

Eagles 3911 Hosts 5th Thanksgiving Tournament

The Eagles Lodge 3911 in Houston, Missouri, hosted its 5th Annual Thanksgiving Tournament with three events. It started off on Thanksgiving Day with a turkey dinner and an A-B draw with 15 teams participating.



First place went to locals Dean Pinkston and Chris Moore.



Second place honors went to Harvey Walden of Memphis, Tennessee, and Tim Adams of Gepp, Arkansas.



Third place went to locals Delane Moore and Ray Johnston.

Friday was the bring partner event with 20 teams participating.



After being put in the loser's bracket by locals John Stenger and Steve Lindsey, Chuck Muehlhauser of St. Louis and Pat Gainey of Austin, Texas, came back to double dip John and Steve to take first place.



Steve Lindsey and John Stenger settled for second.



Rick Pittman and Charlie Riley took third place.

Super Sam and Cheryl Doyon of St. Louis finished in fourth place in the bring partnerevent.



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Action will begin on Friday with a draw partner event, \$25 per player, limit of 48 players, sale at 7:30 p.m. with play immediately following. "A" players (-1, 0, or 1) may not draw each other.

A handicap doubles is on the agenda for Saturday. You may play with any partner you want, but the higher-rated team will spot the lower-rated team the difference in team handicap. For example, Team A has an 0-rated player and a 1-rated player, so their team handicap is 1. Team B has a 2-rated player and a 3-rated player, so their team handicap is 5. In this case, Team A would spot Team B four points (5 - 1 = 4).

A handicap singles will be held on Sunday with a progressive entry fee: \$100 for -1's, \$80 for 0's, \$60 for 1's, \$40 for 2's, and \$20 for 3's, 4's and 5's. Sale at 10 a.m. Sunday morning with play immediately following.

All events are single game double elimination, 12 point games in the draw, 15 points in the singles and doubles. Entry deadlines are: 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, for the draw; 1 p.m. Saturday afternoon for both the open doubles and open singles. A \$5 registration fee will go to tournament director Rob Kern.

To get to McCabe's, take I-75 to Exit 149A and go east approximately 1/2 mile. The bar opens daily at 7 a.m., serves great food and will have four boards on hand for the tournament (boards furnished by Decker Shuffleboard, Toledo, Ohio.)

For information, call Dave at McCabe's, 517-754-3621, or The Shuffleboard Federation at 248-380-9300.

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There were 16 players in the singles event.



Winners were Chuck Muehlhauser (center), 1st; Moe Miller (right), 2nd; and Dean Pinkston, 3rd. Steve Kane finished in fourth place.

Brown/Ingram Win Sportsman's Lounge Doubles

Fourteen teams competed in the doubles tournament at the Sportsman's Lounge, Muncie, Indiana, on Dec. 11, for a total purse of \$2,270. \$100 was added to the team payout by host Rudy Parris.

First place winners were Bob Brown and Glen Ingram. Second went to Dave Vondram and Bobby Sommers, with third going to Greg Massey and Larry Brown.

The next doubles at the Sportsman's Lounge will be Feb. 26, 2000.

Bits & Pieces

We have received word that Bellflower Bruce Hale of California has lost his Newport Plastics factory in a fire. Bruce sometimes sleeps overnight in the factory, but thankfully, this was not one of those nights. He did, however, lose his faithful guard dog. At this point, he is mostly concerned about his 40 employees, who will be out of work. As we go to press, many people are looking for ways to help Bruce, who has been there for so many others in need. We'll keep you posted. In the meantime, if you'd like to drop him a note, we're sure he would appreciate your concerns: Bruce Hale, 3198-F Airport Loop Dr., Costa Mesa CA 92646.

A few other people who could use some cheering up are: Jay Wilson, 5745 Del Amo Blvd., Lakewood CA 90713; Ron Schweikert, 1140 Coral Desert Dr., Las Vegas NV 89123; and Marie Sweeney, 54 S. Broadway, Lake Orion MI 48362. All three have had some health challenges, and notes from The World of Shuffleboard would buoy their spirits.

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