

DOUG AND PAT STOCKMAN
HALL OF FAME INDUCTION
2018

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To reflect on our shuffleboard background is an interesting story. Unlike many of you who started playing in tournaments early in your shuffleboard career, we began by shuffling seven days a week at Sanlan. In addition we were involved in an active interpark program, playing as partners. Eventually we felt we needed a challenge beyond park and interpark play and decided to try our first tournament at Winter Haven. We moved along at the same rate and within two years achieved pro status. We have been blessed with our tournament play as we have met so many accomplished shufflers and outstanding people. Many of those we have met have become lifelong friends.

We have played in three Canadian Interprovincial Tournaments, as well as one International Tournament with good success. A private members bill by the Nova Scotia Legislature has recognized our success at the interprovincial and international levels. We have both served on the executive of the Nova Scotia Saltwater Shuffleboard Club since its beginning and are active participants there during the summer months.

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