

Davidson/Johnson Win 36th Bourbon Spring Doubles

Thirty-three teams from eight states -- Maryland, Oregon, California, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Missouri and Oklahoma -- came to the American Legion Post 424 in Bourbon, Indiana, on May 3 for its 36th Annual Spring Doubles.

Hall of Famer Glen Davison of Oklahoma teamed up with Hoosier Mike Johnson to take first place.

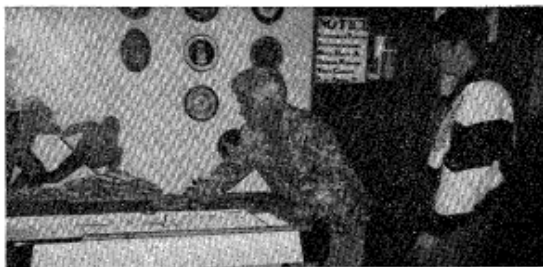


Director Terry Dowell (center) presents first-place plaques to Mike Johnson and Glen Davidson.



Host Bill Niswonger (center) congratulates Steve Blue and Debbie Voorhis for taking second-place honors.

Billy Melton from Oklahoma and John McDermott of Michigan finished third, with Lee McDonald of Missouri and J.R. Lopez of Michigan in fourth. Other winners were: Jim Allis, Washington, and Bobby Voorhis, Indiana, Jim Long and Larry Creakbaum, Indiana, 5th and 6th; Dave Boaz and Glen Ingram, Indiana, Chuck Ricklefs and Chris Passariello, Michigan, 7th and 8th.



Free-lance writer Ida Chipman was there to cover the event for local papers and tried out the board.

The Bourbon American Legion Auxiliary's barbecue chicken and swiss steak cook-out was its usual big attraction, along with prizes awarded throughout the tournament.

Hosts/directors Bill Niswonger, Terry Dowell and Mike Koontz thank all participants for making this 36th event a success.

Nelson/Heflin Prevail in Shamrock's Draw Partners

Did Bernice's famous Taco soup have an impact on the outcome of the annual draw partner tournament at the Shamrock in Longview, Washington, on May 3-4? Reporter Ralph Duarte thinks perhaps it did! With 24 teams vying for a share of the \$4500 pot, Darrol Nelson and Dick Heflin from Oregon finally prevailed -- but it wasn't easy.

"Maybe Bernice's taco soup was too much for Darrol and Dick," said Ralph. "They went right down to almost the end and then Chuck Norris of Oregon and Mike Waters of Washington -- all souped up -- sent them down so they could rest and wait for them to come back. Lo and behold! Come back they did. They had to beat Chuck and Mike two straight games to come out on top. It must have been the soup!"



Dick Heflin (left) and Darrol Nelson were tops in the field of 24 teams at the Shamrock's draw partner event.



Chuck Norris (left) and Mike Waters took second place.