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## COMPLETE RESULTS from the 33rd INDIANA OPEN

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### OPEN DIVISION (35)

1st Darrell Marcus (Chicago)  
2nd Joe Sylvester (Troy, MI)  
C 1 Don Desmond (Chicago)  
C 2 Tom Walthes (Chicago)

### OPEN DOUBLES (25)

1st Howard Markowitz/Bobbie Shifrin (Chicago)  
2nd TAK Morioka/Joann Feinstein (Chicago)  
3 John Hicks/Carl Severino  
(Princeton, IN/Peoria, IL)  
4 Greg Varbanov/Marni Ryder  
(Ft. Wayne, IN/Dayton, OH)

### INTERMEDIATE DIVISION (30)

1st George Barr (Chicago)  
2nd Rick Schuman (Canton, MI)  
C 1 Bobbie Shifrin (Chicago)  
C 2 John O'Hagan (South Bend)

### LIMITED DOUBLES (8)

1st Emil & Wanda Mortuk (Oxford, MI)  
2nd Al & Patti Imm (Valparaiso, IN)

### NOVICE (19)

1st Marni Ryder (Dayton, OH)  
2nd Chuck Nordstrom (Flint, MI)  
C 1 Troy Farah (Flint, MI)

### SUNDAY JACKPOT (8)

1st Jack Fagan (St. Louis)  
2nd Ron Stur (Chicago)

### JUNIOR/BEGINNER

1st Mike Fisher (Columbus, OH)

### SUNDAY 7-POINT FREEZE-OUT

1st Kathy Posner (Chicago)

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