Santa Barbara Lawn Bowls Club

ON THE JACK

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Board Meeting Highlights: (meeting of May 5, 2020)

Our Board of Directors met via computer and phone and discussed the following. Thanks to Secretary Ron Bromwell for the minutes of the meeting.

All Club events are still cancelled, but work is being done to prepare for opening within the coming weeks, a notice will be sent to all members providing details.

Reward system for volunteers at Event parties: Still awaiting Member suggestions.

The painting and repair work of the benches is in process. Volunteers will be needed to assist in removing canvas awnings when the painter is ready.

New Evening League starting dates still TBD. Refunds requested by players, only 3 so far.

The City has finished their work outside the Club clearing weeds and the grass area.

The Club Bylaws process is completed with the approval of 47 Members who voted, about 80%. The Directory is now printed and is also posted on our website. Hard copies will be available in the clubhouse whenever we re-open.

Corporate Event parties, all on hold until further notice.

The wooden benches with cement ends are being refurbished by Victor the Painter. The benches were deemed to be unstable and will be re-worked to make them secure.

<u>Budget committee:</u> Ken has provided a status report showing the details of our Investment Fund which had a balance of \$193,156.70 as of April 30, 2020. Janet reported a checkbook balance of \$15,033.08, again for April 30, 2020.

<u>Greens committee:</u> Brent will continue the work replacing backboards. Consideration will be given to eventually replacing the edge boards also. The new gardener, his name is Jessie, will start May 15, after the grass has been Cored to improve aeration.

The Carpet green repair/replace decision is still on hold for the time being. Problems exist with patches of mold which need to be eradicated or replaced. Max has agreed to remove the lights used for evening play.

<u>Games committee:</u> Chris brought up the subject of re-opening the club for play and suggested a simpler way to get started would be to allow single player practice. This idea requires more thought about security and scheduling but may be a help to get us back into bowling in a shorter time frame.

Members can read the distributed SBLBC document detailing the 'Draft Planned Operating and Safety Guidelines' and contemplate how they will personally manage to get back into the game.

Following is a funny piece I outright stole from the Oxnard LBC newsletter. Hope they don't mind

Caution

Just be careful because people are going crazy from being in lock down! Actually I've just been talking about this with the microwave and toaster, while drinking coffee and all of us agreed that things are getting bad. I didn't mention anything to the washing machine as she puts a different spin on everything. Certainly not to the fridge as he is acting cold and distant. In the end the iron calmed me down as she said everything will be fine, no situation is too pressing. The Hoover was very unsympathetic... told me to just suck it up, but the fan was more optimistic and hoped it would all soon blow over! The toilet looked a bit flushed when I asked its opinion and didn't say anything but the door knob told me to get a grip. The front door said I was unhinged and so the curtains told me toyes, you guessed it ...pull myself together.

Contributed by Jordan Austin

About the Forwarded Messages and pictures:

As you are all aware, I am forwarding many jokes, pictures, videos from YouTube etc. I have a steady supplier in Chris Kennedy who sends me as many as five a day but sometimes fewer. Also, Dorothy came up with a good one. Since there are so many, I am trying to pick out the very best and send them on because I don't want to fill up everyone's in box. Please let me know, and Chris know, whether you are enjoying these items and send me any comments you think of.

I don't know about everyone else, but I am missing all the great events I have marked on my calendar: the great Graffy Tournament scheduled for May 2, the Southwest Open and etc. We have missed out on a lot but hopefully it won't be too much longer before we can take up where we left off and get back to our favorite sport. So hang in there everyone and in the meantime.....HAPPY MOTHERS DAY.

Eileen