

Earl "Lofty" Haskin
Hall of Fame Induction
2014
Presented by Earl Ball

Lofty started playing shuffleboard for fun in 1996. He played in his park, Wagon Wheel, located in Bowling Green, Florida. He played in a Sebring tournament in December 1996 and came in with Hilbert Jensen, also a Wagon Wheel resident. He also came in at Avon Park with Armand Jobin in January 1997, and then, later in January, with Bill Ryan in Sebring.

Ralph Day recognized his potential and picked him up at Wagon Wheel and drove him to Betmar to play with him.

Lofty started playing shuffleboard seriously in the 1998-1999 season. He made State Amateur and also qualified to play in the Central District Top 8 and got second place.

In 1999-2000 he advanced to Pro status and played in the District Masters held in Betmar.

As a Pro, Lofty made the Central District Masters several more years.

In 2004 in the Winter Haven state mixed doubles tournament, he played with his wife, Diana, and got First in the Main. There were 87 teams that year.

In 2013 he made the Central District Hall of Fame in Winter Haven playing with Andy Kisacky.