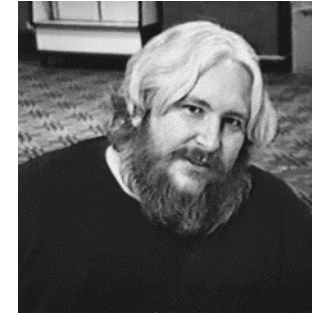


Rich "Bubba" Warren

Rich "Bubba" Warren grew up in Delaware, Ohio a small town near Columbus. In 1975, Bubba and some of his friends formed a country rock band called The One-Track Mind. Bubba sang and played steel guitar in the band which played at local colleges and other venues.



In 1978, the band moved to the Southern California area. Around 1980, One-Track Mind dissolved and Bubba joined another band called Steel Breeze. The bands played at many places in the Southern California area. Bubba says that after the movie Urban Cowboy came out in 1980, they got all the gigs they could handle. Some of the more famous venues were The Crazy Horse in Santa Ana, La Vida in Carbon Canyon and The Swallows Inn in San Juan Capistrano. The Swallows Inn was a particularly interesting place to play. The bands played behind chicken wire because the bouncers were local cowboys and a lot of the clientele were Marines from Camp Pendleton. Needless to say, it was a lively place. Clint Eastwood chose that bar to film part of the movie Heartbreak Ridge in 1986.

Bubba left the music scene in the mid-80's when his band started playing rock instead of country rock.

Bubba was first introduced to shuffleboard in 1980 when he walked into the Rose Saloon in Huntington Beach, CA and saw his first shuffleboard. The board was installed by Ray Malavasi who was the head coach of the Ram's football team at the time.



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Later, Bubba met Jack Pollan, known in the shuffleboard community as Glasses Jack. Jack became Bubba's mentor and after that it didn't take Bubba long to master the game. Once he started playing and traveling with Billy Chiles, his game excelled.

Rich Warren got his nickname in the '80s when he worked as head of Quality Control on a manufacturing assembly line. He couldn't pronounce some of his Vietnamese workers' names so started calling them all Bubba. One of his coworkers came to a shuffleboard event and called out "Bubba" when he saw Rich. The shuffleboarders there immediately latched onto it and Rich has been Bubba ever since in the shuffleboard community. Bubba has played with and against some of the best players in the game. To name a few: Glen Young, Sam Somers, Glen Davidson, Jimmy Allis, Darrol Nelson, Freddy Johns, Billy Chiles, Chris Danke, Don Cox, Nick Chaffin, Joe Hudson, Hal Perry, Al Salazar, Dan Hitt, Kelly Cameron, John Fisher, Sparky Sparkman, Troy Tolbert, Rick Boyer, Bill Maxwell and Jim Martin.



He traveled the West Coast to tournaments in Northern and Central California, Reno, Las Vegas and Arizona as well as countless events in SoCal. I have found 56 tournaments where he has ended up in the money, including 17 1st and 17 2nd places. He has been rated -0 to -1 for many years.

In the late 1990's Bubba along with his friend Ron and Rick Thomas resurfaced and installed shuffleboards in the Bay Area. They put an R&B

in the center of each board which stood for Rick and Bubba, and also Rhythm and Blues since they were both former musicians.



Besides being a great player, Bubba has also served as tournament director at many events at places such as Amato's, Oskar's, Cocktails Anyone and the Royal Room. He has helped out at countless other tournaments in Arizona, Las Vegas and northern and southern California.



Bubba has also been a shuffleboard teacher and promoter. In the 90's, Glen Davidson, The Shuffleboard Federation and George and Donna Wilbur all thanked Bubba in the Boardtalk for getting novice players more involved with the game. He was also instrumental in helping to develop the ABC game format which has introduced so many newer players into tournament play. He was also involved with forming the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame, of which he is now its latest member.

A partial list of tournaments Bubba has cashed in

YEAR	PLACE	TOURNAMENT	EVENT	Finish	TEAM
1987	Amatos	Spring Fling	Mixed doubles	2nd	Evelyn Hughes
1987	Amatos	Bring Partner	Doubles	3rd	Don Bandoli
1988	New Oak		Blind Draw	2nd	Ray Cross
1989	Covered Wagon	Benefit-Al Stewert	Blind Draw	3rd	Dot Bastanchury
1989	Amatos	Thanksgiving	Doubles	1st	Dennis Sparkman
1990	Best Little Wherehouse	4th of July	Singles	3rd	
1991	Best Little Wherehouse	4th of July	Doubles	2nd	Jim Alford
1991	Sands, NV	NASC	Mixed doubles	1st	Cheryl Collins
1991	Stagger Inn	Thanksgiving	AB draw	1st	Arlo Johnson
1992	Stagger Inn	Benefit-Billy Chiles	Doubles	5th	Dot Bastanchury
1992	Amatos	Memorial Day	Doubles	1st	Robert Perry
1993	Amatos	Three Person Team	ABC	2nd	Don H, Marie C
1993	Dixie Belle	4th of July	Singles	3rd	
1993	Blinky's	Labor Day	Doubles	1st	John Fisher
1994	Las Vegas	Extravaganza VI	Doubles	8th	AZ Turnbo
1994	Dixie Belle	4th of July	Doubles	2nd	Billy Chiles
1994	Blinky's	Memorial Day	Doubles	2nd	John Fisher
1994	CC's Sports Bar		ABC	1st	Vern Booth, Jim Linton
1994	Amatos		ABC	1st	Dot Bastanchury , Marie Coulter
1994		Benefit-Sharo Maxw	ABC	1st	Jack Eichar, Paul Weber
1995	Las Vegas	Extravaganza VII	Pro doubles	3rd	Billy Chiles
1995	Blinky's	Presidents' Day	Doubles	1st	Dan Hitt
1995	Pro Lounge, AZ	Spring Tournament	Open Doubles	3rd	Wendell Herbison
1995	Dixie Belle	4th of July	Open Doubles	2nd	Billy Chiles
1995	Dixie Belle	4th of July	Open Singles	3rd	
1995	Dixie Belle	Sweetheart's	Mixed doubles	1st	Jolene Lembke
1995	Blinky's	Labor Day	Open Singles	1st	

YEAR	PLACE	TOURNAMENT	EVENT	Finish	TEAM
1995	Dixie Belle	Thanksgiving	Doubles	3rd	Paul Elliot
1995	Dixie Belle	Thanksgiving	ABC	1st	Jerry Davis, Billy Duncan
1996	Blinky's	Presidents' Day	Doubles	2nd	John Fisher
1996	Blinky's	Presidents' Day	Singles	4th	
1996	Dixie Belle	12th Boardtalk Reu	Singles	7th/8th	
1996	Quilcene, WA	Grand Masters	ABC	3rd	Carl Rousch, Jim Watson
1997	CC's Sports Bar	5th annual ABC	ABC	1st	Tony Bastanchury, Jim Coulter
1998	Blinky's	Memorial Day	Pro doubles	2nd	Andy Brorson
2003	Oskar's	Crazy Eights		3rd	
2003	Silver Spur	Sweethearts	Mixed doubles	2nd	Chris Brown
2003	Huntington Beach Moose	Billy Chiles Memori	Add to 2 doubles	4th	Ernie Alvarez
2003	Rosewood Pub	Hot August Nights	Doubles	3rd	Ernie Alvarez
2003	Huntington Beach Moose	Bellflower Bruce Me	Doubles	1st	Gale Cole
2005	Huntington Beach Moose	Tournament of Char	Doubles	1st	Bert Nelson
2005	Oskar's	Memorial Day	Doubles	2nd	John Fisher
2006	Oskar's	Memorial Day	Doubles	3rd	Bob Ruiz
2006	Oskar's	Billy Chiles Memori	Doubles	4th	Jeff Posthumus
2007	Oskar's	Memorial Day	Doubles	2nd	Jeff Posthumus
2008	Oskar's	Thanksgiving	Doubles	2nd	Jeff Posthumus
2009	Oskar's	Memorial Day	Doubles	3rd	Jerry Harp
2009	Oskar's	Labor Day	AB draw	1st	Bud Mitchner
2010	Oskar's	Memorial Day	Doubles	1st	Jerry Harp
2010	Exeter Eagles' Lodge	4th of July	AB draw	3rd	Janna Brannen
2011	Oskar's	Billy Chiles Memori	AB draw	2nd	Bill Landers
2011	Oskar's	Billy Chiles Memori	AB handicap draw	3rd	Richard Eschilian
2011	Marlin Open		Doubles	2nd	Al Salazar
2012	Cocktails Anyone?	Labor Day	AB draw	3rd	Willy Vasquez
2012	Cocktails Anyone?	Labor Day	Doubles	2nd	Jerry Harp
2013	Royal Room	Memorial Day	Doubles	2nd	Al Salazar

TESTIMONIALS

In the late 80's, on a visit to southern California, I was fortunate enough to meet Bubba at the Dixie Bell. He had come down that night to the bar, as others had, just to welcome some out of towners to their shuffleboard community! Being a new player, this is probably part of what endeared me to the game. Fast forward a few months later, Bubba and John "Squirrel" Fisher made a visit to Phoenix and stopped by to see me at the Purple Turtle, where I worked. When I couldn't be reached before they left, they made sure the bartender would give me a message that "Bubba and Squirrel were here." Upon receiving the message from Jane, the bartender, she asked, "Are they members of a motorcycle gang?" I just laughed right out loud. Throughout the last 3 decades we have shared visits and laughs and shuffleboard, because we are "Living on the edge!" Right, Bubba? I am very happy to see you honored with this award. You are very worthy and a special person.

Love, Cindy Clark

It is a real pleasure to write a testimonial for my friend Bubba Warren. In the late 80s I played a few years in California with Bubba, Karl Spickelmier and Joe Muniz. In 1991 Bob Lewis and I decided to put on a big money tournament in Arizona, I called them all to get some advice. Bubba and Karl came early to help set up the boards and the schedules, Despite his medical issues, Bubba for many years has been there to help in any way he can in Calif, Vegas and Az, I admire and respect him for his high caliber of play and even more for his contributions to the game we love, We all owe him a debt of gratitude.

Lary Tafoya

Bubba was a Huge influence in Southern California for running tournaments and being a good player! Always being kind to old and new players, he always called everyone Pal. Bubba is more than deserving of being in the CSHOF. Congrats on your long career of dedication!

Welcome to the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame!!!

David Keithahn



Al Salazar, Nick Chaffin, Dave Keithahn, Bubba

Bubba is a worthy addition to the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. For decades he has meant a lot to the game as a player and as a promoter. From the time I first discovered the game in the mid-80s and through the 90s and 2000s Bubba was always a dominant figure in the game in both categories. At that time he was one of the best players in the state. The great Southern California players would attend the tournaments held in the north and Bubba attended most, if not all of those Northern California tournaments. Often winning events. As a promoter, Bubba ran or helped run many tournaments. And was always willing to impart a tip or two to any up and coming player that would ask. As a bonus, Bubba has an enjoyable personality. Always with a positive attitude and positive approach to the game. Whenever I attend a tournament, one of the people I look forward to seeing is Bubba. Bubba is a great addition to the California Hall of Fame. A well-deserved honoree.

Congratulations Bubba!

Dan Mourgos

Bubba,

I'm so happy you're being honored with this induction. I can remember you giving me pointers at Mr. G's when you got stuck with me on your team and I was a smart ass kid that didn't play very often. Well, guess what? I'm still a smart ass, just an old one. Thanks for having patience with me and congrats on a well-deserved honor!

Love,
Judy (Spike) Morphis
Ranch Shuffleboard

Bubba!!

Congratulations! You're such a Bad Ass! Thank you so much for welcoming me into the Down South Shuffleboard family and making me feel so confident with my game at my first outta town tournament at the Royal Room. I'm excited that you are getting inducted here at the Bobby Goldsmith. I can't wait to hang out with...The Man...The Legend...and My Good Friend...Shuffleboard Hall of Famer!!

Your Friend Forever,
Tawny
Ranch Shuffleboard

Bubba,

First off, our very good friend, you are so deserving of this induction. Your love and dedication to the game cannot be surpassed. We don't only call you a great player, we call you a great friend. If everyone was as dedicated to the game of shuffleboard as you are, it would live on forever. Congrats, our friend!

Love,
Russ & Leslie Langton
Ranch Shuffleboard

Bubba,

We met so many years ago playing shuffleboard that I can't even remember how long it's been. You were one of my teachers who made me love the game. We have run a lot of tournaments together and it's my honor to say you are my friend and you deserve this. You are a great player and friend, so congrats on your induction into the Hall of Fame. It is well deserved. God bless you always.

Love,
Little Jan Manes



Kathy Smallshire, Jan Manes, Bubba, Chris Brown, Dixie Debbie

Rick and I met Bubba in the early 1990's, when he and Billy Chiles came to a tournament at Blinky's in Santa Clara. I hadn't met very many SoCal players at that point, and I was very impressed with their play and their personalities. Bubba became a staple at Blinky's tournaments, taking several 1st's and 2nd's over the years. I saw him win more at the Dixie Belle and at Oskar's, even while running tournaments, which is very hard to do. In the late 90's, Bubba, his friend Ron and Rick poured shuffleboards for a while. We became good friends and I have many fond memories. Bubba introduced me to "liquid Quaalude" (I have no idea what is in it) and Cadillac Margaritas. We had some great dinners at La Paloma. I am also the proud owner of a One-Track Mind CD. Great music! Bubba is always a lot of fun to be around and a force to be reckoned with in tournaments.

Bubba has been a promoter, teacher and ambassador of the game as well as a great player. He truly deserves this induction.

Kathy (Thomas) Smallshire

I was super happy hearing that Richard Warren (Bubba, Dr. Sheen) had been inducted into the state of California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. He certainly is a most deserving player and promoter and long overdue. I may be slightly prejudice due to the fact that he and I came up as playing partners in the beginning, but I really feel it's a no brainer. He's as fierce a competitor as you'll ever face. He is a lagging machine, hence the nickname "Sheen."

He is a class person and was always a perfect gentleman and ambassador to the game. Not to mention his ability to create action with his enthusiasm and sportsmanship. I feel very honored to call him my good friend. I'm glad you finally get the recognition you earned in your great shuffleboard career.

Your lifelong friend,
John Fisher



Bubba and John Fisher

Congratulations Bubba! You have been a great friend, and we have had so many memorable moments while playing shuffleboard. I'm thankful for all that you have taught me.

Pat Mills

I first met Bubba in 1983. I had been away from the game for seven years and Bob Brunskill talked me back into playing again. I joined his bar as a team player in the Orange County league. I got to know Bubba while playing league. Then I started showing up and playing Saturdays at Bubba's favorite watering hole, Amatos in Huntington Beach, California. I remember the first few times that I went to play some of the better players at the time at Amato's, I would take several lickings from those boys. After a few times of getting into my wallet, Bubba would yell out as I walked into the bar, "here comes the big fish", and I knew exactly what he meant. It wasn't long after that he nicknamed me the MARLIN. I have been stuck with the name ever since. It's sorta like the boy named Sue, it made me want to play better and to defend my honor. I did that and sometime after, Bubba changed his words to, "look who's here, Jimmy Martin. I wonder who is showing up today the Mackerel or the Marlin?" I never really did understand the Mackerel part. I would love to talk about the "Monday nights men's club", but it might jeopardize my retirement pension.



Jim Martin, Don Hughes, Bubba

I knew when I met Bubba that he would not only be a force to be reckoned with in the game, but also one that would strive to help improve the game. He has certainly done that in the 40 years of playing shuffleboard. He is a player, promoter and supporter. He has always been there to play the best that walked through any door where a shuffleboard was. He promoted several tournaments and supported them as well.

It's been an honor to have played with and against him. A true competitor and I'm happy to call him my friend. It is with pleasure that I get to see him inducted into the CSHOF and to congratulate him. CONGRATULATIONS BUB!

Jim Martin

In 1992 I was introduced to shuffleboard and Richard “Bubba” Warren. I had no idea what this game was, or who Bubba Warren was, and quite honestly, though the game was boring and stupid until Bubba changed my mind. I met Bubba at Amato’s in Huntington Beach, CA through the Coulter clan. They loved the game and still do. I started playing, thinking that this had to be an easy game. I thought I could easily be the best early on, after all, how hard can it be to throw a weight down a stupid table?...I was wrong. It would be 6 years of frustration and denial to finally learn, from Bubba, that I wasn’t that good. Bubba pulled me aside after a tournament and made no bones about it... “you could be really good if you dropped the attitude and learned the game.” He then went on to offer to teach me the game, “the right way.”

So, a journey began of learning the game and gaining a friend. I went through many exercises that Bubba had me do for hours to learn the art of the game. I went through a lot of cash playing money games that I couldn’t win, but for some reason Bubba convinced me to keep playing. After a few years of going broke weekly in money games, I finally started to win. This had nothing to do with me and everything to do with Bubba’s continued teaching and support.

We became more than teacher/student, we became friends. We began to partner together and win together. Bubba taught me how to win with excitement and lose with confidence. We would play the Men’s Club on Saturdays and win. We won at Oscar’s, the Moose Lodge, anywhere we played. Many money games, and always learning from my friend, my mentor.

Bubba and I would play anyone anywhere for any amount and win more than we lost. Bubba was there for me through many difficult times and always did what he could to keep me focused. For this, I am very grateful to have Bubba’s support.

Now, some 28 years later, I get the honor of seeing my friend, my mentor and one of the greatest players and minds in this game get inducted into

the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. It is a privilege to have been taught this game by a true champion and master of Shuffleboard. Congratulations Bubba. I believe, and have for a long time, that you have deserved this honor and you are and will continue to be a great Ambassador to this game. I only wish I still lived close to you so we could play some more together. I can say thank you for the gift of your teaching me this game and thank you for being such a great friend.

With much love and respect,

Jeff Posthumus



Bubba, Bob Ruiz and Jeff Posthumus

I met Bubba when we played the Amato’s team in the Orange County Shuffleboard League. This was probably in 1984. After League play, he and John Fisher would challenge Jim Martin and myself to more games.

I remember the game he and John had playing Tommy Workman and his partner in Las Vegas. He and John were ahead something like 12 to 7 and lost the game by trying to lag out every frame. Bubba improved his lagging game quite a bit after that.

Bubba was a good promoter of shuffleboard and was usually involved in tournament organizing and contacting other players.

He has taught many players how to play the game - usually for a nominal \$5 or \$10 lesson fee.

Congratulations on your induction into the CSHOF.

Bob Brunskill

Bubba has been a good friend and partner for 35 years. We first met at Ted Z's Fourth of July tournament in 1985. I was there with Gil Aragon. We played several games with Bubba and John Fisher and that led to a tradition of playing at every tournament we played. Eventually Bubba became my partner. We won a few and lost a few but I enjoyed playing with him. His knowledge of the game, the boards, adjustments, and brackets are second to none. I wholeheartedly endorse his induction into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame.

Congratulations Bubba, on a well-deserved honor
Al Salazar



Al Salazar and Bubba

I have known Bubba for many years. He has always been a top player. He very competitive, but also displays good sportsmanship and helps others develop their talents. Bubba is a force to be reckoned with. I think he is one of the best players in the L.A. area. If anyone belongs in the national hall of fame, Bubba does.

I heartily recommend Bubba for the Hall of Fame. Congratulations Rich Bubba Warren!

Don Cox

Bubba,

Well my good friend, I would like to congratulate you on your very deserving honor. Yes, you are a perfect fit as a player and a gentleman for the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame.

I look back at all those years playing sessions or tournaments. You were a great player and a gentleman to the game we all love. I treasure the times we were lucky enough to compete in shuffleboard or just spend some quality time together. I miss it all.

Walk tall old buddy because you earned every step as you walk proudly into the C.S.H.O.F.

Love ya,
Hal Perry



Bubba, Lorraine Olsen, Paul Elliot

Congratulations to Bubba for this well-deserved honor of being inducted into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. He has been a fantastic player and supporter of the game of table shuffleboard for many years. Bubba, fantastic work at playing and being part of the shuffleboard in California.

Lance Lohr

Vice President of the CSHOF



Back Row: Darroll Nelson, Fred Thuman, John Fisher, Barbara A, George Main
Center Row: Bubba, Nelson Jennings, Paul Elliot, Blinky, Bill Maxwell, Steve Perry
Front Row: Rick Thomas, Dale Pirlot, Paul Parks, Pat Bayless, George Camara



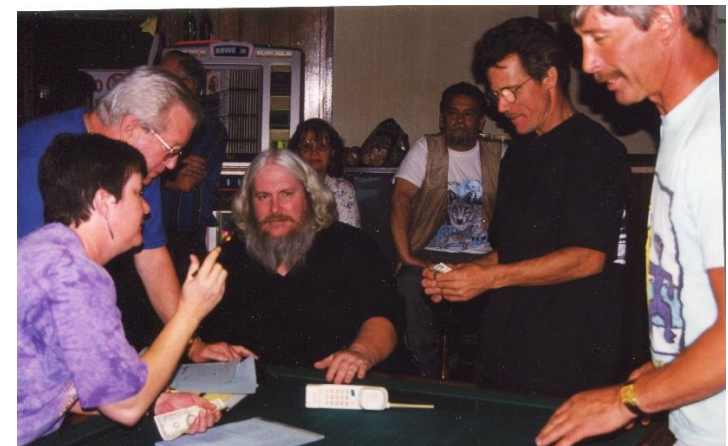
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Bobby Goldsmith & Bubba



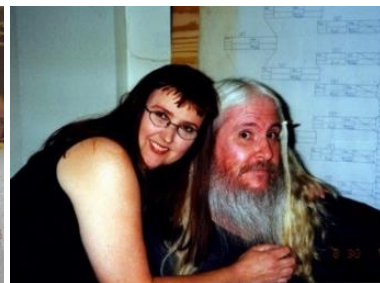
Steve Perry & Bubba



Promoter



Chris Brown & Bubba



Dixie Debbie & Bubba



Worker