



## BRAZILIAN SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT TO THE INTERNATIONAL SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION

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Hello all,

This year has been another difficult one, but hopefully the pandemic is coming to an end very soon. Many Brazilian shuffleboard players have been diagnosed with COVID-19, but fortunately they are well now.

I feel sorry for the USA National Shuffleboard Association and the organizer committee that have been working hard to put a wonderful event in San Benito, Texas and suddenly needed to cancel it. But the important thing is that everybody stay safe.

The good news is that the Department of Education of a big city in the south region of the country, called Maringa, which has more than 400,000 inhabitants, has started to use shuffleboard in their Physical Education classes of "EJA", a public educational program that teaches adult students (of all ages) that could not go to school at the appropriate age. They use shuffleboard to make connections with maths and physical classes. Since the beginning, the ABS is supporting them, providing all the necessary rules, technics and strategies. The project has started in less than two months, and is engaging more than 1,500 students from 25 schools. On this month, October, there will be a internal tournament in each school, and the winners will qualify for the championship between the schools, scheduled for 16 - 21 November. We are posting pictures on our social media (@ShuffleboardBrasil).

Besides that, we continue to promote the sport through public presentations in parks, schools, recreational clubs, etc, in Niteroi and Rio.

We are looking forward to meeting everyone again next year in Canada.

Best regards,

**Bernar Borges**

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