

GUT BUCKET NEWS

The Voice of the Morrow Tournament

PRENDERGAST DECLARES “I AM NOT A WITCH”

Greenville, DE - Cindy Prendergast held a press conference this morning in the workroom of Stamford Screen Printing. Although the fumes were overwhelming, this reporter remained conscious for the proceedings.

When Cindy arrived she was surrounded by her entourage of supporters, handlers and even Momma Grizzly, Milbrey Ross. Milbs introduced Cindy to the throng of reporters and curiosity seekers. Ok, so it was just Bart Mackey from next door, but Bart sure can act like a throng when he needs to.

Responding to the allegations that the 11 time Champion of the Championship Flight had cast a spell on her opponents in past years, thus making them lose to her, Cindy went on the offensive. “I have never knowingly cast a spell on any one of my opponents. Just like everyone, I dabbled in witchcraft. But that was so far in the past. It was last October wasn’t it Milbs?” By now the fumes from the silk screen operations was too much. It was time to search out the source of the allegations.

When reached for his response, Tournament Chairman Snyder had this weaselly response. “I never said that she was a witch. I just suggested that maybe some evil magic had been cast on Cindy’s opponents, which then prevented them from playing their best against her.” Just like a lawyer, trying to make a distinction without a difference.

We’ll let Cindy have the last word. “I intend to go out and carry Greg Stipa to victory, if that is the Lord’s plan.” (I don’t know about the Lord, but I hope Cindy has been lifting some serious weights if she’s going to carry Greg anywhere.)

RANDY BARTON ANNOUNCES AUSTERITY MEASURES

Wilmington, DE - Feeling rejuvenated from his recent Morrow Committee paid trip to the islands, Randy Barton dug into the Morrow books and didn’t like what he found.

“I remember when we started the tournament back in 1985 (when Reagan was president) we only charged a \$10 entry fee. I know costs have gone up, but in this time of out of balance budgets we just have to tighten our belts.”

“First, we’re going to stop paying for everyone’s lunch.” Alice Ivy pointed out, “Randy, we don’t pay for anyone’s lunch and never have.”

“Well then, we’ll cut out the open bar at the dinner. That’ll save some big money.” Pat DeVitto chimed in, “But Randy, we never pay for drinks at the dinner, and never have.”

“Ok, how about we cut out the extravagant favors, like those fancy jackets.” Carol O’Brien said “Randy, you make us give out those crappy little favors, like the wine condoms, and the paddle mitts. My god, one year we even gave out a sleeve of balls. The only reason we got t-shirts this year is because you missed that meeting.”

“I give up. Have a nice tournament. I’m headed back to the islands.”

PHIL CHAPMAN STARTS DRIVING SCHOOL

Kennett Square, PA - Last year's A Flight Champion, Phil Chapman, announced that he would not move up to the Championship Flight. Instead he is devoting all of his time to opening a driving school. After working very closely with the Delaware State Police Phil decided that this would be the perfect fit for him. "I intend to use my experience of going through a green light, being broadsided by a state trooper, having my beloved BMW totaled and receiving a ticket for inattentive driving, to teach others how to stay out of harm's way."

A LONG AND FUN ROAD

By The Deadeast Fox

Centreville, DE - Page 2 of the Gut Bucket News is the more serious, or grown up, page of this Pulitzer Prize winning newspaper. The Beatles had a long and winding road. The Morrow Tournament continues to be a long and fun road. In 1985 I was the youngest member of the committee, by a lot. I am now one of the oldest players in the draw. Thank you Alice, Dave and Peter for being older than me. When Chas Burkhardt signed up this year with Ashley Vosters I recalled the committee meeting a week before the first Morrow Tournament in 1985. "Who are Chas and Caroline Burkhardt? We've never heard of them. We can have guests, but they must be guests of someone." I gently pointed out that they were members of WCC. Chas (then 25 years old) and sister Caroline, won that year, and again in 1987. Chas won again in 1990 with Bunny Vosters. Now he is playing with Bunny's granddaughter.

Good Stuff !!!

Morrow Trophies

Dick's friends (235 donors) contributed generously to acquire the trophies awarded to the winners of each flight. The Flight A cup and Flight B tankard were acquired in 1985. The plate for the Championship Flight was acquired in 1990 after that flight was established in 1989.

ORIGIN OF THE TOURNAMENT

Wilmington, DE - Paddle started in Wilmington in the early '70s. The first Tri-Club Mixed Doubles Tournament was played in 1974 (with 56 teams) When Kennett added courts their members joined the fun. (With 4 clubs, it was still the "Tri-Club").

Dick Morrow played paddle with his wife Sugar in the early '60s. When he came to Wilmington he became the pied piper of paddle. Dick was an excellent player, yet Dick also had a real feeling for less competitive players. He lured players of all levels onto the courts to share the fun. Dick made sure that the Tri-Club was always a fun weekend.

When Dick died in 1984, Randy Barton, Barry Snyder and Lee Wiley formed a committee with Peggy Barton, Ron and Ellie Maroney and Molly Wiley to transform the Tri-Club into the Richard R. P. Morrow Invitational Tournament. It is an invitational so we can include some out-of-town friends, and so we can make some new friends. The three flights encourages the participation of beginners and hackers, or those whose knees just don't work too well any more. It is a pleasure to remember Dick each year.

**Please celebrate with us
27 years of fun.**

Morrow Tournament Champions

	CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT	FLIGHT A	FLIGHT B
1985	Not Created Yet	Chas Burkhart Caroline Burkhart	Ed Morrow Wendy Richards
1986	Not Created Yet	Ernie Rivet Cindy Prendergast	Hugo Schwandt Nancy Marvin
1987	Not Created Yet	Chas Burkhart Caroline Burkhart	John Hoover Barbara Hoover
1988	Not Created Yet	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

1999	Bob Bolling Kim Jennings	Jeff Nielsen Debbie Hobbs	Rich Habibi Debbie DePhillips
2000	Bob Bolling Cooley Burkhart	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 Burkhart	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 Burkhart Patty Burkhart	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	Brint Morrow Cindy Prendergast	Mark Centrella Betsy Pinsky	Wills Elliman Tracy Elliman
2009	Chas Burkhart Cooley Lyon	Jay Wright Joan Snyder	Dave Burton Ginger Burton
2010	Jeff Lyon Cindy Prendergast	Phil Chapman Donna Smith	Andy Podolsky Debbie Ashley
2011	Your Name Here!	Your Name Here!	Your Name Here!

THANKS TO OUR COCKTAIL PARTY HOSTS

1991	Ellie & Ron Maroney	1999	Ellie & Ron Maroney
1994	Peggy & Randy Barton	2000	Debbie Habibi
1995	Debbie Habibi	2001	Debbie Habibi*
1996	Kirk & Pres Ayars	2002-2004	Leatrice & Toby Elliman*
1997	Nancy & Dave Marvin	2005-2011	Anne & Wade Scott**
1998	Ann & Jeff Nielsen	2012	YOUR NAME HERE!!
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