

Basic Detail Report



Lawn Bowling at Santiago Park

Date

Early 20th Century

Medium

Photographic print

Description

This is an early 20th Century photograph of the of lawn bowling at what is presumed to be Santiago Park in Santa Ana. At the turn of the century, developments in sporting

were taking place around the county. Like-minded enthusiasts banded together and began to organize into social clubs such as the brand-new Santiago Hunt Club in 1903. Other sports requiring more infrastructure also took root. The county's first golf course was established two miles southwest of Irvine Park. Into the early twenties and thirties, new sporting fads that would become pervasive symbols of American culture joined the fray as well. By this point the county had already developed into an incredibly complicated structure with each city hosting a litany of teams from grade school athletic programs to semi-professional teams. This photograph of the lawn bowling center in Santiago Park shortly after it was finished in 1936 shows how little it has changed since. The Santa Ana Lawn Bowling club on Memory Ln. still exists as a now mostly unused reminder of the county's earlier sports history.

Dimensions

Overall: 10 x 8 in. (25.4 x 20.3 cm)