



# The Board Talk

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## Saginaw Valley Open is a Record Breaker

The 4th Annual Saginaw Open, held at M.J. McCabe's Food & Spirits, Saginaw, Michigan, on Feb. 18-20, broke all previous records, with the team limits in the draw partner and bring partner events expanding from 24 to 32.

"This illustrates that the handicap format is working real well," said John McDermott of The Shuffleboard Federation, Inc. "It enables 2's, 3's and 4's to compete on a more equal footing, and players seem to like it. We believe it has a bright future in the Midwest."



Jeff Cottrell of the Pontiac area and Rich Lilly of Lansing drew each other to take first place in the draw partner event.



Alonzo Cottrell of Pontiac and Dale DeWaard of Saginaw took second place honors.



Bill Meyer of Sterling Heights and Jim Madary of the Detroit area finished third in the draw partner event.

Bill Kane and Alonzo Cottrell of Pontiac were No. 1 in the bring partner tournament.



John Tischler of Redford and Frank Parrish of Waterford took second in the bring partner.

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Wayne Snellenberger and Brian Levy of Saginaw appear happy with their third place winnings.



In the graduated entry singles, John McDermott of Northville (left) was the winner, with Steve Auten of Pontiac (center) taking second, and Glen Ingram of Muncie, Indiana (right) in third place.



McCabe's host Dave Willett (right) was surprised with an award of excellence from the Michigan Shuffleboard Hall of Fame for his outstanding sponsorship efforts. Tournament director and MSHF representative Rob Kern did the honors.

## Another Big One at My Way!

*By Char Rahn*

In Omaha, Nebraska, the place to be for shuffleboard action was again at My Way Lounge, where the 10th Annual My Way Tournament was held on Feb. 25-27. Play started Friday night with an A-B draw. There were 36 teams, single game, double elimination. Again, we had new players who had never played in a tournament before. So we are getting new players all the time and the best way to do this is to have an A-B draw.

Sue Webster has a new nickname. She hadn't planned on playing in the tournament due to a sore wrist, but she agreed to play so there would be an even number in case a couple players didn't show up. So, every five minutes, she was playing and then she wasn't. She ended up not playing, so I gave her the nickname "Yo Yo."

When play ended about 8:30 Saturday night, "Bring 'em back" Bob Linder and Tom Harvat came out of the loser's bracket and double-dipped Rich Klanderud and Jackie "Lil Demon" Jackson.



Bob Linder and Tom Harvat -- out of the loser's bracket and into the winner's circle in the A-B draw.

Settling for second were Rich Klanderud and Jackie Jackson.



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