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The Bowfin Inquirer



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Pizza/Potluck Block Party! Saturday, September 7th 12 Noon – 2 PM 344 Bowfin St Backyard

Welcome to another (almost annual, since 1994) Bowfin Block Party! We hope to see many of you able to join together to partake of Round Table pizzas, neighbors' favorite dishes, good conversation and fun. Please RSVP to us if you'll be able to attend – and what dish(es) you'd like to share with the neighbors!

(Email us at editor@bowfininquirer.com – subject heading “Block Party”, appreciated; phone 572-9153, or drop by 344)



Bowfin Barbecue Brings Beaucoups Bouquets

About a dozen Bowfin families feasted at the backyard party held at Bob and Margot Robertson's (316) last Saturday. Attendees included three recent arrivals to Bowfin: Kevin and Cindy Standefer and their son, Josh (300), Joe Downs and Lu Rehling and their sons, Asa and Cooper (320), and Anthony Scaggs and Marcia Applegate (365).

BI's coverage of its 1st Bowfin Block Party, July, 1994

Aaron's Answers Column



Top: Canada's Phil Wizard, winner of the first and last Olympic Breaking Gold Medal

Bottom: A Wushu Practitioner

Question: I think there's a process for introducing new types of sports into the Olympics. What are some examples of new sports that have been included? Are there any sports that have been denied inclusion through that process?

-Jerry

Aaron's Answer (A'sA): There is indeed a process for new sports being introduced into the Olympics! First, national committees or countries can propose a new sport to be included. The International Olympic Committee (IOC) then evaluates it through the Program Commission.

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Solution to Last Month's Quiz

Join the Party

- 1 – I
- 2 – E
- 3 – D
- 4 – H
- 5 – C
- 6 – A
- 7 – F
- 8 – G
- 9 – B
- 10 – J

This Month's Quiz

Creature Features

Eve and I lost our 20-year old cockatiel, Cocktail this past month. Our younger bird, Katy, was pining for her friend, so we went to Pet Smart on her behalf, and now Katy has a new, 6 month old male friend, who goes by the name, Flight.

Can you match these animals/pets to the movies in which they appeared?

1. *Alien*
 2. *Anchorman*
 3. *Harry Potter films*
 4. *Jetsons: The Movie (1990)*
 5. *Legally Blonde*
 6. *The Sandlot*
 7. *The Thin Man*
 8. *Treasure Island (1950)*
 9. *Up (2009)*
 10. *The Wizard of Oz*
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- A. *Asta*
 - B. *Astro*
 - C. *Baxter*
 - D. *Bruiser*
 - E. *Cap'n Flint*
 - F. *Dug*
 - G. *Hedwig*
 - H. *Hercules (The Beast)*
 - I. *Jonesy*
 - J. *Toto*

Aaron's Answers continued

The Program Commission makes a recommendation (whether to include or not include the new sport) to the IOC Session, an assembly of the IOC members, influential figures in sports, politics and business. After a vote in the IOC Session, the new sport is either added or denied addition to the Olympics.

New sports have been added to the Olympics recently. During the 2020 Tokyo Summer Olympics, 3 new sports: skateboarding, sport climbing (like rock climbing) and surfing were added to the Olympics. None of them have been removed as of yet. This year saw a new sport as well: Olympic Breaking. Also known as breakdancing, two people went into an arena together to dance to music with the hip-hop dance style, breakdancing. Neither person would know what music would be played ahead of time. Despite many countries participating in it, breakdancing was unpopular compared to other sports, and there was backlash from the modern pop culture community, since making breakdancing a sport or competition was seen as antithetical to the spirit of the dance. It has been said that Olympic Breaking will not return to the Olympics in 2028.

Multiple sports have been removed or not added to the Olympics. In the history of the modern Olympics, these 10 sports have been added completely and then removed: croquet, cricket, Jeu de Paume, pelota, polo, roque, rackets, tug-of-war, lacrosse and motor boating. For those who don't know, Jeu de Paume is sort of like tennis, pelota is similar and roque is like croquet. Three sports featured in the 2020 Olympics will also not be returning in 2024: Karate, softball and baseball. All of them were deemed unable to attract a younger audience to the Olympics, and removed.

A final interesting sport, Wushu (Chinese Martial Arts) was in the 1936 and 2008 Summer Olympics as an exhibition. In 1936, it was specifically requested to appear by Chancellor Hitler, however the Olympic Committee was not

impressed enough to include it in future games. This has caused many nations in South-East Asia to invest into the SEA Games, an Asian version of the Olympics where many sports not played in the Western Olympics are played. In general, many nations only really invest into a few sports their people enjoy and prefer to play more local games.

FOSTER CITY SUMMER DAYS

See the website:

<https://www.fcsummerdays.com>

August 16-18, 2024 – Leo Ryan Park

Advance tickets for the carnival rides are available online

Foster City Ceramics Studio sale

When: Saturday and Sunday **August 17 - 18**

Hours: Saturday 11am - 6pm; Sun 11am - 5pm

Where: Courtyard of the William E. Walker Recreation Center, 650 Shell Blvd. Foster City

This year, the students have donated some of their works to support *World Central Kitchen*, whose mission is providing meals in response to humanitarian, climate, and community crises. Proceeds from the sale of the donated works will go towards this not for profit organization.

“We accept cash, check or credit cards for your purchase.” – Students of Foster City Ceramics Studio

Some Words of Wisdom from the Internet

How did doctors come to the conclusion that exercise prolongs life, when...

...the rabbit is always jumping but only lives for around two years, and

...the turtle that doesn't exercise at all, lives over 200 years.

So, rest, chill, eat, drink, and enjoy life!

The biggest joke on mankind is that computers have begun asking humans to prove they aren't a robot.

When a kid says “Daddy, I want mommy” that's the kid version of “I'd like to speak to your supervisor”.

Last night the internet stopped working so I spent a few hours with my family. They seem like good people.

Target Date for Next Month's Contributions:

September 13, 2024

Please reach us with your articles, news, photos, CHILDREN'S ARTWORK or ideas at

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