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CONGRESS NEWS

I would like to take this opportunity to say a big hello to everyone across Canada, hoping that everyone had a joyous holiday season.

I would like to thank the Manitoba Shuffleboard Association for the outstanding Canadian Championships held in Winnipeg for 2015. Special thanks to Wendy, Raye, Cynthia, Mike (Cynthia's other half), Ralph, and to all the other members, volunteers, and sponsors for a job well done.

Congratulations to all the winners as well as all who participated in the 2015 Championships. I would like to personally congratulate Cynthia Chudyk- Collins for winning the triple crown (all three events). Such an accomplishment, hard enough to win 1 one event, but what makes it even a greater accomplishment is Cynthia was involved with running the Championships as well.

I would also like to congratulate Mona Sarasin on her first Canadian Championship win in the Ladies Doubles (Cynthia's partner) and to Mike Provencher (VISA) on his first Canadian Championship win in the Men's Singles.

As well congratulations are in order for Harvey Groleau and Mike Jacoby for their win in the Men's Doubles. This was the eighth time that Mike and Harvey have won the Canadian Men's Doubles as a team together. All I can say is What A Team!

Southern Alberta Shuffleboard Association is looking forward to hosting the upcoming 2016 Canadian Championships. SASA is hoping that the Canadian Championships will be one to never forget and for all to have fun and a great time as well.

I would like to thank Don Heaton (VISA) First Vice President of the Congress, Marlowe Halvorson (SSA) Second Vice President of the Congress, and Rita McCrimmon Secretary/Treasurer of the Congress for all their hard work and dedication.

As well I would like to thank Charlene Lucas (SSA) for stepping in for Rita in Rita's absence on taking the minutes at the AGM along with the selling of the 50/50 tickets with Marlowe.

Another big thank you goes to Larry Lucas (Charlene's husband) who went to the Winnipeg Airport to pick up the Canadian Congress Trophies & Plaques that were accidentally left in Regina so that they would be available at the banquet.

SASA will be hosting the 2016 Alberta Open May 19 thru May 22 at the Rundle # 286 Legion, the same facility as where the 2016 Canadian Championships will be held. All the information regarding the Alberta Open will be available on the Congress Website shortly.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in Calgary. A Happy New Year to all. See You soon.

Rick Litman,
President

Saskatchewan

GREETINGS FROM SASKATCHEWAN

On behalf of "SSA" players & cheerleaders, we want to express our sincere appreciation to the "MSA" for a well put together 2015 Canadians! A tremendous amount of hard work goes into organizing this event, so a huge thank-you to first Raye & Wendy & all the other volunteers who helped put this together & as always you made us feel right at home.

"The Spirit of Canadian Shuffleboard"

Our League this year started with 6 teams & a warm welcome to our rookies; Jory Turgeon & Kathleen Reiss. We held a **Christmas Shoot** at the Eagles Club on Dec. 5th with 18 participants & had 6 teams of 3 for a round robin. When registering, every player got a goody bag donated by Eagles Club. We raffled off a fabulous Christmas Gift Basket donated by team Shuffleupagus (Allan, Hazel, Crystal, Kristine, Gary, Val, & Jory) won by Jasmine Desjarlais. We did an ABC Draw & the winners were Dave Loughren, Larry Swayn & Porky Desjarlais & 2nd Liz Patrick, John Lampard & Kim Thurlow. The league donated a 15 pound Turkey won by Sheila Pelletier & the Eagles Club also donated food platters which were very much appreciated. Of course our favorite cheerleaders Art & Irene Evans joined us for the afternoon, always so wonderful to see them.

Annual Eagles Open was held Jan. 20, 2016. It was 40 below outside but inside the Eagles was some hot shuffleboard playing. 11 teams participated and the 4 top teams were 1st Robyn White & Mike Johnson, 2nd Cheryl Loughren & Vern Elliott, 3rd Ronda Sentes & Mark Anderson & 4th our rookie Kathy Reiss & her partner Dave Loughren. Congrats to all.

We have our annual In House Tournament **All Stars**: to be held Feb. 20th, where the top 12 players (6 from the East Division & 6 from the West Division), battle it out & will be held at the Hungarian Club, if you are in Regina, join the spectators for a always interesting & fun afternoon.

The **SSA Provincial Championships** will be held in April this year, good luck to everyone, our players are looking forward to attending the Canadians in Calgary this year & our Annual Awards Banquet will be held in May.

Join us for the **Annual Sask Open** on the Long Weekend July 28th to 31st, at the Eagles Club, Bar Side, have sent info out by email & will be posted on CSC Website.

Our players look forward to attending other tournaments across the country & as always, there are players available if you are ever in Regina area, so give anyone a call or just drop in!!

Sportsmanship...Definition...Observing the rules of play and winning or losing with grace!!

Liz Patrick, SSA Secretary

Ontario

Hello from the OSA

Hope everyone had a great Christmas and we wish you all the best for 2016.

We would like to thank the Manitoba Shuffleboard Association (MSA) for a job well done at the 2015 Canadian Championships in Winnipeg. Wendy and Raye and everyone involved made it a huge success!

Congratulations to all the winners of the Championships and also to the 2015 Hall of Fame Inductees. Special congratulations To Cynthia Chudyk Collins on her Triple Crown win. Great job!

Things are starting to pick up here in Southern Ontario and the first tournament of 2016 will be an A/B Draw in Fonthill with eleven more to follow for the 2015/2016 season.

Check out the website for updates and photos of all the win shenanigans! www.ontarioshuffleboard.com

We are back at fundraising once again after a Xmas and New Year break and the three leagues are in full swing once again.

Fund raisers for this season include the annual Bowl-a-Thon, 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.

Our Playdowns will be held at Fonthill Legion in May and we look forward to seeing who will represent us at the Canadian Championship in Calgary Alberta in October of 2016.

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Wishing the Southern Alberta Shuffleboard Association (SASA) good luck with their preparations for hosting the 2016 Canadian Shuffleboard Championships in October in Calgary!

May this new year bring lots of good things to everyone!

Theresa Lynk
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Manitoba

News from Manitoba!

Canadians were great, and thank you for all your kind words; it was wonderful to hear that everyone enjoyed the event!

We had lots of excitement here in October and November; the Winnipeg Free Press did an article in the Saturday paper, November 7th edition, highlighting our fabulous Canadian Team of 2015. Then Cynthia Chudyk-Collins was named Sports Star of the week and had a great interview that was seen by many, Congratulations again on the Triple Crown. She also made Ace Burpee's 100 most fascinating Manitoban's in 2015.....you go girl!!!! You might consider asking for her autograph when you next see her.

Our league is made up of 3 teams this year, playing out of ANAF #1 and ANAF #283, this is a huge drop in membership for us from past years, most of those previous members are now playing in separate league. We are hopeful that some people will rejoin the MSA in the future, but for now we are working with what we have.

The icy weather the last few weeks reminds us that we are Manitobans and are pretty tough and resilient. So we have not given up on getting our League built back up again.

Stay safe and warm until we meet again.

Wendy Popkes
President
MSA

Southern Alberta

Hello everyone from Southern Alberta!

We continue to keep our SASA league going even though we do not have a weekly league. With very few members but dedicated the Canadians in 2016 should be a good one.

Our Canadians this year will be held at the Jubilee (286) Legion. The Poster will be sent to you shortly along with Room booking information and more. This Legion is within walking distance to Marlborough Mall, Walking distance from the hotel to the Legion. Lots of Restaurants are nearby as well. The hotel also has a shuttle service from the airport to go

We will also be hosting our Alberta Open at the Jubilee Legion this year. You will note it is a change of venue from past years, but we are confident that this year will be a success as well. Information will be posted for this tournament as well.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in October for The 2016 Canadians. Please feel free to contact any one of Us for further information if need be. Information will be on The website soon.

Like all other leagues we are continuing to drum up interest In the sport of Shuffleboard and are staying Optimistic that things will change. We wish everyone a prosperous and healthy new year.

Thank you very much to MSA for hosting the 2015 Canadians.

Rita McCrimmon
SASA Secretary / Treasurer.

Vancouver Island

Visa congratulates MSA for hosting a fabulous Canadian shuffleboard championship. A great time was had by all. Our league is underway as well we've had a number of tournaments and participation has been outstanding.
Don Heaton, President

British Columbia

Hello from BC!

Things are very quiet here with the winter leagues going as usual but nothing to report from BCSA, our activities really don't start until spring. We plan to have a Spring league starting in April, our play-down in June (date not yet determined), and our BC Open in September.

Thanks to the Winnipeg Charter for the job well done in October 2015!

The BCSA team very much appreciated your hospitality.

See you all soon.

BCSA executive

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- No submission

Alberta

- No submission

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