



Shuttlecock

September 2006

Manhattan Beach Badminton Club

Presidentially Speaking...

Nice to see those of you that showed up for the Adult Poolside Party. Thank you Entertainment Chair, Tammy Lipps, and her volunteers. We couldn't have done this without all of your help.

The Junior International was another great tournament. The Skinners, Jack Tarr, and all of the wonderful volunteers, thank you very much. These tournaments couldn't be this excellent without everyone's help. Thank you everyone.

By the time you read this school will have started. Hopefully everyone get back into the school routine smoothly.

Remember **September 17th**, 11 am -6 pm, is our **70th Anniversary** Celebration. Julia Tedesco and her volunteers have a great day planned. We'll have games, exhibition badminton, food, and drinks. See you all there!

We had some technical difficulties during the Junior Tournament. The venting system in the kitchen courts and BBQ area needs some work. Peter will be getting bids on fixing those problems.

The spa's electrical system shorted out during the Junior Tournament, as well. Tom, our pool supervisor and electrician, will hopefully fix it.

Thanks to everyone for helping to make the Club run as well as it does.

Wayne BuelteI

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Membership News

Bob Steinberg

We received the following applications for membership:

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Co-Sponsor</u>
Kaltsas, Jim & Terry	Sussman	Lucenti
Stauber, Michael & Julie	Bartlett	Ortiz
Chelliah, Chell 7 Melinda	Banchik	Otto
Jelmini, Dean & Stacey	Dennis	Tedesco
Musthafa, Firoze & Alikunju, Shahanas	Davis	Alfnadary
Falk, Aaron & Caroline	Tondeur	Hindle
Chu, Ping & Lisa	Andreas	Sussman
Scott, Mike & Jill	McKeegan	McCarroll
Raney, Kris & Kristina	Schwartz	Irvin

New membership applications continue to come in. Please let prospective members know that they must submit their applications with two active members signing. You must be an active member for a minimum of one year before you can sponsor any new members.

I've noticed how active the club has been this summer. Hot weather means lots of pool and BBQ use. With so much demand being put on our facilities, it would be great to see a better turnout on the monthly workdays. So far this entire summer, only *two* members have shown up on the monthly Saturday workday, and one member worked on two of the Saturdays. I know we can do better.

It was fantastic to see such a great turnout at the Junior International Tournament. It was another great MBBC event.

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Treasurer's Report

Nancy Andreas

I hope your Summer has been a good one. It is hard to believe that Fall is almost here. The financial health of the MBBC is good. Expenses are relatively low and revenues continue to flow in as expected. We received \$75 in donations to the Junior Fund in memory of our dear Lois Schoppe. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

We need your help! Please remember that the Club facilities are aging and we will soon be faced with decisions regarding the possible need to replace or maintain areas that are showing the most problems. It is essential that we are all committed to keeping our dues and workdays up to date so we have the resources needed to make the right choices when the time comes.

Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication to the MBBC.

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Secretary's Report

Maureen Miller

Please send any address changes to me via email, or call me (310-545-6252) so that we can include the changes in the new Roster.

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In Memoriam

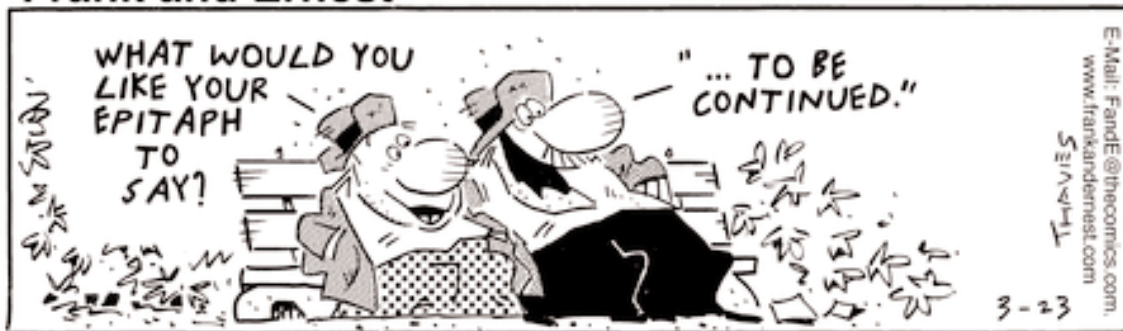
BOB THAVES

MBBC lost long-time member Bob Thaves on August 1st. A member since 1965, Bob was an industrial psychologist consultant before becoming a nationally-syndicated cartoonist in 1972. He created "Frank and Ernest," which is carried by more than 1,300 newspapers nationwide and read by more than 25 million people every day.

At one time, Bob was an avid badminton player until he injured his achilles and was forced to hang up his racket. He had a great sense of humor and was very active in the junior program with Sara and Tom, both competing in many junior nationals.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Katie, his son Tom and daughter Sara, and his smile and laugh will be sorely missed around the Club.

Frank and Ernest



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Junior International 2006

by Lee Calvert

A quick thank you to all who made it a success once again. In spite of the difficulty in running this one differently – getting the older brackets finished so they could play in the Open, we did manage to get it done. As usual, it was a really joint effort – the new rally point scoring was a challenge and many of the playing members took the training (thank you, Diana Linden, for helping me with that), and they did it well. It did make the days a bit shorter than last year – that also could be because of the number of entrants.

Again, Sue Dommeyer kept her cool and lovely demeanor at the tournament desk as the most efficient Match Control administrator I have ever

worked with – always gracious with our young contestants. What a delight to have her by my side. She received assistance from Bobbi Skinner while Dean Romein at the computer desk kept it all going – and did a great job, as well.

Deborah Duncan, as usual, ran a terrific kitchen and the parties were well received and enjoyed. Immediately after the tournament, the next day, several MBBC players were in competition in Orange County in the Sr. International combined age tournament...while the Open was still in progress.

Back from retirement in competition was our own Olympic player, Joy Kitzmiller, who teamed up with Curt Dommeyer in the 100+ mixed doubles to come home with a gold – a very nice way to start back into tournament play. Dave Acuna and I also participated. And I came home with a gold in 120+ mixed again this year, playing with the well-known Imre Berekynei, who played and won all five of his events. I think my real talent is picking partners.



Around the House

Tom Irvin

We are almost through the summer, with Labor Day only a few days away.

Last month the Club had a full calendar of activities with the Junior International Tournament, numerous pool parties and meetings in the lounge. On the August 12th workday, we only had two members participate (thank you, Cheng Feng and Andy Paroczai), so we were barely able to clean up the facilities after quite a bit of use.

I'm looking forward to a good turnout for our **September 16th workday**, because we need to get the Club looking its best for the 70th Anniversary Celebration the next day.

I will bring the donuts and hope to see you there.

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New Construction

Peter Steinbroner

Future repairs....looks like we'll have to replace the two fans over courts #1 & #2....which have caused some leaking onto the courts whenever it rains...in addition, due to excessive smoke in the kitchen during the

Junior Tournament, we'll have to modify our existing exhaust system...a reminder...keep food out of the spa area...and treat the Club like your home.

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Entertainment

Tammy Lipps

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Hello Friends! It's bittersweet to see the summer coming to an end, but I trust everyone has enjoyed some of it at the club and the club events!

I want to thank everyone who helped with the Adult Poolside party last month! Jill Schwab, Janie Hindle, Jill Costley, Linda Villani, the Costopoulos and the Lochtenberg families and Kris Lastition. (If I didn't mention your name, please contact me so that I

can be sure to give you a workday credit for helping with the party. I don't want to leave anyone out.)

Please remember to rsvp for the 70th Anniversary celebration. I know it will be great fun and wonderful to see all the old photographs of the club and members. Please watch the calendar each month for upcoming events and thanks again for your support.

Communications

Neil Leventhal

Don't forget that you can find a lot of club information, as well as check the status of your workday credits online at MBBadmintonclub.com

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*The Manhattan Beach
Badminton Club
Invites You and Your Family
To Celebrate Our
70th Birthday*

*Sunday, September 17, 2006
11 am ~ 6 pm*

*RSVP: jkfrisch@dslextreme.com
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<i>Sat. Sept. 16</i>	<i>Club Workday: Prep for the Party!</i>	<i>2006</i>
<i>Sun. Sept. 17</i>	<i>MBBC 70th Anniversary Celebration: 11am-6pm</i>	
<i>Sat. Oct. 14</i>	<i>Club Workday</i>	
<i>Fri. Dec. 1</i>	<i>"Last Tournament of the Year" Tournament</i>	