

## Newcomer Helps "Grizzly" Win A-B Draw at Jerry D's

By Kathi Lloyd

Jerry D's in Dacona, Colorado, hosted an A-B blind draw tournament, organized by Ron Sosovec, over the Valentine's Day weekend for the second year in a row. The handicapped tournament was a big success and it looks like it will become another Colorado shuffleboard tradition.

This picture shows Dave holding Sue up in a victory celebration, but I think Dave will tell you that Sue did a fair job of holding him up at crucial times during the tournament. I've never seen a beginner with such nerves of steel! She never missed a shot in the final match. Sue has just begun playing in the past few months and is going to be a great competitor down the road!



The star of the show was the newest player from Fort Collins, Sue Peiper. She was paired up with Dave Cowan (the "Grizz"), who towers over the petite 4 ft. 9 inch Sue.



Candy Lepore and Kathi Lloyd placed second in this tournament.

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## Walden/Kennedy/Pipken Win "Tournament of Tears"

By Woodie Cockrum

Missouri's largest and most popular shuffleboard event, the city-wide tournament in Springfield, was played with sadness this year. Connie McCall took over the tournament that Premium Beverage started and was run by Mike Arthur for 17 years. Connie changed the name to Hill Billy Tournament and made a deal with the owner of Grumpy's Tavern, Randy Jensen, for it to be held at Grumpy's. Randy had bought a board from Bill Melton awhile back and with this tournament coming up, he was in the process of buying another board when he was stricken with a heart attack. He died just two weeks before the start of the tournament at the age of 52. He will be missed. Randy's wife, Cindy, will continue the great service at Grumpy's Tavern. She said she would have the second board in by October.



Winner of the singles, held Feb. 25, was Harvey Walden (center) of Tennessee. Second place went to Chuck Muehlhauser of St. Louis (right) with Jim Kennedy (JFK) of Oklahoma in third.

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## Missouri Hall of Fame Thanks Triple Crown

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Rickey Lee Pittman, President, Missouri Shuffleboard Hall of Fame

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The bring partner event was won by Jim Kennedy of Tulsa and Barry Pipken of Joplin. Owner Cindy Jensen congratulates the winners.

Second place honors went to Pay Gainey (left) of Texas and Andy Friedhofen of Springfield



Locals Steve Butcher and Randy finished third.



Winner of the drawing for a set of Triple Crown weights was "Weezie" of Houston, Missouri, presented by Missouri Hall of Fame Vice President Chuck Muehlhauser.

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Houston and Jeff Weaver of Austin.

First place in Saturday's bring partner add to 1 event went to Mike Taylor and Randy Rogers, two of our local players. Ken Strong and Rene Roberts of Houston took second place. Third place went to Eddie Woods and Mike Alvey, both from the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

Sunday's event was an ABC team. This was our first time to host this event. We had seven teams and everyone seemed to have a good time.



First place went to (left to right) Donnie Gattis and Debbie Bowers of Austin, and George Best of San Antonio.



Taking second place honors were (from left): Jerry Thurmann, Mike Taylor and Larry Nance, all of Austin

Many thanks to all for participating and/or watching. A special thanks to Gene and Sarah, owners of Taz Country.

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