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The New England Flying Disc Championships

by Steve Hartwell

"Camp out and play disc with NEFA" proclaimed a flyer for the Big One, the 1990 New England Flying Disc Championships. This was the first two day disc event held in quite some time (the 1986 Connecticut tourney run by Joe Proud was the last), and it proved to be a spirited contest for the nearly 40 competitors on a balmy September 29-30 weekend at Normandy Farms Campground in Foxboro, Massachusetts. The player's package was most ambitious, including spaghetti dinner, a T-shirt, camping, and great trophies and gear bags.

Through a special arrangement set up by TD Greg Black (who actually helped build their new office building), Normandy Farms allowed NEFA to take over the back 40. We laid out a Distance field, 6 DDC courts, and 3 Accuracy hoops, and wove an 18-hole Golf course around the perimeter. Freestyle, along with the finals in Distance and Golf, was held in a grassy bowl area near the entrance to encourage more disc-spectation from the campers in their RVs.

Competition was keen and spirits ran high [sometimes *too* high; see Letters on Page 2], in the quest to be New England's Overall Open, Woman, Junior and Dog Flying Disc Champion. Dan Berman and Jason Southwick placed #1 and #2 in Open separated by a mere 1.5 points; Susanna Giendl and Judy Robbins followed suit in Womens separated by 1 point! Kyle Black in Juniors ran away with his division; can't wait until you turn 16, Kyle! And Boaz, in a thrilling come-from-behind victory on a last-second impossible catch, topped the Dogs. Check out the numbers on Pages 4 and 5.



Bob DeCosta shows the disc that flew the farthest (Booth photo)

Discovered Adventures in the West

by Judy Robbins

As I boarded my plane for L.A. last June, I anticipated the multitude of disc adventures I was about to enjoy for the rest of my summer vacation on the west coast. Everything I had hoped for and more occurred during my eight weeks of travelling. Here is a smattering of highlights.

I had competed in WFDF competitions in years past, but those would pale in comparison to the grandfather of all disc tournaments, the U.S. Open in La Mirada, California. With over 200 competitors (34 in the women's division), I was a bit out of my league for the top overall prizes. However, my spirits were high after completing the week-long tournament in sometimes unfavorable conditions. The 27-hole disc golf course at La Mirada was by far one of the nicest I had ever played. Discathon was challenging enough without the thick, undoubtedly poisonous smog of L.A. (I nearly coughed up a lung after that race!). The field events (SCF, Distance, Accuracy) were nearly unbearable in the blistering 100-110 degree temperatures. But most players overcame Mother Nature's scalding temps and cooled off with fiendish volleys of water balloons and squirt gun wars.

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"Scooter" Feely drills one in Accuracy (White photo)

Presidents's Corner

by Steve Hartwell

This issue of the NEFA News is chock full of tournament results. In the span of just over a month, the Rhode Island, New Hampshire, and New England tournaments were held, with the Massachusetts to follow this month. 'Tis the traditional tournament season, indeed, and next year promises to be at least as busy (though we'll try to space the tournaments a bit better throughout the warm weather months).

The election of NEFA officers for 1991 and an open board meeting were conducted by "camperlight" on Saturday night at the New Englands. Your new officers are President: Steve Hartwell, Vice-President: Tiina Booth, and Treasurer: Rick Williams. Sunny Cade, who gave our organization a tremendous boost in its first two years, has "retired" as VP, but has agreed to stay on and advise the board and contribute his harmonizing energy whenever possible.

We've inaugurated a "letters to the editor" type section in this issue. This will be a forum for people to voice their opinions and offer constructive criticism (in good taste) about NEFA and disc sports in New England. Please feel free to participate; address letters to the NEFA post office box by December 10 to be ready for the January 1991 issue.

It's time for dues again; \$10 is still cheap for newsletters and tournament notifications. Members can also pick up hot NEFA T-shirts for only \$8 (regularly \$10) -- they make great holiday gifts for family and friends. Use the form in the back of this issue to order shirts or to renew membership if your mailing label indicates anything less than MEMBER91.

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Air Mail to the Editor

Dear NEFA,

Just a few weeks ago, disc dudes and dudettes from all over New England gathered for a major two-day disc blast. A lot of hard work was put in by a few people to offer 5 (five!) events at a super location with darn nice awards. The intentions of this 1990 NEFA New England Championships were fun, comraderie and supportive competition.

Unfortunately, the party was marred by lack of involvement, fights, whining and other examples of incredibly poor sportsmanship. Worst of all were some of the behaviors of those who won and should know better -- cursing in front of children, violently throwing a handful of golf discs to the ground (hitting a bystander), complaining about the awards, and brief but infamous shows of physical aggression. And to think that these incidents happened in front of the non-disc public, who we want to become involved with and appreciate the sport -- embarrassing to say the least!

Thank goodness for the people who went out to have a good time, show their stuff, and share with fellow players. Extra special thanks for those who volunteered for all the tournament work before, during, and after. For those who care to act like primates, maybe they should go play tennis; their behavior is better accepted there.

Disc-couraged and Disc-appointed,
Kimberley Sierl

Dear NEFA,

A chill wind blew through the New England Flying Disc Championships in September, and it wasn't from the weather. The competition was hot, the site was outstanding, and the days were classic Indian summer. The undercurrent, however, was full of complaints, personal attacks, and general dissatisfaction with our organization.

What is going on? Why are people nose to nose in heated discussions? Why do we spend valuable time pointing fingers instead of practicing putting? It's time to reassess the state of NEFA. In any fledgling organization, it is necessary to reflect upon the direction in which it is heading. We must seriously look at our concerns, and then develop long-term plans to deal with them. Some analysis and suggestions:

GROWTH -- We are not attracting significant numbers of new members. We have also stopped attracting old members who have dropped out of the disc scene for a variety of reasons. If we could manage to seriously increase our attendance rate (currently 30-40 per tournament) and our membership (currently about 80), two things would happen. First, we would have more people who could potentially run tournaments, edit newsletters, and otherwise become involved in the volunteer efforts of our organization. Second, we would take in more money, which would increase our treasury (currently about \$500), and increase the level of awards given at tournaments.

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How do we attract new players AND keep them interested once they've been to a NEFA event? I think it is important to develop strategies to *affirm* the participation of all players. Amateurs and "minor" divisions need to be recognized. In 1980, I finished sixth in women's golf at the American Flying Disc Open in Rochester, NY. I desperately wanted to make the final four, particularly when I saw how professionally they were treated by Jim Palmeri and his staff. I received my entry fee back and a random disc for my mediocre finish, but I thought that this tournament was the greatest I have ever attended. Does NEFA have that effect on newcomers?

MONEY -- Money is an issue for everybody. Whether it's running a tournament at a financial loss and getting grief for the entry fee, or spending more than you anticipated to attend a tournament and then being asked to run an event, money will always be a source of contention. There is no easy solution to these problems, except for, perhaps, sensitivity. Remember that we are not all in the same financial boat. Some of us are desperately unemployed; some of us are comfortably self-sufficient. I do think that we need to look at the concept of providing prize money at tournaments in addition to or instead of awards. This will, of course, bring its own set of new problems, but will also provide some solutions.

ORGANIZATION -- Assuming that growth is a goal and cost is not prohibitive, I think we should provide general formats for the running of our tournaments. No one should take the trouble to attend a tournament and be surprised by a change in or lack of format. The officers will take the time this winter to hash out a structure that should be adhered to by any tournament director who wants to run a NEFA tournament. It's much better to argue about these issues ahead of time than be angry at an actual event.

This commentary is not meant to be an indictment of any NEFA member or any individual TD. I think everyone continues to do the best they can. My concern is that we've become a bit too incestuous, arguing like members of a feuding family. I think we all need to take a step back, concentrate on the positive things that have happened, and affirm our commitment to each other as people and players. Let's make 1991 a kinder and gentler year for NEFA. And let's also have a rockin' good time!

Sincerely,
Tiina Booth

14th Annual National Frisbee Festival

by Rick Williams

The National Frisbee Festival was held once again over Labor Day weekend next to the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C. For several years now, Larry Schindel, festival director, has put together what is by far the largest disc event in the world for number of participants. Thousands of people throughout the day are able to not only observe the talents of disc athletes, but learn and play with the best players at the two scheduled workshops. In addition to the free T-shirt and disc, a mini disc commemorating the recent birth of Larry's son was given to all staff and instructors. Radio station WAVA and the Key Bridge Marriott Hotel again provided support for the festival and for those travelling great distances to share their disc

and footbag skills. This year a new sponsor, Ken-L Ration, introduced the novel Frisbee Flying Dog Treat, which is scheduled to appear in grocery stores December 1.

This year the disc events demonstrated to the public were Distance, Freestyle, Guts, Ultimate, Double Disc Court, Maximum Time Aloft, Disc Golf and K-9 catching. The "Big Throw" involved close to one thousand people throwing a disc into the air at the same time. Unfortunately, this was several hundred people short of the current world's record.

On Sunday a "gender Blender" pick-up Ultimate game and a DDC tournament rounded out the weekend activities. DDC was particularly challenging as it was played amidst the commotion of police helicopters, motorcycles and horses used to control the crowds at a nearby KKK demonstration!

A small but enthusiastic New England contingent made the pilgrimage this year. Adam Eisner from Medford, MA helped with the footbag demos, and Kim Sterl from Wilmington, MA assisted with the K-9 catching and disc instruction. Freestylers from New York City Rich Reilly, Ted Oberhaus, Jamie Chantiles and Pat Rabdau were featured on a Fox network sports telecast the following Monday night. It was also good to see Tracy Borusiewicz back in good health; he was involved in an auto accident on the way to the Amherst Indoor Freestyle & Accuracy tournament last March.

14th Annual Rhode Island Flying Disc Championships

by T.M. Dyer

For the second year in a row, while the rest of New England was deluged by water, the Rhode Island Championships were held under sunny skies. (Does this tell you anything?) Miantonomi Park was once again the site of a great day of fun and challenge for all who came to vie for a shot at beating last year's overall champ, Jason Southwick. But alas, he won this year too!

The disc golf course was challenging, as par was only broken by a few players. Jason came away on top in this event. Five freestyle teams competed in front of a gallery of over 50 people. Local favorites Todd Brodeur and Chris DePaola took first place honors here for an unbelievable routine of unbridled lust for seemingly impossible moves followed by astounding catches. At the end of the day, discathon was run by six players along a grueling course almost a mile in length, with Jason taking first again.

The tournament organizers would like to thank a dedicated group of non-disc players who gave up their entire Saturday for the mere honor of a free T-shirt: Elizabeth Sawyer, James Sawyer, John Wood, Matthew Benson, Matthew Bettencourt, Margaret Dyer. Kudos, too, to the players, who picked up enough trash in the park during the day to fill a 10-wheel dump truck; the park was noticeably cleaner, and we received many compliments for the effort. Additional thanks go to Sandy Point Sound Studios, Kempenars Clambake Club, and Ivy Lodge for their contributions to our event.

Be sure to plan for the 15th annual Rhode Island event next year, tentatively scheduled for August 10, 1991. Until then, may all your putts be true! Check out the standings on Page 6.

1990 NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

OPEN	GOLF			DISTANCE		ACCURACY			DDC		FREESTYLE		OVERALL	
Name	Score	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Score	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Points	Rank
Dan Berman	116	2	27.0	3	26	28	4 ²	24.5	3	24	3	24	125.5	1
Jason Southwick	117	3	26.0	5	24	18	6 ³	22.0	1	28	3	24	124.0	2
Pete Fust	115	1	28.0	2	27	16	10 ²	18.5	3	24	8	13	110.5	3
Rick Williams	120	6 ²	22.5	11	18	15	12 ³	16.0	2	26	1	28	110.5	4
Shawn Kennedy	106	9 ³	19.0	4	25	28	4 ²	24.5	5 ²	20	4	21	109.5	5
Dave Johnson	120	6 ²	22.5	6	23	18	6 ³	22.0	4	22	6	17	106.5	6
Sunny Cade	107	1 ²	17.0	20	9	35	1	28.0	2	26	2	26	106.0	7
Todd Brodeur	119	4 ²	24.5	18	11	18	6 ³	22.0	5 ²	20	2	26	103.5	8
Greg Black	121	8	21.0	24	5	17	9	20.0	1	28	5	19	93.0	9
Steve Hartwell	108	13 ²	15.5	10	19	15	12 ³	16.0	4	22	6	17	89.5	10
Rick Eisenhower	119	4 ²	24.5	15	14	29	3	26.0	7 ²	12	9	11	87.5	11
Kerry Hood	110	16 ²	12.5	13	16	31	2	27.0	--	0	3	24	79.5	12 ²
Phil Kennedy	106	9 ³	19.0	22	7	12	16 ²	12.5	5 ²	20	4	21	79.5	12 ²
Steve Eisenhower	108	13 ²	15.5	8	21	7	22 ²	6.5	7 ²	12	9	11	66.0	14
Bob DeCosta	110	16 ²	12.5	1	28	10	18	11.0	8 ²	8	--	0	59.5	15
Bob Belmore	106	9 ³	19.0	9	20	16	10 ²	18.5	--	0	--	0	57.5	16
Dale Fuller	113	18	11.0	17	12	15	12 ³	16.0	6 ²	16	--	0	55.0	17
Bill MacWilliams	115	19	10.0	19	10	12	16 ²	12.5	6 ²	16	--	0	48.5	18
Tim Dyer	109	15	14.0	12	17	9	19 ³	9.0	8 ²	8	--	0	48.0	19
Scott Feely	116	20 ²	8.5	14	15	14	15	14.0	8 ²	8	--	0	45.5	20
Edwin Dissosway	157	26	3.0	7	22	9	19 ³	9.0	--	0	--	0	34.0	21
John Affonso	116	20 ²	8.5	23	6	9	19 ³	9.0	8 ²	8	--	0	31.5	22
Dave White	125	22	7.0	21	8	7	22 ²	6.5	--	0	--	0	21.5	23
Ian Engelman	162	27	2.0	16	13	5	24	5.0	--	0	--	0	20.0	24
Steven Wright	127	23	6.0	--	0	--	--	0	--	0	--	0	6.0	25
Barry Allen	128	24	5.0	--	0	--	--	0	--	0	--	0	5.0	26
Wayne Daigle	151	25	4.0	--	0	--	--	0	--	0	--	0	4.0	27
Larry Jensen	166	28	1.0	--	0	--	--	0	--	0	--	0	1.0	28

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM by Mike Peters

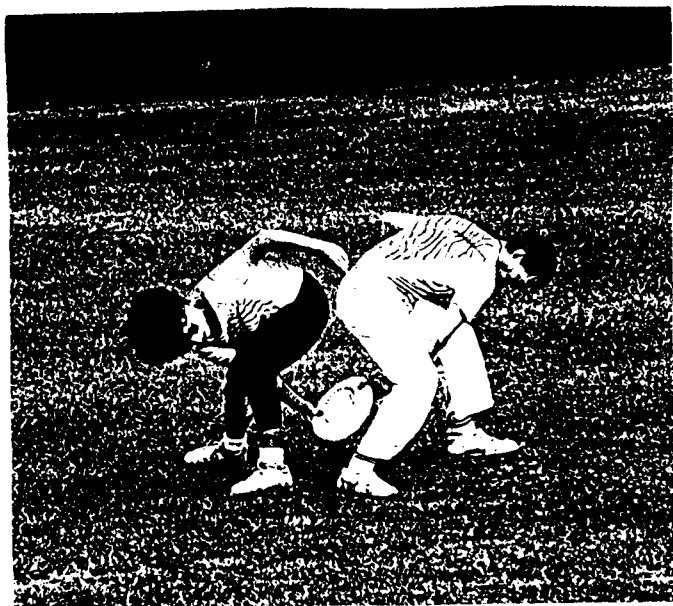


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	GOLF			DISTANCE		ACCURACY			DDC		FREESTYLE		OVERALL	
Name	Score	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Score	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Points	Rank
Susanna Giendl	133	1	6	1	6	16	3	4	2	5	3	4	25	1
Judy Robbins	144	3	4	4	3	20	1	6	2	5	1	6	24	2
Joy Hartwell	148	4	3	2	5	13	4	3	1	6	2	5	22	3
Tiina Booth	134	2	5	3	4	19	2	5	1	6	--	0	20	4
Kimberly Sterl	174	5	2	5	2	1	5	2	--	0	2	5	11	5
Jeanne Black	181	6	1	--	0	--	--	0	--	0	--	0	1	6

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	GOLF			DISTANCE		ACCURACY			DDC		FREESTYLE		OVERALL	
Name	Score	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Score	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Points	Rank
Kyle Black	126	1	4	--	0	--	--	0	1	4	1	4	12	1
Joseph Walker	144	2	3	1	4	--	--	0	--	0	--	0	7	2
Allison Black	169	3	2	2	3	--	--	0	--	0	--	0	5	3
Jonathan Jensen	180	4	1	--	0	--	--	0	--	0	--	0	1	4



Rick and Judy show #1 form in Freestyle (White photo)

1st Annual New Hampshire Disc Golf Championship

by C. M. Trees

On a beautiful Saturday, September 8, nearly 40 golfers showed up at Sunridge Development in Rindge, New Hampshire, to test their talents on one of the most difficult yet entertaining disc golf courses ever encountered. John and Eileen Hunt graciously

donated use of their private course, 18 Mach3 holes with fairways along narrow cross-country ski trails, and offered a challenge to anyone to beat the course record of 55.

It was not a course to be mastered, but a course to be survived! Though the trees were raining discs, there were some highlights over three grueling rounds. Bill MacWilliams had an ACE in the first round on Hole 6, taking care of the Closest to the Pin contest. Pete Fust fired a new course record of 54, also in the first round, and had a three round total eight shots under his nearest rival Jason Southwick. Steve Hartwell came back from 12th place after the second round with a 56 to capture the 4th place Open trophy. Susanna Giendl eked out a one shot win over Tiina Booth that went down to the final hole of the third round. Talented Chris Osmer took the junior division over Kyle & Allison Black. Some nice trophies were handed out, as well as Red Sox tickets (courtesy of the Hunts) for Course Record and Closest to the Hole.

It was a great day for disc golf in New England, as a new tournament tradition was established for hopefully many years to come. Results on Page 7.

The 2nd Annual Freestyle Expression Session

by Mac Gitis

On August 25, while it poured rain most everywhere in New England, there was at least one spot where the rain didn't fall. That place was Wolfeboro, New Hampshire, on Lake Winnepesaukee. The reason? This was where twelve of the Northeast's hottest disc freestylers gathered for the "official" second annual "Expression Session".

Last year's Expression Session was hosted by Todd Brodeur at Capron Park in Attleboro, Mass. This year, Rob Fried and Liz Powell sent the word out and coaxed players from four other states to travel to upstate New Hampshire for a day of jammin'. The beautiful soccer field at Brewster Academy, overlooking the lake, was the site of the random pairs, random co-op format. Three rounds of play gave everyone a chance to show off their skills and throw with old friends.

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Making the lengthy trip from New York were Doug Simon, Pat Rabdau and Brad Keller. Chris Ryan escaped from his retail activities in Vermont to show he can still nail delay. Bostyle was well represented, with Rick Williams, Judy Robbins, Mark Kudarauskas and Alan Caplin. Rhodey beach jammer Chris DePaula arrived with Todd Brodeur. At the end of the Session, Rob and Liz gave everyone a Hi-Rigidity 165g disc for making the day a hein one, and not a rain one. Those who could stay into the evening viewed the videotape of the day's freestyle fun.

One Fine Saturday, Worlds Apart: A Serial Feature Part III

by "Herbert Herman"

Summary of Parts I and II

Herbert Herman, Bill MacPilgrim and Wayne Bergenflug have at the exact same moment, shot holes in one on the thirteenth hole of their respective disc golf courses. At odds of greater than 17 trillion to one, this triggered the cosmic jackpot and transported our heroes through time and space. We learned of the further adventures of Herbert Herman, still equipped with his golf bag and fresh from his hole-in-one, as he confronted a race of future super-humans on Alpha-Eden. Now we'll see what time and space have done to Wayne.

Time for TV

Television here on Alpha-Eden in the 24th century is totally wicked awesome. You can tune in to anytime, to anywhere, to anybody. You just enter when and who, grab yourself one of their fabulous green-foam brewskies, and sit back and watch the action in 3D with surround sound. All languages are translated automatically.

Egomaniacs like myself can triumph in replaying their greatest moments again and again. And those who, also like myself, feel masochistically compelled to rerun their own humiliations, can watch a seemingly unlimited number of these scenes too.

For a time-traveller, there are other shows. I've named one "Godot", where I watch my family and friends do sad and pathetic things to find me. I also check in on the small worlds that Bill and Wayne vacated; nobody knows where THEY went either. For those loved ones we left, it's just one big puzzle. For me, this show is one big bummer.

So mostly I tune the tube into the "present" whereabouts of Bill and Wayne, who were both zapped BACK in time. I press the buttons on my remote and three fields flash in front of me:

Where: When: Who:

For *Who* I enter "Wayne Bergenflug"; for *When*, I enter his real age, which shows me what he is up to right now (despite being in different centuries, we're still on the same time continuum). Next to *Where*, the following text automatically appears: "Rome, September 24, 13 A.D.". The show starts. "Wayne's World! Wayne's World!"

Lightning Strikes

I pick up Wayne at the exact moment he arrives at his new time and place, fresh from his exhilarating ace, his bag of unbreakable Lightning discs slung loosely over his left shoulder, his right arm still raised triumphantly. He looks around, squinting into a bright sun, at a huge stadium with thousands of screaming onlookers. "Awesome, Rose Bowl 1980!", he shouts.

"Look again, Wayne!" I chortle to myself as Wayne's eyes slowly widen at the realization that he was nearly 2000 years wrong and halfway around the world from his fantasy. Where the pressbox should have been was a huge throne, on which was seated an emperor of obvious importance surrounded by thugs in togas waving their gleaming swords. Where the adoring fans should have been are throngs of angry toga-clad men, shouting something in what sounded like a foreign language, but obviously not very friendly. And where Wayne's competition should have been, lazily tossing warmup discs back and forth, is a large male lion, obviously very angry, bounding rapidly toward Wayne with his jaws wide open!

Wayne has pretty good instincts on the few occasions when we play a pick up game of Ultimate. He's not too fast on offense, but he reacts well, catches more often than not, and usually makes an intelligent choice of throws. Which is the only way I can figure, except for sheer divine providence (which I'm wondering about anyway, sitting here in Alpha-Eden in 2065), that he changed the course of history with a single throw. So Wayne, seeing his coverage closing on him in the form of a 350-pound lion, whips out a 155g white Lightning (normally reserved for soft curving approach shots on tight fairways), and floats an anhyzer out to the left, just past the head of the charging beast.

Immediately, the lion screeches to a stop, a gimme-putt's distance away from a dumb-struck Wayne. The cat reverses his field, sprints off after the Lightning, and just catches it before it hits the ground, impaling it with its powerful teeth. Turning again, he trots back, drops the mangled disc Wayne's feet, and lets out a mighty roar. The crowd goes nuts, Wayne murmurs "I hope I've got something in a little stiffer plastic", and I revel in the fortune of my friend and his newly found pet lion, who will enjoy superstar status throughout the Roman Empire (until he one day vanishes) as the inventor of feline catch.

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Final Rhode Island Overall Standings

<u>Place</u>	<u>Name</u>
1	Jason Southwick
2	Todd Brodeur
3	Dave Bucholz
4	T.M. Dyer
5	Kerry Hood
6	Bob DeCosta
7	Bill MacWilliams
8	Bob Belmore
8	Chris DePaula
10	Mark Booth
10	Steve Vinoski

1990 NEW HAMPSHIRE DISC GOLF RESULTS

OPEN

Name	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Total	Rank
Pete Fust	54	55	57	166	1
Jason Southwick	57	58	59	174	2
Sunny Cade	57	58	63	178	3
Steve Hartwell	63	61	56	180	4
Rick Eisenhauer	58	64	59	181	5
Greg Black	64	58	61	183	6 ²
Rick Williams	58	62	63	183	6 ²
Bill MacWilliams	66	57	62	185	8
Todd Brodeur	62	60	64	186	9 ²
Steve Vinoski	63	59	64	186	9 ²
Steve Eisenhauer	63	60	64	187	11
Bob Belmore	66	61	61	188	12
Jack Ward	63	63	63	189	13 ²
Keith Boisvert	67	62	60	189	13 ²
Petri Isola	71	62	62	195	15
Cheves Walling	59	69	68	196	16
Tom Southwick	61	70	70	201	17
Daniel Osmer	68	68	66	202	18
Dave White	73	69	70	212	19
Mike Walsh	66	82	67	215	20
Ben Hodson	79	73	78	230	21 ²
Roy Doar	62	60	108	230	21 ²
Sam Lazzara	66	62	108	236	23
Frank McGinn	68	62	108	238	24
John Rushlow	66	67	108	241	25
Brent Sanderson	71	63	108	242	26
John Hunt	76	71	108	255	27
Delon Maas	72	77	108	257	28

WOMEN

Susanne Giendl	71	70	65	206	1
Tiina Booth	72	69	66	207	2
Judy Robbins	69	71	75	215	3
Joy Hartwell	74	70	78	222	4

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Chris Osmer	83	85	80	248	1
Allison Black	99	85	86	270	2
Kyle Black	74	74			3

And of course there was the event I enjoyed most of all -- Freestyle. Challenged by an international ladies pool of sixteen teams, Mary Jorgenson from Seattle and I rallied to take third, being bested only by the San Diego teams of Gina Sample/Mandy Carreiro (2nd), and Stacey Anderson/Amy Bekken (1st).

This year's U.S. Open overall winners were by no means dark horses, unless you refer to the Open champ, Swedish-born Stefan Karlsson, the only foreign competitor to ever take top honors since the tournament's inception. Strong second and third place open finishers went to 1988 U.S. Open champ and ex-New Englander Jim Herrick and 1989 U.S. Open champ Rick LeBeau. In the women's overall, Amy Bekken took the crown for the second year in a row, beating Mandy Carreiro and Tami Pellicane who tied for second.

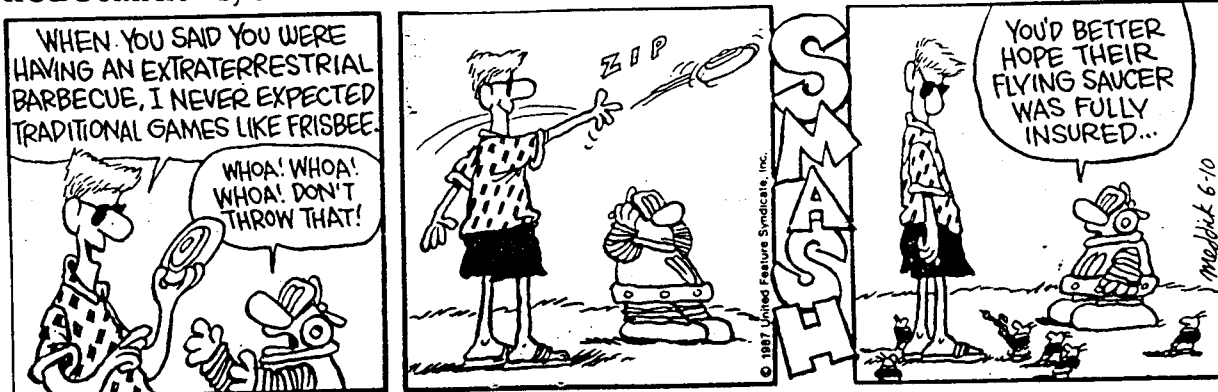
After the U.S. Open, I spent a week in freestyle heaven in San "Hein" Diego. This place is where it's at to jam with lots of top notch players, play disc golf on a great course (Morley Field), or meet every Thursday for a few games of DDC. On Friday, it's the "cove" freestyle jam with 5 to 30 stylers in attendance -- what a scene!

Northward I flew to Seattle, Washington to participate in the Northwest Freestyle Championships. Fortunately, the Goodwill games were going on there at the same time, which led to loads of international spectators and news coverage. A very strong division of 16 mixed pairs, 9 open, and 4 women's teams went head to head in gusty, swirling winds for two days. After all had jammed there brains out, Mary and I bested Sample/Carreiro (2nd) and Kruger/Daniels (3rd) for top women's honors, and teamed with M. Conaway, we won mixed pairs over Murphy/Carreiro and Schiller/Graves. Rumor has it that the World Freestyle Players Association Championships will be held in Seattle next year. I urge any avid stylers to attend, because if the well-run NWFFPA Championships were any indication of what's ahead, it should be a fantastic event.

After venturing back to Boston by way of St. Paul, Minnesota, (to spectate and assist at the World Senior Disc Championships), I couldn't stay put more than a few days. So off I went to the World FPA Championships in Santa Cruz, California. Again it was nonstop action for two days, as Skippy Jammer (alias Kevin Givens) ran a full weekend of freestyle and even a simultaneous Ultimate tournament at nearby Univ. of Calif. Santa Cruz. The competition was top-notch, and the weather favorable except for some fierce afternoon winds. I managed to place 3rd in mixed pairs with M. Conaway.

Now that I've had time to reflect on the summer's travels, watch some of the replayed action on my VCR, and reminisce about the great people I spent quality time with, I'm really looking forward to another disc adventure on the left coast next year!

ROBOTMAN by Jim Meddick



Boston Area Corporate Ultimate League Championships

by Huck Long

The Boston Area Corporate Ultimate League (BACUL) ended its season with its traditional tournament of good fun and competitive play. The tournament was held on August 25 and 26 in Foxboro, Mass. The Foxboro school system graciously provided the excellent fields for the forty teams, and in appreciation, BACUL made a donation to the schools' scholarship fund.

The top teams this year were Data General, Cambridge Communications, Longwood Medical Center and Hewlett-Packard. Two other champion teams were actually a combination of two companies. Johnson and Johnson teamed up with Nynex, and Codex combined with Teradyne. "Spirit of the Game" awards went to Raytheon, Hewlett-Packard, Digital Equipment Corporations and last but not least, Geo-Centers.

Many thanks go to the hard work of Greg Carter, Gil Wernovsky, Jane Lowell and Brian Khung for the various tasks of organizing, setting up, running and cleaning up after a tournament of this size. Of course, BACUL wouldn't have happened at all this summer without the leadership of Bruce Jacobson and Katherine Rowe. Good job!

New Permanent Disc Golf Course on Cape Cod

Steve and Joy Hartwell report the discovery of the first permanent public disc golf course ever seen in New England! Maintained by the Barnstable Parks and Recreation Department, the 18-hole object course is located about 1.5 miles south of Route 6 on Route 149 (Exit 5), on the right in Burgess Park. Fairways are short (all but one less than 300 feet), mostly in the woods, and mostly very difficult to negotiate due to an abundance of closely-spaced trees. Objects are all 4x4 wooden posts, with painted sections on top to shoot at for targets. Two sets of tees, pro and amateur, mark each hole, and there are even scorecards to be had. Hazards are brambles and poison ivy if you stray off the fairways, but the setting and the park as a whole are very nice. One caveat, a sign says "For Barnstable residents only", but we didn't seem to have any trouble playing on an autumn Sunday afternoon. For more information, contact Steve or Joy, or the Parks and Rec department directly at (508) 775-5603.

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Disc Players in Transition

Since the beginning of the summer, several disc players have either left New England for new horizons, or have moved into the area to become a part of the growing disc community.

Departures

Boston-based freestyler **Alan Platt** moved back to his native Chicago. Alan was a significant contributor to the Bostyle Club, and he will be missed by his fellow stylers.

Ross Kuehne, a freestyler from Beverly, Mass., has relocated to Manchester, England. He has been a strong NEFA supporter, and has already requested that his membership be continued for the next two years!

Steve Vinoski, freestyler and golfer from Lowell, Mass., will be moving with his family to Tennessee.

John Gonter, another Boston-based freestyler, left for the golden state of California. He is currently living and working in San Francisco.

Edwin Dissosway (a.k.a. "Stick"), NEFA founder, tournament director, disc sports energizer, DDC master, ultimate animal, and golfer extraordinaire, will be moving to Wisconsin to join his fiancé. Stick has contributed to the disc scene in New England for many years, and his spirit will live on with us into the 90s.

Arrivals

Petri Isola, a very skilled freestyler and overall disc player, has recently settled in Cambridge, Mass. Originally from Helsinki, Finland, Petri already appears to be an enthusiastic new member in our regional disc community,

Suzanna Giendl, from Vienna, Austria, has moved to Cambridge as well. Suzanna is an avid Ultimate player as well as an outstanding overall competitor (1st in Women's at the five-event 1990 New Englands). She is currently continuing her study of law at Harvard University.

Tom Cole from Santa Barbara, Calif. is back for another year at Tufts University as an undergrad. Tom is very involved in the Ultimate collegiate league as well as a blossoming freestyler.

Joe and Mary Proud have moved back to the Connecticut area from Pennsylvania. They now have two future disc players in the family, Sarah and Joseph Jr. For the last few years, Joe and Mary have been active in the Tri-State club (PA, NJ, DE). Welcome back to New England, "Lick-me", "Mary-me" and Rye "Shut your face" dog!

Please forgive us if we've missed anyone; better still, drop a line to the NEFA P.O. box with any news at any time of New England disc players in transition, and we'll publish it in a future newsletter.

SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 3

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* Contact Bill MacWilliams at (508) 885-3433

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