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SKIP'S LOUNGE 2001 TOURNAMENT RETURNS

Held September 7-9, 2001 at Skip's Lounge in Houghton Lake, Michigan
Report & Photos Provided By: "CoCo" Steve Brown

An astounding 81 players attended the Annual Skip's Board Talk Tournament this year at Skip's Lounge in Houghton Lake, Michigan on Sept. 7-9. Players not only assembled from Michigan, but participation also included players from Indiana, Canada, and as even far away as Missouri.

Events included in this year's annual tournament were AB, ABC, Open Singles, and several Round Robins. Looking back, I can truly state that shuffleboard players from all states sincerely united even before facing our Nation's worst tragedy that occurred in the week following.

Amongst the winners of the Round Robins prior to official tournament event play, included Jerry Hershman, Gene



**Host Skip &
Hostess Carol**
Great job you two!

McLeod, Brenda Kane, Bill Niswonger, Steve Auten, Manny Lane, JR Lopez, and Doug Stewart.

On Friday, action began with the AB tournament. Six places were paid out due to the incredible participation.

RIGHT: Finishing in A-B: 1st place were Jerry Siebert and Donna Dunn, sponsored by Gene McLeod.



RIGHT: A-B: 2nd place winners were Indiana's Jim Long with Michigan's own Jackie Meagher, sponsored by Jerry Siebert.



NOTABLE: Congratulations to Jerry Siebert and Donna Dunn (1st place winners) for the "double dipping" in a very close competition.

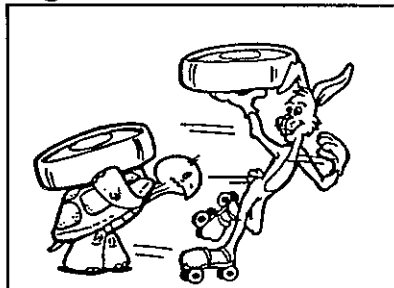


LEFT: (left to right) Dick Reist and JR Lopez took A-B: 3rd place.

NOT PICTURED A-B EVENT WINNERS were: Jerry Hershman and Martha Hall took 4th place, and tied for 5th and 6th were Carrie Cottrell with Jerry Cooley, and Jim Kelsey with Super Sam Eveland.

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Shufflers' Notebook

News and Views from The World of Shuffleboard

Glen Ingram of Indiana "Thanks" Tim Adams, Missouri Players and M.S.P.A!

I went to the Eagles Lodge in Houston, Missouri and had the privilege to play with Tim Adams, a '3' from Gepp, Arkansas. I want to congratulate the people who ran the tournament and thank all the new and old friends I met there and would like to say that I have never met so great a bunch of people and been treated so good by so many any place in my life. It was the best time I have ever had in my life playing shuffleboard and I really felt welcome. Tim and I won the tournament, but the people at the Eagles won my respect and friendship for life. I won't mention any names for fear of forgetting somebody, but they know who they are.

To all you other players out there who have not played with a '3' or '4' and won with them: "You are missing a great feeling and a chance to help promote and encourage new players."

Thank you Tim Adams and all my Missouri friends! You can bet I will be back!

--Yours truly, Glen Ingram from Indiana

[Editors' Comment: We are convinced that anyone who plays at the Eagles' Lodge will feel likewise. It's a feeling that we have difficulty putting into words -- players just have to go and experience it first hand!]

--Tom & Lynda French, Board Talk Publishers]

-- ATTENTION --

GOOD-BYE "RED CHECK"! Due to a change in publishers and a new process required to print and ship this monthly publication, the "RED CHECK" expiration notice is NO LONGER used (since Dec.

2000 issue). Your subscription **EXPIRATION DATE** is on the back cover (top of address line.) Please use the **FORM** inside back cover to renew **TIMELY** to avoid missing any issues!

(See Page 29 for more detailed information)

Glen Davidson Reports on Play in Bourbon, Indiana!

I just got back from Bourbon, Indiana from which Dave Boaz and I won the doubles, just about the I was about to retire from competition. So, now I just have to go on and win just one more. Bobby V. and Gregg Massie were after us pretty close. We put them in the loser bracket with a win of 12-15 and then they put Mike Johnson and Jerry Siebert in 3rd place. It was good to see all the players and spectators there, as this was my first 'appearance' (so to speak) in about 3 years. Jerry Siebert has come back from a long absence and was sure shooting some good shuffleboard - good to see him playing again. Jim Long and Glen Ingram, who were favored, have been winning pretty steady over the past 2-3 years at Arlington and Houston. In Bourbon, they were defeated by Fritz and Vicki. Fritz has been idle for a few years and Vicki loves to beat Jim! These things do happen, don't they boys? But, oh... isn't revenge sweet? Steve Hart, another Hall of Famer playing with Jim Dewitt made a good showing and Jerry & Ray Miller were on their game -- they won two in a row. Two years ago there were alot of top players there and -- oh yes -- Bud Broka and Gregg Broka (Bud's brother) was on them also. This was Bud's first tournament since his heart attack and surgery (problems which started back in May this year.) Debbie V. and Mary Brown were there and they won the last one. So, they are still alive and well. Larry Brown, Leon Black, Beef Camp, Kinsey and Mike, local Louise were all there just to name a few. I'm sure after Fritz gets back into playing that the event will get even bigger. It was fun to be in Bourbon again and see all the old timers, as well as the young ones coming along. Everyone pitched in to help Fritz get it going. See ya' all again in the Spring! -- **G.D., OK**

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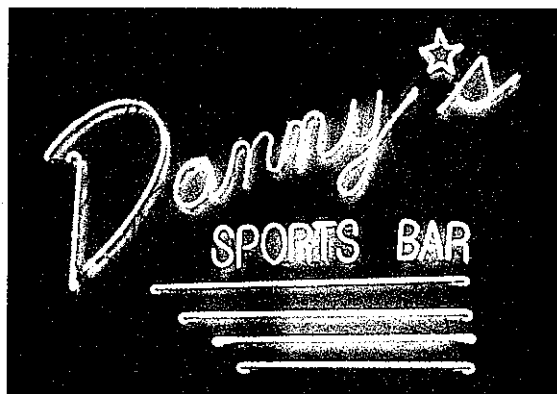
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SHUFFLERS' HUMOR and FUN

Humor Series #12 - Please send in your shuffler humor, jokes, or funny pictures

"And The Winner Is???? ... You Be the Judge!"



RIGHT and ABOVE:
There was more than "shuffleboard competition" at the 3rd Annual Wandering the World Women's Weekend Tournament held at Danny's Sports Bar in Houston, Texas on September 20-23rd! Just ask Sally Goff of Oklahoma and Nicki Buesing of Austin, Texas --- "hey girls, who won the contest?")



LEFT: Nicki Buesing (left) and Sally Goff (right) awaiting the winner determination announcement from "Judge Billy" (BELOW)



Upcoming Events Across the Nation

Texas

RED CROSS BENEFIT A-B & A-B-C EVENTS AUSTIN, TX NOV. 16-18, 2001



Taz Country will host a Red Cross Relief Fund Benefit tournament on Nov. 16-18. Fri. kicks off the tourney with an *A-B Draw* event at 7 PM (Fri. only has no sponsor sale); \$20 entry fee. Sat. is an *A-B-C Draft* at 1 PM (Optional \$10/player donation to Red Cross Relief Fund); entry fees: A's (\$30); B's (\$20); C's (\$10) w/ A/B/C winner payout of 50%/33%/17%. Sun. at 1 PM is an *A-B Draw* (\$30/player). Taz Country will donate \$2/player to the Red Cross Relief Fund on Fri./Sun. All events are single game/double elimination. Info. Contacts: Taz Country (Gene/Sarah Criminger) at 512-990-5526 or Ron/Debbie Bowers at 512-835-7256.

Texas

HOUSTON BARS TEAM-UP FOR TURKEY WEEKEND! DANNY'S & TRIPLE CROWN SPORTS BARS HOUSTON, TX NOV. 21-24, 2001



Be prepared to pass on that second helping of turkey and dressing. Slack off on that pumpkin pie. Save room for...SHUFFLEBOARD! Danny's Sports Bar and Triple Crown Bar, two Houston neighbors and two of the best shuffleboard venues anywhere are joining forces to host a shuffleboard tournament Wed., Nov. 21st thru Sat., Nov. 24th and **there will be a free Thanksgiving dinner at 2 PM at Dannels on Thurs., Nov. 22nd.**

A ten year tradition in Arlington, Texas, this tournament moves to Houston this year with the blessings of organizers Jeri Billard, David and Bobby Williams. Danny's will feature eight boards and Triple Crown, located about a mile and a half to the west on Westheimer Road will have four boards.

Now before you start thinking that this sounds like it has all the makings of a Chinese Fire Drill, Jack Scott and his talented veteran staff

assures us that through careful planning and scheduling of events, travel can be kept to a minimum. A shuttle van will also be available for those who require it.

The proceedings kick off on Wed. at 7:00 PM with Blind Draw, single elimination tourneys at each bar. Danny's will feature a \$40 draw for -1s thru 2s and will hold a handicap for '1s thru 4s draw for \$20. Thurs. features a 4 person Draft Team which starts at Danny's. On Friday, each bar will host Singles events with handicapped entry fees. The divisions are (-1,0,1), (1,2,3) and (3,4).

The formal action concludes on Sat. with Bring Partner events at both venues. Divisions will consist of (add to 0), (add to 4) and (add to 6). The main Sponsor sale will take place at Danny's with communications to be established with Triple Crown during the sale (details to be announced).

[See the HOUSTON THANKSGIVING TOURNAMENT flyer inserted into this issue and/or contact Jack Scott at: 281-558-0237].

California

5th ANNUAL THANKSGIVING TOURNAMENT BELLFLOWER, CA NOV. 22-25, 2001



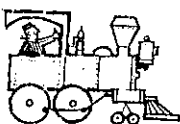
Oskar's Sports Bar & Grill, 13415 Woodruff Ave., Bellflower, California is hosting the 5th Annual Thanksgiving tourney Nov. 22-25, featuring two events: ABC Draw (Fri., Nov. 23) and Open Doubles (Sat., Nov. 24) - both events have a 16 Team Limit. Sponsor Sales for BOTH events will be held at 8:30 PM on Thurs. (Nov. 22) with Thanksgiving dinner at 9 PM followed by Round Robins. On Fri. (Nov. 23) the ABC DRAW starts at 10 AM; \$20/player entry fee; and 2/3 double elimination (Bowers 2001 Ratings Used). Sat. (Nov. 24) the Open Doubles will start at 10 AM; \$100/team entry fee; and 2/3 double elimination. Call for more info.: Paul Weber 562-531-0663, Bob Davidson 562-804-1636 or Oskar's 562-925-4915.

[For more information and tournament details see the Oscar's tournament flyer inserted into this November 2001 issue]

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Michigan

**16th ANNUAL MICHIGAN
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
CLUB CAR LOUNGE
DURAND, MI
NOV. 23-25, 2001**



See the 16th Annual Michigan State Championship tournament flyer inserted into last month's October 2001 The Board Talk issue.

Maryland

**HOLIDAY CLASSIC
HARVEY'S PLACE
STREET, MD
DEC. 7 - 9, 2001**

Harvey's Place, 3403 Conowingo Rd., Street, Maryland will be hosting their Holiday Classic Tournament on Dec. 7-9. Friday at 6:30 PM is a Draw Partner event (\$10 entry / 40 entry limit); Saturday at 1 PM is a Bring Partner event (\$25 entry per team / no entry limit); and Sunday at 11 AM is an Open Singles event (\$25 entry / 40 entry limit). All events are 15 point games, straight, double elimination (Payoff 1 in 4) and handicaps are based upon the current Bowers Rating System. Trophy jackets will be awarded to Singles and Bring Partner winners. For more information, contact Harvey Comer at Harvey's Place: (410) 836-8881.

Arkansas

**N.E. ARKANSAS OPEN
AMERICAN LEGION POST 6
POCAHONTAS, AR
DEC. 14 - 16, 2001**



The American Legion Post 6, 61 Bellevue Rd., Pocahontas, Arkansas will be hosting the N.E. Arkansas Open on Dec. 14 -16. Thursday night will be Draws; Friday will be either an A-B or A-B-C Draw; Saturday a Bring Partner; and Sunday Singles (if there's enough interest.) Bowers 2001 Ratings to be used. For more information see the flyer inserted into this November 2001 issue and/or contact Manny Lane (tournament director) at: (870) 892-4859 (home) or (870) 892-5166 (Legion)

Texas

**HOUSTON HOLIDAY OPEN -
FOUR UPCOMING
"QUALIFIER" TOURNEYS
DANNY'S & TRIPLE CROWN
SPORTS BARS
HOUSTON, TX
NOV. 3, NOV. 10, DEC. 8, &
DEC. 10, 2001**



With fall coming our way and Halloween just around the corner, it means the Houston Holiday Open 2001 tournament is not too far away. So, if you are planning to attend the Houston Holiday Open 2001, you may want to participate in one or more of the upcoming "Qualifier" tournaments where winners may get their entry fee paid for the Houston Holiday Open on December 26-31, 2001.

Hit, Stick, and Slide Shuffleboard School is coordinating 4 separate Houston Holiday Open 2001 "Qualifier" tournaments to be hosted at two of the best shuffleboard venues in Houston, Texas: Danny's Sports Bar and Triple Crown Sports Bar, both located on Westheimer - just a few blocks apart. Both of these bars will host two "Qualifier" tournaments each. Both of these bars are great supporters of shuffleboard and The Board Talk.

The 1st will be **Nov. 3 at Danny's & Triple Crown** with 3 events of Singles: (1) -1,0,1; \$30; (2) 1,2,3; \$20; (3) 3,4,5; \$10. The 2nd will be **Nov. 10 at Triple Crown** with a Blind Draw event for 2,3,4; \$10. The 3rd will be **Dec. 8 at Triple Crown** with a Singles for 3,4,5; \$10 and the 4th will be **Dec. 15 at Triple Crown** with a Bring Partner add to 4 for 1,2,3 (\$60/team).

[See flyer inserted in last month's October 2001 issue for more details and contact information. Thanks from the Editors to both bars for being Shuffleboard Directory Advertisers!]

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The Board Talk ...
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favorite establishments to
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Arkansas

**3rd ANNUAL "HOUSTON
HOLIDAY OPEN WARM UP
TOURNAMENT"
VFW POST # 9095
LITTLE ROCK, AR
NOV. 30 - DEC. 2, 2002**



The VFW Post #9095 at 1120 Gamble Rd., Little Rock, Arkansas is hosting the 3rd Annual "Houston Holiday Open Warm-Up Tournament," on Nov. 30-Dec. 2. Friday, Nov. 30 will be a Draw Partner (\$50/team entry) and Sat. Dec. 1 will be a Bring Partner (\$70/team entry) with a \$10 One-Time Registration Fee for all players. Both events will be single game/double elimination with negative handicap (maximum of 4 points). For further information, contact: Joyce Pelton (501) 778-2420 (days), Tony Pelton (800) 582-2869, Joyce & Tony Pelton (501) 778-8641 (after 6 p.m.), or Karla Hollowell (501) 570-7806. **See the 3rd Annual Houston Holiday Open Warm-Up Tournament flyer inserted into this November issue for more details.**

Texas

**HOUSTON HOLIDAY OPEN
SHERATON
BROOKHOLLOW HOTEL
HOUSTON, TX
DEC. 26 - 31, 2001**



If you have not yet registered or made you hotel reservations for the upcoming Houston Holiday Open 2001 tournament being held at the Sheraton Brookhollow this year, there is a two-sided flyer inserted into this November 2001 issue (has tournament details on front and registration form on back) where you will find tournament details, contact information and hotel reservation details (including reserving an airport transportation to/from Bush airport - see flyer and reserve before the deadline.) The hotel will be providing van transportation to/from the hotel and the Galleria and other malls, so attendees can shop and take advantage of some of the holiday bargains.

There will be a video game room adjacent to the ballroom. The ballroom will have a super juke box with an auto cutoff for when the microphones are in

use (e.g., during sponsor sales and other announcements.)

Participants can inform the bracketeer of their room number when taking a rest between play and be notified if they have not returned as their start up time nears. There will be extra staff to assist with round robins when boards are available. In addition to the portable bar, there will be waitresses for players to place orders during play too.

On Dec. 26th, the Table Shuffleboard Association will hold an Open Meeting (1 PM) and conduct TSA Hall of Fame inductions (2 - 3 PM.)

Some of the tourney staff will be: James and Darlene Cummings, Jorge Galvan, Wayne Hammond, Danny Green, Denise Klein, Harvey Kidd, Bob Lee, Don Meehan, Silvia Martinez, Tom Milam, Danny Norris, Bill Rice, Stan Stinson, and Pete Worsnop. Tournament Director is Jack Scott.

Contact Jack Scott at 281-558-0237 or Danny Green at 800-945-6148 for more information. Preregister now to secure your event slots. All indications are that this year will have the largest turnout yet. Great tournament hotel rates with guest rooms that typically cost double the tournament rate! Make your plans now for another year of a great tournament and New Years' Eve BASH that will feature a free banquet, dancing, and party games! **See the Houston Holiday Open 2001 double-sided tournament flyer which includes a tourney registration form inserted into this November issue! Hurry, make your reservations NOW!**

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"New" Shuffleboard Directory Advertiser (See Page 32) & The Board Talk Open 2002 Tournament "Gold" Sponsor (See Page 38) in this November 2001 Issue... Thank you Don Crall and the American Legion Post 73!

American Legion Post 73

PO Box 15073, Del City, Oklahoma

**Home of the Annual 4th of July Tradition:
"Southwest Open"**

Tournament

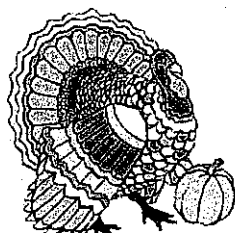
& Three Annual "Heartland Handicap" Tournaments

Contact: Don Crall at the American Legion: 405-670-9128 or 405-670-9120 or E-mail: doncrall73@aol.com

For Tournament Details Visit: <http://www.geocities.com/swopen>

California (late 2001 addition)

THANKSGIVING 2001 TOURNAMENT 133 CLUB MANTECA, CA NOV. 21-25, 2001



The 133 Club, 133 W. Yosemite Ave., Manteca, CA is hosting a 3 event Thanksgiving tournament starting on Wed., Nov. 21 through Sun. Nov. 25, 2001. \$10 one-time registration fee. Three events: ABC Draw (Wed./Nov. 21; 8 PM; \$20/player entry fee); Doubles (Fri./Nov. 22; 8 PM; \$50/player entry fee); Singles (Sat./Nov. 20; 10 AM; \$100/player entry fee). Call: George Camera 209-464-5410 for details.

[For more information and tournament details, see the 133 Club Thanksgiving tournament flyer inserted into this November 2001 issue]

Oklahoma

HEARTLAND HANDICAP AMERICAN LEGION POST 73 DEL CITY, OK *American Legion Post 73* JAN. 18-19, 2002 APR. 19-20, 2002 OCT. 18-19, 2002

P.O. Box 15073
DEL CITY, OKLAHOMA 73155



There are three Heartland Handicap tournaments scheduled for 2002, all being hosted at the American Legion Post 73, 5000 S.E. 24th, Del City, OK on 7 boards. The first will be on Jan. 18-19; second will be on Apr. 19-20; and third will be on Oct. 18-19. All three of the upcoming Heartland Handicap tournaments will kick off on Friday with a *Draw Partner* at 7:00 PM (\$25/player entry; single game/double elimination); and Saturday with a *Bring Partner* at 3:00 PM (\$50/team; 2/3 in winners bracket if time permits depending upon number of entries; single game in losers bracket). Bowers' Ratings will be used; maximum spot of 4 points. For more info. call the American Legion: 405-670-9128 or 405-670-9120; email: doncrall73@aol.com

NOTE: The American Legion Post 73 in Del City will also be hosting the annual **Southwest Open 2002 on June 30-July 6, 2002**. Visit the Southwest Open website periodically for upcoming details: <http://www.geocities.com/swopen>

Maryland

MASON DIXON CLASSIC HARVEY'S PLACE STREET, MD FEB. 22 - 24, 2002

Harvey's Place, 3403 Conowingo Rd., Street, Maryland will be hosting their Mason Dixon Classic Tournament on Feb. 22-24. Friday at 6:30 PM is a Draw Partner event (\$10 entry / 40 entry limit); Saturday at 1 PM is a Bring Partner event (\$25 entry per team / no. entry limit); and Sunday at 11 AM is an Open Singles event (\$25 entry / 40 entry limit). All events are 15 point games, straight, double elimination (Payoff 1 in 4) and handicaps are based upon the current Bowers Rating System. Trophy jackets will be awarded to Singles and Bring Partner winners. For more information, contact Harvey Comer at Harvey's Place: (410) 836-8881. **NOTE:** There is also a Draw Partner (\$5 entry) at 8 PM every Saturday night at Harvey's Place.

Nevada

1st ANNUAL THE BOARD TALK OPEN 2002 PLAZA HOTEL & CASINO LAS VEGAS, NV MAR. 26 - 31, 2002



See 1st Annual Board Talk Open tournament flyer and pre-registration form inserted into this The Board Talk issue and Page 38 for details. Make your plans now to attend this 1st year tournament to be played on 24 Champion shuffleboards!

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The Board Talk ...
Get your fellow
shufflers & favorite
establishments to
subscribe and advertise!*

APR. 19 - 21, 2002

New York

2001/2002 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE FOR DEW DROP INN WATERLOO, NY OCT. 2001 - DEC. 2002

The Dew Drop Inn, 37 Virginia St., Waterloo, New York will be hosting several *Draw Partner/Bring Partner* and *Nationals* tournaments on 4 in-house boards through Dec. 2002 and have provided The Board Talk with the following schedule:

The *Draw Partner/Bring Partner* tournaments are to be held on: Oct. 6-7, 2001; Dec. 1-2, 2001; Feb. 2-3, 2002; June 1-2, 2002; Oct. 5-6, 2002; and Dec. 7-8, 2002. Each of these tournaments are held on Sat. (*Draw Partner*-\$20/player) starting at 2 PM and on Sun. (*Bring Partner*-\$20/player) starting at 12 Noon. *Bring Partner* events will have sponsor sales. The *Nationals* tournaments are to be held on Apr. 4-7, 2002 and Aug. 1-4, 2002. Both of these tournaments will start on Thursday with \$5 and \$10 Warm-Up Round Robins at 7 PM; Friday at 6 PM with Singles (\$30/player); Saturday at 10 AM with Mixed Doubles (\$30/team); Saturday at 4 PM with *Draw Partner* (\$15/player); and Sunday at 12 Noon with *Bring Partner* (\$30/team). Most events of the *Draw Partner/Bring Partner* and *Nationals* tournaments will have sponsor sales. For more information, contact Tracie Fridley at Dew Drop Inn: 315-539-5729.

ACTION LOUNGE LABOR DAY RESULTS!

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Reported By: U.J. West, OK

Action Lounge ▲▼▲▼▲▼▲▼▲▼▲▼▲▼▲▼

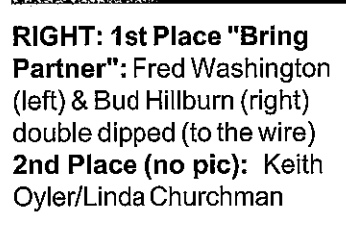
Bud Hillburn • Owner • 81st & 145th • Broken Arrow, OK 74012 • Telephone 918-258-1773

Bud Hillburn's Action Lounge was once again a scene of intense shuffleboard played at the highest level. The players that enter Bud's Day tournaments are some of the best! This years events were Draw Partner, Bring Partner, and Bring Sweetheart each with Single Game Double Elimination/Bowers Rating used/Negative Handicap. On Sat. Chef Randy Martin fried up a great ole fashioned fish fry of catfish and crappie. Alice Patterson whipped up some salads and yummy cookies. **NOTABLES:** 1) Jerry Widdoe got himself into a quandary when he entered the draw knowing he and his wife were scheduled to leave for a family event in Dallas at noon the next day. Jerry and his partner, Carolyn Jones, were in the winners bracket and had to return for play at noon the next day! Jerry said he had no option but to play, but his wife thought otherwise and left, so Jerry stayed for the Bring Partner event too (another no option). We have not yet heard if Jerry is dead or alive <grin>! 2) Zane Porter is still on probation and trying to impress Bud Hillburn in attempt to earn his job back as Action Lounge Photographer! Bud thanks all! Winners of the 3 events follow:



LEFT: 2nd Place "Open Draw": Randy Martin & Linda Churchman (right), sponsored by UJ West.

NO PICS: 1st Place:
Bud Hillburn/Zane Porter
(Zane said Bud was a
heavy load to carry <grin>)



RIGHT: 1st Place "Bring Partner": Fred Washington (left) & Bud Hillburn (right) double dipped (to the wire)
2nd Place (no pic): Keith Oyler/Linda Churchman



LEFT: 1st Place "Bring Sweetheart": Carolyn Jones (left)/Bud Hillburn(right); **2nd Place (see pic from Open Draw 2nd Place):** Randy Martin/Linda Churchman

1st Annual Kenny Van Zile Tourney Results!

September 7-9, 2001

Riverside Tavern

Keesville, NY

Report By: Pete Cummings, NY

The Riverside Tavern, 1876 Main Street, Keesville, New York was the proud host of the "1st Annual Kenny Van Zile Bring Partner Tournament." The turnout for this three event tourney honoring this long time shuffleboard fanatic was heartwarming. More than twenty of the competitors traveled in excess of 4 hours to honor Kenny (who is battling cancer) and compete on the three tables. And boy did they compete! With a dozen or so players with ratings under 2.0 this tourney competition continues to improve. Surprising to some of us because the tournament began as a celebration of shuffleboard with a focus on hospitality and good food. Thanks go out to Poppy and Pauline Rock (hosts) and many friends who put on the feast. Barbecue chicken, corn on the cob, and all the trimmings highlighted Saturday with Pat Brennans' Bloomin' Onion treats topping off Sundays menu.

Friday night 16 teams gathered in the draw partner to ensure that Ms. Freer didn't take home all the big hardware this year.

"DRAW PARTNER" (16 Teams) Winners Were:



ABOVE: 1st Place "Draw Partner": Ronny Bell (left) and Mike Howerton (right) were the eventual winners (pictured with Kenny Van Zile- center)



LEFT: 2nd Place "Draw Partner": Betty Rombach (left) and Ryan Fuller (right) (pictured with Kenny Van Zile (center); and limited to 3rd Place: (not pictured) were Louise Freer & Jane Johnson

Saturdays' mixed doubles featured Louise Freer and Ryan Fuller nipping Betty Rombach and Pat Brennan for 1st place. Competition in this event showcased just how good the women shufflers are in the North Country.

"MIXED DOUBLES" Winners Were:



LEFT: 1st Place "Mixed Doubles": Louise Freer (left) and Ryan Fuller (right) (pictured with Kenny Van Zile (center) nipped Betty Rombach & Pat Brennan for 1st!



LEFT: 2nd Place "Mixed Doubles": Betty Rombach (right) & Pat Brennan (left) pictured with Kenny Van Zile (center); and 3rd Place: (not pictured) were Jane & Arol "A" Johnson

Sunday dawned clear and bright (and a little cooler). The bring partner competition took note and what followed was classic shuffleboard at its best. Close games and good shuffling were the norm for Sunday (knock off pucks and lag the board, simple game isn't it?).

"BRING PARTNER" Winners Were:



ABOVE: (left to right) "Draw Partner" 1st Place: Pete Cummings & Pat Brennan emerged from the loser bracket to double dip 2nd Place: Louise Freer (who else?) & Ryan Fuller.

The addition of a third board, some big sponsor sales, and the good food left me with the impression that this was best North Country tourney yet. See y'all next year!

--By: Pete Cummings, NY

3rd Wandering the World Women's Weekend

September 20-23, 2001

Danny's Sports Bar, Houston, TX

Results Reported By: Jeri (Billard) Williams; Photos Provided By: Lorraine Bingham-Olson



The 3rd Annual Wandering the World Womens' Weekend was held at Danny's Sports Bar in Houston, Texas. The ladies tournament has been a roaming tradition for the last few years. The site of the next years tournament is decided by the participants attending each year. By an overwhelming majority, Del City has been selected for the 4th annual tournament in 2002, to be hosted by Sally Goff. Stay tuned for more information...

On Thursday, the weekend started off with a Handicap Open "Draw Partner." Then on Friday things heated up with a Handicap "Bring Partner" with 18 teams. On Saturday was the Handicap "Singles." **NOTABLE: Silvia Martinez placed in ALL 3 EVENTS (One 1st; Two 2nd! WOW!)**

We would like to thank everyone that traveled from far and wide to make the tournament. Also we appreciate everyone's help, Danny Norris and Denise Klein were both tons of help lining everything up for us. The Shuffleboard Federation donated the dust and silicon. Billy Melton and Mahlon Nobles adjusted the boards for us, Perla Scott providing a really cool money counting machine, and Sally Goff helped with the entries. With everyone's help the 3rd Wandering the World Women's Weekend was a great success! And now for the winners...

"DRAW PARTNER" (Sept. 20) Winners Were:

NOTE: Due to time constraints 1st and 2nd made a mutually agreeable money split, but winner bracket team took 1st place honors.



ABOVE: 1st Place: Mary Koteras (left - Houston, TX) and Lynda French (right - Austin, TX) pictured with sponsor Denise Klein of Houston, TX (center)



LEFT: 2nd Place: Silvia Martinez (right - Spring, TX) and Shari Foust (center - Tulsa, OK) pictured with sponsor Lorraine Bingham-Olson of California (left)



LEFT: 1st & 2nd Celebrate!



3rd Place: Debbie Sexton (right - San Antonio, TX) and Linda Churchman (left - Broken Arrow, OK) with sponsor Jane Mourgos of California (center)

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"BRING PARTNER" (Sept. 21) Winners Were:

ABOVE: 1st Place: Jeri (Billard) Williams (right - Ft. Worth, TX) and Connie McCormick (left - D/FW, TX)



ABOVE: 2nd Place: Silvia Martinez (right - Spring, TX) and Lorraine Bingham-Olson (left - San Jose, CA)



LEFT: 3rd Place: Linda Nobles (right - Arlington, TX) and Shari Foust (left - Tulsa, OK) and

Not Pictured: 4th Place: Georjean Monarrez and Mannie Canada (both of Glendale, AZ)

"SINGLES" (Sept. 22) Winners Were:

NOTE: Due to time constraints 1st and 2nd made a mutually agreeable money split, but winner bracket player took 1st place honors.

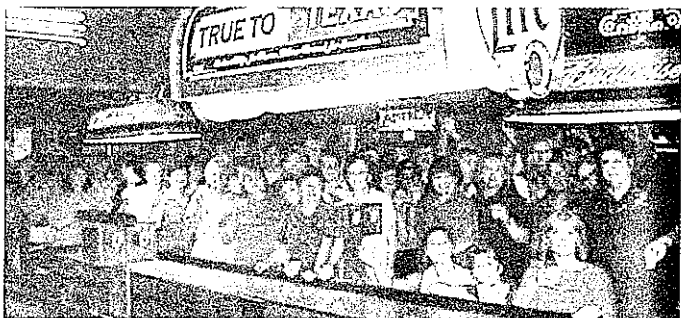


LEFT: (left to right) 1st Place: Silvia Martinez (Spring, TX); **2nd Place:** Jeri (Billard) Williams (Ft. Worth, TX); and **3rd Place:** Rene Roberts (Webster, TX)



ABOVE: Mahlon Nobles (left) and Mike Taylor (front center) congratulate these Ladies' Singles winners!

Not Pictured: 4th Place: Linda Nobles (Arlington, TX) and **5th and 6th Place split:** Cindy Clark (Phoenix, AZ) and Ann Walker (Houston, TX)



ABOVE & LEFT: All Tournament Participants Celebrate and enjoy this 3rd year event! They have a good luck "Toast" between the Draw Partner and Bring Partner Events!

-- Report By: Jeri Williams, TX
(Photo Collage on Page 12)



3rd Wandering the World Women's Weekend



SKIP'S ... (Continued from Page 1)

Saturday began the ABC tournament, which also received an immense amount of participants. Winners were:



ABOVE: A-B-C: 1st Place honors went to Steve Auten (center), Frank Edelen (left), and Murdock Morrison, sponsored by Canadian Chris Lemieux.



ABOVE: A-B-C: 2nd Place, coming in close were Doug Stewart (center), Debbie Kern (who did not want to enter, but came in as a last entry), and Jo Bates (left), sponsored by Bill Niswonger.



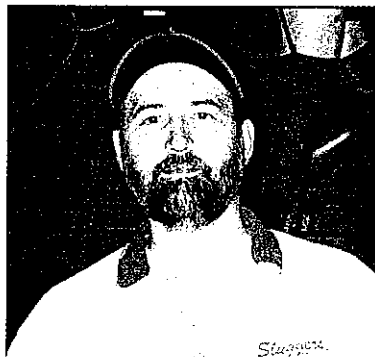
ABOVE: A-B-C: 3rd Place honors went to Frank Parrish (right), Manny Lane (center left), and Deanna Johns (center right), pictured with sponsor Dick Reist (left).

NOT PICTURED A-B-C Winners: 4th Place winners were Gene Wendling, Jimmy (the cop) Kumpula, and Cindy Brown; Fifth and sixth places were awarded to JR Lopez, Slick Parrish, Chad Nicholes, and Dave Welch, Leon Black, and Dave Mitchell.

Sunday's Open Singles winners were:



ABOVE: With the continuing fierce competition, **Open Singles: 1st Place** was ultimately awarded to Steve Auten, sponsored by Doug Stewart.



LEFT: **Open Singles: 2nd Place** went to Jim Dunn from Missouri



LEFT: **Open Singles: 3rd Place** went to Frank Parrish; and NOT PICTURED 4th Place went to Gene McLeod

It is the overwhelming opinions of the coordinators of this tournament, that special recognition needs to be addressed to several contributors: Skip and Carol, for their generosity in donations of prizes (mugs, caps, t-shirts, and cash), all the staff for treating everyone so well, tournament directors Bill and Brenda Kane (assisted by CoCo and Cindy Brown, Carolyn Perry, Alonzo Cottrell, and Theresa Stephens), and bracketeers Rob Kern and CoCo Brown.

--Reported By: "CoCo" Brown

15TH ANNUAL LABOR DAY (PAT KINARD MEMORIAL) TOURNEY RESULTS!



August 30-September 3, 2001
Full House Bar & Grill, Wynnewood, OK
Results & Photos Submitted By: Gerald Wood, OK



The 15th Annual Labor Day (Pat Kinard Memorial) Tournament was hosted at the Full House Bar & Grill in Wynnewood, Oklahoma on Aug. 30-Sept. 3. The tournament had a total of 51 registered participants. Thanks to all who participated and a special thanks to the players from Arkansas, Mississippi, and last but not least Harvey Walden from Tennessee for helping make this tournament a great success! We started out on Thursday, August 30th at 7 PM with \$20 warm-up robins. Then the main events started on Friday, but there was a double elimination warm-up robin on Thursday before the main 3 events. Winners of the Double Elimination Robin and the 3 events:

"DOUBLE ELIMINATION ROBIN" (Thursday) Winners Were:

RIGHT: 1st Place "DE Robin": "Hoot", AR (left); and Stephanie Renfro, OK



RIGHT: 2nd Place "DE Robin": Ken Stork (left) & David Renfro of



RIGHT: 3rd Place "DE Robin": Russell Canerdy, AR; & Jean Miller, OK



"OPEN DRAW" (Friday) Winners Were:

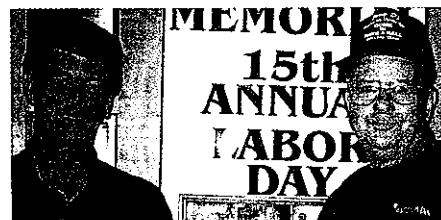
RIGHT: 1st Place "Open Draw": Skip McCaskill (left); & Lynn Tice of OK



RIGHT: 2nd Place "Open Doubles": E.T. Jenson (left) and Kenny Hawkes of OK



RIGHT: 3rd Place "Open Doubles": Stephaynne AR (left); and Grady Cash of OK



ABOVE: 4th Place "Open Doubles": Allan Cobb, OK & Harvey Walden, TN

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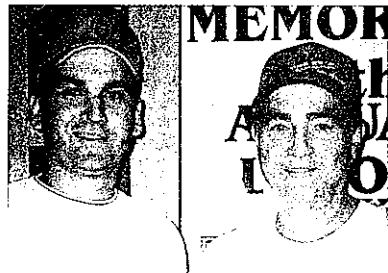
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"BRING PARTNER" (Saturday) Winners Were:

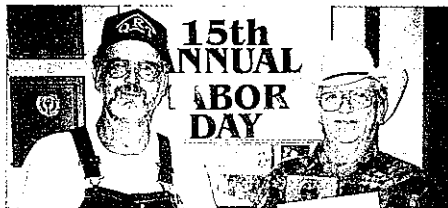


ABOVE: 1st Place "Bring Partner":
Ronnie Gamble (center) & E.T. Jenson (right) of OK with
sponsor Kenny Hawkes (left)

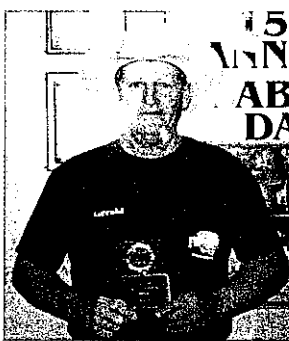
RIGHT: 2nd Place
"Bring Partner":
Father/Son Team:
Shannon Tice & Lynn
Tice (right) of OK



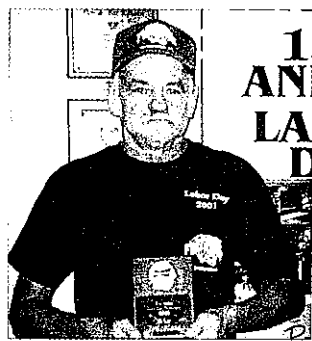
RIGHT: 3rd
Place "Bring
Partner":
Fred Tinnin &
Woody Elmore
of OK



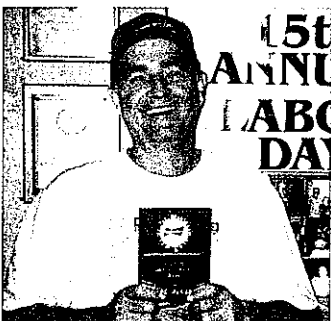
"SINGLES" (Sunday) Winners Were:



ABOVE: 1st Place
"Singles": Gerald Wood



ABOVE: 2nd Place
"Singles": Skip
McCaskill



LEFT: 3rd Place
"Singles": Lynn Tice



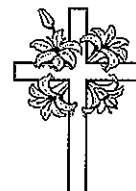
*In Fond Memory of ...
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Arvada, CO
October 18, 1950 - September 7, 2001*

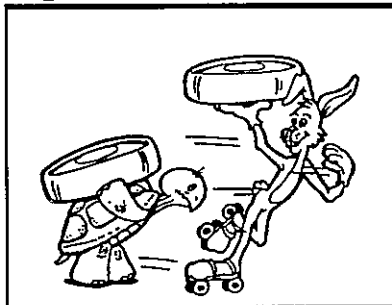
Not only was Tuesday, Sept. 11th a horrible day for the entire country, it was an extra sad day for the people of the Balloon Inn, when we had to also say good-bye to one of our dearest friends

John, or "Teach", as many of us called him, was one of the favorite locals at the Balloon Inn. John was a kindergarten teacher who would come in about four nights a week, from 9 to 10:30 p.m., to relax and play a little shuffleboard. We all enjoyed seeing John with his overalls or tie-dyed shirt, a smile, and, often, a joke. Most importantly, John was devoted to his wife, Jeanne, and his children, Katie, Martin, and Sarah. If we had talked him into playing in a blind draw, and it was getting close to 10:30 p.m., John would be on the phone to Jeanne to let her know that he would be a little late, and buying a candy bar so that Jeanne would "let him in the door, so he wouldn't have to sleep on the porch with the dog!"

To use John's words when he would leave for the evening, "Happy Trails", John. You will be missed!

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Arvada, CO**





Shufflers' Notebook

News and Views from The World of Shuffleboard (Con't. from Page 2)

"Speedy Recovery" Message for Rod Cameron & Donna Wilber!

We have at least two of our shuffleboard family members who could probably use a boost by receiving some "speedy recovery" cards from us:

Rod Cameron (P.O. Box 1665, Dayton, TX 77535) has recently had some colon surgery and is currently going through chemotherapy and radiation treatments. He wife, Tree, reports that he is otherwise doing fine.

Donna Wilber (503 E. Sheridan Rd., Lansing, MI 48906) has been having kidney stone problems again with surgery to be performed on October 19th. She has been going through alot of pain for the past weeks because this stone was too large to crush or otherwise resolve without surgery. As the doctor put it, "Donna, this isn't a stone, it is a "boulder!"

Please keep both Rod and Donna in your prayers. We are sure that speedy recovery cards would be a booster to both of them, so we have provided both of their mailing addresses above.

Rod, Donna: We wish both of you a very speedy recovery! -- **Tom & Lynda French, Editors**



"Letter to the Editors" from Pat Myers of Portland Oregon!

Below is a very touching and heart-warming letter that we recently received with a subscription renewal payment that we want to share and wish to publicly thank Pat Myers and others who are not shuffleboard players themselves, but enjoy and support our publication and forever will remain as part of our extended shuffleboard family: (*Thank You Pat and Others!* -- **Tom & Lynda French**)

"Enclosed you will find my check for subscription renewal. Just wanted to tell you, you're doing a great job. The Wilbers must be very pleased.

We discovered The Board Talk years ago, while at a tournament at the Whistling Oyster in Quilcene, Washington. My husband, Bob Meyers, loved the game from when he first started playing in 1948 until he died in 1999, a week short of his 71st birthday. I don't play (no coordination), but enjoy reading about everyone and the various tournaments. *Sincerely, Pat Myers (Portland, Oregon)*"

[Editors Comment: Pat we wish to thank you and others who are not avid shuffleboard players, but have friends or relatives that are or were players. Whether you play yourself or not, you and others such as yourself are an integral part of our extended family. Your support of the sport and the publication is greatly appreciated. There are many others who subscribe that are not players. Some of the subscribers have even been purchasing gift subscriptions for their friends, family, and loved ones who may not be players, but like to keep up with what is going on in the world of shuffleboard as you do. As we approach the holiday season, there may be players and subscribers out there that would like to purchase holiday gift subscriptions for "new" or "renewal" a special person. If so, please see the Gift Subscription Flyer Inserted into this November 2001 issue - fill it out and mail it to us.

Thanks to all of our dedicated subscribers for their continued support of our communication channel --The Board Talk! -- **T&L French, Editors**]

(Shufflers' Notebook Continued on Page 35)

In Fond Memory of...

J.B. McBride

By: Glen Davidson, OK

J.B. McBride has left us. He was one of the great players of the 50's. He played with against the legendary Granville Humphrey, Dino Fleming, Holly, Bud Milgram, Bill Melton, myself (Glen Davidson), Sam Summers, Marshall, E.T., Fred Washington, Bud Hillburn, Cliff and Sally Goff... and many of the Texas and Oklahoma players. Danny Hersom got J.B. to come to Amarillo at one time. He always was going back to see them all, but ... J.B. had a temper from way back in the rough and rowdy days and could go off on people once in awhile. His temper got him barred from a few establishments, but they always allowed him back after he cooled down. J.B. had a big heart and he couldn't help being himself. He always paid his debts, even if it took some time to do so. He would always offer to help anyone he knew and would eagerly do you a favor if you asked it of him. Take it all and put it together and he was a player and supported the game and in his own way he was a legend in his time and a pioneer for our sport. Good or bad, J.B. McBride was there and supported every shuffleboard establishment where he was at the time. He was in our family and was a top keep hammer player in the 50's, 60's, and 70's. He serves a place in our history of the sport of shuffleboard. He will be placed into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame with the rest. "Rest Well My Friend."

-- By: Glen Davidson, OK

In Fond Memory of...

George G. Chamberlain of Perryville, Maryland

We (The Board Talk Editors) had a letter returned to us that we had mailed to George G. Chamberlain, shuffler in the Perryville, Maryland area. The returned mail was marked by the Post Office "Return to Sender" "Deceased." If anyone has information or a memorial writeup they would like to submit on George, please send it to The Board Talk, c/o Tom & Lynda French, 12710 Red Deer Pass, Austin, TX 78729-6436.

-- By: T & L, The Board Talk Editors

Lucky's Tavern "Lucky" Labor Day Winners!

Labor Day Weekend 2001

Lucky's Tavern

N. Webster, IN

Report By: Carol Westerman, IN

Once again, Lucky's in N. Webster, Indiana hosted a Labor Day Weekend Tournament which will be an annual event. Weather was great and we were pleased with the turnout for the 3 events: Mixed Doubles (Fri.), Doubles (Sat.), and Singles (Sun.). Thanks to all participants! Winners were:

"MIXED DOUBLES" (Fri.) Winners Were:



ABOVE: "Mixed Doubles": (left to right) 1st Place: Robin Cre/Mike Koantz; and 2nd Place: Mary Brown/Larry Brown

"DOUBLES" (Sat.) Winners Were:



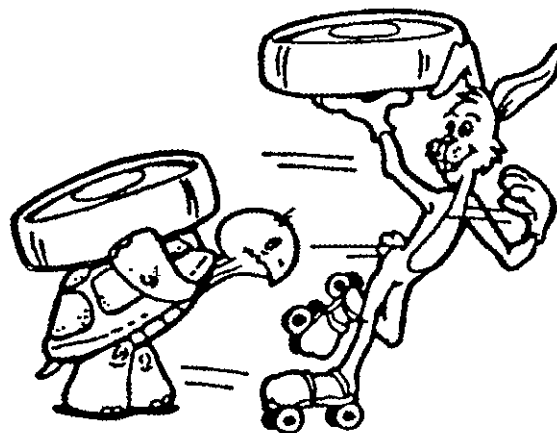
ABOVE: "Doubles": 1st Place: Glen Ingram (left) and Jim Long [Editor Comment: This duo has become a real familiar winning team everywhere they go!]; and already pictured in Mixed Doubles 1st Place was 2nd Place: Mary Brown/Larry Brown (Editor Comment: This couple was apparently on a real "win" mission this Labor Day!)

"SINGLES" (Sun.) Winners Were:

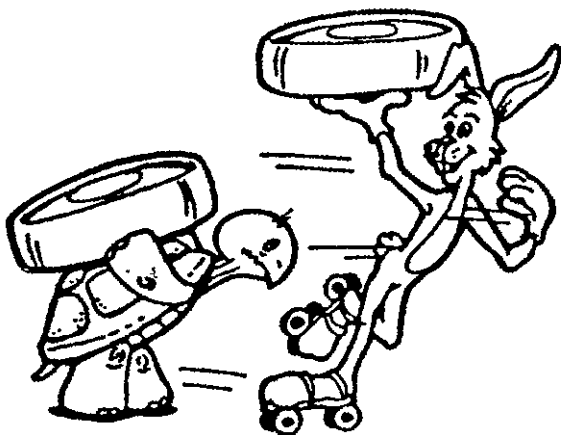


LEFT: "Singles": 1st Place: Bud Esterline and 2nd Place: Larry Brown [Editor Comment: Notable that Larry Brown was in the winners circle in ALL 3 Events!]

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CO.NE.HEAD CLASSIC III Results!

A Real Corny Affair

August 24-26, 2001

Balloon Inn

Arvada, CO

Report By: Char Waugaman

Photos By: Candy Lepore



The Nebraska Players were greeted with cornstalks and corn (provided by Bill Shino and Ron Sosovec) on Aug. 24-26 at the Balloon Inn, Arvada, Colorado, to participate in the 3rd Annual CO.NE.Head Classic.

Waving corn stalks, Ron Sosovec tried to make the Nebraska players feel right at home, while they watched their NU Huskers Football Team Saturday on television. Did it work? We don't know, but maybe next year someone will bring Buffalo Chips too!

This always fun A/B/C Blind Draw event consisted of 12 three-person teams (36 players) with players from Nebraska, Colorado, and even one player from Michigan and one from California.

I'm not sure if we now have to fit more states into our tourney title or not, but the more the merrier! A 2 out of 3 game format with games to 21 points in the winners bracket and 21 point single games in the losers bracket made for plenty of fun and competitive matches over this 2-1/2 day tournament. And now for the A/B/C winner details:



ABOVE: Congratulations on A/B/C 1st Place goes to the well deserving CO.NE.Head team (pictured above left to right) Balloon Inn owner Glenn Chavez congratulates 1st place team: Shane Hagen, Jo Cook, and Lenny Webster (right - captain). NOTE: Shane Hagen is a beginner shuffleboard player from Nebraska and son of Shelly Hagen. Way to go Shane!



ABOVE: A/B/C 2nd Place goes to (pictured above left to right) Balloon Inn owner Glenn Chavez congratulates 2nd place team: Danielle Bruggeman, Mike Hodges, and Char Waugaman (team captain).



ABOVE: A/B/C 3rd Place goes to (pictured above left to right) Ron Sosovec (captain and corn provider), Char Rahn and Bill Foster.

Thanks to Morey Balins, Ron Sosovec and Rick Boyer for running this fun tournament, to Candy Lepore for her dedicated picture taking, and to the Balloon Inn, Mark Richner and Bill Foster for the great food! It's always fun getting together with our Nebraska neighbors and we want to thank all of you for joining us in Colorado. We look forward to an even bigger CO.NE.Head next year.

[EDITOR COMMENT: Balloon Inn shufflers lost one of their dear friends (See Page 15 of this issue for the John Sullivan Memorial) shortly after this tournament and on the same horrible day that our country and the world suffered the worst terrorism attack in history - September 11, 2001.]

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NOTE: See Footnote Description at top of Page 2 of Flyer (Time*, Entry Fee, Limits***)**

#	Event Description	Date (Day) Time*	Entry Fee**	Limits*** (Rating)
	WARM-UP & ROBINS (Robins/no sponsor sales)-(Registration Desk Open Noon - 5 PM)	03/26 (Tues.) - 11 AM		ALL REGISTERED (Rated: -1 thru 5)
	RECOGNITION DINNER BANQUET (free to all players registered for <u>tourney & banquet</u>)	03/26 (Tues.) - 6 PM		ALL REGISTERED
1	DRAW DIV. I (Rated: -1, 0, 1), Note: no two -1's can draw up (if avoidable)	03/27 (Wed.) - 11 AM	\$50/player	96 players (Rated: -1, 0, 1)
2	DRAW DIV. II (Rated: 2 thru 5), Note: no two 2's can draw up (if avoidable)	03/27 (Wed.) - 11 AM	\$50/player	96 players (Rated: 2 thru 5)
3	6-PERSON DRAFT TEAM - 4 of 7 games, Double Elimination - 3 boards -Mark 3 and play to 15 pts. (Highest Rated Players entered must agree to be the designated Team Captains)	03/28 (Thurs.) - 10 AM	\$50/player	192 players (Rated: -1 thru 5)
4	PRO SINGLES (Rated: -1 thru 5) 2 of 3 Double Elimination Winner Bracket; 15 pt. Single Game In Loser Bracket	03/29 (Fri.) - 11 AM	\$200/player	48 players (Rated: -1 thru 5)
5	DIV. I SINGLES (Rated: 1 thru 5), 15 pt. Single Game/Double Elimination	03/29 (Fri.) - 11 AM	\$75/player	64 players (Rated: 1 thru 5)
6	DIV. II SINGLES (Rated: 3 thru 5), 15 pt. Single Game/Double Elimination	03/29 (Fri.) - 11 AM	\$45/player	64 players (Rated: 3 thru 5)
7	PRO DIV. BRING (no two -1's) (Rated: -1 thru 5) 2 of 3 Double Elimination Winner Bracket; 15 pt. Single game in Loser Bracket	03/30 (Sat.) - 12 Noon	\$150/team	32 teams (Rated: -1 thru 5)
8	DIV. I BRING (Add to 3 or more) (Rated: 1 thru 5)	03/30 (Sat.) - 12 Noon	\$100/team	40 teams (Rated: 1 thru 5)
9	DIV. II BRING (Add to 6 or more) (Rated: 3 thru 5) NOTE: SUNDAY, 03/31 complete Events 4-9 (if needed).	03/30 (Sat.) - 12 Noon	\$60/team	32 teams (Rated: 3 thru 5)

REGISTRATION FORM: (ONE PLAYER PER FORM)

You must either send in all of your entry monies with this form or a minimum of \$25 per event deposit required and your One-Time Registration Fee [\$25 (discounted pre-registration rate) if paid on/before the Feb. 14, 2002 Pre-Registration Deadline; \$30 if paid after the Pre-Registration Deadline] for Events 1 through 9 and Sponsor shirts/jackets must be pre-paid in full. Any Event Balances must be paid after you arrive and before event play. Entries are accepted until the event is full or until the posted entry start time deadline. *THE ONE-TIME REGISTRATION FEE "MUST" BE INCLUDED WITH THIS ENTRY FORM SUBMISSION OR THE ENTRY FORM CANNOT BE PROCESSED.

Name: _____ Decimal Rating: _____ Rating: _____
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| 1. Division I Draw | \$ _____ |
| 2. Division II Draw | \$ _____ |
| 3. Six-Person Draft Team | \$ _____ |
| 4. Pro Division Singles | \$ _____ |
| 5. Division I Singles | \$ _____ |
| 6. Division II Singles | \$ _____ |
| 7. Pro Division Bring: | \$ _____ |
| 8. Division I Bring: | \$ _____ |
| 9. Division II Bring: | \$ _____ |
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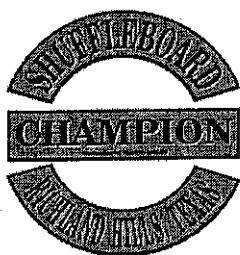
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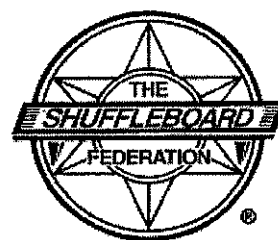


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"FRIENDSHIP THROUGH COMPETITION"

Date	Event	Time	Format Description	Max #	Bracket	Discounted Entry Fees (add \$5 after Dec. 10 th)
Mon.		6 PM	Draws, Practice and side games			
Tues.		5 PM	Draws, Practice and side games			
Wed.		2 PM	Hall of Fame Inductions)			
12/26	1	3 PM	Pro/Am Draw (No -1's draw together)	96	-1, 0, 1	\$50
	2	3 PM	Amateur Draw (No 2's draw together)	96	2, 3, 4	\$30
Thur. 2/27	3	10 AM	6 Person Draft Team. 4 of 7 Dble Elim. 3 boards. Mark 4 and play to 15.	192	All	\$50 each
Fri. 12/28	4	11 AM	Singles - Handicapped Entry Fees Dble Elim. 2 of 3 Winners, 18 pts losers	32	-1, 0, 1	\$300/200/150
	5	11 AM	Singles - Handicapped Entry Fees	64	1, 2, 3	\$100/80/60
	6	11 AM	Singles - Handicapped Entry Fees	64	3, 4, 5	\$40/30/20
Sat. 12/29	7	NOON	4 Person Bring Team - Add to 3 (1 Pro Max.) 2 of 3 Double Elimination	24	-1, 0, 1, 2, 3	\$400/Team
	8	NOON	4 Person Bring Team - Add to 10 2 of 3 Double elimination	24	1, 2, 3, 4	\$160/Team
Sun. 12/30	9	NOON	2 Person Bring Partner - Add to 0	48	All	\$300
	10	NOON	2 Person Bring Partner - Add to 4	64	1, 2, 3	\$100
	11	NOON	2 Person Bring Partner - Add to 6	48	2, 3, 4	\$60
Mon. 12/31			Completion of Events 9, 10 & 11			
		9 PM	New Years Eve Party and Dance Free buffet			Open play until 7pm
	12	7 PM	Draw - Single Elimination - No auction		-1 0, 1, 2	\$50
	13	7 PM	Draw - Single Elimination - No auction		2, 3, 4	\$20

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Events: 7. & 8. Bring your own 4-PERSON TEAM (Division I or II). TO BE FILLED OUT BY CAPTAINS "ONLY" WITH COMPLETED TEAM INFORMATION (Players Names & Ratings).

	Name	Decimal Rating	Rating
Team Captain:	_____	_____	_____
Player 2:	_____	_____	_____
Player 3:	_____	_____	_____
Player 4:	_____	_____	_____
TEAM TOTAL (Decimal Rating & Rating):		_____	_____

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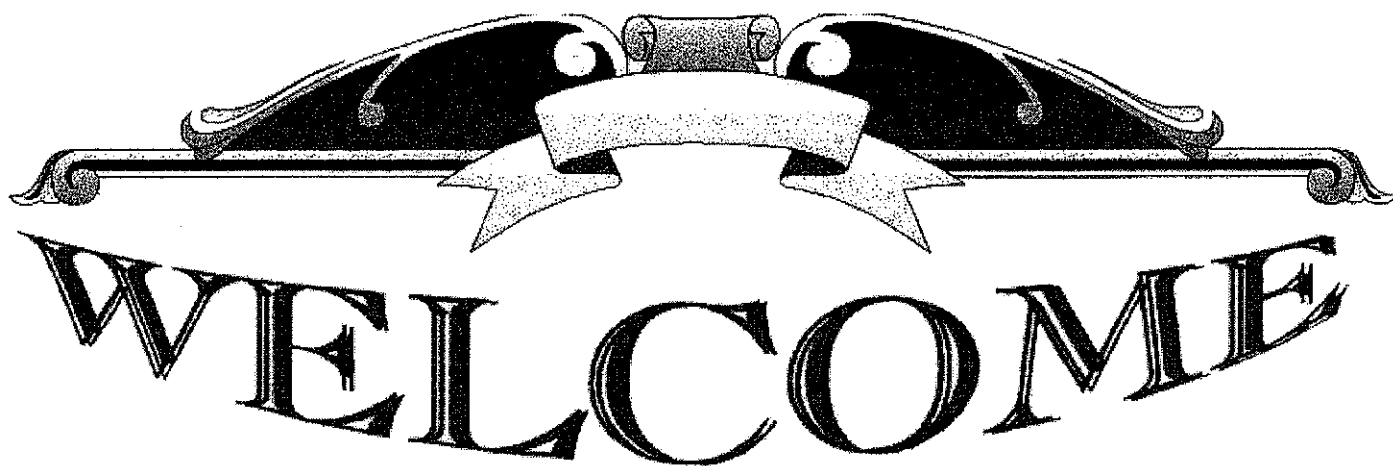
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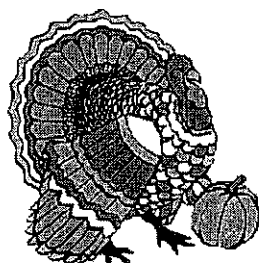
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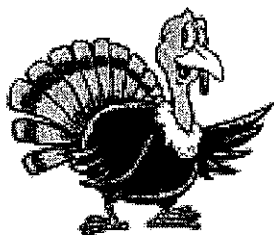
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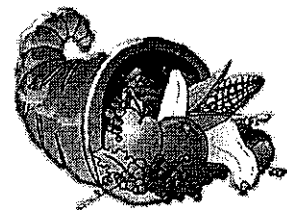


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4*	Fri. 23 rd Nov. Danny's Starts at Danny's (-1 thru 2)	2 PM	SINGLES (-1 thru 2) Handicapped Entry Fees. 2 out of 3 winners bracket. 18 point losers bracket	-1 0 1's & 2's	\$200 \$150 \$100
5*	Starts at Danny's (1 thru 3)	2 PM	SINGLES (1 thru 3) Double elimination. Handicapped Entry.	1 2's & 3's	\$75 \$50
6**	Starts at Triple Crown (3 thru 5)	2 PM	SINGLES (3 thru 5) Double elimination. Handicapped play.	3, 4, 5	\$30
7*	Sat. 24 th Nov. Starts at Danny's	2 PM	BRING PARTNER 2 of 3 winners, 18 pt. losers	Add to 0 (or more)	\$200
8*	Starts at Danny's	2 PM	BRING PARTNER Double elimination.	Add to 4 (or more)	\$100
9**	Starts at Triple Crown	2 PM	BRING PARTNER Double elimination	Add to 6 (or more)	\$60

NOTE: * Events 4, 5, 7, 8 Start at Danny's Sports Bar and may finish at Triple Crown Sports Bar.

** Events 6 & 9 Start at Triple Crown Sports Bar and may finish at Danny's Sports Bar.

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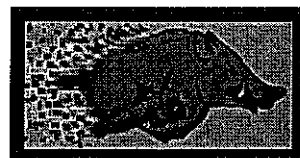
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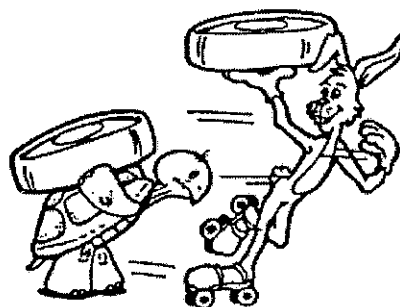
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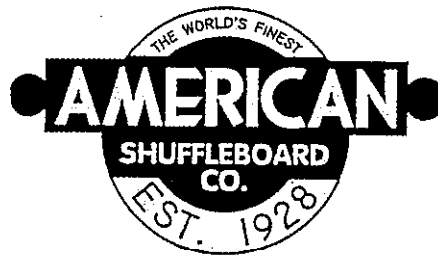
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Fill-N-Station's "Catch The Train" Tourney!

August 25-26, 2001

Fill-N-Station, Mims, Florida

Reported By: Charley E. Thompson, Titusville, Florida



The Fill-N-Station hosted the "Catch The Train" tournament on August 25-26, 2001. Marty Allen (pictured left) was presented the Central Florida Shuffleboard Association's (CFSA) first "Pioneer Award." Marty has been an avid player and long time supporter of the sport for many years. A well deserved award!

Many thanks to tourney directors: Alvis Ramey and Jerry Gray and to Pat Gray and Sue Swindle for all their help running the tourney. The tournament events started Saturday with a Draw Partner and Sunday's Bring Partner really brought out many of the "big boys!"



CFSA "Pioneer Award"
Presented to... Marty Allen (left)
by Charley Thompson,
CFSA Chairman (right)

RIGHT: Kay Tripp Smiles (as always) and said she really enjoyed the tourney!



"DRAW PARTNER" (Saturday) Winners Were:

"BRING PARTNER" (Sunday) Winners Were:



LEFT: 1st Place:
Dick Smedberg and
Jerry Gray (right)



LEFT: 2nd Place:
Marty Allen and
Dave Macko (right)



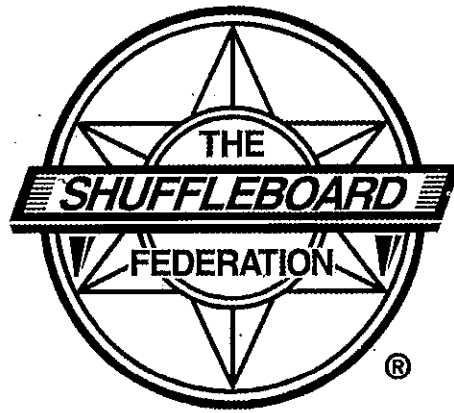
LEFT: 3rd Place:
Kay Tripp and J.T.
Swindle (right)



ABOVE: 1st Place: (left to right) Owner Larry Cooper (left) pictured with winners Marty Allen & Dave Macko



ABOVE: (left to right) 2nd Place: Jerry Gray/Alvis Ramey; and 3rd Place: Phil Young/Rusty Nowakowski



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Frisco Eddie's Revenge: The Return

EPISODE 84 -- A Series by Balboa Ron Schweikert -- November 2001 Issue

Submitted Monthly By: Balboa Ron Schweikert, 1140 Coral Desert Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89123 or e-mail: balboaron@hotmail.com

After the smoke had cleared from the big victory over Long Beach Lil, and her partner "The Texas Kid", Eddie and Shelli sat down to have a relaxing drink with their friends from Daytona Beach. Of course, they all had to rehash the \$6,000 win, and how the games were played. Eddie hadn't planned to tell Shelli about the "salt" job that Lil and the Kid had set-up for them.

Eddie's friend Jack was pretty sharp (and very observant). Without knowing that Shelli had no clue, he said: "That last game was especially tricky. I thought you'd raise hell when you found out that "The Kid" had "salted" his end of the board! You played it as slick as I've ever seen done; especially when you used it against THEM – and by the time Lil found out what was up; it was too late!"

Shelli had a very perplexed and confused look on her face now. Because he had opened up the can of worms, Eddie asked Jack to explain what "salting" meant – and also to handle the barrage of questions she was sure to have!

After they had figured out that they better start to wrap it up for the night and for the rest of the tournament (because they had enough shuffleboard for now), Jack suggested that they get together tomorrow and do something. Eddie said he'd give him a call in the morning, and they'd work things out. They only had two days left before returning to San Francisco, and they were determined to spend the entire last day at the beach – alone...all alone.

After they got back to the Hotel, it only took a minute or two before they were sound asleep. On the drive there they had worked out a plan for the following afternoon and evening. They decided it would be fun to try the "Hi-Li" in the afternoon, then have dinner, and wind things up at the dog track that evening.

Eddie called them after they finally woke-up, at about 11 a.m. Everything went according to plan, and they all had a wonderful day and evening. It was a little sad when the goodbyes were made, but the four of them knew it wouldn't be too long before they'd meet again.

The final day of their Honeymoon was just fabulous. After a wonderful breakfast, they got ready, and headed for the beach. The day was perfect. The temperature was around 85 degrees, and the water was at least 90. They swam and sunned, and loved each other. The time they spent together that last day

was so very special – and was the perfect culmination to their Wedding, Honeymoon, and also gave them an in-sight of what a wonderful life and marriage that lie ahead.

On the plane ride back, they were very relaxed, and basking in the memories of their Honeymoon. Little did they know that when they got back to San Francisco, there would be someone waiting for Eddie. This man was known to them - well known. What they didn't know, was that this man was SURE - he could take Eddie on the shuffleboard...and possibly in some other ways as well!

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2nd Annual Nebraska State Championships



September 20-23, 2001
 Harold's Bar & My Way Lounge, Omaha, NE
 Reported By: Char Rahn, Omaha, NE

Nebraska
 Capital: Lincoln
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 State bird: western meadow lark
 State flower: goldenrod

A total of 52 players gathered at Harold's Bar and My Way Lounge, Sept. 20-23, hoping for a share of \$11,662 in prize monies for the 2nd Annual Nebraska State Championship Tournament.

Action started at 6 PM on Thursday night with a 4-person Draft Team, followed by the sponsor sales. Play started around 8 PM with 10 teams on 6 boards. Format was 2 out of 3 games/double elimination.

Notable: Coming out of the loser bracket to take 1st place was the team of Marty Shepard (captain).

"4-Person Draft Team" (Thurs. - 10 Teams):



ABOVE: **1st Place:** (left to right) Jim Payne, Amy Everhart, Marty Shepard (captain), and not pictured: Dru Frederick



ABOVE: **2nd Place:** (left to right) Dwayne Nielson, John Kosiske (captain), Jack Strickland, and not pictured: Bill Frederick



ABOVE: **3rd Place:** (left to right) Ron Campbell (captain), Pete Craven (CA), Rondo Venclauskas, & Rich Klanderud

Doubles started on Saturday afternoon after sponsor sales for Open Doubles and Div. II Doubles at 12 Noon. Format was single game to 21 pts., double elimination for both events. **Notable:** Coming out on top late Saturday night for the second year in a row was the team of Mike Roach & John Kosiske in the Open Doubles event and Steve Hanson & Eddie Styles, 2nd place Div. II, were second year winners.

"Open Doubles" (Sat. - 11 Teams):



LEFT: **1st Place:** (left to right) John Kosiske (left) & Mike Roach (second year in row to take 1st Place!)



ABOVE: (left to right) **2nd Place:** Char Waugaman (CO) & Linda Ritter; and **3rd Place:** Jeff Womble (aka "Tex") & Jim Kosiske (not pictured)

"Div. II Doubles" (Sat. - 13 Teams):



LEFT: **1st Place:** (left to right) Pete Craven (Calif.) & Steve Hamilton

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"Div. II Doubles" (Sat. - 13 Teams): (con't.)

LEFT: 2nd Place: (left to right) Steve Hanson & Eddie Styles (last year's winners!); and **not pictured winners:** **3rd Place:** Shelly Hagen & Don Landrie; **4th Place:** Vance Raasch & Rondo Venclauskas

Open Singles and Div. II Singles started (sponsor sale followed by play) at 12 Noon on Sunday. Format was Single game to 15 pts., double elimination (a double dip in each event!)

"Open Singles" (Sun. - 12 players):

ABOVE: 1st Place: Morey Balins (center), **2nd Place:** Larry Zahm (right), and **3rd Place:** John Kosiske (left), & **4th Place (not pictured):** Char Waugaman

"Div. II Singles" (Sun. - 18 players):

LEFT: (left to right) 1st Place: Steve Hamilton, and **2nd Place:** Jeff Loos



LEFT: 3rd Place: Don Landrie (left) pictured with My Way Lounge Owner: Kevin Highby, and **(not pictured): 4th Place:** Amy Everhart; **5th/6th Place:** Tommy Arelleno and Joe Harvat

All 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place winners were presented with a Nebraska shaped plaque.

Other Notables: In Open Singles, Char Waugaman was the only female in a field of 12 players and in Div. II Singles, Amy Everhart was the lone female in a field of 18 players. Out of the 52 players for the weekend, there were 9 women players and two new players that started playing this summer. Omaha keeps getting new players every tournament, but we need more women players.

Everyone had a good time during the tournament and there were great games played in all events. Thanks to Harold Newbanks, Jr. (owner of Harold's) and Kevin Highby (owner of My Way Lounge) for hosting this tournament, for the added pot that they donated, and for the great food they provided!

Since the events were open to states that do not have a State Championship Tournament, we were very happy to see our out-of-state friends: Char Waugaman, Morey Balins, and Ron Sosovec of Colorado; Scott Auten of Kansas; Jeff Womble (dual resident of Texas and Nebraska), Pete Craven of California; Rondo Venclauska (now of Utah, previously from Nebraska); and Ron Campbell and Billy and Jeff Loos of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Thanks to Jim Payne, Tournament Director, and all his helpers: Linda Ritter, Tom Galvin, Marty Shepard, Bill & Dru Frederick, and every else who helped with so many things (including board cleaning.)

-- By: Char Rahn, NE



MERRITT ISLAND OPEN A SUCCESS!



September 29-30, 2001

Nova Lounge, Merritt Island, FL

Reported By: Charley E. Thompson, Titusville, FL

The inaugural "Merritt Island Open," held Sept. 29-30 at the Nova Lounge in Merritt Island, Florida was a great success -- almost a total sell out both days. Therefore, it is being considered for annual event.

The Central Florida Shuffleboard Association (CFSa) wishes to thank everyone that participated and those that helped out, including: Pat Gray, Sue Swindle, Kathy Ring, and Brenda Ramey.

"DRAW PARTNER" (Saturday) Winners Were:



LEFT: 1st: Alvis Ramey & Charley Thompson (right)



ABOVE: (left to right) 2nd: Rusty Nowakowski and Pat Gray; 3rd: Barrie McClean and Doug Kelly



"BRING PARTNER" (Sunday) Winners Were:



ABOVE: 1st: Alvis Ramey (left) and Jerry Gray (right) pictured with Hostess Marlene (center)



LEFT: 2nd: Dick Smedburg (left) and Dooley Forster



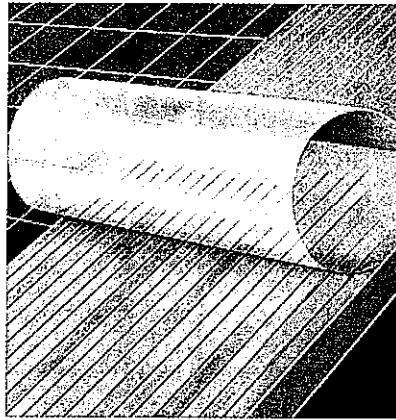
LEFT: 3rd: Barrie McClean (left) and Dave Macko

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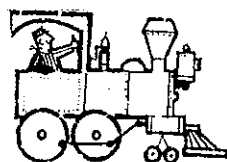
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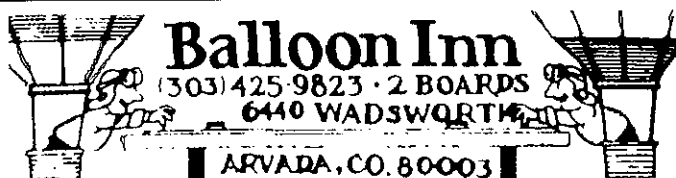
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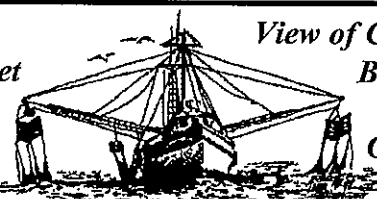


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The annual "Play Your Way Across the USA - June 2001 Edition," was mailed as a 4-page insert in The Board Talk's June 2001 Issue. We have had several inquiries and requests to publish this twice a year instead of annually. We would be more than happy to have two editions per year if there are some subscribers or establishments that would like to help sponsor additional editions. We had no sponsors or cosponsors on the June 2001 edition, so the cost of publishing it was absorbed solely by The Board Talk. We cannot increase the frequency of the "Play Your Way Across the USA" publication insert without some sponsors to help pay for the cost of doing so. So, let us know if any of you would like to sponsor or cosponsor the annual edition and/or donate to help sponsor an additional edition (semiannual, rather than annual.)

Shuffleboard establishments get placed in the "Play Your Way Across the USA" at no charge if they are a currently paid The Board Talk *subscriber* and/or *Shuffleboard Directory Advertiser*. Shuffleboard players refer to this publication to find places to play in their travels, during vacations, and if/when they relocate or move to other areas of the country. Since the June 2001 "Play Your Way Across the U.S.A.," there are some establishments that may be dropped if renewals are not received before the next edition. There are also a number of new establishments that have been added for the next edition (example: See Page 37 of this issue for 1 more new places to play that has been added this month - we've been receiving new additions almost every month since the June edition!) If your establishment is a subscriber or directory advertiser at this time, you might help ensure that they realize when their renewals are due so that they do not get dropped from the next edition. If your establishment is not yet a subscriber or directory advertiser, then you might show them your June 2001 Edition and some Shuffleboard Directory Ad samples from one or more of your issues. Establishment subscriptions are \$30/year for 4th Class Mailing or \$55/year for 1st Class Mailing and Shuffleboard Directory Ads are \$100/year or \$150/year (depending upon which size ad they select).

Thanks! --T & L, The Board Talk Publishers

League Players' Corner (League Players' Corner - Series #10: New Section First Added In The February 2001 Issue)

Last month issue had several pages of reporter input, but this month there were no special events to be reported..

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4th Annual M.S.P.A. Hall of Fame Tourney Results!

September 28-29, 2001
Eagles Lodge 3911
Houston, Missouri
Reported By: Charlie Riley

The Eagles Lodge 3911, Houston, Mo. hosted the "4th Annual M.S.P.A. (Missouri Shuffleboard Players Association) Hall of Fame Tournament on Sept. 28-29, 2001.

This is an annual event with \$5.00 of each entry fee going to the M.S.P.A. Triple Crown donated a set of weights which were won by Scott Townley. Frank Edelen donated a weight box which was won by Andy Friedhofen. Andy also donated one of his custom weight cases which along with a portable light donated by Robert Kasa was auctioned with all these proceeds going to the M.S.P.A. Thanks to all the donors and buyers.

There was 52 players from 5 states that came to win this tournament. In this Bring Partner, add to "3" format after all smoke cleared it was Glen Ingram from Muncie, IN and Tim Adams from Gepp, AR, that took 1st place.

Locals John Stenger and Steve Lindsey of Houston, MO after being knocked to the losers bracket by the very strong team of Chuck Muehlhauser of St. Louis, MO and Manny Lane of Pocahontis, AR came back through the losers bracket 8 games later to beat the undefeated team of Glen and Tim in the first match of the finals by a score of 15 to 8. In the second match it was 14 to 13, John and Steve with the winning point on the board, a real deep one. Tim's hammer, yes, he lagged a deuce to win the tournament. It doesn't get any better than that. Just goes to show what can happen when you have someone like Glen with his skill, knowledge, and patience can do with a relatively new player. Congratulations Glen and Tim!

Settling for 2nd place was John and Steve and finishing out the field of winners. It was Pat Gainey from Austin, TX and Francis Waters from Salem, MO who nabbed 3rd place, and Chuck Muehlhauser and Manny Lane who took 4th place.

Charlie Shea "The Pork Butt King" gets better with every cook out, and of course the ladies laid out their usual find spread. Thanks to all from Charlie and "girls."

"BRING PARTNER" (add to 3 or more) Winners:



ABOVE: (left to right) 1st Place: Tim Adams of Gepp, AR and Glen Ingram of Muncie, IN



LEFT: 2nd Place: John Stinger and Steve Lindsey of Houston, MO are presented their awards by tournament director, Tony Leier (left)



LEFT: 3rd Place: Francis Waters (left) of Salem, MO and Pat Gainey (right) of Austin, TX being presented their awards by tournament director, Tony Leier (center)



LEFT: 4th Place: Chuck Muehlhauser (left) of St. Louis, MO and Manny Lane (right) of Pocahontas, AR

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NOTICE: ALL PLAYERS ARE INVITED TO A "TSA OPEN MEETING" and A "TSA HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY" TO BE HELD DURING THE HOUSTON HOLIDAY OPEN ON DECEMBER 26, 2001 (Open Meeting at 1 PM; Induction Ceremony from 2 PM - 3 PM). The TSA Directors wish to thank all that have donated items to the TSA HOF Museum. We have two new TSA HOF monetary donations since the last issue, being: Russell Girdler of Anchorage, Alaska and the American Legion Post 73 (sent by Don Crall) in Del City, Oklahoma. Many thanks to you both! In addition, Andree Rasmussen of Downey, California has donated 4 old Rock-ola weights (two red/two green) -- Many thanks Andree!

As stated in the October 2001 issue, we were planning to place Sol Lipkin's contribution (his letter and 8X10 Black/White Photos of an Underwater Submarine tournament) in this November issue, but with all of the tournament input (Labor Day, State Tournaments, etc.) there was not enough space to place it in this November issue. Hopefully, we can put the Sol Lipkin scanned items and a photo of Andree's Rock-ola weights donation in the December issue. Thanks to all for your continued support of the TSA and Hall of Fame museum collections.

Hope to see many of you soon at the Houston Holiday Open 2001 tournament. -- **TSA Directors**

Shufflers' Notebook (Con't. from Page 16)

Williams Answers Dowell!

While your loyalty to your state is commendable and I respect you for this trait, I am totally shocked that you would even suggest that your girls could compete with a Texas team. We would field a team of Diana Hagen (-1), Brenda Moore (0), Janet Weidner (0), Jeri Billard, Mary Koteris (both 1's) and some of our highly skilled 2's. We have \$6,000 to wager on say a best of 18 match held at a neutral site. Please let me know your thoughts on this - our Texas girls are eager to play (they just might be able to beat your men's team - they are tough!)

-- **Your Friend, Bobby Williams**

More From Bobby Williams!

I was pleased to see the Oct. 2001 issue (cover) letter from Jimmy Britt and Lynda's statement. I have always been impressed by "The Greatest

Generation," by Tom Brokaw, honoring those who served in WW II both on the battlefields and at home in the factories and on the farms. Truly, they deserve our respect and admiration... for they saved the World for us through their quiet heroism. They preserved our freedom and liberties at an awful price. Now, we have the chance to measure up and show them their accomplishments were worth it. We will answer these terrorist attacks with quiet, patient, patriotism. We must show that we, too, are a great generation. The heroic police and fire fighters of New York are a great start. Now we must back our President and our military. We will find and defeat these cowardly terrorists wherever they are.

-- **Bobby Williams, TX**

2001-2002 CALENDAR OF SHUFFLEBOARD EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2001

November 3 (See Oct. flyer insert)

Houston Holiday Open "Qualifier"
 Danny's Sports Bar
 Houston, Texas

November 10 (See Oct. flyer)

Houston Holiday Open "Qualifier"
 Triple Crown Sports Bar
 Houston, Texas

November 16-18

Taz Country
 Red Cross Relief Fund Tourney
 A/B & A/B/C Events
 Austin (Pflugerville), Texas

November 16-18

Turkey Shootout (Draw, Bring & Singles + \$100 added if over 15 players signed up)
 Market Street Cafe
 Charlestown, Maryland

November 21-24 (See Oct. flyer)

Houston Thanksgiving Tourney
 Danny's Sports Bar
 Houston, Texas

November 21-25 (See Nov. flyer)

Thanksgiving 2001 Weekend Tourney
 133 Club
 Manteca, California

November 22-25 (See Nov. flyer)

Annual Thanksgiving Tourney
 Oskar's Sports Bar & Grill
 Bellflower, California

November 22-25

7th Annual Thanksgiving Tourney
 Eagles Club
 Houston, Missouri

November 23-24

Thanksgiving Tournament
 Bud's Action Lounge
 Broken Arrow, Oklahoma

November 23-25

Indiana State Tournament
 Amvets Post 26
 Pendleton, Indiana

November 23-25

Florida State Championship
 Bavarian "B" House
 Titusville, Florida

November 23-25 (See Oct. flyer)

16th Annual Michigan State
 Championship Tournament
 Club Car Lounge
 Durand, Michigan

November 24-25

AB Bring Partner
 BZ's Sports Bar
 Des Moines, Washington

Nov. 30-Dec. 2 (See Nov. flyer)

3rd Annual Houston Holiday Open
 Warm-Up Tournament
 VFW Post #9095
 Little Rock, Arkansas

DECEMBER 2001

December 1 (See Ad, Page 33)

A-B Draws (6 PM to Closing)
 Fiasco Cocktails
 San Antonio, Texas

December 1-2

Draw Partner/Bring Partner
 Dew Drop Inn
 Waterloo, New York

December 7-8

Pat Marshall's 8th Annual Bring
 Partner Holiday Tournament
 Ulena's Sports Bar
 St. Louis, Missouri

December 7-9

Santa's Classic
 Bring Partner Open Doubles
 Balloon Inn
 Arvada, Colorado

December 7-9 (See Sept. '01 flyer)

Holiday Classic
 Harvey's Place
 Street, Maryland

December 8 (See Oct. flyer)

Houston Holiday Open "Qualifier"
 Triple Crown Sports Bar
 Houston, Texas

December 8

Open Doubles
 Sportsman's Lounge
 Muncie, Indiana

December 8-9

Rated Doubles
 Frankie's Sports Bar & Grill
 Olympia, Washington

December 14-16

N.E. Arkansas Open
 American Legion Post 6
 Pocahontas, Arkansas

December 14-15

Holiday Classic (Draw & Bring)
 Market Street Cafe
 Charlestown, Maryland

December 15 (See Oct. '01 flyer)

Houston Holiday Open "Qualifier"
 Triple Crown Sports Bar
 Houston, Texas

December 15

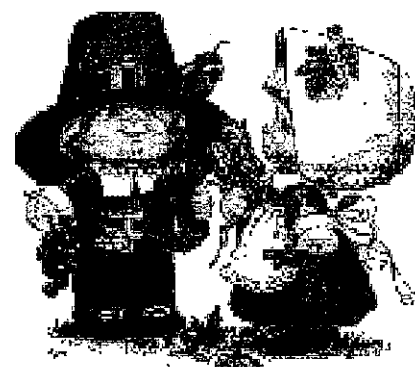
Open Doubles
 Fish of Stroh - Portside Lounge
 Ft. Wayne, Indiana

December 26-31 (See flyer insert)

6th Annual Houston Holiday Open
 Sheraton Brookhollow
 Houston, Texas

December 29-30

ESA Mixed Doubles
 Tim's Bar & Grill ("Timbers Tavern")
 Kelso, Washington



JANUARY 2002**January 5**

Open Doubles
Sportsman's Lounge
Muncie, Indiana

January 18-19

Heartland Handicap
American Legion Post 73
Del City, Oklahoma

FEBRUARY 2002**February 2-3**

Draw Partner/Bring Partner
Dew Drop Inn
Waterloo, New York

February 9-11

Nelson Renzo Tournament (Draw,
Bring, and Mixed)
Market Street Cafe
Charlestown, Maryland

February 22-24 (See Sept. '01 flyer)

Mason Dixon Classic
Harvey's Place
Street, Maryland

MARCH 2002**March 9-10**

Florida Open Warm-Up
Fill-N-Station
Mims, Florida

March 15-16

Spring Fling (Draw & Bring Partner)
Market Street Cafe
Charlestown, Maryland

March 15-17

Florida Open
Moose Lodge # 2304
Titusville, Florida

March 15-17

3rd Annual O'Harold's
St. Patrick's Tournament
Harold's Bar
Omaha, Nebraska

**March 22-24**

The Blast-Off
Fill-N-Station
Mims, Florida

March 26-31 (See flyer insert)

1st Annual The Board Talk Open
Plaza Hotel & Casino
Las Vegas, Nevada



**** NOTE:** See Page 38 of this issue & flyer inserted in this issue for more details on Vegas tourney.

APRIL 2002**April 2-7**

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April 4-7

Nationals Tournament
Dew Drop Inn
Waterloo, New York

April 19-20

Heartland Handicap
American Legion Post 73
Del City, Oklahoma

April 19-21 (See Sept. '01 flyer)

Maryland State Championship
Harvey's Place
Street, Maryland

JUNE 2002**June 1-2**

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Waterloo, New York

JULY 2002**June 30 - July 6**

Southwest Open
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October 18-19

Heartland Handicap
American Legion Post 73
Del City, Oklahoma

DECEMBER 2002**December 7-8**

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1st ANNUAL THE BOARD TALK OPEN!

The upcoming The Board Talk Open will start warm-up play on Tuesday, March 26th (robins/ draws, no sponsor sales) and have a "free" Recognition Banquet on Tuesday evening at 6 PM.

Bowers 2001 Ratings will be used to determine entry criteria due to new ratings being unavailable until February 1, 2002 and Pre-Registration must start before the Year 2002 ratings are available.

Scheduled events will start on Wednesday morning, March 27th, with two divisions of Draw Partner: Div. I: -1,0,1 and no two -1's can draw partners; Div. II: 2,3,4,5 and no two 2's can draw unless unavoidable.

Thursday morning, March 28th, starts with a 6-Person Draft Team Event (highest rated will be the assigned Team captains and numbers will be drawn for selection sequence of others on team.)

Friday morning, March 29th, will offer three divisions of Singles Events (Pro, Div. I, Div. II), set entry fees (players can play upward, but not downward.)

Saturday morning, March 30th, will offer three divisions of Bring Partner (Pro, Div. I, Div. II).

Sunday will be completion of Friday/Saturday events (if needed) and board break down begins.

There will be an added bonus pot (minimum \$1,500) based upon the point system for winners in each category. Sponsorship monies (Diamond, Platinum, Gold, Silver, etc.) will determine the total amount of added pot to be offered and split amongst the highest accumulated points in six categories: Overall Champ, Pro Champ, '1' Champ, '2' Champ, and '3-5' Champ.

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Above is just an overview of the finalized schedule and events. See Flyer inserted into this October 2001 issue for Event Details and Pre-Registration Form. Register Early to ensure event slots and to take advantage of the reduced event entry fees available through February 14, 2002.

-- By: Tom & Lynda French, Tournament Directors

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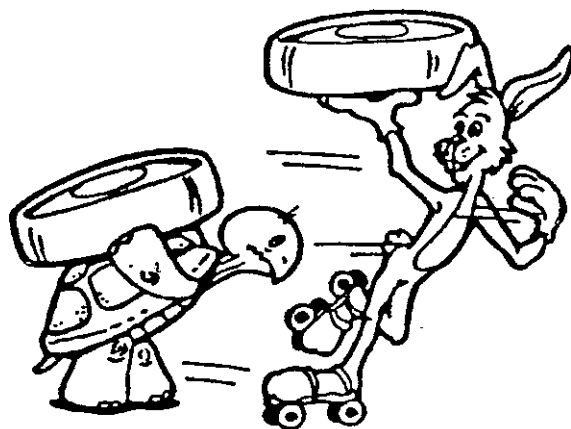
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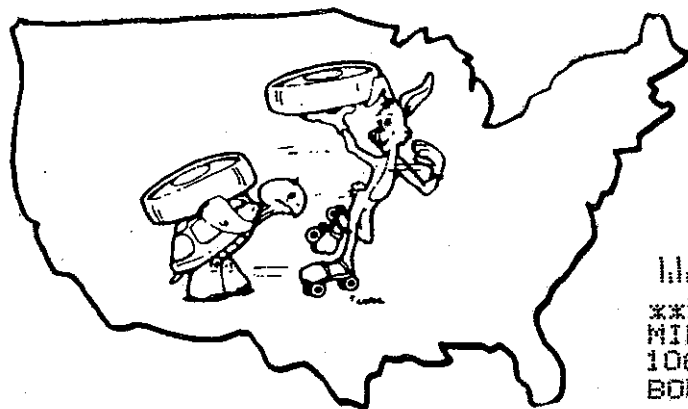
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