

# Frisko Eddie's Revenge: The Return

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*(In last month's episode, Long Beach Lil shared some of the "hustler" strategies she and Frisko Eddie would use during their adventures on the road, which would begin at Dallas/Fort Worth.)*

Lil had completed her discussion about some of the ways they could "put the odds in their favor" while they were on the trip. She had asked Eddie for his feelings about the whole thing.

It didn't take Eddie long to analyze where Lil was coming from, and he didn't hesitate in his response: "I'm going to say this only once, Lil. If you intend to try out any of the crap I've just heard, we'll part company as soon as this plane lands in Texas. If I can't be successful at this game by using my own talents, then I'll give it up. Now, you tell me how you feel about what I just said."

Lil had a look of surprise and disbelief in her eyes then, and was obviously taken back by Eddie's reply. She knew her response could make-or-break the whole deal for her. She also knew she had to say something fast to keep this thing together! She hesitated for a few seconds and blinked before her reply: "Well now, you know we don't HAVE to do these things, Eddie. It's just that I wanted to wise you up a little, you know. We'll play it anyway you want it, Champ. O.K.?"

Eddie searched her eyes to try to see if she was being honest. He wondered if her reply was also a part of the "con." He figured that if she did pull any fast stuff, he would see it, so he said: "All right, Lil. We'll continue the march here, but if I even smell that something is phoney - - you won't like what will happen next."

Lil replied: "Hey, man; that's fine with me." They both kicked back then and were silent for most of the rest of the trip.

Eddie's thoughts were centered on how much he could really trust Lil and he began to wonder if he was getting in over his head.

Lil, on the other hand, had no doubts about how things were going -- right on schedule and according to plan. Eddie had no idea what was waiting for him in Texas....

They were both wide awake when the DC-10 began its final approach into Dallas/Fort Worth International. Eddie's excitement level rose over the prospect of finally getting into some REAL shuffleboard action. As good as that felt, though, he knew there was something else added now....

He would have to watch out for the competition. He would also have to keep a close eye on his own partner.

*(If Eddie can't make it on his own talents, will he resort to Lil's strategies? Don't miss the next issue to find out.)*

## "HOT ACTION" AT CORBITT'S IN FLORIDA

Corbitt's Hideaway in West Palm Beach, Florida, hosted a bring partner event on Feb. 5. "The sponsor sales were brisk, the Okeechobee catfish superb, and the board action had everything," reports Mary Allen. "Like a next to impossible combo, two 'spooky' combos and a 'thread the needle' shot between three blocks, top board, last shot, to stick for a three, which earned Teddy Green our 'Desperation at its Finest' award."

Top honors went to Colletta Stanley and Marty Allen, thanks in part to a "Colletta Three" (all 1's) late in the finals. In second place were the "partners for life" duo of Carmine Talerico and Bill Dewes. Third place was won by Teddy Green and Daniel Aguilar (the "teenage terror" in his first tournament). In a tie for fourth place were the tough teams of Ted Balli and Faye Green, and Leland Larson and Denny Bengue.

"Thanks to all the players who participated and to Corbitt's for hosting a super tournament" said Marty.

## WARSAW EAGLES TO HOST 1ST ANNUAL TOURNEY

The Warsaw Eagles Lodge 1339, in Warsaw, Indiana, will host their first annual tournament on April 8-9. Action will start on Saturday with a doubles, \$40 per team entry, with sponsor sale at noon and play immediately following. A singles is scheduled for Sunday, \$25 entry. Come early for an A/B draw on Friday night, 8 p.m., \$5 per player.

For further information, contact Sue Barton, 219-268-0465.

## MELTONS CAPTURE OKLAHOMA STATE TITLES

Two members of the famous Melton clan of Davis, Oklahoma, captured the Oklahoma State Championship crowns -- Lisa in the women's singles and Billy in the men's singles. Runners-up were Sally Goff of Tulsa and John Breathwit of Oklahoma City.

"This was a first-time event in Oklahoma, open to all players who were ready to test their skills in a singles event. Congratulations to these fine players! A lot of good players were determined to win this inaugural event, so the competition was extremely tough and the players were deserving of a state championship title," report Ron and Sharon Huddleston.