

# DUGOUT CHATTER

ELECTRONIC PUBLICATION OF THE GOLDEN SENIORS SOFTBALL CLUB OF SACRAMENTO ([WWW.GSSCS.ORG](http://WWW.GSSCS.ORG)) -- APRIL 2011

## TRIPLE PLAY HIGHLIGHTS SEASON OPENERS AS SKIES CLEAR

Dandy defense -- a triple play! -- decided one game when the Golden Seniors Softball Club opened the 2011 season. Powerful hitting also was on display -- two homers by one player and three triples by another.

Club President Bill Hill attended the night leagues' season openers March 29-31 and said he found a high level of excitement for the first games, with players especially enthused about the better balls being used this year. "Everyone I talked to is happy with the ball. I welcomed all the new players to the league and explained the run-through rules. We have waiting lists for our leagues. I haven't been out to the day leagues yet, but I will. The season is going pretty darn good."

In a L-3 (Tuesday night) opener, Perry O'Laughlin had already made a sensational catch in the outfield for Livingston Concrete to kill a Fuddruckers rally. Then, in the final inning, with Fuddruckers on first and second and none out, shortstop Eugene Lipscomb fielded Jim Upholt's bid for a hit up the middle, turning it into a forceout at second and flipping to J.C. Terry at first. Terry noticed a Fuddrucker rounding third and his peg to the plate got the third out. Game over: Livingston 10, Fuddruckers 8.

Other L-3 openers had ReMax over Geremia Pools, 11-4, and the Old Hornets over the Silver Cats, 10-5. Big hitters for the night included Dale Asp of Fuddruckers with a double and a triple, and teammate Bill Greene had a pair of doubles, as did Emilio Lobato for ReMax.

There were several batting stars in first games for L-5 (Thursday night). Cal Energy's Lyman Rose homered twice in a 19-4 victory over Overhead Door. NorCal Jackets, helped by Gary Holmes' homer, defeated Reinwald Health & Dental Insurance, 14-9. Jarvis Quenge legged out three triples in Espanol's 17-16 squeaker over Monte's Munchies. (Has anyone hit four triples in one Golden Seniors game?)

In L-4 (Wednesday night), Greg Templeton was scorekeeper Colette Barnes' player of the week for L-4 for hitting for the cycle in a 5 for 5 night. He had two singles, a double, triple and home run, driving in six and scoring three. However, his team, 9th and X Street Storage, lost 17-12 to Executive Limo. In other games, C&C Plumbing beat Bertolucci's, 13-8, and East Lawn beat Cottonwood Estates, 13-6.

**NEXT  
GENERAL  
MEETING:  
MONDAY, 7:30  
P.M., MAY 16 AT  
THE VFW POST  
67 HALL ON  
STOCKTON  
BOULEVARD**

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**2011 GENERAL  
MEETINGS (7:30 P.M.  
AT THE VFW POST 67  
HALL, 2784  
STOCKTON BLVD.)  
(NO APRIL  
MEETING) MAY 16 ...  
JULY 11 ... AUGUST  
15 ... SEPTEMBER 24  
(IN CONJUNCTION  
WITH ANNUAL  
PICNIC/PLAYOFFS)**

In L-2 play March 29, Mark Holgerson of Jolly Rogers was a perfect 4 for 4 with five RBI in his team's 16-13 victory over VFW Post 67. Zorrace defeated Richard H. Will Attorney, 14-6, and Sports Leisure Vacation triumphed 13-12 against RAMBIT. Scorekeeper Colette Barnes made Holgerson her L-2 player of the week.

The L-6 player of the week, according to Colette, was Bruce Gilmore, who went 3 for 3, including a double, to drive in five runs for Greater Sacramento Softball Association (GSSA), a 15-14 winner over Arnold Properties on March 29. Mark White DDS beat Denny's, 14-11, and Better Softball Equipment edged Auburn Oaks Senior Living, 10-9.

Information courtesy of scorekeepers Colette Barnes for Leagues 2, 4 and 6, and Sandy Begg for L-3 and L-5. #

**LEAGUE 1 NEWS From George Hodsdon**

The first three weeks of games for L-1 on Monday mornings were canceled due to rain or wet fields. There are no open dates in the schedule to make them up, so those games are officially gone.

The first games for L-1 were played on April 3.

Three new applications came in on April 3, giving the nine-team league for 70+ players a waiting list of four.

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# SUNSHINE & HEALTH

## REST IN PEACE: TOM HOY AND DON LOESCH

Life Member **Tom Hoy**, a member of the club since 1989, passed away on March 17. He was 84. Tom, who served as Wednesday nights commissioner for about four years, lived near Tahoe Park and he, along with Dante Ciardella, kept the fields in playing condition. He had suffered a major stroke that left him paralyzed on his left side.

Life Member **Don Loesch**, 85, passed away on March 21. A great second baseman, Don joined the club in 1993. Ill health forced Don to quit playing but he remained active with the Golden Seniors. Honorariums for Don were requested to be made to “our Golden Seniors Softball.”

**Bobby Flink** was present for the L-2 season openers as a spectator. He is recovering from knee replacement surgery and also has issues with his throwing shoulder.

**Bob Ellison**, who was set to play on Thursday nights, had two-way bypass surgery on April 2. Ellison had last played with the club about eight years ago as Ron Roach’s assistant manager in L-3, and for much of the past decade he has been a pitcher-outfielder on a nationally ranked AAA tournament team. #

## SAFETY REPORT: CRASH CART RESPONSIBILITY

*From Club Safety Coordinator Curtis Holcomb*

Attention night league managers: The home team manager of the 6:30 game is responsible for moving the club’s “Crash Cart” from the Sacramento Softball Complex office to the scorekeeper table area. It is the responsibility of the home team manager of the 9 p.m. game to make sure the cart is taken back to the Complex office.

The cart, which contains the club’s defibrillator, must be in place BEFORE the first pitch is thrown. This should be enforced by umpires. Scorekeepers can give the home team manager a friendly reminder before the 6:30 game and before, during or after the late game.

Training: Lack of signups caused the cancellation of one CPR/AED training class. Members desiring to have this life-saving training and qualify for the club’s “red hat” team need to contact me at 600-6065. When enough members sign up, we can schedule a class.

Red Hats: For women who are qualified for red hats, we don’t have red visors. They can place their red hats on top of their equipment bags so people will be aware that a trained person is on the scene if needed.

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# **2011 Teams and Managers**

## **L-1 MONDAYS AT HOWE AVENUE PARK**

Commissioner George Hodsdon 481-9304

Asst. Commissioner George Langan 483-6874

Monday Rules Chairman Henry Low 391-3938

Team 1 Nielsen Real Estate -- Norm Blackwell Sr. 452-1539

Team 2 L&S Survey -- Benny Benson 383-0179

Team 3 Avalon Hearing -- John Chatfield 965-1932

Team 4 Dumont Pest Control -- George Langan 483-6874

Team 5 Merrill Bookkeeping and Tax -- Bob Benham 961-7131

Team 6 American Medical Equipment -- Bob Schwan 971-1199

Team 7 Show Biz Productions -- Joe Kline 331-7042

Team 8 Jerry Jodice -- Bob Havrilla 285-5413 and Joe Sugimoto 359-4111

Team 9 Wion's Body Shop -- Ray Ward 421-8875

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## **LEAGUE 3 TEAMS & MANAGERS**

Tuesday Night

Commissioner Jerry Toenyas 354-4126

1. Silver Cats -- Larry Shelton 955-9955

2. Old Hornets -- Bill Knoblauch  
408-5501

3. ReMax Central -- Dave Tanner  
216-1941

4. Geremia Pools -- Rich Del Chiaro  
484-0854

5. Livingston Concrete -- Trudy Smartt  
973-8269

6. Fuddruckers -- Bob Jones 965-4516

## **LEAGUE 5 TEAMS & MANAGERS**

Thursday Nights

Commissioner Allen Riker 485-9567

1. NorCal Jackets -- Mark Cordell  
718-4058; Ed Frantz 607-3750

2. Reinwald's Health & Dental Ins. --  
Robert Reinwald -- 481-6323; Matt  
Tedrow 515-0451

3. Overhead Door -- Greg Leurgans  
332-7953

4. Cal Energy Services -- Michael  
Lofton 216-2427; Darryl Watson  
897-9330

5. Monte's Munchies -- George Lamb  
681-8070; Bob Paese 797-1084

6. Espanol Italian Restaurant -- Larry  
Lagomarsino 441-3047; Allen Riker  
485-9567

## **LEAGUE 4 TEAMS & MANAGERS**

Wednesday Night

Commissioner Bill Greene 391-5559

1. Executive Limousine -- Jim Stokes  
422-5683

2. 9th & X Self Storage -- Bud  
DeSouza 424-6115; Bill Hill  
804-2243

3. East Lawn Inc. -- Russ Barnes  
332-2832; Harold Johnson  
771-0179

4. Cottonwood Estates-- Tom  
Osborne 709-8464

5. Bertolucci's Body and Fender  
Shop -- Winston McDowell  
972-9483; Bob Smartt 973-8269

6. C&C Plumbing -- Jack Kocunik  
485-5031; Mark Noel 536-9225

## **LEAGUE 6 TEAMS & MANAGERS**

Tuesdays 10:30 a.m.

Commissioner Rich Edwards  
483-1293

1. Mark White DDS -- Greg Leurgans  
332-7953

2. Denny's -- Rich Edwards  
483-1293; Al Tirapelli 419-3102

3. Arnold Properties -- Russ Barnes  
332-2832; Vic Torres 784-7910

4. Greater Sacramento Softball  
Association (GSSA) -- Dave Bristol  
381-1037; Bruce Gilmore  
424-0920

5. Auburn Oaks Senior Living --  
Everett Richardson 455-2839;  
Dave Vargo 689-7061

6. Better Sports Equipment -- Bill  
Greene 391-5559; Howard Toder  
927-3593

## **LEAGUE 2 TEAMS & MANAGERS**

Tuesdays 9 a.m.

Commissioner Curtis Holcomb  
600-6065

1. Jolly Rogers -- Dave Vargo  
689-7061
2. VFW Post 67 -- Cloicec Wade  
393-5809; John Wade 421-2162
3. RAMBIT -- John Colletto  
966-0771

4. Sports Leisure -- Bill Enos  
487-7047; Curtis Holcomb  
600-6065
5. Harper Properties -- Jim Wait  
455-4440
6. Richard Will Attorney -- Glen Cole  
966-4561; Tom Sansone 686-1654

Note: See March issue for L-1  
Teams & Managers.

## **CLUB "HOTLINE" SOURCE FOR NEWS, INFORMATION**

Operated by Don Shank, the club's hotline provides recorded information for members, such as the general meeting schedule. It also is where players can call to make sure their games are going to be played as scheduled due to threatening weather or other events that make the fields unplayable, such as water main breaks or thefts of copper wire that prevents use of lights for night games. These things have happened, so even if the weather looks balmy, and you can't be reached by your manager, you might be advised to give the "hot line" a jingle at 491-1721.

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## **CLUB RULES COMMITTEE FOR 2011**

Club Commissioner Bruce Gilmore has named members of the Rules Committee to consider changes for 2011: Night Leagues -- Bill McMahon, Ed Frantz and Bill Greene. Day Leagues -- Rich Edwards, Bob Havrilla, Curtis Holcomb, Larry Campbell and McMahon. Chief Umpire Freddie Miller provides technical advice. #

## **LEAGUE COMMISSIONERS FOR 2011**

Nominated by Club Commissioner Bruce Gilmore and approved by the Board of Directors, the club's League Commissioners for 2011:

League 1 Monday Day, 70 and older: George Hodsdon -- 481-9304 (George Langan, assistant)

L-2 Tuesday Day 9 a.m., 60 and older: Curtis Holcomb -- 600-6065 (Jim Wait, assistant)

L-3 Tuesday Night, 50 and older: Jerry Toenyas -- 354-4126 (Brent Korff, assistant)

L-4 Wednesday Night, 50 and older: Bill Greene -- 391-5559

L-5 Thursday Night, 50 and older: Allen Riker -- 485-9567

L-6 Tuesday Day 10:30 a.m. Select, 60 and older: Rich Edwards -- 483-1293

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President **Bill Hill** ... 804-2243

First Vice President ... **Dick Latimer**  
363-9555 (Responsible for team sponsorships.)

Second Vice President **Pete Ward** ...  
989-4722 (Responsible for team uniforms.)

Treasurer **Glen Cole** ... 966-4561

Secretary **George Lamb** ... (530)  
681-8070

Player Agent **Linda McCollum-Greene** ... 391-5559 (Responsible for player applications, player substitutes, waiting lists.)

Club Commissioner **Bruce Gilmore** ...  
424-0920 (Responsible for enforcement of playing rules, oversees league commissioners.)

### **TELEPHONE HOTLINE**

#### **Club Answering Machine**

(managed by Don Shank):  
491-1721 for meeting news and field conditions.

#### **Phone or Address Changes:**

Henry Low 391-3938

**Player Applications:** Linda  
McCollum-Greene 391-5559

**Sunshine & Health:** Trudy  
Smartt 973-8269

**GSSC #3912 Blood Bank:**  
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**Safety:** Curtis Holcomb  
600-6065

**Entertainment:** Lou Coppola  
444-6138

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