

# The Board Talk

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## The Hammer

The score is 12 to 15; we're losing and so are the shufflers on our mailing list. But the REAL losers are the 15 shuffleboard establishments that didn't renew their subscriptions and, consequently, are not listed in our quarterly "Play Your Way Across the U.S.A. Shuffleboard Network." The winners are the 12 new sites that decided that a \$15 investment would pay off in dividends of increased business -- and we can guarantee -- yes, guarantee -- that it will.

How can we make that guarantee? Well, just take one couple -- Arlow and Jane Johnson of New York. You won't see their names in the meager pro ranks listing, but you will read their names often in The Board Talk. They're dedicated shufflers; they support their local tournaments; they travel; and they depend upon our quarterly listing when they do. If they sell their home this year, they'll spend the next 12 months traveling across the U.S.A. looking for shuffleboard action. They will take the listing in this issue, or the one in November, with them. They'll stop; they'll play, and they'll spend money!

Arlow and Jane are just one example of the great number of shufflers who spend their vacations and/or retirement years pursuing the sport of shuffleboard. Give them a break; give your favorite shuffleboard site a break; give us a break. We can all be winners!

Check the enclosed list. Do you want to meet Arlow and Jane? If so, sign up the place where you play today. The next listing is in the November issue of The Board Talk. Beat the October 15 deadline for Arlow and Jane, and other shufflers, to guide them across the U.S.A. for shuffleboard action and friends that only this network can provide.



*Jane & Arlow Johnson*

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## Tourney Talk

### Arbuckle Open Another Success

It was another successful year for the 6th Annual Arbuckle Open Tournament in Wynnewood, Oklahoma, over the Memorial week-end, with players from Oklahoma, Texas, Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska, and Connecticut competing for a total purse of over \$43,000 in prizes. Playing tough on seven Bill Melton boards, the following winners came out on top:

Sweetheart Draw: 1st, Dave Davidson, Tupelo, and Shirley Robertson, Tulsa; 2nd, Brenda Moore of Texas and Ron Campbell of Nebraska; 3rd, Cindy Sweatt, Tulsa, and Bill Holloway, Texas; 4th, Rena Hendrix, Oklahoma City, and Skip McCaskill, Wynnewood; 5th, Brenda Watts, Wynnewood, and Tom Hendrix, Oklahoma City; 6th, Sally Goff, Tulsa, and Dino Flemming, Oklahoma City.



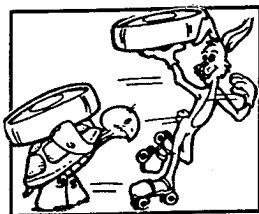
*Tournament Director Al Primrose (right) congratulates Shirley Robertson and Dave Davidson for their first place finish in the Sweetheart Draw.*

Open Draw: 1st, Bud Hilburn, Broken Arrow, and Bobby Voorhis, Indiana; 2nd, Billy Mays, Texas, and Dave Davidson, Tupelo; 3rd, Johnny Ballard, Texas, and Bill Holly, Oklahoma City; 4th, Alan Primrose, Wynnewood, and Sam Summers, Oklahoma; 5th, Bob Shaw, Texas, and Gwen Orsi, Nebraska; 6th, Glen Davidson, Tupelo, and Stan Hiatt, Texas.

Pro Singles: 1st, Bill Melton, Davis; 2nd, Frank Blade, Tulsa; 3rd, Denny Busch, Nebraska; 4th, Johnny Ballard, Texas.

Open Singles: Another first for Shirley Robertson of Tulsa; 2nd, Ron Campbell, Nebraska; 3rd, Dino Flemming, Oklahoma City; 4th and 5th, Mike Melton, Davis, and Bill Hallbery, Texas.

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# Shufflers' Notebook

News and Views  
from the World  
of Shuffleboard

## Kathy's Views on Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion

Terry and I are home safely from King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, and we want to thank you for asking us to be part of your Board Talk tourney again.

As usual, we had a wonderful time and we made some new friends (Stephi, Mark, Rusti, Stosh, Bob Morell and many others). Plus, we got to see old friends like Paul Maccarrone, who came all the way from Florida, JoAnn, the two Judys, Rita, Jim Sr. and Jr., Mickey, Scratch, Bill Stoops, and "terd bucket" himself, Len Dell!

Your tourney is the only opportunity we have to see all the East Coast players and we always have a great time with them. Where else could you get on a player for playing too slow and a minute later his wife is getting you an aspirin for your headache? Rose, you're a class act! (John, I hope you aren't still mad at me.)

As usual, Rob did an excellent job as tournament director. He is, bar none, the best in the country at what he does!

The work you two and The Federation do in putting this tourney together is evident in the fact that it ran so smoothly and that we all had such a good time.

Thanks again!

Kathy Broka, Toledo Ohio  
Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion Co-Director

P.S. I penned a little poem about the tourney. Hope you enjoy it!

***"The King is Dead -- Long Live the King!"***

The party is over...  
We've locked the last door.  
We've gone home to Dover  
And to the East Shore.

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## -- ATTENTION --

**If you have a red check below, it means your subscription has expired. To receive the next issue, you must renew by the 15th of this month.**

**Red Check**  
(Use the form on page 19 to renew.)

## Bits & Pieces

### Wanted: Information on Deaf Shufflers

For the second year, Peter Lirsch, a deaf player from Pennsylvania, participated in our annual Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion. He is looking for other deaf players who are members of a deaf league or are looking for that kind of affiliation. He is a member of the Central Pennsylvania Shuffleboard League and they recently held their 38th Annual Deaf Clubs tournament, which attracted over 200 players, friends and family members.

If you are a deaf player, or belong to a deaf player league, please contact Peter at P.O. Box 312, Paczi, PA 19301.

### Northwest Board Bits Makes Debut

Vol. 1, No. 1 of Northwest Board Bits rolled off the presses on June 20, courtesy of Jim Manders of Sequim, Washington. We support his efforts. Believe it or not, there are shufflers who cannot afford to travel across the U.S.A. for all the many tournaments promoted in The Board Talk. Jim's focus will be on the action in the Pacific Northwest and we encourage people in that area to send him information about action there.

Because he is a faithful supporter of The Board Talk, he's not accepting ads nor subscriptions. But he will accept some postage to help him deliver this important information. We encourage you to send him some stamps. Unless you've dealt with the U.S. Post Office, you have no idea how expensive a good idea can be!

Northwest players and tournament directors: send your news and results to Jim Manders, P.O. Box 2192, Sequim, WA 98382. And, while you're at it, send a carbon copy to us!

### New Product for Tournament Directors

We have received information from the D.L. Johnson Marketing Group, 7311 Warblers Way, Roscoe, Illinois 61073, regarding a product that may well be of interest to tournament directors. It's a lighted display that allows directors to simply enter the names of players and the 26" by 34" Tournament Master Deluxe takes control! It handles up to 32 competitors in a number of sports, including shuffleboard. You can run fast-paced single or double elimination events. It comes with four wet erase markers in brilliant colors and can be easily erased. The cost? \$369.00. You can contact Don Johnson at 815-623-6645.

# Shuffleboard -- The Sport for Every Season

## 1992-1993 Calendar of Events

### SUMMER

#### Aug. 1-2

3rd Annual Open Doubles  
Whistling Oyster Tavern  
Quilcene, Washington

#### Aug. 8-9

U.S. Open Qualifier  
Texas Mist  
Austin, Texas

#### Aug. 15-16

Mixed Doubles Tournament  
Spot Tavern  
Pacific Beach, Washington

#### Aug. 21-23

Draw, Bring Partner, Singles  
Glenn's Tavern  
Funkstown, Maryland

#### Sept. 2-7

U.S. Open  
Howard Johnson South Plaza  
Austin, Texas

#### Sept. 4-6

2nd Annual Crazy Canucks Open  
Singles & Doubles Tourney  
Vancouver, B.C., Canada

#### Sept. 5-6

Draw Partner Tourney  
Club Tavern  
Springfield, Oregon

#### Sept. 11-13

2nd Annual Skips/Board Talk  
Tourney  
Skip's Lounge  
Houghton, Lake, Michigan

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Lansing, Michigan

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State of Indiana Championships  
D.J.'s, Warsaw, Indiana

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SF North American Championships  
Sands Regency  
Reno, Nevada

#### Nov. 26-29

State of Michigan Championships

#### Nov. 27-29

Annual Fall Tournament  
Stagger Inn  
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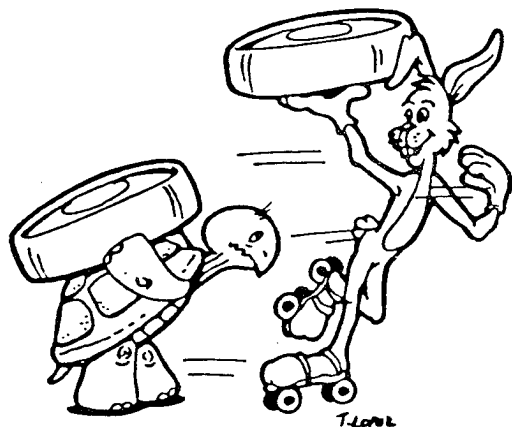
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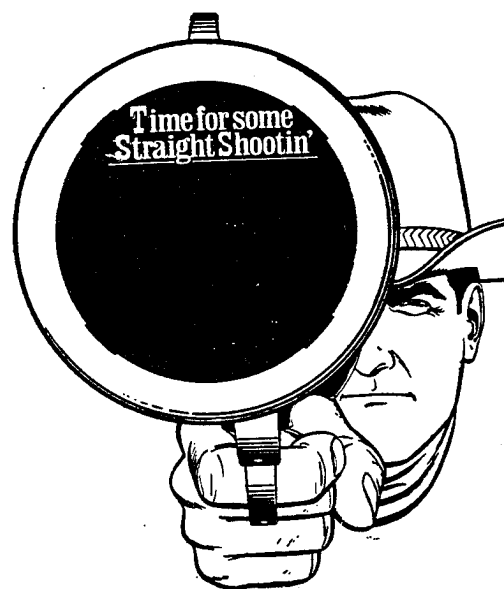
***STOBER'S LOUNGE, LANSING, MICH.***

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**SATURDAY & SUNDAY:**

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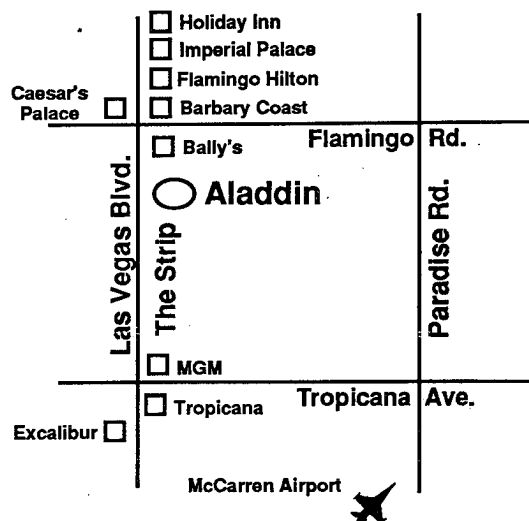
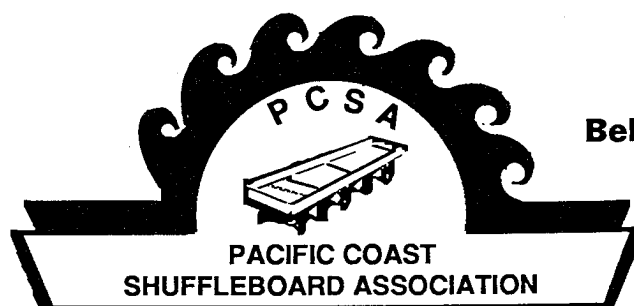
Five events with the possibility of an extra event, time permitting. The added event would be a 6-member pro team representing their respective states. California would be split with a team from the North and one from the South.

Room Rates will be \$45 per night, Double Occupancy. You must be a guest of the hotel to play in the tournament unless you live locally.

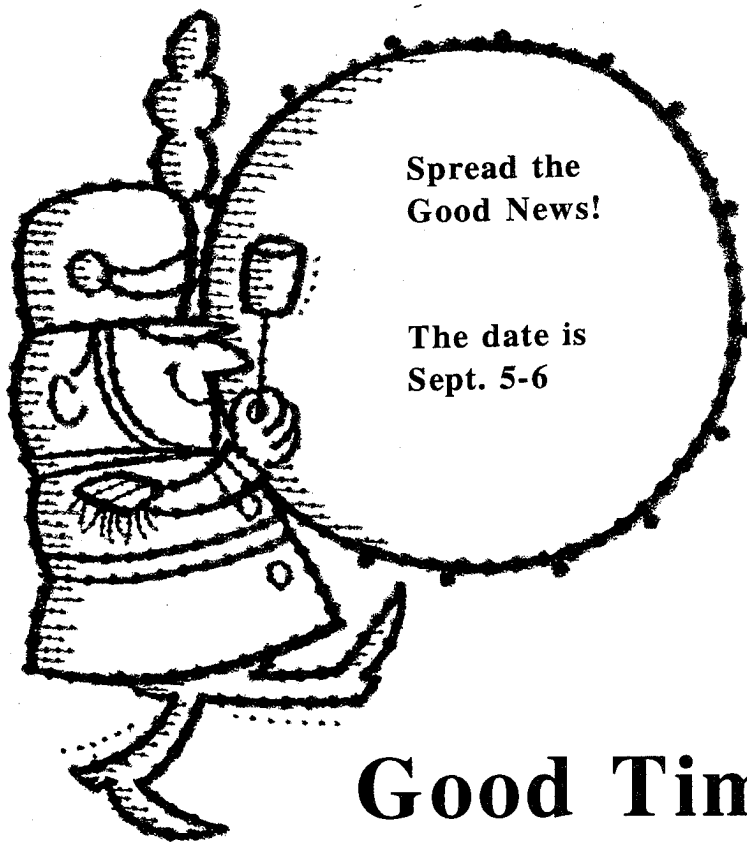
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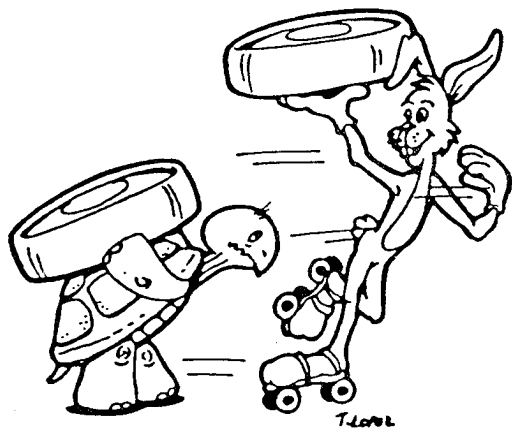
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Women's Singles: 1st, Rena Hendrix, Oklahoma City; 2nd, Carolyn Jones, Tulsa; 3rd, Nancy Tice, Pauls Valley, Oklahoma.

*A happy Rena Hendrix collects her 1st place trophy for the Women's Singles from Al Primrose.*



And for the Grand Finale, it was an Oklahoma Sweep in the Amateur Doubles: 1st, Mark Foust, Tulsa, and Dino Flemming, Oklahoma City, for a sweet repeat; 2nd, Billy Melton, Davis, and Sam Sweatt, Tulsa; 3rd, Lisa Melton, Davis, and Lonnie Phost, Tulsa.

### Lots of Action at Amato's

Two big events at Amato's in Huntington Beach, California, over the Memorial week-end had a healthy prize pot of \$8,000.

In the A-B draw, Rich (Bubba) Warren and Robert Perry were the winners, with Troy Tolbert and John Coulter taking second place honors. Gregg McFarland and George Zariphes finished third, with Karl Spickelmier and Dave Brennan in fourth.

Bill Maxwell and Ted Zariphes teamed up to take first place in the open doubles. John Fisher and Rich Warren took second place, with Sparky Sparkman and Loren Maxham in third place.

Players vied for a pot of \$1400 in a tournament of champions June 5-7. David Hanson and John Fisher took the biggest share of the pot, with Jim Martin and Carol Oehl in second place. Bob Clark and Ken Van Metre were third place finishers.

### Iseman and Dell Overall Champs at Harvey's

The final of four major weekend tournaments was held at Harvey's Place, Street, Maryland, on June 12-14, and the East Coast gang gathered at this great place with four in-house boards to decide the overall championships for the season. Darlyne Belcher and Harvey Comer were on hand to greet everyone and provide their usual hospitality and to thank all the shufflers for their participation over the past shuffleboard year.

Action started with the draw partner event and some unusual teams developed in the winner's bracket. Taking first place were Len Dell, Belcamp, Md., and Butch Kelly, Springfield, Pennsylvania, with second place going to Ed Galke, Long Island, New York, and Terry Gertz (Bay County Moose), Queenstown, Maryland.

Third place went to the mixed team of Bob Morell of Philadelphia and Brenda Wallace, Port Deposit, Md.

The women's singles on Saturday morning had a near sell-out crowd waiting to play. Harvey's Place hostess Darlyne Belcher went straight through the winner's bracket to take first place. Finishing in second place was Judy Iseman, Chestertown, Md., and again in third place for the second event of the weekend was Brenda Wallace.

The Western Maryland team of Sam Jones, Boonesboro, and Lonzo Knight, Sharpsburg, took first place in the bring partner event. Second place went to Judy Iseman and her partner, Scratch Todd of Denton, Md., with third place going to Mickey Mickens, Mt. Laurel, N.J. and Bob Morell, Philadelphia. Fourth place went to another Western Maryland team, Rusti McCarty and Denny Hopwood, both from Cumberland's "My Place." Fifth and sixth places were shared by Bunky Gertz, Queenstown, and Chick Ligg, Stevensville, Md., and Brenda Wallace and Len Dell.

Sunday's mixed doubles format was changed to a full round robin event with total points scored being used to determine finish places rather than wins and losses. Most of the participants said this system was a lot of fun and they really enjoyed it, reports Dick Gorman. Finishing first was the strong team of Judy Iseman and Len Dell. Taking second place was Judy Gartland of Philadelphia and Mickey Mickens beating third place finishers (by one point) Brenda (again) and Jim Wallace. Fourth place went to Wanda Farris, Dargan, Md., and Lonzo Knight.

"This tournament ended the activities at Harvey's Place for this shuffleboard season," said Dick. "The new season, which will start in September, looks like it will be another great one."

The overall champions for this year at Harvey's Place were Judy Iseman for the women's division and Len Dell for the men's division.

### Nelson/Allis Win Acme Tourney

The 6th Annual Acme Nationals Tournament was held at the Acme Tavern in Tacoma, Washington, June 20-21. Coming out ahead of the 22-team field of contenders were defending champions Darrol Nelson of Springfield, Oregon, and Jim Allis of Longview, Washington. They went through the entire tournament with only one loss and captured the lion's share of the nearly \$4,000 pot.

Taking second place honors were Orchard (Gary) George of Vancouver, Washington, and Chuckie Norris of Portland, Oregon. Third place was won by Loren Lampley and Nels Anderson, both of Shelton, Wash., with fourth going to Jim Foran and Mike Waters of Tacoma. Finishing in fifth place were Michelle Foran



and Linda Steffensen of Tacoma, with Dave Arndt and Ron Wicks of Tacoma in sixth place.

"We also had another first place, that being Marv White. He was the first person to make it back to Spokane. Congratulations to all!" reports Michelle Foran. "The beautiful weather enabled us to put out a barbecue and cook hamburgs and hot dogs for the potluck served on Saturday afternoon.

"Acme Tavern owner Nancy Hiller and tournament directors Jim Foran and Cory Bisson thank everyone from the golden wheat fields of Eastern Washington, the shores of the pounding Pacific, our beautiful friends from the majestic country up north, our friends from the Beaver State just below us, those who came from the mile-high city of Denver, our friends from their unique and charming little towns surrounding Tacoma, and we can't forget those who live by the rolling Columbia south of us and, of course, the locals. Thank you all for attending this summer solstice event," said Michelle.

#### **Labor Day Tourney at Amato's**

Amato's in Huntington Beach, California, will host a Labor Day Tournament, Sept. 4-7. Events will include an A-Draw, single game, double elimination, \$50 entry fee; a B-Draw, single game, double elimination, \$25 entry fee; and an A-B Draw, double elimination, \$25 per player.

Anyone interested in playing in this tournament should call either Rich (Bubba) Warren at 714-536-0172, or John Fisher at 714-536-3810.

#### **Draw Partner Tourney at Old Edison Inn**

The Old Edison Inn, 583 Cain's Ct., Edison, Washington, will host their 2nd Annual Draw Partner Tournament on Sept. 19-20. Entry fee is \$25 per person, with the sponsor sale at 11 a.m. on Saturday. Pays 60-30-10, based on 16 teams.

To reserve your spot and/or for lodging information, call tournament director Phil DePree, 206-766-6266. This tournament will feature food, fun, and door prizes along with your tournament action.

#### **Date Change for Glenn's Tavern Tourney**

The tournament at Glenn's Tavern, Funkstown, Maryland, which was listed in July's calendar as Aug. 7-9, has been changed to Aug. 21-23. The action on Glenn's four in-house boards will start with a draw partner on Friday night, with sponsor sale at 6:30 p.m. The bring partner event will start at 10:30 Saturday morning, and the open singles will start at noon on Sunday.

For information and/or to save your spot, call Glenn at 301-739-5025.

#### **"Crazy Canucks" Tourney, Sept. 4-6**

The Crazy Canucks 2nd Annual Tournament will be

held at the Army, Navy & Airforce Veteran's Association, Unit 68, 837 Main St. (3rd & Main), in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, on Sept. 4-6.

Events include an open singles (\$500 added!), \$50 entry fee, double elimination. Sponsor sale is scheduled for 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4. An open doubles, with \$1,000 added, is \$100 per team entry fee, double elimination, with sponsor sale starting at 11 a.m. on Saturday.

The tournament will be played on seven long boards, and will pay six places.

A special B.C. salmon dinner will be served on Saturday evening. There is some R.V. parking available, or accommodations are available at the Biltmore Hotel (604-872-5252); when booking rooms, please specify that you are with the shuffleboard tournament.

For information, call Marg Okum, 604-872-5373. To make your reservations, which are due by Aug. 23 -- none accepted after that date -- mail entries to Marg Okum, 4103 Welwyn St., Vancouver, B.C., V5N3Z1.

The Crazy Canucks have supported our tournaments; please support theirs with your participation.

#### **Lembke/Nelson Big Winners at Ted Z's**

Twenty teams participated in the A-B draw and 12 players in the singles at the annual 4th of July tournament at Ted Z's Best Little Warehouse in Temecula, California.

Taking the biggest share of the \$5125 pot in the A-B draw were Darrol Nelson of Oregon and ("I'm all shook up and not just because of the earthquake") Jolene Lembke of California. Second place "by a nose" were LeRoy Waggoner and Karl Spickelmier of California, with Sparky Sparkman and Bob Brunskill, both of California, in third place. Last, but certainly not least, were Ted and Earlene Z's son, Harold, teamed up with Don Watt for fourth place.

Darrol Nelson repeated his winning ways to take first in the singles and the lion's share of the \$4150 singles pot. Bill Maxwell of California took second, with Joe Muniz, also of California, in third place.

Everyone joined Bubba Warren in celebrating his birthday with two beautiful cakes and lots of good wishes, reports Jolene Lembke. "Also appreciated by all was the delicious buffet put out on Saturday featuring loads of fresh California fruits and vegetables. Ruthie Miles from Portland, Oregon, was visiting me during the earthquakes and tournament. She enjoyed visiting old friends and making new ones. It was great seeing Billy Chiles up and about and looking fit as a fiddle."

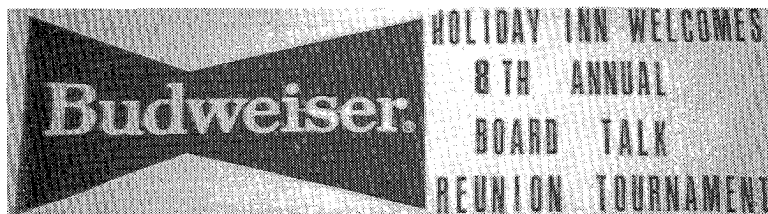
#### **P.C.S.A. Extravaganza V at New Location**

The Pacific Coast Shuffleboard Association's Extravaganza V has a new location -- the Aladdin Hotel and

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## 8th Annual Shufflers' Reunion: Another Joyous Event

By George and Donna Wilber



Step into our Time Machine and take a nostalgic trip with us. The year is 1985. The Board Talk is one year and seven months old. Publishers George and Donna Wilber have decided to hold their 1st Annual Shufflers' Reunion Tournament. The place was set -- the Log Cabin Bar in Howell, Michigan....but all was not well....

"Two weeks before the big event, postponement -- even cancellation -- was under consideration. The Board Talk Editors -- Donna in the hospital with emergency surgery and George depressed by a "to do" list that kept growing instead of shrinking -- took a look at the event we had promoted for several months and at the strikes that were against us." (August 1985 Hammer column)

Those strikes included the fact that no national distributors nor suppliers had responded to our invitation for sponsorship of this first. The Ryan brothers from New York and their party from the East were the only pre-registered participants. We decided to go ahead and were gratified by the help and participation we had to make this first a success.

Over the July 1992 4th of July weekend, the 8th Annual Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion Tournament was held at the Holiday Inn, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania. There were many new faces, which we enthusiastically welcomed, and a few "old" faces who have supported this annual reunion throughout the past years. We pay special tribute to those special people who were there for our first and for our eighth. The winners in our 8th that are bold-faced mean they participated in our 1st. A salute to them for their continual support!

Twenty teams participated in the open draw event, vying for a total pot of over \$1500. Winners were: 1st, Al DiBella of Pennsylvania and **John Lukas** of Maryland. Taking second place honors were Mickey Mickens of New Jersey and Terry Broka of Ohio. Third place finishers were Bob Morell of Pennsylvania and Jimmy Kumpula from Michigan/Florida. Jim Yank Jr. of Pennsylvania and Doug Fridley Jr. of New York, two second generation members of shuffleboard families, drew each other to take fourth place.

Thirteen brave men and one very brave woman, Judy Iseman of Maryland, plunked down \$100 to play in the

round robin singles. Taking the largest share of the nearly \$2700 pot was **John McDermott** of Michigan, who not only had to spend his energies setting up the 10 Dynamo boards for play in this tournament at the Holiday Inn in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, but as the only ranked pro player, had to spot points to everyone in the field of contenders. Making it a character-building experience for John was Chuckie King of Delaware, second place finisher, and Doug Fridley Jr. of New York, another formidable challenger.

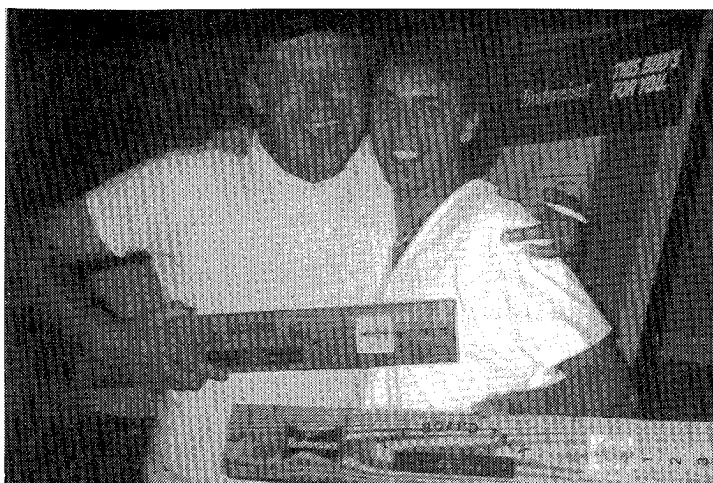
Fourteen lady shufflers signed up for the women's singles event and vied for a total pot of over \$1,000. And the winner was Louise Freer of Pennsylvania. Taking second place honors was **Cassie Kern** of Michigan, with Judith Iseman of Maryland in third.

In the open doubles event, 24 teams competed for a pot of \$2820. Paul Maccarrone of Florida made his trip worthwhile by taking, along with partner Doug Fridley Jr., first place honors in this event. Bob Morell and Jerry Herrmann, both of Philadelphia, took second place. **John Lukas** of Maryland teamed up with Mark Grove of Maryland to take third place. Jim Yank Jr. teamed up with a new player at the reunion, Al Schall of Pennsylvania, to take fourth place. Other winners were **Jim Yank** of Pennsylvania and John Gardner of Maryland; Tom Schaeffer and Ron Herrmann of Philadelphia.

In the open singles, with 32 entries vying for \$2720, **John McDermott** of Michigan again was the only player who had to give points to his opponents, and once again, came out on top. Paul Maccarrone of Florida gave him a challenge and settled for second place honors. East Coaster John Gardner, in his first appearance in a major national tournament, displayed his skills on the boards to take third place. Chuck King took fourth place, with Scratch Todd and Tom Schaeffer tied for fifth and sixth.

George's "fun" event, the 4-person mixed team, drew an all-time high of 11 entries this year. Winners were the Greenwood Tavern -- Judy Iseman, Chuck King, Len Dell, and Scratch Todd -- taking the lion's share of the \$1690 pot. Taking second place honors was the Philly's Finest Team, who proved they were: Bob Morell, Jerry Herrmann, Ron Herrmann, and Peggy Herin. Third place finishers were last year's champions, Kathy's Klowns: Kathy Broka, Terry Broka, Mickey Mickens, and John McDermott.

Board Talk publishers George and Donna Wilber thank tournament directors Rob Kern and Kathy Broka, John McDermott of The Shuffleboard Federation, Inc., and his helpers, particularly the Yank family of Philadelphia, Budweiser, Dynamo Shuffleboard, and all the staff at the Holiday Inn at King of Prussia, for helping to make this 8th Annual Shufflers' Reunion Tournament a success, and most of all, thanks to all the participants, the valued repeats and the new players.



John Lukas (left) and Al DiBella celebrate their victory in the open draw tournament at the 8th Annual Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion. John also took third place, with his partner Mark Grove, in the Open Doubles.

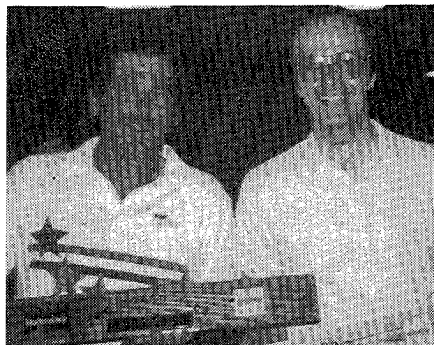


Tournament Director Rob Kern (left) congratulates John McDermott for his first place win in the \$100 Round Robin Singles and the Open Singles. The only pro in the tourney, John had to spot points in both events.

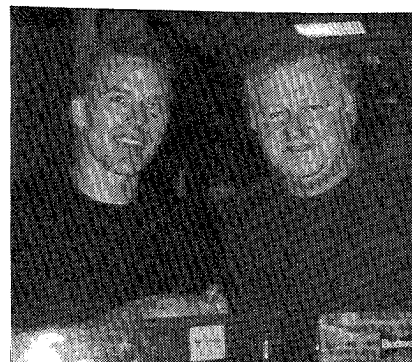


Louise Freer (left) of Pennsylvania was winner of the Women's Singles. Cassie Kern of Michigan finished second in a field of 14 contenders.

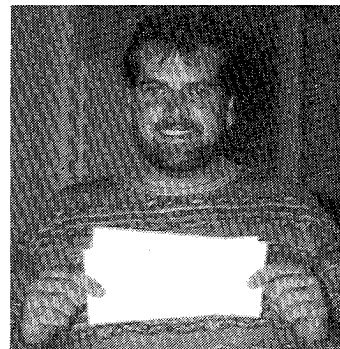
Paul Maccarrone (left) of Florida teamed up with New York's Doug Fridley Jr. to take first place in the Open Doubles. Paul also finished second in the Open Singles and Doug finished third in the Round Robin.



Newcomer to the national scene, Bob Morell (left) of Philadelphia, and his partner Jerry Herrmann, also of Philly, took second place in the Open Doubles. Bob gave the "biggies" a scare in the Round Robin.



Popular East Coast player Chuckie King took second in the Round Robin Singles and was on the winning 4-person team.



East Coaster John Gardner made a big impression at his first appearance in a national tourney, collecting third place money in the Open Singles.

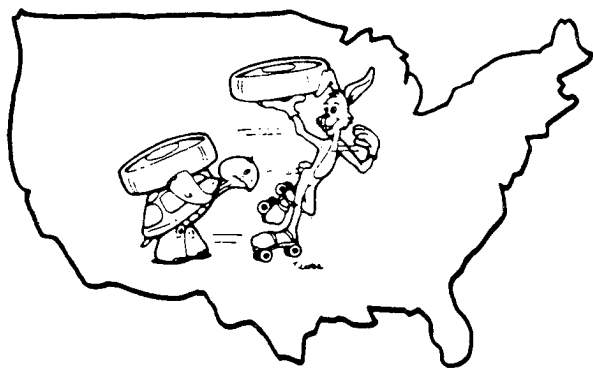


GREENWOOD TAVERN -- Judy Iseman, Chuck King, Len Dell and Scratch Todd -- were winners of the 4-person team event.



PHILLY'S FINEST -- Bob Morell, Jerry Herrmann, Ron Herrmann, and Peggy Herin, were second-place winners in the team event.

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As promoters, it would be a dream come true to have qualifiers in all the many shuffleboard hot spots in Texas and Oklahoma: San Antonio, Houston, Fort Worth, Dallas, Amarillo, Tulsa and Oklahoma City. They could all have had qualifiers, which would boost the attendance, as well as insuring that all of these major shuffleboard towns were well represented. We urge the players in those towns to organize themselves early to promote qualifiers for the 1993 U.S. Open. If we were to have that type of help/cooperation, we would love to expand the tournament to accommodate the turnout.

It is going to take that type of effort from the players if this game is ever to take its place with the other two big tavern sports -- pool and darts -- both of which enjoy lucrative sponsorship from the manufacturers of their games, as well as from the major brewers and other related industries. Here are a few examples of what is going on in those two sports:

**POOL:** The American Pool Players Association, formed 13 years ago, now has more than 100,000 players. Better known as the Bud Light Pool League (formerly the Busch Pool League), they will be holding their annual team championships at the Mirage Hotel in Las Vegas at the end of August. The total pot this year is \$250,000. Dynamo Corporation, a long-time sponsor of that league program, will be supplying 100 pool tables for the big event.

**DARTS:** More than 2500 players attend the annual National Dart Association Team Tournament at the Sahara

Hotel in Las Vegas. More than 6,000 darters attend the Bullshooter VII World Challenge of Champions in Chicago.

This is just a small list of the major events for these two sports. What do they have to offer that shuffleboard does not? The answer is: not a thing! What they have in common is what we should be paying attention to: All of these great programs have major sponsors and were started as a result of the success of a national mixed league program that included a handicap system. Shuffleboard also has a national mixed league program, complete with a handicap system, the National Amateur Shuffleboard League. We believe the N.A.S.L. is the vehicle that can and will put shuffleboard over the top.

One of the things we hear from shuffleboard players is that if a big sponsor jumps up waving their checkbook, the players will follow. We are sure this is true, but unfortunately, it does not work that way. Potential sponsors expect you to show them big numbers before they invest any real serious money. The good news is that if the shuffleboard community really bands together and supports the N.A.S.L. League Program, we can put a pretty impressive proposal together and will have the credibility to go after major sponsorship support.

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In 1992, well over a million dollars of outside sponsorship money will go into handicapped pool and dart game team tournaments. It is very frustrating for us to know that this type of money is available for these types of programs and shuffleboard isn't getting any of it. We need people who are willing to help us to start a local N.A.S.L. Chapter in their area.

The major obstacle has been the paranoia that we want to take over the local league. This could not be further from the truth! We do not have the time, capability, energy, or desire, to run your league from halfway across the country. Rather, it has always been our goal to help the shuffleboard community organize so we, as a sport, can have a realistic chance of attracting sponsors. That is what a Federation is. The progress our sport has made in the last few years is great, but until the shuffleboard community displays that type of unity, we cannot hope to realize our true potential as a sport.

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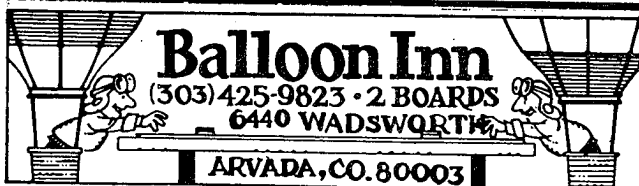
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# The History of Shuffleboard

*(Courtesy of Joe Markert Jr. Phila-American Shuffleboard Company, Oaklyn, New Jersey)*

We could very well say that over 200 years ago, while our Founding Fathers were busy putting together the makings of this great country, there were big shuffleboard matches being conducted throughout the colonies. Shuffleboard was popular among the English soldiers as well as the colonists.

In his play, "The Crucible," concerning the historic witch trials of Salem, Mass., Arthur Miller wrote:

*"In 1692, there was a good supply of ne'er-do-wells who dallied at the shuffleboard in Bridget Bishop's Tavern."*

This item serves the game of shuffleboard a good purpose. It dates the written entrance of the game into the New World.

The fame of the game spread, and soon it came upon the public scene in more ways than one. In 1848, in New Hanover, Pennsylvania, a case of "The State vs. John Bishop" to decide the question, "Is shuffleboard a game of chance or a game of skill?" came up for trial. The judge ruled thus:

*"Though the defendent kept a public gaming table, as charged and though diverse persons played thereat and bet spiritous liquors on the game, the game was not a game of chance, but was altogether a game of skill."*

By 1897, table shuffleboard rated as much newspaper space as prizefighting and baseball in the metropoli-

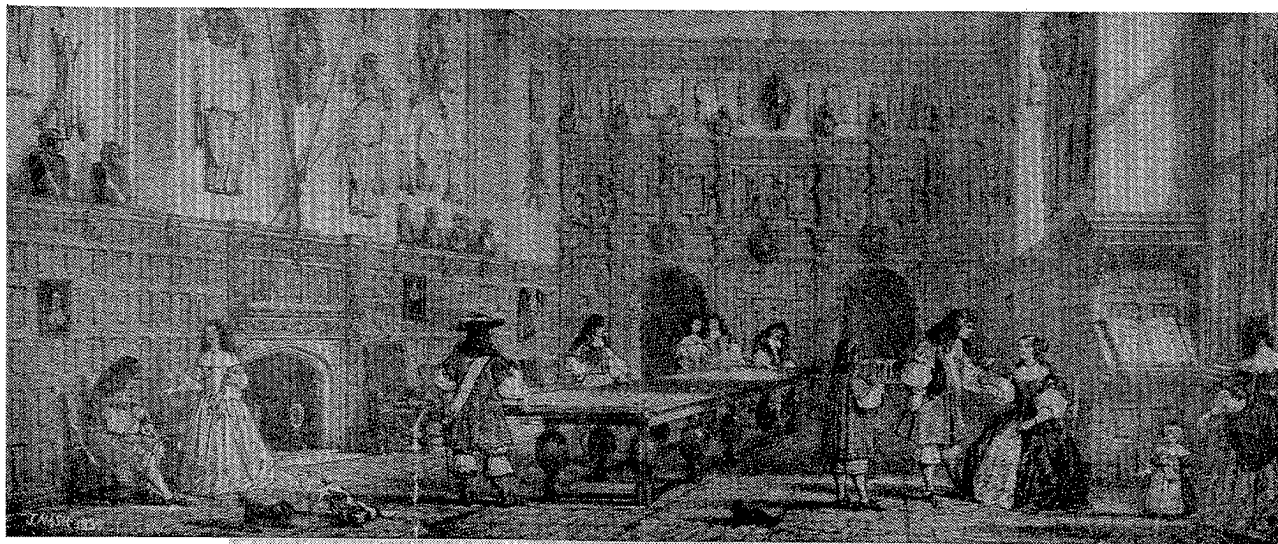
tan papers in the New York City area. Highly publicized tourmanets played by such colorful characters as "Big Ed" Morris, Dave Wiley, Alex Scott, Ed Gardland, and George Lavender drew hordes of fans. The fans faithfully followed the players to tournaments in New York City, Newark, Paterson, Hoboken, Jersey City, Bloomfield, N.J. and even into Philadelphia. The fans included important figures of the business, theatrical, and political worlds.

Shuffleboard made its way across the country. In 1904, Gentleman Jim Corbett, an avid player, had a tavern owner named Croll install a table in his Alameda, California, pub. "Doc" Croll, his son, claimed it was the first shuffleboard in that part of the country.

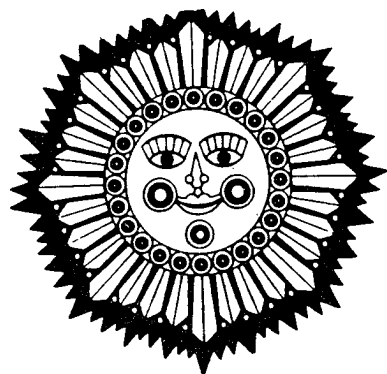
World War II opened the "Swinging Forties" and shuffleboard really came into its own. Many Hollywood celebrities supported the game and even owned shuffleboard tables themselves. Shuffleboard grew to its greatest heights in the 1950s. Most major shuffleboard manufacturers sponsored nationwide shuffleboard tournaments. These were the biggest shuffleboard tournaments ever held. One had 576 teams participating.

Today, with the trend of everything reverting to the 1950s, we find there is a renewed interest in the game. Young shooters establishing themselves in the game will be the lifeline of shuffleboard. It is imperative to the game of shuffleboard that the established shooters help develop the talents of the novice shooters as it is being done by many shuffleboard leagues across the country.

The intrinsic appeal of the game of shuffleboard skill, diversity, competitiveness, availability to young and old, strong and feeble and disabled, the serious game, the fun game, offers the kind of release to relieve the pressures of today.



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## **Tourney Talk** *(continued from page 5)*

Casino on Feb. 2-7, 1993. Not only will this give you a change of scenery and action, it will also put you closer to the other action, while you're not playing, along the strip. Five events are on the schedule, with the possibility of an extra event, time permitting. That extra event would be a six-member pro event representing their respective states. One exception: California would be split with a team from the south and another from the north.

Room rates at the Aladdin will be \$45 for shuffleboard participants, double occupancy. You must be a guest of the hotel to play in the tournament, unless you live locally.

Please post the enclosed flyer in your favorite shuffleboard site to spread the word about this big tourney.

For further information, contact PCSA at 310-926-2152.

## **Hart/DeWitt Capture Crown at D.J.'s**

Steve Hart and Jim DeWitt took the biggest share of the \$1600 pot at D.J.'s in Warsaw, Indiana, on July 4. Coming in second in the doubles event were Brian Collins and Larry Huffer. Jim Long and Larry Creakbaum teamed up to take third place honors, with Mike Johnson and Claude Johnson in fourth.

D.J.'s will be the site of the annual State of Indiana Championship Tournament on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 31-Nov. 1. Added to the state tournament will be a mixed doubles on Saturday, Nov. 7, and a women's singles on Sunday, Nov. 8. Mark your calendars now, Indiana players, for this two weekend, four day event at D.J.'s.

## **Deadline for U.S. Open on the Horizon**

This is a reminder that the deadline to sign up for the U.S. Open in Austin, Texas, Sept. 2-7, is Aug. 21. Don Valk will live up to his reputation, once again, for being a great tournament director, so don't miss this big event.

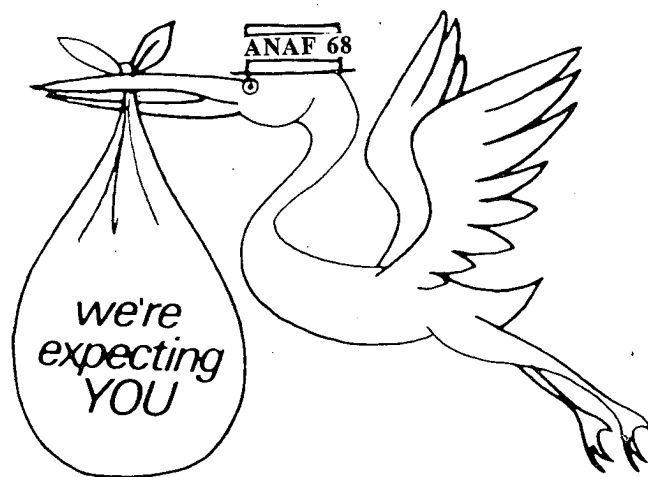
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## **Tourney Talk** *(continued from page 13)*

It will be held at the Howard Johnson South Plaza Hotel in Austin, Texas. Room rates for participants is \$40 plus tax, with a maximum double occupancy. Call 512-448-2444 to make your room reservation. You must be a registered guest to participate in the tournament.

There are nine events on the schedule, something for amateurs, pros, and everything in between. Check the enclosed flyer for details, use the registration form to reserve your spots, and enjoy!

### **Draw Tourney at Club Tavern, Sept. 5-6**

That popular Pacific Northwest shuffleboard site, The Club Tavern, 420 Main St., Springfield, Oregon, will host a draw partner doubles tournament on Sept. 5-6. Entry fee for the double elimination event is \$20 per person and will pay 60-30-10. Sponsor sale will start at 10 a.m. on Sept. 5, with play immediately following. Come early to test your skills on Glen's well-kept boards and enjoy the good food and fellowship at this friendly place.

For information and/or to reserve your spot, call tournament director Fred Linton, 803-741-2991, or The Club Tavern, 503-747-4466.

Please post the enclosed flyer in your favorite shuffleboard site to spread the word about this fun tourney.

### **2nd Annual Skip's/Board Talk Tourney, Sept. 11-13, Houghton Lake**

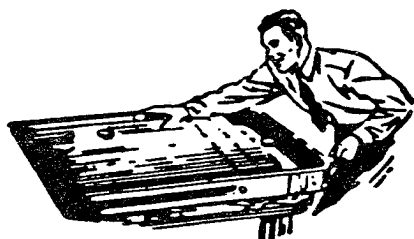
The popular site of The Board Talk's 1990 Shuffler's Reunion Tournament, Skip's Lounge, Houghton Lake, Michigan's vacation paradise, will be the scene of the 2nd Annual Skip's/Board Talk Fall Tournament. Events will include a draw partner, \$20 per person, and an open singles, \$25 per player. Pros and players rated 1 and 2 will draw for players rated 4. The draw partner event will start with a sponsor sale at noon on Saturday, with singles on Sunday. There will be lots of draw partner warm-up action on Friday night, so come early.

For further information, contact George at The Board Talk, 517-371-2538. Please post the enclosed flyer in your favorite shuffleboard site. This is a fun tourney and the atmosphere is "escape reality and enjoy!"

### **Shuffleboard "Explosion" in Oklahoma!**

There was a "Shuffleboard Explosion" in Oklahoma this 4th of July, thanks to the quality of the players involved and the attitude of the management and staff of the American Legion Post 73, Del City, Oklahoma.

The Southwest Open boasted 80 players and representatives from seven states with total prize monies of \$23,570 taken in and \$23,570 paid out. There were eight tables set up for tournament play. Action started Thurs-



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day night with an open draw and concluded Sunday afternoon with the finals of the bring partner event and six-person team event. In between were the pro singles and semi-pro singles. Those who finished in the money are listed in a special thank you ad in this edition of The Board Talk. There were also two challenge boards in the club room which, as we understand, one was a \$20 board and the other \$50, which were only idle long enough to wipe and wax by the new challenger. If you lost in the tournament, it didn't mean sitting around all day waiting for the next event!

"It is impossible to thank all the poeple involved in making this tournament such a success," said organizers Dave Davidson, Alan Primrose, and Ron Huddleston, "but here goes: Sharon, Madge, Rena and Brenda, who took charge of the paperwork and entry fees; Don Crall and staff for their 'what do you need? we can do!' attitude (for some reason, they think we are one of the finest groups of people they have met!); to Dino and Mr. Tipton for the Saturday BBQ (the chicken was worth showing up for -- very tasty); to Bristol Station, Weldon's Bar & Garden, Post 73, Prim's Wagon Wheel, and Ron's Dura Wall as team sponsors; and to Rick, Goose, Joe and Mike for helping set up and break down the boards.

"Now, for the facilities that everybody raved about! Multiple smoke eaters and fans for a smoke-free environment, spacious 9000' room for boards and excellent spectator seating, two separate bars with waitress service, fantastic grill for breakfast, hamburgers, and sandwiches, bingo ball machine for visible drawing of player numbers and positions, PA system, several motels within five miles, and attitude, attitude, attitude. Ask the people who were there: IT WAS GREAT!" report Dave, Alan and Ron.

*(Editor's Note: We appreciate very much your purchase of a flyer to salute your participants and winners. Thank you for your support!)*

### Stars of the Show.....



Tournament Director Al Primrose presents top honors to Bobby Voorhis for the Pro Singles.



Ron Huddleston honors Al Primrose and Rena Hendrix for winning the Open Draw.



Al Primrose (center) congratulates Semi-Pro Doubles winners Ken Storck (right) and Larry Barthel.

Bill Melton (left) congratulates Mark Foust (right), winner of the Semi-Pro Singles. Dave Davidson makes the presentation.



Winners of the Team Event were Weldon's Bar & Garden.



And the bookkeepers for this big event were: Sharon Huddleston (left), Madge Goff (right) and Alan Primrose (center).



## Notebook *(continued from Page 2)*

Back in Prussia, we shuffled,  
We partied and dined,  
While our voices were muffled  
By strange music at times.

O.K....so the juke box  
Had some music so wierd,  
That our toes in our socks  
Curled like hairs in a beard.

But that didn't dampen  
The thrills and the fun  
Of the 4's that we pampered  
"Til the weight could be "run."

And just when we thought  
That we'd seen it all,  
We went out and caught  
A ride past the mall.

So, next month when the small talk seems to grow thin,  
And you're asked what you did this 4th of July,  
Speak up clearly and look directly at them,  
And tell them you partied and laughed 'til you cried.

Say the play was exciting,  
The people were great,  
The money enticing,  
And no one was late.

We need new people to make our sport grow  
And what better tourney than the George/Donna show?  
The Board Talk shows us each month how they care,  
So next year, come on out, make some memories to share.

*Thanks, Kathy! You and Rob and John and all the players, workers, and spectators made it the special event that it was!*

## More Tourney Talk

### Mixed Doubles at Stober's, Oct. 9-11

Stober's Lounge, 812 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, Michigan, will host the 3rd Annual Mixed Doubles Great Lakes Shootout Championships on Oct. 9-10. Entry fee is \$50 per team, double elimination, played on two boards. Payoff will be determined by the number of entries. Sponsor sale starts at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10. Draw partner action on Friday night.

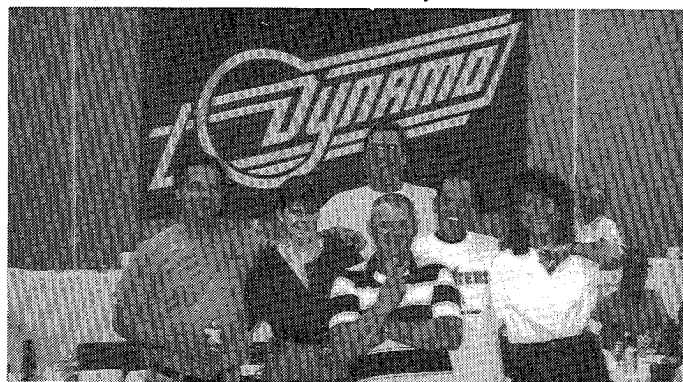
To reserve your spot, send 50 percent of your entry fee, by Oct. 1, to tournament director Jerry Siebert,

1128 Kelsey, Lansing, MI 48910. For information, call Jerry at 517-485-0184.

### Happiness is Winning the Michigan Open



*The Six Shooters Team -- Sher Blessing, Roland Metivier, Terry Tischler, Phil Figliacone, Raylene Schultz, and Mike Tobin -- were winners of the 1992 Michigan Open N.A.S.L. team event at the Grayling Holiday Inn over the Memorial Day weekend.*



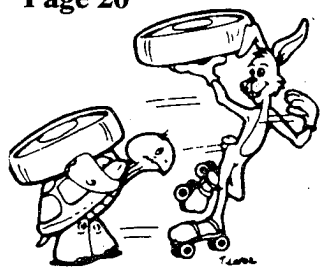
*Glengary Tavern -- Shirley Carpenter, Don Langerman, Reggis Surfus, Earl "Slick" Parrish, Stacy Langerman, and Charlie Seaman -- were second place finishers.*

### 9th Annual State of Michigan Tournament

The 1992 State of Michigan Championship Tournament will be held the Thanksgiving week of Nov. 26-29. See the September issue of The Board Talk for dates, time, location, tourney events and fees. This is a non-handicap event. However, depending on the response, we could have a first flight tournament as well as a championship flight.

1991 Champs were: Men's Singles, 1st, Dana Gray, Lansing; runner-up, Bill Meyer, Sterling Heights; Women's Singles, 1st, Sher Blessing, Rochester; runner-up, Dolores McDonald, Lansing; Open Doubles, 1st, Bjerne Sunde, Madison Heights, and Phil McGrew, Union Lake; runner-ups, Lee McDonald and J.R. Lopez, Lansing; Mixed Doubles, 1st, Cassie Kern, Pontiac, and Phil McGrew.; runner-up, Cecil Filko and J.R. Lopez, both of Lansing.

For information, contact George Wilber, 517-371-2538.



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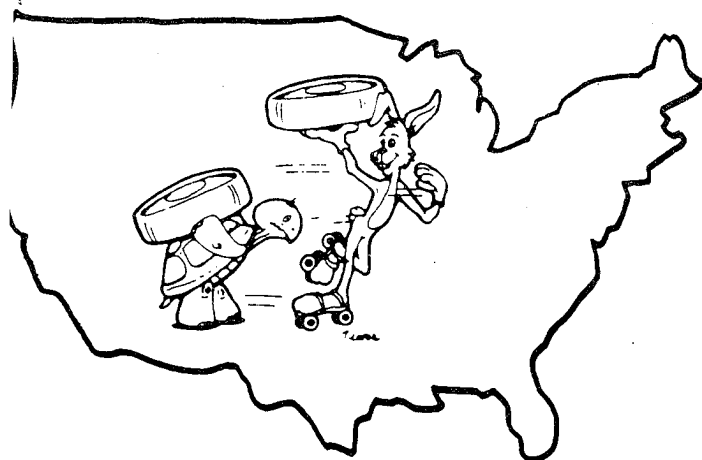
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