Ingredients for a Successful Shuffleboard Tournament

Pick a good time... say, Presidents' Day weekend, find a good bar with a friendly owner and great bartenders, surrounded by lots of hotels, and finally, induct Fred Thumann into the HOF. This year's annual Northern CA shuffleboard tournament was hosted by T's Cocktail's of Modesto. A whopping 103 players showed up to get in on the 4 day, 4 event showdown. Total prize money came to \$49,785. Dan Hitt was the big winner in the open events, placing 1st in the open singles, and 1st in the open doubles with his partner, Dave Keithahn. Ty Bayne and Warren Goldsmith took 1st in the add-to-3 doubles, and were on the 1st place ABC team which also included Mick Medlin.

Bill Maxwell furnished the 6 brand new Venture shuffleboard tables. Billy's hard work and support were vital to the success of the tournament. Thanks, also, to Dave Keithahn, for all of his assistance in setting up the boards and putting up the lights.

Lorraine Bingham-Olson did a phenomenol job putting together Freddy's HOF booklet, which included lots of color photos and 37 testimonials.

The tournament staff consisted of Jane Mourgos, Lorraine Bingham-Olson, Dan Mourgos, and tournament director, Eddie Brayman.

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