The U.S. Pairs Playdowns

Sat. - Sun., July 15 - 16 and 22 - 23, 2017, at Laguna Beach LBC.

8:45 AM Announcements, 9:00 AM Trial Ends.

- Eligibility: Open to male members in good standing of any Southwest Division club <u>and</u> BowlsUSA, who <u>guarantee</u> to represent the SWD in the National Championships at Newport Harbor LBC in Newport Beach, CA, October 2 7, 2017. <u>Must be U.S. citizens</u>. For full details, see P. 73 of 2011 Laws of the Sport of Bowls. <u>BowlsUSA membership required</u>. New participants may be asked to provide proof of citizenship. Entrants must not have played in the Pairs or Singles Playdowns in any other Division in 2017. Winners of the 2017 SW Division Singles Playdowns are not eligible to enter the Pairs Playdowns.
- This is one of the 'points' tournaments, which means that the top finishers will receive points towards Team Southwest. Deadline for receipt of entries and refund is MONDAY, July 10, 2017 @ 5:00 PM.
- Format is double elimination, 18-end games, two games per day. Tie games play an additional end to determine a winner. This year, the SWLBA will be sending two teams to the US Championships. Two concurrent playdowns will take place. A blind draw, with limited seeding, separating participants into two groupings of similar or dissimilar sizes will result in a championship team on each green. Team's shorts/pants and shirts should match.

Please use PayPal or mail entries to: Jim Olson, 3530 Bayonne Dr, San Diego, CA 92109-6604, with payment enclosed; \$60.00 per team. Please make checks payable to: <u>Tourn. Comm., SW Division.</u>. Entries do not have to be sent in all at once, but should be sent in timely fashion, since late entries may be refused. For any questions, contact Jim Olson at <u>olsonnml@aol.com</u> or at (858) 270-8339.

Please bring your own lunch to all Division events. Hospitality will be provided by host clubs, consisting of limited hot and/or cold beverages and a small sweet on arrival, limited salads and a small dessert for lunch. Soft drinks will be available for purchase. Do not expect host clubs to provide enough food for either breakfast or lunch - that is your responsibility.