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13th Annual 2002 NASC™ Reno Tourney Results!

October 27 - November 3, 2002 Sands Regency Hotel/Casino, Reno, Nevada Report & Photos By: John McDermott, The Shuffleboard Federation



The 13th Annual North American Shuffleboard Championships got off to a good start as the action kicked off with the new Three-Person Team events. The new events proved to be very popular with the participants and we look forward to expanding them for the 2003 NASC™.

Other highlights included the change in format for the amateur singles events to a 2 out of 3 winners bracket and a 21 point game losers bracket, the Sol Lipkin Award presentation to Karl Spickelmier, the Hall of Fame induction ceremony for Chuck Norris and the raffle for the brand new Ambassador Shuffleboard Table, which was won by Steve Fisher, owner of the 99 Tavern in Winston, Oregon.

The Ambassador, which is the official shuffleboard of the NASC™, is made by Venture Entertainment. We would like to thank Russ McKay, owner of Venture, for donating the table. This was the third NASC™ on the new boards and they continue to surpass our expectations. We would like to acknowledge the efforts of our set up team, Rick Boyer, Dennis Bird, Bill Maxwell, Al Pease, Rick Gindt, Gordie Smith, Joe Ozanich, Mike Keevil, Fred Boyd and Don Mitchell for doing an outstanding job of setting up, cleaning, polishing and leveling the boards.

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We would also to recognize the administrative staff for their excellent work in helping to run another very smooth tournament. The hard work of bracket man Rob Kern along with the efforts of Kathy Yingst, Linda Ritter and Jack Davis allow us to get events started and finished according to schedule. This is no easy feat even for a local weekend tournament at the neighborhood tavern. Kathy, Linda and Jack also managed to find the time to handle the sale of tournament shirts and jackets. Thanks also to Candy Lepore and Lorraine Bingham for all of their help behind the scenes.

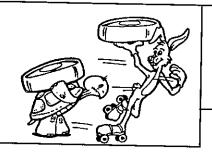
The Friday night awards ceremony was extra special because, in addition to being very deserving of their respective awards, the honorees, Chuck Norris and Karl Spickelmier, are two of the finest people in the history of our sport. We were very pleased that Chuck's longtime companion and soul mate, Carol Bunch was able to attend the ceremony to accept the award on Chuck's behalf.

Many thanks to the representatives of the Table Shuffleboard Association, Don Valk, President, Bob Hunt, Hal Perry and Al Salazar, who were in attendance and organized such a beautiful presentation. There were some teary eyed moments, mixed with some great laughs and fond memories, as a parade of Chuck's friends and colleagues took their turn at the microphone to pay tribute to him.

Karl Spickelmier received The Shuffleboard Federation's highest award, the Sol Lipkin Award, which was presented by none other than the father of shuffleboard Sol Lipkin. At 96 years young, Sol continues to be an inspiration to all of us. The Sol Lipkin Award is given "in recognition of extraordinary contributions to the advancement of our sport." Karl's efforts as a member of the Player Policy Board, founding member of the P.C.S.A. and long history of involvement with tournaments, both big and small earned him this honor. Additionally, his integrity, conduct and professionalism make him a role model for all shuffleboard players.

Thanks again to everyone who attended the tournament for their support. We look forward to seeing you again at the 2003 NASC™, which will be held October 26 - November 2. ∘

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Shufflers' Notebook

News and Views from The World of Shuffleboard

Whoops! We Forgot To Tell You!

Dear Tom & Lynda:

Regarding your editorial in the December 2002 edition (Page 2 & 10) of The Board Talk, we salute you for "telling it like it is" and putting the "ball" (the future of table shuffleboard) back where it belongs -- in the hands of subscribers, non-subscribers, advertisers and non-advertisers.

We tried hard to provide you (and Kelye Stites) with the hard financial facts regarding the publication so you would know the challenges involved in this venture. However, we may have neglected to share an economic fact that we tried hard to ignore for many years. It's called denial!

That fact is that for every Bill Melton, for every Betty Parrish, for every Woodie Cockrum and Jolene Lembke, for every person and entity who supported us throughout the years and continue to support you, there are hundreds of freeloaders.

We forgot to tell you how many times tournament winners posed for their pictures and collected their fat money envelopes and then waited for one of their friends to show them the next Board Talk because they were too cheap to buy their own.

Sadly, the losers will be the "faithful," the ones who support your efforts. Unless they stand up and put the pressure on the freeloaders, the "torch" we passed on to you will be extinguished, along with the sport we love.

We BEG every reader to use all their creativity and dedication to support The Board Talk and the future of table shuffleboard. --George & Donna Wilber, Publishers
The Board Talk, 1984-2000 (Lansing, MI)

Humor -- "Harvey in Overdrive"...

The below cartoon was submitted to us (The Board Talk Editors) via email on Nov. 28, 2002 from email address: darrahpie@home.com (which we tried to respond to, but had a failing email address - so we are not quite certain which "Harvey" this cartoon refers to, but could possibly be fitting for more than one "Harvey" (grin) ... enjoy, as we did when we received it and help us guess---"which 'Harvey' is this?"):



(Shufflers' Notebook - Continued on Page 11)

- ATTENTION --

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

(See Page 16 for more details)

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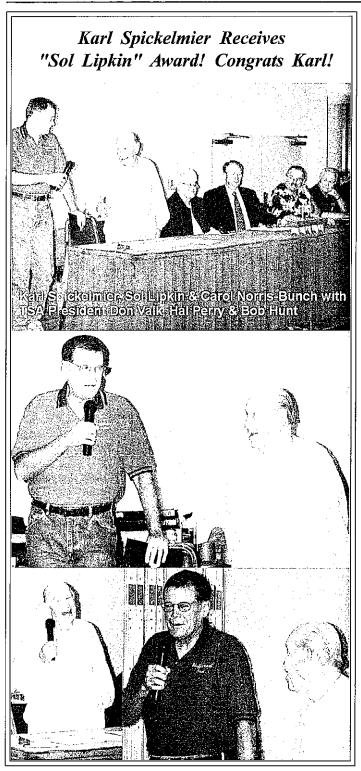
13th Annual 2002 NASC™ Reno Awards Ceremony!

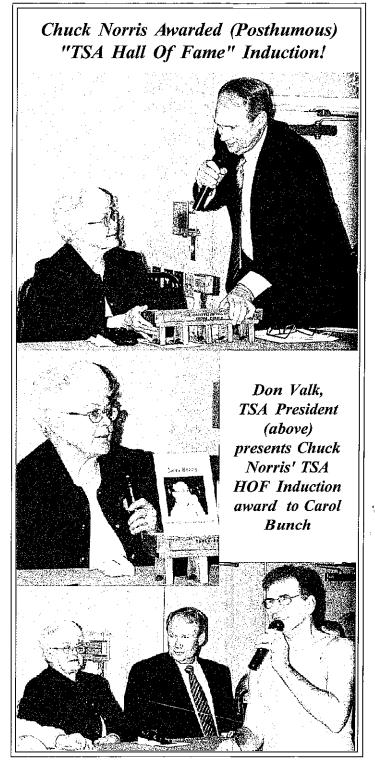
(Misc. Awards Photos Below --- See Pages 1 and 6-9 for Tournament Results)











Maryland

MARKET STREET CAFE 2002/2003 SCHEDULE CHARLESTOWN, MD JAN. 2003 - MAR. 2003



Holiday Wrap Up

Jan. 3, 2003 6:30 pm Robins \$10/Player Jan. 4, 2003 12:00 pm A - B Draw \$25/Team

Nelson Renzo Memorial Tournament

Feb. 14, 2003 6:30 pm Draw Partner \$10/Player Feb. 15, 2003 12:00 pm Bring Partner \$25/Team Feb. 16, 2003 12:00 pm Mixed Doubles \$25/Team

Spring Fling

March, 2003 (Exact Dates and Events to be Announced) NOTE: Drawing and sponsor sale will start at the above times. You must be PRESENT at the posted time to play in that event. Draw Partner Events has a limit of 28 players. House will add \$100 to Open Singles Event with 10 or more players. These events will be single game, double elimination, 15 points (straight). 315 Market St. Charlestown, MD (410)287-6374

<u>Indiana</u>

AMATEUR TOURNAMENT AMERICAN LEGION POST#424 BOURBON, IN JAN. 10-11, 2003

Fritzi Broka will be hosting an amateur tournament on January 10-11,2003 at the American Legion Post 424 Bourbon, IN. On Friday evening at 7:00p.m. there will be an A-B draw partners for 1's 2's 3's only. Bowers ratings will be used. If you are not rated, 3 players will decide if you are an A or B. Entry is \$10.00. Sponsor sale and trophies. On Saturday there will two events. Rated 1 doubles, \$40.00 entry, sponsor sale and trophies. Second event is a 2, 3.... doubles, \$40.00 entry, sponsor sale, trophies. Saturdays events will start at 11:00 a.m. All events double elimination. Free soup and salad on Saturday for the players. Extra board will be added for -1,0 action. Come and enjoy great boards and fun. Last years amateur tourney was a large success. For more information, contact: Fritzi Broka email: fbroka@mchsi.com

Missouri

KANSAS CITY "SHOOT OUT" ELKS LODGE #2088 ARRINGTON, MO JAN. 17-18, 2003

The "2nd Annual Kansas City Shuffleboard "Shoot Out" tournament will be held at the Elks Lodge # 2088, 13600 Arrington Rd., Grandview, Missouri on Jan. 17-18 (starting at 7pm) and will be played on two boards. Following the sponsor sale, all teams must come in with 3 points or more. Any unrated players will be rated before the start. There will be a \$20.00 entry fee per player. For more details contact: Mark Gray meg488@msn.com or Johnny Wright at 816-920-6149.

Maryland

HARVEY'S PLACE 2003 SCHEDULE STREET, MD FEB. 2003 - APR. 2003

Mason Dixon Classic

Feb. 21, 2003 6:30 pm Draw Partner \$10/Player Limit: 40 Feb. 22, 2003 1:00 pm Bring Partner \$25/Team Limit: none Feb. 23, 2003 11:00 am Open Singles \$25/Player Limit: 40 Maryland State Championship

Apr. 11, 2003 6:30 pm Draw Partner \$10/Player Limit: 40 Apr. 12, 2003 1:00 pm Bring Partner \$25/Team Limit: none Apr. 13, 2003 11:00 am Open Singles \$25/Player Limit: 40 NOTE: (SEE FLYER INSERT IN OCTOBER 2002 ISSUE) Harvey's Place, 3403 Conowingo Rd., Street, MD, Ph#: (410) 836-8881. All events above are to 15 points, straight, double elimination, payoff 1 in 4. Trophy Jackets Awarded to Singles and Bring Partner Winners. Handicaps are based on the Bowers Rating System. In addition to the above scheduled tournaments, Harvey's Place has \$5 Draw Partner events every Saturday night at 8 pm. Come join the fun and competition!

Nevada

2ND ANNUAL "BOARD TALK OPEN 2003" PLAZA HOTEL/CASINO LAS VEGAS, NEVADA FEB. 23 - MAR. 2, 2003

The "2nd Annual The Board Talk Open 2003" will be held again at the Plaza Hotel/Casino, One Main Street, Las Vegas, Nevada on Feb. 23 - Mar. 2, 2003 - jointly sponsored by Champion Shuffleboard and The Board Talk. Last year we had 217 registered participants and anticipate a larger attendance in 2003 - events planned to be played on 30+ boards this second year. Pre-registration is very important to our planning because we must transport boards from Texas to Nevada for the tournament - if the majority of the participants pre-register, we will have a better idea of how many boards we really need to transport.

Some of the suggestions received from the first year tournament have been implemented and addressed in the format for this second year: 1) Multiple Requests for 4-Person team events (added two division event); 2) Allow more time between the 6-Person team event and the next event (allowing 2 days); 3) Allow 2 out of 3 play for Division I: Singles and Bring Partner (winner bracket only for 2003); and 4) Start sponsor sales the afternoon before the Singles and Bring Partner events so that play can start more timely on the actual day of these two events (Page 2 of the inserted flyer describes the sponsor sale on these events starting the afternoon before the actual events start - we hope the majority of the registered participants will make a special effort to check-in and participate in the afternoon sponsor sale - the fewer sponsor sales that we have to do on the actual day of the events, the sooner we get to start play). This way on the actual day of Singles and Bring Partner events, the only sponsor sales we will have to do are new registrations (if slots available) and late arrivals (e.g., those pre-registered participants whose flights did not arrive in time to participate in the prior afternoon sponsor sales). Preregistrations will be most helpful to our planning and execution of the sponsor sales.

We wish to thank all the tournament sponsors from last year who contributed monies and/or supplies and/or raffle items. We are seeking sponsors for this second year tournament at this time. Please contact us if you can be a sponsor (See Page 34, Column 2 of this issue for the various levels of sponsorships - we will advertise your sponsorship each month in the publication and during the tournament with a banner provided by you and/or we will provide a sponsor recognition award certificate for display during the tourney). After reading the enclosed flyer, if you have questions, please get in touch with us. We look forward to seeing many of you at the tournament! --Tom & Lynda French

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Note: If enough time/interest, Singles or A/B may take place on Sunday

For More Information contact:

Shaun Deveney 402-573-5892 or Shelly Hagen 402-699-0550

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Y'all come play and join the fun in the Alamo City at Fiasco Cocktails!!

13th Annual 2002 NASCTM ... (Continued from Page 1)

Division I 3-Person Team Winners:



1st Place: (L-R) (Above)
Ken Simmons (WA), Mike Kinney (OR) & Darrol Nelson (OR)



2nd Place: (L-R) (Above)
Bill Melton (OK), John Kosiske (NE) & Jim Payne (NE)



3rd Place: (L-R) (Above) The Washington Team of: Marv Wilbur, Mike Thorpe, & Larry Sawyer

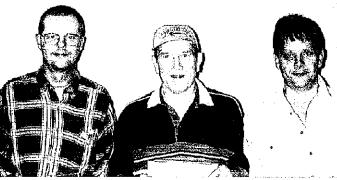


4th Place: (L-R) (Above) The Washington Team of: Rick Gindt, Nels Anderson, & Mike Keevil

Division II/III 3-Person Team Winners:



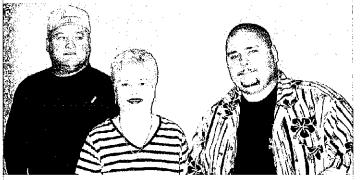
1st Place: (L-R) (Above) The Alberta, Canada Team of: Jim Nicoll, Tom Parr, & Bill Cowan



2nd Place: (L-R) (Above) The Nebraska Team of: Ray Pont, Jim Kosiske, & Jeff Loos



3rd Place: (L-R) (Above) The Nebraska Team of: Linda Ritter, Steve Hamilton, & Mickey Moy



4th Place: (L-R) (Above) The Washington Team of: Jim Binschus, Kathy Keevil, & Justin Lauderach

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Pro/Am Draft Team Winners:



1st Place: (L-R) (Above)
Kevin Kelly (CO), Jo Cook (CO), Karl Spickelmier (CA),
Char Waugaman (CO), Jim Payne (NE), & Gene Smith (CA)



2nd Place: (L-R) (Above)
John Myles (MI), Al Salazar (AZ), Dru Ensworth (WA),
Jeff Womble (TX), Billie Pack (WA), & Jack Davis (TX)



3rd Place: (L-R) (Above)
John Kosiske (NE), Jeff Loos (NE), Paul Leacox (NE),
John Edwards (OR), Ray Pont (NE), & Steve Hamilton (NE)



4th Place: (L-R) (Above)
Bill Melton (OK), Bob Linder (NE), John Canino (NY),
Jim Nicoll (Alberta), Sharon Canino (NY), & Chris Smith (TX)

Pro Doubles Winners:



1st Place: (L-R) (Above) Larry Pearson (WA) & Don Mitchell (WA)



2nd Place: (L-R) (Above) Bob Lewis (AZ) & Al Salazar (AZ)



3rd Place: (L-R) (Above) Bill Melton (OK) & Jeff Womble (TX)



4th Place: (L-R) (Above) Darrol Nelson (OR) & Dave Keithahn (CA)

Division I Doubles Winners:



1st Place: (L-R) (Above) Jim Payne (NE) & John Kosiske (NE)



2nd Place: (L-R) (Above) Paul Leacox (NE) & Bill Loos (NE)



3rd Place: (L-R) (Above) Glen Redding (OR) & Dan Holland (OR)



4th Place: (L-R) (Above) Sharon & John Canino (NY)







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Division II Doubles Winners:



1st Place: (L-R) (Above) Linda Ritter (NE) & Steve Hamilton (NE)



2nd Place: (L-R) (Above) Billy Poole (OK) & Curtis Dean (MD)



3rd Place: (L-R) (Above) Kevin Kelly (CO) & Tighe Devan (CO)



4th Place: (L-R) (Above) J.R. Noel (CA) & Robert Crum (CA)

Pro Singles Winners:



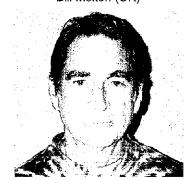
1st Place: (Above) Larry Pearson (WA)



2nd Place: (Above) Bill Melton (OK)



3rd Place: (Above) Don Mitchell (WA)



4th Place: (Above) Darrol Nelson (OR)

Division III Doubles Winners:



1st Place: (L-R) (Above) Jeff Loose (NE) & Ray Pont (NE)



2nd Place: (L-R) (Above) Mike Carew (NE) & Bob Linder (NE)

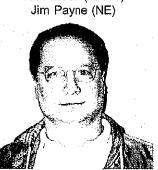


4th Place: (L-R) (Above) Mike Klaege (CO) & Mike Hedges (CO)

Division I Singles Winners:



1st Place: (Above) Jim Payne (NE)



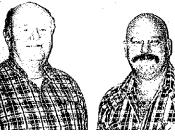
3rd Place: (Above) Bill Loos (NE)



2nd Place: (Above) Bud Spier (OR)



4th Place: (Above) Bill Pollock (PA)



3rd Place: (L-R) (Above) Tom Brown (OR) & Dan Glasscock (OR)



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Division II Singles Winners:



1st Place: (Above) David Williams, Jr. (TX)



2nd Place: (Above) Steve Hamilton (NE)



3rd Place: (Above) Jim Nicoll (Alberta)



4th Place: (Above) Ryan Devlin (WA)

Division III Singles Winners:



1st Place: (Above)



3rd Place: (Above) Tom Parr (Alberta)



2nd Place: (Above) Ray Pont (NE)



4th Place: (Above) Bob Linder (NE)

Amateur Team Winners:



1st Place: (L-R) Chris Smith (TX), Jean Miller (OK), Drew Willingham (TX), Jeri Williams (TX), David Williams, Jr (TX)



2nd Place: (L-R) Steve Hamilton, Jim Kosiske, Jim Payne, Mickey Moy, John Kosiske, Linda Ritter (NE Team)



3rd Place: (L-R) Mike Keevil, Ken Simmons, Jennifer King, Justin Lauderback, Kathy Keevil, Ryan Devlin (WA Team)



4th Place: (L-R) Char Waugaman (CO), Mike Klaege (CO), Ron Sosovec (CO), Tighe Levan (CO), Kevin Kelly (CO), Linda Nobles (TX)







13th Annual 2002 NASC ...

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A/B Draw Partner Winners:



1st Place: (L-R) (Above)
Bill Cowan (Alberta) & Linda Nobles (TX)



2nd Place: (L-R) (Above)
Bob Brunskill (CA) & Ron Buckley (OR)

and

(no photos available for 3rd & 4th Place A/B Draw Winners):

3rd Place: Rick Boyer (CO) & Eddie Brayman (CA)

4th Place: Mike Kinney (OR) & Phil Gardner (AZ)

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Frisco Eddie's Revenge: The Return

EPISODE 95 -- A Series by Balboa Ron Schweikert --Being sent by "Balboa Ron" for the February 2003 Issue (car accident & some health problems delayed Ron getting Episode 95 submission completed)

[In the last Episode - Episode 94 (December 2002 Issue, Page 16), we found both Eddie, Jack, and Long Beach Lil' playing shuffleboard at Sam's Club and Lil had taken her partner Jack aside for a private conversation...]

ITO BE CONTINUED IN FEBRUARY 2003 ISSUE...1

Below are the top finishers in the North American Champion contest. The top finisher in each division won \$300, 2nd place \$200 and 3rd place \$100. The top overall finisher (Jim Payne**) won a suite for the 2003 NASC.

Pro Division	Division I	Division II	Division III
1st Bill Melton, 75	Jim Payne, 104**	Steve Hamilton, 86	Ray Pont, 54
2nd Larry Pearson, 58	John Kosiske, 76	Linda Ritter, 54	Mickey Moy, 42
3rd Darrol Nelson, 55	Bill Loos, 64	Jim Nicoll, 51	Bob Linder, 29

Shufflers' Notebook... (Continued from Page 2)

"Thanks" from Eddie Brayman...

To my shuffleboard friends...

For me, this year's Reno tournament was the most gratifying ever. Before my brain surgery, on September 3rd, I had no idea if I'd be in any shape to make it. The decision to attend wasn't made until an hour before I left my home. As it turned out, that week in Reno was the best medicine I've had in many months. The love and support I received from you guys was overwhelming.

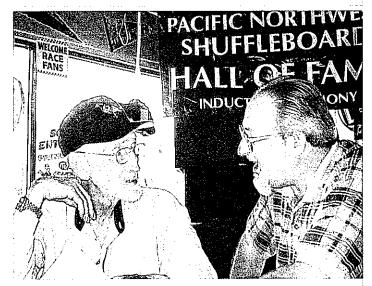
Special thanks to Dave Keithahn and Rick Boyer for dragging me to the hospital. Thank you to Jimmy Olson, and all the others who watched over me and got me through the early days of the tournament. Thank you to John McDermott, Rob, Kathy, and the rest of the crew for being so compassionate and understanding.

Oh, and thank you to Dennis Byrd (our team was dubbed, "the guy who just had brain surgery, and the guy that really needs it"). I'll never forget how we brought down the house in the Tequila Bar with our magical and erotic dance number.

Shuffleboarders never cease to amaze me with their kindness and generosity. It is truly impossible for me to find the words to tell all of you how much your support meant to me.

--Sincerely, Eddie Brayman

Great Photo of 2 Legends!



Russ "The Colonel" Miller & Chuck Norris May 26, 2001

While going through his photo collection, Bill Walker ran across this photo taken 8 days before Russ "The Colonel" Miller passed away on June 4, 2001- followed by Chuck Norris' passing away on January 3, 2002. Two great players legends. Memories will be with their friends & family forever.

Terry & Pam Dowell Married August 8, 2002...

We (The Board Talk Editors) asked Pam Dowell to send us a photo of their wedding day and she obliged (below):



Terry & Pam Dowell Married 08/20/02

Note: Sign above their heads reads: "The Courthouse Lab & Wedding Chapel"

Congrats Terry & Pam! -- T&L French

Thanks from the McLeod Family...

All our heart felt "thanks" and to let you all know how much your out reach of love and support means to us... from the beautiful cards and plants, phone calls, emails, etc. We can't even count everyone that has contacted us. We are so touched by all of the love and support that was sent our way. We miss our dad (Gene McLeod) very much. We thank you all for your love and support.

With Love, Mark, Shay and Alexis McLeod

Looking for Pennsylvania Area Players... (Who Are Attending the "2nd Annual Board Talk Open" Tourney on February 23-March 2, 2003)

Dear Lynda & Tom: Hi! My name is John Fox, formerly a resident/shuffler from Philadelphia. I now reside in California and plan to attend the 2003 "2nd Annual Board Talk Open" in Vegas as a guest/observer [not a player]. I'm interested in knowing if a Philadelphia Area Delegation has signed up and where I can meet them and/or who will be in attendance? Thank you for the help. I would also like to subscribe to The Board Talk (please send me details of how to subscribe) in addition to putting my inquiry about attendees from the Philadelphia and Pennsylvania area in the tournament. I would love to meet up with them there. --Thanks & Regards, John Fox PS: Responses to my inquiry may be emailed to me at: foxj@ftscpac.navy.mil

Williams Brothers' Annual Thanksgiving Tournament

November 27-31, 2002
Gold Nugget, Arlington, Texas
Report By: Bobby Williams (Tournament Director) & Photos Submitted By: Jeri Williams

We had a fair to good turnout for a holiday that is hard to work in both family and shuffleboard. So, we were very proud that we had so many folks down from Oklahoma. It was nice to have Gerald Wood (who hosts tournaments at the Full House in Wynnewood) participating too.

On a somber note, Cliff and Sally Goff, who are wonderful supporters of shuffleboard tournaments, had a medical emergency on the way back to Oklahoma. As Cliff was driving back to Tulsa, he suffered a stroke. Sally rushed him to a nearby hospital in Denton, Texas where he remained for three days. He is doing much better and expects to recover completely (Cliff swears that this was caused by playing shuffleboard with Steve Burkett.)

We wish to thank the folks who helped put together this tournament. First of all, thanks to Tom Johnson who hosted the tournament and fed everyone in a wonderful fashion. Thanks to Bill Wooldridge and C.W. Walker for transporting and setting up the boards and to Johnny Wayne Crawford for adjusting and helping with the hundreds of preps that go along with a tourney.

Thanks to Steve (Flash) Burkett for handling the dust and silicone and to glamourous and stylish Jeri Williams and Sally Goff for handling the administration portion of the tournament.

A very big "Thank You!" to Kelye Stites of Champion Shuffleboard for loaning the shuffleboards.

This was a hugely successful tournament in the number of folks who came up and said they really had a good time and had enjoyed the competition. Johnny Newell from Denison approached us to set up a tournament there which would be ideal for Texas and Oklahoma. Again, Thanks to all participants and fans for attending and we give "Thanks to America - Home of the Free and Brave".

Now for the winners list and photos:



1st Place: A/B Draw Bill Melton & Evelyn Harris



2nd Place: A/B Draw
Bill Wooldridge & David Williams



3rd Place: A/B Draw Bobby Wright & Bobby Williams



1st - 3rd Place: Handicap Singles (L-R)
Jeri Williams (1st); David Williams (2nd); Mike Taylor (3rd)



4th Place: Handicap Singles Bobby Williams (pictured left)



1st & 2nd Place: Handicap Bring Partner (Above) (L-R) Mike Taylor & Kyle White (1st); David Williams Sr. & Jr. (2nd)



3rd & 4th Place: Handicap Bring Partner (Above) (L-R)
Gary & Kay Nelson (3rd); Greg Hixon & Bill Wooldridge (4th)

6-Person Draft Team Winners were: (no photos)
1st Place: David Williams Sr, David Williams Jr,
Gary Nelson, Greg Hixson, Tom Yates, Jack Crew
2nd Place: Bobby Williams, Jeri Williams,
Mike Alvey, Linda Nobles, Jean Miller, Johnny Newell



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Heartland Handicap "Fall Festival" Missing Photos....

American Legion Post 73, Del City, Oklahoma October 18-20, 2002 Report & Photos By: Don Crall, OK

[Refer to December 2002 issue, page 16, for the full writeup, winners list, and other winners photos - below are the two missing winner photos that have since been sent in by Don Crall for publication in this January 2003 issue]:



Draw Partner (Fri.) 2nd Place (L-R): Ferlin Kearns (OK) & Greg Hixon (TX)



Bring Partner (Sat.)
1st Place (L-R):
Bill Melton &
Ferlin Kearns
(Oklahoma Team)

Indiana's Etna Green Pub Tourney November 1-2, 2002 Winner List & Photos Submitted By: Pam Dowell, IN Draw Partner 1st Place: Jodie Berry & Terry Dowell Mike Johnson & John Mason Bring Partner 2nd Place: Gary Anglin & Jodie Berry Bring Partner 1st Place: Gary Anglin & Jodie Berry Bring Partner 1st Place: Mike Johnson & Terry Dowell

Palace Bar "Doubles"

Palace Bar, Fairmount, Indiana November 11-16, 2002 Report & Photos By: Bobby Voorhis, IN

Seventeen teams gathered at the Palace Bar in Fairmount, Indiana to take a shot at a \$3,690 total purse. Eventual champions were Bud Broka from Bourbon and Mikel Johnson from Warsaw. Second place went to the local team of Jim "The Hammer" Hamilton and Deb Voorhis. Third place was the team of Brian Collins of North Webster and Beef Camp of Hicksville, Ohio. Final money spot went to Jody Berry of Harford City and local Skip Enyeart. Our next scheduled tournament is a Doubles Tournament on January 25th. Come join the competition and fun.

See many of you guys in Houston and in Vegas!
[Photos follow] -- Bobby Voorhis, IN



Palace Bar Doubles 1st Place (L-R): Mikel Johnson & Bud Broka



Palace Bar
Doubles
2nd Place (L-R):
Deb Voorhis &
Jim "The Hammer" Johnson



Palace Bar Doubles 3rd Place (L-R): Beef Camp & Brian Collins



Palace Bar Doubles 4th Place (L-R): Jody Berry & Skip Enyart



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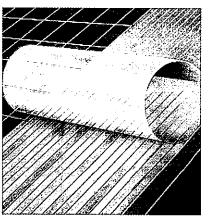
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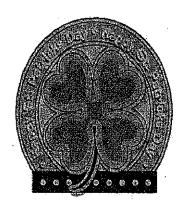
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4th Annual Tournament March 21 - 23, 2003

Fri. 6:00pm DRAFT 4-PERSON TEAM

\$20/per player

Sat. 7:00pm OPEN DOUBLES

\$20/per team

HANDICAP DOUBLES

\$50/per team

<u>Draft 4-Person Team</u>: **ENTRY DEADLINE IS FRIDAY AT 4:00 PM**

Double Elimination, 2 out of 3 games to 15 points, Top Rated Players will be "Captains"

Open Doubles: **ENTRY DEADLINE IS SATURDAY AT 12 NOON**

Double Elimination, 2 out of 3 games winner bracket; single game loser bracket (15 pt. games)

Handicap Doubles: **ENTRY DEADLINE IS SATURDAY AT 12 NOON**

Double Elimination, Single Games to 15 points, negative spot, no players rated better than '2'

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(based on maximum entries)

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AUCTION TIME

EVENT

ENTRY FEE

THUR, FEB 13

5:00PM

ABC DRAW

\$25 (PER PLAYER)

DOUBLE ELIMINATION

SINGLE GAME IN LOSERS' AND WINNERS' BRACKET

FRI, FEB 14

7:00PM AMATEUR SINGLES

\$40

DOUBLE ELIMINATION 2 OUT OF 3 IN WINNERS' BRACKET SINGLE GAME IN LOSERS' BRACKET

RATING MUST BE 1.5 or higher

FRI, FEB 14

OPEN SINGLES 7:00PM

\$100

DOUBLE ELIMINATION

2 OUT OF 3 IN WINNERS' BRACKET

2 OUT OF 3 IN LOSERS' BRACKET

ABC SUBJECT TO CHANGE TO AN AB BRAW. SINGLES PLAY WILL BEGIN EITHER FRIDAY NIGHT OR SATURDAY MORNING. BOTH SINGLES EVENTS WILL BE RUN CONCURRENTLY. EVENTS WILL END SUMBAY MIGHT OR MOMDAY MORNING.

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d Annual The Board Talk Open 2003





February 23 - March 2, 2003

Plaza Hotel & Casino, One Main St., Las Vegas Nevada (Room Reservations: 800-634-6575) 11 Events - 30 or more Champion Shuffleboards - (no pin gates)

Date(s)	Event#/ Limits	Time	Format Description	Bracket (Ratings*)	Entry Fee** (Discounted Rate thru Jan. 15th)
Sun. 02/23	#1/24 teams	10am	Div. I: Bring 4-Person Team (Add to 1 or more)*** Open to ALL, but no more than one –I per team 2/3 Double Elimination	ALL	\$75/player**
(Late Regs Desk Open 8am-10am)	#2 /24 Teams	10am	Div. II: Bring 4-Person Team (Add to 9 or more)*** Open to 1 thru 4 Rated Players 2/3 Double Elimination	(1 – 4)	\$50/player**
Mon. 02/24	#3 / 96 Players	9am	A/B Draw Partner Div. I (no two –1's if avoidable)	(-1 thru 1)	\$60/player**
	#4 / 96 Players	9am	A/B Draw Partner Div. II (no two 2's if avoidable)	(2 thru 4)	\$50/player**
Tues & Wed. 02/25 & 02/26	#5 / 192 Players	9am	6 Person Draft Team. 4 of 7 Dble Elim. 15 pt. games (if time allows) on 3 boards (May Have to Mark 3) *** Highest Ranked/Rated Must Be Team Captains. (Finals on 02/26 Followed by Singles Sponsor Sales)	ALL (-1 thru 4)	\$50/player**
Wed. 02/26		3pm	NOTE: Check-in for "Singles" Events # 6-8 by 3pm on 02/26 and Singles Sponsor Sales starts at 4pm (Singles Sponsor Sales Starts Afternoon Before Singles Events)		[See Page 2 of Flyer for Sponsor Sale Details]
Thurs. & Fri. 02/27 &	#6 / 48 Players	9am	Pro-Singles - 2 of 3 Dble Elim. in Winner & Loser Bracket (if time allows)	ALL (-1 thru 4)	\$250/player**
02/28	#7 / 64 Players	9am	Singles - Div. I - 2 of 3 Dble Elim. in Winner Bracket & Single 15 pt Game in Loser Bracket	1 thru 4	\$100/player**
:	#8 / 64 Players	9am	Singles - Div. II - Single Game/Double Elimination (15 pt games)	3 thru 4	\$45/player**
Fri. 02/28	•	3pm	NOTE: Check-in for "Bring Partner" Events # 9-11 by 3pm on 02/28 and Bring Partner Sponsor Sales starts at 4pm (Bring Partner Sponsor Sales Starts Afternoon Before Events Start)		[See Page 2 of Flyer for Sponsor Sale Details]
Sat.& Sun. 03/01 & 03/02	#9 / 32 Teams	9am	Bring Partner - Pro Div. (No two -1s) 2 of 3 Double Elimination in Winner & Loser Bracket (if time allows)	ALL	\$125/player**
·	#10 / 40 Teams	9am	Bring Partner - Div. I (Add to 3) 2 of 3 Double Elimination in Winner Bracket & Single 15 pt. Game in Loser Bracket	1 thru 4	\$75/player**
g g	#11/32 Teams	9am	Bring Partner - Div. II (Add to 6) Single Game/Double Elimination 15 pt. games	3 thru 4	\$50/player**
Sun. 03/02	<u>,</u> *		Finals & Completion of Bring Partner Events 9-11 (if needed) and board breakdown/loading		

- REQUIRED: One-time \$30 Tournament Registration Fee for all who Pre-Register by the Jan. 15, 2003 deadline (\$10 add'l. after 01/15/03)
- REQUIRED: Must be a Registered Guest of Plaza Hotel (exception: Las Vegas locals staying at home instead of at the hotel). Ask for tournament rates. (\$45 nite weekdays (Sunday thru Thursday nites)/\$65 nite weekends (Friday & Saturday nites)-plus applicable taxes single or double occupany must have an adult 21 years or older to each room). Call 800-634-6575 for room reservations & request Boardtalk/Champion Shuffleboard Tournament Rates.
- *Bowers Rating System Year 2002 is in effect (Bowers' Whole Number Rating Used No Decimals e.g., a 1.49 is a '1'; a 1.51 is a '2')
- * **PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Jan. 15, 2003 NOTE: If event slots are still available after deadline, entry fees will no longer be discounted (each will increase by \$10 per event after the Jan. 15, 2003 Pre-Registration Deadline).
- TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION DESK OPEN: Saturday, February 22, 2003 from 12NOON until 5PM (3rd Floor Ballroom Plaza Hotel/Casino)
- ***Added Bonus \$\$ Available to all who have played in at least one of the two Team Events (4-Person Bring Team and/or 6-Person Draft Team).

 Bonus \$\$ paid based upon total highest total points accumulated in all events played for Six (6) Championship Categories: Overall, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3-4 (to qualify for point accumulation & Bonus \$\$ you must have played in one or both of above team events). Each event entry earns "3" pts; each 1st place earns 9 pt; each 2nd earns 8 pts; each 3nd earns 7 pts; each 4th earns 6 pts; each 5th or 6th earns 5 pts; each 7th or 8th earns 4 pts. Overall qualified pt. Champ receives \$500; other 5 categories \$300 each category. Any potential additional Bonus Sponsor \$\$ will have same qualification criteria.

Events are Single game, Double Elimination (15 pt.) unless noted otherwise in the above event schedule chart.

NOTE: Event Start Times, Player Limits, Mark points, etc. changes may be required depending upon number of registered participants in each event/bracket and unanticipated delays or time constraints (Any potential changes will be made at the sole discretion of the Tournament Directors). If unrated in 2002, contact tournament director to get a rating established for this tournament before submitting registration form: Tom & Lynda French 512-250-0327 or 512-636-0327.

EVENT INFORMATION DETAILS

NOTE: EVENT 1 & 2 (Sun.; 02/23) Late Registration Desk Opens at Open at 8am; sponsor sale at 10am w/ play immediately after.

Event 1 - Division I "Bring 4-Person Team" \$75** per player, 2/3 double elimination. Open to all rated players. Team handicap must add to "1" point or more & no more than one "-1" per team. All who play this event and/or Event 5 qualify for Bonus\$\$ competition (See Page 1 Footnote).

Event 2 - Division II "Bring 4-Person Team": \$50** per player, 2/3 double elimination.

Open to "1 thru 4" rated players. Team handicap must add to 9 points or more. All who play this event and/or Event 5 qualify for Bonus\$\$ competition (See Page 1 Footnote).

NOTE: EVENT 3 & 4 (Mon.; 02/24) Late Registration Desk Opens at 8am (if slots avail.); sponsor sale at 9am w/ play immediately after.

Event 3 – Division I "A-B Draw Partner": (\$60** per player) Open to "-1, 0, and 1" rated players. No two "-1's" if avoidable.

Event 4 - Division II "A-B Draw Partner": \$50** per player. Open to "2 thru 4" rated players. No two "2's" if avoidable.

NOTE: EVENT 5 (Tues.; 02/25) Late Registration Desk Opens at 8am (if slots avail.); sponsor sale at 9am w/ play immediately after. (Finals & Completion of this event will be on Wednesday).

Event 5 – "6-Person Draft Team": \$50** per player. This event is for all rated players. Open to all players. Highest Rated Players must be team captains. Best 4 out of 7 games (15 pt. games – if time allows – may have to Mark 3***) Double Elimination. All who play this event and/or Event 1 or 2 qualify for Bonus\$\$ competition (See Page 1 Footnote).

NOTE: Events 6, 7, & 8 – WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON (02/26) <u>SPONSOR SALE</u> for all 3 Singles events (Events 6, 7, & 8) will be start at 4pm on Wed., February 26, 2003. (Check-in with Tournament Desk staff between 12 Noon and 3pm on 02/26/03 before the sponsor sales starts at 4pm). THURSDAY (02/27) at 8am Reg. Desk Open for any "Singles" Late Registrations (if slots avail.) and at 9amSponsor Sales for any registered "Singles" players not present at Wednesday afternoon sponsor sale, with play starting immediately after finishing late registration and late arrival sponsor sales are completed.

Event 6 - "Pro Singles": \$250** per player. Open to all players. 2/3 Double Elimination Winner & Loser Bracket (if time allows)

<u>Event 7</u> – "Division | Singles": \$100**per player. Open to "1 thru 4" rated players. 2/3 Double Elimination Winner Bracket & Single 15 pt Game in Loser Bracket

Event 8 – "Division II Singles": \$45** per player. Open to "3 & 4" rated players. Single Game Double Elimination

[Finals/Completion of Events 6 thru-8 will be on Fri., Feb. 28th]

NOTE: Events 9,10, & 11 -- FRIDAY AFTERNOON (02/28) SPONSOR SALE for all 3 Bring Partner events (Events 9, 10, & 11) will start at 4pm on Fri., Feb. 28, 2003. (Check-in with Front Desk staff between 12 Noon and 3pm on 02/28/03 before the sponsor sale starts at 4pm). SATURDAY (03/01) at 8am Reg. Desk Open for any "Bring Partner" Late Registrations (if slots avail.) and at 9amSponsor Sales for any "Bring Partner" registered players not present at Friday afternoon sponsor sale, with play starting immediately after finishing late registration and late arrival sponsor sales are completed.

Event 9—"Pro Division Bring Partner": \$125** per player. No two "-1's". 2/3 Double Elimination in Winner & Loser Bracket (if time allows)

Event 10 – "Division I Bring Partner": \$75** per player, Add to "3" or more points. Open to "1 thru 4" rated players. 2/3 Double Elimination in Winner Bracket & Single 15 pt game in Loser Bracket

Event 11 – "Division II Bring Partner": \$50** per player. Open to "2 thru 4" rated players. Single game, double elimination

[Finals/Completion of Events 9 thru 11(likely needed for Pro & Div. I especially) will be on Sun., Mar. 2nd — Please plan any flight departures on Sunday accordingly (e.g., late afternoon or evening flights)]

NOTE: All Events - Any '5' Rated Players Will Play as a '4'

REGISTRATION FORM: (Pre-Registration deadline is January Please help us to know how many to plan for by register your entry monies or a min. of \$25 per event & the full or Balances must be paid after you arrive. Entries are accedeadlines. Entries and registrations before January 15 th event and the Discounted One-Time Registration Fee. As amount will be \$10 more each, so save some \$\$ by regist unrated, call Tom & Lynda French, Tournament Directors rating for the purposes of playing in this tournament.	ing before January 15 th , ne-time registration fee pted until the event is f receive the \$10 Discou fter January 15 th the reg tering early. Enter Bow	for Events 3 through 11.* full or posted entry inted Entry Fee Rate per gistration and event vers' 2002 Rating. If
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 7. Division I Singles:(\$100/player or \$110 after Jan. 15)	\$ <u></u>
8. Division II Singles:(\$45/player or \$55 after Jan. 15)		\$
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2nd Annual Board Talk Open 2003

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David L's Hideout "Fall Doubles & Singles"

October 12-13, 2002
David L's Hideout Lounge, Yorktown, Indiana
Report & Photos Submitted By: Glen Ingram, Muncie, IN

David L's Hideout Lounge in Yorktown, Indiana held their "Fall Doubles & Singles" tournament on Oct. 12-13. Nineteen teams showed up ready to play and stop Jim Long and Glen Ingram's winning streak, but Jim and Glen won their third Open Doubles in a row (including Bourbon's "Fall Doubles"). Now that David L's has 4 in-house boards, the competition gets tougher each tournament.

I would like to thank everyone for coming to play and all of those who helped with brackets, being Larry Brown, Larry Creakbaum and Sheryl Cockerill who does so much for shuffleboard in Muncie Indiana and Delaware County. Sheryl would really be missed if she were not here to play and help run things. People like Sheryl are taken for granted, but most League Tournaments and Round Robins here run well because of her.



Doubles 1st Place (L-R):
Jim Long & Glen Ingram
(wearing those "lucky" Board
Talk shirts!)



Doubles 3rd Place (L-R):
Tom Nolder &
Rudy "Rude Dog" Robinson



Doubles 2nd Place (L-R): Mark & Shannon McLeod [Editors Comment: We miss you two in Austin!]



Doubles 4th Place (L-R): Bobby Voorhis & Tom Massie



Singles 1st Place: Bobby Voorhis (left) pictured with his proud sponsor Gregg Cockerill

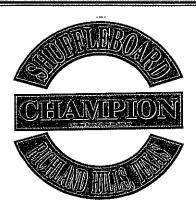


Singles 2nd & 3rd Place (L-R): Jim Long (2nd), Steve Auten (3rd)



Singles 4th Place: Jeri Ingram (the "Birthday Girl")





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Market Street's "Turkey Shoot Out"

November 29-30, 2002 Market Street Cafe, Charlestown, Maryland Report & Photos Submitted By: Louise Freer

Turkey Shoot Out, November 29th and 30th, 2002

As we mentioned in the previous tournament result report, Market Street Café in Charlestown, MD has a great atmosphere, great food, great music, and great people – which adds up to the best shuffleboard tournament turnouts in the Northeastern part of the country.

Friday night's draw partner brought out some familiar faces, new faces, and faces we haven't seen for a while.. All the teams were strong, but in the end it was Johnny Gardner (DE) and Dave Shewbridge (MD) who came out on top. Kurt Mauer (MD) and Mike Miller (PA) finished second, and Ed Hammond (Pa) and Alan Heuer (MD) finished third. Nice to see you again, Alan!

Saturday's Bring Partner was also a tough-fought battle, and this time it was Len Dell and Rick Niblett (both MD) who teamed up to take first. Johnny Gardner (DE) and Dave Shewbridge (MD) finished second, and third place went to Jen Pickett and Kurt Mauer (MD).

The owners, Bobbi and Chip, would like to thank all of the players for participating in this very successful event. We would like to thank Bobbi and Chip for their excellent hospitality which includes the amazingly generous and delicious meals provided for the players, and the turkeys provided to the winners if both events.

The next Market Street Café event is scheduled for Friday, and Saturday January 3rd and 4th, 2003 (round robins on Friday night and an A-B Draw on Saturday). See the calendar of events for details and information about this and future tournaments at Market Street Cafe. Also, mark your calendars for the Nelson Renzo Memorial Tournament to be held on February 14, 15, and 16, 2003.

Reasonably priced accommodations are very close by; for information call Market Street Café at 410-287-6374 or contact Louise Freer at I_freer@yahoo.com. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Winners photos follow in next column (Sorry, no photo available for 3rd place draw partner)...

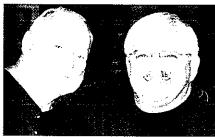
-- Louise Freer, Reporting



Draw Partner (Fri.) 1st Place (L-R): Johnny Gardner (DE) & Dave Shewbridge (MD)



Draw Partner (Fri.) 2nd Place (L-R): Kurt Mauer (MD) & Mike Miller (PA)



Bring Partner (Sat.)
1st Place (L-R):
Len Niblett
&
Rick Niblett (both of MD)



Bring Partner (Sat.)
2nd Place (L-R);
Johnny Gardner (DE)
&
Dave Shewbridge (MD)



Bring Partner (Sat.)
3rd Place (L-R):
Jenn Pickett (DE)
&
Kurt Mauer (MD)

8th Annual Florida State Championships

Held By Central Florida Shuffleboard Association (CFSA) Capt. Merlots, Mims, Florida November 29-December 1, 2002 Report & Photos By: Kathy Ring, Titusville, FL.

The 2002 Florida State Championships were held at Capt. Merlot's on three boards. Enthusiastic players came from various parts of Florida including South Daytona, Spring Hill, Palm Beach Gardens, Miramar, Miami, Titusville and Mims. Most of the players arrived Thanksgiving day and were treated to a fine Thanksgiving dinner put on by owners Rusty and Ursula.



There was also the football "game of the year" on this weekend with the Seminoles vs. the Gators. One family, Larry & Becky Bucharelle, was divided because each was rooting for a different team. The game hadn't ended yet when they smiled for the picture (above). We know one of them wasn't very happy when the game was over.

Three single-elimination, draw partner events were held that day. The winners were: Colletta Stanley and Barrie McClean in the first draw. In the second draw, Marty Allen & Dick Smedberg came in 1st. In the third draw Colletta Stanley and Ursula Badouin took 1st.

Our 8th Annual Florida State Championships started Friday, November 29th with the first event being the Bring Partner, double elimination. Winners were:



Bring Partner (Fri.) 1st Place: Marty Allen (left) & Colletta Nowakowski (center-Capt.Merlot's owner & host)







Bring Partner (Fri.) 2nd Place (L-R): Dave Mako & Jerry Gray (tough team)

Bring Partner (Fri.) 3rd Place:

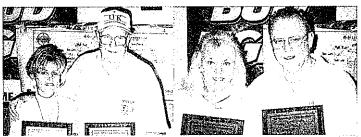
Carol Komarc (left) & at Gray-Thompson (right) (new partners) pictured with Barrie McClean (tournament director)



Women's Singles (Sat..) 1st - 3rd Place (L-R): Ursula Badouin (1st - her first women's singles win, but guaranteed not to be her last!), Pat Gray-Thompson (2nd - playing a very strong tournament), Colletta Stanley (3rd)



Men's Singles (Sat..) 1st - 3rd Place (L-R): Marty Allen (1st - second time State Singles Champ!), Dick Smedberg (2nd - aka "Lagmaster"), & Barrie McClean (3rd)



Mixed Doubles (Sun.) 1st & 2nd Place (L-R): Colletta Stanley/Marty Allen (1st) & Ursula Badouin/Dick Smedberg (2nd)



Mixed Doubles (Sun.) 3rd Place (L-R): Carol Komarc/Barrie McClean

One last final blind draw was held to conclude a long weekend of shuffling with Dave Macko and Barrie McClean beating Dick Smedberg and Jerry Gray. Thanks to everyone for their participation and support. Note: Marty Allen has now won 2 singles, 4 bring partner & 4 mixed doubles titles, but his partner Colletta Stanley (to her credit) has won 3 singles, 4 bring partner & 4 mixed doubles. She's gotcha by one, Marty! -- Kathy Ring, Reporting

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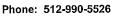
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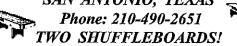
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5th Annual Denny Busch Memorial Tournament

May 17-19, 2002 Piccolo's Bar & Joe's Duck Inn, NE Report & Photos By: Char Rahn & Cyndi Busch

The "5th Annual Denny Busch Memorial Tournament" was held at Piccolo's Bar & Joe's Duck Inn on May 17-19. Action started at 6pm on Friday with a 4-Person Draft Team and sponsor sale with 14 teams anxious to play. Play was on 4 boards (thanks to Marty Shepard for donating 2 of the boards for play). Format was double elimination, 2 of 3 games in winner bracket and single game in loser bracket.



1st Place: (L-R)
Ron Sosovec,
Art Busch,
Terry Roberts,
Dave Cowan
(captain) pictured
w/ sponsor Marty
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2nd Place: (L-R)
Chuck Busch,
Joe Harvat, Larry
Hutfless, Tom
Harvat (sponsor),
Cyndi Busch
(captain-front row)



3rd Place: (L-R)
Gail Cowan,
Bill Simants,
Joe Little,
Marty Shepard
(captain)

Next was Handicap Doubles which started on Sat. evening after the sponsor sale with 21 teams. Format 2 of 3 double elimination, max. 3 pt neg. spot. Winners were:



1st Place: (L-R)
Chuck Busch &
Dave Cowan
pictured w/ Cyndi
Busch (Chuck's
wife), and Art Busch
(sponsor)



2nd Place: (L-R) Mickey Moy & "Junior Butler"



3rd Place:
Don Zahm (left) &
Marty Shepard (right)
pictured with Art Busch
(center)

We thank the Busch family for the \$\$ donations to both events and for the nylon jackets hat were given to the 1st and 2nd place teams of both events. Third place teams were given a shirt. Both items had "5th Annual Denny Busch Tournament" on them.

Also, thanks to Sam & Tim Piccolo and Joe Spielman for holding the tournament. Thanks to them and the great food provided and the good bartenders for keeping up with the shufflers, everybody had a great weekend.

The Omaha Shufflers want to thank all of our out-of-town friends for coming: From Colorado: Morey Balins, Char Waugaman, Dave & Gail Cowan, Ron Sosovec, and Travis Anderson. From Oklahoma: Kenny Hawkes and Shari Faust. From California: J.R. Noel and pulling into the parking lot just 30 minutes before the draft team started were Nick and Bev Chaffin. Thanks for playing and honoring Denny and all of the Busch Family. -- Char Rahn, Reporting

2002/2003 CALENDAR OF SHUFFLEBOARD EVENTS

JANUARY 2003

January 3-4 (Re: Upcoming Events)

Holiday Wrap Up Tournament

Market Street Cafe

Charlestown, Maryland

January 4

Open Singles

David L's Hideout Lounge

Yorktown, Indiana

January 11

Pro-Am Tournament

American Legion

Bourbon, Indiana

January 17-18

2nd Annual Kansas City Shootout

Elks Lodge #2088

Grandview, Missouri

January 17-19

2nd Annual K.T.'s Tournament

K.T.'s Bar

Cocoa, Florida

January 17-19

Heartland Handicap

American Legion Post 73

Del City, Oklahoma

January 18

Doubles Tournament

Lucky's Tavern

N. Webster, Indiana

January 25

Doubles Tournament

Palace Bar

Fairmount, Indiana

FEB./MAR. 2003

February 1

Winter Doubles

David L's Hideout Lounge

Yorktown, Indiana

February 8

True Round Robin

Warsaw Eagles #1339

Warsaw, Indiana

February 15

Mixed Doubles

American Legion

Bourbon, Indiana

February 14-16 (Re: Upcoming Events)

Nelson Renzo Memorial Tourney

Market Street Cafe

Charlestown, Maryland

February 15

Mixed Doubles

Bourbon Legion

Bourbon, Indiana

February 21-23 (Re: Upcoming Events)

Mason Dixon Classic

Harvey's Place

Street, Maryland

February 23-March 2(Flyer Insert)

2nd Annual Board Talk Open 2003

Plaza Hotel/Casino

Las Vegas, Nevada

MARCH 2003

March 6-9

4th Annual "Blast-Off" Tournament

Captain Merlot's

Mims, Florida

March 8

Doubles Tournament

Palace Bar

Fairmount, Indiana

March 13-16

10th Annual Florida Open

Captain Merlot's

Mims, Florida

March 15

Mixed Doubles

Lucky's Tavern

N. Webster, Indiana

March 22

Bourbon Legion Singles

Bourbon Legion

Bourbon, Indiana

March 2003 (Re: Upcoming Events)

Spring Fling Tournament

Market Street Cafe

Charlestown, Maryland

APRIL 2003

April 5

Doubles Tournament

Warsaw Eagles #1339

Warsaw, Indiana

April 10-23

Annual "Texas State Championship"

Taz Country

Pflugerville/Austin, Texas

April 11-13

Heartland Handicap

American Legion Post 73

Del City, Oklahoma

April 11-13 (Re: Upcoming Events)

Maryland State Championships

Harvey's Place

Street, Maryland

April 19

Open Doubles

Red Dog Saloon

Muncie, Indiana

MAY 2003

May 22-26

Memorial Day Extravaganza

Season Ticket

Spokane, Washington

JUNE/JULY 2003

June 13-15

Hoosier Hall of Fame "Classic"

David L's Hideout Lounge

Yorktown, Indiana

June 29-July 5

Southwest Open

American Legion Post 73

Del City, Oklahoma

OCT./NOV. 2003

October 10-11

3rd Annual Columbus Day Tourney

Devonshire Inn

St. Louis, Missouri

October 17-19

Heartland Handicap

American Legion Post 73

Del City, Oklahoma

October 26-November 2

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"Holiday Classic" at Harvey's Place

December 13-15, 2002 Harvey's Place, Street, MD Report By: Dick Gorman, DE

"Tis the season to be jolly" and to return to Harvey's Place, 3403 Conowingo Rd., Street, Maryland for the annual (10-15 years, who knows?) "Holiday Classic." Many remembered and came to shoot and socialize. Darlyene Belcher had been preparing her famous pork loin dinner for Saturday's event as well as a meal for Sunday for all the participants and their guests. At Harvey's we vote for hostess of the year again. The decorations in the bar were great to see and you could tell Darlyene and her staff had spent alot of patience and time making it so attractive.

Now on to shuffleboard. By now you all know the routine -- Bowers Rating System prevails and it was no exception. The routine goes with Draw Partner (with sponsor sale) on Friday night. The battle began and ended with Mike Miller (Philadelphia, PA) and Jen Pickett (Northeast, MD) teaming up taking first place money and giving up grudgingly and taking second place was the team of Wendy Davis and Dick Gorman (both of Wilmington, DE). Third place went to Nancy Baker (Wilmington, DE) and Curtis Dean (Northeast, MD) and final payoff spot went to the team of our renown hostess Darlyene Belcher and Kurt Maurer (Conowingo, MD). A great Friday night!

Saturday morning the teams were lineup up waiting for the 1pm start and a chance to win the tournament jackets presented by Harvey's Place to winners of the "Bring Partner" and "Singles" tournaments. The sponsor sale was stopped for a few minutes to announce the news that our long-time friend Dick Jefferies had passed away suddenly three weeks ago. His name was added to the Memorial Trophy of past tournament players at Harvey's which is on permanent display.

Play began in the quest for the "pot of gold" and jackets. Heading the way to the money table were the team of Jen Pickett (Northeast, MD) and Kurt Mauer (Conowingo, MD), but not before they had to play two games in the final match. Second place went to a player we had not seen in the money collecting circle for awhile... Lindsay Hall (Baltimore, MD) and his newer young partner Anthony Todd (Newark, DE). Third place was won by and paid to Wendy Davis and Dick Gorman (both of Wilmington, DE). Fourth place was taken again by our hostess Darlyene Belcher and her partner ambassador Jim Dennis (Perryville, MD).

Saturday night was no exception to the every Saturday night Draw Partner at Harvey's Place. When the lights went out the record showed first place had been taken by Wendy Davis and Dick Gorman (both of Wilmington, DE) and second place by Faye and Wayne Todd (from Newark).

Sunday at 11am the Singles entries were waiting. Little did we know that the ladies had a "holiday surprise" in store. The dust was about to settle late in the evening when we all discovered the leading the pack were two young ladies and lay they did - both games in the final bracket... hard fought

down to the will Jen Pickett took the final game at 14-14 without the hammer. Second place went to hard fighting and well playing Wendy Davis. Third place went to Jim McDaniels (Darlington, MD) and 4th place to Lindsay Hall of Baltimore.

The year 2002 is over but the 2002-03 shuffleboard season is not. It is just heating up at Harvey's Place (home of 4 in-house boards). The next major tournament is the Mason Dixon Classics scheduled for the weekend of Feb. 21-23 which is always well attended and alot of fun. If you plan to come, call Harvey Comer at 410-836-8881 and reserve your spot to play!

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Fun Hangers League Results - Summer 2002 Season

By: James Cummings, Houston, TX

We just completed our 2002 Summer Season. The Fun Hangers Shuffleboard League consists of 4 divisions with 28 teams, 260+ players and 9 sponsors. At the end of this 14 match season, we crowned 4 Division winners which then joined a 4 team playoff to determine the League Champion. All league matches are handicapped and are played to the best 4 out of 7 games. Winners were: <u>Division 1:</u> Triple Crown Coyotes; <u>Division II:</u> Sansone's Rambo's Kids; <u>Division III:</u> Hot Dog Shop Happy Puckers; and <u>Division IV:</u> Bobby's Bombers <u>Playoff Winners:</u> *Division I & 2:* Triple Crown Coyotes



<u>League Champions</u>
Triple Crown Coyotes with their Div. 1st & League 1st Trophies



League Runner Up:
Hot Dog Happy Puckers with
their Division 1st & League 2nd Trophies

Oct. 21st, our League Party was held at The Hot Dog Shop who sponsors two teams in the league and has two very good shuffleboards. We distributed the team weekly dues back to all teams based on their finish position. Traveling trophies were presented to the top 3 teams in each of the 4 divisions. Trophies will be displayed at the Sponsor's location during the next season. Frank Dela Salla, owner of the Hot Dog Shop, put out a great meal for all of the League attendees. This was followed by a \$5 Handicapped Draw with \$200 added by the League.



<u>Player Food Line</u> Players line up for the great food from the Hot Dog Shop

After a great feed, 40 players entered the draw. Andrea ran the bracket board while the league members played for the \$400 pot. Players were rated from Pro's to 5's and the matches were all handicapped. Winners were:



1st Place: Fernando Noriega & Ken Migas



2nd Place: Harvey & Lilly Kidd



3rd Place: Philsback & Milton

Fun Hangers Winter Season began October 28th. Teams will play every Wednesday for the next 14 weeks at our Sponsoring locations: Triple Crown Sports Bar, Sansones, Danny's Sports Bar, Bobby's Sports Bar, Duke's Tavern, Gone Hogg Wild, Hot Dog Shop, Hot Shot Bar & Billiard and Nick's Sports Bar. Everyone is welcome to drop in and see the action if you are in town. You can follow all of the schedules and standings on MySportTracker.com by going to: http://mysporttracker.com/league_detail.asp?LGID=1



League Officers: (L-R) Jack Scott (Pres.); Andrea Dickson (Sec./Treas.); & James Cummings (V.P.)

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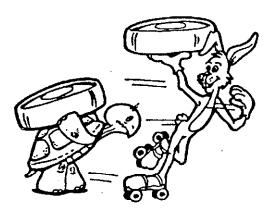
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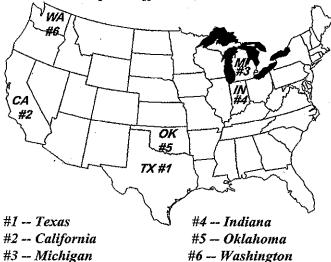
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