individual basis; all agreed. Discussed and unanimously agreed was the posting of Minutes and *The Yellow Jacket* to the NHLBC web site. Muser motioned to establish a policy to discourage use of our email list for commercial purposes; seconded by Farfaglia; and, unanimously carried. Farfaglia agreed to provide verbiage for the policy. All agreed to enforce use of the "Wrong Bias Boxes" and to be announced at social draws. Gary Fischer offered to provide the first \$25k of the cost to install one artificial green with a decision deadline of December 31, 2011. All agreed to have a committee established and Farfaglia agreed to chair it with the assistance of John MacDonald, Jan Hargraves, Dave Phillips and Gary Fischer. Hargraves mentioned that Bill Hiscock has suggested NHLBC consider a visitation to the Coronado Lawn Bowling Club. She will contact Hiscock for available dates to consider for planning.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, April 6, at 3:00 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Dee McSparran*

Dee McSparran, Secretary

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NHLBC Host Program for 2011

Newport Members:

Many of you have been, or will be, asked to serve as Hosts during and after the Open House. Before committing, one should understand the duties involved. They are two-fold.

The easy part is to be present during the Open House on Saturday, May 7, to meet the potential new members, guide them through the prepared program, answer their questions, help them roll a few trial bowls and, to some degree, sell the benefits of club membership, including the privilege of volunteering.

The second job, more important and more difficult, occurs after a person becomes a paid New Member. Each New Member will be assigned their personal Host. The Host will be a mentor until the New Member is fully indoctrinated and hopefully taking part in club activities. There should be a one-on-one meeting at the club to fully explain the facilities, loaner bowls, honor system beverages, other supplies, lockers, scheduled or practice bowling and the many uses of our well-equipped kitchen.

A Host needs to encourage their mentee to take advantage of the group or individual lessons as suitable. The final task, and perhaps the most difficult, is to avoid the mentee feeling they are never skilled enough to bowl in the social competition. They need to learn the rules, sign up to bowl and trust that the experienced members will be helpful, not critical.

As Host Coordinator, I will track the progress of every New Member and hope to talk with each after their first social bowling competition.

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P.S. If this is a job you would enjoy and I have not recruited you, please contact me and earn a little volunteer glory!