

DIEPPE 2011 ISA SINGLES MEETING REPORT

November 10, 2010

We held a meeting today to finalize the broad details of the 2011 International World Singles Championships to be held in Dieppe, New Brunswick, Canada. In attendance were Earl Ball, ISA President, Beth Allen, ISA Treasurer, Gary Piper, President of the Canadian National Shuffleboard Association, Henry Strong, V.P. CNSA, Bill Pollock, Director CNSA, Myrna Bilton, Secretary CNSA, Don Breau, Host Dieppe Singles, Terry Rainwater, Host of the completed Betmar Singles, David Earle, incoming Secretary of the ISA, Glenn Monroe, Dieppe Singles Tournament Director. Guests present were Rendell Bilton, Barbra Piper, and Lorraine Pollock.

I started the meeting by reviewing the history that brought about the World Singles and the requirements to host the event. Host Don Breau took us through the itinerary which is very much like the one used at Betmar. We start with a „meet and greet“ at the tournament site on the evening of August 2nd. Wednesday begins with the formal opening ceremony and the „draw“. Play starts Wednesday afternoon and is completed on Sunday afternoon. There will be a Hall of Fame Banquet and an awards Banquet. There are several other activities planned, without cost, which will be made available in the evenings. The cost will be C\$210.00 to the tournament host and US\$50.00 payable to the ISA Treasurer.

Beth lead a discussion as pertains to the costs to be cover by the ISA which are the Patch, Medals for each participant, office supplies necessary to run the tournament, engraving of the trophies, flags for each player and there may have been a few other minor things that I can not recall. Allen Shuffleboard will again furnish the „Golden Cues“ presented to the Champions.

We had an extensive conversation concerning the number of players that could take part and settled on 32 men and 32 women. Canada also has an Inter-Provincial Tournament taking place in the same time frame in Alberta, Canada and can not jeopardize that tournament by having players play in the International event at the expense of not having teams from each Province. I explained that each of the six member Countries and our unconfirmed member, Norway would be entitled to four men and four women each and that would leave four spots for men and four spots for women in the rest of the World.

Dieppe has school buses available to transport our players from the suggested Hotels to the Arena. The suggested Hotels will cost about C\$125.00 per night. We agreed that I would put together the official announcement for Dieppe and I will do that as soon as I get the Bank information from Don Breau. It appears the deadline to register your players will be March 1st with payment due April 1st.

Earl Ball, ISA President