

SUGGESTIONS FOR SCORERS . . .

Scorekeepers are in demand by most all of our players and we heartily encourage all those who are not playing or who are present at the courts to actively participate in this practice. Just remember how nice it is when YOU have a scorer for your match and keep in mind that OTHER PLAYERS are also equally pleased to have this task performed for them, too. Following are a dozen suggestions for our scorers to assist you in the performance of this important task:

- ✓ Make sure that before a match begins, all necessary "tools of the trade" are handy, namely: chalk, eraser, pencil, scorecard and, of course, a chair for your comfort.
- ✓ Make plain, well-defined figures so they can be readily seen and understood from BOTH ends of the court.
- ✓ Post all scores immediately upon their being called to you. Yellow scores are generally called first, so post Yellow scores first, etc.
- ✓ Tally only those scores called by the referee (if any) or by the player charged with the responsibility of calling the scores to you.
- ✓ When Penalties are to be assessed, make proper notation of same on scoreboard and adjust score accordingly at end of round.
- ✓ Do not block scoreboard from view of players at either end of court. Step aside as soon as scores are posted.
- ✓ When a game is complete, post scores on scorecard and present it to referee (if any) and players to check scores for accuracy and also to enable them to determine their game strategy.
- ✓ If you need relief from your duties for any reason, make sure the referee and/or players are aware that you're leaving the court.
- ✓ Scorers should show no favoritism nor give any player an unfair advantage by any of his/her actions.
- ✓ It is improper for scorer to converse unnecessarily with players or spectators. Do not distract or disturb players in any manner, not only on your court but on adjacent courts as well. Remain alert and keep abreast of play on your court so you may be able to assist the referee should he/she require any information. However, do not enter into any disputes unless ASKED to do so by the Referee, the Divisional Referee, or the players themselves if they require information from you.

We hope that you will volunteer early and often as a Scorekeeper. If you do you will be a "friend" to the players and a distinct benefit to the sport of Shuffleboard.