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CONGRESS NEWS

Hello to everyone from across Canada. I hope that everyone had a great summer. We are a little under one month away from another Canadian Championship. I would like to say congratulations and good luck to all the players who will be competing in Burnaby. I am looking forward to a week of excellent competition. I know that the organizing committee in Vancouver have an excellent week in store for everyone and I can't wait to see everyone.

I have had the opportunity to travel to Victoria, Edmonton and Regina for their annual tournaments this spring and summer. I would like to say a big thanks to all who were instrumental in making these tournaments happen. I know personally that I had a great time at every tournament. As usual the level of play was outstanding, and good times were had by all who attended.

With the end of the summer upon us, most of the charters will be starting league play soon. Unfortunately, we have some charters that are struggling with membership numbers. We all need to do our best to promote the game, and hopefully entice some new players to join. I wish everyone the best of luck with the start up of your leagues, play well, and most of all, have fun.

A big thank you to this year's executive (Rod Betker, Rick Litman and Doreen Hegan) for all the work they have done. It has been a pleasure working with all of you.

In closing, once again I look forward to seeing everyone in Burnaby next month.

Jamie McCrimmon,
Canadian Congress President

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Host of the 2011 Canadian Championships!!

Well, less than a month to the 2011 Canadian Shuffleboard Championships and the BC Shuffleboard Association hopes to make this Canadians a memorable and enjoyable experience.

Please also make sure you provide Elaine Hill (ehill@telus.net) with your arrival and departure information as soon as possible so we can make the necessary transportation arrangements.

The Delta Burnaby Hotel and Casino has a full-facility health club, 24 hour business centre, Starbucks outlet, and a 24/7 casino just steps away. You have several selections for some great dining or places where you can just grab and go. The Scala Lounge for example, is located on the main floor of the casino and it offers daily buffets, including breakfast, as well as being able to order off the menu.

Our leagues wound up in May and June. The North Shore Shuffleboard League, through bottle draws etc, provided BCSA with a sponsorship of \$506. The BCSA Spring League also did well, raising \$823. We are very pleased with our fundraising efforts to date.

Our BC Open was held the weekend of June 24-26. The results of our tournament, with pictures, are posted on our new website at www.bcshuffleboard.ca.

We held our Provincials in September this year as there was no need to book flights. Congratulations to our BC Team.

Ladies' Singles: Katie Docile
Men's Singles: Mike Billings
Ladies' Doubles: Katie Docile & Sandra Docile
Men's Doubles: Joe Burry & Brian Burchynsky
Mixed Doubles: Tanya Morehouse & Brian Burchynsky

Our Committees are working on getting everything organized and we are excited to be hosting, and very much looking forward to seeing everyone in October.

Lorraine, Katie and Elaine
BCSA Executive

VANCOUVER ISLAND

Hello from your friends on Vancouver Island. I hope everyone had a great summer.... our summer weather has finally arrived in September.

Congratulations and good luck to our VISA reps at the Canadians Championships in Burnaby:

Mixed Doubles: Leigh Hegan and Teresa Tate
Ladies' Singles: Chucky Boustead
Men's Singles: Mike Provencher
Ladies' Doubles: Doreen Hegan and Teresa Tate
Men's Doubles: Kabal Bimb and Leigh Hegan

League play will begin September 13th. We are hoping to be able to go back to teams this year instead of drop in.

If you are in the area and wish to participate in any of our tournaments please click on the link for time and location <http://www.canadianshuffleboardcongress.com/VISA.html> or contact the VISA Executive (see back page of the Newsletter).

Our tournament schedule is as follows:

September 24, 2011 – Alex Sinclair – Mixed Doubles
October 22, 2011 – Gwen Kraeling – Ladies Doubles
November 19, 2011 – Jolly Greens – Men's Doubles
December 10, 2011 - Don McAlpine – Open Singles (Triple Knock-out)
January 21, 2012 – Jimmy Little & Dorothy McAlpine – Ladies Singles
February 18, 2012 – George Rose - Men's Singles
March 17, 2012 – Captain Davis - Mixed Doubles

Please mark your calendar to attend the Victoria Open on April 5 – 8, 2012 more information to follow.

Our Provincial Playdowns (members only) will be held on April 20-22, 2012.

We have been working hard to raise money and to get things organized to host the 2012 Canadians. The venue has been booked at "Ramada Victoria", 123 Gorge Road East, Victoria, 250-386-1422, www.victoriaramada.com. More information to follow.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in Burnaby next month. Good luck BC with their last minute preparations.

Doreen Hegan
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHERN ALBERTA

Well the Canadian Championships are almost here again. SASA wishes Vancouver all the best in hosting this year's event which I am sure will be a huge success. The representatives from SASA are looking forward to seeing all of this year's participants and all of the Vancouver team members who will be in attendance.

As for SASA, we will attempt to go with the draft format which we initiated last year but we are making a few exceptions and some rule changes to ensure that no team members get left out and to encourage new players to join. As always, we will put it to vote at our first meeting to make sure the majority are in agreement. We continue to run ads often on Kijiji to try and recruit new players but it is a tough job to get commitments.

We will try to schedule more tournaments this year but with the Legion scheduling their sporting events so frequently in the winter months; it becomes difficult to get the players out to our tournaments.

We will continue to hold our "Queen of Hearts" draw on Wednesday League nights and we may also bring back the Stampede Open out of Forest Lawn Legion in July of next year. Several players have asked for it and some of the executive think it is a good idea to try again.

Hope everyone has a great season and I look forward to seeing you at the various tournaments throughout the season!

Vernon Maguire
President SASA

ALBERTA

Summer activities after the Canadian Open have been very slow but the Provincial Playoffs in June were well attended as we expected. Our reps are:

Mixed Doubles: Tania Hetke and David Coulthard
Ladies' Singles: Pat Cerin
Men's Singles: Bill Cowan
Ladies' Doubles: Carol Gwilliam and Maxine Liard
Men's Doubles: Vern Jensen and Bill Cowan

The League play will start mid September, we're hoping for more players this season.

See you in Burnaby in October.
Bill/Carol & Tawney

SASKATCHEWAN

GREETINGS FROM SASKATCHEWAN

The "SSA" players in the Mixed Doubles: Men's Singles: Ladies Singles: Men's Doubles: & Ladies Doubles along with their cheerleaders are looking forward to attending the Canadians in Burnaby, BC in October & congratulations to all players participating, looking forward to seeing everyone.

SSA Website: A special thank you to Lorrie Guillaume for maintaining our SSA Website

(<http://saskshuffleboard.bravehost.com/>), check it out!!

TOURNAMENT RESULTS & AWARDS BANQUET

LEAGUE ALL STARS FEB. 21

It was a chilly February 19, but was a hot time at Craven Motor Inn for Annual "All Stars" Tournament. So between shots, shooters & slots the East & West teams battled it out till the end, even tho after 6th game East had won (9 game format). **The Salty Caesars Team** from the East captained by Allan Carton with his players Ronda Sentes, Porky Desjarlais, Doug Gienow, Mark Anderson & Val Pretty **WON** over **The Best of the West Team** captained by Marlowe Halvorson with his players Sheila Pelletier, Bill Pretty, Rod Lacelle, Rod Betker & Paul Zerr. A **HUGE** thanks to Crystal Huzina our official scorekeeper; Crystal Pretty for doing 50/50 draw (winner Mark Anderson) & to Shauna our bartender/server extraordinaire & other staff of Craven Motor Inn, the BBQ Pit was a hit & our other spectators Hazel, Gloria, Darrell, Mickey, Kathy, Garry & Liz had fun watching & playing slots. Art & Irene Evans "our best cheerleaders" drove out for a visit, Art always the eagle eye watching all the shots being made & Irene chatting with her friends!!! A fun day was had by everyone & excellent playing by all shuffleboarders participating in this annual League event!

BARLEY MILL BREW PUB OPEN:

You know the song ♪ Wasn't that a Party ♪, well...that was the atmosphere at the Barley Mill Brew Pub on March 18 & 19!! Thanks to our board movers Rod Betker, Marlowe Halvorson, Tom Loughren, Darrel Karhut, Dave Loughren, Buster Holt, Rod Lacelle, Porky Desjarlais, Mark Anderson & Tyler Halvorson (what would we do without these guys)? A **HUGE THANKS** to Kevin & his staff of the Barley Mill Brew Pub for your help & great service & donation of door prizes from Molson & Bacardi. 2 bottle draws were won by Shelley Coubrough & Gloria Desjarlais. Die Hards team Mark Anderson, Korena Olsen, Scott Worden, Ashley Hubick, Doug Anderson & Amber Randle donated a gift basket (put together by Korena & her Mom, beautiful job) won by Marlowe Halvorson. Thanks to Rod B., Robyn, Kim, Mark

& Glenda for helping with the draws. 14 teams, great playing, especially by our rookies; had 3 players who are not in league, Aaron & Brent who work at the Barley Mill got hooked on the game after Rod B. put his board in, 1 player "Arnie" never played board. **Sherri Clarke & Buster Holt took 1st place; Robyn White & Rod Betker 2nd with Gloria & Porky Desjarlais 3rd & "Best of the Rest Division" won by Tom & Dave Loughren.** Great to see Art Evans drop by Sat. (Irene was shopping) he watched new players & gave them some of his expert advice!! Shelley's daughter Kayla joined us on Saturday still waiting to go into labor!! Cheers to all players & cheerleaders & those who helped put this tournament together, this was a fun 2 days. See ya next year.

SSA LEAGUE:

Our year ended with a great banquet held May 14, 2011 at the Fraternal Order of Eagles, thanks to Brandon & Gwen Carr our BBQ Chefs & the following awards were distributed.

West Division League Winners The Usual Suspects playing out of the Barley Mill Brew Pub

Captain Marlowe Halvorson with Kelvin Swayn, Robyn White, Liz Patrick, Bill Parrell & Gord Halvorson

The Bangers playing out of the Eagles Club Captain Fernando Freitas with Val Pretty, John Lampard, Charlie Lewchuck, Sherri Clarke, Bill Yung, Jeremy Fox & Marcel LaCoste

Most Improved Players with Sportsmanlike Qualities: West:

Gord Halvorson (of The Usual Suspects / Barley Mill Brew Pub) & the **East:** Gloria Desjarlais (of the Dick's n' Chicks / Eagles Club)

Rookies of the Year: West: Dan Loughren (Shufflerockers II / Hungarian Club) and for the **East:** Crystal Huzina (Craven Hangers / Craven Hotel)

Playoff Outcome:

B-Side League Winners Shufflerockers II (Hungarian Club):

Captained by: Dave Loughren with Sheila Pelletier, Cheryl Loughren, Darrell Karhut, Dan Loughren & Tom Loughren

League Champions The Usual Suspects (Barley Mill Brew Pub)

Captained by Marlowe Halvorson with Kelvin Swayn, Robyn White, Liz Patrick, Bill Parrell & Gord Halvorson

CANADIAN OPEN EDMONTON MAY 2011 LONG WEEKEND

SSA players placed in the following events: Men's Singles: 2nd Rod Betker; Ladies Doubles 1st Liz Patrick & Shelley Coubrough; Men's Doubles: 3rd Marlowe Halvorson & Rod LaSalle & the Mixed Doubles: 1st Liz Patrick & Marlowe Halvorson; 2nd Rod Betker & Shelley Coubrough; 3rd Sheila Pelletier & Rod LaSalle. Thanks to our hosts the ASA.

SASK OPEN: JULY 28-31, 2011, RESULTS

Thursday: Last Single Standing Event: Thanks to Marlowe for coordinating this event. 1st Rod Betker, Regina; 2nd Robyn White, Regina; 3rd Marlowe Halvorson, Regina; 4th Mike Provencher, Victoria

Friday: Men's Singles (12): 1st Greg Swift, Winnipeg; 2nd Rod Betker, Regina; 3rd Mark Anderson, Regina; 4th Buster Holt, Regina
Ladies Singles (8): 1st Liz Patrick, Regina; 2nd Robyn White, Regina; 3rd Rita McCrimmon, Calgary; 4th Mona Sarrasin, Winnipeg

Saturday: Men's Doubles (10 Teams): 1st Marlowe Halvorson, Regina & Mike Provencher, Victoria; 2nd Jamie McCrimmon, Calgary & Greg Swift, Winnipeg; 3rd Rod Betker & Bill Parrell, Regina

Ladies Doubles (7 Teams): 1st Robyn White & Liz Patrick, Regina; 2nd Marlene Winter & Val Pretty, Regina; 3rd Shelley Coubrough, Regina & Peggy McCrimmon, Calgary

Sunday: Mixed Doubles (12 teams): 1st Marlowe Halvorson & Liz Patrick, Regina; 2nd Mike Provencher, Victoria & Peggy McCrimmon, Calgary; 3rd Greg Swift, Winnipeg & Cindy Kehler, Regina

Wonderful to see our Out of Town "Shuffleboard Family" along with our "Own Players & Their Friends & Family" joining in. As always great to see Eleanor Baker, Art, Irene & Larry Evans. Super playing, great camaraderie with lots of laughter, come again next year to party on the Prairies!! Check out SSA Website for more information on the **7TH ANNUAL SASK OPEN**.

PROVINCIAL PLAYDOWNS – SEPTEMBER 2-4, 2011

Mixed Doubles: Rod Betker & Liz Patrick

Men's Singles: Rod Betker

Ladies Singles: Robyn White

Men's Doubles: Marlowe Halvorson & Bill Parrell

Ladies Doubles: Charlene Lucas & Cindy Kehler

Be truthful in what you mean to say, but...don't be mean in the way you say it!

Liz Patrick, SSA Secretary

MANITOBA

Hello from Manitoba. We are having a great summer and I hope everyone else is too.

The reps this year are:

Mixed Doubles: Raymonde Gerardy & Al Fulsher

Ladies' Singles: Raymonde Gerardy

Men's Singles: Glen Bauming

Ladies' Doubles: Raymonde Gerardy & Wendy Popkes

Men's Doubles: Harvey Groleau & Mike Jacoby

I know Vancouver has a great week planned for us all.

We have changed our Manitoba Open for 2011 from September to November 18, 19, 20. Hopefully we will see some of you at that time.

Also, Manitoba will be hosting the 2012 Canadian Open on June 29 – July 1. One June 29 starting at 6 p.m (Singles), June 30 starting at 10 a.m (Doubles), July 1st starting at 10 a.m. (Mixed). It will be held at the Norwood Legion and I will be checking on some deals on hotel room at the beginning of the year. Plan to be in Winnipeg for the July long weekend.

See you in October.

Faye Mitchell
PRESIDENT

ONTARIO

Hello from southern Ontario!

Hope everyone is having a great summer! Fall is fast approaching and with that comes the Canadian Championship when once again the "shuffleboard family" gathers for a week of competition and memory making! We are looking forward to seeing everyone again!

All three leagues from Milton, Niagara Region and Kitchener are geared up for another season with approximately 150 players in total.

Our Playdowns were held in May at a new venue; Trapper's Sports Bar in Welland. At short notice we were provided with everything we needed for a very successful Playdown! Kudos to all the staff!

There were 21 teams for the Mixed Doubles, 14 entries for the Ladies Singles and 23 entries for the Men's Singles. The Ladies Doubles event had 11 teams and the Men's Doubles had 12.

The following players will be representing the OSA charter in Burnaby in October:

- **Mixed Doubles:** **Theresa Lynk** (Branch 412 Polish Legion/ Kitchener) and **John Crites** (Niagara Region)
- Second Place: Nancy Jean Wagar (Branch 50 Fred Gies) and Scott Burwell (Niagara Region)
- **Ladies Singles:** **Bonnie Redmond** (Milton)
- Second Place: Brenda Brown (Branch 412 Polish Legion/ Kitchener)

- **Men's Singles: John Crites** (Niagara Region)
 - Second Place: Rico Beaulieu (Branch 412 Polish Legion/ Kitchener)
- **Ladies Doubles: Brenda Brown** (Branch 412 Polish Legion/Kitchener) and **Bonnie Redmond** (Milton)
 - Second Place: Theresa Lynk (Branch 412 Polish Legion/Kitchener) and Darlene Perusello (Milton)
- **Men's Doubles: Larry Leiskau** (Branch 50 /Fred Gies) and **Chris Lesperance** (Branch 50 /Fred Gies)
 - Second Place: Rico Beaulieu (Branch 412 Polish Legion/Kitchener) and John Crites (Niagara Region)

The Mixed Doubles is a new event for Theresa Lynk, as well as Ladies Singles for Bonnie Redmond. This will be the first Canadian Championship played by Chris Lesperance. We wish all our players the best of luck!

There is a full schedule planned for the 2011 / 2012 season, with 17 tournaments divided between our three districts.

Niagara Region is back at the Fonthill Legion and has five tournaments on their schedule beginning October 15th. Milton has five tournaments starting October 22nd with the Audrey Denny Memorial and Kitchener has seven tournaments scheduled with November 12th being the first.

The second annual "Fun Raiser" dance will be held in Milton on September 10th and a good turnout is expected!

Congratulations to BCSA on their new website. It will be great to stay connected to everyone out in Vancouver area!

Congratulations also to all the charter representatives from across Canada.

Good luck to BCSA on hosting the 2011 Canadian Shuffleboard Championships. See everyone in October.

Theresa Lynk
OSA Sec / Treas

EASTERN ONTARIO

Hello from Eastern Ontario.

Hope everyone is well.

Good luck to all players going to the 2011 Canadians. Unfortunately, we won't be sending a team to play at this year's championship. Again, no women are willing to attend but at our Legion Provincial Playoffs I had the opportunity to speak with clubs from Huntsville in Northern Ontario and Brockville in Eastern Ontario and they are both interested in joining EOSA in 2011-2012. We could operate like OSA from 3 different areas. We have scheduled 2 tourneys, Sept 10 & 24 in Kingston to start things rolling. We will continue to pay our charter fee and are hoping to have a healthier charter for the future. We would hope congress will give us one more year to try and turn things around, if we fail we will give up our charter and join the OSA charter for 2013.

Jim baker
President

PEANUTS



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