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PRESIDENT'S HOLE

I want to thank all of you who voted for Kelley and me. We are very excited about the possibilities for the coming year. I also would like to thank Toddy Brodeur for a job well done and for leading NEFA to the point we're at. It's an honor to follow people like Steve Hartwell, TM Dyer and Toddy into this position. It is because of these people and others like them that we have this great organization.

As your president I will listen to ideas and opinions from any and all NEFA members and then make decisions on the basis of what's best for the organization as a whole. Many things have already been accomplished. The NEFA officers have nominated state representatives. Event Consultants have been selected and are now available to help tournament directors. We are in the process of creating NEFA membership cards, as well as a TD Guide outlining ways to help TDs in hosting their tournaments. Photographers who get their photos published in the NEFA News are now paid \$5 per picture. These are just a few steps on the road to a great year.

If any NEFA member needs to vent their grievances or discuss ideas please don't hesitate to call or e-mail me—there are very few things I would rather talk about than disc sports.

Sincerely,

Tom Whiffen

\$50 NEFA Logo Contest

NEFA is looking for a new logo for all our promotional material. It will be used on discs, hats, shirts, flyers, banners, bumper stickers, the NEFA News, etc. If you have a good idea put it on paper, whether it's a finished design or just a sketch. If your logo is chosen, NEFA will write you a check for \$50.

Send all designs before June 1st to:

Tom Whiffen
237 Daniels Street
Franklin, MA 02038

Why NEFA?

by Jason Southwick

You may have noticed that some new inmates are running this year's asylum. Tom Whiffen has assumed the presidency amid jubilation from most members. Tom proved his abilities well before the election by creating the New England Course Directory, by assuming the laborious job of calculating NEFA Points, and by running a successful banquet while losing his own shirt. Members give him high marks for capability and dedication, and Tom, one must agree, is a nice guy too. For these reasons (and probably some others) I predict that in one or maybe two years we will rue the day that Tom took office, when once again the rank and file of NEFA will clamor for change. So in advance, Tom, I'd like to thank you for your many efforts, and express my deepest regrets that you turned out to be such an obstinate, incompetent, ineffectual boob.

Kelley O'Loughlin takes over as VP. I believe I can say without bias that Kelley is a good girl, a great woman, and an excellent choice as NEFA VP. Kelley's many years as a teacher and coach have developed her skills of organizing and listening, and she may turn out to be the voice of previously unheard members. There has been some grumbling to the effect that I, through Kelley, will be in a better position to push my own Frisbee agenda. Maybe. However, the real power in this organization lies in the position of NEFA News editor. Foolish mortals.

Rick Williams and Steve Hartwell, ever the level heads of NEFA, will continue on as guiding lights of precision, realism, and common sense. Rick retains his various positions, official and otherwise, of treasurer, secretary, statman, and general watchman over many essential details that deliver us from chaos. Steve leaves the vice presidency without diminishing his duties as NEFA database manager, behind-the-scenes lobbyist and NEFA wise man. These two have held NEFA aloft for years, and appear certain to collectively remain our beacon of prudence for years to come.

Representing NEFA's more left wing, Doug Russell and Peter Anderson have successfully fought off the forces of inertia by introducing a pro series with prize money into our schedule. As Doug wrote earlier this year: "Focus on disc golf, have prize money and they will come." Not everyone agrees. Nevertheless, this move follows other regions, where disc golf is much bigger, and where prize money was instituted years ago. Pete has also drawn up (with help from Tom Whiffen and Mark Mudgett) a new NEFA Points System for 1997 that equitably reflects player skill, in contrast to past systems that overly stressed player attendance.

The appointment of Mark Mudgett as schedule coordinator rounds out the administration. His computer skills enhance his general competence and commitment. Mark has put our schedule on the Internet (<http://www.shore.net/~mudgett/nefa/nefascad.htm>). He also posts

...without our tournament directors not much goes on.

NEFA-related news on the Internet's Usenet group rec.sport.disc. Mark, a certified PDGA official, is one of the new wave of computer-clever NEFA shakers who, for the past few months, have been bouncing Frisbee ideas off one another at the speed of e-mail.

So we have our little organization making our little decisions. Yes, we have a set of pole holes, a mailing list, 118 paying members, even a NEFA WEB page (thanks to Dave Jennings). We have a couple grand in a bank account. Still, without our tournament directors not much goes on. And regardless what NEFA suggests, tournament directors still do exactly as they please. TDs determine entry fees, whether prizes are trophies, money or ridiculous household items, the number of divisions, lunch or no lunch, toilets or no toilets, 18 poleholes or itsy bitsy rock rings, PDGA or WFDF or some sort of loose combination with several exceptions. This is the way it should be. It's NEFA's job to supply a few guidelines while still encouraging diversity. NEFA's role, rather than trying to force its TDs to follow a list of specific procedures, is to simply support them where it can. Implementing event consultants and state reps shows our commitment to helping TDs without meddling (much) more. This way we keep it friendly, we balance fun with competition, we structure our anarchy, and most important, we continue to spend our Saturdays walking around the woods with friends looking for small flying saucers.

Transitions

This email appeared to a number of us on the Internet from Dan Roddick, a.k.a. Stork, who was with us in New England last summer for the World Masters Championships. Emotionally charged responses quickly flew back across the ether. In Disc Golf Journal, March-April 1997, p.22-23 (as well as a cover photo), Tom Schleuter has put together a "Dan Roddick Tribute", comprising the full text of the initial email and all subsequent responses; it makes for a fascinating read, and includes a number of glimpses into Stork's many contributions to the sport of flying disc.

Steve Hartwell

Friends,

As January 13, 1997, I am no longer in the employ of Mattel, Inc. My position as manager of Sports Promotion was eliminated as part of a general cutback of overhead expenses in the Sports division. Arthur Coddington will remain at Mattel and should be your contact for questions that relate to Mattel Sports activities. He can be reached at 310-252-4762 or neuroshred@loop.com. I anticipate that Mattel will continue with a revised program of Frisbee disc and Hacky Sack footbag support, but the 1997 program has not yet been finalized.

I am very appreciative of the cooperation that the player community has provided for me over the last 22 years of my professional involvement with the makers of Frisbee brand discs. Without that support and enthusiasm the job would have not been worth doing. I look forward to speaking with each of you individually but I wanted to let you know of this change as quickly as possible. I will of course continue to be involved in the disc and footbag communities through my elected positions in W.F.D.F. and the P.A.B. of the W.F.A. My personal goal is to enjoy a much-needed sabbatical before doing any serious thinking about gainful employment.

Stork

PS: So far Mattel's stock value appears to be unaffected by the news.

8th Rhode Island Frostbite Classic

by Jason Southwick

Sixteen zealots competed at the Frostbite Classic Disc Golf tournament at Miantonomi (My aunt don't know me) Park in chilly rain on January 25, 1997. T.M. Dyer and Company hosted, setting up 54 different holes aiming mostly at small, shallow rock rings. Other targets included the top of a bubbler*, a lone polehole, a few taped trees and various pipes. It was pure bliss for those who've spent half a lifetime shooting at non-traditional targets in miserable weather, which may help explain the outcome.

Dave Johnson and partner won the mystery doubles competition, which teamed each person with a random buddy pulled out of a hat (or maybe it was a milk crate) for the second 27-hole round.

In keeping with the spirit and recommendation of the Frostbite Classic, which is held everywhere during two weeks in January, a goodly sampling of canned goods and a check for \$20 were collected for the Food Drive charity. Thanks to T.M. Dyer for once again organizing a creative, inspired tournament, and for supplying pizza and trophies. And a hearty thanks to the rest of the tournament staff and the players brave enough to show.

* More generically termed a water fountain.

Results of the 8th Rhode Island Frostbite Classic

Place	Open Division	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total
1	Jason Southwick	90	83	173
2	Pete Anderson	97	93	190
3	Michael Klassner	92	101	193
4t	Dave Johnson	104	90	194
4t	Brent Sanderson	97	97	194
6	T.M. Dyer	99	95	194
7t	Todd Canuel	102	98	200
7t	Rick Williams	104	96	200
9	John Affonso	101	101	202
10t	Bob DeCosta	105	99	204
10t	Kenny Miller	104	100	204
12t	Jason Tertineck	108	104	212
12t	Charles Parker	114	98	212
14	Toddy Brodeur	121	164	285

Place	Men's Intermediate	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total
1	Jeff Hayward	114	109	223
2	Harry Graham	123	111	234

Longwood Links Open The REAL Ice Bowl!

by Peter Anderson and Kraig Steffen

Twelve open and two advanced players braved a wintry blast to compete in the 1997 Longwood Links Open held in the southern hills of New Hampshire. Tournament director Toddy Brodeur and a collection of very dedicated workers spent a cold, wet Saturday clearing brush and trimming saplings to prepare this wooded, mountainous course for tournament day. Mother nature donated an eight-inch base of the white stuff topped with a thick crust of ice. Temperatures started in the high 20s, climbed into the mid 30s, and then began to fall shortly after lunch. The winds were gusty but never a major factor, although ice falling from coated tree limbs was an occasional distraction. The course featured rough, icy tee pads, slippery fairways, dangerous slopes, and plenty of trees. A real challenge!

All open players paid a 50-dollar entry fee, enhancing the drama of a close final round. After two rounds of play, three players had distanced themselves from the rest. Peter Anderson was tied with Kraig Steffen, and Toddy Brodeur was three strokes behind them. In the top group, the final round had numerous lead changes, with honors switching at least six times. After five holes the three leaders were all tied up, and two of the three shared the lead four other times during the round. Pete held or was tied for the lead for sixteen holes but then coughed it up in the critical end game. Kraig played strong, finishing with a par and a birdie on the last two holes. Toddy and Pete each bogeyed and parred the last two, giving Kraig the victory by one stroke along with the largest single-person cash payout in NEFA's history.

Results of Longwood Links Open

Open Division

Place	Player	R1	R2	R3	Total	Cash
1	Kraig Steffen	59	55	57	171	\$230
2	Peter Anderson	56	58	58	172	\$160
3	Toddy Brodeur	58	59	56	173	\$100
4	Doug Russell	60	64	61	183	
5	Bob Decosta	66	61	58	185	
6	Tom Whiffen	60	65	62	187	
7	Brent Sanderson	62	64	61	187	
8	Rick Williams	65	65	63	193	
9	TM Dyer	67	59	73	199	
10	Dale Fuller ¹	78	63	58	199	
11	Ken Miller	62	69	69	200	

Non-Open Division

1	Mark Bonner	67	66	79	212
2	Mark Mudgett	70	70	76	216

NEFA Fundrayser at Pyramids

by Jason Southwick

On January 11, in better than hideous weather, NEFA held its most successful fund raiser ever, attracting 24 players, and collecting almost \$400 for NEFA. Five dollars from each entry fee (\$10 for non-open, \$15 for open) and all of the money generated by the after-tournament auction flowed into NEFA's coffers.¹

Site of the traditional-format disc golf tournament was Pyramids in Leicester, MA. Kelley O'Loughlin and Jason Southwick served as hosts, with Kelley preparing all of the delicious food and doing most of the organizational stuff, while Jason contributed by having Rick Williams tally scores and Pete Anderson calculate prize money. Many of the awards and almost all of the auction items were brought by the players themselves. Special thanks to Steve Hartwell and Dave Johnson for donating a Frisbie pie tin and a 1970 Frisbee Horseshoes game, both valuable collectors' items.

The mature Pyramids course was at its longest and most open, and sported the most pole holes in its nine-year history (12). Six of the holes had been modified or moved outright, and great efforts had been made to measure hole distance, cut alternate flight paths, smooth tees, remove brush, and furnish the course with a reasonable level of target diversity. Nevertheless, one small milk crate occasioned a cacophony of whining not unlike the pathetic mewing of abandoned kittens.

The tournament day transitioned smoothly from play to awards to auction to the mandatory survivors' party up the road at Kelley and Jason's. Oddly familiar trophies and some Christmas clutter were recycled as prizes for winners and near winners, which included most participants. The auction was perhaps the most exciting part of the day, in particular when Pete Anderson and Bill MacWilliams kept raising each other for the coveted Frisbie pie tin. Bill, with a forlorn glance into his wallet, was finally forced to bow out, leaving Pete the winner, theoretically speaking.

¹ See Rick Williams article for an explanation of what happens to NEFA's money.

NEFA Fun Drayser Auction Results

Article	Buyer	Sold for
15 free AOL hours	Tom Dyer	.50
Mystery magazine	Dave Johnson	2.00
World's Biggest T-shirt	Mark Mudgett	5.00
Used Scott Stokely X-Clone	Doug Russell	5.00
Golf towel	Brent Sanderson	6.00
Classic Rock music CD	John Affonso	6.00
New England Disc Golf Course Directory	Jason Southwick	6.00
Dennis Rodman's Autobiography "Bad as I Wanna Be"	T.M. Dyer	8.00
4 assorted used discs	Tom Whiffen	8.00
World Masters T-shirt	Kenneth Miller	10.00
NEFA News collection (94 to current)	Kelley O'Loughlin	11.00
1988 Disc Golf Course Dir. and 1991 Rules of Flying Disc Sports	Bill MacWilliams	12.00
1970 Frisbee Horseshoes game	Tom Whiffen	52.00
Frisbie Pie Tin	Pete Anderson	74.00
Total	205.50	

NEFA Fundrayser Results

	Open Division	R 1	R 2	Total	Money
1	Jason Southwick	52	55	107	\$30
2	Pete Anderson	58	53	111	\$20
3	Brent Sanderson	57	55	112	\$10
4	Dave Johnson	57	56	113	\$8
5	Tom Whiffen	56	60	116	\$7
6	Todd Brodeur	58	59	117	\$5
7	Doug Russell	58	60	118	
8	Bill MacWilliams	61	59	120	
9	Steve Hartwell	59	63	122	
10	Tim Walsh	58	65	123	
11	Rick Williams	64	60	124	
12t	Brock Pitzer	65	63	128	
12t	T.M. Dyer	65	63	128	
12t	Jason Tertinek	63	65	128	
15	John Affonso	67	64	131	
16	Kenneth Miller	63	69	132	
17t	Tim Klatka	68	67	135	
17t	Andy Klatka	67	68	135	
	Men's Intermediate	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total	
1	Scott Pyle	62	64	126	
2	Dave Cronin	66	63	129	
3t	Mark Bonner	70	65	135	
3t	Mark Mudgett	68	67	135	
	Women's	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total	
1	Kelley O'Loughlin	71	69	140	
	Men's Novice	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total	
	Chuck Hoilman	63	78	141	

Frozen Fruits in Ipswich, MA

February 22, 1997

by Doug Russell

Some impressions:

- Over 80 people came from all New England states.
- Pete saying "schule" on hole 16.
- Me starting the second round with a 7, 4 and 6.
- Parker Allen being the first to arrive at 7:35 a.m.
- Mark Mudgett, Toddy Brodeur, and Tom Whiffen being the last to leave after 8:00 p.m.
- These same three guys buying seven pies from me.
- Jason asking me on the 9th tee during the 2nd round if I would mind putting my dog Ayla away for the rest of the round. Me replying that he was typical Jason and he was the only one ever to ask. He rescinded the request, even though he was right.
- The wind.
- The rain, and sun and double rainbow at the end of the second round.
- A \$525 purse.
- No one has ever finished the Fruits under par.
- TM, Steve Hartwell, Scott Berman and I being five timers.
- The mud, especially on hole 13.
- The paradox between a pro tourney and an introductory / open event.

Top Open Players at Past Fruits

2/27/93	2/26/94	2/25/95	2/24/96
1. Jeff O'Brien	1. Steve Gaylor	1. Peter Anderson	1. Michael Klassner
2. Doug Russell	2. Harvey Brandt	2. Edwin Dissosway	2. Doug Russell
3. Peter Anderson	3. Doug Russell	3. Jim O'Hara	3. Toddy Brodeur

Results of the 5th Annual Frozen Fruits (Feb. 1997)

Open Division

		R1	R2	L9	Tot	\$\$
1	Jason Southwick	52	59	30	+6	\$130
2	Pete Anderson	53	59	32	+9	\$90
3	Toddy Brodeur	57	60	32	+14	\$70
4	Bill Newman	59	56	35	+15	\$54
5	Jim O'Hara	57	62	35	+19	\$47
6t	Kraig Steffen	57	63	36	+21	\$40
6t	Dave Johnson	61	60	35	+21	\$33
8	Steve Hartwell	63	60	34	+22	\$25
9t	Doug Russell	56	69	33	+23	\$15
9t	Bob Decosta	63	60	35	+23	\$15
11t	Brent Sanderson	61	62	36	+24	\$2
11t	Dan Desch	64	61	34	+24	\$2
11t	Everett Evans	60	64	35	+24	\$2
14	David White	63	65	32	+25	
15	Michael Pratt	61	64	37	+27	
16	John Affonso	64	65	35	+29	
17	Dan Griffith	66	65	34	+30	
18t	Tom Whiffen	62	67	37	+31	
18t	Rick Williams	61	63	42	+31	
20t	John O'Gorman	68	65	36	+34	
20t	Josh Masters	66	70	33	+34	
22	Dave Massi	67	68	35	+35	
23	Tom Southwick	66	67	39	+37	
24	Mark Bonner	67	68	38	+38	
25t	Sean Franchi	69	69	36	+39	
25t	Steve Dodge	62	64	48	+39	
27	Jack Downs	67	69	40	+41	
28	Dave Redlund	62	64	54	+45	
29	T.M. Dyer	66	79	37	+47	
30	Stephen Dewald	73	72	42	+52	
31	Jim Pierce	65	71	54	+55	
32	Mark Hamilton	78	72	41	+56	
33	Jody Coats	69	80	54	+68	

Men's Advanced Division

1	Jay Filuminia	63	61	30	+19
2	Scott Pyle	65	65	30	+25
3	Todd Canuel	64	63	35	+27
4	Terry Murphy	66	68	31	+30
5	Roy Doar	66	68	34	+33
6	Lev Malakhoff	71	65	33	+34
7t	Ted Phillips	66	69	36	+36
7t	Bryan Lynch	67	66	38	+36
9t	Matt Allen	69	68	36	+38
9t	Jeff Blaney	66	70	37	+38
9t	Scott Berman	71	69	33	+38
12	Brian Hubbard	71	68	35	+39
13	Parker Allen	67	72	36	+40
14	Jason Tertinek	76	69	36	+46
15	David Jennings	72	73	40	+50
16	Mark Mudgett	77	73	40	+55
17	John Burton	81	70	42	+58

Juniors

1	Jake Lewis	68	66	34	+33
2	Alex Russell	74	68	41	+48
3	Shawn Jennings	73	76	42	+56
4	Kyle Ingraham	94	84	52	+95

Novice Division

1	Mark Lewis	63	62	30	+20
2	Neil Ronchinsky	58	61	40	+24
3	Tom Donahue	65	68	32	+30
4	Brian Moody	64	69	33	+31
5	Daver Coats	63	69	40	+37
6	Corey Sanford	71	68	34	+38
7t	Sonny Mehta	72	67	40	+44
7t	John Norton	67	69	43	+44
9	Jim Judson	78	67	35	+45
10	John Green	80	77	34	+56
11t	Rich Schalk	84	75	39	+63
11t	Andy Dickson	72	72	54	+63
13	Don Girouard	76	84	54	+79
14	Christiane Fortier	80	87	54	+86
15t	Aaron Pudlo	62	108	54	+89
15t	Pete Willwerth	62	108	54	+89
17	Joe Willwerth	67	108	54	+94
18	Brian McNulty	82	108	54	+109
19	R. Alvin Connell	83	108	54	+110
20	Bob Jackson	108	108	54	+135

Women's Division

1	Nancy D. Malakhoff	59	62	27	+13
2	Joan Matteuzzi	68	71	39	+43
3	Eileen Keohler	78	80	41	+64
4	Carol Hinton	81	71	54	+71

Cub Scout Banquet Enjoys Disc Show

by Rick Williams

The cub scouts of Randolph, MA enjoyed a flying disc presentation at their Blue and Gold Banquet. The banquet, which celebrates the birthday of scouting and awards individuals for merit of achievement, was held on Sunday, February 2 in the basement of Saint Bernadettes Church in Randolph. About 200 scouts and parents witnessed impressive freestyle demos by Rick Williams and Toddy Brodeur. The show began with freestyle, followed by some disc history, displays of various throws and catches, growth of disc sports, a disc golf demo with a pole hole, and a description of the various disc sports.

NEFA was mentioned and flyers were available for those interested in continued participation. The show closed with another freestyle performance. Rick and Toddy both received special award certificates from the scoutmaster, and a free lunch. Thanks goes to Henry Rodrigues for arranging this cub scout disc show.

Expression Session

by Toddy Brodeur

Eight jammers showed up to participate. The day began with a warm up jam. It's hard to get the freestylers around New England out of their hibernation, otherwise we would have had more. Steve Scannell joined Golds Gym and we can get a day pass for \$6.00. That might seem like a lot just to play Frisbee, but we make sure we get our moneys worth. Do you know how hot a \$6.00 jam can be in the middle of winter? Anyway, the Expression Session is not a tournament. It's more of a sharing experience. The first two rounds consisted of picking three names from a disc and putting on random music and letting the jam begin.

The thing that makes it different is that there's absolutely NO judging, just a video camera and support from fellow freestylers. We did two rounds so everyone got to play a lot and not worry about the results because there were none. The second part of the event was picked pairs. You pick your partner and play to a four-minute song—without being judged. The players:

Todd Brodeur-----Petri Isola
Rick Williams-----Alan Caplin
Steve Scannell-----Walter Dunbar
Brian Traichel-----Jon the golfer from Georgia

Frisbee Dogs

1997 Canine Frisbee disc Championships Competition Schedule in New England

Branford, CT
May 10 (rain date May 17), 10 a.m.
Youngs Pond Park, Pine Orchard Rd.
Contact: Victor Amatori Jr., 203-488-8304 or 203-781-8552

East Hartford, CT
May 17, 9 a.m.
East Hartford High School, 869 Forbes St.
Contact: Jim Uhrig, 860-291-7350

Dedham, MA
May 18, 10 a.m.
Memorial Park, Eastern Ave & Route 1 (behind Lechmere)
Contact: Mike Piazza, 617-477-6096

Coventry, RI
May 31, 9 a.m.
Coventry Rec Cmty Ctr, Paine Field, 1277 Main St.
Contact: Mark Bates, 401-822-9107

Norwich, CT
June 1, 10 a.m.
Kelly Middle School
Contact: Ed Jakubowski, 860-859-0103

Boston, MA (Northeast Finals)
June 7 (rain date June 8), 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Boston Common, Charles & Boylston Sts.
Contact: Boston Parks & Recreation, 617-635-4505

Pelham, NH
July 4, 5 p.m.
Sherburne School, Marsh Rd.
Contact: Jim Druding, 603-635-2721

Wallingford, CT
July 9, 6:30 p.m.
Doolittle Park, Elm St.
Contact: Michelle Koziy, 203-294-2120 or 203-294-2121

Washington, D.C. (World Finals)
September 13, 10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Washington Monument Grounds, West Side

For information on rules, guidelines, community events, regionals, and world finals contact Rick Williams 617-666-5936.

1997 Golf Championship Series

	Frozen Fruits		Greenfield		
Number of Rounds	2.5		3		
Men's Open					
Top Score	141		171		
Name	Score	SDQ	Score	SDQ	YTD SDQ
Jason Southwick	141	0	####		0.000
Peter Anderson	144	1.2	172	0.333	0.727
Toddy Brodeur	149	3.2	173	0.667	1.818
Bill Newman	150	3.6	####		3.600
Jim O'Hara	154	5.2	####		5.200
Kraig Steffen	156	6	171	0	2.727
Dave Johnson	156	6	####		6.000
Steve Hartwell	157	6.4	####		6.400
Doug Russell	158	6.8	183	4	5.273
Bob Decosta	158	6.8	185	4.667	5.636
Brent Sanderson	159	7.2	187	5.333	6.182
Dan Desch	159	7.2	####		7.200
Everett Evans	159	7.2	####		7.200
Dave White	160	7.6	####		7.600
Michael Pratt	162	8.4	####		8.400
John Affonso	164	9.2	####		9.200
Dan Griffith	165	9.6	####		9.600
Tom Whiffen	166	10	187	5.333	7.455
Rick Williams	166	10	193	7.333	8.545
John O'Gorman	169	11.2	####		11.200
Josh Masters	169	11.2	####		11.200
Dave Massi	170	11.6	####		11.600
Tom Southwick	172	12.4	####		12.400
Mark Bonner	173	12.8	####		12.800
Sean Franchi	174	13.2	####		13.200
Steve Dodge	174	13.2	####		13.200
Jack Downs	176	14	####		14.000
Dave Redlund	180	15.6	####		15.600
T. M. Dyer	182	16.4	199	9.333	12.545
Stephen Dewald	187	18.4	####		18.400
Jim Pierce	190	19.6	####		19.600
Mark Hamilton	191	20	####		20.000
Jody Coats	203	24.8	####		24.800
Ken Miller		####	200	9.667	9.667
Dale Fuller		####	199	9.333	9.333
Women's Open					
Top Score	148		0		
Name	Score	SDQ	Score	SDQ	
Nancy D. Malakhoff	148	0	0	####	0.000
Joan Matteuzzi	178	12	0	####	12.000
Eileen Keohler	199	20.4	0	####	20.400
Carol Hinton	206	23.2	0	####	23.200

1997 Golf Championship Series

	Frozen Fruits		Greenfield		
Number of Rounds	2.5		3		
Men's Advanced					
Top Score	154		212		
Name	Score	SDQ	Score	SDQ	YTD SDQ
Jay Filumina	154	0	0	####	0.000
Scott Pyle	160	2.4	0	####	2.400
Todd Canuel	162	3.2	0	####	3.200
Terry Murphy	165	4.4	0	####	4.400
Roy Doar	168	5.6	0	####	5.600
Lev Malakhoff	169	6	0	####	6.000
Ted Phillips	171	6.8	0	####	6.800
Bryan Lynch	171	6.8	0	####	6.800
Matt Allen	173	7.6	0	####	7.600
Jeff Blaney	173	7.6	0	####	7.600
Scott Berman	173	7.6	0	####	7.600
Brian Hubbard	174	8	0	####	8.000
Parker Allen	175	8.4	0	####	8.400
Jason Tertinek	181	10.8	0	####	10.800
David Jennings	185	12.4	0	####	12.400
Mark Mudgett	190	14.4	216	1.333	7.273
John Burton	193	15.6	0	####	15.600
Mark Bonner	0	####	212	0	0.000
Men's Novice					
Top Score	155		0		
Name	Score	SDQ	Score	SDQ	
Mark Lewis	155	0	0	####	0.000
Neil Ronchinsky	159	1.6	0	####	1.600
Tom Donahue	165	4	0	####	4.000
Brian Moody	166	4.4	0	####	4.400
Daver Coats	172	6.8	0	####	6.800
Corey Sanford	173	7.2	0	####	7.200
Sonny Mehta	179	9.6	0	####	9.600
John Norton	179	9.6	0	####	9.600
Jim Judson	180	10	0	####	10.000
John Green	191	14.4	0	####	14.400
Rich Schalk	198	17.2	0	####	17.200
Andy Dickson	198	17.2	0	####	17.200
Don Girouard	214	23.6	0	####	23.600
Aaron Pudlo	224	27.6	0	####	27.600
Peter Willwerth	224	27.6	0	####	27.600
Joe Willwerth	229	29.6	0	####	29.600
Brian McNulty	244	35.6	0	####	35.600
R. Alvin Connell	245	36	0	####	36.000
Bob Jackson	270	46	0	####	46.000

New England Area Disc Golf Courses

Massachusetts

Goodnow Park

(18 Tees - 9 Poleholes)

Princeton

Contact: Jeff Cardillo (508) 464-2959

Burgess Park

(18 Mach III Poleholes)

Marstons Mills

Contact: Lev Malakhoff (508) 771-4619

Normandy Farms Campground

(18 Poleholes)

Foxboro

Contact: Normandy Farms (508) 543-7600

New Hampshire

Hickory Pond Back Nine

(9 Mach-4 Poleholes)

Durham

Contact: Roy Doar (603) 778-1702

Terrace Pines Campground

(18 Mach 1.5 Lites)

Center Ossipee

Contact: Mark and Jane Wright (603) 539-6210.

Rhode Island

Miantonomi Park

(30 - Object)

Newport

Contact: Tim Dyer (401) 846-3236

Connecticut

Roseland Park

(18 - 5 foot high round posts)

Woodstock

Contact: Carl Emerson (203) 928-1363

Willowbrook Farms

(9 Mach 1-Lite poleholes with inside chains)

South Windham

Contact: Brian Traichel (203) 228-9707

Cranberry Park

(18-object)

Norwalk

Contact: Adam Fasciolo (203) 852-9473

Vermont

North Calais Disc Golf Course

(18 - 5 foot high 4x4 posts)

North Calais

Contact: Paul Olander (802) 456-7465

Maine

Beaver Brook Campground

(18 Mach 1 poleholes, open April to October)

North Monmouth

Contact: Campground (207) 933-2108

Greg Hinkley (207) 622-7854

Enman Field Disc Golf Course

(18 Poleholes)

Brunswick

Contact: Bob Enman (207) 729-5215

Happy Banana Disc Golf Park

(10 Poleholes, open June to September)

Trenton

Contact: Jay

RR 1, Box 125F, Trenton, ME 04605

New York

Leonard Park

(18 Mach II Poleholes)

Mt. Kisco

Contact: David Jones (914) 737-3939

New Jersey

Buzzy's Creek

(18-Mach3 Poleholes)

West Milford

Contact: Dan Doyle (914) 477-0001

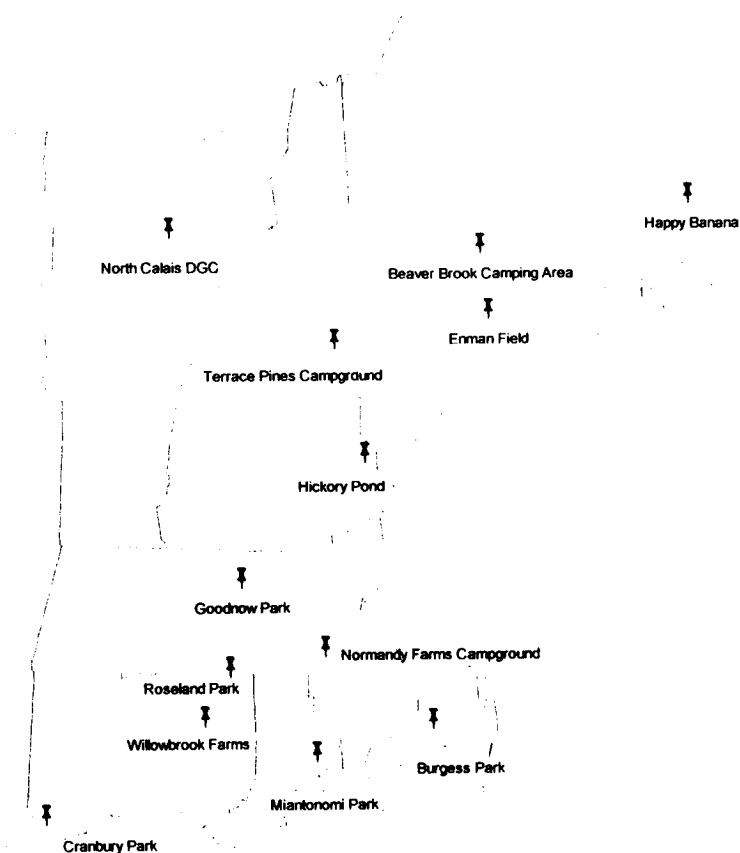
Skylands DGC

(18-homemade)

Vernon

Contact: Bob O'Brien (201) 509-8585

Disc Golf Courses in New England



Results from the Everett Evans Evacuation Tournament (or 1st Spring Fling)

Name	Place	Age Scale*	Age "Handicap" Score
Everett Evans	1	1	par
Doug Russell	2	7	-5
Steve Hartwell	3	14	-11
Tom Whiffen	4	3	+1
Dan Desch	5	4t	par
Todd Brodeur	6	4t	+2
Mark Ide	7	11	-4
Dan Griffith	8	13	-5
Roy Doar	9	15	-6
Brian Hubbard	10	9	par
Terry Murphy	11	10	+1
Sean Franci	12	6	+6
Gordy Adell	13	11	+2
Vince Fitzpatrick	14	2	+12
John Burton	15	7	+8

* Youngest to oldest

** John scored an ace on #13.

News From New Hampshire

Hickory Pond Inn & Golf, Durham, April 1997

by Roy Doar

As you know, we had a pretty gentle winter. This gave us the time needed to clear nine more fairways to go with the Hickory Pond "back nine". Once Doug Baker the proprietor gave me the okay to expand the course, I got to work and am now pleased to announce the opening of a tasty 18 holes in and around the woods, boulders, and meadows behind the ball golf course. It's fairly short and tight, but fair; it will expand and open up as time and space allow.

On Saturday, March 22, the new course was given a good test by a small but intense group of NEFAites who gathered to play two rounds on the final day of the Winter League. As local long-arm Everett Evans was our points leader going into the day, it was fitting that he prevailed, holding off challenges from Steve, Toddy and Doug (who strung together enough birdies to start an aviary on the way to a course record 45). The average score of 30 player rounds was calculated at 54.64.

Thanks to Smuttynose Brewery, Green Mtn. Coffee, the Riverworks restaurant, my wife Kathy, and the Inn, a great time was had by all. A high point of the evening was enjoying some fantastic desserts prepared by Everett's wife, Jennifer. As of this writing, Ev and Jen have settled into their new home in Pleasant Valley, NY, near Poughkeepsie, where she has enrolled in the Culinary Institute of America. Though he's now on the edge of our region, we can expect to see him on occasion this season, as he's still looking forward to winning his first real NEFA tournament. Southern New Hampshire's loss is southern New York's gain. Good luck, Ev!

Looking ahead to local happenings, Hickory Pond will be the Northeast Kingdom's hot spot to play in this year's "World's Biggest". Twelve dollars and fifty cents gets you this year's disc, a T-shirt, mini, and of course a full day of golf. (Remember to bring a new player.) those of you in Maine and Vermont, ask someone who's played here...it's worth the trip. And speaking of trips, Hickory Pond is first and foremost a cozy, 20-room bed and breakfast. NEFA members get a discount on overnight stays. Doug and Libby are great hosts and deserve all the support we can give them. Thanks...drive carefully...but putt even more carefully.

1997 Golf Championship Series

	Frozen Fruits		Greenfield		
Number of Rounds	2.5		3		
Women's Novice					
Top Score	221		0		
Name	Score	SDQ	Score	SDQ	YTD SDQ
Christine Fortier	221	0	0	#####	0.000
Juniors					
Top Score	168		0		
Name	Score	SDQ	Score	SDQ	
Jake Lewis	168	0	0	#####	0.000
Alex Russell	183	6	0	#####	6.000
Shawn Jennings	191	9.2	0	#####	9.200
Kyle Ingraham	230	24.8	0	#####	24.800

Your Money—Where Is It Now?

by Rick Williams, NEFA Treasurer

Several NEFA members have inquired as to a) where their money goes when they join NEFA, b) what the money is used for, and c) why is Rick always taking trips to Bermuda? As long-time treasurer of the New England Flying disc Association, I thought I would explain to the new members (and to old members with failing memories) just what NEFA does with your money.

In the 1995 Spring issue of NEFA News I submitted a 1994 annual financial report, which included all income, expenses, and the account balance. Not much has changed in the income/expense categories since 1994. There are basically three sources of income: Membership Dues, Tournaments, and Sales. The \$10 membership fee makes up 50 percent of NEFA's total income. This includes new members as well as renewals. Unfortunately, each year about 50 NEFA members do not renew their membership. The good news is that almost 70 new members join NEFA each year. With the current NEFA membership around 150 people, \$1,500 goes into the treasury. Tournaments generate 45 percent of NEFA's total income. Money from tournaments includes the rental of NEFA's pole holes for disc golf (\$25 for 18 baskets, what a bargain!), and the contribution from entry fees that state tournaments (\$2 per player) and NEFA Points tournaments (\$1 per player) generate. The annual NEFA Fundraiser tournament also contributes to the treasury. The remaining 5 percent of income is from the sale of NEFA mini discs, visors, newsletters, and shirts.

Now for expenses. There are three areas of expense: Newsletter, Office, and Equipment. The big expense is the newsletter. It eats up 70 percent of NEFA's total expenses. This includes the printing costs, labels, and mailing of four newsletters a year. Office includes lots of miscellaneous things like mailing labels, postage, envelopes, bank fees, post office fees, NEFA mini discs, ace awards, banners, etc. Office expenses are 20 percent of total expenses. The remaining 10 percent of expenses is categorized as equipment, and refers to tournament items, like DDC courts, accuracy targets, or stop watches. Also included is the maintenance of the NEFA trailer, which transports the pole holes, and the maintenance of the pole holes (chains, number plates, etc.).

So how much money are we talking about? Typically NEFA's total yearly income is around \$3,000 and total expenses run at \$2,900, so NEFA is usually in the black. The money is in a checking account, earning a meager interest. Decisions on spending the money are usually done at the Open NEFA Meetings that take place twice a year. There has been some grumbling about money from the state tournaments going to NEFA (Taxation without Representation??). In

the past, \$2 per player from registration fees at state tournaments (i.e. Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New England) would go to the NEFA treasury. This brings in between \$700 and \$1,100 each year, depending on player turnout at these tournaments. Starting this year NEFA will get 1\$ from each player at the other NEFA Points events. This will no doubt boost our budget.

The biggest part of the budget is what you have in your hand—the newsletter. Printing 200 copies of the newsletter costs around \$400. In the past, I have suggested that the newsletter be abandoned for a more simplified flyer that contains upcoming events and tournament results. This would save a lot of money for NEFA, but it wasn't a popular suggestion.

So what do you get for your \$10 membership? For \$10 you get \$18 worth of material in the form of flyers and newsletters, plus an additional savings of \$10 - \$40 in tournament entry fees. Since there are four newsletters a year and each newsletter costs \$2 apiece for printing and \$.78 for mailing, that's \$11.12 per year per person for the newsletter.

There are 20 to 30 events per year with flyer mailings for most of them. That's an additional \$6.40 for flyer mailings per person per year, for a total of \$17.52. Add on the cost of mailing labels and \$18 is not an unreasonable cost for one person in a year. Tournament entry fees usually have a \$2 savings for current NEFA members. Ten tournaments would be a savings of \$20. Ten dollars per year is certainly a good deal. Some people think it's too good, and would like to see the membership dues increased. For now, dues will remain at \$10 for 1997.

If you have ideas on how to generate more income for NEFA or how to spend NEFA's treasury, then attend a NEFA Open Meeting, write a letter to the NEFA PO Box, send me some e-mail, or talk to a NEFA officer. In the meantime, I'll be in Bermuda. Thanks.

Election Results

by Rick Williams

The votes are in! Tom Whiffen is the new NEFA President and Kelley O'Loughlin is NEFA's Vice President. The voter turnout for this election was good, but could have been better. Fifty-one percent of those eligible to vote (i.e., 1997 members) sent in their ballot. Five of the votes missed the February 14 deadline and were not counted, however these votes did not influence the outcome. Tom and Kelley received 80 percent of the total votes. The ticket of Toddy Brodeur/Brian Traichel received 20 percent of the votes. There was one write-in vote for Tom as president and Brian as VP.

Caped Crusades

World's Biggest—Caped Cod Style
Saturday, May 17

You know, the basics: official golf disc and official T-shirt; play a round of golf and be part of a global experience. Burgess Park has the only public Mach III polehole course in New England, conveniently located 2.6 miles south of Route 6/Exit 5 on Route 149 in Marstons Mills, Cape Cod.

The Caped Cod version of this year's World's Biggest adds:

1. Free mini for the first 100 people to sign up
2. Free Caped Cod Fish Golf Association disc (3 hot stamps to choose from) if you sign up eight players (including yourself) before the day of the tournament.
3. Events throughout the day:
 - "Putt-for-all" whereby everyone putts at the same time (and keeps putting) until one putter is left with a bunch of prizes.
 - "Mini" Accuracy: using our brand new accuracy target, and mini discs thrown from closer stations
 - "Mini" Golf: 9-flag course set up for your amusement

As usual, we'll be ordering lots of stuff to try and get everyone a T-shirt and disc the day of the event (if the turnout is really huge some people will receive their discs a little later). Entry fee: \$14 unless you beat the early registration date of May 1 (\$12). Get your info: (508) 771-4619, Capedcod@ccsnet.com, www.ultranet.com/~jennings/burgess/burgess.shtml.

Summer Equalizer Disc Golf League: Wednesday evenings at Burgess Park at 5:45 p.m., starting May 21 and ending August 7. FLOG is planned for August 13 (playing the course backwards).

Note: the Winter Equalizer League featured an exciting **hole in one** on hole one in week one by the one and only Marc "Darth" Fater "Vader."

Desch, Local Disc Golf Superhero, Breaks Course Record (Sunday, March 30, 1997)

The Easter Bunny was good to **Dan "Dave" Desch** in a round of golf at Burgess Park, as "Dave" shredded the course record by two with a crisp and cool 44. So whose record did the Grate One brake? Why his very own, of course, set last year.

Announcing the Shootout at the Caped Cod Corral

- Who:** All are welcome; none shall be turned away
- When:** July 19, 1997
- Where:** Burgess Park, Marston's Mills, The Cape of Good Cod
- Wherewithal:** \$10
- Why:** Because a little novelty never hurt anyone
- How:**

Here's how. Come play a normal round of disc golf, starting at a civilized hour (10 a.m.). Have some lunch, then come back to play another round. But wait—this time you'll play a shootout round. Based on how you did in the first round, you will be assigned to a shootout grouping. What, you are now asking yourself, is a shootout grouping? I am here to tell you. A shootout grouping is a like-scoring assembly of X number of golfers who play X-1 holes together, with one player (the one who scores the worst) eliminated on each hole. If after completing a hole, two or more players have the same worst score, then those players (the ones who tied for worst) play an impromptu closest-to-the-pin to determine who gets eliminated. Eventually, at the Xth hole (probably the 18th for the top division) two golfers vie for glory while a sizable gallery offers encouragement and sagacious commentary. The top finishers in each division will go home with money in their pockets.

I'm intrigued, you say. Tell me more, you say. What will the divisions be? Exactly how much lucre will be disbursed? What punishment will be administered to sandbaggers? Can you bring your cat? Important questions all; alas, I cannot answer them as yet. As I write this (in March) I anticipate three months of nagging and haranguing from the likes of John O'Gorman and Nancy D-M, wherein the details of this event will emerge from the crucible. You will receive the customary flyer where all will be revealed.

Questions or comments? Write me: ddesch@fnscorp.com. Don't have e-mail access? Get it; we are nearing the 21st century for Christ's sake.

Dan Desch

Playing for Cash

by T.M. Dyer

Concerning the subject of playing for cash prizes, there are several perspectives. But from the player's point of view, soon we in NEFA may be hearing the kind of sandbagging complaints usually reserved for more traditional sports.

At any given NEFA tourney there is a small group of people with the skill level to be near the top five spots and these few will have their trips and entry fees funded by the other players in the open division who play regularly but do not place. These are some of the supporting players of the sport and if they feel that they are paying for someone else's gig they might be turned off and no longer wish to attend. Of course these players do have the option of switching down a division.

Which raises the tricky and as-yet undefined question of how players wind up in the divisions they're in. Up to now players at NEFA tournaments have decided which division to play in, generally in accordance with tournament guidelines and implications. Many players enjoyed competing in the open division. By putting an extra price on playing in the open division we may be discouraging a group of players from coming to our tournaments.

This brings us to another sticky point for the TDs. As a rule almost every tournament that I've run has cost me money. Under the currently-proposed system of pro play, a TD could take 80 percent of entry fees and put them back as cash payouts to the top-finishing open players. This suggests that a tourney might be run on only 20 percent of the entry fees. I've run tournaments where, for a \$20 entry fee, everyone gets a player package and a modest lunch. Still the bitching has been unbelievable. I'd hate to see player reaction if I forked over most of this to a few top players.

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Many people would be surprised to learn how much it costs to run a tournament. A typical NEFA tournament hosts 50 people. With an entry fee of \$20 that makes \$1,000. Does \$800 of this go to the open winners' pot or just the money collected from the open players? It almost doesn't matter. After port-o-john rental, copying and mailing flyers, trophies in each of six divisions for maybe three events, you as TD are digging deep into personal funds.

With prizes for overall, closest to the pin, longest drive, etc., you may be handing out 50 prizes, which could easily cost as much as \$500. Totaled up, expenses in this scenario come to about \$700. But there is also the problem of estimating budgets accurately. If it rains and only 40 people come you're left with \$100 (\$800 - \$700) in the black—for that brief second before you remember "little" expenses like phone calls and tournament supplies.

By giving everyone lunch and an interesting player's package, instead of spending the entry fees on the few winners at the top, a TD can make sure that everyone goes home with something fun and maybe even useful. Let's keep the wealth more evenly distributed within NEFA by letting players (top or otherwise) arrange side bets if they want to play for money. Open division prize money makes it harder for TDs to put on quality events at a reasonable cost to the average player. Cash may not bring the boon some people are predicting.

Competing for Cash

by P. K. Anderson

We all attend NEFA tournaments for different reasons: to have fun with friends, play the temporary courses we set up once a year, and just to play disc sports—the favorite pastime of many of us. But many attend primarily for the competition. That's why we split players into different divisions, that's why we give prizes to the "top" performers of the day. Competition is what organized tournaments are all about. It motivates us to perform at our highest level. Competition motivates excellence. Excellence, I think, is what we all are striving for, and excellence should be rewarded. That's why we give trophies to the winners and that's why the open division should have a cash payout.

Personally, I thrive on competition. One of my greatest joys is being pitted against other players who perform at or above my level play. I feel that when the open division plays for cash it pushes players to perform at their best, and that's what I look forward to when I participate in disc tournaments. What is the sense of competing if your opponents don't care about the outcome? Playing for cash helps to motivate many players right up to the last round or into the finals of the last event. And besides ... it's fun!

To Tournament Directors: The decision whether or not to pay the open division is yours alone. If you choose to have cash prizes, the money going to the open division payout should come from the open players. The prizes given to the non-open divisions should be paid for by non-open players. The overhead costs of a tournament (e.g., lunch, mailings, portable toilets and prizes) should be spread among all

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of the players. We can't always fulfill this ideal (I know I never do) but that's what we should strive for. I suggest that TDs arrange for prizes based on the largest possible number of players. Trophies could be given to first place in each division—paid for by everyone. For each non-open division, the top three finishers should win discs and other disc-oriented

prizes. If your event doesn't draw enough players to pay for all the prizes, don't give them all away! Perhaps NEFA could buy them from you at cost and transfer them to other TDs for future events. Or you could keep the leftover discs and sell them for a profit later on. No TD should take a loss for organizing a tournament. Conversely, TDs shouldn't be looking to pay their rent from tournament profits either. A golden rule for TDs is to be fair to all players; complaints will be few if we try to uphold this principle.

Concerning sandbagging and having players select their own divisions, I feel that people should play in whatever division they want at any given tournament. If people want to win by sandbagging, let them do it; their victories will be hollow and everyone will know it. Peer pressure should be all we need to decide which division to compete in. If you feel that you will never finish in the top third of the open division and that bothers you, then maybe you should switch divisions. If however, you want to keep improving your skills and testing them, then you should compete in the division which allows you to play against people with skills equal to or greater than your own.

Prize money for NEFA's open golfers will rarely add more than \$10 to the open division entry fee. This is a small price to pay to compete against the best players in our area. Prize money—even five or ten dollars per person—raises the drama of an event without creating a small group of funded elite. Remember that within NEFA's pro series, prize money is paid out to the top third, which is an attainable goal for many players. I also feel that prize money may draw more people to tournaments, rather than scaring them away. The 80 people at this year's Frozen Fruits bears this out. So let's take the rest of the disc golf world as an example and use prize money to enhance the growth of our sport. No one's going to get rich playing disc sports in New England (I know I won't be quitting my day job). And no one's going to go broke either. So why not add a little excitement?

Dear NEFA News,

Thanks for publishing Adam Fasciolo's article on the CRPA's disc golf exhibit and my "Air Mail" letter letting folks know about the existence of a State's Recreation and Parks Association. I can see great things happening in the future with the help of the Connecticut Rec. & Parks Association.

I really would like to emphasize to NEFA and its members that any state's Recreation and Parks Association can accelerate the establishment of public disc golf courses, especially in larger cities. To expand our sport we have to organize and hold events in populated communities. Contacting local parks and recreation officials is an excellent start.

Bill Mikuliewicz

Dear NEFA,

Thank you all for your votes. As springtime brings us to the beginning of our disc golf season, a few thoughts:

- Thank you tournament directors. It's your hard work and enthusiasm that give us all the opportunity and the place to play. As Vice President, I'd like to offer you any support or help you may need before, during or after your tournament. Contact me if you need help with events, lunch, paper-work or organization. These are the little details that make for successful tournaments.
- Next time you set off for a NEFA event, think about inviting new people to try our sport, and have them bring their friends or relatives. Think back on all the fun days last year with new friends, great competitions, conversations and socializing. Spread the word—disc sports are fun, easy to learn, and not expensive!
- As VP I want to help bring individual players and NEFA together on common ground with common goals. If you have new ideas for an event, the newsletter, questions or concerns, allow me to help you bring them to the NEFA table.
- Finally a very big thank you to 1996 officers Toddy Brodeur, Steve Hartwell and Rick Williams for their dedication, hard work and a great year of disc.
- And a special thanks to Doug Russell and Rick Williams for our newsletter.
- Contact me at e-mail: Kelleyol@aol.com or (508) 753-0726.

All the best,
Kelley M. O'Loughlin

Minutes from the 26 February 1997 Open NEFA Meeting

taken by Rick Williams

An Open NEFA Meeting was held on February 26, 1997 at the Irish Embassy Pub on Route 106 in Easton, MA. It started at 8:00 p.m. and ended at 10:10 p.m. In attendance were Tom Whiffen, Toddy Brodeur, Steve Hartwell, Nancy Donnelly-Malakhoff, Kelley O'Loughlin, Mark Mudgett, Jason Southwick, and Rick Williams.

Membership Report: Steve Hartwell reported that there are 91 current NEFA members, 95 members that have not yet renewed from 1996, and 64 people from 1995 that did not renew in 1996. Phoning and a postcard mailing were discussed to remind people to renew. It was agreed that postcards will be mailed to 94, 95 and 96 members. Included in the postcard will be listings of the next few upcoming events, including the World's Biggest Disc Golf Weekend at three sites in New England, and that an incentive to renew membership is the discount in tournament fees for current members.

Treasurer's Report: Rick Williams showed the general expenses and income of 1996. The current account balance is \$2,100. The auction at the recent NEFA Fundraiser tournament was a huge boost to the treasury. It was agreed that for 1997, income from state tournaments and from the NEFA Disc Golf Championship Series is needed. As in the past, State Overall Championships (RI, CT, VT, MA) and the New England Overall Championships will donate \$2/player from entry fees. Tournaments that are sanctioned for the 1997 Golf Series will donate \$1/player to NEFA.

NEFA News Newsletter: Jason Southwick extended the submission deadline for this issue to April 1st. During the open floor discussion, it was agreed that anyone who submits photographs that get published in the NEFA News will be paid \$5 per photo.

1997 Schedule: Mark Mudgett is maintaining an up-to-date schedule on the World Wide Web. The address for the NEFA Schedule is <http://www.shore.net/~mudgett/nefa/nefascd.htm>.

NEFA Poleholes and Trailer: T.M. Dyer said he'd be willing to upgrade the trailer with new shocks and other needed maintenance. Lettering the side of the trailer with "NEFA" was discussed, but put on hold. Nancy Malakhoff said she would create a sign for the trailer bed describing the best way to load and unload the pole holes if someone can draw a schematic for this that she can refer to. Jason Southwick has found a NEFA polehole that disappeared from his course years ago. He will gladly bring it to tournaments requiring an 18th pole hole (NEFA owns 17 for rent).

NEFA Disc Golf Series: Tournament directors will be contacted to determine whether their event will be part of the Series. A tournament director checklist will be sent to the TDs. Some of the items are mandatory (i.e., at least two rounds), and some are suggestions (i.e., prizes). The format of the Series was amended so that women and juniors must attend at least four events for their points to count. Players in all other divisions must attend at least seven events.

Publicity: Brian Traichel was suggested as the Publicity Manager. Nancy Donnelly-Malakhoff will develop a press pack for TDs. Tom Whiffen will develop the TD Checklist. Todd Brodeur will develop a NEFA Handbook.

State Representatives: The idea for each New England state to have a representative was discussed. The state representative would be a contact person who expresses the state's needs to NEFA and helps with information transfer to and from the NEFA officers. The following persons were nominated. Maine: Greg Hinkley and Bob Enman. New Hampshire: Pete Anderson and Roy Doar. Vermont: Paul Olander, Brock Pitzer, and John O'Gorman. Massachusetts: Tom Whiffen. Rhode Island: T.M. Dyer. Connecticut: Brian Traichel and Adam Fasciolo. Tom Whiffen will call the nominees.

World's Biggest Disc Golf Weekend: Everyone agreed to target Amesbury as the course to get as many participants as possible in order to win a free pole hole set. **UPDATE:** We have since learned that Amesbury will not be trying to win the poles holes this year.

NEFA Membership Cards: Issuing membership cards to NEFA members was originally suggested at a NEFA meeting a few years ago by Brian Traichel and Herb Bush. Steve Hartwell will research the financial aspects of implementing this idea.

Open Floor Discussion: **New NEFA Logo:** Some felt a new logo is needed. A contest will be held for the new NEFA logo. Details of the contest will appear in the NEFA News. **Meetings On Line:** Having NEFA meetings or chat sessions "on line" was discussed. Too many people are not equipped for this, so open meetings will continue as they are. **NEFA Fundraiser:** It was decided that two fund raiser tournaments a year would be a good idea.

Event Consultants: To help tournament directors hosting a multi-event format at their tournament, Event Consultants could prove useful. The Event Consultant would not necessarily run the event the day of the tournament, but would be someone who knows the rules, procedures and logistics for running the event. Volunteer Event Consultants include Tom Whiffen for distance, Rick Williams for discathons, Jason Southwick for MTA, Mark Mudgett for accuracy, and Toddy Brodeur for freestyle. The position of DDC Consultant is still open. Everyone agreed that most TDs know how to run disc golf.

1997 NEFA Schedule

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Regular Events

Miantonomi Marauders Miantonomi Park, Newport, RI	Sundays 2:00 p.m.	T.M. Dyer 401-846-3236
DDC Weston High School, Weston, MA	Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. Starts May 7	Mark Ide 617-964-6039
Winter/Summer Equalizer League Burgess Park, Marstons Mills, MA	Sundays 9:30 a.m. until April 27 Weds. 5:45 p.m. May 21 - Aug. 7	Lev Malakhoff 508-771-4619
Freestyle Jam Lakeville, MA	Weekends	Steve Scannel 508-880-3060
Pick-up Ultimate (for beginners too) Ed Burt Field, Weston, MA	Sundays 4:00 p.m.	Al Lewis 617-237-7204
NCDGA Disc Golf Tournaments North Calais, VT	April 12, May 10, June 28, July 19, Sept. 6, Sept. 27-28	Paul Olander 802-456-7465
Enman Field Disc Golf Tournaments Enman Field, Brunswick, ME	May 3-4, May 31, July 4-6, July 26-27, August 31, Sept. 20-21	Enman Field 207-798-5000

New England Tournaments

(NEFA Championship Series Tournaments in Bold)

6th Pulpit Rock Open Pulpit Rock, Monson, MA	Cancelled	Dave Johnson 413-596-6966
FLOG (Golf backwards) Burgess Park, Marstons Mills, MA	4 yaM, 13 tsuguA	ffohkalaM veL 508-771-4619

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Amesbury Pines, Amesbury, MA		
Burgess Park, Marstons Mills, MA		
Miantonomi Park, Newport, RI		
Hickory Pond, Durham, NH		
Norwalk, CT	May 24	

Open NEFA Meeting Finian's Restaurant, Dedham, MA	May 21 at 7:30 p.m.	Tom Whiffen 508-553-9687
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Northeast FDC (FS, MTA, DDC) Oak Grove, Millis, MA	June 8	Toddy Brodeur 508-376-8708
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