

Eagle Fans Present Awards

THE Ninth Annual Eagles Fan Club Awards Banquet was held Saturday, March 19 at the Oswego Elk's Club and was well attended by over 300 drivers, fans and families.

After dinner and the introduction of Club Officers, Board Members and honored guests, the presentation of awards followed with Rich Goldstein and Roy Sovo acting as Toastmasters.

First the Driver of the Month Awards were presented by Don Wallace to Brian Herb for June and Warren Coniam for July.

Diane White then presented the Club Appreciation Award to both Ray Greia and Don Wallace.

The Pit Pal award this year went to Howard Conkey from presenter Ron Wallace. Driver Jamie Moore was the recipient of the Hard Luck Award from Pete Trenca.

Wimpy Coerse then presented the Most Consistent Award to Doug Heveron while the Personality Award went to Ida Conkey of Show Car Speed Shop from Jim Ferlito.

The Canuck Award went to the Coerse Family, Brian, Brenda, Wimpy and Louise, presented by fellow Canadian Don Rammage. Ray and Sally Van Patten then presented the Effort Award to Mark Letcher.

The final regular award presentation was made by Lorraine Trenca to Betty Gioia for the Woman Behind the Scene Award. Several Special Presentations were then made at the Eagles Awards Banquet.

Joe Gosek made the presentation of Most Improved to Brian Herb

and Shirley Wallace presented the Sportsmanship Award to Steve Gioia. Mike McLaughlin was presented the Vertasile Award by Virginia Pirro.

The I.S.M.A. Awards were then presented by that group's President, Steve Gioia to Doug Heveron (First Place), Steve Gioia (Second Place) and Jim Brown (Third Place).

The Dave Snyder Memorial Awards were presented by Mark Letcher to Jim Soule, Betty Warren, President of the Eagles Fan Club then presented the coveted Driver of the Year Award to Oswego Speedway Track Champion Doug Heveron.

After a special birthday gift presentation to Mark Letcher from Norm Mackereith, Betty Warren presented the Recognition Award to Anna Lamb and her son Butch for the efforts put forth on the Jim Shampine Day at the Pinarama in the fall.

The Driver of the Month of August was Jim Shampine and Wendell Howard made the award presentation to Leona Shampine. Words were then given by Darrell Peckham on the late Jim Shampine.

The Dedication Award, renamed this year to the Jim Shampine Memorial Award, was presented by Cindy Dibello to Leona Shampine. Leona also was presented the Special Award by Butch Beshures and wife. A letter regarding the John Roberts Memorial Award written by Nolan Swift was read by Rich Goldstein.

Finally, the I.S.M.A. and Oswego Best Point Accumulator was Doug Heveron with Mike Crucetti and Kathy Rose acting as the presenters.



Shirley Wallace presented the Sportsmanship Award to Steve Gioia.



Jamie Moore (left) accepted the Hard Luck Award from Pete Trenca.



Ida Conkey was presented the Personality Award from Jim Ferlito.



Lorraine Trenca (left) presents the Woman Behind the Scenes Award to Steve Gioia's mother, Betty.

Photos by Don Kranz



Eagles Fan Club Proxy Betty Warren (center), presents the Recognition Award to Anna and Butch Lamb.



Wimpy Coerse (center) accepts the Driver of the Year Award in the absence of Doug Heveron from Marv and Betty Warren.



Presented by fellow Canadian Don Rammage, the Canuck Award went to the Coerse Family, from the left Brenda, Louise, Wimpy and Brian.



The Dedication Award went to Leona Shampine, wife of the late Jim Shampine. In the photo from left during the presentation are Betty Warren, Cindy Dibello, Leona Shampine and Wendell Howard.

