

The Board Talk

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New Winners at PCSA's Extravaganza IX

●Some Surprises as New Champs Emerge ●Players Vy for Share of \$74,000 Pot

None of last year's champions successfully defended their crowns in the PCSA's Extravaganza IX at the Showboat Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas on Jan. 28-Feb. 2. This year's total pot was \$74,000.

Amateur Doubles



Bob Lewis and Marilyn Roberts of Arizona were tops in the Amateur Doubles, coming out of a field of 37 teams.



PCSA official Paul Weber presents second-place trophies to Larry Brown (left) and Larry Creakbaum (right), both of Indiana. Larry C's other trophy was for finishing second in the A-B Draw with partner Joe Nino of California.

Other winners in the Amateur Doubles were: Rick Royal and Marcia Brown of Indiana, 3rd; Al Salazar and Bob Shirley, Arizona, 4th; Louise Freer and Al DiBella, Pennsylvania, 5th; Fred Washington and Bud Hillburn, Oklahoma, 6th; Shirley Geriets and Lisa Melton, Oklahoma, 7th; Jumbo Russell and Tony Soza, California, 8th.

A-B Draw

There were 48 competitive teams in the A-B Draw, with last year's pro singles and doubles winner, Darrol Nelson of Oregon, paired up with Eric Chiles, son of California's legendary Billy Chiles, who emerged as the victors. Taking second place were Larry Creakbaum of Indiana and Joe Nino of California, with Dave Arndt of Washington and Jim Anderson of California in third.

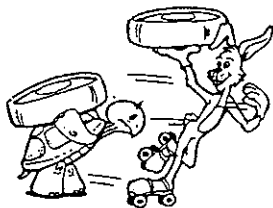
Other winners were: Bill Thomas and John Modglin, 4th; Doug Buhl and Lisa Freman, 5th; Billy Mays and John Canino, 6th; Larry Huffer and Jim Filkins, 7th; Jim Allis and Ted Behrens, 8th.

Open Singles



Once again proving that he continues to be a force to be reckoned with in The World of Shuffleboard, Bill Melton of Oklahoma accepts the open singles trophy from Paul Weber. Last year, his son Billy lost this event to Darrol Nelson.

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Shufflers' Notebook

News and Views from The World of Shuffleboard

Another Vote for Louise...

Kudos to Rita and Jim Yank's tribute to Louise Freer (Jan. 1997 issue).

Very deserving!!!

Mike Roach, Omaha, Nebraska

From the editorial pews, we shout "AMEN!"

A Tribute to Nancy....

Thought you would like to know about the sudden death from a brain aneurysm of Nancy Hudson, co-owner of the Corner Tavern, our good neighbors just south of us here in the Bow-Edison area. Nancy and her husband Steve bought The Corner a few years ago and poured all their energy and resources into revitalizing a property and business that had been somewhat in a decline. And, though they had no background in shuffleboard, they quickly became eager players, strong league supporters, and energetic tournament supporters, breathing new life into a stagnant shuffleboard scene.

Nancy was only 49, and her energy and creativity will be sorely missed.

Notes of support to Steve Hudson may be sent c/o The Corner Tavern, 1255 Allen West Road, Burlington, WA 98233.

Phil DePree, Edison, Washington

Thanks for letting us know about this tragic loss to The World of Shuffleboard, Phil. We urge readers to let Steve know that they share his sorrow. We wouldn't have known had you not let us know, which illustrates the value of a shuffleboard network.

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BACKSTAGE AT THE PCSA EXTRAVAGANZA IX

Al Stewart: When Bill Melton Speaks -- I Listen!

We had our boards for the PCSA Extravaganza IX stored at the Showboat. When we set them up, they were all convexed, high center. We split two boards trying to raise the rails. Bill Melton came in and said, "Al, the same thing happened to two boards I put in. I took two boards up and exchanged them and, coming back, they got wet in a rain storm. The next day, they were better than the ones I took up."

When Bill tells me something, I listen. We turned one board upside down and put towels on it and wet them. Twelve hours later, the rails came up. I got under the other one, wet it with a spray bottle about 4 or 5 times in about 6 hours. The rails came up and they were put back in service.

If I had known this in time and wet all of the boards, they would have shot good. If you have poured boards, don't laugh like some people did when they saw the wet towels. Just wet the bottom and step back and let them move.

Al Stewart, A & M Amusement Service, El Monte, California

Thanks for sharing your experience, Al, and Bill's advice.

National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame

By Glen Davidson, President

Congratulations to our secretary, Louise Freer, for her first singles win in Vegas. I got to watch and film the first match between Louise and Rena Fleming during which Louise missed a weight to lose the match. I watched her reactions -- disappointment, disbelief and frustration -- but she shook it off and went on three more games to lag a deuce to win. A great comeback and a great game for both ladies, Rena, who has been there before, and Louise, who was wanting very badly to be there. Now she is part of the Vegas legacy of the women's singles. A great match for two of the women champions of our time.

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Rendezvous Inn Tournament Debut Attracts Good Participation

By Dick Gorman

Lynn and Joe Hudock, new owners of the Rendezvous Inn, Perryville, Maryland, decided to find out what these shuffleboard tournaments were all about. They picked Sunday, Jan. 19, to be the day for their debut. One board was not enough so they found another one, worked it over, and announced a draw partner limited calcutta.

We were surprised when 50 people (and there were turnaways) signed up for this first-time event. The biggest surprise was that 18 of the 50 were first-time tournament competitors. They were experienced players and many had been traveling league players for a number of years. How is that for new blood for our game?

With 25 teams on two boards, it really went smoothly because all the participants helped. The payoff was 1-4; in other words, six places for the 25 teams for the near \$1400 (pretty fine for a first-time effort). Never in my memory has a tournament in this area ended with all of the winners from the state of Maryland -- and there were good players from Delaware and Pennsylvania. Hooray for Maryland!

First place honors went to Chuck Long of Elkton (first time tournament player) and Jim Wallace, Port Deposit, after battling through the loser's bracket.



Host Joe Hudock presents first-place monies to winners Jim Wallace and Chuck Long.

A team of first-time tournament players took second place -- Tammy Little of Chestertown and Bill Cook of Northeast. Third place was taken by Judy Iseman of Chestertown and her first tournament partner, Johnny Kyte of Rising Sun. Fourth went to first time tournament player, Wayne Dean of Northeast and Joyce Pyle, now of Sudlersville. Fifth place was paid to Brenda Wallace, Port Deposit, and Lindsay Hall of Baltimore, with sixth money spot to another team new to tournaments, J.O. Moon of Elkton and Bob Fleshman of Charlestown.



First-time tournament players Bill Cook and Tammy Little took second place honors.

Hosts Lynn and Joe were ably assisted in promotion, food and hospitality with the efforts of Bill (Cookie) Cook, Jim Dennis, and the 12-hour barnmaid Carolyn Thompson and a host of others. It started with a great breakfast buffet of eggs, pancakes, chipped beef gravy, sausage, juice, coffee, etc. Later came dinner (can these people cook!) of roast pork, specialty cooked beans, mashed potatoes, gravy, and all the trimmings. Some folks went home without any new money, but they sure didn't go home hungry!

The tournament director and hosts thank all the players for their participation and cooperation. This really was a good tournament and hosts Lynn and Joe and the players were some of the best we have seen. You will hear a lot from this place in the future. They have class!

Hawkins/Blair Winners of Women's Event in Omaha

By Annie Sloger

On Jan. 18, 12 teams of women met at Piccolo's Bar in Omaha, Nebraska, to play a little shuffleboard. It was a handicapped, 2 out of 3 tournament played on two boards. Many of the women who entered had never played in a tournament before, so some of the experienced players took the beginners under their wings and tried to teach them the ropes.

The top three finishers each shared in the total pot of \$410 (thanks to Sam Piccolo for adding money to the pot). First place went to Barb Hawkins and Sharon Blair, who teamed up Thursday night and had never played in a tournament before. Second place went to Connie Monastero and Joanne Waller and third went to Char Rahn and Nita Moreno.

Special thanks to Char Rahn for running a great tournament. Thanks to Nita Moreno, Joel Rahn, Jackie

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Upcoming Events Across the Nation

Oklahoma

SPRING TOURNEY, JIMMY L'S, TULSA, MARCH 14-16

Jimmy L's, 9520 E. 11th, Tulsa (site of the recent Oklahoma State Championships), will host its annual Spring Tournament on March 14-16.

Action will begin with an open draw, \$25 entry, on Friday, March 14, drawing at 6:30 and sponsor sale at 7 p.m. The event is single game, double elimination and no pros or O's can draw up.

The Pro-Am Bring Partner is scheduled for Saturday, with drawing and sponsor sale held immediately following the finish of the open draw finals. Entry fee is \$50 per person and no pros or O's can team up. Best 2 out of 3 (subject to change in loser's bracket due to time), double elimination.

A \$10 registration fee will cover both events, and the 1996 Bowers handicap system will be used to determine pros and O's. Hotel accommodations are located nearby Jimmy L's.

For information, call Jimmy L's (918-834-7544), or Cliff Goff (918-245-8298).

Washington

7TH ANNUAL DRAW PARTNER, SHAMROCK, LONGVIEW, MAY 3-4

The Shamrock Tavern in Longview will host its 7th Annual Draw Partner Tournament on May 3-4. Entry fee is \$20 per player, with \$10 per player added by the tavern. Sponsor sale starts at noon on May 3, with play following. Format will be 2 out of 3 in the winner's bracket and one game in the loser's bracket.

Come early for the \$10 round robins on Friday night. Food by Bernice will be served on Saturday and Sunday.

For information, call the Shamrock at 206-577-7444.

MIXED DOUBLES AT OLD EDISON INN, MARCH 8-9

The 12th Annual Mixed Doubles tournament at the Old Edison Inn, Edison, is an Evergreen Shuffleboard Association sanctioned points event. Entry fee is \$50 per team, with at least four places paid. Sponsor sale is at 11 a.m. Saturday, with door prizes and other surprises and a

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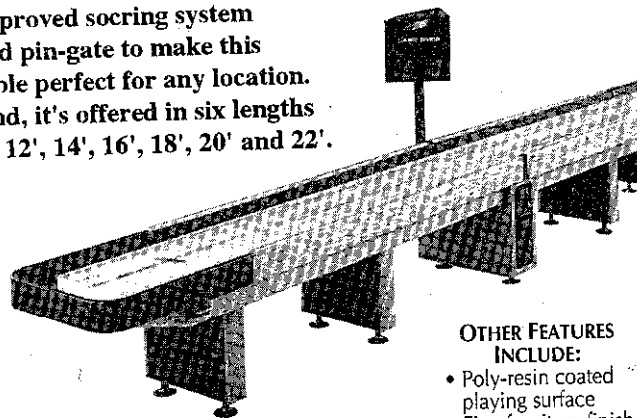
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Florida

FLORIDA OPEN, SNUGGERY, PALM BEACH GARDENS, MARCH 21-23

The 4th Annual Florida Open is scheduled for the Snuggery Bar & Grille in Palm Beach Gardens on March 21-23. A draw partner, \$25 per player, will kick off the weekend on Friday at 6 p.m. The bring partner doubles, \$100 per team, will start at 11 a.m. on Saturday. The open singles, \$50 entry, is scheduled for Sunday at 11 a.m. Sponsor sales will be held prior to each event.

The Snuggery, located at 2556 PGA Blvd., in Palm Beach Gardens, has four in-house boards.

An added attraction for this event will be an exhibition by the shuffleboard legend, Texas Billy Mays, tentatively scheduled for Sunday, March 23.

For registration and lodging information, contact Marty Allen at 561-471-4053.

Indiana

ARNOLD CROSS MEMORIAL DOUBLES, MISSISSINEWA TAVERN, APRIL 12

The Mississinewa Tavern, 125 W. Harris, Eaton, will host the Arnold Cross Memorial Doubles Tournament on April 12. Entry fee for the double elimination event, played on two boards, is \$30 per team and is limited to the first 24 teams signed up.

Play will begin immediately following the 11 a.m. sponsor sale and payoff is 60-30-10. This event will also feature a barbecue cookout.

For further information, call the Mississinewa Tavern at 317-396-9371.

1ST SPRING OPEN, AMVET POST 26, PENDLETON, APRIL 19-20

The Fall Creek Valley Amvet Post 26, 939 S. Pendleton Ave., Pendleton, will host its 1st Annual Spring Open on April 19-20. Events will include an open doubles on Saturday, \$20 per player, and an open singles on Sunday, \$20 per player. Both are 15 point games, double elimination. The sponsor sale for each will be held

at 11 a.m. both days, with tournaments starting immediately after. Three boards will be available.

The Post opens at 7 a.m. and food and beverages will be available.

For registration and lodging information, contact Sonny Harris, 765-778-7224.

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

BOARD TALK REUNION QUALIFIER, THE PALACE, FAIRMOUNT, APRIL 26

It will be five fun-filled, hot competition-loaded days at the Locker Bar in Marion, June 11-15, as the Voorhis Family hosts the 13th Annual Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion (see enclosed flyer for tentative events).

A qualifier to earn entries will be held at The Palace in Fairmount on April 26. It's a doubles, \$40 per team entry with sale at noon and play following on two boards. Participation will determine number of paid entries awarded. For further information, call Bobby at The Palace, 317-948-9102.

Canada

16TH ANNUAL CRAVEN OPEN DOUBLES, MAR. 14-15

The 16th Annual Craven Open Doubles Straightboard Tournament will be held at the Craven Motor Inn, Craven, Saskatchewan, on March 14-15. Play begins at 7 p.m. Friday on Canadian-sized 14-foot boards.

This annual consistently draws teams from across western Canada, including many past and present provincial and Canadian champions. So far, two teams from British Columbia and two from Alberta have entered along with several Saskatchewan entries.

Craven is a small community, also known for its Big Valley Jamboree, outside of Regina.

This is a qualifier event with eight teams advancing to the playoffs where they will play off in a single knockout to see who advances to the best of 3 final. First place is guaranteed \$400 minimum Canadian funds, plus trophies and prizes. Prizes are paid out to all eight qualifiers with the minimum payout of \$50.

Entries are \$50 Canadian per team and are accepted on a first come-first serve basis to a maximum of 32 teams. Entries can be made to Allan Carton, 71 Schneider Crescent, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada S4R 7R6 or call 1-306-543-3903. All entries must be in by 8 p.m. on March 13. Rooms may be booked at the Craven Motor Inn, 306-731-3455, or the R & R Restaurant & Motel, 306-731-2828.

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As The Puck Turns.....

By George & Donna Wilber

Just as we were about to board the plane for the trip to Las Vegas and the PCSA's Extravaganza IX, we received word of yet another unexpected death in the family. We missed seeing all of you who participated this year. Our sincere appreciation to Paul Weber for adding our reporting/photo responsibilities to his own heavy ones at this event. Our biggest disappointment was that we were bringing our daughter, Teri, with us, and she was looking forward to that opportunity as much as we were. The outpouring of sympathy from The World of Shuffleboard to her (and to us) for the death of her husband just before Christmas was awesome and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We've said it before and we'll keep on saying it: you are very special people!

We don't plan it that way, but as we're putting together each issue, a "theme" seems to surface. This month, it's the involvement of new people in tournaments and new blood for our chosen sport. Check Dick Gorman's report of the recent tournament at the Rendezvous Inn, Maryland: "18 of the 50 (participants) were first-time tournament competitors" and many of those ended up in the winner's circle. And Annie Sloger's report of the women's event in Nebraska: "Many of the women who entered had never played in a tournament before, so some of the experienced players took the beginners under their wings...."

Those kinds of reports herald good news for the future of table shuffleboard and we salute all those who encourage the involvement of new people in tournaments and especially those who take beginners "under their wings."

We received a welcome letter from one of our long-time East Coast friends, Carol Hampton. She enclosed a newsletter entitled "On The Board" by Editor Art Cassata that included stats, news, notices and "nice stories" about Cecil and Harford County Shuffleboard League team members. We were especially grateful for the nice Board Talk "plug" contained in the newsletter, but we also were interested in the news of some of our subscribers (i.e.: we didn't know that our friend Judy Iseman had been in the hospital). There was a time, early on in our efforts, that we thought we could someday serve the leagues across the nation -- the lifeblood of our sport. Realistically,

because of our turn-around time and our space restrictions, that just was an impossible dream. Therefore, we encourage and support the efforts of Art Cassata (who started his newsletter on a gratis basis because there was a need to fill and is now getting paid for it because the league members realized that need) and the Evergreen Shuffleboard Association which serves the Pacific Northwest. You do things we can not possibly do -- and they are vitally important.

Please -- any of you who are publishing league or area newsletters, please add us to your mailing list and include an invoice for the subscription fee, which we'll gladly pay. We can't print league standings, but we can glean news of shufflers which are important to other shufflers nationwide.

Betty Parrish, a member of the Michigan Shuffleboard Hall of Fame Committee, after the death of Chris Passariello's brother in a plane crash, expressed eloquently the need for a national network of contacts that would enable shufflers everywhere to respond to the traumas of other shufflers. She is absolutely right (as she so often is)! Nobody knows more than we do what a heartfelt message from a "stranger" a thousand miles away can do toward healing the wound left behind by the loss of a loved one. Judy Iseman may be from Maryland, but she is loved by shufflers in many parts of the nation. If we had known, if Betty and Slick Parrish of Michigan had known, if Ron and Sharon Huddleston of Oklahoma had known, if Von and Al Stewart of California, had known that she was in the hospital, words of encouragement could have been flowing to her and speeding her recovery.

Thanks, Carol; thanks, Art; thanks to all of you who recognize the value of communications in The World of Shuffleboard. Keep that network working because, believe us, it does work!

Please note on the back panel that Indiana has sneaked ahead of Michigan in the Top Subscriber State listings. Congratulations, Hoosiers! Keep them coming!

And, speaking of Hoosiers, the Voorhis Family will host the 13th Annual Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion at the Locker Bar in Marion on June 11-15. We're looking forward to returning to Indiana for this annual event and hope to see many of you there. Bus, Bobby and Deb have supported tournaments across the nation and this will give you an opportunity to return the favor.

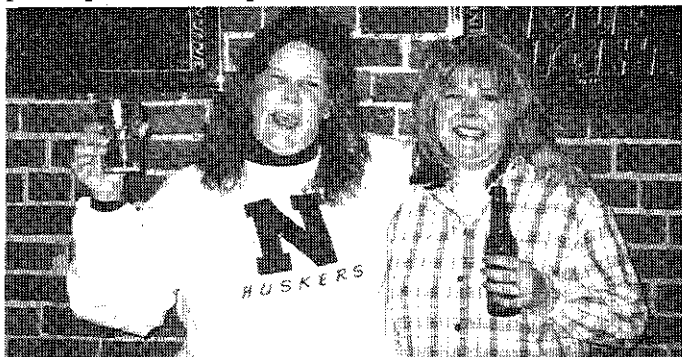
Just as we were putting this issue to bed, we received a call that Marisa, beloved daughter of Bus and Martha, sister and sister-in law of Bobby and Deb, had died. All of us who knew Marisa loved her. Let this wonderful shuffleboard family know you care: The Voorhis Family, 408 W. Second St., Fairmount, IN 46928.

Omaha Ladies *(continued from Page 3)*

and Eddie Styles and Gwyn Orsi for giving Char a helping hand. A good time was had by all!



Barb Hawkins and Sharon Blair, first-time tournament participants, took top honors at Piccolo's.



Second place went to Joanne Waller and Connie Monastero.

Watch next month's Board Talk for results of the Open Doubles at Arnold's in Lincoln on Feb. 21-23, and the Open Doubles at D's Frontier in Omaha on Feb. 28-March 2. Other upcoming events in Nebraska include: the Hall of Fame Open Doubles on March 6-9 at Joe Banana's on March 6-9; Open Doubles at the Elbow Room, Omaha, on March 21-23; Open Doubles at Harold's, Omaha, on April 4-6; and Open Doubles and A-B Draw at My Way, Omaha, on April 11-13. Circle those dates on the Calendar of Events and plan now to participate.

Cason/Stricklin/Melton Win Oklahoma State Tourney Titles

The Oklahoma State Championship Tournament was held at Jimmy L's in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on Dec. 6-8. "Although there wasn't a big turn-out, a good time was had by all, at least that's what the ones who remember say," reports host Jimmy.

The tournament started off with a draw partner on Friday night. John Cason and Billy Stricklin, both from Tulsa, finished in first place, with Cliff Goff and Keith Oyler, both from Tulsa, taking second place honors.

Lonnie Pfost of Tulsa and Bill Holley of Oklahoma City, finished in third place.



Billy Stricklin and John Cason won the Oklahoma State Championship Draw Partner title.



Keith Oyler and Cliff Goff finished second.

The 1996 Oklahoma State Singles Champion is Bill Melton of Davis. Second place went to John Cason with Mark Foust finishing in third.



Bill Melton, 1996 Oklahoma State Singles Champion, with his very impressive first-place trophy

Another well-run tournament by Cliff Goff and his helpers, Sally Goff and Kathy Yingst, said Jimmy L. "Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all who participated."

The next big event at Jimmy L's is the annual Spring Tournament on March 14-15.

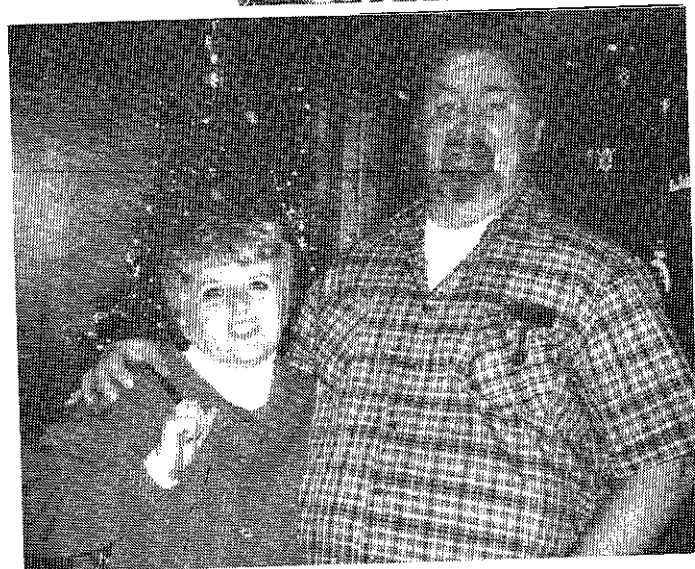
Nelson/Foran Tops in Tim's Timber Tavern's 5th Annual Mixed Doubles, Kelso, Washington

Tim's Timber Tavern, Kelso, Washington, hosted its 5th Annual Mixed Doubles Tournament on Dec. 28-29. The 19 teams that entered made it a record-breaker.



*And the winners were:
Darrol Nelson of
Oregon and Michelle
Foran of Washington.*

*Tom Henry and
Cindy Powers took
second place
honors in the
field of 19 teams.*



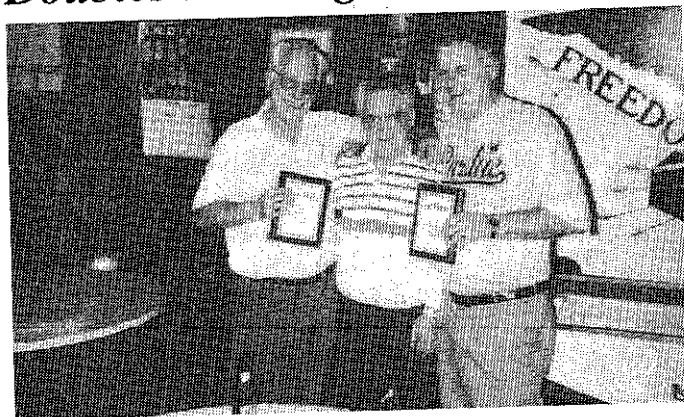
Jane and Mike Redinger finished in third place.



*Host Tim Bonner and bar manager Maradie Thomas
took fourth place.*

"We had several young players who were competing in their first tournament," reports Kevin Larkin. "What I liked was that everyone of them said the same thing when they lost: next time will be different! You have to love seeing young players coming up with that correct attitude."

Long/Creakbaum/Massie Winners of Bourbon Winter Doubles and Singles

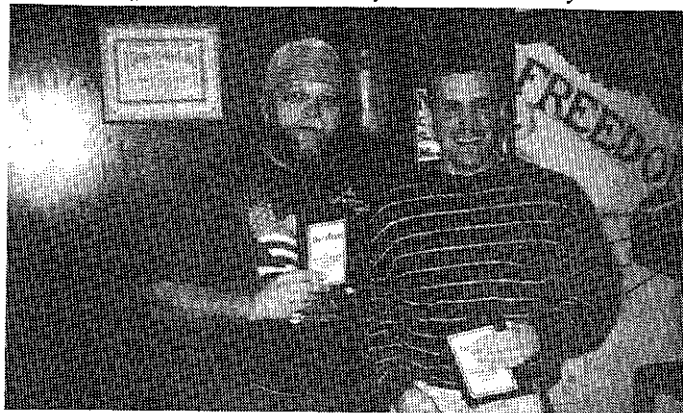


*Bill Niswonger (center) of the American Legion in
Bourbon, Indiana, congratulates Jim Long and Larry
Creakbaum on their victory in the Winter Doubles held
in early January.*

**Spread the Good Word
through the pages of
The Board Talk!**



Camera Ham Creakbaum joins Bill in the presentation of second-place honors to Jerry Knox and Terry Dowell.



Greg Massie (right) was the winner of the Bourbon Winter Singles, with Buddy Broka taking second place.

(Editor's Note: We wish Bill Niswonger and his wife Marilyn best wishes for a full recovery after their recent auto accident.)

Voorhis/Massie Winners at Get-A-Way

Bobby Voorhis and Greg Massie were winners of an open doubles at the Get-A-Way in Anderson, Indiana, on Dec. 21. Taking second place were Tom and Dave Vondran.

The next open doubles at the Get-A-Way is scheduled for April 5, with sponsor sale starting at 11 a.m. For more information, call Ady Snyder at the Get-A-Way Thursday and Friday nights, 317-644-9459, or any day of the week.

Martin/Larson Rally to Win Old Edison Inn's Draw Partner

In the 6th Annual Winter Draw Partner event at the Old Edison Inn, Edison, Washington, on Dec. 14-15, John Martin of Everett and Richard Larson of Mount Vernon went from the hot seat to near-disaster, losing two straight in the first set of the finals to come-backing Larry Sawyer, Anacortes, and Billy Powell, Bayview. In an exciting final set, with Sawyer and Powell seemingly in

control despite entering the deciding game tied at one, John and Richard staged a last-gasp assault to eke out a come-from-behind win.

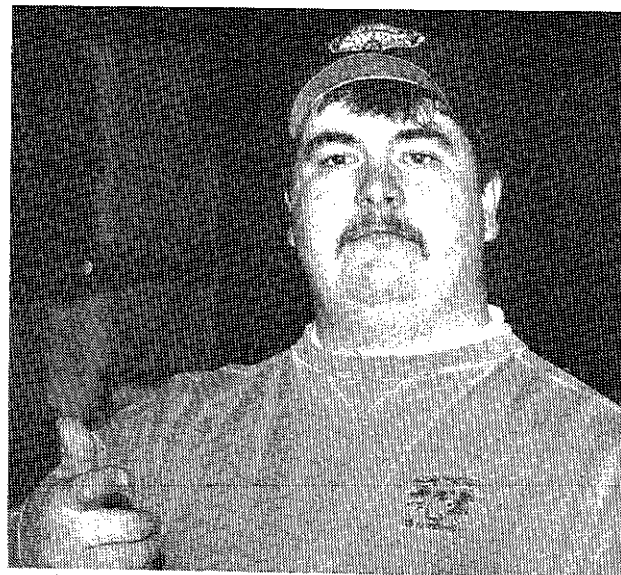
In an oddity, the only two teams of partners who drew each other a year ago -- Mike Waters of Tacoma and Paul Major of Brier, and Sherm Anderson and Phil DePree, Edison -- faced off in a money round, just as they did a year earlier. And again, it was Mike and Paul getting the win to eventually finish third, with Sherm and Phil settling for fourth.

Pat Preymak of Canada and Caveman (now of Tacoma) tied for fifth with Dave Arndt, Tacoma, and Ted Anstensen, Anacortes.

"This cozy little event is held every December," reports Phil DePree, "and the annual return visits by the out-of-towners are appreciated by the local players and hosts Mini and Sandy."

Evergreen Shuffleboard Association points events at the Old Edison Inn are the mixed doubles on March 8-9 and the open doubles on Sept. 13-14.

"Thumbs Up" for The Board Talk's "Play Your Way Across the U.S.A."



Chuck Cooke, owner of the Pine Grove Market & Bar in Elkton, Maryland, gives a "Thumbs Up" signal for the quarterly "Play Your Way Across the U.S.A." listing. Stop by and tell him you appreciate his support.

Pine Grove Market & Bar
2205 Old Field Point Road
Elkton, Maryland

1997 CALENDAR OF SHUFFLEBOARD EVENTS

MARCH 1997

March 6-9

Hall of Fame Open Doubles
Joe Banana's
Omaha, Nebraska

March 7

A-B Draw
J & C's Tavern
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

March 8

Open Doubles
Sportsman's Bar
Muncie, Indiana

March 8-9

12th Annual Mixed Doubles
Old Edison Inn
Edison, Washington

March 14-15

16th Craven Open Doubles
Craven Motor Inn
Craven, Saskatchewan, Canada

March 14-16

3rd St. Pat's Tournament
Wetlands Bar & Grill
Royal Oak, Michigan

March 14-16

Jimmy L's Spring Tourney
Jimmy L's
Tulsa, Oklahoma

March 15-16

Bring Partner Doubles
Eagles Lodge FOE 3911
Houston, Missouri

March 21-23

2-Event Tournament
Riverside Hotel
Earlville, New York

March 21-23

4th Annual Florida Open
Snuggery Bar & Grille
Palm Beach Gardens, Florida

March 21-23

Open Doubles
Elbow Room
Omaha, Nebraska

March 22

Spring Fling Doubles
Mother's
Corpus Christi, Texas

March 22

Mixed Doubles
Beef's
Kendallville, Indiana

APRIL 1997

April 3-6

Spring Nationals
Dew Drop Inn
Waterloo, New York

April 4

A-B Draw
J & C's Tavern
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

April 4-5

Annual Bring Partner Tourney
Corner Tavern
Bow, Washington

April 4-6

3-Event Tournament
Avons Local 14
Toledo, Ohio

April 4-6

Open Doubles
Harold's
Omaha, Nebraska

April 5

Open Doubles
Get-A-Way
Anderson, Indiana

April 11-13

3-Event Tournament
Harvey's Place
Street, Maryland

April 11-13

Open Doubles/A-B Draw
My Way
Omaha, Nebraska

April 12

Arnold Cross Memorial Doubles
Mississinewa Tavern
Eaton, Indiana

April 18-20

Heartland Handicap
American Legion Post #73
Del City, Oklahoma

April 18-20

Div. I & Under Singles/Doubles
The Balloon Inn
Arvada, Colorado

April 18-20

2nd Mixed Weekend Tourney
Wetlands Bar & Grill
Royal Oak, Michigan

April 18-20

3-Event Tournament
J & C's Tavern
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

April 19-20

1st Annual Spring Open
Amvet Post 26
Pendleton, Indiana

April 25-27

Bill Gibbs Memorial Tourney
Family Billiards (The Bar)
Glendale, Arizona

April 26

Board Talk Reunion Qualifier
The Palace Bar
Fairmount, Indiana

MAY 1997

May 1-4

Spring Tourney
The Gold Nugget Club
Arlington, Texas

May 2

A-B Draw
J & C's Tavern
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

May 3

36th Annual Spring Doubles
American Legion 424
Bourbon, Indiana

May 3-4

7th Annual Draw Partner
Shamrock Tavern
Longview, Washington

1997 CALENDAR OF SHUFFLEBOARD EVENTS

May 9-11

3-Event Tournament
Frankie's Sports Pub
Olympia, Washington

May 22-25

4-Event Tournament
Riverside Hotel
Earlville, New York

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Div. II & Under Singles/Doubles
The Balloon Inn
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May 23-26

4th Memorial Day Tournament
Wetlands Bar & Grill
Royal Oak, Michigan

JUNE 1997

June 6

A-B Draw
J & C's Tavern
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

June 11-15

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Shufflers' Reunion Tournament
Locker Bar
Marion, Indiana

June 19-22

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June 21-22

Mixed Doubles
Shamrock Tavern
Longview, Washington

JULY 1997

July 1-6

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Del City, Oklahoma

July 2-6

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The Dixie Belle
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AUGUST 1997

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Aug. 14-17

Pro-Am Draw and Singles
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Oct. 9-12

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Oct. 18-19

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Oct. 27-Nov. 2

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Nov. 15-16

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ESA MEMBERS VOTE FOR CHANGES

At a business meeting of the Evergreen Shuffleboard Association, held Jan. 18-19 at Shotze's Rack-n-Roll, Everett, Washington, in conjunction with the ESA's second annual draw partners tournament, members voted for a number of changes.

According to ESA Secretary and newsletter editor Jim Manders, members voted to award bonus points to the first three finishers of any sanctioned point tournament. The champion will receive five bonus points, with second place getting three extra points, and the third place finisher receives one extra point.

Players also voted to expand the kinds of tournaments that an establishment may hold for points. Previously, players had voted to allow a sponsor a second point tournament per year, provided it was a mixed doubles event, in an effort to get more women involved. The vote at this meeting was to allow a second tournament provided it was a mixed doubles, draw partner, an A-B-C team event, or a tournament using The Shuffleboard Federation's rating systems.

Players also voted to have "power draws" (also known as A-B draws) for Friday night events prior to point tournaments. The format and pairings would be at the discretion of the tournament director and that person's decisions would be final.

It was announced that The Shuffleboard Federation will offer sponsorship to the ESA in the form of awarding money to non-winners at sanctioned tournaments. The Federation will have a drawing after each tournament's results are received and return the entry fee to an individual non-winning player or team, depending on the event.

Dave Arndt 1996 Point Winner

Dave Arndt of Tacoma, Washington, current treasurer of the ESA, was awarded the top point money for the 1996 season. He earned \$157 in point money and an additional \$100 bonus for having the most points. He followed Dan Hitt as the ESA's second season championship.

Shotze's contributed \$1,000 to the ESA for the right to host the second annual draw partner event. Half of that money went into the tournament with the remaining \$500 added to the prize fund that is distributed for points won during the season.

Winners of the 2nd ESA draw partner event were Paul Major and Darrol Nelson, who now lead the '97 point standings with 42. Second place finishers were Billy Powell and Carl Roush, putting them in second place for the new season with 36 points.



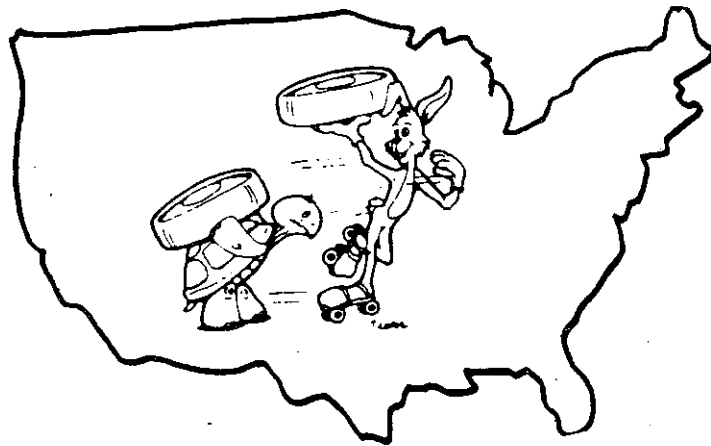
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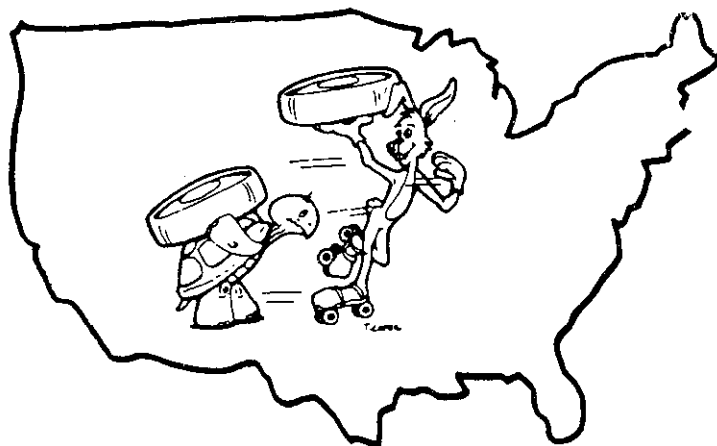


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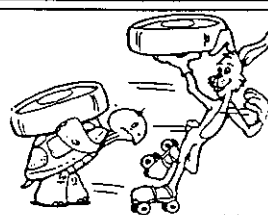
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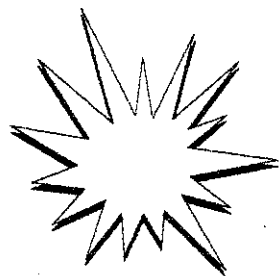
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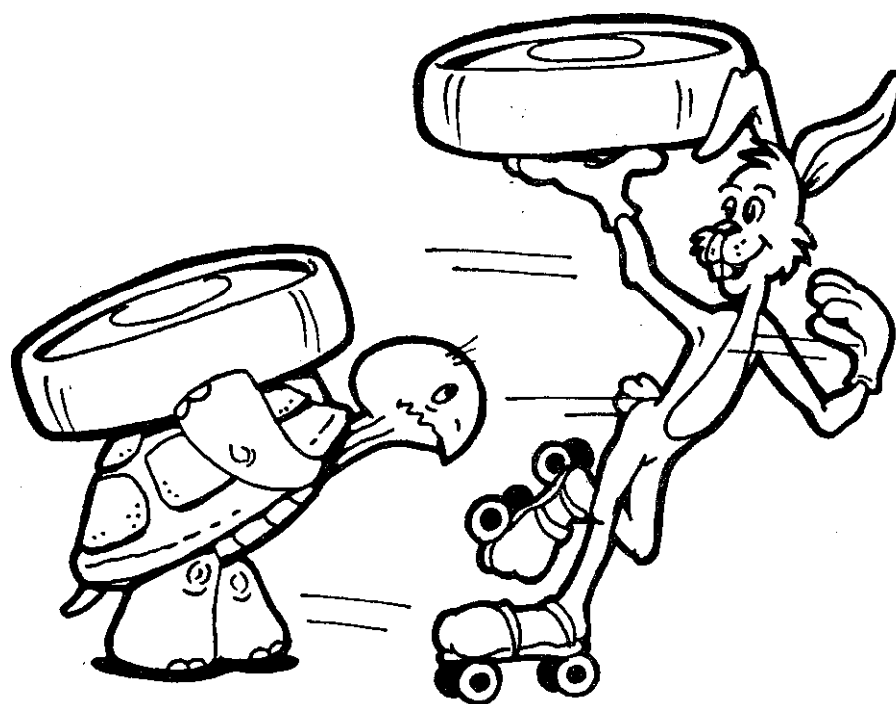
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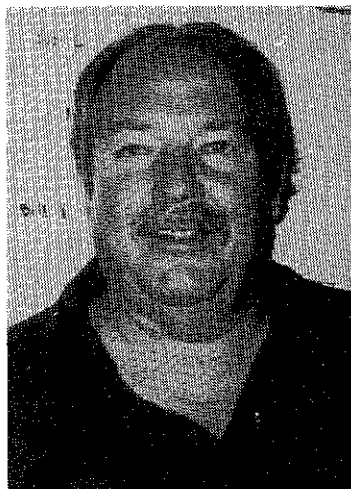


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This year, Darrol Nelson settled for second place in the singles with the same grace as he did for first last year. His second trophy is for taking first place in the Pro-Am with partner Eric Chiles.

Other payoff spots in the open singles went to Bobby Voorhis of Indiana, 3rd; and Mike Thorpe of Washington, 4th.

Open Doubles

Probably the biggest surprise of Extravaganza IX was the result of the open doubles. Proving he's a good investor, Paul Weber paid a modest \$200 for the team of Joe Muniz and Billy Maxwell, both of California, while the favorites, Darrol Nelson and Doug Buhl of Oregon, went for 16 times that amount. His investment paid off....



"Good job, little buddy," Billy Maxwell tells partner Joe Muniz, winners of the open doubles.

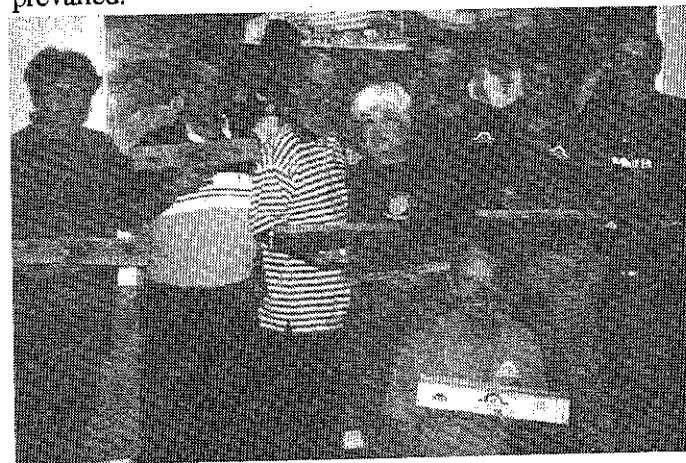


The father and son team of Bill and Billy Melton of Oklahoma took second place.

Taking third in the open doubles were Dan Hitt and Al Pease of Washington.

Amateur Team Event

Last year, it was Oklahoma over Arizona, but that placement switched this year as the Phoenix Heat prevailed.



The Phoenix Heat -- Marilyn Roberts, Bob Lewis, Ted Behrens, Alice Arredondo, Mickey Lewis, Al Salazar, Bill Thomas, and Bob Shirley -- took first place in the amateur team event.



Oklahoma (shown) -- Fred Washington, Rena Fleming, Shirley Geriets, Jim Filkins, (not shown) Bud Hillburn, Bob Jacobsen, Mike Roach, Phil Gardner -- took second place.

Finishing third in the amateur team event was the Shamrock Tavern of Washington -- Kevin Larkin, Louise Freer, Al DiBella, Gwyn Orsi, Lisa Melton, Lisa Freman, Dick Handley, and Johnny Wayne Crawford.

Women's Singles

There were 20 very tough ladies from all parts of the nation competing for the women's singles crown -- and the winner was Louise Freer of Pennsylvania, secretary of the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame.

Rena Fleming and Lisa Melton of Oklahoma finished second and third respectively, with Marcia Brown of Indiana taking fourth place.



Louise Freer of Pennsylvania accepts her first place plaque from PCSA official Paul Weber.

Rena Fleming of Oklahoma shows off her second-place trophy.



Thanks from the PCSA

Pacific Coast Shuffleboard Association official Paul Weber extends thanks to the following:

- Al Stewart, A & M Amusement Service, for the boards; Triple Crown Shuffleboard Supplies, for the silicone; Sun-Glo Corporation for the wax; Lisa Melton for the trophies; John McDermott, The Shuffleboard Federation, for the board wipes.

- Joe Muniz, Marvel Muniz, Karl Spickelmier, Billy Maxwell, Fred Thuman, Paul Elliott, Rich Warren, Jim Anderson, Joe Yeno, Kevin Larkin, Bob Brunskill, Jan Manes, Alicia Lagar, Hope Brubaker, Jim Allis, Les Burt, Jim Buhl, Debbie Merhoff, Wes and Eileen Eades.

- Raffle donators: John McDermott, The Shuffleboard Federation, for 7 days and nights at the North American Championships in Reno; Darrol Nelson for the children shirts; Connie Zavala and Audry Schooley for the shirts; George and Donna Wilber for the Board Talk subscriptions; Billy Mays for the Shuffleboard World subscription; Melton Shuffleboard for the board wipes and shirts; Sun-Glo and Triple Crown for the weights.

More Upcoming Events

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Texas

1ST ANNUAL MOTHER'S SPRING FLING DOUBLES, CORPUS CHRISTI, MAR. 22

Mother's Pizza & Por Boys, 12135 Leopard St. in Corpus Christi will host a draw partner, double elimination tournament on March 22.

There will be \$500 added prize money and free

"Mother's" menu food. The bar will open at 10 a.m. and the draw will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 22, with no sponsor sale scheduled at this time.

Due to time, space and table limitations, only 32 players will be admitted. The first 16 places will go to the first 16 first-place winners of Mother's regular Friday night draw partners tournaments starting Jan. 3 through March 14. Two more places will go to the highest place finishers of the tournament held on March 21 that have not already been registered. The final 14 places will go to the first 14 entries received. These 14 entries will cost \$40 each.

The total purse should be \$1420, paying five places.

Entry fees and lodging inquiries should be sent to: Neil Garvin, 1421 Casa Grande Dr., Corpus Christi, TX 78411, or call 512-854-3632.

Time permitting, \$10 blind draws and open challenges will follow the tournament. If enough interest is shown, an early single elimination tournament may be held on Sunday.

Arizona

BILL GIBBS MEMORIAL, FAMILY BILLIARDS (THE BAR), GLENDALE, APR. 25-27

The 2nd Annual Memorial Tournament in honor of Bill Gibbs, popular Arizona shuffler who died suddenly in July of 1995, will be held on April 25-27 at the Family Billiards (The Bar), 5814 W. Camelback in Glendale.

Events will include an A-B Draw on Friday beginning at 7 p.m., \$10 per person entry; an A-B-C Draw on Saturday at 10 a.m., \$30 per team; and an open doubles on Saturday at 6 p.m., \$50 per person. The finals for the A-B-C Draw and open doubles will start at 10 a.m. on Sunday.

For lodging and/or tournament information, contact Bob Lewis, 602-242-6782; Al Salazar, 602-547-1324; Alice Arredondo, 602-849-1845; or your host, Bob VanAlstyne, 602-939-4000.

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

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Colorado

DIV. I AND UNDER TOURNEY AT BALLOON INN, ARVADA, APRIL 18-20

The Balloon Inn, 6440 Wadsworth, Arvada, will host a Division I and under draw for partner doubles and singles on April 18-20. Entry fee is \$50 for each event and the format is best 2 out of 3, double elimination. The sale is scheduled for Friday, April 18, at 8 p.m., followed by \$20 blind draws. Competition starts at noon on Saturday and will continue at noon on Sunday.

For further information, contact Gwen or Ron Vogt, 303-425-9823.

New York

\$500 ADDED AT RIVERSIDE, EARLVILLE, MAY 22-25

There will be four events, plus round robins, on the agenda for participants in the May 22-25 tournament hosted by the Riverside Hotel in Earlville. The single game, double elimination events will be played on four boards and host Roger Sawyer will add \$500 to the bring partner tournament.

Round robins will kick off the tournament Thursday night starting at 7 p.m. Friday night at 7 p.m. will be the mixed doubles, \$30 entry per team. Saturday at 10 a.m. will be the singles, \$20 entry, and at 3 p.m. will be the draw partner, \$15 per person. The bring partner will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, \$30 per team. Drawing and sales will start at the listed times. You must be present at posted times to enter each event.

The last tournament paid over \$7,000, so don't miss out. For more information, call Roger Sawyer at the Riverside, 315-691-3081, or Dale Law, 607-674-6580. Please call and let them know which events you are planning to enter.

SPRING NATIONALS AT DEW DROP INN, WATERLOO, APRIL 3-6

The Dew Drop Inn, Waterloo, located in the beautiful Finger Lakes Region of New York State, just two hours drive east of Niagara Falls, will be hosting their Spring 1997 National Tournament on April 3-6.

On Thursday night, April 3, will be the weekly round robins at 7 p.m. The open singles will start on Friday, April 4, at 6 p.m. Saturday morning at 10 a.m. is the

mixed doubles. At 3 p.m. on Saturday, there will be an open draw partners event. The open doubles will start at noon on Sunday.

All events are single game, double elimination, with a sponsor sale before each event.

For further information, contact Tracie Fridley at 315-539-5729, or to enter, write to the Dew Drop Inn, 37 Virginia St., Waterloo, NY 13165.

These events have sold out in the past tournaments, so please call ahead. Players from seven different states participate in this major tournament.

Pennsylvania

3-EVENT TOURNEY AT J & C'S, PHILADELPHIA, APRIL 18-20

J & C's Tavern, 6601 Lansdowne Ave., Philadelphia, will host a 3-event tournament on April 18-20. Action will start with an open draw, \$10 entry, on Friday night. A bring partner is scheduled for Saturday, \$25 entry, and an open singles on Sunday, \$25 entry.

For information, call J & C's, 215-878-7343, or Jim Yank at 215-879-0840.

J & C's will also host A-B Draws on March 7, April 4, May 2, and June 6, and will host the 1st Pennsylvania State Championships on Nov. 28-30.

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Frisko Eddie's Revenge: The Return

A series by Balboa Ron Schweikert

(In the last episode, after Tacoma Tim and Lil had lost to Indiana and Wrapper at Gee Bee's, near Tacoma/Seattle, Lil set up a challenge involving her protegee, Frisko Eddie, who was nervous but excited about this opportunity.)

Eddie had made his challenge. Now he awaited the response from the Wrapper and Indiana Joe. After a short conflagration, the Wrapper said: "How about we just let you walk this thing for \$200 an end." Eddie glanced over at Lil momentarily, then said: "I'm into that, but how about I shoot a few practice weights first -- and oh, by the way, Lil will be handling the money."

Indiana said: "That'll be just fine, my man," and walked over to Lil and said: "If I remember right, you always like to put up the stake first, right?" She replied: "Yup. Here's our \$400." She placed the money on the bar and Indiana motioned to the Wrapper, who then matched their wager. Lil placed an ashtray over the money.

Eddie had been practicing with his weights while all this was going on. When he had tried out both ends of the table, he asked the Wrapper if he minded if he used four of his own weights. He said he thought "that would be fine," and even let Eddie choose which color he wanted. He chose blue.

After the quarters were in and the board was freshly waxed, the action began. The first few frames were basically weight-for-weight. However, Indiana was out-lagging Eddie and, as the game progressed, it began to look bleak.

The game ended with Indiana lagging a 3, which made it 15 to 11 overall. Eddie went over to Lil and Tim, looking for some advice. In the meantime, the Wrapper had picked up their money, leaving \$400 behind for the next game. Lil had time to confer with Eddie while the board was being prepared for the next game.

Lil wasn't excited about the outcome of the game. She told Eddie: "I expected things to work out this way, Champ. You didn't have the feel for the lag yet, and you haven't nailed down the drift. You can beat these guys. I've got a few side-betters on the line here, too, so just settle down and go to work, Babe."

Eddie felt better after that conversation and his next game improved, but he still lost 13 to 15. Indiana and the Wrapper were starting to get pretty cocky now and were filled with self-confidence. That was what Lil was waiting for! She not only "jacked up" the game bet to \$400 an end, but she and Tim also loaded up on some side bets as well.

Then Eddie came alive. About the middle of the third game, he got that feeling that all pros get when they're

"on." He knew he could not only stick every weight, but that he could slide, and place the weights just about wherever he wanted them. In addition to that, his lag was really warming up. It felt like his fingers almost extended clear to the 3 zone, and he could place the weights there at will. What a sensation!

He won the third game by a close margin (as per Lil's instructions). They set the bet for the next game at \$500 an end. Lil and Tim had all kinds of side action as well, so this game was important. Eddie won.

Indiana Joe and the Wrapper went into conference then. They didn't want to break up the doubles, but Eddie had been able to manipulate the hammer, so he had somewhat of an edge there. He had done this through arranging things to where Indiana didn't get the lag. This was accomplished by making sure he would get only a deep 3 or 4 (or off the board) against the Wrapper, when the Wrapper had left a 1 on his last shot of that frame. He felt he could afford to give up a 1 if he had to, as opposed to fighting Indiana's lag. So they decided that the best strategy would be for Indiana to play Eddie singles. They were also in agreement that they should raise the "anti" and take care of this young upstart once and for all!

The Wrapper came over to Lil then and made a proposition. They would put Indiana up in singles against Eddie....for \$1500. Lil told him: "Well, now, Wrapper my man, we're going to have to think this one over a bit." She then motioned to Eddie and Tim and drew them aside. She was smiling as she said: "Well, boys....we've arrived. They've got us -- right where we want them. Let it all hang out now, Champ -- this guy belongs to you!"

The excitement level in GeeBee's Bar was peaked out now. Everybody wanted in the action -- one way or another! Indiana had asked for, and got, the board sprayed for this game. The wax went on then -- and they were off.

Eddie (and Lil) had spotted one weakness in Indiana's game. It was his right rail from the window side of the bar. The game was tight. Both of them were sticking perfectly, making combinations, and lagging 3's almost every time. The score was now 14 to 13, in Eddie's favor, and Indiana's hammer. Eddie knew he had to make him shoot that right rail. The board was clean for Eddie's third weight. He placed it a little right of center, about two feet short of the 1 line.

Indiana made what may have been a mistake at that point. He tried to "go" on the weight, but stuck right on instead. This was the set-up Eddie was waiting for. He shot a left-hand cross -- which just skimmed by Indiana's weight on its right side. The weight ended up a deep

deuce, about two inches off the right rail.

The ball was in the man from Indiana's court now. Should he shoot the right rail, or follow Eddie's left cross shot? He had to stick this one or the game would be tied-up 14 all -- with Eddie's hammer! He sized it up with his right hand. He bent down and sized it up again. The hammer weight was shifted to his left hand now.

The tension was peaked throughout the room. There was a lot of money at stake. You could hear a pin drop in that place right then! Indiana slowly sprinkled some wax on the left rail. He got set for the shot, and then made his release. The shot felt good, it looked good, and it....

--TO BE CONTINUED NEXT MONTH--

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As this is written, I am at Blinky's in Santa Clara waiting for my partner, Darrol Nelson. I haven't played with Darrol for a few years and it will indeed be a pleasure and a thrill to play a tournament with him again.

Bill Melton dethroned Darrol at Vegas to win the singles. I think in '94 at Reno was the last time Bill beat Darrol. So, at 61-1/2 years young, Bill Melton proved he is a champ by sticking a deep one at 14-14 after Darrol lagged two 4's to tie at 14 all. Quite a game for all to see -- two of the great champions of the game of table shuffleboard.

Thanks to Diana Hagen, Johnny Ballard, and all the crew at Houston for their donation to the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. The word is that the Houston tourney was a great one and is expected to be even better next year. So we'll all try to head them that-a-way. See you all then. I've been waiting to beat ole Howard a long time, so get ready, Howard. I'm a coming to get ya!

I stopped off at Visalia and stayed a couple days with Bobby and Charlene Goldsmith and had a very nice visit. Bobby showed me around with a ride on his golf cart and showed me his collection of antique Cadillacs -- over 30 ranging from 1937 to 1977. We also got to play Steve and Wes at Mr. G's and they took advantage of a couple of old men, beating us unmercifully -- but we do have a plan for revenge.

It was good to hear from Jim Wolf, my partner in the A-B Draw at Harvey's in Maryland at the Mickey Mickens Memorial. It's always good to hear from someone you've helped along the way. Hope to see you again, Jim. It was a great experience for me, too.

We didn't get to have our NSHF meeting at the Vegas tourney. It's now set for the Southwest Open '97 in Del City, Oklahoma. Bob Hunt has promised to be there and Jim Foran, hopefully all will be there.

Thanks to Triple Crown for the donation of one set of weights for the Hall of Fame. Madge won them and donated them back to the Hall of Fame.

National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame

By Louise Freer, Secretary

Congratulations to the Houston Holiday Open organizers Jack Scott, Johnny Ballard, and Diana Hagen for the success of their tournament this past December.

It is my belief that this is to be lauded for several reasons -- the first being, of course, that the organizers made a very nice donation out of some of the sponsor money they collected. It is my hope that other tournaments will follow suit and have it become "standard practice" for tournaments to show support of the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. If a tournament organizer needs ideas for NSHF (or wants to offer them, too), they can contact any of the Board members.

Another reason the organizers should be commended is for how the events were organized. Using handicaps, etc., and arranging the schedule of events so that all levels of players were kept busy benefits us all. It encourages the growth and perpetuation of the game of shuffleboard.

Thanks again to Jack, Johnny, and Diana, as well as the many tournament sponsors for their generous donation to the NSHF. Thanks also for their vision and for setting an example of how to do things so that EVERYONE benefits, including the NSHF and the FUTURE.

Next month: an update on the NSHF status and progress.

News From The Dixie Belle....

The five hardest words for me to write: news from the Dixie Belle -- this time especially hard since I write with mixed emotions. I am sure most of you already know that Wes and Eileen have sold the Dixie Belle, but to those of you who didn't, it is official. On Feb. 13, the new owners took over.

Wes and Eileen are two of the finest people I know. Before they took over the Dixie Belle, they were well known and respected around town. Wes, of course, was a "Party Animal" from way back, but with a quiet (yes, I know; hard to believe), serious side that made him a successful business man and a fine father. Eileen (who Wes insists is the "meanest woman in captivity") is patient, kind, takes time to listen, and is determined enough to see a project through whether it be tough or not. Together they made the Dixie Belle a relaxing, at times exciting, always entertaining, place to visit.

Wes had the courage to go with a new idea. New to all of the old Dixie Belle regime, that was shuffleboard. "Oh, no," some said. "Those rough necks," others said. Wes

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said "YES" to shuffleboard and Eileen took up the reins. By soliciting advice and making decisions based on that advice, she made shuffleboard and its players a welcome and integral part of the Dixie Belle. Together, Wes and Eileen are quite a team.

Together they decided, with mixed emotions on both parts, it was time to sell the Dixie Belle. The deciding factors, happily, are increasing business in their non-destructive testing company (Orbit Testing), wanting more time to spend visiting the new twin grandson and granddaughter who live in Texas, and to spend more time with each other (after 38 years of marriage). Wes always says: "A day without Wes is a day without sunshine," and after all these years, Eileen says the same thing.

We will miss the leadership of Wes and Eileen but luckily we won't lose their friendship. They live close by and will be partying and shuffleboarding with us well into the future. Eileen says: "Wes and I plan to remain involved in shuffleboard and all the Dixie Belle activities. Shuffleboard has introduced us to a host of new and great friends. The Dixie Belle will always remain our home away from home."

A new era begins. The Dixie Belle has new owners -- Steve Budrys and Mike Woo -- nice men, interested in keeping the Dixie Belle in the same general vein we are in with shuffleboard and entertainment. We are looking forward to new ideas and innovations that will make the Dixie Belle an even more enjoyable, fun and exciting place to be.

Now, to some neglected business....

Way back in September 1996, the winners of the Chris Brown/Dixie Debbie bring your partner amateur mixed doubles Birthday Bash were: Dave Brennen and Sandy Flood, 1st; Jimmy Martin and Jolene Lembke, 2nd; Jimmy Anderson and Chris Brown, 3rd.

In November, our Thanksgiving tournament winners were Billy Maxwell and Dudley Hutcherson in the open doubles; in the ABC Draw: Dave Brennen, Jeff Posthomis, Jerry Davis, 1st; Vern Booth, Chris Brown, Mary Lou Deering, 2nd; Billy Maxwell, Bob Flake, Richard Martin, 3rd.

In December, the Dixie Belle winter in-house league, the first-place team was: Joanie Swenson, Wes Eades, Sandy Flood, and Donna Deering. The inner division playoff winners were: Paul Weber, A Division; Sandy Flood, B Division, and Mary Lou Deering, C Division.

In January, the draw partner league winners were: Tim O'Brian and Jan Manes, 1st; Dave Brennen and Sally Longlois, 2nd.

Then came the ABC Draw Benefit for Jay-Bird: David Keithahn, Jerry Davis, Joel Ruiz, 1st; Ted Curtis, Ben Larson, Billy Duncan, 2nd; Leroy Waggoner, Chris Brown, Sandy Flood, 3rd. Special thanks to Bruce Hale

for his generous help and also the other Southern California shuffleboard houses for their participation in this event.

Our Saturday Tournament of Champions pay-offs were: Karl Spickelmier and Mary Lou Deering, 1st; Paul Weber and Gary Jones, 2nd; Bob Brunskill and Chris Brown, 3rd.

All of these events led us into Las Vegas where we had two Dixie Belle teams entered, though as you can tell from the stats on that, we were holding good in the "Party Bracket." Our shining stars for Vegas were definitely Joe Muniz and Billy Maxwell who won the Pro Doubles. Mr. Muniz and Mr. Maxwell make watching a match high entertainment for the crowd as well as tough, unusual competition for their opponents. Congratulations, gentlemen, and all the Vegas winners.

Saturday night in Las Vegas, some of you had the chance to meet our new owners. Mike and Steve dropped in for a few hours to check on the shuffleboard action. It was great to see them there and it also looks like Steve is going to become some shuffleboard competition in the future.

We will be letting you know about upcoming Dixie Belle tournaments and events in future Board Talk issues.

As always, with Wes and Eileen Eades and now with Steve Budrys and Mike Woo, come join the fun. We hope to see you soon.

Dixie Debbie, The Dixie Belle, Downey, California

We're grateful for the opportunity we had to get to know Wes and Eileen during our Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion last year at the Dixie Belle and wish them our sincerest best wishes in their "new" life! Welcome and good luck to Steve and Mike!

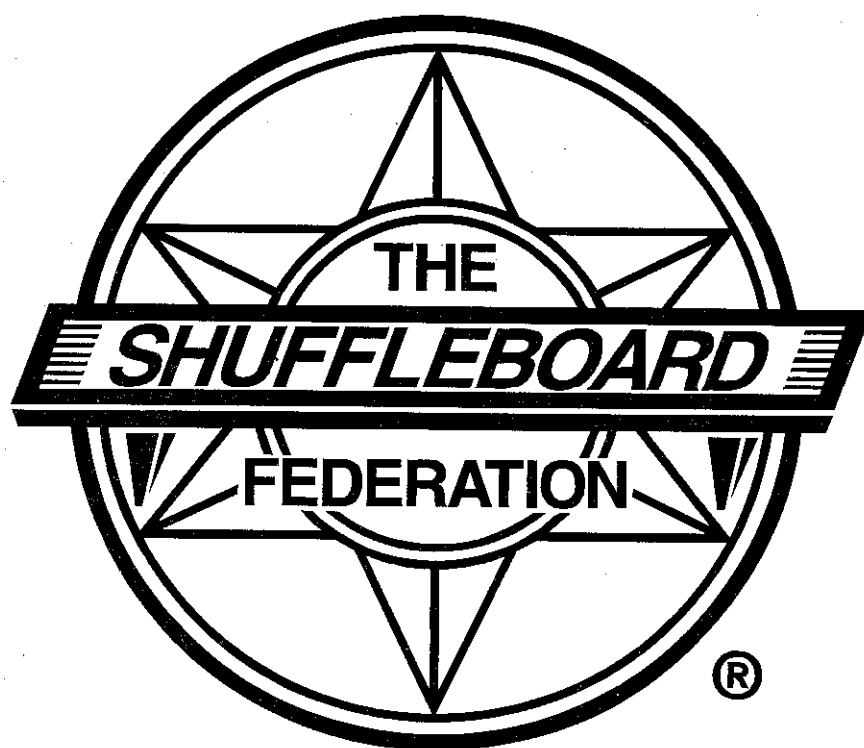
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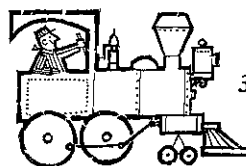
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The January draw partner event was won by Ron Blalock and Bill Melton (right), with Rick Jones and JB McBride (center) in second place. Billy Melton and Bob Summers took third.



The bring partner was won by the zero point team of Dino Fleming and Billy Melton ("who I know spotted 7 points one one game and 5 in another," reports Ron Huddleston). Runner-up was the 3-point team of Kathy Yingst and Stevie Burkett. Third place went to the 2-point team of Mark and Bill Melton.

Law/White Win at Riverside

On January 24, the Riverside Hotel in Earlville, New York, held a limited draw partner. Despite an unexpected snow storm, 30 players entered the event. After six hours, Fred Traux of Sherburne and Doug Fridley Jr. of Waterloo came out on top. Jeff Davies and Ryan Fuller, both from Sherburne, finished second. Third place went

to Brian Loundsbury of Earlville and Deb Parkhurst of South Otselic.

Saturday was the bring partner with 16 teams vying for a pot of over \$1500. The Sherburne team of Bob White and Dale Law captured first place. Doug Fridley Jr. and Rob Hummer, Waterloo, came in second. Third place went to Jeff Davies and Shelly Paul of Earlville. Finishing fourth was Foxey of Smyrna and Spiel "The Real Deal" of Guilford.

A special thanks to Bob White for the auctions, Dick Jefferies, Dale Law, and Dick Losee, who kept the tournament running smoothly.

"The next time you see Roger Sawyer, make sure you thank him for his continued support of shuffleboard," said Dale Law. Due to the level of interest and the \$500 added to the May tournament, you should call Dale at 607-674-6580 to register. A fifth board may be brought in if enough people register in advance.



In the winners' circle (left to right): Shelly Paul, Dale Law, Bob White, Jeff Davies, Rob Hummer, Foxey, Doug Fridley Jr., and Spiel.

Greer/Taylor Tops at Sportsman's

The double elimination, two-board tournament held at the Sportsman's Lounge, Muncie, Indiana, on Feb. 8 hosted 19 teams. A total purse of \$2,650 was dispersed to: Doyle Greer and Rick Taylor of Noblesville, 1st; Terry Dowell and Tom Massie, 2nd; Marcia Brown and Connie Langhoff, 3rd; Bob Brown and John Spillman, 4th.

"This was a terrific tournament (even though a very late one) and a good time was had by all, with host Rudy Parris adding \$100 to the tournament payout," reports Marcia Brown.

The next tournament being held in Muncie, Indiana, will be at the Sportsman's Lounge (two boards, double elimination), on March 8. Again, host Rudy Parris will be adding an extra \$100 to the payout.

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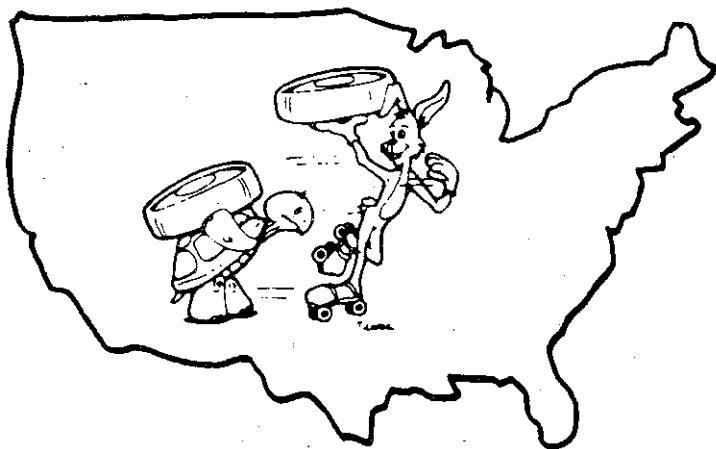
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