

Bourbon Spring Tournament Sets Record -- 64 Teams and Waiting...

The 33rd Annual Spring Doubles on May 7, 1994, at the American Legion Post 424 in small-town, U.S.A. -- Bourbon, Indiana, attracted 64 teams from 14 states, breaking all previous records. And the winners were (horn tooting and drum rolls) Hoosier Bobby Voorhis and Jimmy Allis of Washington! They beat out Bjerne Sunde of Michigan and Frank Blade of Texas, with Bob Pery of Illinois and Buddy Broka of Indiana in third. Others in the top eight pay-off places were: Denny Busch of Nebraska and Billy Melton of Oklahoma, 4th; Greg and Tom Massie, Indiana, 5th; Terry Dowell and Steve Blue, Indiana, 6th; John McGinnis and Joe Muniz of California, 7th; and Larry Creakbaum and Jerry Knox, Indiana, 8th.

Tournament director Fritzi Broka believes that with 64 teams involved, the top 24 teams deserve some recognition, so here is the rest of the line-up: Larry Vance and Rick Royal, Indiana, 9th; Bill Melton, Oklahoma, and John McDermott, Michigan, 10th; Steve Hart and Jim Long, Indiana, 11th; Danny Smith and Carl Silvey, Indiana, 12th; Phil Crowder and Blaine Yeagey, Indiana, 13th; Brian Collins and Paul Elliott, Indiana, 14th; Louise Freer, Pennsylvania, and Marv Smith, New York, 15th; Jerry Bryant and Ken Gay, Michigan, 16th; Slick Parrish and Jim Gentz, Michigan, 17th; John Mauk and Dave Holbrook, Indiana, 18th; Mike Melton and Ron Huddleston, Oklahoma, 19th; Lasca Dowell and John Cowen, Indiana, 20th; Terry Smith and Ted Burr, Illinois, 21st; Tim Meek and Gene Newman, Ohio, 22nd; Judy Iseman, Maryland, and Judy Gartland, Pennsylvania, 23rd; and Phil McGrew and Jim Stockmaster, Ohio, 24th.

The 14 states represented included: Indiana, 44 players; Michigan, 39; Ohio, 17; Oklahoma, 7; California, 7; Illinois, 3; Pennsylvania, 3; Nebraska, 2; Washington, 1; Missouri, 1; New York, 1; Maryland, 1; Texas, 1; and Florida, 1.

Bourbon "Blessed Again"

"If you have never been to a Bourbon tournament, you probably will not understand this, but every event should include an award given to the person who has the most fun," said director Fritzi. "Bourbon was blessed this year to have California players Joe Muniz, Paul Weber, Dave Brennan, Chris Bonner, John McGinnis, and Jim Anderson. Oops! There were seven!

How could I have missed this one? Wes Eades. If I were to give that award for the most fun, Wes had a lock on it the second day he was here (pre-tournament). Wes is the owner of the Dixie Belle in Downey, California, host of a tournament on the 4th of July weekend. That is sure one I would like to be at, especially if Wes lights up the sky like he did at Bourbon!"

New Rules for Fall Tourney

Because of the growing popularity of this tournament, director Fritzi Broka has had to set some entry rules for the next event, the October 1, 1994, Fall Tournament:

1. All entries must be mailed to Fritzi so they reach her by Sept. 26 (American Legion Post 424, Bourbon, IN 46504, Attn.: Fritzi Broka);
2. No entries postmarked before July 1, 1994, will be accepted.
3. The entry is \$50 and must be paid in full when entering.
4. You may pay for a spot without a partner, but must call Fritzi (219-858-2278) before Sept. 26 and declare who your partner is or lose your spot.

Thanks from Fritzi and American Legion

Tournament Director Fritzi Broka and the American Legion Post 424 in Bourbon, Indiana, would like to thank all the shuffleboard players who participated in the May 7 event. Fritzi would like to especially thank her three helpers, Steve Hart, Joyce Roberts, and Steve Slough.

Fritzi would also like to give one more big, huge thank you to Buddy and their son Wolf for putting up with her the months prior to this event, and allowing her to do it.

She also extends congratulations to winners Jimmy Allis and Bobby Voorhis and to Don Bostwick of Michigan, winner of a new set of weights, and invites all of you to the Fall Tournament in Bourbon on October 1.

Thanks, Fritzi!

That hand-tooled leather clock with the Board Talk logo has a special place above our kitchen table, the "heart" of our home. Come see it!

George & Donna