

US Open Flying Disc Championships

by Toddy Brodeur

Once upon a time...back in July, all these great frisbee players from around the globe gathered in a special place. This was a week-long hang-out-together-party-play celebration. This was called...the "US Open Flying disc Championships."

The special place was Fort Collins, Colorado, home of the picturesque campus of Colorado State University where most of the competition took place and many players lodged. Although the rooms were small, the atmosphere was repulsively fun. As people got settled in the first night, TD Bill Wright, Skippy Jammer and John Houck were guests on a local radio talk show. Large groups of competitors were huddled around small radios throughout the dorms and all over town. Some called in and asked the "Frisbee Dudes" questions like, "What's up with those fake fingernails, man?" Rappin's reply, "No, Freestylers do not have transvestive urges...etc."

Fort Collins is definitely a happening frisbee place. Bill Wright, who owns an alternative sports store called, 'The Wright Life' (a little plug), did an outstanding job making sure everyone had a chance to taste the flavor and experience the uniqueness of the town. There are two brand new pole hole courses that are constantly being played by the CSU students and other casual golfers. The town is very sports-minded and Bill has made flying disc an accepted alternative sport. Here's how they finished:

Distance: Jack Cooksey, Richmond, VA, takes first hurling the Whippets. He has such a smooth throw... 2nd-S. Stokely, 3rd-S. Ferrans, 4th-R. Lahm

Discathon: Mark "Poco" Enright from Milwaukee, WI, was not bothered by the high altitude. 2nd-Harvey Brand, 3rd-Snapper Pierson, 4th-Pete Fust

Golf: Local course designer, John Shiller played very consistently to take the win. 2nd-Sam Ferrans, 3rd- Jim Oats, 4th-"Crazy" John Brooks

Accuracy: Conrad Damon from Wittier, CA was in the zone and accurate. 2nd-Pete Fust, 3rd-Harvey Brandt

Self-Caught Flight: The "outspoken one" from Ft. Collins, Mikey Reid—who throws only those old FB3's—won this event. So much for new-tech plastic. 2nd-Randy Lahm, 3rd-Harvey Brandt, 4th- Andy Lemann

Double Disc Court: Snapper Pierson regains his crown with new partner Rick LeBeau, both from San Diego, CA. Snapper has won this 8 times in a row. 2nd-Schmall/Pellicane, 3rd-McInnis/Damen, 4th-Selinske/Herrick

Freestyle: Judging this event at this level is an extremely difficult task. Many times players and spectators do not agree with the judges decisions.

1st: Skippy Jammer, Larry Imperial and Pat Marron put together a super clean routine. These players do n't practice together but used their varying skills well. Who was the last guy to win a US Open from MN? **2nd:** The Wizzards freestyle team from the New England area had an amazingly hot, well rehearsed routine. Team members John Dwork, Chris Ryan and Ted Oberhaus felt they, in fact, had won so the team protested the awards. Congrats from NEFA on a superb performance. **3rd:** Mike Connaway, Craig Burris and Dave Murphy from Seattle and San Diego played as strong as ever.

Some day this team will win it all. **4th:** Bill Wright, Mickey Reid and Jonathan Willet were the hometown favorites and put on an incredible display of quick throws and catches on beat to the music with very high risk.

As far as overall goes, 1992 was Mr. Harvey Brandt's year to shine. In

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April, he won overall honors at the VA States—one of the best events on the East coast—a feat he has been trying to accomplish for many years. A couple of months later, he won the overall at the Seniors Championships in Rochester, NY, against some stiff competition. Finally, Harvey won the overall at the most prestigious event in disc sports, the US Open. He didn't win any single event but finished near the top in 5 of 7 events and in the top 15 in the other two. This is an out-standing performance that may never be duplicated.

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Editorial

As of this issue, I assume responsibility for publishing the NEFA News and am happy to do so. As I see it, the purpose of this newsletter is to keep members posted on events both inside and outside the organization and to actively promote disc play throughout the New England region. My aim, then, is to offer this newsletter as a forum for communication and a vehicle for increasing disc sport involvement—as well as NEFA membership.

The international success of the World's Biggest is evidence that professional disc golf is on the verge of a popular explosion with talented and skillful golfers like '90, '91 and '92 PDGA World Champion, Ken Climo, and golf's goodwill ambassador, "Crazy" John Brooks leading the drive. Earlier this month in its lunatic fringe sports section, MTV did a short expose' on Ultimate and the worldwide interest and participation it has and continues to generate. And, we all know about Kyle Black stylin' with Tony the Tiger on national TV. This isn't just tossin' plastic at the beach anymore.

Regardless of our individual levels of enthusiasm, we are each connected by our enjoyment of disc sports. Regardless of our preferred events, unified effort can only expand and develop disc play. My point is that to promote a sport offering so much, we need to become visible and vocal. So, let's start here. I challenge each of you to take part in this newsletter. Contribute. Send in a letter. Write an article. Feel free to make suggestions. We have full creative license to go wild, so let's go wild.

Although the newsletter format remains essentially the same, you'll notice some style and content changes. And, a few new pieces have shown up. Features like "Shotmakers Special," "Profile" and "What's the Rule" may enhance the NEFA News and broaden individual understanding of disc sports. I hope you like them, but, they may not work. Since I am not locked into anything, there is always room for change. I urge you to let me know what you think.

Here's hoping that '93 is your most disc-active season yet and in the words of T.M. Dyer, "Anybody want to play, call me up. I'd love to play."

John Rushlow

Editor, NEFA News

Fantastic Fun Event for You: Old Orchard Beach Flying Disc Days !

by Sunny Cade

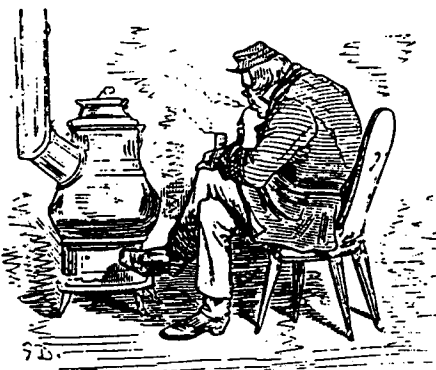
Your NEFA representatives, Toddy Brodeur and Sunny Cade, were warmly welcomed to Old Orchard Beach, Maine, by a lively group of town movers and shakers. Together we visualized the best possible flying disc event for everyone.

The fun flavor of the town means flying disc family, townspeople and tourists (read: spectators!) will mix well. It is destined to become a flying disc mecca, a "must go" good time at least once each year and a permanent flying disc community. It will be The New England beach jamming spot where we are welcomed and heartily wanted.

Populated by our kind of fun-loving, good-spirited, outdoorsy people, Old Orchard Beach is our cup of tea. We are part of a movement bringing new life to this community—with a pizzazzy repeating event schedule including beach volleyball—a tourist retreat that swells from 10,000 in the winter to 100,000 in the summer, and a new Amtrak connection right to Boston!

The potential sights for various disc events range from intriguing to

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Feel free to contact any of us with ideas and suggestions.

President's Hole

After a wild and full season with tournaments all over New England, you guys elected me President. I ran unopposed. Maybe the reason no one ran against me is because they must realize how much work goes in to keeping an organization going. That said, I would like to thank Steve on behalf of all NEFA members for five years of time and effort. I'm not sure I want to be president for five years but I am excited about the possibilities that lie ahead. Since being elected, I've had a couple of Board meetings and am overwhelmed by everyone's support and enthusiasm.

I feel that NEFA must promote disc sports in regards to *all* the players needs. The question to everyone should be, "Is this good for the whole or just what would be good for me?" I feel that NEFA should be structured to benefit all players but especially the hardcore, long-standing and active members. Through a player-oriented organization, I feel new membership will increase. Certainly the more exposure the better, but not at the expense of key supporting players. The most fun always wins.

When I started as VP, the WBDGT was just on the horizon. I felt it was going to help promote the sport and attract new players in a big way. Even though missing the goal of 20,000 players, here in New England, we found people that play who live in the same area and don't know about NEFA—nor we them.

The Caped Cod Fish Golf Association out of Marston Mills, MA, ran the last scheduled event of the year. They approached NEFA about the possibility of keeping the Mach I pole holes set up in Burgess Park for the "off season." There was some concern about security with the baskets being in temporary sleeves. It was agreed that if permanent sleeves with locking collars were installed, then there would be no problem.

On Nov. 14, these guys did some major surgery on the course and

installed permanent sleeves. They had chainsaws and a tractor with a front loader, a stump grinder and a lot of hands. They worked from early morning until almost 8pm that night. But...there are 18 NEFA pole holes in the ground with permanent sleeves and locking collars with locks purchased by the town of Marston Mills. (Neal Andres deserves a great deal of thanks. While the pole holes were being stored in his yard, he went through them fixing and straightening all the baskets and tops. Thank you very, very much, Neal.) It is wonderful to see our sport starting to snowball in this area.

I guess what I'm saying is that we shouldn't think in terms of "us" and "them." It's all of us that will get things done. If you can help, please do. If you have any ideas, please let us know what they are. If you have a complaint, make it known and be willing to help resolve the problems.

I look forward to energetic support of the NEFA membership. That said, we can start right now. There's a questionnaire in this Newsletter. Please take a few moments to fill it out and get it back in soon as possible. Meanwhile, I'm sure I'll see you all at the Frostbite. Until then, may all your putts fly true.

T. M. Dyer
President,
New England Flying disc Association

'The Inner Gods of Golf'

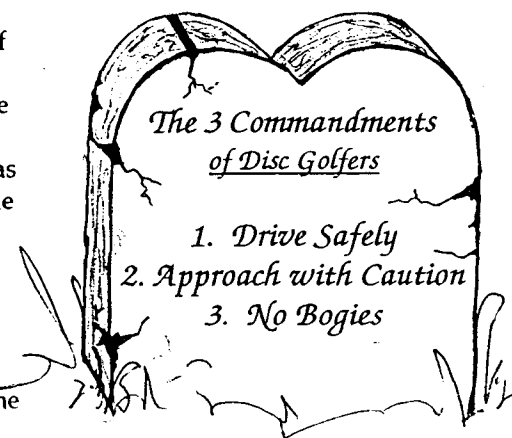
by Dave Johnson

You've read every divinely revealed word of The Inner Game of Folf series, and meticulously practiced each of the steps. "But," you say, "I'm still clunking them bad as ever!" Never fear; there's still no reason to blame yourself (or worse, to blame me!). In fact, this series is about avoiding blame altogether. With this in mind, The Inner Game of Folf takes off into a whole revolutionary realm of exploration in this issue. Now, exclusively and for the first time ever, we reveal to you...THE INNER GODS OF GOLF! That's right, you may do everything on the golf course by the book, but there are other factors to consider and most of these are from right out of the twilight zone.

Let's wash the slate clean—start from the start, as Ross Perot would say. Here's the unvarnished truth. There's a whole universe of unseen beings out there that take over the instant you release your disc. This is it in a nutshell. The disc golf course is haunted by two chief god forces, ever at each other's throats—and you're in the middle. On one hand, there's the nasty, rim-clanking, bushwhacking Bogey Bonker god, Bo-Bo. The other, gimpy and sweet as a Spring breeze, is the Big Birdie Of Paradise, Be-Bop. These two fight for the soul of your disc every time you throw.

Be-Bop and Bo-Bo, if you hadn't guessed, represent good and evil (or minus par and plus par), ever clashing. That's not all. At the service of each, there is a whole cast of lesser spirits, known as gofer gods. The good gofer gods in the service of Be-Bop are very nice to your throw. The gnarly gofer gods beholden to Bo-Bo are, as you might guess, nasty as they wanna be (which is very!). But in the long run, you'll find you appreciate the gnarly gofer gods more, because the more you know about them, the less you have to blame yourself for bad rounds.

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PLAYER PROFILE:

Steve Hartwell

In this issue, NEFA News begins what it hopes will become a regular feature, "Player Profile." We think this may provide NEFA members with insight on the individuals we not only compete with and against but that have and continue to shape a sport we all enjoy.

Appropriately enough, our inaugural interview is with NEFA Co-Founder and, until recently, its only President, Steve Hartwell. NEFA News staff caught up with Steve and asked him about his disc life and experiences, NEFA's origins and his plans for the future.

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Steve Hartwell, PDGA #2465

Age: 37

Occupation: Computer Professional
with Lotus Development Corp.

No. Reading, Massachusetts

Wife: Joy

Children: Wesley (3) & Darren (1)

NN: *How did you first learn of disc sports, and golf, in particular?*

SH: "Basically, I had a college

buddy in the late '70's at Bucknell, Russ Harms, who introduced me to disc. He was big into Ultimate and freestyle. One of the guys we played with could nail delay and by the time I figured out how to do that, I was hooked. It was a big deal. I got a black (Wham-O, 165g.) Master that came with an IFA membership form. I became an IFA member, subscribed to *Frisbee Disc World* and got psyched!"

NN: *What happened then?*

SH: "Well, after college, I came east and Russ went to So. California. We connected on a business trip and he showed me disc golf. The first course I played was La Mirada, then Huntington Beach. By '80-'81, I was such a total addict that I bought a pole hole—a Mach II that I kept in my apartment!"

NN: *OK, so that's what got you hooked on disc golf. Then what?*

SH: "Well, I was working at Harvard Business School and formed a loose contingent to play Ultimate and do some freestyling—that was '82 or so. Then I moved over to Lotus, still real psyched about disc."

"I gotta have frisbees hangin' in my office and after about three months working there, Joy walks down the hall, sees the frisbees, walks in and introduces herself. It was winter and all, but she suggested that we go play—you know, toss it around. It was February of '84, about 50 degrees and there was snow on the ground but we found a spot and played during lunch. That was our first date. We were married eight months later in October that same year. At our wedding, we gave away hot-stamped mini's as favors. They said, 'Joy and Steve—discovering life together!' Naturally, we brought a freestyle disc on our honeymoon. What a blessing to have your favorite person share your favorite sport!"

"Back home, we were in a disc vacuum. It was getting harder to find places to play so we started going to the Hatch Shell. One day we ran into Judy Robbins, who introduced herself and gave us a flyer for the 1st Boston Flying Disc Invitational at UMass. It had a golf and freestyle format. There I met 'D.J.' (Dave Johnson), 'Stick' (Edwin Dissosway) and 'Lick Me' (Joe Proud). All these people coming together had something to do with NEFA."

NN: *Sounds like things were starting to gear up?*

SH: "Yeah. Now comes the next big connection. Some friends in Lancaster (Mass) saw an article in their local newspaper about some frisbee guy and told me about it. That guy was Theo 'Sunny' Cade. So I called him up and went and visited him. He had a disc golf course set up around his house—it's still there. Sunny was key to the early energy."

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Vice President's Thoughts

Dear NEFA Readers,

1992 was another great year for the Association. There were many tourneys with lots of new faces and some famous ones (i.e. John Dwork, Chris Ryan and Ted Oberhaus showing up at the Pyramids just to Freestyle). Steve Hartwell and Co. did a super job all year. For the past five years, he's been at the hub, keeping the wheel of NE disc sports spinning. He could be considered the "George Washington" of NEFA.

I first wrote a letter that sounded like a politicians acceptance speech. All I wanted to say is that I will do my best to promote disc sports in New England.

NEFA has come a long way. It is now recognized throughout the disc world and has provided a rebirth and a steady growth of disc play in the region. We have a reputation for quality events and I hope to continue that spirit.

Now is the time for the "Thomas Jefferson"—I mean, T.M. Dyer era. The new President and I are committed to enhancing play and keeping events as fair and enjoyable as possible. We want to increase membership, enlarge finances and ensure certain standards at state championships. We need involvement from all.

Yours truly,
Toddy Brodeur,
NEFA Vice President

p.s. The Freestyle Players Association is under major reorganization. If you are interested in what's going on in the world of Freestyle then join the FPA by writing to FPA Membership, Box 99511, San Diego, CA 92169. Membership fees for Pro is \$40.00, \$20.00 for the Am's and only \$10.00 for you Novice!

October 30, 1992

Dear NEFA,

On behalf of the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation, I would like to thank you for your involvement in the first Connecticut State Flying Disc Championships on Saturday, October 10. It was a tremendous success and we raised over \$1,800 for the Campaign for Healthier Babies. We cannot thank you enough.

By contributing \$100 in sponsorship, you made a difference! Thanks to you, funds raised in Eastern Connecticut will support community-based programs that will impact the health of babies born in Eastern Connecticut.

Special thanks to you for joining our team and helping the March of Dimes deliver small miracles.

Sincerely,

Sandy Whewell

Division Director, Eastern Connecticut March of Dimes

The success of this project was due, in large part, to the efforts of Carl Emerson. Running a tournament is challenging enough without the added factor of fund-raising, gathering sponsorship, developing advertising and activities like those offered. By all accounts, Carl put on a tournament that succeeded at every level. Congratulations, Carl, and thanks.

NN

Flying Disc Freestyle Video on Public Display

For two weeks in January, a flying disc freestyle video will be on display in the Transportation Building in Boston. Part of a regional display for the "On My Own Time" media art exhibit sponsored by Tufts Health, the program is designed to promote healthy minds through visual arts of people in various companies in the Boston area. The presented work can be painting, sculpture, photography, woodworking, jewelry or any creative interpretation of mixed media art. Judges chose ten to twenty works for the display.

A freestyle video was produced by Rick Williams and displayed at Genetics Institute in September. Out of 130 entries, it was chosen for regional display. Described in his company newsletter, "Flying Disc Freestyle, by Rick Williams, educated the casual observer that discs are an art form in themselves when used to disc dance."

The six minute video features Rick and Judy Robbins at the '85 Boston Hacky Sack/Frisbee Festival and the '89 Capron Expression Session. It will be shown in the main lobby of the Transportation Building in the Theater District from January 12th to the 29th. Viewing hours are 8am to 6pm on weekdays with additional showings on Saturday, 1/23, from noon to 4pm and Wednesday, 1/27, from 6pm to 9pm.

~The Essence of Zen~

The present moment. And good luck. It's the most elusive moment there is, and it's the hardest to touch. To be fully present. That's all. It comes in a very interesting and exciting package, but you open it up and that's all it is. It's a complete paradox.

Life is a koan (puzzle). The thing that bothers you most, that's your koan. You're putting and you miss the par. You're standing there and you can't believe it-the way it left your hand, the way it floated, the way it hit the chain. You sit with it and, pretty soon, if you don't leak it-SNAP! It's gone...

NN

NEFA Board Meeting Minutes

(This represents a synopsis of the activity during the Nov. '92 open meeting.)

- Meeting called to order at 10:45am;
- Bob DeCosta installed as clerk;
- A motion passed affording an equal vote to any current NEFA member at a Board Meeting;
- Mark Miller was installed as Data Base Manager;
- Various reports were read, accepted;
- A Charter Committee, chaired by T. Cade with B.DeCosta, S. Feely and C.Emerson, to amend existing charter, drafting a new constitution for review;
- Motion passed to buy the previously rented poleholes and trailer;
- The 1992 NEFA Points winners were announced. Awards to be mailed.
- A Tournament Committee, chaired by T.M.Dyer with T.Brodeur, C.Emerson, S.Hartwell, G.Black and B.DeCosta was established to standardize NEFA policy: i.e. points events, sponsorship, polehole/trailer use, etc.;
- A motion passed to support only the State Tournaments and the New England Championships as official "points events" for the 1993 NEFA Points Series;
- Steve Hartwell was tentatively appointed the Regional Coordinator for the 1993 Worlds Biggest Series;
- A motion passed to provide mailing labels to the following tournaments: 4th Frostbite Classic, Milli\$kin\$, the Oak Grove Open, Frozen Fruits Classic
- A motion to endorse the new disc classification proposal by the WFDF was tabled for further discussion;
- A proposal for a NEFA member "Questionnaire" to be designed and included in the NEFA News passed;
- T.M. Dyer announced having been approached by Circular Productions to help support the Nat'l Doubles event by purchasing disc's with this year's logo hotstamp to sell for profit. In return, NEFA would receive advertising space in the tourny program. Issue was tabled pending further discussion;
- Board Meeting schedule set: 2/3/92 at Burger King on Rt. 24N, 7:30pm, and 5/1/93 @ T.Cade's home, 10am;
- Board Meeting adjourned at 1:25pm.

OVERALL:

1st	Harvey Brandt
2nd	Hartmut Wahrmann
3rd	Snapper Pierson
4th	Jim Herrick

NEFA MEMBERS:

18th	Jeff O'Brian
24th	Pete Fust
25th	Rick Williams
27th	Dan "Stork" Riddick
42nd	Toddy Brodeur
54th	Sunny Cade
69th	Ted Oberhaus
72nd	Dave Murphy

Other NEFA highlights: In Thursday's edition of the *Loveland Colorado Reported-Herald*, Rick Williams and Toddy Brodeur appeared on the front page of the sports section. The color photo was taken during the DDC prelims with the caption, "Money Game." Despite the endorsement, the two did not win any money but learned some valuable lessons. They did, however, finish 9th in Freestyle.

In the Women's Division, Amy Bekken again took the honors by dominating in Distance, Discathlon, SCF and Freestyle. Anni Kreml was a close second by winning Golf and DDC. Rhode Johansson from Malmo, Sweden took 3rd and Judy Robbins played very well and was a close 4th overall. Samantha Scott played in three events and finished 19th overall.

In closing, I would like to thank every one involved in running this event. They need to attract new players to the US Open and WFDF Championships. I strongly urge any player who is considering to go and compete at a National event to do so. It's a wicked cool time.

The New Hampshire States

by John Rushlow

September 12th, 1992...Working on little more than four hours sleep, rookie Tournament Director Peter Anderson hosted what proved to be a nearly perfect day of disc golf in the foothills of Monadnock Mountain. With temps in the low-70's and sun shining through clear blue skies, 39 competitors were challenged with three rounds of golf on John Hunt's tough, unforgiving Mach III Pole Hole course.

In the Men's Open first round, Jason Southwick played truly inspired golf hitting six birdie throws to set a new course record of three under par 51. TD Anderson was in hot pursuit with a 55 and locked at 56 were Brent Sanderson, D. J., Carl Emerson and Christian Loiseau. After chef Roy Doar personally served up a Mexican lunch of bean burritos, salsa and fruit, Bob DeCosta posted a impressive second round, hurling a one over 55. Although placing, it wasn't quite enough to take a first as rivals Jason and Peter continued their solid play. Once the scores were tallied, Rindge had coughed up an unprecedented three round tournament even par 162 to Jason Southwick and N. H. had its 1992 State Champion.

Meanwhile, after three very tight rounds of play, local talent Scott Berman beat out NEFA newcomer, Michael Donofrio to take Men's Advanced top honors back home to Derry, N.H. If the Women's Open and the Men's Novice divisions lacked competition, they didn't lack enthusiasm as Joy Hartwell and Scott Reeve both turned in great cards. With scores improving by round, Deana Guadagno captured the Women's Novice division. Also worth mentioning is the effort put out by Debbie "Coop" Baiano playing in her first full competition. Coop, you got moxie. Finally, soon-to-be Men's Am threat, Chris Osmer overcame Heather Sheldon in the Junior division.

In addition to the golf, a 'closest to the pin' competition was held during rounds 2 and 3. Many came close but only two took the prizes: Carl Emerson pegged his drive four and a half feet from #6 with Jason dropping in to three and a half feet on #15. The post golf ceremony saw Peter give away a total of eighteen awards over the six divisions and pin competitions. Each first place winner received an engraved marker-disc plaque. Each place finisher walked away with new plastic while an excellent day of golf was enjoyed by all.

1992 New England Flying Disc Championships

by Joy Hartwell

September, 1992...On a very cold, wet weekend 43 competitors from as far away as Delaware and New York braved the inclement weather to compete in a two day event consisting of Golf, Distance Accuracy, DDC and Freestyle at Normandy Farms Campground in Wrentham, MA. Extra incentive to go was a great player's package including a funky T-shirt and a Wham-O 1992 States disc.

Golf was played on a newly christened permanent pole hole course thanks to the efforts of Greg Black and Carl Emerson. Ken Reynolds smoked both days by posting -8 in all three rounds for a 138 total. Jeff O'Brien was close behind with a 139 and also set the first "official" course record with a ten under in the third round. Ken then went sailing by the competition in Distance with 395' and 391.5' throws, while Jeff O'Brien and Carl Emerson in hot pursuit (Carl threw an awesome 405.5' in the prelims!). Worth noting in the Junior division was the up-and-coming Heather Sheldon who threw 219' and 233.5' in Distance!

In Accuracy, two friends found themselves pitted against each other in

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The Ledges

by Jason Southwick

Don't let anyone tell you that The Ledges is the most beautiful disc golf course in New England. And don't believe it when they say it is the most beautiful course on the east coast, in the country, the continent, or the world. The fifty-two participants at the last Ledges tournament will tell you the true story: The Ledges is the most beautiful disc golf course in the galaxy.

Located on sixty-six landscaped, manicured and obviously expensive acres on the coast of Newport, RI, The Ledges is actually a private estate that virtually screams old money. The huge lawns are mowed, the miles of hedges trimmed, the horses well fed and groomed, and the rocks on the shore worn smooth by the ocean waves that continually crash against them, sending mists of salty spray onto the sunglasses of smiling golfers who could only ask in bewilderment, "How did Tim Dyer ever get the owners of an English manor to use this place for, of all things, a disc golf tournament?"

Our newly-elected President, the aforementioned T. M. Dyer, tells an implausible story. Without so much as a smirk, he explains that after a year or two of taking care of the horses there, he somehow approached the owners, the Cushing family, about putting on a tournament in their backyard. No offense, Tim, but if I'm Mr. Cushing and you approach me to invite 50 of your friends to throw Frisbees all day at my home, I going to tell James to release the hounds.

This is purely speculation, but it would seem more likely that Mr. and Mrs. Cushing—who were conspicuously absent from the event—spent the day in the attic bound and gagged and straining to glimpse through a window hordes of happy trespassers stomping through their fabulous flower beds. Other theories of how this great event came to pass include extortion, hypnotism, and the idea that Tim Dyer is, in reality, the wealthy Mr.

The 1992 March of Dimes Connecticut State Flying Disc Championships

by Carl Emerson

Northeastern Connecticut may not be the hub of disc play in New England, nor a thriving metropolis in which to promote disc sports...but for one sunny autumn day in Woodstock, CT, there couldn't have been a prettier place to play.

The New England Flying disc Association sponsored the 1992 Connecticut State Flying Disc Championship on October 10th along the colorful tree-lined waters of Roseland Lake—all in an effort to promote disc sports and to raise money for the March of Dimes campaign for healthier babies.

Breaking away from the traditional New England tournament format, TD Carl Emerson of NEFA and Ms. Sandy Whewell of the March of Dimes lined up a competitive day of disc with an almost festival-type atmosphere.

For a sport that is locally unheard of, the tournament fared quite well. There were 18 local sponsors, free radio time, support from Lightning Discs, Wham-O and the Disc Golf Journal, and over \$500.00 was raised in pledges and player support alone.

"Not many people realize what can actually be done with a disc," said Sandy, "and I was a bit skeptical that we'd be able to raise a substantial amount of money through an event that nobody know that much about. I'm proud to say that through the efforts of the sponsors and each of the players, we raised over \$1,800.00 through the tournament!"

With its autumn colored trees and crisp fall air, Roseland Park was an ideal backdrop for 18 holes of disc golf to benefit the March of Dimes. An early morning tee-off, demonstrations, frisbee dogs and hot-air balloon rides led into an exciting midday freestyle competition and an impromptu circle of discs with dozens of the wildest, funniest, oddest types of discs sailing through the air—provided by Connecticut newcomer, John Burt. Another round of 18 was held from longer tees for the

State title and a large field of distance competitors played until dusk. The fun-filled day of disc ended with an awards ceremony held at a nearby pub.

Winning the Open CT State title was Jeff O'Brien with a 46. Freestyle winners were Rick Williams and San Diego's, Jim Herrick, who combined Rick's fluid movements with abandonment of his body (and registration tables!) to take the event. Distance was won with an unofficial 459.5' hurl, by Jim Herrick.

The contention seems to be that the day was a success. Already local businesses and the March of Dimes are looking at ways to improve and better promote next years' championship. Next Spring promises a myriad of demos and promotion through schools and local events to help educate people of the healthy outdoor fun of disc sports.

Cushing himself, and only pretends to be a confused, bumbling NEFA organizer (a role he plays with—dare I use the word?—genius).

Whatever. Facts and fantasy are often difficult to separate. But this much I know for sure: for a second year in a row golfers from all around New England gathered in a paradise called, The Ledges. T. M. "Cushing" Dyer organized the entire

event, which included personal caddies in tuxedos, and a catered lunch of caviar and champagne. The winds blew at over a hundred miles an hour and this is probably the reason the alien spaceship had to crash land on hole eleven, which resulted in the unfortunate deaths of seven NEFA members, and, incidentally, also caused me to double bogey.

1992 Caped Cod Open

by Nancy Donnelly-Malakhoff

October 17, 1992...Sixty nine participants joined in a day of pole hole disc golf at Cape Cod's only permanent Frisbee Golf course at Burgess Park in Marston Mills, MA. Joining NEFA members were many local players for two rounds of golf and a midday MTA contest. The gloom and doom weather forecast for the day never came to pass and the weather was excellent by mid-morning. And, despite a chilly start, the turnout was outstanding. The course offered some new challenges for NEFA regulars, with holes ranging from the wickedly simple #12 to some devilishly hard holes packed with brambles and disc rejecting trees.

Competition was fierce in the very large Men's Open division with 13 players finishing the two rounds under par. After one round, Peter Anderson and Dave Johnson were tied for the lead at six under. Jason Southwick, Brent Sanderson and Jeff O'Brien were hot on their heels at five under. Toddy Brodeur and Steve Gaylor were in the running at -3 with another dozen players just a few strokes behind.

At midday, T.M. Dyer introduced MTA to Cape Cod. 35 players, including a few first-timers, tried their hand (and only one hand!) at it with qualifying times ranging from 3.71 seconds to Jeff O'Brien's 10.38 second loft—the only time in double figures. Scott Berman and Tim Dyer placed second and third respectively. More than one disc was swallowed by the "Great Black Hole" on the right side of the field. Meanwhile, the croquet field was turned into a makeshift Double Disc Court.

The 2pm second round saw Bob DeCosta stage a brilliant comeback. After a first round 57, Bob set a new course record with a very hot second round 47. He birdied five holes in a row on the back nine—including infamous #13.

Jason Southwick matched his excellent first round score of 49 with

another in round two to squeak out a win just one throw ahead of Brent and Jeff, both tied at 99. D.J. and Peter, the first round leaders, seasawed to a tie at 102. Jim Lay, of Forestdale, was the top local finisher at 110. Local Don McKay had an impressive broken disc ace on hole #9—all the pieces stayed in!

In the Women's Open division, Nancy Donnelly-Malakhoff had a personal best 59 in the second round on her way to turning a home course advantage into a first place finish. Local Lori Andres and Jeannie Black battled to a dead heat in the second round from the whites (Jeannie mistakenly threw from the blues on round one).

Rich Little jumped out to a fast lead in Men's Novice with a three under. Michael Donofrio and Jay Heline challenged but Rich held on to take first place. Michael and Jay took second and third respectively.

The seven players in the Women's Novice division reflected a growing interest in disc golf by women. Four of the seven were playing in their first tournament with a total of ten women competing.

Edith Chase pulled off a two stroke victory over Emalyn Gordon, who took second, and Michelle Farley, third. We'll be pushing for an even larger women's field at next year's event!

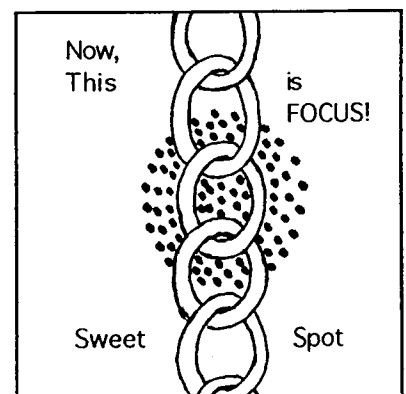
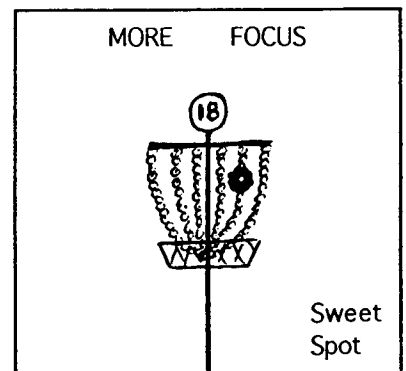
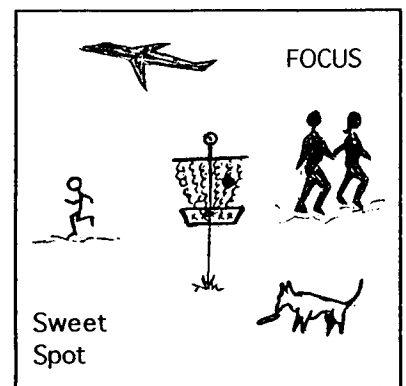
Kyle Black posted a 3 stroke lead in round one of the Junior division. He aced #3 in the second on the way to an excellent 2 under par 52. Michael Lewandowski and Issac Doris were consistent with pairs of 58's and 63's, respectively. Martin Desch cut three throws off his first round with four birdies in the second.

A flat on the trailer made the NEFA travelling pole holes temporarily un-transportable and has turned out to be a windfall for Cape Cod. The misfortune sprouted an initiative to make Burgess Park the winter home for the baskets. Lindsey Counsell, course architect, has made the rounds with local officials while Lev Malakhoff has been busy conferring with NEFA and various pole hole owners.

Meanwhile, Neil Andres had donated time, tools and technical know-how to make Burgess Park a secure off-season home to the pole holes.

As a side note, on Saturday, November 14th, organized volunteers got together for a round of tree chopping and bush trimming and brush clearing. Cement anchors were installed and collars attached to secure the baskets and make Burgess Park not only an excellent course but a safe home for the targets. Anyone looking to help out in the future is strongly encouraged to contact Nancy or Lev @ 508-771-4619.

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Disc Golf Results

New Hampshire States

Men's Open Division

Place	Name	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Total
1	Jason Southwick	51	56	55	162
2	Peter Anderson	55	56	58	169
3	Bob DeCosta	59	55	57	171
4	Christian Loiseau	56	62	55	173
5	Brent Sanderson	56	57	62	175
6	Todd Brodeur	58	57	60	175
7	Bill MacWilliams	58	58	59	175
8	Dave Johnson	56	61	59	176
9	Roy Doar	62	56	59	177
10	Steve Gaylor	59	58	60	177
11	Jim O'Hara	63	58	59	180
11	Steve Hartwell	61	60	59	180
13	Carl Emerson	56	57	69	182
14	John Rushlow	62	61	61	184
14	Rick Williams	61	61	62	184
14	Doug Russell	60	62	62	184
14	Phil Kennedy	68	59	57	184
18	Mark Linden	67	56	62	185
19	T.M. Dyer	64	59	64	187
20	Ed Fletcher	66	66	62	193
21	John Affonso	70	66	60	195
22	Charles Parker	70	59	69	198
23	John Hunt	71	79	108	258

Men's Advanced Division

1	Scott Berman	64	62	61	187
2	Michael Donofrio	64	63	61	188
3	Jim Malone	64	69	65	198
4	Bryan Lynch	66	66	69	200
5	Scott Pyle	68	63	71	202
6	Jason Heline	69	68	70	207
7	Dan Osmer	67	73	71	211
8	Jeff Blaney	72	72	70	214
9	Mark Miller	75	72	73	220

Men's Novice Division

1	Scott Reeve	70	76	78	224
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Women's Open Division

1	Joy Hartwell	78	69	77	224
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Women's Novice Division

1	Deana Guadagno	80	77	75	232
2	Edith Chase	79	79	79	237
3	Debbie Baiano	101	93	92	286

Juniors' Division

1	Chris Osmer	75	66	70	211
2	Heather Sheldor	86	81	84	251

Cushing Invitational

Men's Open Division

Place	Name	Total
1	Jason Southwick	116
2	Jeff O'Brien	119
3	Peter Anderson	123
3	Mike Ide	123
5	Colin Browne	127
6	Glenn Noakes	128
7	Carl Emerson	129
7	Chris Livingston	129
9	Steve Hartwell	130
10	Christian Loisear	131
11	Theo Cade	132
11	Brent Sanderson	132
13	Steve Gaylor	133
14	Dan Doyle	135
14	Doug Russell	135
16	Todd Brodeur	136
17	Lev Malakhoff	138
17	Dave Johnson	138
19	Bruce McCray	139
20	Bob DeCosta	142
20	Jim O'Hara	142
20	Rick Williams	142
23	Dale Fuller	143
23	Mark Linden	143
25	T.M. Dyer	146
26	Chris DePaola	147
27	Eric Olofson	148
28	Scott Berman	151
28	John Affonso	151
30	Kerry Hood	156
31	Wayne Roberts	158

Men's Advanced Division

1	Mike Klassner	137
2	Don Steinberg	153
3	Tim Eland	157
4	Todd Canuel	160
5	Ed Garabedian	165
6	Luke Randall	174
7	Bob Schuting	175
8	Wayne Daigle	180
9	Ken Miller	182
10	Rich Little	189
11	Brian McCaurly	211
12	Neil Andres	215

Women's Open Division

1	Tiina Booth	135
2	Joy Hartwell	162
3	Nancy Malakhoff	177
4	Marcia Mitchell	188

Women's Novice Division

1	Lori Andres	204
5	Edith Chase	217
6	Debbie Baiano	227

Connecticut States

Men's Open Division

Place	Name	Total
1	Jeff O'Brien	46
2	Dave Johnson	48
2	Tod Brodeur	48
2	Jim Herrick	48
5	Charles Parker	50
6	Steve Gaylor	51
6	Peter Anderson	51
6	Theo Cade	51
9	Chris Livingston	52
10	Greg Black	53
10	Doug Russell	53
10	Colin Browne	53
13	Christian Loiseau	54
13	T.M. Dyer	54
13	Dale Fuller	54
16	Brent Sanderson	55
17	Rick Williams	56
17	Bob DeCosta	56
19	Carl Emerson	58
19	Roy Doar	58
20	Bruce McCray	62

Men's Advanced Division

1	John Burt	55
2	Mark Miller	57
3	Jason Heline	62
3	Jim Malone	62

Men's Novice Division

1	Ken Miller	55
2	Norm Aubin	56
3	Todd Canuel	58
3	Mike Klassner	58
4	Tom Emerson	60
6	Ed Jakubowski	61
7	Rob Hodgins	73
8	Jeff Damien	76

Women's Novice Division

1	Edith Chase	62
2	Samantha Scott	70
3	Colette MacKenzie	71
4	Michele Ropp	72

Juniors' Division

1	Kyle Black	54
2	Joey Walker	60
3	Heather Sheldon	62
4	Allison Black	65
5	Matthew Swett	66
6	Mike Swett	67
7	Tommy Dyer	73
8	Josh Jakubowski	78

Distance

Men's Open	
Jim Herrick	459.5'
Men's Advanced	
John Burt	354.5'
Men's Novice	
Michael Klasmer	341'
Women's	
Samantha Scott	222.5'
Juniors (13-18)	
Kyle Black	317'
Juniors (12 & under)	
Josh Jakubowski	145'
Freestyle	
Rick Williams/Jim Jerrick	

**New Jersey States
-Team Challenge-**

NEFA: J. Olsen, R. Williams, D. Jones, T. Brodeur, D. Deraad

Miantonomi: T.M. Dyer, J. Affonso, J. Malone, B. DeCosta, R. Little, J. Walker, K. Miller

Skylands: D. Doyle, T. Eland, D. Steinberg, B. Schuttinger, D. Lowe, F. Buonocorte

Rutgers: M. Lacourte, B. Noakes, W. Monahan, G. Noakes, E. Oloffson

Events:

Golf, four rounds

MTA, two rounds

Discathon, two rounds

Freestyle, seven teams

New Jersey States Team Competition Results:

<u>code</u>	<u>Sat. Golf</u>	<u>Sun.Golf</u>	<u>MTA</u>	<u>Discathon</u>	<u>Freestyle</u>	<u>Total</u>
NEFA	72.0	74.0	91.0	88.5	97.5	423.00
Rutgers	85.0	78.0	69.0	49.5	69.5	351.00
Skylands	44.5	45.5	46.0	65.0	39.0	240.00
Miantonomi	48.5	52.0	40.0	40.0	19.0	199.50

Team and Individual performers:

Jim Olsen, Team NEFA, took first in Golf with Barry Noakes and Matt Lacourte, both playing for Team Rutgers in at second and third.

Team NEFA swept the hang-time competition with Jim Olsen placing first in MTA followed by Dorn Deraad pulling in the second and Rick Williams and Dave Jones tied for third.

Dan Doyle, playing for Skylands, scorching the Discathon course for the first place with nearest competitor, Team NEFA's Rick Williams a full 47 seconds behind after two rounds. Dave Jones, Team NEFA, picked up his second bronze medal here.

The Freestyle competition also saw big NEFA moves with first place going to the team of Brodeur and Williams. NEFA's Dave Jones and Rutgers' team player, Barry Noakes combined for the second and third place was shared by NEFA players, Jim Olsen and Dorn Deraad.

Overall Team Honors went to talented NEFA members and the Overall Individual top honors were awarded to Jim Olsen. Congrats to Jim and to the rest of the traveling NEFA Team.

Disc Golf Results (cont.)

1992 New England Flying Disc Championships

OPEN Division

Name	Disc Golf					Distance (ft)				Accuracy				DDC		Freestyle		Overall	
	1st	2nd/Tot	3rd/Tot	Place	Pts	Prelim	Final	Pl	Pts	Pre	Final	Place	Pts	Place	Pts	Place	Pts	Pts	Place
Dave Johnson	48	45/93	52/145	4 ²	33.5	352.5	349	4	34	15	13/28	3	35	4	31	3	31	164.5	1
Jeff O'Brien	50	45/95	44/139	2	36	366.5	382.5	2	36	13	13/26	6 ²	31.5	7 ²	25	2	34	162.5	2
Ken Reynolds	46	46/92	46/138	1	37	395	391.5	1	37	16	11/27	4 ²	33.5	9 ²	21	3	31	159.5	3
Rich Reilly	47	48/95	50/145	4 ²	33.5	335.5		6	32	11		13 ²	24.5	7 ²	25	1	37	152	4
Todd Brodeur	54	48/102	47/149	8 ²	29.5	303		18	20	15	7/22	8 ²	29.5	1	37	2	34	150	5
David Jones	52	49/101	45/146	6 ²	31.5	318		11	27	7		20 ⁶	16	7 ²	25	1	37	136.5	6
Christian Loiseau	52	52/104	50/154	15 ⁴	21.5	316.5		12	26	14	12/26	6 ²	31.5	5 ²	29	5	25	133	7
Mark Ide	50	50/100	55/155	19 ²	18.5	298.5		19	19	13	17/30	1	37	2	35	6	22	131.5	8
Steve Hartwell	49	52/101	48/149	8 ²	29.5	309		14	24	10		15 ²	22.5	4	31	6	22	129	9
Greg Black	52	46/98	52/150	10	28	272.5		25	13	12		11 ²	26.5	3	33	4	28	128.5	10
James Demarest	50	52/102	52/154	15 ⁴	21.5	266.5		27	11	17	13/30	2	36	2	35	6	22	125.5	11
Carl Emerson	54	49/103	48/151	11	27	405.5	352	3	35	7		20 ⁶	16	13 ²	13	2	34	125	12
John Burt	57	48/105	49/154	15 ⁴	21.5	319		10	28	10		15 ²	22.5	9 ²	21	3	31	124	13
Sunny Cade	53	51/104	52/156	21 ³	16	307		15	23	14	8/22	8 ²	29.5	5 ²	29	5	25	122.5	14
Rick Williams	52	51/103	52/155	19 ²	18.5	259		28	10	13	1/14	10	28	1	37	4	28	121.5	15
Ted Oberhaus	48	45/93	48/141	3	35	304		17	21	SCR			0	7 ²	25	1	37	118	16
Peter Anderson	47	49/96	50/146	6 ²	31.5	325.5		8	30	14	13/27	4 ²	33.5	SCR	0	SCR	0	95	17
Dale Fuller	49	50/99	55/154	15 ⁴	21.5	309.5		13	25	8		19	19	5 ²	29	SCR	0	94.5	18
Kyle Black	55	58/113	53/166	29 ²	8.5	284.5		23	15	9		17 ²	20.5	9 ²	21	4	28	93	19
Bob DeCosta	50	51/101	51/152	12	26	344.5	346	5	33	7		20 ⁶	16	13 ²	13	SCR	0	88	20
Steve Gaylor	51	52/103	53/156	21 ³	16	320		9	29	11		13 ²	24.5	11 ²	17	SCR	0	86.5	21
Duncan Berkeley	59	SCR	SCR	37	1	326.5		7	31	9		17 ²	20.5	3	33	SCR	0	85.5	22
Jay Heline	55	56/111	51/162	27 ²	10.5	279		24	14	7		20 ⁶	16	11 ²	17	5	25	82.5	23
T.M. Dyer	54	52/106	51/157	24	14	293		22	16	7		20 ⁶	16	13 ²	13	7	19	78	24
Doug Russell	52	53/105	48/153	13 ²	24.5	297.5		20	18	3		26	12	11 ²	17	SCR	0	71.5	25
Chris DePaula	54	SCR	SCR	35	3	270		26	12	12		11 ²	26.5	5 ²	29	SCR	0	70.5	26
Norm Aubin	54	53/107	59/166	29 ²	8.5	SCR			0	SCR			0	13 ²	13	7	19	40.5	27
Charlie Parker	49	61/110	52/162	27 ²	10.5	305.5		16	22	SCR			0	SCR	0	SCR	0	32.5	28
Mike Cosato	61	62/123	SCR	34	4	232.5		31	7	SCR			0	9 ²	21	SCR	0	32	29
Tom Emerson	58	58/116	56/172	32	6	255		29	9	6		25	13	SCR	0	SCR	0	28	30
Robert Ide	56	SCR	SCR	36	2	245.5		30	8	SCR			0	11 ²	17	SCR	0	27	31
Felix Harvey	53	50/103	50/153	13 ²	24.5	SCR			0	SCR			0	SCR	0	SCR	0	24.5	32
Scooter Feely	53	56/109	58/167	31	7	293.5		21	17	SCR			0	SCR	0	SCR	0	24	33 ²
Mike Koivisto	62	64/126	60/186	33	5	SCR			0	SCR			0	SCR	0	7	19	24	33 ²
Brent Sanderson	51	56/107	49/156	21 ³	16	SCR			0	SCR			0	SCR	0	SCR	0	16	35
Bob Sandow	51	53/104	54/158	25	13	SCR			0	SCR			0	SCR	0	SCR	0	13	36
David White	52	53/105	55/160	26	12	SCR			0	SCR			0	SCR	0	SCR	0	12	37

Women's Division

Name	Disc Golf					Distance (ft)				Accuracy				DDC		Freestyle		Overall	
	1st	2nd/Tot	3rd/Tot	Place	Pts	Prelim	Final	Place	Pts	Prelim	Final	Place	Pts	Place	Pts	Place	Pts	Pts	Place
Samantha Scott	71	72/143	71/214	3	1	168	182	1	3	4		1	3	SCR	0	SCR	0	7	1
Edith Chase	66	70/136	62/198	2	2	162	157	2	2	SCR			0	SCR	0	SCR	0	4	2
Joy Hartwell	57	54/111	58/169	1	3	SCR			0	SCR			0	SCR	0	SCR	0	3	3

Junior's Division

Name	Disc Golf					Distance (ft)				Accuracy				DDC		Freestyle		Overall	
	1st	2nd/Tot	3rd/Tot	Place	Pts	Prelim	Final	Place	Pts	Prelim	Final	Place	Pts	Place	Pts	Place	Pts	Pts	Place
Allison Black	67	60/127	62/189	1	3	205.5	193.5	2	2	5	5/10	1	3	SCR	0	SCR	0	8	1
Heather Sheldon	66	68/134	60/194	2	2	219	233.5	1	3	SCR			0	SCR	0	SCR	0	5	2
Trish Feely	SCR (108)	78/186	76/262	3	1	125	121.5	3	1	6	4/10	2	2	SCR	0	SCR	0	4	3

1992 Caped Cod Open

Men's Open

1	Jason Southwick	49	49	98
2	Brent Sanderson	49	50	99
2	Jeff O'Brien	49	50	99
4	Dave Johnson	48	54	102
4	Peter Anderson	48	54	102
6	Jim O'Hara	52	52	104
6	Todd Brodeur	51	53	104
6	Bob DeCosta	57	47	104
9	Bill MacWilliams	52	54	106
9	Mark Ide	53	53	106
11	Steve Gaylor	51	58	107
11	T.M. Dyer	52	55	107
11	Doug Russel	56	51	107
14	Christian Loiseau	56	53	109
15	Jim Lay	55	55	110
15	Roy Doar	57	53	111
17	Scott Berman	54	57	111
17	Charles Parker	54	57	111
19	Greg Black	58	54	112
19	George Desch	55	57	112
21	Tom Southwick	52	61	113
22	Dale Fuller	55	58	114
22	Carl Emerson	55	59	114
24	David Gladding	56	59	115
24	David White	55	60	115
26	John Gakeler	59	57	116
26	Don McKay	59	57	116
26	Lindsey Counsell	59	57	116
29	John Rushlow	59	58	117
29	Chris Livingston	56	61	117
31	Mark Miller	56	62	118
32	David Massi	58	61	119
33	Lev Malakhoff	63	57	120
34	Jim Howard	59	63	122
35	Scott Sherman	62	61	123
36	Jim Parks	64	60	124
36	Bruce McCray	61	63	124
38	Bob Jackson	62	66	128
39	Neil Andres	61	75	136
40	Lou Cataldo	1 Round Only		
40	Dan Dickerson	No Scorecard		
40	David Pierce	No Scorecard		

Men's Novice

1	Richard Little	51	61	112
2	Michael Donofrio	58	58	116
3	Jay Heline	59	58	117
4	Todd Canuel	58	61	119
5	Jeff Wilker	56	68	124
6	Kenneth Miller	65	64	129
7	Larry Malakhoff	64	69	133
8	Matt Allen	69	67	135
8	Brian McNulty	69	66	135
10	Eric Jonasson	73	68	141
11	Frank Andres	84		

Women's Open

1	Nancy Donnelly-Malakhoff	61	59	120
2	Lori Andres	72	67	139
2	Jeannie Black	64	67	139

Women's Novice

1	Edith Chase	62	66	128
2	Emalyn Gordon	62	68	130
3	Michelle Farley	71	70	141
4	Renee Little	89	81	170
5	Clare Brady	73		
6	Gail Hanley	98		
7	Keri Cahoon	98		

Junior's Division

1	Kyle Black	55	52	107
2	Michael Lewandowski	58	58	116
3	Isaac Doris	63	63	126
4	Martin Desch	65	62	127

Maximum Time Aloft

1	Jeff O'Brien	10.38
2	Scott Berman	9.97
3	T.M. Dyer	9.43
4	Dave Johnson	9.25
5	Todd Brodeur	9.00
6	Bob DeCosta	8.86
7	Jay Heline	8.59
8	Greg Black	8.20
9	Mark Ide	7.49
10	John Rushlow	7.35
11	Carl Emerson	7.34
12	Jim O'Hara	7.28
13	Jason Southwick	6.81
14	Kyle Black	6.62
15	Chris Livingston	6.59
16	Peter Anderson	6.58
17	Brent Sanderson	6.50
18	Roy Doar	6.45
19	Jim Parks	6.25
20	Bruce McCray	6.19
21	Ken Moller	5.91
22	George Desch	5.87
23	Dale Fuller	5.84
24	Tom Southwick	5.10
25	Larry Malakhoff	3.71

Aces

Don McKay, Hole-in-One on #9
 Kyle Black, Hole-in-One on #3

1992 NEFA OVERALL POINTS SCOREBOARD

Men's Open Division

Rank	Name	Points	Events
1	Peter Anderson	200.5	10
2	Toddy Brodeur	173	10
3	Bob DeCosta	154.5	11
4	Dave Johnson	150.5	9
5	Jason Southwick	127.5	5
6	Brent Sanderson	126	11
7	Christian Loiseau	117	10
8	Steve Hartwell	107	8
8	Carl Emerson	107	9
10	T.M. Dyer	106.5	11
11	Steve Gaylor	106	9
12	Doug Russell	98	9
13	Rick Williams	94.5	10
14	Greg Black	91.5	8
15	Jeff O'Brien	90.5	4
16	Theo "Sunny" Cade	87	9
17	Bill MacWilliams	78.5	5
18	Jim O'Hara	78	6
19	Mark Ide	76	6
20	Colin Browne	74	7
21	Dale Fuller	60.5	7
22	Felix Harvey	57.5	5
23	Tom Southwick	47	4
24	Charles Parker	46	9
25	Dave White	43.5	5
26	Roy Doar	42.5	6
27	Dan Doyle	38	2
29	John Affonso	31	8
30	Jack Maxwell	31	3
31	Ed Malloy	26	1
32	John Rushlow	23.5	5
33	Ted Oberhaus	23	1
34	Rich Reilly	21.5	1
35	Mark Booth	16.5	1
36	Edwin Dissosway	14	1
37	John Gakeler	8	2
38	Jeff Affonso	7.5	1
39	Mark Johnston	7.5	1
39	Phil Kennedy	7.5	1
41	Scooter Feely	7	4
42	Petri Isola	4.5	1
43	Chris Livingston	4	1
43	Rick Bradley	4	1
45	Dan Gorriaran	3	1
46	Kerry Hood	1	1

Men's Advanced Division

Rank	Name	Points	Events
1	Scott Berman	41.5	6
2	Bryan Lynch	25.5	4
2	Jason Heline	25.5	8
4	Ed Fletcher	24.5	4
5	Lee Perloff	22	4
6	Mark Linden	20.5	3
6	Lev Malakhoff	20.5	2
8	Rick Little	18	6
9	Mark Miller	16	7
10	Jim Malone	14.5	5
11	Kyle Black	11	4
12	Michael Donofrio	11	2
13	Mike Cosato	9	4
14	John Burt	8	2
15	Ed Garabedian	6.5	3
16	Paul Steele	6	2
17	Jeff Blaney	4	2
17	Scott Pyle	4	1
19	Bob Sandow	3	1
20	Dave Bahssin	1.5	1
21	Randy Widing	1	1

Men's Novice Division

Rank	Name	Points	Events
1	Greg Flatt	13	3
2	Todd Canuel	12	6
3	Norm Aubin	11	5
4	Scott Pyle	3.5	1
5	Glenn Sullivan	1	1
5	Scott Reeve	1	1
5	Kenneth Miller	1	1

Women's Open Division

Rank	Name	Points	Events
1	Joy Hartwell	11	8
2	Tiina Booth	4	2
3	Nancy Donnelly-Malakhoff	2	1
4	Jeannie Black	1	1
4	Donna Doyle	1	1
4	Edie Pinka	1	1

Women's Novice Division

Rank	Name	Points	Events
1	Edith Chase	12	9
2	Samantha Scott	6	5
3	Jude Gladstone	3	2
4	Deana Guadagno	2	1

Juniors Division

Rank	Name	Points	Events
1	Danny Forbes	4	3
2	Heather Sheldon	4	5

Hartwell Profile (cont. from pg. 4)

"Meanwhile, Russ Harms moved back to the area. He and I went out to South Lee (Mass) to find the only New England course listed in the IFA directory. It was an 18 hole Mach I pole hole course. As a side note, I brought D.J. out there once and he shot the course record of a minus nine."

NN: *Is that course still there?*

SH: "Well, no....The last time we went, four holes were gone. They were taking down the course to put up condo's. Right then I went to the person in charge and said I wanted to buy the pole holes. Greg Black, Stick, D.J. and I put up the money, rented a U-Haul, pulled the pole holes and dumped them in Greg's back yard. And that, essentially, was when NEFA got started."

NN: *When was that?*

SH: "1986 or so."

NN: *Steve, you said that Sunny was key to the early energy. Why is that?*

SH: "Sunny had formed the Central Mass Flying Disc Association and was doing things in the Worcester area. He knew we had a loose group of people, so we started talking about combining our mailing lists into an 'organization.' We decided to do it for real and Stick got this newsletter going so we could all keep in touch. In 1988, we wrote a Charter, had an election and I became President."

NN: *Why you?*

SH: "I don't know. Stick volunteered me and I was interested in moving it along."

NN: *How many members then?*

SH: "Twenty to thirty or so—not too many!"

NN: *Now that almost five years have gone by, do you see the organization as still growing?*

SH: "We're going through a boom

now. I use tournament turnout as a barometer and this year, we've been averaging over 50 people compared to 25 just a few years ago. I'm very excited about that. I've always wanted to see a permanent pole hole course go in the ground. Maybe now is the time. The thing is that it has to be a permanent public course. John Hunt's, Normandy Farms, Sunny's—all are accessible, but they're not open to everybody...we gotta fix that. NEFA needs to get a course in somewhere. It's a big goal for me...especially if we can get adjoining land—a place to get together. We need a watering hole. That'll get people from the community involved and media attention."

"So, I figure first we get the permanent public course, have a few PDGA sanctioned tournaments, then move to a national tournament of some kind—maybe a Seniors. I would like to see some big stuff happening and it is key to get more good people involved. People with talents and the desire to contribute, especially organizational people."

NN: *Congrats on being elected "Financial Director." How did that come about?*

SH: "I was talking to Sunny one night and he said, 'By the way, I nominated you for PDGA treasurer!' I'd had some exposure at the '87 and '88 Worlds, so..."

NN: *What are your duties?*

SH: "Basically to manage the books and budget as Financial Director of a 7000 member non-profit organization. And I'll be a voting member of the Board."

NN: *Don't you have another connection to the PDGA?*

SH: "Yeah, I put out the PDGA Course Directory. I was talking to the then PDGA Commissioner, Ted Smithers, in the mid '80's. He mentioned that he was trying to get one going but was disappointed. I told him I was a computer hack and from 1986, I've put out the yearly

Directory ever since."

NN: *Now that NEFA has a great connection to the PDGA Board, will we see a sanctioned event here?*

SH: "I'll push for it. We've never been eligible before because of one main criterion: we never had a (PDGA) certified official. Our chances increased 100% because John Rushlow became an official...and I'll help with my PDGA connection."

NN: *Before we finish up, let me switch subjects for a minute. Since you've been involved with disc golf for so long, I'd bet that you have a bunch of discs..."*

SH: "I do—I must have over 100 hanging on a wall in my basement and, of course, a bunch in my office at Lotus!"

NN: *What do you play with?*

SH: "I use a 'Wall City' bag and usually carry 6-8 discs per tournament. I've changed. I used to use a lot more—a different disc for each shot, but now I like the feel of one disc."

NN: *And in the bag?*

SH: "On 70% of drives, I throw a Cobra. Started with Stingrays but I like the bead on the rim so I stick with the Cobra...plus a new Cobra holds the line well on a hyzer shot. So I carry two—one new and one beat up. And I bring a beat up Stingray for anheuser shots. Weight around 170g. to 174g. feels right. For approach,

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Hartwell I'view (cont. from pg. 13)

I use an old Headrick's DGA Soft Approach at 185g. to 190g. It goes straight and floats. I don't fire at chains, so for putting I like the Gumbputt. Its good for finesse putts. I also bring along a specialty disc like a Viper for a radical hyzer on snake shots. And I might carry a heavy Stingray for a roller—but it depends on the course.

During this interview, we found that disc sports has been, and remains, a major part of Steve's life and that he is passionate about his current PDGA involvement with the international disc community.

One thing he believes however, is that involvement is the key. Steve made it clear that he wasn't alone and credits people like Sunny Cade, Greg Black, T.M. Dyer, Toddy Brodeur, Rick Williams, Joy Hartwell and others as being instrumental in promoting disc play throughout New England. Now he sees the need for growth from underneath to move it to its next level. Steve feels that it is critical for younger, enthusiastic new players to become involved. That is the key.

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Inner Gods of Golf (cont. from pg. 3)

And that's what The Inner Game of Folf is all about!

Let's analyze a typical shot as we provide an exclusive inside look putting you in the drivers seat to observe..."The Inner Game of the Gods of Golf!" We are at hole 15 at Normandy Farms, all set to tee off. We think we're in control. We're not. Fasten your seatbelts!

We drive. It looks good! That's

because the Wafting Pixie, one of the good gofer gods, gives it a good blow as it goes by. But emergency! Your Vortex suddenly dips towards the ground. Drats, the Swat Fairy, one of the bad gofer gods, has just given it a good whump. Your Vortex is headed right for a tree! Now, trees are inhabited by Tree Grumps. Tree Grumps don't take sides, but they hate getting whacked. Boingo! The tree gets whunked. Thwunk!! The Tree Grump takes a wild swipe at your disc with a branch and bonks it deep into the underbrush. That's the realm of the oily, poison Itch Mistress. She's a very nasty gofer goddess. The Itch Mistress waves her shiny leaves and giggles, "I've got you coming and going; you can scratch now and you can scratch later," she whispers. You don't hear her, of course. But when you finally crawl out of her viny, clinging grasp with a triple bogey, you stomp on your discs (see last issue for help), and tell your buddies you're scratching. That night you wake up in a sweat—and your really scratching. "Disc golf, what an ungodly game," you think. You couldn't be more wrong. But remember: Its not your fault!

Next—THE GNARLIEST
GOFER GOD OF ALL:
RALPH THE SPOUTER!

1992 New Englands (cont. from pg. 6)

the finals with Mark Ide finally besting his buddy, James Demarest in a sudden death playoff. The pair then went on to take second in DDC to two tough competitors, Toddy Brodeur and Rick Williams. The New Yorkers dominated the Freestyle competition with Rich Reilly, Ted Oberhaus and David Jones putting on sparkling performances to an enthusiastic crowd.

Saturday evening brought mounds of spaghetti, salad and garlic bread with a hefty dose of torrential rain driving some would-be campers to local motels. Sunday dried up substantially allowing the finals to proceed without a lot of grumbling. New England Overall Champion, Dave Johnson—who managed to come in third or fourth in every event—was quite pleased that he finally left his "always the bridesmaid, never the bride" status behind!

At the closing ceremonies, outgoing NEFA president, Steve Hartwell, turned the reins over to incoming president, T.M. Dyer, followed by a short Board meeting. A hearty thanks to Greg Black and all his helpers for putting on another memorable weekend of flying disc fun!

Shotmakers Special

"The Putt"

by Ed Headrick, #001

The most important throw you can make is the putt. Most players concentrate on distance, but if you can sink them from 30' consistently you can win all but the longest holes. If you would like to win then concentrate on putting and let distance and power happen naturally.

The muscular coordination required when putting must be absolutely automatic. In baseball and club golf they stress the need to "groove your swing." If you think about the putt as the last part of your normal backhand throw, you may be pleasantly surprised to find that it is already automatic! The players who change their throwing style when putting are the players who really have to work hard to find a new "groove." In other words, you can probably be a reasonably accurate putter, any style you choose, if you can concentrate on just throwing. But as soon as you apply concentration to the link of a chain that is your target, compensate for wind, blank out people in the background, how far behind you are, etc., you will probably miss.

Perhaps a better example of how long it takes to establish a new groove is to go back to your first attempt at throwing a Frisbee disc. How long was it from that first try until you could throw a disc to a friend accurately and without any particular thought, ie. automatically? It takes a long time for your mind to record the proper "relax and contract" information for all the muscles involved. It takes even longer for it to properly issue these instructions in a fraction of a second. If the putt is part of this already established program, your mind already knows the "groove." All you have to learn is how to give it the correct information. This ability requires total concentration.

Stand facing the target. Relax and feel the wind on your face. Some players like to drop blades of glass or dust to

Old Orchard Beach (cont. from pg. 2)

inspiring including a fabulous beach jamming site with lots of spectators. Toddy and I had a jamlicious 10 minute pre-meeting test jam on the hard pack, flat, big seven and one half mile beach. For you golfers, a partly wooded, partly open disc golf course site sits beside a number of athletic fields, surrounding an old five thousand seat pro baseball stadium with a huge sacred sports spirit hungry for cheering people and events. (is this town the site of a future world flying disc Championship? Will disc players be celebrities in Old Orchard Beach, Maine, like they are in Santa Cruz, California??)

Vast motel and campground facilities await us. We are scheduled before the heavy tourist traffic so they will be only a third filled—giving us great rates and low traffic but plenty of spectators. Some highly recommended lodgings are:

- Beau Rivage Motel 207-934-4468—Contact Joanne or John Lapointe. It was her idea to have a yearly disc event in OOB!!
- The Edgewater Motel 207-934-2221—Contact Pierre Janelle, Manager, disc enthusiastic and good fun guy!
- Bayley's Pine Point Camping Resort 207-883-6043—Families or Groups only.

{Note: We are looking for interested players to try out the various beach DDC sites and sand to set up the best for the tournament. Call Sunny Cade @ 508-464-5497 or @ 508-464-5634 or local, John Rushlow @ 207-781-2250}

Gallery Shots

"One man practicing sportsmanship is better than fifty preaching it."

Knute Rockne

"Everywhere is putting distance—if you have the arm."

Unknown

"Chung, chung ka chung."

Sammy Davis, Jr.

"It pays to be smooth..."

Joe Camel

"I'm doing this for the people."

H. Ross Perot

Maine State Flying Disc Championships

We moved this great event a week earlier for great jamming tide timing!!

Schedule of Events:

Sat., June 12th	Sun., June 13th
8:30am Registration Baseball Stadium Golf Course (Doubles Prizes)	8:00am Fun Round Doubles Golf Disc (Random Draw)
9:30am Rnd 1: Golf Lunch	10:30am World's 1st DDC Championship Lunch/DDC Awards
Freestyle Open Pairs (2 Rounds)	Audience Particip. Demos & Games
Beach Fastback MTA	Freestyle: Random Co-Op (2 Rounds) New Draw Each Round
4:30pm Round 2: Golf	Jam Til Ya Scram! Awards Banquet: (Overall, Golf, MTA, Freestyle same as the legendary California States!) Mark your calendar for this one and be prepared for FUN! FUN!! FUN!!!

Shotmakers Special (cont. from pg. 14)

gauge the wind velocity. Mentally record wind direction. Wind from either side is not too important unless you need to throw a curve. Wind from the front will cause the disc to hit higher than your aiming point and wind from the rear will cause it to drop. The more wind, the more radical the variation will be. A lot of practice and a heavy putter will help.

Next, turn 45 degrees from the target. Believe it or not, this is where the release usually occurs in your normal back hand throw, "the groove." Then, judge the distance and move your arm, with the disc in your hand, towards the target on the intended flight path at about the velocity and angle you want it—exactly in the "groove." Pick a point to focus on. A link of chain, a mark, or whatever, but focus on it until you don't see anything else. Then throw with your mind only. See the disc hit its mark. Now throw the disc! If anything happens to break your concentration, the message to your computer has been garbled and you will most assuredly miss, so STOP. Do not throw!! Now repeat the whole process. When you get so you can putt consistently well, amid all sorts of distractions, start to work on the rest of your game.

NOTE: The "Sweet Spot" on a Disc Pole Hole is between the first and the second chain on the right side of the pipe (left side for lefties) one-half way between the top of the basket and the loop where the chain is attached to the top.

1993 NEFA EVENTS SCHEDULE

- January 16th **4th Annual Frostbite Classic**
• Miantonomi Park, Newport, Rhode Island
• *Contact:* T.M. Dyer @ 401-846-3236
- February 7th **Milli\$kin\$**
• Millis Town Park, Millis, Massachusetts
• *Contact:* Toddy Brodeur @ 508-376-8708
- February 27th **1st Frozen Fruits Classic**
• Ipswich, Massachusetts
• *Contact:* Doug Russell @ 508-356-4451
- March 27th **2nd Annual Oak Grove Open**
• Millis, Massachusetts
• *Contact:* Toddy Brodeur @ 508-376-8708
- April 17th **2nd Annual Pulpit Rock Open**
• Monson, Massachusetts
• *Contact:* Dave Johnson @ 413-596-6966
- May 1st **Open NEFA Board Meeting**—all members welcomed and encouraged to attend. Be a part of your organization!
• *Contact:* Sunny Cade @ 508-464-5497 —or— T.M. Dyer @ 401-846-3236
- May 15th **3rd Annual World's Biggest Disc Golf Tournament!**
• Roger Williams College, R.W.C. Frisbee Club
• Wachusett Mountain, Steve Hartwell @ 508-664-2888
• Burgess Park, CCFGA, Lev Malakhoff @ 508-771-4619
• For more info, contact: T.M. Dyer @ 401-846-3236
- June 12th & 13th **Old Orchard Beach Flying Disc Days!**
a.k.a. "Maine States" (NEFA points event)
• Old Orchard Beach, Maine
• *Contact:* Sunny Cade @ 508-464-5497 —or— John Rushlow @ 207-781-2250
- July 17th **Rhode Island States** (NEFA points event)
• Miantonomi Park, Newport, Rhode Island
• *Contact:* T.M. Dyer @ 401-846-3236
- August 7th **World Records for NEFA Kids!**
• Miantonomi Park, Newport, Rhode Island
• *Contact:* T.M. Dyer @ 401-846-3236
- October 16th **Caped Cod Open** (NEFA points event)
• Burgess Park, Marston Mills, Massachusetts
• *Contact:* Lev or Nancy Malakhoff @ 508-771-4619

TBA—New Jersey States
TBA—Massachusetts States
TBA—Vermont States

TBA—Connecticut States
TBA—New Hampshire States
TBA—Pyramids

TBA—New England Championships, *the BIG one!*

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What's the Rule???

Question #1:

Phil Phrzyby snaps off tree limbs that obstruct his throwing motion, claiming that he may remove them because they are dead wood. What's the rule and how do you proceed??

Answer:

The official PDGA Rulebook says that if dead and not attached, tree limbs may be removed. In Phil's case, the limbs may be dead wood, but they are attached to the tree. This "permanent" obstacle may not be removed, according to Rule #803-04 A. Phil Phrzyby is assessed a two stroke penalty, according to Rule #803-04 G, and play continues. Should Phil continue to improve his lie by clearing his path, he could face disqualification, according to Rule #804-05 A2.

That's the rule!

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