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Who Man Repeats in '96 Shoot-Out

Kim R. Theesen, Tournament Director

Golf balls raining from above and unauthorized monster mowers would not stop Kansas City's Laron "The Who Man" Harris from repeating as open champion of the 1996 Star City Shoot-Out. Harris shot an impressive 196. In second, only five strokes behind with a 201, was 1995 Am World Champion Timmy Gill. Past Open champion Jeff Harper ('93-'94) of Coralville, Iowa, finished third shooting 202. Omaha's own Chris Oien cashed in at fourth with a 204.

Lincoln's Brad Ramsay fought his way to the top of the Pro Masters by edging out Scott Innis of Grinell, Iowa, with a 217 to Innis' 216. No more than two shots separated Ramsay and Innis for the four-round weekend.

Laron "The Who Man" Harris

Only two shots separated the top three in the Advanced Amateurs. Kansas City's Iqbal Jehan shot a 218 to beat the 219 of Tim Elder, also from KC, and the 220 shot by Troy McElroy of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Jehan's first round was highlighted by the only 3 of the day on the 725-foot #12 on the North Nine. Blake Needles, Lincoln, carded a 223 to take a trophy and fourth place. A playoff determined the fifth place trophy position between Mike Susanin, Des Moines, and Omaha's Bob Walker, both shooting a 224. Walker would come back to claim the ace fund in the CTP shoot-out.

Hometown girl Anita Jackson reclaimed the Advanced Am Women's title by soundly defeating Sandy Susanin and Becky Zalleck, both from Des Moines. Jackson shot a 263, Susanin a 275, and Zalleck scored 282. Coming in fourth was Lincoln's Deb Beckler with a 296.

This year's *Shoot-Out* debuted its first Advanced Am Masters. Taking home first place by three strokes was River City's "Mr. Bill" Hulbert. Hulbert's 243 won over the 246 of

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Spring Fever Fling

Kim VanBrunt-Walker

On April 20, 1996, The river City Flying Disc Association hosted *Spring Fever Fling #7*. Sixty-one disc golfers came to play two rounds of eighteen in partly cloudy weather. Seymour Smith Park was a little wet and sloppy during the first round, but the breezy conditions dried out the course for the second round.

In the Open division, Matt Koerner of Mineapolis led the first round with a 47. Aaron Slezak, Brad Milder, and Tim Peyton were all one stroke behind with 48s. Slezak shot a 49 in round two to get a two-stroke win over second place Brad Milder. Matt Koerner shot a 56 the second round and managed a third place finish.

Pro Master Tom Cremer, from Ottuma, Iowa, shot a 46 in the first round to lead the Masters. Scott Innis and Terry Parker were following with one stroke between each golfer. In the second round, Parker shot a 51 and Innis shot a 52 to tie at 99. Parker walked away from a playoff with first place. Cremer finsihed in third place, five strokes behind.

The Advanced Amateur Men drew in an amazing twenty-five competitors. Mike Clay, from Oskaloosa, Iowa, shot a 46 to tie Tom Cremer for the tournament's lowest score. This gave him a two-stroke lead ahead of Philip Schmidt and Jerry Barnett. Kenny Scdoris, Jr. and Lee Cronkhite followed

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Dr. Disc & Rule Changes

by Dr. Disc

Gentle Golfers,

In this issue, Dr. Disc will discuss the proposed PDGA rules changes. These rules affect all tournament players, so you need to be aware of them and how the changes may affect the game. The PDGA is looking for comments from the members about these rules. If you see something here that really gets yer dander up, let the PDGA know. If you like the proposed changes, let the PDGA know about that, too. The rules committee can be reached in several ways. FAX: (803) FAX-DISC or (803) 329-3472 , E-Mail: innova cfd@aol.com, and by snail-mail to: P.O. Drawer 4979, Rock Hill, SC 29732. Speak up or shut up. ere are fourteen proposed changes. Dr. Disc will list the changes and offer an opinion. Yours may vary. Here we go golfers!

1. An official's ruling is no longer automatically final. A player could appeal to the head official or to the tournament director, but the appeal must be done before further play by the group. The group would stand aside until a final decision is made. (Rule changed: 801.01F)

An official's ruling is most important in big tourneys with the big money on the line. Many of the big tourneys are played on more than one course (e.g., the *Kansas City Wide Open*). The TD may or may not be at the course where the problem has occurred. It is unrealistic to stop play until the TD is located, called to the proper course and hole to make a call. If an official is certified, then he or she should have the power to make the final call. If not for this reason, then why does the PDGA certify officials?

2. The player can use the thrown disc as the marked lie under certain conditions instead of the mini disc. (Rule changed: 803.02)

A marker should be used all of the time or never. The rules must be as simple and consistent as possible. Who wants to keep track of the "certain conditions" where the mini is optional? Who's going to decide these conditions? Dr. Disc has had certain lies where it was impractical to mark with a mini. I asked to use the thrown disc as the marker, and the group said "yes." I'm sure this has happened to others, but do we need to change a rule for this rare occurrence?

3. The rules governing supporting point placement at the time of release are relaxed. The allowable distance behind the marker disc is increased from 30 centimeters to one meter. When teeing, the allowable distance behind the tee line is increased from two meters to three meters (or from anywhere on the tee pad, if one is provided). (Rules changed: 803.03A for the 30 cm to 1m change, and 803.01A for teeing off)

Dr. Disc believes that the reasoning behind the first part of the change (30 cm to one meter allowable distance) was intended to make run-ups on second shots easier. This allows the player more margin for error on the release point. Out in the open, there is no real advantage to being a meter away from the lie when releasing the disc. However, there is much to be gained when the shot is close to an obstacle like a big tree. It is a completely different shot when one stands in a pine tree 30 cm away from the marker as compared to a run-up-and-throw with a one meter of allowable distance. Think about it. As for relaxing the distance for teeing off, Dr. Disc doesn't have a problem with this. The angle of the tee pad shouldn't dictate how you play the hole.

4. The falling putt concept is eliminated. Instead, the player is prohibited from having either foot closer to the hole than the rear edge of the marker at the time the disc is released. (Rule changed: 803.03B)

What is really being changed here is the concept of the ten-meter putting zone. Currently, no follow through is allowed within ten meters of the hole. This change will allow a follow through as long as both feet were behind the marker when the disc was released. Dr. Disc has no opinion on this one, gentle golfers. Putting styles are such an individual thing, whatever works is Dr. Disc's guess.

5. Warnings for stance violations are eliminated. The first violation now incurs a penalty throw. (Rule changed: 803.03D)

Dr. Disc believes that a warning should be given. It lets you know that others are paying attention, so should you.

6. The term "lie" is redefined to internal consistency. (Rule changed: 806 the glossary)

The current definition of the term lie: "The spot on the ground over which a thrown disc has come to rest, and upon which the player takes his stance for the next throw." The proposed definition: "The spot on the ground upon which the player takes his stance in accordance with the rules." This is a housekeeping rule change, fine by Dr. Disc.

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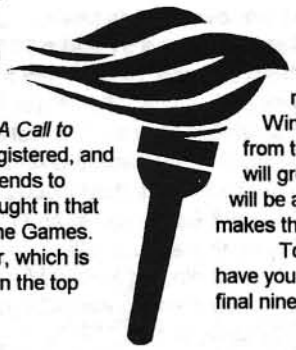
"I gotta buy another Cyclone. Got any orange ones? 172s with white stamp?"

A Nebraska disc golf record!

Eighty Registered for State Games

by David S. Nolte, Sport Director

The twelfth annual *Cornhusker State Games* begin this weekend, June 20-21, and the third year of disc golf is a record year. (Editor's Note: This breaks the record of seventy-nine registered for last year's *A Call to Arms* and *Star City Shoot-Out*.) Eighty participants are registered, and considering that we cannot invite our pros or out-of-state friends to compete, that is a terrific number. Thanks go to all who brought in that friend, family member, youngster, or other newcomer into the Games. The total participation in the Games is over 18,000 this year, which is short of a record, but still puts the Cornhusker State event in the top three State Games in the country.



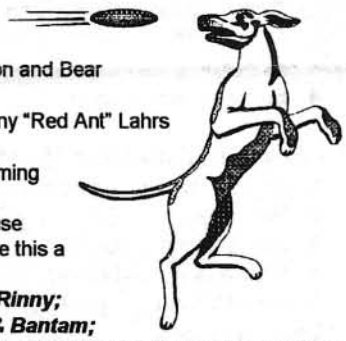
The exposure that this event gives our sport is tremendous, and with enrollment like we have this year, we are likely to be invited to return for several Games to come. The addition of the Cornhusker Winter Games in Omaha has brought higher numbers of participants from that city than ever before, so hopefully attendance at both events will grow at a healthy pace. There is a possibility that a disc golf event will be added to the Winter Games. Success in our event in the summer makes this a greater possibility, so lets hope...

To those of you who aren't competing, we would still be pleased to have you come provide moral support and add to the gallery watching the final nine on Sunday!

Canines Compete

by "Mr. Bill" Hulbert

The Second Annual Alpo Canine Frisbee competition in Omaha was held June 22nd at the Nebraska Humane Society, 88th & Fort. Severe storms on the morning of the event lowered the field to just eight dogs, but Society Administrator Beth Brown was so impressed with the dogs, the number of spectators who came to watch, and the amount of money and goods donated, that she wants to make it an annual Society event. The Omaha World Herald ran a picture with caption of Bantam (and me, "Mr. Bill") in the Sunday paper.



The winners for the second year in a row were Joanne Collins and Rinny, with Lincoln ultimate player Paul Larson and Bear finishing second.

Judges for the event were Anthony "Red Ant" Lahrs of the LFDC and Chuck Straub of the RCFDA. Christy Lahrs handled the timing chores. Look for a bigger and better canine competition in the future because Beth (mentioned earlier) wants to make this a truly huge event.

Results: 1. Joanne Collins & Rinny; 2. Paul Larson & Bear; 3. Mr. Bill & Bantam; 4. Paul Larson & Grizzly; 5. John Boyd & Shady; 6. Kurt Goetzinger & Chip; 7. Dwaine Sohnholtz & Jackson; 8. Marie Easton & Holly.

Juniors Compete

by Anthony "Red Ant" Lahrs

During the heat of the day, on June 30th, qualifier competition for the World Junior Frisbee contest was held at College View Academy . It was a hot sunny day with temps rising into the 90s. A slight north-northwest breeze offered minimal relief. Despite the heat, a field of eight hearty participants came forth to challenge their frisbee skills. Three events were held: distance, accuracy, and basic freestyle catches.

The event was both fun and challenging for participants and line judges. With Frisbees flying every where, I'm not sure who actually had more fun - the competitors throwing or the line judges returning the discs.

Demos were put on by Chris Oien, Nebraska's top pro disc golfer. Chris awed the youths by driving discs 350-400 feet across the open field. "Mr. Bill" Hulbert, a top freestylist in the State, charmed the crowd with his awesome finger spins and trick catches. Eyes really got big when Mr. Bill placed the spinning Frisbee on each of the kid's finger! Thanks to Bill and Chris!

Special thanks to the LFDC members who volunteered their time and donations for prizes. You are the ones that contributed to the smiles on the youths' faces! Thanks!

Resluts: 1. Caleb Lahrs, 6 yrs., Lincoln, NE; 2. Nathan Feather, 7 yrs., Lincoln, NE; 3. Jamie Fleege, 6 yrs., Lincoln, NE; 4. Jeffrey Martins, 5 yrs, Toronto, Canada; 4. Danton Lahrs, 5 yrs., Lincoln, NE; 6. Zach Englehart, 5 yrs. Loma Linda, CA; 7. Ryan Feather 11 yrs., Lincoln, NE; 8. Michael Martins, 7 yrs., Toronto, Canada.

Mini Golf & More

by Pat Raybould

Almost sounds like the annual club party is turning into a mini olympics. Thirty-eight partakers tried their luck at indoor miniature golf. Mike Fleege repeated as the champ after a tie forced a sudden death play-off with Chris Oien. A wide assortment of players sunk a combined total of fifty-five holes in one on the makeshift Southwood Clubhouse course.

Hey kids try this one. Get a stack of discs. Stand about fifteen feet from the pole hole and let them babies fly. Give yourself twenty seconds. How many discs made it into the basket? During the party Terry Parker made seventeen in that short time frame. Rick Fleege put in fifteen. Thirteen of the thirty-two contestants were able to drain at least ten or more putts in twenty seconds.

The music, provided by Jared Alberico, was greatly appreciated. Several door prizes were passed out to cap off another fine club party.

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with a pair of 49s. In round two, Clay and Troy Parker both shot 53s, giving Clay a four stroke victory over Parker's 103. Bob Walker's second round par brought him only one stroke behind Parker for third place. Schmidt, Scdoris, and Cronkhite rounded out the top six with a 105, 106, and 107, respectively.

Three women were tied after the first eighteen holes. Tara Proctor, Melanie Miller, and Anita Jackson all entered the second round with 59s. Proctor's second round 66 gave her a one stroke win over Miller's total of 126. Jackson shot a 130 and took third place.

Charles Straub over-powered the Advanced Am Masters shooting a 51 and a 56 to win the division by twelve strokes. Mr. Bill Hulbert and Ken Scdoris had a battle for second and third. After the first round, Hulbert had a mere one-stroke margin over Scdoris. But in the second round, Ken shot one stroke better than Mr. Bill. They tied at 119. Hulbert took the second place trophy after a coin toss.

World wide traveler and professional baseball player J.J. Muñoz shot par the first round to give him a three-stroke lead over Bruce Anderson and Seth Hakanson. By the end of the second round, Muñoz won the Amateur Men division by one stroke over Anderson's 118. Omaha's Lance Lincoln shot a 61 during the second round to win a third place trophy with a 120.

Bruce Jenison won the Novice division shooting a 132. Scott Bargenquast and Dennis Jacoba were the other two novice players. Each player received a trophy, a disc and hopefully will continue to play disc golf.

Thanks to all of the out-of-towners for coming to Omaha and playing *Spring Fever Fling #7*. We hope that each tournament is better than the last one, so keep coming back to Seymour Smith. Thanks also to the local golfers. TEN golfers from Omaha took home trophies and Terry Parker won $98 in the ace fund. Thanks for all of the support.

Spring Fever Fling #7
River City Flying Disc Association
April 20, 1996 Omaha, NE
Seymour Smith Disc Golf Course
Pro Purse: $592 Am Prize: $547
TD: Albert Nelson Field: 61

Pro Open (10) ($456)

1.	Aaron Slezak	Omaha, NE	48	49	97	$246
2.	Brad Milder	Riverside, IA	48	51	99	$142
3.	Matt Koerner	Minnea, MN	47	56	103	$ 68
4.	B. Wigersman	Minneapolis, MN	49	55	104	
5.	Chris Oien	Omaha, NE	53	52	105	
5.	Mark Ramsey	Iowa City, IA	51	54	105	
8.	Greg Rife	Minneapolis, MN	54	53	107	
8.	Sean Murphy	Des Moines, IA	53	54	107	
10.	Tim Peyton	Iowa	48	62	110	

Pro Master (4) ($136)

1.	Terry Parker	Council Bluffs, IA	48	51	99	$ 90
2.	Scott Innis	Grinnel, IA	47	52	99	$ 46
3.	Tom Cremer	Ottumwa, IA	46	58	104	
5.	Brad Packett	Lincoln, NE	54	54	108	

Advanced Amateur Men (25)

1.	Mike Clay	Oskaloosa, Iowa	46	53	99
2.	Troy Parker		50	53	103
3.	Bob Walker	Omaha, NE	50	54	104
4.	Phil Schmidt	Davey, NE	58	57	105
5.	K. Scdoris, Jr.	Lincoln, NE	49	57	106
6.	Lee Cronkhite	Mineapolis, MN	49	58	117
7.	Kurt Kopp	Omaha, NE	52	57	109
8.	Geo Zorbaugh	Omaha, NE	52	57	109
9.	Dave Peyton	Iowa	53	57	110
9.	Brian Kopp	Omaha, NE	51	59	110
9.	Jerry Barnett	Des Moines, IA	48	62	110
12.	Ray Fitzgerald	Des Moines, IA	56	55	111
12.	Karl Kopp	Omaha, NE	53	58	111
14.	Adam Osika	Omaha, NE	55	57	112
14.	Rick Fleege	Lincoln, NE	54	58	112
16.	Mark Pendgraft	Council Bluffs, IA	56	57	113
16.	Doug Peyton	Iowa	53	60	113
18.	John Talken	Lincoln, NE	57	59	116
19.	Bryan Crowdy	Council Bluffs, IA	56	62	118
19.	Rod Barnett	Des Moines, IA	55	63	118
22.	Anthony Lahrs	Lincoln, NE	59	60	119
23.	John Kruger		51	71	122
24.	Kim Theesen	Lincoln, NE	60	63	123
24.	Anthony Dutiel	La Vista, NE	57	66	123

Advanced Amateur Women (4)

1.	Tara Proctor	Oskaloosa, IA	59	66	125
2.	Melanie Miller	Omaha, NE	59	67	126
3.	Anita Jackson	Lincoln, NE	59	71	130
4.	Sonya Oliverson	Iowa	64	77	141

Advanced Amateur Masters (5)

1.	Chuck Straub	Omaha, NE	51	56	107
2.	Bill Hulbert	Omaha, NE	54	65	119*
3.	Ken Scdoris	Lincoln, NE	55	64	119
4.	Melvin Joy	Lincoln, NE	64	65	129
5.	David Wood	Omaha, NE	62	69	131

* Decided by playoff

Amateur Men (10)

1.	JJ Muñoz	The Planet	54	63	117
2.	Bruce Anderson	Lincoln, NE	57	61	118
3.	Lance Lincoln	Omaha, NE	59	61	120
4.	Mike Crowdy	Council Bluffs, IA	62	62	124
5.	Seth Hakanson	Omaha, NE	57	70	127
6.	Lee Rife	Minneapolis, MN	58	72	130
7.	Pete VanBrunt	Omaha, NE	63	68	131
7.	Jon Kemling	Lincoln, NE	62	69	131
9.	Mike Ricketts	Omaha, NE	62	70	132
10.	James Hodges	Omaha, NE	69	69	138

Novice (3)

1.	Bruce Jenison	Omaha, NE	63	69	132
2.	S.Bargenquast	Omaha, NE	75	75	150
3.	Dennis Jacoba	Omaha, NE	78	82	160

Ace Fund - CTP Throw Off: Terry Parker - $98

"OK, let's make it a rule then..."

River City Flying Disc Association News

by "Mr. Bill" Hulbert

Thanx to all the people who participated in the April course clean up. We collected over twenty bags of trash, pruned enough trees to make hole #4 nearly mowable, and moved a couple tons of dirt from the new tees. Special thanks to Larry wallace, Pete VanBrunt, Mike Ricketts, Greg, Deb & Cody Cossi, Chuck Straub, and Aaron Slezak. They sacrificed a lazy Saturday morning to shovel, spread and level the tons of dirt from the tees. Entertainment was ably provided by Larry's dog Tasha.

Chuck pruning the apple tree

The Parks Department has taken strong notice notice of our clean-up efforts, higher visibility PR events, and the quantum leap in course use. If you appreciate the regular mowing, trimming and seeding, please take a couple of minutes to write a letter to Jerry Flood, Park Maintenance, 1523 South 24th Street, Omaha, NE, 68108. Also, the park has a new caretaker, David Berg. If you meet or see him on the course, thank him, smile at him, shake his hand, and/or give him two thumbs up. He's the best thing going for disc golf in Omaha.

Awesome Pad(s) - Thanks, Brad!!
This spring Brad Packett dipped deeply into his own pocket to have tees professionally installed on hole #5. We applaud his altruistic philanthropy. (Go ahead - Look 'em up!)

Mr. Bill is now handling River City's disc sales. RCFDA member's price: $5.25, Non-member's price: $7. Call him at (402) 393-6370.

The Council Bluffs Manawa Course has been slowed by wet weather and misguided beauracratic priorities. But have faith - it will be in before the end of summer.

The next group of tee pads are going into Seymour very soon. We'll have more than half of the pads ready for *A Call to Arms*.

4.0 Disc Golfer

Chris Markey is a 4.0 student at Creighton University and one heck of a good guy. This spring he did an extra credit community service project by installing a bench and twin flower gardens behind hole #1B tee. Fellow student Amy Ramaekers helped with the digging and planting while Chris recycled a creeek log into bench uprights. If you like it, tell him. If you don't like it, sit on it.

Amy relaxes after a job well done

Many of you know Kim Theesen's stance on the geriatric divisions. Being in the over forty group, I agree the ages should be raised. It took a bit of arm twisting to get Kim to offer the Advanced Am Masters division in the *Shoot-Out* at the current 35+ age, and I'm glad seven of us could compete with our peers. Any of us could have been DFL in other divisions, but I got to compete - quite closely as it turned out - with a great group of mature gentlemen. On behalf of those of us with declining physical, dental, and digestive capabilities, I want to thank Kim for his ethical compromise.

ACE

Pete VanBrunt...Hole #15A-A...Seymour Smith Disc Golf Course...May 13, 1996...Plastic Used: Cyclone ... Witnesses: His wife, Joan VanBrunt and their dog, Max...This was Pete's first ace and I for one am very proud! Submitted by Kim (Pete's daughter).

Thu, 04 Apr 1996 08:56:58...rec.sport.disc...<DG> New Texas Courses... jrhouck@aol.com...JRHouck at America Online, Inc. (1-800-827-6364)

Texas is experiencing an incredible growth spurt right now. Don't worry, your area will too someday. Since January 1st, 1996:
THREE NEW COURSES INSTALLED: Texas A&M University, Research Park (18 holes); Grapevine, Bear Creek Park (9 holes); A Middle School outside Houston has installed nine baskets!
THREE NEW COURSES ORDERED: Galveston County Parks, Jack Brooks Park (18 holes); Woodway, Woodway Park (9 holes now, 9 more later); Mineral Wells, Greenbelt (9 holes)
NEW COURSE BUDGETED: Corpus Christi, West Guth Park (18 holes)
BASKETS ON HAND, COURSE TO BE INSTALLED ANY DAY: Clute, City Park (9 holes)

In addition, Riverside Park in Victoria has added 4 baskets. Players working with the Greek system have raised money for 9 baskets in Nacogdoches. Waco has raised money for at least 2 baskets to start a new course at Viking Hills park in Waco. And the Circular Skies Tour will donate at least 2 new courses this year. Several other entities are close to ordering courses, including a State park, more schools, and a golf resort. Your head, it simply swirls! In all, it looks like Texas will have at least 12 new courses before the end of 1996. How long will it last? Looks like there's no end in sight. Come check 'em out!

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Lincoln's Mel Joy. Mike "I live for this tourney" Gorman of Cedar Rapids, defeated Bret George, Iowa City, in a playoff after both shot 250.

A tight race in the Intermediate Am Men found Lincoln's B.J. Gardner winning with a 240. Jon Kemling, also from Lincoln, shot a 241 to take second. La Vista's Tony Dutiel scored 242 for third. Respectively, Lincoln's Rick Nelson and Omaha's Mike Crowdy finished with a 245 and 254 to take the fourth and fifth place trophy positions.

Three Lincoln entries in the Recreational (formerly Novice) division did battle with Kendall Weyers' 129 taking first place. Corey Wessels' 152 and Kelly Stoddard's 153 finished second and third respectively. The four juniors, all from Lincoln were headed by Ryan Baines who shot an impressive 126 for two rounds. Rounding out the card was Michelle Bilbo, Caleb Lahrs and Jamie Fleege.

Once again this year's *Shoot-Out* was highlighted by the addition of the North Nine, designed by Anita Jackson and Rick Fleege. In round one, the Open and Advanced Ams played the temp holes along with the permanent #10-#18. In order to avoid five-somes, the rest of the field played #1-#9 twice with some cleverly designed alternate tees. The putting contest was won by Jeff Harper and the ace fund was collected by Bob Walker on a most-fair-non-biased-flat-100 foot straight shot... that was not CTP, but in the basket!

Saturday night featured a social gathering at Brewsky's for food, beverages, and door prizes. Thanks again goes out to all of our sponsors and contributors: The Blaze, Coke-a-Cola, Meadow Gold Dairy, Disc Golf Journal, Lincoln Sports and Rec, Red Baron Pizza, ATOS Computers, Dier's Screen Printing, Disc 'n Dat, Sport Disc Pro Shop, Husker Supply Co., Hy Electric, Kristi Vandenbosch, Laminates Plus, Lincoln Laminating, Pat Raybould, Deb Beckler, Parker's Painting, Rix Rax, Mr. Bill & the RCFDA, State Distributing, SpellBound Books & Games, Village Inn, and Walnut Creek Cabinets, Inc.

Star City Shoot-Out
June 1-2, 1996, Interstate Disc Golf Course
Max E. Roper Park, Lincoln, NE
Pro Purse: $900 Prizes: $1128
TD: Kim R. Theesen, #7513 Field: 65

Open - Men (12)

1. Laron Harris, Kansas City, MO	47	50	47	52	196	$300
2. Timmy Gill, Kansas City, MO	53	50	49	49	201	$180
3. Jeff Harper, Coralville, IA	50	51	47	54	202	$125
4. Christopher Oien, Omaha, NE	51	52	50	51	204	$ 75
5. Todd Henry, Kansas City. MO	50	51	51	53	205	
6. Otto Spiers, Kansas City, MO	51	52	49	57	209	
7. Aaron Slezak, Omaha, NE	51	55	54	53	213	
8. Brad Milder, Riverside, IA	57	53	54	54	218	
9. Rodney Gardner, W. Des Moines	58	56	54	53	221	
9. Jeff Mullen, Cedar Rapids, IA**	54	58	52	57	221	
11. Jon Latch, Ankeny, IA	55	62	51	56	224	
12. Sean Murphy, Urbandale, IA	53	55	65	54	227	

Pro Master - Men (6)

1. Brad Ramsay, Lincoln, NE	54	58	52	52	216	$140
2. Scott Innis, Grinnell, IA	54	57	54	52	217	$ 80
3. Randy Lee, Waterloo, IA	60	58	52	53	223	
3. Albert Nelson, Omaha, NE**	53	58	54	58	223	
5. Robert Springman, Cedar Rapids	60	60	57	57	234	
6. Brad Packett, Lincoln, NE	59	62	55	59	235	

Advanced Amateur - Men (20)

1. Iqbal Jehan, KC, KS	55	58	49	56	218
2. Tim Elder, KC, MO	51	58	54	56	219
3. Troy McElroy, Cedar Rapids, IA	53	58	54	55	220
4. Blake Needles, Lincoln, NE	58	55	53	57	223
5. Bob Walker, Omaha, NE	56	59	52	57	224
6. Mike Susanin, Des Moines, IA	59	57	51	57	224*
7. Kent George, Coralville, IA	55	61	52	59	227
8. Mike Fleege, Lincoln, NE	58	58	52	60	228
9. George Zorbaugh, Omaha, NE	59	61	54	56	230
10. Phil Schmidt, Davey, NE	61	60	52	58	231
11. Kenny Scdoris, Jr., Lincoln, NE	58	63	54	57	232
12. Stuart Brown, Lincoln, NE**	59	63	50	62	234
12. John Talken, Lincoln, NE	58	59	53	64	234
14. Mark Pendgraft, Council Bluffs, IA	60	57	58	60	235
15. Bryan Crowdy, Council Bluffs, IA	61	60	54	62	237
16. Eric Dierkens, Maryville, MO	61	57	61	61	240
16. Anthony Lahrs, Lincoln, NE	62	62	55	64	240
18. Rick Fleege, Lincoln, NE	63	66	57	58	244
19. Nathan Pinch, Lincoln, NE	72	67	--	--	DNF
20. Jaye Ott, Lincoln, NE	68	--	--	--	DNF

Advanced Amateur - Women (4)

1. Anita Jackson, Lincoln, NE	62	59	60	61	242
2. Sandy Susanin, Des Moines, IA	70	63	63	67	253
3. Becky Zallek, Des Moines, IA**	69	72	68	73	282
4. Deb Beckler, Lincoln, NE	72	67	80	77	296

Advanced Amateur Masters (7)

1. "Mr. Bill" Hulbert, Omaha, NE**	62	60	58	63	243
2. Mel Joy, Lincoln, NE	63	64	58	61	246
3. Mike Gorman, Cedar Rapids, IA	64	60	61	65	250*
4. Bret George, Iowa City, IA	68	61	62	59	250
5. Ken Scdoris, Lincoln, NE	72	65	64	63	264
6. Pete Van Brunt, Omaha, NE	71	65	63	68	267
7. Pat Raybould, Lincoln, NE	73	68	61	73	275

*won playoff

Intermediate Amateur - Men (7)

1. B.J. Gardner, Lincoln, NE	53	63	59	65	240
2. Jon Kemling, Lincoln, NE	53	63	62	63	241
3. Tony Dutiel, La Vista, NE	55	64	62	61	242
4. Rick Nelson, Lincoln, NE**	51	64	65	65	245
5. Mike Crowdy, Omaha, NE	56	69	61	68	254
6. Jerry Rejda, Lincoln, NE	59	69	64	67	262
7. John Boldt, Lincoln, NE	59	70	--	--	DNF

Intermediate Amateur Women (2)

1. Mary Kay Vestecka, Lincoln, NE**	82	86	71	70	309
2. Michelle Thomas, Shawnee, KS	92	98	103	91	384

Recreational (3)

1. Kendall Weyers, Lincoln, NE	60	69	129
2. Cory Wessels, Lincoln, NE	70	82	152
3. Kelly Stoddard, Lincoln, NE	73	80	153

Junior (4)†

1. Ryan Baines	56	70	126
2. Michelle Bilbo	73	91	164
3. Caleb Lahrs	63	59	122
4. Jamie Fleege	66	62	128

† 3. & 4. played from short tees in round 2

Misc. Winners

Putting Contest: Jeff Harper ($64)
Ace Fund/CTP Throw-Off: Bob Walker ($94)
**Won Closest to Pin Prize...A delicious Village Inn Pie

Tentative date for next year's Shoot-Out is June 7-8, with second choice being May 31-June 1. Mark your calendars today!

"Why 30cm? I say make it a 100mm...a long cigarette!"

(Dr. Disc - Proposed Rules Changes...continued from page 2)

7. The penalty for a disc at rest above two meters is eliminated. (Rule changed: 803.07B)
Gentle Golfers, Dr. Disc can't believe the amount of controversy this one generated on the rec.sport.disc electronic news group on the Internet! Let's just say that opinions are very strong both ways. Dr. Disc imagines it may have something to do with how many trees there are on your course. Strong arguments were made for both keeping the two-meter rule and eliminating it. Dr. Disc is not going to touch this one with a two-meter stick! The best compromise proposed on the Internet was eliminating the two meter rule, but allowing the TD to make certain trees or groups of trees OB when two meters up on a course-by-course or tourney-by-tourney basis. This would make allowances for courses where there are few trees and courses where trees are everywhere.

8. The allowable time to search for a lost disc is increased from two minutes to three minutes. (Rule changed: 803.10A)
Dr. Disc sees no problem with this change. The two-minute rule has been some what arbitrarily applied in the past. Now we can arbitrarily apply a three-minute rule.

9. The penalty for incorrect scorecard total in the player's favor is reduced to two throws regardless of the magnitude of the error. (Rule changed: 804.03E)
Currently, the penalty for bad math *not* in your favor is to let the additional strokes remain. The penalty for bad math *in* your favor is to add three penalty strokes to the corrected score for each erroneous stroke in the player's favor. So, if you shot a 55 and wrote down 56 by mistake, the 56 would stand with no additional strokes for bad math added. However, if you shot a 56 but wrote 55 by mistake, you would have to add the one stroke that you missed and 3 more for not being able to add well for a total of 59. Granted, strokes in your favor help you out more than strokes against you, but the penalty seems a bit extreme. A two-stroke penalty for bad math skills is enough.

10. Cracked discs are now legal. (Rule changed: 802.01B)
This seems to go against all of the technical standards that the PDGA has implemented in the past years to equalize play. Taken to the extreme, one could "crack" a disc so it resembles and flies like an "Aerobee." That's not fair now is it? Dr. Disc sez, keep cracked (or broken, busted, or severely chipped) discs illegal.

11. The Master, Grand Master, and Senior Grand Master ages are increased by five years to 40, 50, and 60, respectively. (Rule changed: 804.08E-G)
Chit-chat on rec.sport.disc seems to be all in favor of this change and has been for years. Age alone should not be the sole determiner of classification. Ability and pay out should also be factors in the decision of where to play. The Open division should be *the premiere division*. It should cost the most to enter, but also gives the most rewards. In many tourneys, there is little or no difference in the amount charged and cash added to the Open and Masters divisions. Many times the Masters winner would have placed in the top three of the Open division had he played there. Dr. Disc believes that cash added to the Open division should be at least two to three times any cash added to the Masters division. More is risked in an open division, compared to when you are segregated by age and not ability. "Crazy" John Brooks is old enough to play in the Masters division but doesn't. He could win easier in the Masters division, so why doesn't he play there? Because he still has the skills to beat guys ten years younger than him. He risks more by playing against "all comers" than just playing guys his own age, so he should be rewarded more for doing well. Okay, enough of the soapbox speech.

12. The out-of-bounds line is now out instead of in. (Rule changed: 803.08A)
All this does is to change the imaginary OB line. Has there been a problem with this in the past? If it ain't broke, don't fix it.

13. The penalty for late scorecard is reduced from six throws to two throws. (Rule changed: 804.03G)
Similar to the penalty for bad math skills, tardiness should be a two-throw penalty. Let's remember golfers, this penalty is taken by EVERYONE on the card. Yes, the person leading the card is responsible for getting it back to the scorekeeper promptly after the round. As a member of the card, *you* will be penalized if the card is late.

14. The penalty for carrying an illegal disc is reduced to a single two-throw penalty regardless of the number of holes the disc is carried. The penalty for unmarked discs is separated from the penalty for illegal disc, and is reduced to a warning for the first offense. (Rules affected: 802.01B-C, E-F for illegal discs and 802.01D for unmarked discs.)
This sounds reasonable to Dr. Disc.

Well, gentle golfers, there you have the *Reader's Digest* condensed version for the proposed rules changes. There are many other changes proposed to the rule book. Some of these additions to the rule book include: new section 801.04 Playing the Stipulated Course, a section 802.04 Artificial Devices dealing with the use of an artificial device to aid in throwing. Several sections have been completely rewritten such as sections 803.03 Stance and 803.04 Obstacles and Relief. Be an informed tournament golfer, read and respond to these proposed rules changes! You may obtain a copy of the proposed changes by writing to Becky Powell at PDGA Headquarters, P.O. Box 1738 Weatherford, TX, 76086. The cost is $3.00 to cover copying and mailing. If you ask Dr. Disc really nice-like, you may be able to get a copy of the proposed changes by calling *The Flyer* hotline: 476-8892. So long for now, gentle golfers. See you on the course!

Notes from the Editor

Disc golf in the Cornhusker State Games sets a Nebraska record. Eighty amateurs have registered in advance. Yes! This *may* be the tremor felt before the explosion... On-site registration's days are numbered.

I am planning a special edition for the next *Flyer*. I have lots of notes that I made concerning the *Star City Shoot-Out,* tourney preparation, and the on-going masters age debate upon which I will pontificate in issue No. 22. In addition to RCFDA's *A Call to Arms* and the *Cornhusker State Games,* we will feature some more of Larry Sheffield's photography from the *Shoot-Out*. It will be packed with photos from the year (so far). If you have some snapshots and/or stories, send 'em in, especially if you've taken a trip to a tourney or just to play on some exotic, new course.

In addition, the next issue will be a *member's only edition*. If your membership status is questionable (and you know who you are ...*You know you know...*), call me or Mr. Bill and renew.

If you have not donated to the LFDC, RCFDA, AC2A, SCS-O, or CSG in some way, you won't get the next Flyer. It's time to trim our mailing list. Please consider joining a club and subscribing to *The Flyer*.

The water fountain is in at Interstate Disc Golf Course in Lincoln. Ahh, the pause that refreshes. Thanks again to the Parks and Rec's Neighborhood Park Self-Help Grant Program. I helped Mel Joy, Pat Raybould, and Deb Beckler in moving the removed earth back in to the trench. Plus, with aid of Mel's truck, we built up the eroded fronts of tee pads #7, #15, and #16.

Last but not least...

As of this writing Anita and I are less than 48 hours away from lift off to Great Britain. We plan to play in the British Open on the weekend of the 27-28. Wish us luck... and this will not only be Anita's international debut, but her open division debut as well.

Oh yeah... and I've decided that I'm *playing* in next year's Star City Shoot-Out.

See you blokes on a tee in August...

OMAHA, NEBRASKA

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August 10-11 SALINA OPEN SALINA, KANSAS	...Clint Donaldson (913) 825-1584	Blackhawk Metro Open Saturday, Sept. 14 Waterloo, Iowa	...D.L. Redman (319) 342-2347
Des Moines Open Sunday, August 25th	...Steve Nixt (515) 999-2279	Kansas State Flying Disc Championships September 14 & 15 Kansas City	...Rick Rothstein (816) 471-3472
August 31 - September 1 Edgewood Labor Day Classic Madrid, Iowa	...Jeff Adams (515) 795-2687	Lake Shawnee Open Saturday, September 28th Topeka, Kansas	...Jim Conant (913) 654-2488
Saturday, Sept. 7 NEWTON PARK Newton, Iowa	...Scott Innis (515) 236-7843	OCTOBERFRIZ! OCTOBER 11-13, WINFIELD, KS	...Harvey Barger (316) 221-1017 Attendence will be taken. Excused absences for births and deaths only.

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