



# The Yellow Jacket

## Newport Harbor Lawn Bowling Club

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#### President's Message



With Summer almost behind us and Fall in the air, it's time to begin thinking about the 2009 MAP International Tournament that will take place at NHLBC in October. Under the leadership of member **Mert Isaacman**, the MAP committee has been busy planning for the event involving teams from Europe, Asia, Australia and the USA. The committee is offering several options in which you can assist in funding this week long competition, including tax deductible donations. If you would like to help out, please go to [www.maptournament.com](http://www.maptournament.com) for details.

The Annual President Cup Triples Tournament was a great success, fielding ten energetic teams competing for the NHLBC Triples Championship. After three intense games, members **Jan Hargraves**, **Phil Luth** and **Helen Dinkins** won the championship and the grand prize in this blind draw competition. A special thanks to **Tony Greenberg** and his hospitality team members **Ziba Askar**, **Sally Cadwallader**, **Emily Carpenter**, **Eula Caselman** and **Mary Shandy** for all of the fine food and service throughout the day.

All of our August Sunday BBQs were well received with more than 175 people in total attending these bowling and dining events. **Ray Norris** and **Bev Gillett** served a superb turkey dinner at the beginning of the month, **Len Cormier** and **Myrna Chan** delighted us with a delicious BBQ steak and chicken meal and **Maryna Hyland**, **Jerry Grady**, **Dee** and **Bob McSparran** finished up the month with a great mixed grill. While this officially ends our summer series of BBQs, there will be another

club BBQ on Sunday, October 11 to kick off the MAP International Tournament.

Also during August, NHLBC hosted two private parties, providing several hundred dollars of additional income for the club. A special thanks to members **Bill Day**, **Bob Carpenter**, **Myrna Chan**, **Len Cormier**, **Jan** and **Tom Hargraves**, **Tibor Kozma**, **Phil Luth**, **Cathy** and **John MacDonald**, **Chuck Muser**, **Ray Norris**, **George Petyo**, **Dave Price**, **Joyce Smith**, **Sally** and **Clark Westcott** and **Jim White** for taking their personal time to help with these special events. During September, we will have four additional income producing private parties scheduled, during which time we can use your help. Please keep an eye out for the signup sheets on the outside bulletin board.

Turning to SWD highlights, NHLBC once again hosted the annual SWD Persina Tournament under the leadership of **Dee McSparran** and **Ed Quo**. Members **Joe Regan** and **Charlie Herbert** won the competition and **Tony Greenberg's** hospitality team members **Zibba Askar**, **Sally Cadwallader** and **Mary Shandy** once again provided us superb Newport Harbor hospitality throughout the day.

Finally, congratulations to members **Dave Price** and **George Petyo** for capturing first place in the SWD Men's Novice Pairs competition at Laguna Woods. Pictures and other details about this and other tournaments mentioned above can be found on the following pages.

**Have a Wonderful Fall Season!**  
**John Groothuis**



#### Newport Harbor Team Wins SWD Novice Pairs Tourney

The NHLBC team of **Dave Price** and **George Petyo** has won the annual Southwest Division Men's Novice Pairs tournament, held August 23<sup>rd</sup> on the Laguna Woods LBC greens. The four ten-end game competition was contested between sixteen teams from various clubs in the Southwest District. Second through fourth places were taken by teams from San Diego and Santa Ana.

Other Newporters competing were **Kelly Warren**, **Clay Nolde**, **Bob Carpenter**, **Robert Alessi**, and **Rick Timms**. Bowlers with less than two years membership in a USLBA club carry novice status.

#### President's Cup Triples

The team of **Jan Hargraves**, **Phil Luth**, and **Helen Dinkins** has won the annual club President's Cup Triples tournament. The ten end, three game competition was held August 22<sup>nd</sup> on the club greens and was contested boisterously by ten teams. The team of **Gary Fischer**, **Joyce Smith**, and **Jim Altobelli** took second spot, while **Jerry Grady**, **Myrna Chan**, and **Emily Carpenter** teamed up to take third.

The last of the President's Cup events, the singles, has been rescheduled to November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Make your plans now to bowl in this exciting tournament.

#### Newport Harbor Wins Coast League 8<sup>th</sup> Straight Year

A Newport Harbor team has won the Coast League for the eighth straight year. The league is made up of

teams from the Santa Ana, Long Beach, Laguna Beach, Laguna Woods and **Newport Harbor** lawn bowling clubs, with each club fielding four teams. The teams are broken down into designations of team 1A, 1B, 2A and 2B, with the wins and losses for each set of teams consolidated in the standings. This year **Newport Harbor Two** posted a record of 35-5 to sweep the competition. **NH One** was fourth with a record of 21-19.

The make-up of each team was not fixed, with different bowlers participating in any given Friday session. Those bowling for **Newport Harbor** this year were **Jim Altobelli, Marion Compton, Bill Day, Ted Farfaglia, Gary Fischer, Jerry Grady, Sharon Grady, Jan Hargraves, Tom Hargraves, Darlyne Hilliard, Ivan Hyland, Maryna Hyland, Linda Jahraus, Pauline Kozma, Tibor Kozma, Eva Lee, Dale Lucas, Patty Lucas, Cathy MacDonald, John MacDonald, Dee McSparran, Simon Meyerowitz, Chuck Muser, Ray Norris, Dave Price, Ed Quo, Joe Regan, Ed Shearin, Shep Sheppard, Don Stewart, Ron Temple, Glenna Weber, and Jim White.**

The team of **Ray Norris, Terry Heeley** and **Mary Dooley** triumphed in the C flight, the group reserved for us mere mortals. Second place was taken by the team of **Rita Greenberg, Tony Greenberg** and mere mortal **Jim Altobelli**. It should be pointed out that this event saw **Rita Greenberg's** introduction to the gentle art of bowling skip and it is generally thought that she's a natural, exhibiting a killer instinct with a sweet smile.

The team of **Jerry Grady, Robert Alessi** and **Sharon Grady** managed a third place finish in the B flight. Other Newporters bowling were **Patty Lucas, Dale Lucas, Ed Quo, Rosa Gandra, Eva Lee, Don Stewart, Pauline Kozma, Tibor Kozma, Tom Hargraves, Tanya Hills, George Petyo, Chuck Muser, Joyce Smith, Darlyne Hilliard** and **Kelly Warren.**

**lie Herbert** took third and fourth respectively, while a team with **Simon Meyerowitz** took second in the consolation round in that flight. In the MacDonald Flight, a team with **Brad Parker** managed a third, and a team with **Gary Fischer** took a second in that flight's consolation round.

In the Pat Gonzales Mixed Australian Pairs held on the Long Beach LBC greens August 29<sup>th</sup>, **Ed Quo** and **Eva Lee** took third, and **Jerry Grady** and **Sharon Grady** took fourth on the A green, while a team with **Dale Lucas** bowling won the B green competition. Other Newport bowlers were **Dee McSparran, Bob Nunes, Ann Nunes, Linda Jahraus, Missy Parker, Brad Parker, Robert Alessi** and **Patty Lucas.**



## Persina Mixed Triples A Huge Success

**Newport Harbor** teams won two of the three flights in the SWD Persina Mixed Triples on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Seventy eight bowlers in twenty six teams descended on the greens of our club to contest this annual event. This year the teams were divided into three flights, the division based loosely on the relative skill of the bowlers. A and B flights had ten teams, and C flight had six. The team of **Charlie Herbert, Joe Regan,** and friend Cathie Herbert triumphed in A flight, that for the top bowlers in the competition. The team of **Gary Fischer, Ted Farfaglia** and **Dee McSparran** came in second, while a team upon which **Linda Jahraus** bowled took third.

## Other Sporting News

In other news from the competition world, Newporter **Mert Isaacman,** teamed with Israel National Team member Zvika Hadar, walked away with a win in the Cary Flight of the SWD Men's Cary MacDonald Pairs tournament held at the Long Beach LBC on August 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Teams with **Ed Quo** and **Char-**

## Patty Lucas, Tony Greenberg and Myrna Chan bowling in the President's Cup Triples

## The Cook Who Doesn't Want To

By Chuck Muser

We all know **Tony Greenberg**, the guy who orchestrates those extraordinary spreads morning and noon at the tournaments held at the club. You know, soups, salads, breakfast rolls, and a plethora of other goodies that delight the eye and the taste buds of eager bowlers who come to bowl at the **Newport Harbor Lawn Bowling Club**.

Well, here's a shocker for you. Tony confessed in a recent conversation that he hates cooking!

Yep, that's right; he's done with it, burned out, finished, kaput. In fact, he said that he held those strong feelings even before he volunteered to take on the task of furnishing the hospitality for the club. So, he was asked, why do you do it? Simply put, it's a way to give back to the club, a way to use a talent that he has to benefit an organization he enjoys being part of. And, the man can cook, no doubt about it.

The thing is, he doesn't make his living cooking, and hasn't for a long time. He works as a controller for a large real estate firm in Irvine. He was trained as an accountant in his native South Africa and has actually spent most of his working career in that field. However, it was his love of cooking that lured him from the world of numbers in the first place. Tony recalls baking cakes when he was eight, working alongside the woman who he credits with helping raise him, the family's cook, Annie.

He explained that in South Africa labor was inexpensive and most families had cooks. Annie worked in their home for many years and, after she retired, was supported by his family. She just died recently in Johannesburg.

He said that, after working for a time in accounting, he got the urge to run a restaurant. He opened a steak and rib eating place in Johannesburg in 1979, and in 1981, was lured away to Miami to manage a large delicatessen and restaurant. That was a big jump, a new job and a new country all in one fell swoop, so he decided to give it a try in small steps. He came over on his own, leaving his delightful wife **Rita**, and the children behind, to give it a try. After a while he brought them over and got to

ing. He confesses that he began to long for some peace and a more steady way to live. Along comes a head hunter who suggests he look at a position as a controller with a real estate company in San Bernardino. He jumped at the chance, and the company jumped at him, and to Southern California they came. After some bumps in the real estate business due to housing slumps, and a side track helping to get a fledgling pizza business going, they ended up in Irvine, and finally through the club gates.

Unfortunately, Tony's labors for the club have brought on another burn out situation. As many who have already taken on the task of providing hospitality for the club know, it's not an easy chore, and sometimes a lonely one. And, to compound that, Tony's drive to do a job to perfection makes the job even more taxing, both in terms of labor and money. The money provided by the Southwest Division, and even our club, to pay for the hospitality doesn't quite cover what he feels is needed, so he's felt compelled to dip into his funds for time to time. Yes, he acknowledges, he heard the voices during the meetings at the beginning of the year counseling restraint. But, he admits, he is who he is.

So, we can end the year in December, knowing that we have had the benefit of the talents and enthusiasm of **Tony Greenberg**, along with some memories of some great meals before and during competition. And we'll also know that

we will again be facing the task of persuading someone else to handle the hospitality position. Tony promises that, once he retires, he'll be ready to jump back in. Asked when that might happen he smiles and says, "We're working on that, a few more years."



work in earnest. His boss took on another business, that of running a restaurant in a large condominium facility in a beach town north of Miami. In five months he was running it and another facility just like it on his own. And this is where the burn out part happens.

Those who have been in that business know that it's a seven days a week, twenty four hours a day undertak-

## NHLBC CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 2009

### Weekly Club Social Bowling

|           |                   |                           |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Mondays   | Evening Bowling   | 6:30 PM                   |
| Tuesdays  | Afternoon Bowling | 1 PM                      |
| Thursdays | Afternoon Bowling | 5 PM (Bring a Dish)       |
| Saturdays | Morning Bowling   | 10 AM                     |
| Sundays   | Afternoon Bowling | 3 PM (Bring an Appetizer) |

Call (949-640-1022) 30 to 60 minutes before bowling begins. Give your name and membership number.

### Special Events at NHLBC

|                          |                               |                |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| September 5 - Saturday   | Private Party                 | 4 to 9 PM      |
| September 8 - Tuesday    | Board Meeting                 | 9:30 to Noon   |
| September 19 - Saturday  | Private Party                 | 4 to 9 PM      |
| September 23 - Wednesday | Private Party                 | 4 to 7 PM      |
| September 26 - Saturday  | SWD Woman's 5 Star Tournament | All Day        |
| September 30 - Wednesday | Private Party                 | 4 to 9 PM      |
| September 30 - Wednesday | SWD Meeting                   | 10 to 11:30 AM |

### Free Group Lessons

|                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Tuesdays, 10 AM           | Saturdays, 10 AM           |
| Jan Hargraves, Instructor | John Groothuis, Instructor |

### Free Private Lessons

(Contact any instructor below for appointment)

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**Members of the Irish and Scottish teams  
In the 2008 MAP**



**Welsh Bowler in the 2008 MAP**