

## Walker/Gray Tops at Triple Crown's A-B Draw

By Tom & Lynda French

There were 15 teams competing in the A-B draw tournament at Triple Crown Sports Bar, Houston, Texas, on August 19, hosted by owners Bill and Beverly Lindquist.

Topping the field of contenders were Brian Walker and Richard Gray of Houston, with Tom French of Austin and Del Ammerman of Houston taking second place honors. Harvey Kidd of Houston and Lynda French of Austin finished third, with Diana Hagen and Luis Reyes of Houston in fourth and final money spot.

The Triple Crown Sports Bar, located at 13660 Westheimer in Houston, has weekly tournaments for their locals, plus at least quarterly they host an expanded tournament with added prize money. This tournament had \$600 added prize money provided by Sky King of Houston. Sky King helps sponsor several tournaments per year, with shufflers Ronnie and Mahlon Moore managing the sponsorship for them. Many thanks to Sky King and Ronnie and Mahlon for sponsoring and supporting another fabulous tournament.

Triple Crown Sports Bar is planning to host the next expanded tournament the third Saturday of January 2001 (due to the Holiday Season at year-end 2000, they've delayed their next major event to January 2001) and quarterly thereafter. So, watch The Board Talk for their Year 2001 event announcements.

Not only did the Lindquists host a great tournament, but Bill offered some real "chef" quality cooking! Thanks, Bill, from all participants for the great food and the fabulous service provided by your Triple Crown staff!

We also played some robins at Danny's Sports Bar (12126 Westheimer) on Friday and Saturday evening. We love playing shuffleboard in Houston, typically playing at Danny's and/or Triple Crown when we travel from Austin to Houston to play. We invite any/all players to visit us at Taz Country in Pflugerville (north Austin) to play when you are headed our way. Thanks, Houstonians, for notifying of special tournament events in your area. Houston is our second home and we love visiting and playing in Houston at every opportunity.

Hope to see many of you at the Houston Holiday Open (if not sooner).

*(Editor's Note: Tom and Lynda will take over as editors of The Board Talk effective with the December issue. Please welcome them!)*

## Ivey/Tinker Winners at Chances "R" Summer Event

Ray Ivey and Chris Tinker were winners of the Summer Tournament at Chances "R", Lake of the Ozarks, Sunrise Beach, Missouri. Dan Kelly and Steve Kane finished second, with Jason Tewell and Jerry (T-Bone) Head in third place.

Hosts Karen and Jake thank all who participated and special thanks to Scott of Triple Crown Shuffleboard Supplies for his donation of a set of weights to auction off for the Missouri Shuffleboard Players Association. Rick Pittman was the lucky bidder.

Chances "R" will host a fall tournament on October 27-28, and 29 if needed.

## Hartman/Pelton Score Big at Eagles' All Ladies Tourney

Eagles Lodge 3911, Houston, Missouri, hosted its 1st Annual Ladies' Tournament on Aug. 18-19.

Local lady Julie Hartman, after being put in the loser's bracket by Joyce Pelton of Little Rock, Arkansas, came back to double dip Joyce to take first in the singles. The talented pair teamed up the next day and captured top honors in the doubles.



Locals Carol Pittman and Carolyn Johnston took second place.

### Attention State Shuffleboard Associations:

*If you are having problems "getting it together" and forming a viable state association, we suggest you contact the Missouri Shuffleboard Players Association. They have the best state shuffleboard publication we have seen (communication is so important!), and a well-constructed Hall of Fame nomination form. Contact President Rick Pittman, 417-967-2226, or Secretary Terrie Boothe, 314-351-7990.*

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