

The Board Talk

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Mickey Mickens Remembered at Board Talk's 11th Annual Shufflers' Reunion

The title of this event -- "11th Annual Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion/Mickey Mickens Memorial Tournament" -- may well be the longest in shuffleboard history. But even though they couldn't say it without pausing for a breath, shufflers from 14 states gathered at Harvey's Place in Street, Maryland, June 12-18, for the "reunion" and to honor the memory of the late, great Mickey Mickens.

In Memory of Mickey....



There were a few in the crowd who remember Mickey at this tender age when his love of shuffleboard started and never waned throughout his lifetime.



Most people on the East Coast and those who attended previous Board Talk "reunions" remember Mickey like this, with his constant companion, wife Claire.

In an emotional memorial presentation on Saturday, attended by wife Claire, his family, friends, fellow shufflers from the past and present, others who knew him only by his reputation, and companies that service The World of Shuffleboard (Sol Lipkin representing the American International Shuffleboard Corp.; Joe Markert Jr., Phila-American Shuffleboard Co.; John McDermott, The Shuffleboard Federation, Inc.; Dick Gorman, Triple Crown and Playfair), Mickey Mickens was remembered. M.C. Dick Gorman, along with Judy Gartland, Nelson Renzo and Bill Young, all gave spoken tributes. Two trophies earned by Mickey and left behind ("Mickey never left any money behind, but he did sometimes leave his trophies," said Dick) were presented to Claire.

Then came the big moment when Chairman Glen Davidson inducted Mickey into the newly-formed National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. M.C. Dick Gorman closed the ceremony by reciting a poem written by Bill Lally, former partner and opponent of Pennsylvania, who ended his tribute with these words: "This great game won't be the same without ya, A great champion we'll always call ya, May The Good Lord be with ya, Love ya!"

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A printed program, which contained a listing of winners of the past 10 Board Talk Shufflers' Reunions (Mickey's name is listed seven times!), also featured tributes from many of Mickey's scores of friends and admirers, along with photos of him in winning situations.....

He's pictured with Darrol Nelson, Bill Lally, Len Dell, Milt Benedict, Bobby Voorhis, Jerry Warr, Beef Camp, and Dick Gorman. But most important, he's pictured with his No. 1 fan, Claire Mickens.....



Shufflers' Notebook

News and Views
from The World
of Shuffleboard

A Welcome Word from Maine

Wow! What a bonus with our May 1995 *Board Talk*. We are buried here in the Northwest Maine Mountains and no one knows what a shuffleboard is (they think it is on the floor and you must wear white clothes to play in the big city). We are going to try to make it to the upstate New York area this summer or fall and will definitely look up the boards at the Legion hall in Sherburne. We think we can remember what a puck looks like after five years.

To all our friends in Southern California, keep the pictures coming. It was fun to see the handsome faces of Vern Booth and Jimmy Alford and, of course, Dodie Alford (Kermit says Dodie hasn't aged a day since he last saw her; still looks like the school girl he remembers).

Thanks again for the news!

Kermit and Nan Haines, Phillips, Maine

We can guarantee from our own experience that you will have a great time in upstate New York. We went there for a tournament a few years ago when Milt and Betty Benedict still owned a shuffleboard bar in Sherburne and it is beautiful country with lots of friendly shufflers. Milt now runs tournaments at the American Legion and has one scheduled for Sept. 8-10. While we were in the area, we visited the Fridley family at the Dew Drop Inn in Waterloo. They have a tournament scheduled for Aug. 4-6. Both locations would welcome you as a part of the shuffleboard family!

We're sure your California friends (especially Dodie!) will be pleased with your positive reaction to their photos.

Do YOU have a viewpoint to share with others in The World of Shuffleboard? Send it to The Board Talk, 421 E. Sheridan, Lansing, MI 48906.

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Well-Deserved Salute to Jim Yank Sr. -- Teacher, Role Model

Jim Yank Sr. is at it again! He is truly one of the best promoters of the game of shuffleboard in the Philadelphia area. Now that J & C's Tavern in West Philadelphia has two boards, Jim has lost no time in getting together with the Orfanelli family to schedule tournaments. The June 2-4 tournament turnout consisted mostly of Philadelphia area players, and the response was extremely enthusiastic. Jim and Rita Yank did a great job organizing and running the tournament, the Orfanelli family provided all the necessary supplies as well as added money for each event, and Mike Kennedy did a super job with the sponsor sale to make the entire weekend a resounding success.

In my opinion, there has been no one in the Philadelphia area who has contributed more to the game of shuffleboard than Jim Yank Sr. He has always taken the time to teach anyone who was interested in learning how to play the game, and many of his pupils have followed his example by teaching others to play as well. He strongly believes in fairness, playing by the rules, and treating all people -- including his opponents, partners and others -- with respect and dignity. He is, unlike recent references in *The Board Talk* to the 'male ego,' completely without prejudice to all players. In addition to his influence as a teacher, he may be an ever greater influence as a role model for past, present, and future shuffleboard players.

Louise Freer, Lansdale, Pennsylvania

Thanks, Louise, for this tribute to Jim. Can you just imagine how strong our sport would be if we had a role model like him in every area of our World!

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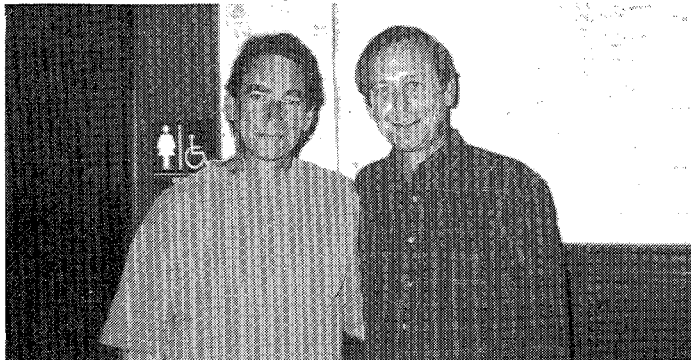
After reading the June *Board Talk*, I thought you and your readers might like to know how we do our ratings. Ron and I send out a list of all the names we have come across (through our raters and through tournaments) to our raters once a year.

We ask them to rate all the players they know (and add any players they know who are not listed) as follows: -1, 0, 1, 1.5, 2, 2.5, 3, 3.5, 4 or 5.

After we have received all of the ratings back, they are
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Shotze's 1st Everett Invitational Gets Rave Reviews

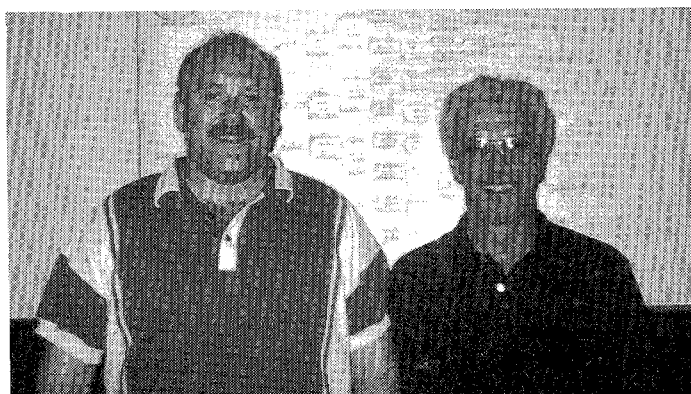
There were 24 teams from Washington, Oregon, Indiana and British Columbia in Shotze's 1st Annual Everett Invitational, June 17-18, in Everett, Washington. To nobody's great surprise, the tournament was won by Darrol Nelson and Doug Buhl of Oregon.



Taking top honors and top monies were Darrol Nelson and Doug Buhl. Shotze's added \$500 to the pot.

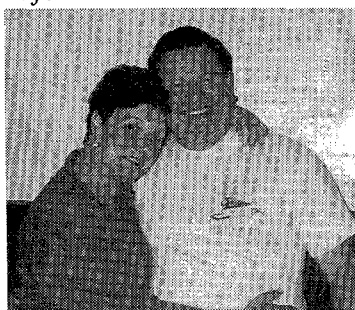


Steve Wilson and Chris Danke of Indiana flash winning smiles for earning second place. "Rumor has it they are on their way back to Oregon to continue giving Oregon and Washington players fits," said tournament director John Martin.



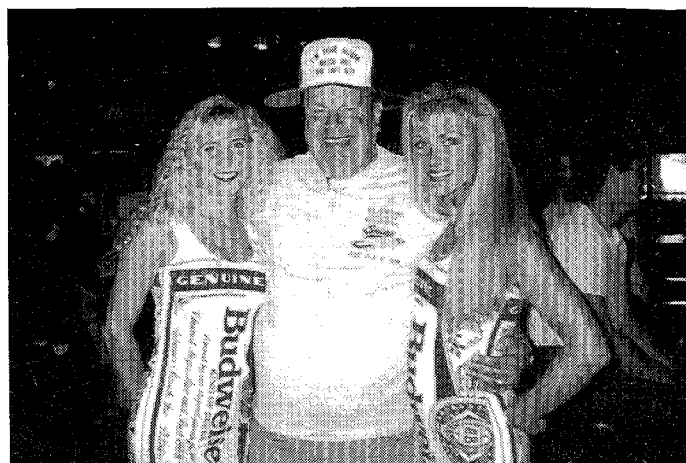
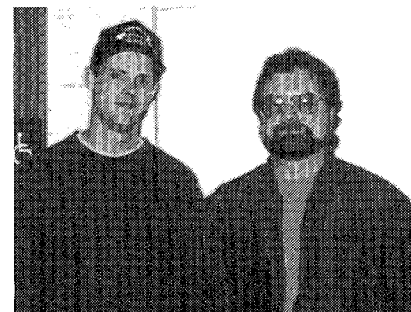
Third place went to Larry Pearson and Bob Jacobsen from Shotze's, the host tavern for the event.

John Martin gets a hug from his partner, "Crazy Canuck Joanie Millar, for their fourth place finish. Joanie's traditional Irish entertainment added spice and fun to the tournament.



Dick Heflin of Oregon and "Firehouse Freddie" Johns of Washington tied with.....

Dan Hitt and Gary George, both of Washington, for fifth and sixth places.



Tournament directors can have fun, too, which is just what John Martin is doing with the "Budweiser Girls," who made a surprise visit. John's hat says: "I am their leader! Which way did they go?"

There were 19 teams in Friday night's draw partner event. Darrol Nelson drew Michele Foran of Washington to take first. Jim Manders of Washington and Chris Danke took second place.

"The logistics for this tournament are great with low-cost motels, RV parking, restaurants and lounges all within two blocks," said John. "We received many compliments for the huge, clean facility and three new Dynamo boards, which held up fine throughout the tournament. We were very pleased with the attitudes and cooperative spirit of Shotze's owners and employees. Minor mistakes were made due to the fact that none of them ever saw a major shuffleboard tournament before

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Upcoming Events Across the Nation

New York

National Tournament at Dew Drop Inn, Waterloo, Aug. 3-6

The Fridley Family of the Dew Drop Inn, Waterloo, New York, will host a national tournament on Aug. 3-6. Events include an open singles on Friday, \$25 entry; a mixed doubles on Saturday morning, \$20 per team; a draw partner on Saturday afternoon, \$10 per person; and a bring partner on Sunday, \$30 per team. Come early for the \$10 round robins on Thursday night.

For further information, please call the Dew Drop Inn, 315-539-5729 (note the new phone number). Use the flyer in last month's issue to reserve your spot.

Michigan

DEUCES WILD 4-PERSON TEAM DRAFT AT WETLANDS, JULY 14-15

That popular tournament site in Michigan -- the Wetlands Bar & Grill, 1008 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak -- will host a Deuces Wild 4-Person team event on July 14-15, with a draft format. Don't miss this fun event! Call host Mike Papa at 810-543-2626 or The Shuffleboard Federation, 810-380-9300.

Washington

6TH GRAND MASTERS, WHISTLING OYSTER, QUILCENE, WASHINGTON, AUG. 2-6

Pack your bags, load up your RV, and head for Quilcene, Washington, where the Whistling Oyster Tavern will host its 6th Annual Grand Masters Plus on August 2-6. Action will start on Wednesday, Aug. 2, with a mixed doubles draw, \$50 per team, with no sale.

On Thursday, Aug. 3, the open singles is on the agenda, \$100 entry, with sale at noon and play starting immediately following.

A doubles draw, \$25 per player and no sale, will be held on Friday, Aug. 4.

Then comes the really tough stuff -- the reason for the name of this tournament: the Grand Masters, on Aug. 5-6, \$150 per team entry, with sale starting at noon on Saturday.

Play will be on the Whistling Oyster's five fine in-house boards and with in-house American weights. Bill and Sandee's famous seafood buffet will be served on Saturday and Sunday, with \$4 breakfast buffets on both those days.

If you were a part of the fun-filled RV "pit" last year, you know all about that benefit. If that doesn't fit your style, try the Maple Grove Motel, 360-765-3410, Bay Shore Motel, 360-796-4220; and (reopened this year, just behind the Whistling Oyster) Quilcene Hotel, 360-765-3447. Lodging is limited, so make your reservations early.

For further information, contact Bill Bailey, 360-765-9508 or 765-3436 or Jim Foran, 206-474-2724.

Please post the enclosed flyer in your favorite shuffleboard establishment to spread the word about this big event!

6TH ANNUAL AFFAIR AT TOWN TAVERN, JULY 22-23

The Town Tavern, located in beautiful downtown Sequim, will be the scene of the 6th Annual Shuffleboard Affair on July 22-23. \$100 per team entry fee, paying six places, and \$200 will be added to the pot by hosts Joanne and Rex Kidd. The sponsor sale is set for 11 a.m. on Saturday. (Come and see if Rex will wear his special Cedars Casino outfit!)

A meeting of the Evergreen Shuffleboard Association will be held at 10 a.m. One important item on the agenda will be the selection of the association tournament site.

For information, call Jim Manders, 360-683-4799.

BRING PARTNER EVENT AT OLD EDISON INN, SEPT. 16-17

The Old Edison Inn in Edison will host its first-ever open doubles tournament on Sept. 16-17. Entry fee will be \$50 a team and hosts Mini and Sandy will add money proportionate to the number of entries. At least four places will be paid if there are 16 or more teams.

Door prizes, a complimentary feed on Saturday, and rural Edison's country hospitality will highlight the weekend event, the last one of the summer sanctioned by the Evergreen Shuffleboard Association's "Tour."

REMINDER: Send information about your upcoming event to *THE BOARD TALK*, 421 E. Sheridan Rd., Lansing, MI 48906, to be received by the 15th of each month. Remember, send us the **RESULTS**, too!

To accommodate late-arriving travelers, the two Edison boards will be open for practice on Friday night. Tournament play gets underway following the 11 a.m. sponsor sale on Saturday. The format is 2 out of 3 in the winner's bracket and single 17-point games in the loser's.

Some RV parking is available, with a good selection of motels in nearby Burlington and Mount Vernon. For lodging recommendations and more tournament information, call the tavern (360-766-6266) or Phil DePree (766-5301).

Tournament directors Phil and Russ (The Colonel) Miller advise that the Edison's popular draw partner event, previously held annually at this time, will be moved to January of 1996. Watch for the exact date and other details in future issues of *The Board Talk* and the E.S.A. newsletter.

Texas

TEXAS OPEN LABOR DAY EVENT, AUG. 30-SEPT. 4, TEXAS MIST, AUSTIN

It will be another exciting weekend at the Texas Mist, 9063 Research Blvd., Austin, Texas, scene of the annual Texas Open on August 30 through September 4. Action will start on Wednesday with two events -- a Sweetheart Draw, \$25 entry, and a "Leftover Boys" draw, \$25 entry. Com-

bined handicaps must add up to +1 or more.

On Thursday's agenda, there are two more events -- a Pro-Am Draw, \$50 entry (pros draw 3's and O's draw 2's), and an open draw (no pros or O's), \$50 entry

Friday features a "Hot Shot" Singles and a "Long Shot" Singles. Entry fees are determined by your ratings: Pros, \$150; O's, \$100; and 1's, \$50, in the "Hot Shots." For the "Long Shots," it's \$75 for 2's, \$50 for 3's and 4's and \$25 for 5's.

The same format is set for Saturday's bring partner events. For the "Hot Shots," (pros, O's and 1's) pros must play with a 1-rated player, the entry is \$100 per player. In the "Long Shot," (2's, 3's, 4's and 5's) 2's must play with a 4 or 5 player, the entry is \$50 per player.

Sunday will be the popular Draft 6-Person Team Event, \$50 per player. It's 5 out of 9 games, double elimination, with a pro or O player as captain of each team and drafting from an entry pool with rotating selections.

The grand finale of this fun weekend will be the finals of the team event on Monday and round robins.

Please post the enclosed flyer in your favorite shuffleboard establishment to spread the word about this big event. Also, check Notebook for information on player ratings.

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As the Puck Turns...

By George & Donna Wilber

The *Board Talk's* No. 1 subscriber, Porter White of California, had a cancer operation followed by radiation therapy recently and, according to a note he wrote us, he's in good spirits. "I tried to play a little shuffleboard (after laying off for 3-1/2 years) at the Dixie Belle and Amato's and lost every game," he said. "But it was good to see and play with and against my old friends and competitors. True to form, Bellflower Bruce offered to help if I needed it. I am retiring in September and had hoped to start playing some tournaments. With the help of my fine doctors at the Veteran's Hospital in LaJolla, California, maybe I can."

Won't you join us in wishing Porter a full and speedy recovery and a long and happy retirement. Send your messages to: Porter White, P.O. Box 1867, Winterhaven, CA 92283.

The World of Shuffleboard is made up of people who have someone to thank for introducing them to the game, for showing them how to do it to the best of their ability, some who have become "stars" of the sport. So, how do you thank those people? Richard Camper, owner of Pubs in Ontario, California, has what we think is a good idea.

Although he and his "mentor," California Carl Greeley of Florida, are not exactly soul-mates, Richard still remembers him as the person "who showed me how to play the game so many years ago" and bought him a year's subscription to *The Board Talk* "just as a small thanks."

What a nice thing to do! Do you have someone you'd like to thank for making you a part of our "world" and just don't know how? Consider a \$15 investment that will give them great pleasure 12 months a year -- a subscription to *The Board Talk*! An acknowledgement will be sent to them.

The shuffleboard network never works as well as it does than when someone in that World of ours has a need for comfort --whether it be monetary or simply knowing somebody out there cares what's happening to you. We

thanked you last month for your generous outpouring of caring regarding the death of George's Dad. We thank you again! You probably have never heard of Ovid, Michigan. It's just a tiny village in mid-Michigan where Dad lived for most of his lifetime and where they're building a new library. Because of your generosity (which was awesome to our non-shuffler family), a water fountain will be installed in the new library with a plaque in Dad's honor. He was a Euchre player, not a shuffler, but we know he would be proud that you cared about his son. Once again -- thank you! You helped build a living memorial.

As this is written, we both expected to be at Harvey's Place in Street, Maryland, for the 11th Annual Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion/Mickey Mickens Memorial Tournament. We tried....leaving Lansing at 4:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 10, headed for Fairmount, Indiana, to hitch a ride the rest of the way with Bobby V. No sooner had we arrived at our destination than we received word that Donna's Mom had been admitted to the hospital back in Michigan. In the wee early morning hours on Monday, Bobby battled the heavy Baltimore-Washington D.C traffic to take us to the airport to return home. George was able to return to the tournament site late Tuesday, but Donna had to remain by her Mom's bedside.

We thank all the caring people not only for their concerns, but for their willingness to fill the "gaps" caused by not having the full Board Talk team present at this event, particularly hosts Harvey Comer (who left an event he was entered in to pick George up at the airport when he returned) and Darlyne Belcher and tournament director Dick Gorman, and Harvey's Place employee Judy, who so graciously accepted the calls back and forth from Michigan to Maryland.

To thank Bobby V appropriately would take more space than we have here. He didn't complain when we stuffed every nook and cranny of his van with prizes, luggage and miscellaneous items. He didn't complain when we loaded his motel room with luggage and miscellaneous when we had to head back home. He didn't complain when he had to arise from his comfortable bed to take us to the airport. He didn't complain when George "ran out of map" or when he (who usually shuns McDonalds) suddenly was interested in its financial status and insisted it would be a good place for lunch.

No, Bobby didn't complain about any of these inconveniences and others involved during this chaotic time for us. He just cared and someday we hope to repay him for that.

If Mom has the opportunity to meet Bobby (and at this point, we're still hopeful), there's no doubt in our minds that she will fall in love with him!

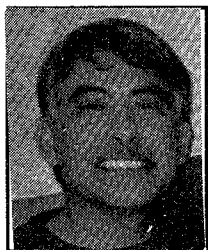
G & D

Wetlands Welcome Mat Rolls Out for Arizona Visitor

Royal Oak, Michigan, is a long ways from Glendale, Arizona. There's not many wetlands in Arizona, whereas in Michigan, almost the whole state could qualify as a federally-protected wetland (much to the consternation of the Great Lakes State agricultural industry). But there's only one Wetlands in Michigan spelled with a capital "W" and that's located at 1008 N. Woodward Avenue in Royal Oak, owned by Mike Papa.

Nancy, wife of Al Salazar of Arizona, had relatives in Southeast Michigan she wanted to visit, so why not coincide that visit with the Wetlands' Memorial Weekend Shootout? Why not, indeed! Buy the winning team in the A-B Doubles, finish third in the singles, and you've paid for your trip!

That's exactly what Al Salazar did, and hopefully, he'll remember Michigan with fondness.



Don't ever underestimate this "visitor" from Arizona, Al Salazar, who finished first with his partner Dan Hitt of Washington in the PCSA's Extravaganza VII amateur doubles in Vegas last February -- and didn't do too bad in Michigan over the 1995 Memorial Weekend!

In the Memorial Weekend Shootout at the Wetlands, May 26-29, Deb and Bobby Voorhis of Fairmount, Indiana, took top honors. Finishing second were locals Jeff Cottrell and Phil Watts (is he the "Flash"?), with John McDermott of the co-sponsoring Shuffleboard Federation and his partner Mike Tobin in third place.



"We've come a long way, Baby"! Long before they tied the knot, Bobby V and Debbie were good partners, on and off the boards. They did it again at the Wetlands, taking first in the A-B Doubles event.

Bobby enhanced his winnings by taking first in the open singles. Hot on his tail was the powerful Frank Blade, followed by visitor Al Salazar and Jeff Cottrell..

The next event at the Wetlands is the Deuces Wild 4-Person Team Event on July 14-15. For information, call the Wetlands, 810-543-2626, or The Shuffleboard Federation, 810-380-9300..

Vance/Schounce Winners at Sportsman's Bar in Indiana

Larry Vance and Bob Schounce teamed up to take top honors at a doubles tournament hosted by the Sportsman's Bar, 1806 Memorial Drive, Muncie, Indiana, on May 13.

Taking second place honors were Ricky Royal and Bobby Brown, with Dave Boaz and Bob Brown in third. Terry Dowell and Brian Collins finished in fourth place.

Hitt/Kalamarski/Thorpe/Arndt/George Tops at Spokane's 14th Annual Memorial Tournament

The "cream of the crop" of Northwest shooters turned out for Spokane's 14th Annual Memorial Weekend Tournament, held at Litz's Tavern.

Taking first place in the Thursday singles event was Dan Hitt of Spokane, with Chuck Norris, Portland, Oregon, in second, and Rick Gindt of Tacoma in third place.

Friday night's draw partner event, with 26 players competing, saw Steve Kalamarski of Spokane and Mike Thorpe of Tacoma, walking to the winners' circle to take

the biggest share of the pot. Jerry Skogstad of Spokane and Jim Foran of Tacoma finished second, with Jim "Caveman" Ward of Bow and Bea Gilman, Spokane (Yea, Bea!) in third place.

There were 14 teams in the open doubles Saturday and Sunday, vying for a pot of \$3420. Dave Arndt and Gary George of Tacoma took top honors, with Rick Gindt and Chuck Norris in second place. Dan Hitt and Mike Thorpe finished third, with Doug Taylor of Spokane and Jim Foran in fourth spot.

"My thanks to all the shooters, and everyone behind the scenes, who helped us have another successful tourney in Spokane," said director Marv White. "Hope to see you all next year!"

"Best of Philly" Series -- TIGHT

Gambol's Cafe, Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania, hosted the third bring partner event in the "Best of Philly" series on June 10. The results -- awesome!

Awesome that the event was won by Kevin Brown and Benny Evans Jr., two young up-and-coming shooters who played through the day in the winners bracket. Louise Freer and Jimmy Yank Jr. teamed for second on this day and third place was nailed down by Anthony "Conch" and Benny Evans Sr.

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Glenn's Tavern, Funkstown, Maryland, Hosts Successful Season First

Yes, folks, there really is a town called Funkstown and it's located in Maryland, home of Glenn's Tavern, which hosted its first tournament of the season on May 19-20.

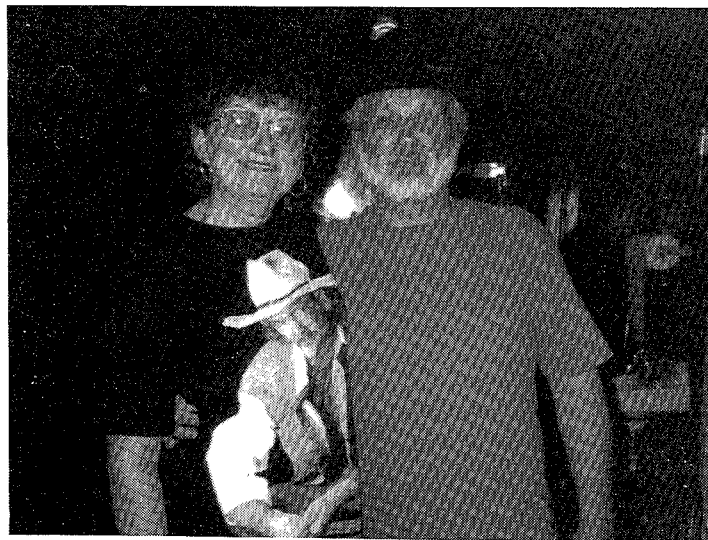


Lonzo Knight and Dave Shrewbridge took first place honors in Friday night's draw partner event.

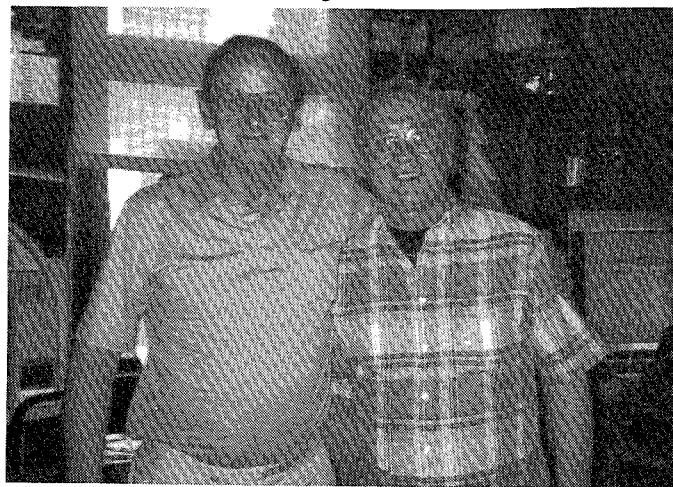


Wanda Farris and Roy Shriver drew each other and took second place at Glenn's Tavern first-of-the-season draw partner event on May 19-20.

Third place went to Jerry Garver and Arlo Johnson.



Judy Iseman and Len Dell (and whoever that guy is between them) were winners of the doubles event.



Charlie Hawkins and Earl Durgan took second place honors in the open doubles.

Third place went to Sam Jones and Bunky Gertz.

"Many thanks to everyone who participated and to those who helped to make our tournament a success," said Glenn's Tavern tournament hosts.

ADDITIONS TO "PLAY YOUR WAY" LISTING

Shuffleboard establishments which have joined (or re-joined) the network this month (after publication of the "Play Your Way Across the USA" listing in the May issue) include the following:

Arizona: Other Room, 4404 W. Peoria, Peoria 85302; phone 602-435-1440

Yucca Lounge, 29 W. Southern, Tampe 85282; phone 602-967-4777

Canada: AN & AF Club, 1837 Main St., Vancouver, BC V5T3B8; phone 604-872-9246

Colorado: Red Lion, 9502 W. 58th Ave., Arvada 80002; phone 303-423-2046

Florida: Irish Eddie's Pub, 11720 U.S. 19, Port Richey 34668; phone 813-862-5214

Indiana: Sportsman's Bar, 1806 Memorial Drive, Muncie 47302; phone 317-289-0901

Change for Maryland: The area code for Harvey's Place in Street, Maryland, is 410-836-8881, not 301.

Missouri: Sonny Boy's, 121 Main St., Cuba 65453; phone: 314-885-9981

Texas: 2 K's Bar & Grill, 446 South Hwy. 6, Houston 77079; phone 713-558-1212

These establishments will appear in the next quarterly listing in August. In the meantime, please add them to your current list and stop in and welcome them to the national shuffleboard network.

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tallied up and averaged out and, wallah, we have ratings.

Thanks to all the raters who take the time and effort to do these ratings. They are: Johnny Ballard, Houston, Texas; Beef Camp, Kendallville, Indiana; Cliff Goff, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Diana Hagen, Houston, Texas; Ron Hudldeston, Oklahoma City; Mike Melton, Davis, Oklahoma; Brenda Moore, San Antonio, Texas; Joe Spielman, Omaha, Nebraska; Johnny Wayne Crawford, Dallas, Texas; Alan Primrose, Davis, Oklahoma; Ken Strong, Houston, Texas; Gregg Tedford, Sonora, Texas; Alfred Suarez, Austin, Texas; Don Valk, Austin, Texas; Bobby Williams, Fort Worth, Texas; C.W. Walker, Dallas, Texas; and Ron Campbell, Lincoln, Nebraska. You are very much appreciated!

Debbie Bowers, Austin, Texas

With the help of their raters, tournament directors Ron and Debbie Bowers have compiled a list of over 300 players with their ratings. We salute them for their efforts! If readers would like more information about this rating system, write to Ron and Debbie at 1010 W. Rundberg #23, Austin, TX 78758, or talk to them at the upcoming Texas Open at the Texas Mist, Aug. 30-Sept. 4. (See enclosed flyer.)

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Warning: PCSA Extravaganzas in Jeopardy! Your Help Needed:

This is probably the toughest letter I have ever had to write, but -- here goes....

When we got back from our last tournament and it came time to do the paperwork (no job is done until the paperwork is completed), our euphoria at having staged another great tournament quickly turned to disappointment as it became apparent that we would again have to come up with "out of pocket" money to cover tournament costs.

After the paperwork was finished (out of pocket costs totaled several hundred dollars) and the sad news was digested, we had a meeting -- Paul, Karl, and myself. I was ready to dissolve the PCSA. However, after a lengthy discussion, Paul talked me into giving it one more try. So, we have signed a contract with the Aladdin for 1996. But, there will be some changes....

The players -- ALL players -- simply must understand that the rooms purchased by the PCSA are what pay for the tournament. So, if players in our tournament stay at some other hotel or stay at the Aladdin but do not register through the PCSA, we do not receive credit for those rooms and the PCSA's efforts to stage a quality tournament are put in serious jeopardy.

I know some of you, because of your play at the gaming tables, may have earned complimentary rooms at the Aladdin or some other hotel/casino. I know many of you travel a great distance to come to our tournament and try to minimize costs by arrangements through travel agencies offering tour packages. I know some of you may stay with friends in Las Vegas. I also know that if **players do not reserve their rooms through the PCSA, there will be no more PCSA shuffleboard extravaganzas!**

For the 1996 tournament, each player **MUST** reserve a room for at least two (2) nights **THROUGH THE PCSA**. And those two nights must be paid for through the PCSA by each player before playing in any event. No prize money will be paid out to a player/players who have failed or refused to reserve a room for at least two nights through the PCSA.

PCSA stands ready to continue to contribute to, or participate in, worthwhile benefit fund raisers. To do those things, we need the support of all players -- not just some or most players -- we must have the support of all players!

We would gladly listen to any suggestions any of you may have. The PCSA telephone number is 310-926-2152.

Joe Muniz, Pacific Coast Shuffleboard Association
 Bellflower, California

Shufflers Earn 1995 Titles at Jerry D's

Winner of the 1995 Beaver Bowl, held at Jerry D's Nostalgia Tavern, Dacona, Colorado, in March, was Michelle Klein, who also captured the "Most Improved Player" award for the year. She lost her first game and came up through the loser's bracket to become the "Top Beaver."



Susan D (left), hostess of Jerry D's, gives Michelle Klein a congratulatory hug for winning the Top Beaver award for 1995.

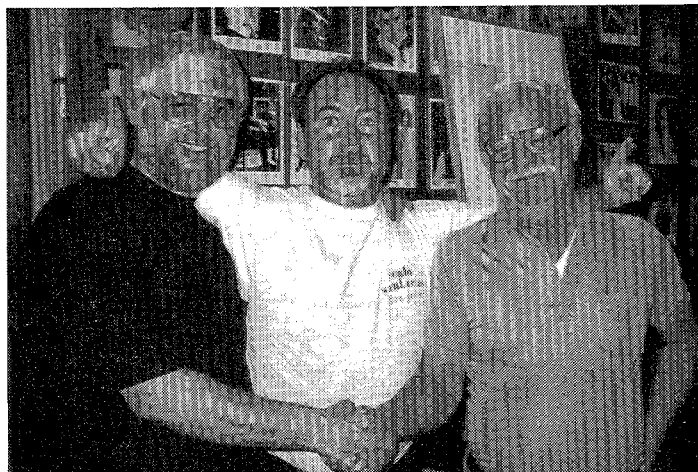
The "King of the Hill" competition in April went (again) to Denny Busch of Nebraska. Although he had a tough fight on his hands with Gene Davis, he did pull a few tricks out of his back pocket to win this one. "He has asked us not to advertise this tourney, as he thinks he has a lock on the trophy!" reports Susan. "By the way, you can all see his winning pose on the 'Wall of Shame.'"



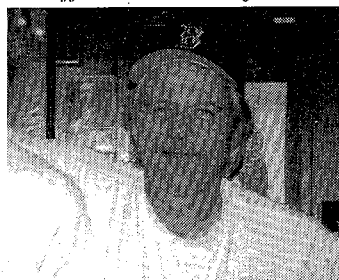
"King of the Hill" Denny Busch (he thinks he's got this title locked up, folks, so you may want to challenge him next year) gets a victory kiss (yeck! wouldn't a handshake suffice?) from congenial host Jerry D.



This year's "Tournament of Champions" winner in the singles was Gene Davis (left), shown receiving congrats from Jerry D. "He was on a mission after losing the King of the Hill and we don't think anyone could have stopped him from taking home the honors," Susan reports.



Jerry D gives the victory sign for doubles champions Gene Davis (left) and "Dirty" Dick Baird (right). "Dirty" finally got his name on the plaque after 18 years. "Just a word to those in Independence, Missouri," warns Susan. "Watch out! Dirty is moving and if there's a shuffleboard, he'll find it and win."



This year's Tournament of Champions at Jerry D's was played in memory of Ronald "MacDonald" Hurney. Ron passed away in April.

"I'm sure many of you will remember him from Reno when he played on the Balloon Inn team," said Susan. "He was a great promoter and lover of shuffleboard and will be sorely missed by all of his friends. Our sympathy goes out to Lynette, his loving wife."

1995 Calendar of Shuffleboard Events

JULY

June 30-July 4

4th of July Tournament
J & C's Tavern
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

July 1-2

1st Annual Doubles
Sportsman Tavern
Stanwood, Washington

July 1-4

4th of July Tournament
Dixie Belle
Downey, California

July 1-4

4th Annual Southwest Open
American Legion Post 73
Del City, Oklahoma

July 14-15

Deuces Wild 4-Person Team
Wetlands Bar & Grill
Royal Oak, Michigan

July 14-15

2nd Annual Missouri State
Championship Bring Partner
Longbranch Lounge
Springfield, Missouri

July 22-23

Shuffleboard Affair Doubles
Town Tavern
Sequim, Washington

AUGUST

Aug. 3-6

6th Annual Grand Masters Plus
Whistling Oyster Tavern
Quilcene, Washington

Aug. 4-6

4-Event Nationals
Dew Drop Inn
Waterloo, New York

Aug. 5

Doubles Tournament
Sportsman's Lounge
Muncie, Indiana

Aug. 12

Doubles Tournament
Tim Timber Tavern
Kelso, Washington

Aug. 12-13

Summertime Tournament
Bay Country Moose 831
Queenstown, Maryland

Aug. 12-13

Ladies' Only Bring Partner
Balloon Inn
Arvada, Colorado

Aug. 18-20

6-Person Draft Team Event
Wetlands Bar & Grill
Royal Oak, Michigan

Aug. 19

"Best of Philly" Series
Bring Partner Event #4
Philadelphia Area

Aug. 27 - Sept. 4

Labor Day Week Tourney
Blinky's Sports Cafe
Santa Clara, California

Aug. 31-Sept. 3

Crazy Canucks Annual Labor
Day Weekend Tournament
AN & AF
Vancouver, Canada

Aug. 30-Sept. 4

Annual Texas Open
Texas Mist
Austin, Texas

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 1-4

Labor Day Weekend Tourney
The Dixie Belle
Downey, California

Sept. 8-10

5th Annual Skip's/Board Talk
Fall Tournament
Skip's Lounge
Houghton Lake, Michigan

Sept. 8-10

Fall Tournament
American Legion
Sherburne, New York

Sept. 16-17

Bring Partner Tournament
Old Edison Inn
Edison, Washington

Sept. 16-17

1st Annual Open Doubles
Old Edison Inn
Edison, Washington

Sept. 22-24

ABC 3-Person Draw
Wetlands Bar & Grill
Royal Oak, Michigan

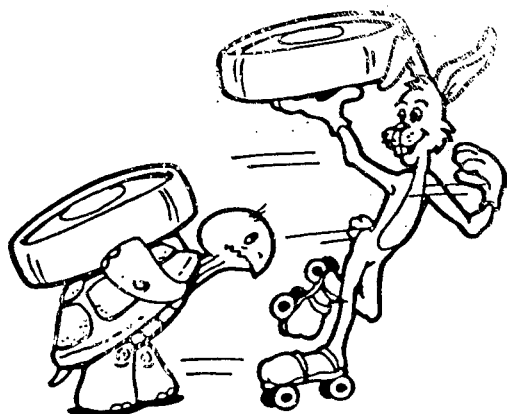
Sept. 30-Oct. 1

Mixed Doubles
Fir Cone Tavern
Shelton, Washington

OCTOBER

Oct. 7-8

Octoberfest Doubles Tourney
Corner Tavern
Bow, Washington



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1995 Calendar of Shuffleboard Events

Oct. 14-15

Mixed Doubles Bring
Partner
Balloon Inn
Arvada, Colorado

Oct. 21

"Best of Philly" Series
Bring Partner Event #5
Philadelphia Area

Oct. 21-22

Ladies' Singles/Draw Partner
Wetlands Bar & Grill
Royal Oak, Michigan

Oct. 21-22

PCSA Open Doubles
Shamrock Tavern
Longview, Washington

Oct. 28-29

2nd Annual Draw Partner
Sportsman Tavern
Stanwood, Washington

Nov. 24-26

7th Annual State of Indiana
Championships
Muncie, Indiana

DECEMBER

Dec. 9

"Best of Philly" Series
Singles Event
Philadelphia Area

Dec. 16-17

6th Annual Santa Classic
Open Doubles
Balloon Inn
Arvada, Colorado

Dec. 31-Jan. 2

New Year's Eve Extravaganza
Winnipeg Hotel
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

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Oct. 30-Nov. 5

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Reno, Nevada

Nov. 24-26

10th Annual State of Michi-
gan Championships
Wetlands Bar & Grill
Royal Oak, Michigan

Nov. 25-26

55 & Over Draw Partners
Shamrock
Longview, Washington

Nov. 24-26

Doubles Tournament
BZ's Sports Bar
Seattle, Washington

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Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion/Mickey Mickens Memorial Tournament

(continued from Page 1)

And the Winners were.....

There were 325 entries in the week-long 13-event marathon at Harvey's Place, Street, Maryland, with 66 different players walking to the pay table to collect their share of the nearly \$21,000 pot.

Action kicked off at 9:30 Monday morning with the pro singles and three states were represented in the winner's circle. Len Dell of Maryland finished first, with Chuck King of Delaware taking second place honors, and Bobby Voorhis of Indiana finishing third.

In Monday's 2nd chance draw, the winners were Buddy Brammer and Blaine Douglas, both of Maryland, with Jane Johnson of New York and Jerry Garber of Maryland in second place. Grace Wyatt of Maryland and Marty Allen of Florida finished third. In the second bracket, Wendy Davis of Delaware and Lindsay Hall of Maryland took top honors, with Bob Overbay of Maryland and Dick Gorman of Delaware in second. Penny Cottrell of Michigan and Terry Smith of Illinois finished in third place.

In Tuesday's 2nd chance pro-am draw, Marty Allen of Florida and Bobby Voorhis of Indiana took top honors. Jane Johnson and Dick Losee, both of New York, drew each other to take second place. Willis Long and Dave Shewbridge, both of Maryland, finished third. In the second bracket, Louise Freer of Pennsylvania and George Chamberlin of Maryland took first place, with Faye Todd of Delaware and Doug Fridley Sr. of New York, in second place. Joyce Pyle of Maryland and Milt Benedict of New York took third place.

The pro doubles, legends draw partner, and 2nd chance draw partners were events scheduled for Wednesday.

In the pro doubles, Dave Boaz of Indiana and Steve (Ski) Lacinski of Pennsylvania teamed up to take top honors. Finishing second were Len Dell and Eddie Kibler of Maryland. Chuck King of Delaware and Rick Niblett of Maryland took third place honors. Brothers Jerry and Ron Herrmann of Pennsylvania finished fourth, with Glen Davidson of Oklahoma and Louise Freer of Pennsylvania in fifth place.

In the Legends (those over 55 and must prove it!) draw partner, Arlow Johnson of New York and Arnold Ledford of Maryland were the top winners. Marty Allen of Florida and Don Casula of Delaware took second place, with Dallas Hayman of Delaware and Vic "The Barber" Magero of Maryland (the oldest shooter in the tournament at age 80) in third place. Terry Smith of Illinois and Cliff Volmer of Pennsylvania finished fourth.

In the second chance amateur draw, Jeff Cottrell of Michigan and Blaine Douglas of Maryland were the winners. Herb Forster and Jim Wolfe of Pennsylvania

took second place. In the lower bracket, Wendy Davis of Delaware and Joe Williams of Pennsylvania took first, with Larry Kirk of Maryland and Marion Wrigley of Florida in second place.

On Thursday's schedule was the open singles, women's singles, and round robin pro singles.

Jeff Cottrell of Michigan took top honors in the open singles, with Judy Iseman of Maryland in second place. Dallas Hayman of Delaware finished third, with Joe Williams of Pennsylvania in fourth place. Herb Forster of Pennsylvania finished fifth, with Blaine Douglas of Maryland in sixth place.

Penny Cottrell of Michigan was winner of the women's singles, with Peggy (Richards) Whately of Arizona taking second place honors. Joyce Pyle of Maryland took third, with Harvey's Place hostess Darlyne Belcher in fourth.

In the round robin pro singles, which lasted until the wee hours of the next morning, Bobby Voorhis of Indiana prevailed as the best of a tough field. Len Dell (who hates second place) of Maryland took second place, with Glen Davidson of Oklahoma in third. Finishing fourth and fifth were Lonzo Knight of Maryland and John McDermott of Michigan.

In Saturday's bring partner event, Lindsay Hall and Butch (Hollywood) Kelly of Pennsylvania came out on top, with Jane Johnson of New York and Jimmy (the cop) Kumpula of Florida/Michigan in second place. Anthony Conch and Jim Yank Jr. of Pennsylvania finished in third, with Judy Iseman of Maryland and Jeff Cottrell of Michigan in fourth. Rounding out the winner's circle were Johnny Hummel and Mary Anne Watson of Pennsylvania.

John Moniti and Willis Long of Maryland took top honors in the amateur draw, and Mike Kennedy and Rita Yank of Pennsylvania came in second. Connie King of Delaware and Brenda Wallace of Maryland finished in third place, with Shelly and Martin Comer of Maryland in fourth, and Barb Brammer of Maryland and Grace Wyatt of Delaware in fifth place.

The "Shufflers Four" team, composed of Judy Gartland of Pennsylvania, Glen Davidson of Oklahoma, Dallas Hayman of Delaware and Larry Kirk of Maryland, won George's "dreaded, lots of fun" 4-person team event on Sunday. The "Diggers" -- Wendy Davis and Dick Gorman of Delaware, Buddy Brammer of Maryland, and "Ski" Lacinski of Pennsylvania -- took second place. The "Power Drivers" team, made up of area shufflers Ellen Currie, Jason Chisendell, Rick Johnson and Rob Masey, in their first appearance in a major tournament, finished in third place.

Tournament directors Harvey Comer and Dick Gorman extend thanks to Playfair and Triple Crown

for co-sponsoring the tournament; to Arlow Johnson, Buddy Brammer, Fred Bransome and Martin & Shelly Comer for their great assistance; and to unsung heroine Judy McManus for all her behind-the-scenes efforts.

"We were proud to host the 11th Annual Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion & Mickey Mickens Memorial Tournament and thank all who participated," they said.

5th Annual Skip's/Board Talk Fall Bash, Houghton Lake, Michigan, Sept. 8-10

The 5th Annual Skip's/Board Talk Fall Bash (we used to call it a tournament, but that seems too tame a word for this event!) has been set for Sept. 8-10 at Skip's Lounge, 8895 W. Houghton Lake Drive, Houghton Lake, Michigan (the state's vacation wonderland).

In the draw partner event on Saturday, pros and players rated 1 and 2 will draw from remaining registered players. \$20 per person entry fee, sponsor sale Saturday noon, with play immediately following.

On Sunday, there will be an open singles, \$40 entry, with sponsor sale at noon and play immediately following. In both events, depending upon number of entries, it may be mark 4, play to 15.

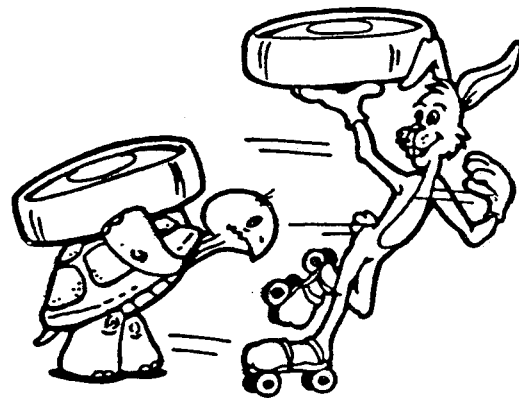
For tournament information, call George at The Board Talk, 517-371-2538. For lodging recommendations, call Skip, 517-422-5422.

5th Annual PCSA Open Doubles, Shamrock Tavern, Longview, Washington, Oct. 21-22

The 5th Annual PCSA Open Doubles will be held at the Shamrock Tavern, 1131 15th St. in Longview, Washington, on Oct. 21-22. Entry fee is \$50 per team. \$10 per team will be added to the pot and the Pacific Coast Shuffleboard Association will award entries in the 1996 PCSA Extravaganza doubles in Las Vegas to the winners (Darrol Nelson and Doug Buhl for the past four years! Can anyone beat them?).

Watch the August issue for further information.

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Frisko Eddie's Revenge: The Return

A series by Balboa Ron Schweikert

(In last month's episode, after Eddie and Lil had lost four games to one to the Texas Kid and Fat Max, Lil arranged for Eddie to take on the Kid in a best 3 out of 5 singles for \$2500. The Kid's backer, Money Man, was certain he had a winner.)

The best 3 out of 5 series for \$2500 began with Eddie calling "heads" and winning the hammer. He felt a lot more comfortable now because he could go "all-out," including his lag. It wasn't easy to get the lag back, however, after he had purposely been "choking" or lagging off the board. As a result, the Texas Kid won the first game 15 to 10. The score was 14-12 in Eddie's favor in the second game. The Kid lagged a miracle three with his hammer, against two of Eddie's weights.

Lil had a little conference with Eddie then. She said, "That last shot was pure luck, Champ. You've got to win the next three games or we're out of here. Just settle down now; you're far better than this guy."

Dollar Dan, the Money Man, had a look of pure pleasure on his face as the third (and what he thought would be the final) game began. Eddie started to smooth out and his lag began to improve. He beat the Kid the third and fourth games by a narrow margin. The look of pure pleasure on Dollar Dan's face had now turned to one of major concern. His "paid help," the Ape Man, who was stationed near the entrance door, was on the alert now and seriously taking in all the action.

The final game went basically weight-for-weight, until Eddie broke things open with a three lag. The score was 13-11 then, in Eddie's favor. The Kid tied things up with a deuce lag. On the next frame, he gave Eddie a very short deuce (a left cross) to shoot against with his final weight. This was the exact shot that Lil had pointed out to Eddie in the practice session before the action began -- where you could ride the rail with the left cross, if you hit on just the right spot. Eddie sized up the weight, knowing that this would be the last shot of the game. He sprinkled a little wax on the left rail before his shot, and then let it go. He was shooting AT the weight, and the release felt good. His weight caught just the right spot and gently nudged the Kid's weight off the board, and then slid into a short three. The game -- and the match -- were over!

There were no cheers from the crowd as Lil went over to collect the bet. Dollar Dan had a very angry look on his face, but he reluctantly allowed Lil to pick up the \$5,000 stake from the bar. She told him: "Thanks for the bet, Dan; that was too close for comfort."

Lil went back down the bar then to congratulate Eddie, and also to give the Money Man and the Kid a chance to

figure out their strategy. She gave Eddie a hug and told him: "You played it just right, Champ! I think it was close enough to where Texas Kid's pride and the Money Man's anger at losing will push them into another series. I'm goin' back over there now and help them make up their minds."

As Lil approached, they were in a heated dialogue, trying to figure out how to deal with their loss and get their money back. At the right moment, Lil made a comment: "That series was pretty close and I feel fortunate that my man won. We'd be happy to walk right on out of here as winners -- but just to be fair, we're willing to continue the action here.....if that's what's on your minds."

Now the Texas Kid had just about convinced Dollar Dan that he could "take him" if a second series was played. The question now was the money management strategy. Dollar Dan looked into Lil's eyes then and said: "This may sound unwise, after my man has just lost, but the deal I'm going to make is this. We double the stake and let them go for another 3 out of 5 series. How about that, Lady?"

Lil took her time in responding. She was laughing inside, but had a very concerned look on her face when she gave her reply: "My policy is to let the opponents try to get their money back -- the same way I won it. If I allow you to keep doubling, for sure your man will win one and clean me out." She "checked his temperature" then and set the hook by saying: "Here's what I'm willing to do. Dan. I'll put my \$5,000 up on the bar and you match it. The players get one more series, but win or lose -- one of us picks up the \$10,000 and that's it, and that's that. What I'm saying here is that this will be a 'one-shot-deal' -- end of story, O.K.?"

The Money Man didn't say a word as he peeled off \$5,000 and placed it next to him on the bar. Lil said: "Well, I guess the negotiations are over, Dan," as she placed their \$5,000 next to his.

The crowd had grown now and a lot of side-talk was brewing about who was going to win. All this would turn into a dead silence once the games began. The board was wiped down and then spray-waxed and polished. The powdered wax was then applied. Lil and Eddie noticed that they had switched to the white "Super Lightning Flash" wax this time. Lil gave Eddie another little pep talk then: "This is the game we came here for, Champ. Don't worry about making it close now. Just pull out all the stops, and let them see some real shuffleboard!"

Dollar Dan gave the Texas Kid some "side-bar" advice by saying: "Now, you go out there and shoot your

damndest to beat him, O.K.? Winning would be the best, but either way, they can forget about walking out of here

with the 10 grand."

(CONTINUED NEXT MONTH....)

Tolo Tavern Memorial Tourney a Big Success

The Tolo Tavern in Central Point, Oregon, hosted a singles and doubles tournament over the Memorial weekend that began Friday night with a draw partner. That event was won by Desi Guches and John Mortensen, both of Central Point. In second place were Gordy Smith of British Columbia and Harold Payne of Central Point. Sherm Anderson of Edison, Washington, and Whitey Craven of Central Point finished third, with Jim Reed of Springfield and Larry Balzer of Central Point in fourth.

There were 16 players in Saturday's singles, with Desi Guches taking top honors. Second place went to John Mull of Springfield, with John King of Medford in third and Jim Reed in fourth.

Sunday's doubles event was won by Steve Fisher of Winston and Mike Waters from Tacoma, Washington. John Mull and Sparky Williams, also from Springfield, took second, with John King and Jim Reed in third.

"Thanks to hosts pay and Leroy Burkhart and all their helpers for a great tournament and a fantastic barbeque on Saturday," reports Sherry Allen.

"It was a pleasure to meet Tony and Dottie Bastanchury, who came all the way from Southern California for the tournament," she said.



In the winners' circle for the singles at the Tolo Tavern were (left to right) Jim Reed, John King, John Mull, and top money-taker Desi Guches.

Shotze's First (continued from Page 3)

-- let alone host one. They were always willing to work with us, correcting the mistakes and making sure everyone had a good time.

"A fun young man and a newcomer to the scene, Dennis Winsor, put in two days of hard work running the bracket board with everyone telling him, 'do it this way.'"

"Everett is back on the shuffleboard map!" said John.

A Board Talk Salute to..... Sol Lipkin!



Editors George & Donna Wilber salute Sol Lipkin, a legend himself (honored by The Shuffleboard Federation in 1992 for a lifetime of service to the sport of shuffleboard), for representing the American International Shuffleboard Co. at the Mickey Mickens Memorial Tournament at Harvey's Place in Street, Maryland. We hope to "hang in there" long enough to honor him.....A tough act to follow!

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Upcoming Events (continued from Page 5)Missouri**MISSOURI STATE TOURNEY
JULY 14-15 AT
LONGBRANCH**

The 2nd Annual Missouri State Championship Tournament will be hosted by the Longbranch Lounge, 2000 N. National, Springfield, Missouri, on July 14-15. The entry fee for the bring your own partner, double elimination event is \$30 per team and is open to the first 16 teams entered (100% payback plus added money). \$20 will be awarded to the first team that wins 15-0.

For further information, call the Longbranch, 417-866-9212.

Indiana**DOUBLES AT SPORTSMAN'S
LOUNGE, MUNCIE, AUG. 5**

The Sportsman's Lounge, 1806 Memorial Drive, Muncie, Indiana, will host an open doubles on Aug. 5. \$30 per team entry. For information, call 317-289-0901.

Canada**CRAZY CANUCKS 5TH ANNUAL SET FOR AUG. 31-
SEPT. 3**

The AN & AF Club, 1837 Main St., Vancouver, B.C., will again be the site of the Crazy Canuck's 5th Annual Tournament on Aug. 31 through Sept. 3. Action will start on Thursday night with the popular "Winston Jim" open draw doubles, \$20 Canadian entry fee.

\$500 will be added to the pot of the open singles, which starts Friday night, immediately following the 6:30 p.m. sale. \$50 Canadian entry fee. \$1500 will be added to the doubles which start on Saturday immediately following the 10 a.m. sale. \$100 Canadian entry fee.

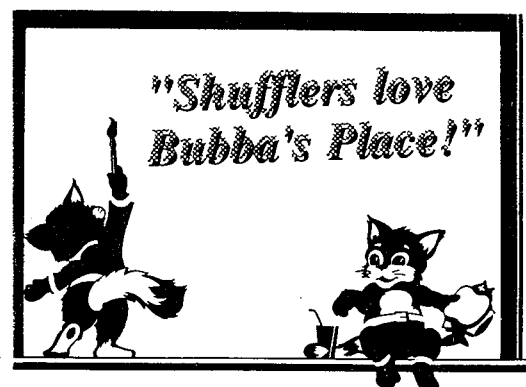
Entries should be mailed -- no later than Aug. 31 -- to Marg Okum, 4103 Welwyn St., Vancouver, B.C. V5N3Z1. If you have questions, call Marg at 1-604-872-5373.

Suggested lodging is at the Biltmore Motor Hotel, 1-604-872-5252, or the City Centre Motel, 1-604-876-7166. Book your rooms early because of Molson's Indy car race that weekend.

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"Best of Philly" (continued from Page 7)

Overall standings -- TIGHT! With a 9-point potential after three events, the series is led by "Conch" with five points. Conch is one of two players who have scored in each event; the other is Jimmy Yank Jr. with four points. In a three-way tie for second is Louise Freer and Joey Williams. Third is a three-way tie with three points and five other shooters have points. Twelve point-getters from a field totally 40 -- TIGHT! "And do all of us remaining intend to make the final event? Yes, we do!" proclaims Jim Wolf, who directs the tournaments along with Louise Freer and Louise Smith.

"Our fourth in the series will be Aug. 19 at a site to be selected. Louise, Regina and I are looking forward to a rush of sign-ups, particularly from that wealth of 'pros' in the Northeast and the old Souwest Philly contingents," Jim said.

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Upcoming Events (continued from Page 20)**New York****FALL TOURNEY,
SHERBURNE AMERICAN
LEGION, SEPT. 8-10**

The Sherburne American Legion in Sherburne, New York, will host a four-event tournament on Sept. 8-10. Action will start with a draw partners, \$15 per person entry, on Friday night, with drawing and bidding at 6:30 p.m. If this event is not finished by 2 a.m. Saturday morning, play will stop and resume at 10 a.m.

The next event is the mixed doubles, \$20 per team, with drawing and bidding at 9 a.m. on Saturday. The bring partner, \$30 per team, will start at 1 p.m. Saturday and the open singles, \$25 per person, is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 10, with drawing and bidding at 11 a.m.

The double elimination events will be played on five boards, with no back to back play on the same boards. Open buffet for daily participants, with the kitchen open throughout the tournament.

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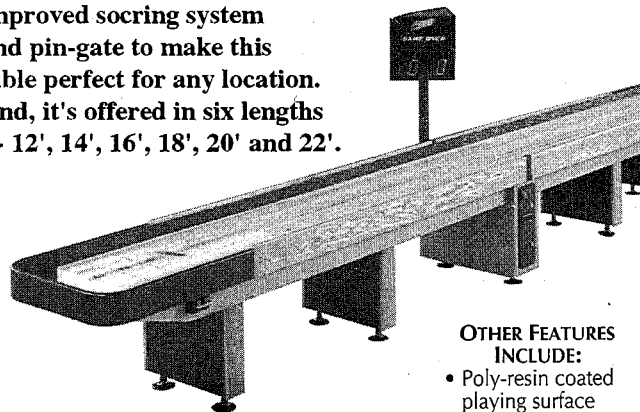
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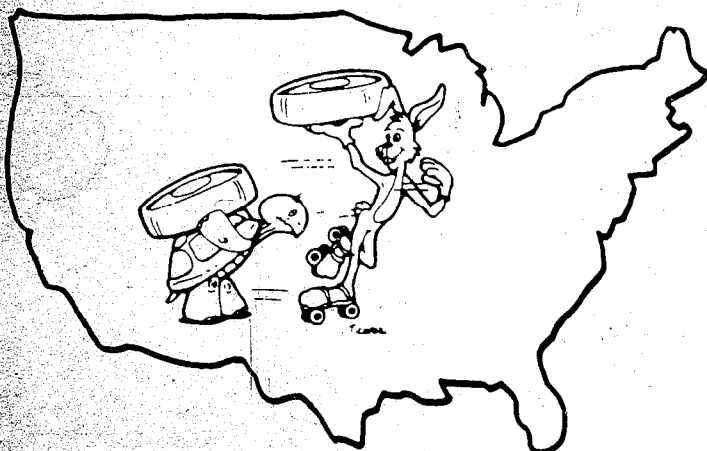
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