

Discover Your Sport... Lawn Bowls

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Please be safe over the holidays when rolling out of 2019 and into 2020. Be sure to submit your news articles by January 10, 2020.



BOWLS USA GRANT AWARDED!



Glorianne Mather, Grant Committee



To: Bowls USA Grant Program 2019 Grant Report from Frick Park Lawn Bowling Club Pittsburgh, PA 27 November 2019

Reason for Request To enhance the lawn-bowling experience of our wheelchair bowlers. **Amount of Request** \$310

Our lawn bowling club has two active members who are wheelchair users. They've been bowling weekly in our leagues for many years and relied on an old and heavy wooden ramp for access to the greens. We needed a new and lighter ramp for any member, current and future, who may be in a wheelchair.

Jim Peele, one of our wheelchair bowlers, did the research and identified a 36-inch wide and four-foot long aluminum ramp that weighs only 23 pounds, compared to our current heavy wooden ramp. The aluminum ramp's dimensions meet ADA requirements (1 ft length for each 1 inch rise) and has a non-slip surface. It can hold up to 800 pounds.

This ramp is made by Prairie View Industries (PVI Ramps), a brand Jim was familiar with, as he currently has one of their ramps at home. The cost, with tax, came to \$310, the amount we requested and received from Bowls USA.

We received the grant in early summer and the new ramp arrived soon after. Both Jim Peele and Howard Stein, our wheelchair bowlers, have mentioned several times what a difference the new ramp has made. Our old wooden ramp needed two members to lift into place, while the new aluminum ramp can be handled easily by one person. Both the new and old ramps provide two means of access to the greens, which is especially handy when both Jim and Howard play at either ends of a green, allowing them easy access on and off the greens.

Our club is grateful to Bowls USA for the funds to purchase the new ramp. Above is a picture of the ramp in use.

-Dan Boyarski, President

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Hall of Fame

Following, you will find their photos and biography.







Steve Nelson, 2019 Hall of Fame Inductee

Nominated by the Central Division

Steve began bowling in Calgary Alberta 1983-1986 followed by 12 year hiatus from bowls for work/family. Member Milwaukee Lake Park LBC 2000-2015. Member of Asheville LBC 2015-current. Also, member of Ontario bowls club 2015-present.

2007-2011 USLBA/Bowls USA, Councilor Central Division

2005-2009 Central Division, President and Vice President

2017-2018 Southeast Division, Treasurer

Steve has represented Team USA since 2010, and has been an 11-time qualifier for the National Championships. He has 12 titles in three different Division Opens.

Other Achievements:

2007-2011 USLBA/Bowls USA, Councilor Central Division 2005-2009 Central Division, President and Vice President 2017-2018 Southeast Division, Treasurer 2011 Ranked #22 in world by World Bowls Webmaster/Editor: Asheville LBC; Central Division; 2010 NAC Various national and division committees



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Patricia here with Team USA in Brisbane, Australia



Pictured here with her pairs partners: Top Mary DeLisle, Below Carrie Fossati



Patricia Cronshaw, 2019 Hall of Fame Inductee

Nominated by the South West Women's Division

Patricia is a member of the Santa Barbara and Mackenzie Park Lawn Bowling Clubs in Southern California.

Bowls USA: 2000 Constitution Committee, National Umpire since 1998, Club Coach since 2014

Delegate to SWW since 2000, 2001 Merger Committee, 2001-03 SW Div Secretary, 2001-08 SW Parliamentarian, 2014 Merger Committee, 2016 Merger Committee, 2018 Disciplinary Committee

Patricia has represented Team USA since 2004, and has been an 8-time qualifier for the National Championships. She won Gold in the US Open Pairs in 2004, and Gold in the US Open Fours in 2002, 2004, and 2005.

She is a Certified Club Coach and member of the SWW Division Ethics Committee.





WANTED: NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP HOSTS!

Bowls USA needs Division/Club-sponsors for 2021, and 2023, and beyond. If your Club or Division would choose a year to co-sponsor this prestigious event (along with Bowls USA), please let us know what year that would be. And, if possible, what month you could host the event.

2020—Central at Milwaukee 2021 -2022—SouthEast Con

Contact: k519ss@sbcglobal.net

Our SED Opener on Wednesday was most successful with 24 entries.

Prizes were distributed as follows:

- 1st Neil Douglas / Diane Douglas
- 2nd Brian Myers / Jenny Myers
- 3rd Cindy Higgins / Bob Fladung
- 4th Marj Kells / Rick Carr
- 5th Ron Ridley / Bruce Smith
- 6th Sandy Wall / Cathy Mills
- 7th Richard Broad / Christine Wild
- 8th Cassandra Furlong / Marge Lange Sun City

Sun City, Ariz. Sun City Sun City World Pkwy Clearwater World Pkwy Seattle/Clearwater



Gary Higgins, Representative

The holiday season is here but there's an upcoming tournament at Mt Dora, Holiday Bowl, MT, on December 6th. And there's two upcoming at Sarasota, - MP on Dec. 14th and the Ron Buck Memorial-OF, on Jan 4th.

Then on Jan. 11th, our subject tournament followed by our Hall of Fame Super Bowls OT tournament on Jan. 25th (a Saturday again).

Anita Gray





LADIES' DAY—HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

At Laguna Woods, Tuesday, December 17, 2019

Check in at 8:30am: Bowls at 9:00am, Luncheon afterwards

Fee \$15

Contact Shelley Cohen to signup for the event. (909-500-1788) nanashelley@gmail.com