

The Board Talk

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The Hammer

Whenever we receive a letter like A.Z. Tumbo's (see Notebook) that tells us we've played an important role in keeping the sport of shuffleboard alive and well, we're inclined to puff up and bask in the glory of recognition for efforts invested. The Shuffleboard Federation probably has the same reaction when they receive a well-deserved salute. And, heaven knows, we need those positive strokes to keep us going!

Not to downplay the investments of either, because we all do play a role, but it takes letters about the PRO Lounge in Arizona and the Sunny Boys Lounge in Missouri to deflate our puffery -- or at least control it so it doesn't block our vision. What we see in these letters is a grassroots power that will direct the future of our sport.

We see it, too, in the willingness of local distributors to make an investment in that future. While we impatiently wait for national recognition and corporate sponsorship, local distributors like Bill Vincent, sponsor of the Budweiser Interlakes League in Oakland County, Michigan, make it happen for hundreds of devoted shufflers (see ad in this issue).

It was our pleasure to be a part of the Interlakes League banquet. We wish every distributor in the U.S.A. could have been there, too, to see just how much their consumers appreciate the kind of support Bill Vincent gives this league. Like how many of you get a standing ovation when you're introduced? And Bill and his crew deserved that recognition. The number of trophies, all courtesy of Budweiser, that were passed out during the awards presentation made our own local league, where the trophies are paid for by the players themselves, look like minor league stuff.

Another deserving person in the limelight at the banquet was Manuel, beloved owner of the Lakeside Lounge in Union Lake, Michigan, and recipient of a good share of those trophies for the teams he sponsors. Every person who plays on Manny's teams is eager to pay tribute to him as "the greatest sponsor in the U.S.A." So what does Manny get in return for his devoted support of shuffleboard? Go to the Lakeside any night of the week and you'll find it full of shufflers! Believe us, PROFIT is not a dirty, 4-lettered word!

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Tourney Talk

Bobby V Triumphs at Lafayette Inn

Beef Stein (Camp), owner of Beef's Bar in Kendallville, Indiana, talked Bobby Voorhis of Fairmount, Ind., into traveling to the Lafayette Inn, Rising Sun, Maryland, for the final major tournament of the season. They came to make some real competition in the race for the final point standings and to take home some big money. Unfortunately, the money pot was down from normal standards, but that didn't deter the Indiana travelers, who took home more than their share and threw the point race into a scramble. Reporter Dick Gorman and tournament hosts Pat and Nelson Renzo said they still like them and hope they will come back next year. It was nice to have the goodwill ambassadors from Indiana, they said.

Friday night's draw partner event was won by Mopey Hasson, Perryville, Md. and guess who -- Bobby V. Second place went to -- who else -- Beef "Stein" Camp and Mark Grove, Rising Sun. Third place was won by Chuck King, Dover, Del., and Poncho (it ain't half bad) Prevento, Elkton, Md. Saturday started off early with the women's singles event and after some tough shooting, Judy Iseman, Chestertown, Md. came out of the loser's bracket to take first place. Second place went to Debbie Brown of Rising Sun, and third to Debbie Standiford, Conowingo, Md.

The effort by Judy Iseman was not quite enough as Joyce Pyle, Church Hill, Md. took first place for the 1989-90 total tournament champion, followed by Judy, last year's winner. In third place for the season was Lafayette Inn's own bartender, Steph McNeill of Rising Sun.

Saturday afternoon, the bring partner event got off to a big start with the annual point scramble far from decided. Enter the Indiana travelers, Beef Stein and Bobby V, to take first place. John Lukas, Millington, Md. and Charlie Walker, Wilmington, Del. took second place with Mickey Baugh, Perryville, and Mickey Mickens, Mt. Laurel, N.J. in third. Fourth place was taken by newcomers Bill Crupper of Wilmington and John Rafferty, Aston, Pa. Jerry Herrmann and Al Kweeder of Philadelphia finished fifth, with Milt Benedict, Sherburne, N.Y. and Don Casula, Wilmington, in sixth. After the event, there were no clear-cut winners of the point race for the season. That would not be decided until after the sell-out singles event on Sunday.

The open singles event lasted 47 games for the 24 players and guess who came through the loser's bracket to take first place -- none other than Hoosier Bobby V! Second place went to John Lukas and third to Don Casula. The final money spot, fourth place, went to Jim McDaniels of Darlington, Md.

Accumulating the most points for all tournaments for the season in the men's division was Chuck King, followed by Don Casula, and Lenny Dell, Baltimore, Md.

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Shufflers' Notebook

News and Views
from The World
of Shuffleboard

Shirley Says Thanks for Caring

I want to say "thank you" to all the nice shuffleboard players who sent cards and letters to Delbert while he was ill. Also my deepest appreciation to the Tulsa teams who went to work and gave support to us while he was so sick. I have never met a nicer bunch of people. I know how much Delbert loved his team and he really was pleased that they rallied together to help him.

My personal thanks to Glen and Madge, Shirley Robertson, and Sam and Cindy Sweatt.

The March issue arrived in time for Delbert to see it. I did read it cover to cover to him.

Thanks again and may God bless you all and keep you in the shelter of His love.

Shirley Johnson and Grandson Blake, Sapulpa, Oklahoma

The World of Shuffleboard mourns the loss of a great supporter. Caring for each other is something that seems to be second nature to those on our shuffleboard network and that makes us very proud to be associated with this great sport. We hope knowing that others care will lighten your burden of grief, Shirley.

Shame, Shame on Us!

I have enjoyed my copy of The Board Talk over the last two years. Last July, I opened the PRO Lounge with two shuffleboards. We have since added a third. I was quite curious to see just how much attention people really paid to the Play Your Way Across the U.S.A. listings.

We were pleasantly surprised to have so many people stop in and mention they had looked us up in the listings. We began to have them sign a visitor's book to keep track of where they were coming from.

You can imagine our disappointment when we turned to the listings in the May issue and discovered we were missing. We're sure it was an oversight, what with all the work the publication must take. We hope to be reinstated for the next listing.

Thanks for all the shuffleboard information.

Paul Obermiller, The PRO Lounge, Glendale, Arizona

Give us 30 lashes with a dirty board wipe, Paul! Be assured you will be "reinstated" on the next listing. We think what happened was: we had to remove so many Phoenix area shuffleboard establishments from the May list because they didn't renew their subscriptions that the delete finger just got carried away! We hope our readers will help us make up for our oversight by stopping in at the PRO Lounge, 6036 N. 67th Ave. in Glendale to sign your visitor's book and say "Thanks for your support of shuffleboard!"

Woodie Nominates Who's Who Candidate

My "Who's Who" candidate for this month is Jim Kramer. Jim bought Sunny Boy's Tavern in downtown Cuba on January 1, 1990. Within a few days he installed a shuffleboard, the only one in the city limits of Cuba, Missouri.

About three years ago, the owner of the same bar had a shuffleboard removed because of no players.

By Jan. 10, Jim had two inter-bar leagues going with 12 players each. By March 1, he had a 20-player league going on Wednesday night and a 12-player league going on Thursday night with only three players playing on both leagues.

Since March 1, Jim has had two double elimination tournaments with the last one taking two days to complete. He talked Miller Lite into sponsoring all of the inner-bar leagues as well as the tournaments.

Jim is also a good shuffleboard player, along with two of his bartenders, Frank Ousley and Marvin Smith.

I would like to welcome Jim Kramer as a new member of The Board Talk's shuffleboard network. Keep up the good work, Jim!

Woodie Cockrum, Cuba, Missouri

It's the Jim Kramers that make our World of Shuffleboard go 'round! We join in your salute and welcome to him. We urge readers to stop in at Sunny Boys Tavern for a game or two and add your appreciation to Jim.

A.Z. Thinks We Need More Humor

Thanks for sending the issues I missed. That proves how bad my bookkeeping is! I'll be 62 in July and will be retiring soon. Then maybe I will have time to get my bookkeeping in order. However, I'll probably be too busy playing then. Watch out, you people, I haven't played my best game yet!

Thanks for The Board Talk, George and Donna. The game wouldn't be where it is today without you.

I hope the picture of me in the March issue didn't make anyone jealous. I think we need more humor in the sport.

A.Z. Turnbo, San Martin, California

It probably did make a few jealous, A.Z. And we thank you for always providing a dash of humor to serious shuffleboard events.



A.Z. thought if he was built right, he could enter the women's singles at the P.C.S.A. Shuffleboard Extravaganza in Las Vegas in January. It didn't work, but he got some laughs for trying.

Shuffleboard Alive and Well at Jerry D's

Well, it's the 14th of the month and I've just about let the month slip by again. My brain must go to sleep about this time because I've got lots to report. Contrary to popular belief, there is still a shuffleboard at Jerry D's.

During the month of January, we held the Row Boat Open. Although this year's was not as big as in the past (a lot of people were getting ready to go to Vegas), we still had a great time. This year's winners were: Gene Davis, Denver, 1st; Jerry D., Dacono, 2nd; Susan D., Dacono, 3rd. We had some real great matches but Gene pulled it through just in time to go to the Show Boat.

The first weekend in March was our 3rd Annual Beaver Bowl. We had a lot of the "old" Beavers and a few new ones, which made for a great tournament. The list of players were Sherry Brewer, Debbie Powers (1st annual winner), Grethren Duncan, Kay Cole, Susan D., Vicki Schmitt, Gayle Smith, Sheila Cain, Debbie Near, and Cindy Schwartz. Last year's winner, Kim Wilson Kelter, could not defend her championship due to the death of her grandfather. Our best goes out to Kim and her family.

This year's winners were: Grethren Duncan, Denver, 1st; Susan D., Dacono, 2nd; Sherry Brewer, Denver, 3rd. Some tough games with Grethren and Susan really fighting it out. Both of Susan's losses were 15-14 games, but Grethren really came through like a true champ. She played an almost flawless game and really took advantage of Susan's errors.

May 4-6 was our 4th Annual Tournament of Champions with the top 16 players throughout the year being invited to play for top honors. The players were Jerry D., George Ostrum, Jody Slack, Jay A. Curtis, Glen Baughman (Rookie of the Year), Susan D., Travis Anderson, Gene Davis, Grethren Duncan, Nick Gehring, Kevin Macurdy, Dan Schlecta, Ken Howard, Sheila Cain, Dave Cowan and Mark ? (sorry, Mark).

We started off with blind draw doubles and the top honors went to Travis Anderson and Susan D. They beat out Jody Slack and Jerry D. when Susan threw two hangers. Third place went to Nick Gehring and Dan Schlecta.

The singles was one of the best tournaments we have ever seen. First place went to Nick Gehring of Denver who came from the loser's bracket to beat Dave Cowan. Dave played the best game I have ever seen him play. To get to the finals, he beat Travis, George, Jody and Gene. Nick played a totally flawless game to beat Dave twice. It was truly a shame for either one of these guys to lose. It was a great tournament! Third place went to Gene Davis, who also played well.

Our next event is the 3rd Annual Jerry D Classic on July 14-15. This is a two-person team with the format consisting of: 18 holes of golf, horse shoes, bocci ball and shuffleboard. Teams win points for placing in each event. The team with the most points at the end of the tournament wins. The entry fee is \$65 per team. (See ad in this issue.) Keep up the good work, George and Donna. Even though we're a little behind, we still enjoy reading The Board Talk each month and the guys help by keeping us up to date on the tournaments we miss each month. Maybe someday we'll be able to escape and play in some of "The Big Ones."

Jerry and Susan DeNovellis, Jerry D's Nostalgia Bar,
Dacono, Colorado

So good to hear from you folks again! Thanks for bringing our readers up to date on what's going on in your part of our World of Shuffleboard.

1990 National Shuffleboard Calendar

June 8-10

Waterloo New York National
Dew Drop Inn, Waterloo, New York

June 15-17

4th Annual Open
Wheeler Dealer, Tulsa, Oklahoma

June 16-17

4th Annual Nationals
Acme Tavern, Tacoma, Washington

June 28-July 1

6th Annual Board Talk Tourney
Houghton Lake, Michigan

***July 4-8**

5th Annual U.S. Open
Austin, Texas, Airport Hilton

July 4-8

Annual 4th of July Tourney
Best Little Wherehouse, Temecula, Calif.

July 14-15

Jerry D Classic
Jerry D's, Dacono, Colorado

***Aug. 29-Sept. 3**

2nd Annual Budweiser-Nebraska Open
Hilton Hotel, Lincoln, Nebraska

***Sept. 26-30**

1st North American Shuffleboard Championships
Sahara Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada

***Nov. 22-25**

6th Annual Turkey Day Tourney
San Diego, California

***Nov. 22-26**

2nd Annual East Coast Extravaganza
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Tourney Talk (continued from page 1)

Each winner automatically qualified with entry fee paid to The Board Talk's 6th Annual Shufflers' Reunion Tournament at Houghton Lake, Michigan, on June 29-July 1. This will be done at Benedict's Classic in May and Fridley's National in June. Winners also received a Lafayette Inn jacket.

At last report, Dick Gorman was calling Barnum and Bailey trying to find out how to get a jacket for Beef -- and as Beef drove away from Lafayette Inn, he was reported to have had a smile on his face.

Danke/Boyer Tops at Ted Z's

Chris Danke and Rick Boyer teamed up to take top honors at Ted Z's "True" Round Robin Spring Doubles at The Best Little Warehouse, Temecula, California. Billy Chiles and Bill Maxwell earned second place, with Karl Spickelmier and Ted Z. in third. Ten teams shot for a purse of \$3,000.

Be sure to mark your calendars for Ted's annual 4th of July tourney, July 4-8.

New York Tourney is "Family Affair"

The Dew Drop Inn, Waterloo, New York, was host to the largest turnout as 80 shufflers entered the 6th ISL tournament. Total purses on both days broke new highs as players shot for a combined \$2,635.

On Saturday, April 7, 32 players took aim at \$1,160 in the draw partner event, which turned out to be a "family affair" as one member of the Fridley family cashed in all four spots. First place went to son Doug Jr. of the Dew Drop Inn teaming up with Marv Smith of Amy's Checkered Flag. Second place went to the team of daughter Tracie and Penny Weber, both

from Dew Drop Inn. Third place honors went to son Dave and Arlo (Big A) Johnson from B'Ville Moose Club. Rounding out the fourth place cash was Dad Doug Sr. who teamed p with Ken Vanzile of Pillars. And what was Mom Elsie doing while the rest of the family was winning? Making a delicious spread of turkey, ham, and all the trimmings for all tourney participants!

Sunday, April 8, was a sell-out as the maximum 24 teams entered the bring partner event with shooters vying for a record \$1,475 pot. Five teams cashed with first place winnings going to Pam Draheim and Doug Fridley Jr., making them the first repeat winners as they won last month's ISL tourney at Amy's. Second place went to the Dew Drop Inn team of Howard (Howzer) Arndt and Lori Gnau. The Classic team of Russ Reynolds and Herb (Howie) Mandl took third, with Marv Smith and Lynn Swinehart of Amy's earning fourth place. Dave and Doug Fridley Sr. finished in fifth place.

Yet another nice buffet was served by Elsie to all shooters and spectators. Doug Sr. reports the tournament went very smoothly and everyone had a good time.

Laisure/Witmer Win at Lucky Lady

The Lucky Lady in Albion, Indiana, hosted a doubles tournament on April 14 with 14 teams participating. Winners were Stubby Laisure and Gary Witmer. Second place honors went to Donnie Bender and Dean Reeves, with PeeWee Fleshman and Randy Grayless in third. Don Rhinesmith and Rick Dull finished in fourth place.

Trail/Kramer Win Miller Lite Shoot-Out

The Miller Lite Shoot-Out on April 20-21 at Sunny Boys Tavern, in downtown Cuba, Missouri, was won by Scott Trail
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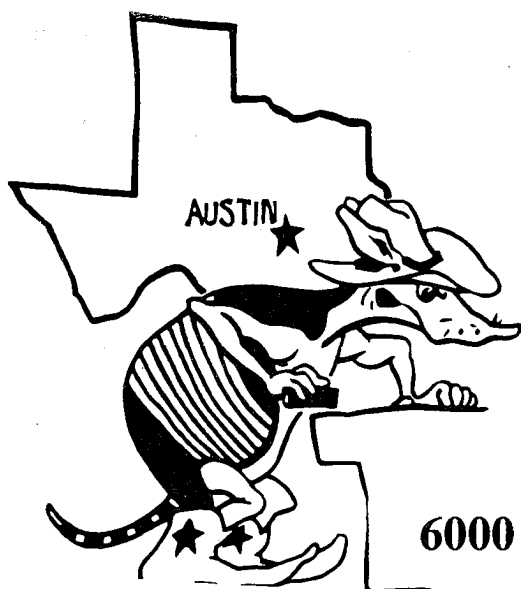
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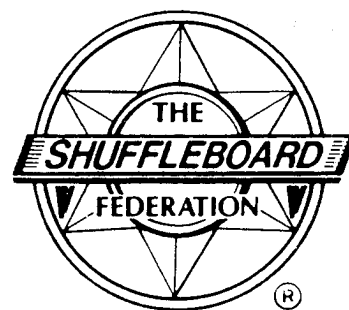


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Tourney Talk (continued from page 4)

and Jim Kramer. Second place went to Marv Smith and Doug Trail, with Belinda Burnham and Dennis Hotterky in third.

Reporter Woodie Cockrum says the Miller Lite distributors were excellent sponsors, giving many prizes including two winter jackets. The Miller Lite representative passed out gifts to all the players before the show got on the road. "We would also like to thank The Board Talk for the one-year subscriptions which we gave to the second place finishers," said Woodie.

Pennington/Wipple Win Memorial Tourney

Bob Vorndran of Monty's Bar in Chesterfield, Ind., hosted a tournament in memory of Dave Hall on April 21. Twelve teams entered the single game, double elimination event.

Top winners were Bruce Pennington and Randy Wipple of Noblesville, Ind., with Tom and Dave Vorndran of Anderson taking second place honors. Greg and Tom Massie of Summitville finished third, with Bob Brown and Mel Sanders of Portland in fourth place.

Dell/Pyle Win Mixed Doubles Finale at Lafayette

Joyce Pyle of Church Hill, Md. and her partner, Lenny Dell of Baltimore, combined to win the last of a series of six tournaments and the season point championship for mixed doubles at Lafayette Inn, Rising Sun, Md. on April 29. The competition was spirited as the shooters squared off with no clear-cut winners until the competition was over on the four in-house boards. When the dust cleared, Joyce and Lenny took first place in the day's activities, but not without a real battle from the rest of the money finishers, reports Dick Gorman. Second

place went to the last tournament winners, Lee O'Donnell, Nottingham, Pa. and Jim McDaniels, Street, Md. Third place was won by Mary Lou Thompson, Camden, Del. and Scratch Todd, Denton, Md. Mary Wagner, Milford, Del. and Chuck King, Dover, Del. finished in fourth place. "Everyone had a great time and enjoyed the pit beef and all the trimmings provided by hosts Pat and Nelson Renzo," said Dick.

The 1989-90 championship men and women shooters were on line for the mixed doubles tournaments. On the distaff side, Joyce Pyle was the victor, followed by a tie for second -- Shirley Domino, Dover, and Mary Wagner, Milford. On the male side, it was Lenny Dell in first, followed by Scratch Todd in second, and Chuck King in third.

Harralson/Parks/Perry Tops at T.G.'s Place

Shufflers celebrated the Cinco de Mayo weekend by participating in a tournament at T.G.'s Place in Santa Clara, California. In the doubles event, Ron Harralson and Paul Parks teamed up to take first place honors. Nelson Jennings and Mickey Gomes came in second, with Ruth Miles and Larry Good in third place.

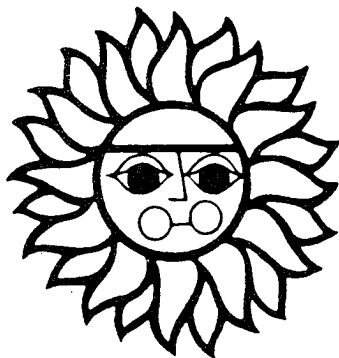
The singles champion was Hal Perry, followed by a very close second place, Dan Murgues. Third place was captured by Rick Thomas.

The folks at T.G.'s wish you a happy summer and invite you to stop by and say hello.

Pease/White Perfect Match at Mudd Bay

Rosa White and Al Pease were once again a perfect first place "match" in the mixed doubles tourney at the Buzz Tavern, Mudd Bay, Washington. Second place honors went to Linda Steffensen and Ron Wicks, with Jackie Anderson and Marv White placing third.

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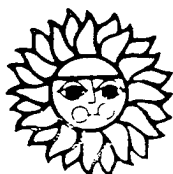


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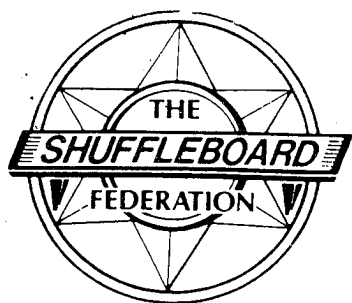
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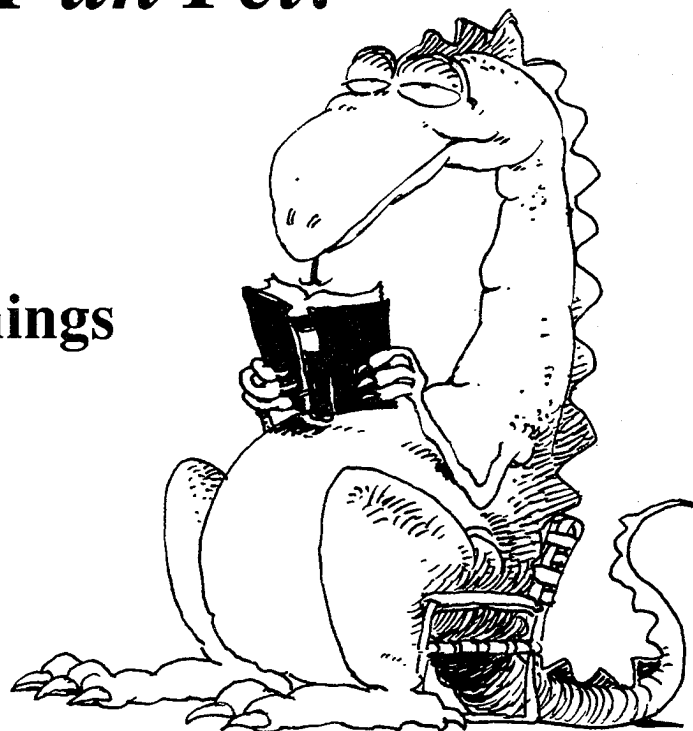


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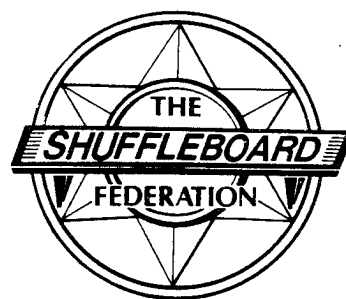
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3.	Bobby Voorhis	204
4.	Frank Blade	195
5.	Glen Davidson	167 1/2
6.	Chuck Norris	163
7.	Billy Mays	147
8.	Earl Kelly	146 1/2
9.	David Williams	143
10.	Howard Mouton	138
10.	Bill Melton	138

1990 Point Standings: Ladies' Division

Rank	Player's Name	Total Points
1.	Diana Hagen	250 1/2
2.	Brenda Moore	189
3.	Peggie Richards	98
4.	Debbie Voorhis	73
5.	Mary Koteras	71
6.	Fritzy Broka	50
7.	Chris Danke	46
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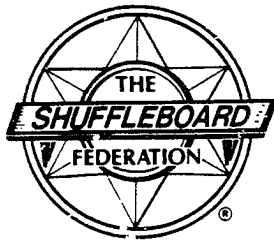
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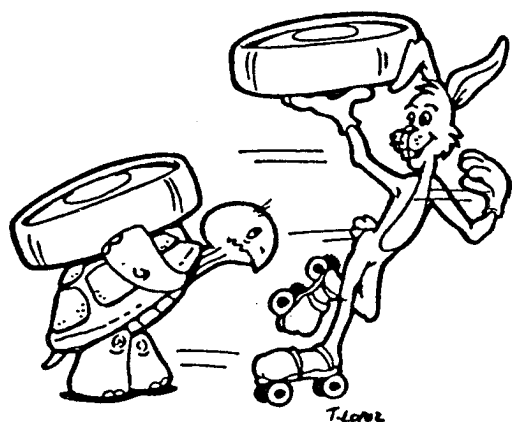
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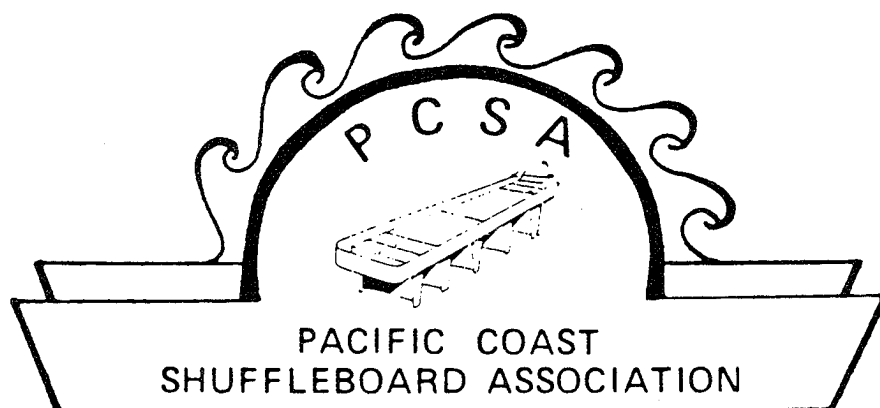
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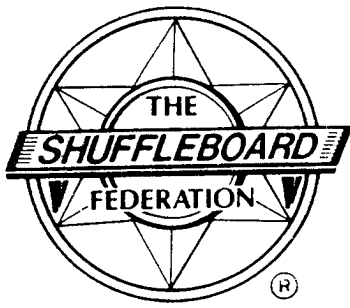
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Limit of 32 teams

Draw Partners

*** Ladies may play in the Ladies' Singles, team event and mixed.

*** If you are playing in the team event, you cannot
play in the Open Singles or Open Doubles.

*** Ladies who are in the Ladies' Singles, cannot play in the Open Singles.

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Balloons, banners and a birthday cake were part of the decor for the day in honor of Marty Erdman's "over the hill" 40th birthday. Your friends hope you had a great day, Marty!

Dave Arndt was the winner of the sportsmanship award, donated once again by Ron Wicks.

"Hope to see everyone again next year," said reporter Linda Steffensen.

Reynolds/Truax/Bennett Win ISL Tourney

Benedict's Classic 101 in Sherburne, N.Y. hosted the 7th ISL tournament on May 5-6 with some new and familiar faces cashing in on both events. A total of 64 shufflers vied for \$2,205 in prize money.

On Saturday, 28 players participated in the draw partner event with favorite Russ Reynolds from Classic and new winner Fred Truax from Pillars taking first place. Second spot went to the surprise team of Les Hodge from Classic and Pam Draheim from the Dew Drop Inn. (Les is 2 for 2 in draw partner events.) Arlo Johnson and Jack Wheeler from the B'-Ville Moose Club took third place cash.

Sunday's bring partner event attracted 18 teams. Russ Reynolds became a double winner this weekend as he teamed up with the Classic's Steve Bennett to take first place. They did it the hard way as they had to win two matches in the finals to prevent Pam Draheim and Doug Fridley Jr. from Dew Drop Inn from winning their third Interstate bring partner event in a row. Pam and Doug lost 15-10 and 15-13 to settle for second. Third place went to Classic owner Milt Benedict and son Randy, with "Howzer" Arndt from Dew Drop and first time casher Leroy "Elroy" Weaver from Amy's Checkered Flag earning fourth place money.

Hostess Betty Benedict provided all players with a turkey and biscuit luncheon as well as "munchies" throughout the afternoon on Saturday and a delicious meatloaf luncheon on Sunday. Milt opened up three of his four in-house boards for play all day with the final matches ending by 8:30 p.m.

Hennis/Bland Win Hog Tournament of Champs

Sixteen qualified players drew up for a double elimination tournament May 12 in Indiana for the 2nd Annual Hog Tournament of Champions Shootout. To qualify, each player had to win one tournament during the year held every Tuesday and play in five tournaments. Each week for several weeks, \$1.00 is held back for the final tournament. Players vied for the \$400 in the pot plus \$600 in the calcutta for a total of \$1,000.

Winners were Rom Hennis and Denny Bland, 1st; Wilson Connor and Denny Wexler, 2nd; Emmett Wilcox and Coy, 3rd; and Hog and Mike Carlson, 4th.

Voorhis/Warr Are Bourbon Champs

Bobby Voorhis and Jerry (Radar) Warr of Indiana took the doubles crown at the American Legion in Bourbon, Ind., on May 5. Lee McDonald and John McDermott of Michigan took second place honors, with Greg and Larry Massie of Indiana in third place. Cass Grubbs and John Tischler of Michigan finished fourth.

Forty-nine teams vied for a share of the over \$7,000 pot.

4th Annual Open, Wheeler Dealer, Tulsa, June 15-17

Please note: there was an error in the flyer in last month's issue. The entry fee for the draw partner event is \$50 per per-

son -- not \$100. Entry for the bring partner tourney is \$200 per team.

Action starts at the Wheeler Dealer Club, 1737 S. Memorial Drive, Tulsa, Oklahoma, on June 15. The auctions for both events will be held at 7 p.m. with play immediately following.

For information about the tournament, call director Cliff Goff, 918-481-3288. For recommendations on nearby lodging, call the Wheeler Dealer, 918-664-1992.

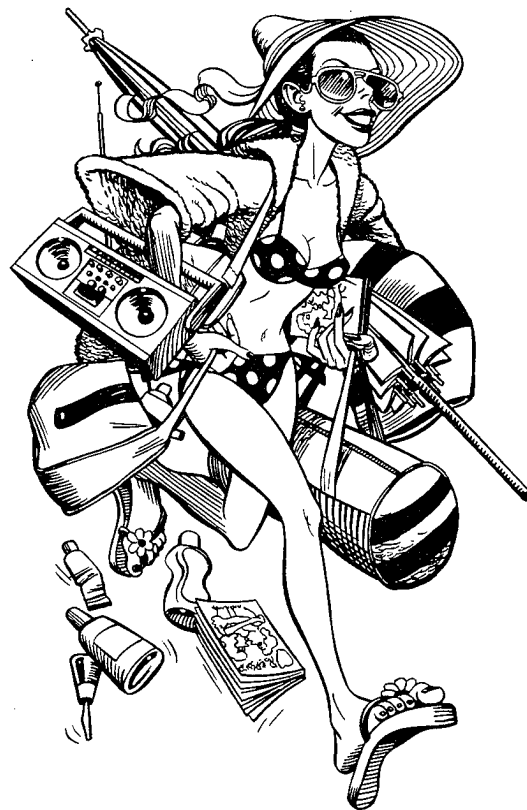
Acme Tavern's 4th Annual Nationals, June 16-17, Tacoma, Washington

You should be signed up by now for the Acme Tavern's 4th Annual Nationals on June 16-17 in Tacoma, Washington. \$30 per team entry fee with \$100 added to the pot will pay 52-24-12-6-3-3. Two boards. Auction starts at noon on June 16. Owner Nancy Hiller will provide a complimentary tavern feed at 5 p.m. on Saturday.

Nancy recommends the Portage Inn, 3021 Pacific Hwy. E., for lodging. Call toll-free, 1-800-833-1800 or local 922-3500 to make your reservations.

For further information on the tourney, call the Acme Tavern, 206-272-1892.

Where's She going?



**To Houghton Lake
for the 6th Annual
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Board Talk's 6th Annual Shufflers' Reunion, June 28-July 1

Houghton Lake, Michigan's vacation paradise, will be the scene of this year's Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion, June 28-July 1. The event will be co-sponsored by Playfair Shuffleboard Company and Budweiser. The tournament will be held in two lounges directly across the street from each other -- Skip's Lounge, 8989 W. Houghton Lake Dr., and Northway Lounge, 8895 W. Houghton Lake Dr. Tournament play will be on six new Playfair boards which will be for sale at discount prices following the tourney.

Action starts on Thursday, June 28, with a draw your partner event, \$10 per person entry. The auction starts at 7 p.m. with play immediately following.

On Friday, the auction for the open doubles is scheduled for 4 p.m. with play immediately following. At 8 p.m. that evening, play will be suspended temporarily for the auctions for the men's singles and women's singles. At 11 a.m. on Saturday, the women's singles and men's singles will start. The tourney will wrap on Sunday with a fun 4-person team event. You must have at least one woman on your team. All four team members play at the same time.

Spots are filling up fast and entries are limited, so use the form on the enclosed flyer to save your place. All events will be double elimination; format will be first available board.

The number of entries per each event will determine the number of places paid: 15 or less, 3 places; 16-20, 4 places; 21-25, 5 places; over 25, 6 places.

Resorts are filling up fast, but here's a few you might check: The Sands, 517-422-5295; Sun 'N Snow, 517-422-5012; Poplars, 517-422-5132; West Shore, 517-422-3117. Nearby motels include: Chalet, 517-422-5085; Venture Inn, 517-422-5591; Holiday Inn, 517-422-5175. Campgrounds include the West Houghton Lake Campgrounds, 517-422-5130, or the Houghton Lake Travel Park, 517-422-3931.

For further information, call The Board Talk, 517-371-2538.

5th Annual U.S. Open, Austin, Texas, July 4-8

If you haven't done so yet -- now is the time to sign up for Don Valk's 5th Annual U.S. Open, held this year at the Airport Hilton, 6000 Fiskville Rd., Austin, Texas, on July 4-8.

Celebrate Independence Day by participating in the pro-am draw partner, \$50 entry for amateurs, \$25 for pros, limited to 16 teams. The open singles, \$200 entry fee, will start on July 5 with finals on July 8, limited to 32 players. The ladies' singles, \$100 entry, limited to 24 players, starts on July 6 with finals on July 8. The open doubles, \$200 entry, limited to 24 teams, starts on July 7 with finals on the 8th. The NASL team

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BUDWEISER INTERLAKES SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE NEWS

Our 1989-90 shuffleboard season finished with a huge bang as 340 hungry and thirsty enthusiasts congregated at the Oakland County Sportsman's Club in Waterford, Mich. for our annual banquet. Key guests included Mr. and Mrs. Board Talk George and Donna Wilber, and Kathy Morgan, who came in and helped tremendously with the trophy presentations. A special thanks to our main Budweiser man Bill Vincent and his crew who graciously donated complimentary Budweiser mugs to all who were present.

After the awards ceremony and dinner were over, the field didn't shrink much as most people stayed to rock and roll with the band "Rescue" (a little international exposure can't hurt) while others watched and/or played in a 64-player, 32 team blind draw round robin (boards compliments of Gordie Collins) that unfortunately ran out of time before it could be completed. The four teams that remained at curfew time split the money evenly. I lost the list of these eight players so I'll eat a worm for each one of you.

A great time was had by all and it was certainly another smashing success for the Interlakes Shuffleboard League. Final league results are as follows: Women's Singles -- Diana Hofmann, 1st; Gail Schultz, 2nd; Betty Parrish, 3rd; Jamie Kay, 4th; Marie Sweeney, 5th; and Vicky Gohl, 6th. Men's Doubles: Jeff Cottrell and Terry Bryant, 1st; Don Vanitvelt and Kenny Gilmore, 2nd; and Jim Stockmaster and Phil McGrew, 3rd.

Take care, everyone, and enjoy the summer. We'll be back in the fall. Summertime tips: work on your tan, catch a fishy, plant a garden, plant a tree, go boating and swimming, drink a strawberry daiquiri, let the little fishy go, bust a bronco, catch a mushroom, and play flatball. Bye!

Jeff Dugaw
Interlakes Shuffleboard League
Oakland County, Michigan

Final Men's League Standings

(West)		(East)		Playoffs
Lakeside I	482 1/2	Wagon Wheel I	477	1. Lakeside I
Lakeside II	393	Dillinger's	453	2. Wagon Wheel I
Victor's	387	Liberty	405	3. Dillinger's
O'Brady's	368 1/2	Wagon Wheel II	360	4. Lakeside II
Glengary Inn	361 1/2	Don's Pub	341 1/2	
Prue's	323 1/2	Majestic	338 1/2	
Bachelors	312 1/2	Bob & Elmer's	331 1/2	
Catalina	262	Charlie's Roost	264 1/2	
The Pub	128	Richard's	205	
		Saylor Dave's	189	

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event, \$150 per team (4 men and 2 ladies) starts on July 6 with finals on July 8.

Rooms are available at the Hilton at special prices for shufflers, \$45.60 per night for a double double-bed room. Reservation deadline is June 30. Call 1-800-347-0330 to make your reservation.

For information about the tourney, call Don Valk, 512-444-4133, or The Shuffleboard Federation, 313-344-9666. See ad in this issue and plan to participate in this big event.

3rd Annual Jerry D Classic, July 14-15

If you're looking for a fun-filled, action-packed weekend, head for Jerry D's Nostalgia Tavern in Dacono, Colorado, July 14-15 for the 3rd Annual Jerry D Classic. For a \$65 entry fee, you and your partner can participate in 18 holes of golf, horse shoes, bocci ball -- and shuffleboard! Teams win points for placing in each event and the team with the most points wins.

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2nd Annual Budweiser-Nebraska Open, Aug. 29-Sept. 3

The Lincoln Hilton Hotel in Lincoln, Nebraska, will be the site of the 2nd Annual Budweiser-Nebraska Open on Aug. 29-Sept. 3. Five big events are on the agenda: a pro-am draw partners, \$50 entry for amateurs, \$25 for pros; a ladies singles, \$100 entry; an open singles, \$100 entry; an open doubles,

\$200 per team; and the NASL handicap team tournament (6-person team, 4 men and 2 ladies), \$150 per team. Non-members add \$10 to entry fees.

Play will be on eight boards. Tournament directors are Steve Stutzman and Denny Busch.

Use the enclosed flyer to reserve your spot.

North American Shuffleboard Championships, Las Vegas, Sept. 26-30

The 1st Annual North American Shuffleboard Championships will be held at the Sahara Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada, on Sept. 26-30. See the enclosed double-page flyer for all the many attractions this big event has to offer and details on all the championship events. Use the form to save your place in the tourney and to make your room reservation.

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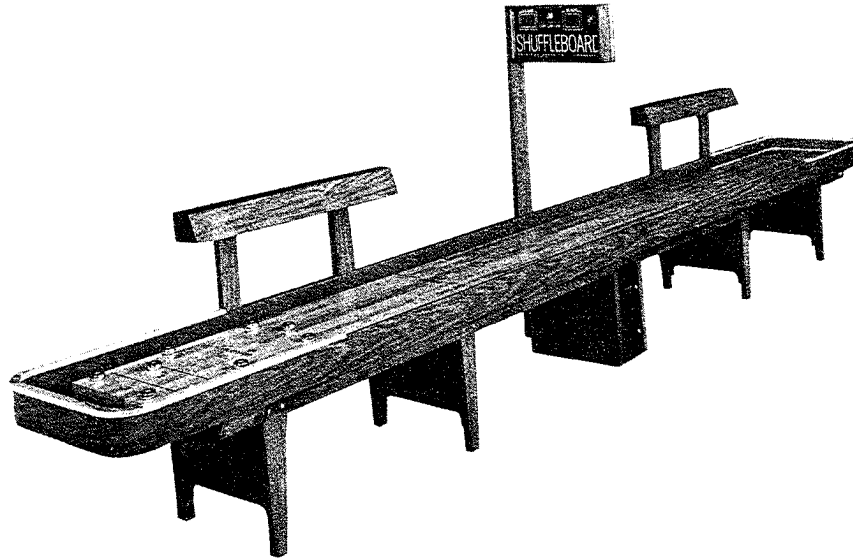
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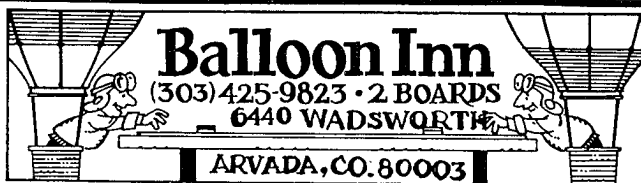
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