AUDREY DENNY

OSA PLAYER & SECRETARY TREASURER

1940-2009

Ladies Shuffleboard Beginnings

Audrey Denny started playing shuffleboard when there were still a men's and ladies room in the hotels. (remember that?)



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While there was a shuffleboard in the Ladies room, the men could come in and the husbands showed the girls how to play and then went back to their own side of the Hotel. Several of the girls teamed up and improved their game to take on all comers.

Ladies were not allowed to play in the League at that time but Audrey would keep score for the Charles Hotel team and watched.

One night they did not have sufficient players to play against the other team and the men decided that Audrey was good enough to play.

From then on she was considered a member of the team and was instrumental in getting other women to play.

For a few years she organized a mixed league in the Charles Hotel.

While she was now eligible to play in the league, ladies were still not allowed to play in any Tournaments, but Audrey would run them.

One time one of the players did not have a partner so she was asked to play.

After that she recruited other women to play in Tournaments as well as the League.

1981 was the first time ladies were allowed to play in the Ontario Playdowns.

Audrey was voted in as Secretary of the United Shuffleboard League and ran all their tournaments

Audrey Has Held Many Positions

In 1981 she was voted Secretary of the Ontario Shuffleboard Association and held that position until 1987.

In 1987 she was voted in as Secretary/Treasurer of the Canadian Shuffleboard Congress and held that position for approximately 3 years.

In 1991 she was voted Secretary/Treasurer of the Ontario Shuffleboard Association, a position she still holds.

As such she convenes the Tournaments in Milton and the Ontario Playdowns.

Audrey also has successfully convened the 1986, 1999 and 2006 Canadian Shuffleboard Championships

Long time competitor



Dancing up a storm at the 2006 CSC in Kitchener Ontario

Audrey has played in the Canadian Shuffleboard Playdowns in the Ladies Doubles in 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1989, 1997 and 2004 as well as the mixed doubles in 1982 and the Ladies Singles in 1982, 1983 and 1984.

She has also played all across Canada including St. John, N.B., in 1990 where Ontario won the **Grand Aggregate** for the first time at the Canadian Congress Championships.

She continues to play in the United Shuffleboard League every week and some of the Ontario qualifying tournaments throughout the year.

Audrey is a huge asset to the OSA Executive.

She says she loves Shuffleboard and still has lots of games left in her!



Audrey convening Milton tournament