



# Shuttlecock

January 2007

Manhattan Beach Badminton Club

## *Presidentially Speaking...*

The Past President's Party had a great turnout. Santa showed up with gifts for some good boys and girls. Thanks to all the Past Presidents, their sponsors, and volunteers. We couldn't do this without everyone's support.

The Kids Holiday Party was December 14. I hope all of the kids had a fun time. Thanks for everyone's help, all of you volunteers make things happen.

I hope everyone had a really nice holiday and a happy new year.

If anyone is interested in joining the board for the next club year (begins in June), please contact Bob Davis for more information. The board meeting normally scheduled for Jan. 2 has been rescheduled to Jan. 9.

The Badminton Court work is well underway. We will be replacing courts one, four, and five, as well as creating a matte finish on all the clear areas.

**All of the courts will be closed until at least January 8, and may be closed through the 14th.**

Thanks for everyone's support.

*President@MBBadmintonClub.com*



Membership Status:

Associate Membership:	82
Intermediate Associate Membership:	33
Regular Members:	250
Provisional Members:	20
Legacy Members:	2
Playing Members:	10
Honorary Members:	11
Jr. Playing Members:	38

Resignations:

Katie Thaves

Mark Chen & Florence Lee: They are moving over to Playing Membership status, so they'll still be at MBBC.

We are now half way through the fiscal year. I can't believe how quickly the year is flying by. As we move into 2007, now would be a great time to make sure you've got all your workday credits in order. I'll be posting a NEW workday list in January. There is always a bit of a lag between when I get the lists posted and when you've done the workdays. Chairpersons need to get the workdays sent to me as soon as possible so I can post the credits.

Best wishes to everyone for a happy holiday season and a wonderful New Year.

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# Locker Room Notice

**Effective January 11, 2007, all contents need to be removed from all lockers in both the Men s and Ladies Locker Rooms.**

We are planning to replace the lockers after that date and need access to the old lockers.

**Any lockers not emptied by January 12, 2007, will have the locks removed and contents stored in the storage room.**

*If you have any questions, please contact:  
Tom Irvin, House Chairman at 310-545-1973*

## Treasurer's Report

Nancy Andreas

Treasurer@MBBadmintonClub.com / 310.812.4331

I would like to send my best wishes for a happy holiday to all of you! The financial health of the Club is good, although we are continuing to see expenses related to MBBC facility maintenance. This is inevitable with buildings as old as the ones we are in. The biggest expense for the year will be the replacement of the court floors. This will be done over the holidays.

We need your help! We are also seeing more members falling behind in their dues. Please remember that we depend on the monthly dues to make the repairs to the facilities. We are continuing to explore ways to make the monthly payment more convenient. It is too expensive for the MBBC to automatically draw the money from member accounts, but members can set up an automatic payment at their own banks without incurring a charge. Help your MBBC by paying your dues on time, and help us keep expenses down by supporting the workdays.

We had a terrific “Last Tournament of the Year” Tournament. Just ask Bob Steinberg, the Grand Champion for the 2006 season. I think he enjoyed it. First, he’s VP of the club and now Grand Champion. Does it get any better?

We were lucky enough to get Richard Lira to design t-shirts for the tournament. He put a lot of time and effort into it but we just couldn’t get them ready in time. However, Richard’s creative design more than made up for the delay. Thank you, Richard.

Our 2007 season begins January 19, with the First Tournament of the New Courts Tournament followed by the Valentine’s Day Tournament on February 9. Since a number of people participating in the tournaments will be participating in the Senior Nationals as well, we will use the rally point scoring system for these two tournaments so everyone can get a little practice with it.

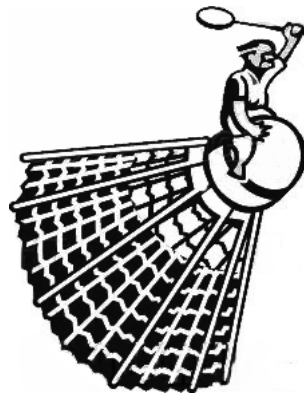
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## **Communications**

*Neil Leventhal*

We’re still collecting member email addresses. Please send an email with your name and email address, with “MBBC email list” in the subject line, to: [Shuttlecock@MBBadmintonclub.com](mailto:Shuttlecock@MBBadmintonclub.com). *(If you’d like your email address used only for email from the Club, and not included in any Club Rosters or Lists, please let us know.)*

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The summer is over. And what a busy summer this has been for Junior Badminton at our club and around the country. We had the most players at the Junior Nationals of any Southern California club, had six players qualify for the America's Junior National Team, held the largest Wes Schoppe Memorial International Badminton tournament ever at our club (with major help from the parents of the juniors and other adult members of the club), and, for the first time in the history of the modern World Badminton Championships (started around 1978), an American team from Southern California won a gold medal for men's doubles at the Anaheim Pond.

Many of the MBBC members who are active in badminton attended, and several of our junior players were working at the championships as statisticians and mop girls. A collage of pictures taken during the championships were shown at our club to the junior players around the middle of the month of September by Howard Bach, a member of the gold medal winning championship team for the USA. Howard has played and trained at MBBC, and won several championships at the Wes Schoppe Memorial Tournament approximately eight years ago.

As we go forward, the focus is on fund raising for the junior program to enable us to send our players to a major tournament next year. At the Old Hometown Fair, MBBC Junior Badminton has two booths (nachos and PowerAde), which will be manned by volunteers from both the adult membership of the club as well as the junior players. Then, in March will be the Rummage Sale, which will again ask for volunteers from the junior and adult members of the club. Please

consider offering your help when asked to volunteer for our fund raising for the junior program. Our players deserve all the support we can provide.

A major source of funds for the club at the Wes Schoppe Memorial Tournament this year (almost \$1300) was the sale of T-shirts and sweatshirts with the signature MBBC name and logo in navy blue. These were designed by Patti Neumann and have been around for almost four years. In fact, we sold out with one day left to go in the tournament. At last month's board meeting, it was decided to retire the current design and color in favor of a new design and a new color.

We are looking for a volunteer to design our new signature T-shirt and sweatshirt. Please contact me (Bill Bundy) if you are interested in designing our new team clothing. With a new design, we will procure a new inventory of clothes and offer them for sale to members and visitors.

*Bill Bundy*

*Junior Badminton*

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Finally, the Mira Costa badminton team is starting to form and train at our club. This effort is driven by the coach, Rocky Wilson, a strong playing member of our club. Last year there were almost 40 members of this team, and hopefully as many will join this year. Look for them to start training this fall at our club. This is a major outreach of our club and its facilities into our community, one we can all be proud of. Thanks to Rocky for making this so successful. Many MCHS badminton players will join the junior program to support their training before the season begins.

## *Around the House*

*Tom Irvin*

For our December workday, we had the best turnout to date with nine members participating to help spruce up the Club for the Past President's Christmas Party and a number of other events scheduled during the holidays.

Looking forward to the New Year, we will install the new lockers in the men's and women's locker rooms in January. Everyone that has clothing and/or equipment locked in the existing men's and women's lockers must remove it by January 11, 2007. Please make sure all locks have been removed, because on January 12, 2007 we will remove any locks and we will store all locker contents in boxes. The locker project is to coincide with the closure of the courts for new flooring, so the objective is to minimize the inconvenience to members.

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## *Entertainment*

*Tammy Lipps*

It's been a crazy holiday season as usual for most of us and we have had plenty of great events this past month. Take some time to relax this month and watch the calendar for our upcoming annual events.

Thanks so much to all who have put their time in this year!

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## **Rummage Sale Update**

**Please note the Rummage Sale is March 17th!**

**Need workday credits?**

**Workdays are available March 13-17,  
sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board.**

**This is the largest Junior fund raiser of the year.**

**We need your stuff!**

**Furniture, Sporting Goods, Clothes,  
Household Items, Tools, Appliances, etc.**

**ANY QUESTIONS, CALL: DONNA GIBBS 310-374-0873**

## **Badminton Courts Update**

**All Badminton Courts will be closed  
through at least January 8, 2007.**

We are currently running ahead of schedule, and hope to reopen the courts after January 8. However, as our original schedule called for completion by January 14, please be aware that the courts may not be available until January 15.

<i>Sat. Jan. 6</i>	<i>Club Workday: 8am-12pm</i>	<b>2007</b>
<i>Tue. Jan. 9</i>	<i>MBBC Board Meeting 7pm</i>	
<i>Thu. Jan. 11</i>	<i>Locker Removal Deadline</i> <small>see page 3</small>	
<i>Fri. Jan. 19</i>	<i>“First Tournament of the Year” Tournament</i>	
<i>Sat. Feb. 3</i>	<i>House of Blues Party: TENTATIVE DATE</i>	
<i>Tue. Feb. 6</i>	<i>MBBC Board Meeting 7pm</i>	
<i>Fri. Feb. 9</i>	<i>Valentine’s Day Tournament</i>	
<i>Sat. Feb. 10</i>	<i>Club Workday: 8am-12pm</i>	
<i>Sat. Mar. 3</i>	<i>Club Workday: 8am-12pm</i>	
<i>Tue. Mar. 6</i>	<i>MBBC Board Meeting 7pm</i>	
<i>Mar. 6—11</i>	<i>Senior National Tournament</i>	
<i>Fri. Mar. 16</i>	<i>Wine Tasting Party / White Elephant Sale</i>	
<i>Sat. Mar. 17</i>	<i>Rummage Sale</i>	

# Calendar