HARVEY'S PLACE "Thanksgiving Shoot-out"

By Dick Gorman, Wilmington, DE

The second event of the 7 tournament schedule for 2000-2001 was held at Harvey's Place, Street, Maryland, November 10-11, 2000 on their four inhouse boards. Early signs are that there will be no dominant players this season, as the Bowers Rating System levels the playing field which produces more winners and spread of the wealth between more players.

Friday night was the traditional Draw Partner event producing some (but not all) new winners from the first event tournament which was held Oct. 6-7th (See Page 16 of the November issue and Page 16 of this issue for details and results of the October 2000 "Memorial Tournament")

First Place was taken by host Harvey Comer and his partner Jim Dennis of Perryville, MD; Second Place was taken by Lindsay Hall of Baltimore, MD and partner Arlo Johnson of Jordan, NY (whom had not seen each other in almost 5 years - it certainly was good to see Arlo and his wife Jane!); and Third Place was taken by Curtis Dean of Elkhorn, MD and Faye Todd of Newark, DE (who had just returned from the Reno tournament).

Many got to rest up some on **Saturday**, as the **Bring Partner** event did not start until 1 p.m. But, start it did and new results again. **First Place** was won by Dave Shewbridge of Pasadena, MD and Joe Williams of Ridley Park, PA having to play hard to come back from the losers bracket and win; Second Place was won by Richie Casula of Newark, DE and Curtis Dean of Elkton, MD; and Third Place was won by J. B. Armour of Chesapeake City, MD and Pete Gitney of Northeast, MD.

Pots for both events averaged \$100 per team. After the above events completed on Saturday, we started our regularly scheduled Saturday night, double elimination, Draw Partner tournament. First place (and majority of the pot) was taken by Wendy Davis and Dick Gorman, both of Wilmington, DE; second place was taken by Herb Forster of Ridley Park, PA and Gene Long of Lancaster, PA; and third place was settled for by host Harvey Comer and one of our brand new Harvey's Place tournament players, Phil Dooman of Roselle Park, NJ. Our Hostess, Darlyne Belcher, was up to her usual 'super fine' cooking and served us all a wonderful full course meat loaf dinner. Ask Dick Gorman sometime how his tapioca pudding (which he

thought was potatoes) tasted topped with hot brown gravy! (The potatoes were in the hot pot, Dick!)

Our tourney Host, Harvey Comer, says that he continues to be pleased with the use of the Bowers Rating System and the results that it's use brings.

The next two tourneys of this 7 tournament schedule will be held at Harvey's Place on Dec. 8-9, 2000 and Jan. 12-13, 2001. Give Harvey a call for more details, as he would love to save a place for you. Contact Harvey Comer: (410) 836-8881.

<u>DAVID L's Hideout Lounge</u> <u>October 15th Mixed Doubles!</u>

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First Place: Ricky Royal (left) and Marsha Brown (right)



Second Place: Mary Brown (left) and Larry Brown (right)



Third Place: Jody Berry (left) and Bob Brown (right)

(Glen, there sure are a lot of "Brown" winners! Think we need to change our last names? <grin> --T&I)