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CONGRESS NEWS

Happy New Year to all the Shuffleboard Players across Canada. I would like to thank the Saskatchewan Shuffleboard Association for the outstanding Canadian Championships for the milestone 50th anniversary of these Championships. To all of the members, volunteers, and sponsors a big thank you for a job well done.

Congratulations to all the Winners as well as all who participated in the 2014 Championships. It was exciting to see some new participants as well as the old standbys each year.

The Manitoba Shuffleboard Association is working diligently for the upcoming 2015 Championships to be held in Winnipeg. It is always a pleasure for myself to go back home to Winnipeg, as most of you know I am from Winnipeg and was a proud member of the Manitoba Shuffleboard Association from 1972 until 1988 when I moved to Calgary.

I would like to say a big thank you to some very important people. To my good friend the outgoing President of the Canadian Shuffleboard Congress, Jamie McCrimmon I want to personally thank you for all your hard work, time, and dedication that you have put in over the years. As well Jamie is responsible for the ongoing sponsorship from Shell Canada and Gyrodata Services.

My thanks go out to Doreen Hegan for all her hard work over the years as Secretary Treasurer of the Congress. A job well done.

As well I thank Charlene Lucas for all her hard work and dedication as First Vice President of the Congress.

It goes without saying that I would also like to thank the new members on the Congress Executive. Rita McCrimmon (SASA) our new Secretary Treasurer who will keep the present Executive in line.

Don Heaton (VISA) our new First Vice President. Don's experience and knowledge will be a great help as Don was a former President of the Congress. Marlowe Halvorson (SSA) our new Second Vice President; is one of the hardest workers I know who truly loves the game of Shuffleboard.

Sadly at this time, some of Shuffleboard's finest have passed on. Al Fulsher and Herb Hamm

both from Winnipeg; and Millie Jensen originally from Victoria but for years was living in Vancouver; have recently passes away. As well to all those Shuffleboarders who have passed away over the years, Rest In Peace.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in Winnipeg. I hope everybody has a wonderful and prosperous year.

Rick Litman President

British Columbia

Hello from BC!

January, we are in our winter shuffleboard leagues; a Tuesday night shortboard league at ANAF #45 North Vancouver, a Thursday night longboard league, and a Saturday longboard league, both traveling leagues played at clubs throughout greater Vancouver. The winter leagues will wrap up in April, BCSA will then host our annual Spring Shortboard League, which runs until mid June.

Our annual Memorial Tournament was held in November; a good turnout again this year. The venue this year was the ANAF 45. The perpetual trophies were awarded to the top 3 teams, have a look at the BCSA website for full results and pictures. www.bcshuffleboard.ca

We look forward to our BC Open tournament, date yet to be determined, and our usual fun day

Get-togethers to raise funds. We also look forward, with anticipation, to naming this years representatives to attend in Winnipeg, BCSA rooms are already booked!

Thanks to the Sask Charter for the job well done in October 2014!

The BCSA team very much appreciated your hospitality.

Thanks everyone. BCSA executive

Manitoba

Greetings from Manitoba!

Thank you again to our great Saskatchewan hosts, a great Canadians!

We started our league in November with 5 teams. A large group of our Shuffleboard players have elected to join another league that has just started up in the city. So much as we are disappointed that they are not in the MSA, they are still playing, so that is a good thing.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in October and plans are well underway. Please visit our website for details at http://shuffleboard.wordpress.com. You will find the link to the hotel there as well, and rooms can be booked anytime.

We will be holding our Valentine's Mixed Tournament on February 14th at ANAF #283 (3584 Portage Avenue) if anyone is interested in playing let us know.

Keep warm.

Wendy Popkes
President
Manitoba Shuffleboard Association

Alberta

No submission

Ontario

Hello from Southern Ontario

Hope everyone had a great holiday season!

October 2014 was a milestone 50th year for the Canadian Shuffleboard Congress and the OSA would like to thank SSA (Saskatchewan Shuffleboard Association) for hosting a spectacular championship in Regina.

We all know all the work that's involved with hosting and to make a 50 year celebration special is a huge task. To all your members thank you so much for making it so memorable!

Congratulations to all the winners of the 2014 CSC Championships and also to the 2014 Hall of Fame Inductees.

Things are rolling along nicely here in Southern Ontario. We have already held six of our eighteen tournaments scheduled for 2014/2015 and we are back at fundraising once again after a Xmas and New Year break.

Check out the website for updates and photos of all the winners and some of our other shenanigans! www.ontarioshuffleboard.com

The three leagues are in full swing and in each district there are several new players which is very encouraging!

Niagara Regional Shuffleboard League has grown significantly with sixty seven players in their league this year. Milton has twenty six and Kitchener has eighty six.

Playdowns will be held at Polish Legion Branch 412 on May 1st 2nd and 3rd 2015.

Fund raisers for this season include 2 Bowl-a-Thons, Annual Texas Mickey draw, Annual Ladies Valentine basket draw and a cake walk at each of our tournaments in Kitchener and Milton. NRSL will hold a Euchre tournament.

We look forward to an exciting season of "Shuffling" and wish the MSA (Manitoba Shuffleboard Association) good luck with their preparations for hosting the 2015 Canadian Shuffleboard Championships in October in Winnipeg!

Wishing everyone the very best for 2015.

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Southern Alberta

Hello everyone from Southern Alberta!
Our numbers are down on players, as is all leagues across
Canada. A shortage of teams here in Southern Alberta
Has stopped us from playing in a weekly league, but we
Are hoping with hard work and dedication to the game
That we can bring it back.

We are hoping to keep the Alberta Ope going here as it Has always been a success and a great chance to see our Shuffleboard family. I will keep everyone posted on the Details. We wish everyone a prosperous and healthy 2015

Rita McCrimmon SASA Secretary/Treasurer

Eastern Ontario

No submission

Vancouver Island -

No submission

Saskatchewan

Hello from SSA and RDSL. Weather has finally smartened up for a little while and we are out of the deep freeze. We survived the Canadians and are in high spirits after socializing with our many friends across Canada who came to Regina.

Along with other clubs across Canada we are struggling to maintain and expand our league. All of us need to work together to promote our game and help it expand. It is not easy but if each of us could bring in one friend, acquaintance or new person into our leagues and show them the fun we have it would help.

Our league with seven teams is progressing nicely and getting ready for the first tournament of 2015, which will be hosted by Marlowe at the Eagles Club, January 30 and 31, 2015.

We will be drawing players this week for our league All Star game which will be held February 14th. Many of our players are looking ahead with anticipation to the Alberta Opens and planning their trip already. They are looking forward to getting together with old friends. I to hope to attend if business allows for it.

We are into our fund raising and our planning several events including steak nights, basket raffles, and more. Plans are underway for the Sask Open which will be Thu. July 30th to Sun, August 2nd. Watch for upcoming details. Our Sask Provincial Tournament will be held on league boards at the Eagles Club Sept 4th to the 6th, with the winners of each event going on to the Canadians. On behalf of the members and executive of the SSA/RDSL I would like to send our best wishes for a great and Prosperous year to all players and members across Canada. Good health and good sportsmanship to all.

Allan Carton President SSA/RDSL

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