

GUT BUCKET NEWS

The Voice of the Morrow Tournament

WORLD AWAITS BARTON REPORT ON STEROIDS & HUMAN GROWTH HORMONES

Wilmington, DE - The Morrow Committee received the Barton report 2 weeks ago, but has not released any details. The list of suspects is long, and it includes some of the best known players of the game. The full report will be released on Monday, January 28th, the day after the tournament. Randy Barton insisted (as usual) that the delay had nothing to do with the fact that the tournament is this week-end.

We tried to interview all of the suspects, but some were clearly avoiding the press. The HEFTY BOYS, Jake Miller & Harris McMurry, were not shy about commenting. McMurry responded to the rumors of steroid use by saying, "Jake's a farm boy. He don't need no steroids. I'm so busy collecting bribes for Siemen's that I don't have time to even look for drugs." Jake agreed. "I come by this bulk honestly. A beer here, a beer there. It adds up." We can all see that.

Pete Morrow seemed a bit confused about the whole controversy. Reached on the treadmill at the Methodist Country House Pete responded "Let's see, Linda rubbed something on me last night. I think it was some aging cream ... Or was that anti-aging cream? I'm not sure. I do know she kept asking if my life insurance premium was paid up. What was that about?"

Tom Dougherty was easy to find at the AOT

(Altar of Tom @Buckleys) surrounded by a bevy of you know what. "The strongest thing I put in my body is a Viagra. What I do need is a nap. These 25 year old women are running me ragged.

Reached at his fitness facility (Buckley's Tavern) Barry Snyder tried to convey an air of disinterest. "How do you think I keep this well oiled machine in tip top shape? I learned from Jake that just eating and drinking will never take you to the top. Did Barton say I took steroids? Well, well, well. Talk about the pot calling the kettle well rounded."

CALVIN KLEIN ANNOUNCES NEFF TO BE THE WORLDWIDE FACE (AND BODY) OF NEW FRAGRANCE

New York NY - After the smashing success of its new fragrance "MAN", and its public face, Garrett Neff, Calvin Klein announced another new fragrance. This one will also feature a Neff, but a different, slightly more mature Neff.

Yes, the new fragrance is called "OLD MAN", not to be confused with "Old Spice". A spokesperson for Calvin Klein assured the gathered media that there would be no confusion between **OLD MAN** and Old Spice. "Old Spice is your father's fragrance. **OLD MAN** is for the hip and groovy AARP members, like Keith Richards for instance."

After a boring question and answer session, Calvin Klein personally introduced the world to its new **OLD MAN**, Wheeler K. Neff. A hush

fell over the press crowd as Wheeler limped to center stage. Looking trim and fit (but wearing a full length bathrobe and fuzzy slippers, so who would know), he was the perfect image for this new fragrance.

The first question from a Maxim reporter set the tone for the press conference. "Is the limp part of the look?" With a sneer Wheeler replied, "It's an old paddle injury." Then, without prompting, Wheeler dropped the bathrobe to reveal ... No we can't go there. This is a family friendly publication after all. Let's just say Wheeler was wearing those too short, too tight white tennis shorts from the 90's. A gasp was heard from the back of the crowd, and Carol Neff was heard to grumble, "I swear I burned every last one of those shorts. D*mned if he didn't hide a pair."

SURGE STRATEGY WORKS ON REDUCING FOOT FAULTS

WILMINGTON, Delaware - They all laughed when President Teddy Barnett proposed it, but it does appear that the surge strategy devised by General Shaw Taylor is working.

First some background. When he took office in 2003, Teddy, and his lovely wife Alice, pledged to clean up the mess left behind by his predecessors. At the top of his list was the capture of Osama Bin Bowling. Well Bin Bowling turned out to be more elusive than expected. Despite years of effort, thousands of your application fee dollars and countless hours donated by our "all volunteer" paddle community, nobody can find Osama Bin Bowling. Rumors that he moved to another state, bought a girlie car, stopped playing

paddle, etc. have all been thoroughly investigated, with nothing to show for it.

With his popularity slipping Teddy had to find a better issue. He rejected Jake Miller's idea of hiring Hooter's Girls to be courtside handing out towels and water. Instead Teddy focused on reducing foot faults as his legacy. Not many sports can claim to have a written rule that is universally ignored.

Teddy first consulted Ed McQuillin, the WCC pro. He figured Ed is a stickler for rules, just like his club (the only club with guest fees for paddle). His plan seemed a bit drastic. Ed suggested cutting off the offending foot. "It worked for us at WCC. Of course I did notice a falling off of participation in our paddle program after a while, but I don't think it was related to our foot fault remedy. Do you?"

Teddy contacted VHC's Bill Pound. Bill suggested, "After every foot fault, all 4 players have to down a Foster's. After a couple of games and 7 or 8 beers no one cares about foot faults."

Teddy heard about Roberto Gollmann's success in fighting foot faults. Rumor has it that Roberto started the first brawl in the history of the Men's League when he questioned whether an opponent's foot might be ever so slightly over the line before hitting his serve. Roberto wasn't talking. "My lawyer won't let me talk until we win the lawsuit."

Teddy talked to Jeff Nielsen. Teddy figured that the guy who invented Paddl' Chunkin' might have some good ideas. "I say, throw some money at it. That always works for me at Vicmead."

Finally Teddy talked to General Shaw Taylor. "I say you have to blast away the foot faulters. Take no prisoners. I model my game on the tactics of Gunga Din. The harder you hit the more you win." So watch out this weekend. If you foot fault, you may be blasted. You have been warned.

Morrow Tournament Champions

| | CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT | FLIGHT A | FLIGHT B |
|------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1985 | | Chas Burkhart Caroline Burkhart | Ed Morrow Wendy Richards |
| 1986 | | Ernie Rivet Cindy Prendergast | Hugo Schwandt Nancy Marvin |
| 1987 | | Chas Burkhart Caroline Burkhart | John Hoover Barbara Hoover |
| 1988 | | Tim McAvoy Laurie Hissey | Chan Moore Ceci Moore |
| 1989 | Tim McAvoy Laurie Hissey | Larry Scott Anna Brantley | Shaw Taylor Milbrey Jacobs |
| 1990 | Chas Burkhart Bunny Vosters | Jeff Hulick Margaret Munday | Chip Pollock Verna Teets |
| 1991 | Tim McAvoy Laurie Hissey | Ken Goddu Candy Goddu | Rod Maroney Eileen Maroney |
| 1992 | Tom Safford Laurie Hissey | Ron Groff Maureen O'Berg | Jamie Marvel Lisa Hughes |
| 1993 | Todd Marvin Cindy Prendertgast | Penn Yeatman Sandy Yeatman | George Hobbs Debbie Hobbs |
| 1994 | Tim McAvoy Laurie Hissey | Peter Veale Milbrey Jacobs | George Hobbs Margaretta Brokaw |
| 1995 | Todd Marvin Cindy Prendergast | Steve Kapp Courtney Kapp | Hugh Wallace Janet Conigliaro |
| 1996 | Todd Marvin Cindy Prendergast | H. G. Haskell Eileen Maroney | Mike Skibicki Margaret Smith |
| 1997 | Bob Harrison Cindy Prendergast | Ed McQuillen Beth LaMotte | Steve Smith Wiz Applegate |
| 1998 | Ed McQuillen Cindy Prendergast | Ken Goddu Candy Goddu | Douglas White Carolina White |

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| 1999 | Bob Bolling Kim Jennings | Jeff Nielsen Debbie Hobbs | Rich Habibi Debbie DePhillips |
| 2000 | Bob Bolling Cooley Burkhardt | Vinson Hendrix Margaretta Andrews | Bill Anderson Eleanor Schwandt |
| 2001 | Rusty Wright Daniela Pino | Jay Wright Beth Wright | Charles du Pont Lisa Dailey |
| 2002 | Ted Easter Cooley Burkhardt | Mike Ashley Lisa Ashley | R. G. Hackett Alice Ivy |
| 2003 | Pete Morrow Cindy Prendergast | Ron Groff Maureen O'Berg | Rocco Dambro Candy Adkinson |
| 2004 | Chas Burkhardt Patty Burkhardt | Matt Alacknavitch Kim Alacknavitch | Gabe DeVitto Ruth Russell |
| 2005 | Bill Pound Cindy Prendergast | Barry Snyder Beth Wright | Dave Burton Sarah Carpenter |
| 2006 | Steve Nycum Cindy Prendergast | Ron Pinsky Betsy Pinsky | Ted Cover Marina Attix |
| 2007 | Steve Nycum Cooley Lyon | Roberto Gollmann Carol Taylor | Eric Holloway Alice Ivy |
| 2008 | Your Name Here! | Your Name Here! | Your Name Here! |

THANKS TO OUR COCKTAIL PARTY HOSTS

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| 1991 | Ellie & Ron Maroney |
| 1994 | Peggy & Randy Barton |
| 1995 | Debbie Habibi |
| 1996 | Kirk & Pres Ayars |
| 1997 | Nancy & Dave Marvin |
| 1998 | Ann & Jeff Nielsen |
| 1999 | Ellie & Ron Maroney |
| 2000 | Debbie Habibi |
| 2001 | Debbie Habibi* |
| 2002 | Leatrice & Toby Elliman |
| 2003 | Leatrice & Toby Elliman |
| 2004 | Leatrice & Toby Elliman* |

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| 2005 | Anne & Wade Scott |
| 2006 | Anne & Wade Scott |
| 2007 | Anne & Wade Scott* |
| 2008 | Anne & Wade Scott** |
| 2009 | YOUR NAME HERE?? |

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BLESSING OF BALLS

This year, the Right Reverend Cindy Prendergast will bless the tournament balls on Saturday morning. She will be ably assisted by Dr. Cooley Lyon (veterinarian to the stars and camels). You can watch the live videocast at www.dicksballsarestillround.org.

PLAY PADDLE! HAVE FUN!