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WF WF Spades Tournament

Nil-Bots Steam to Spades Title

It's official! **Tony Papa** and **Ray Wottrich**, aka "the **Nil-Bots**", teamed up to capture the 2nd Annual WF WF Spades Championship.....and you thought there was no living with them before.



Eight teams met at Bruder Manor to compete for the prestigious 'Whine Free, Wimp Free' title. The round-robin preliminaries were held to determine the four semi-finalists. Out of the round-robin emerged four strong contenders for the crown:

#1	Midnight Owls Jo Stone / Susan Thompson	v	#4	Signature Bidders Earl & Linda Stickles
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#2	Superior Intelligence Vonnie Reff / Laurie Koss	v	#3	Nil-Bots Tony Papa / Ray Wottrich
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In the semi-finals, the **Signature Bidders** stunned the **Midnight Owls** while the **Nil-Bots** outlasted **Superior Intelligence**. Both semi-finals were very close and laid the groundwork for.....**an epic final** between the **Nil-Bot's** and the **Signature Bidders**.....

Well, the final wasn't really all that epic as Anthony & Raymond put it all together in a convincing victory.

Big congrats to the **Nil-Bots** on their title run.

A couple of small notes:

- A big shout-out to Earl & Linda Stickles for a masterful job handling the grill, providing some eats, and appearing in the finals. Linda also won the "Person Most Creative" award. (So now she finally has some documentation to back up her mother's claims).
- A big shout out to Kristina Newburn: helping people, running the computer, drawing the brackets, getting lottery tickets, being movie hostess. She was great, as usual.
- Defending champs, Larry Bruder & Jodie Turner, were unceremoniously defrocked as they finished in 5th place. These two fashion trendsetters, and good sports, were last seen kicking the tires of Tony's car around midnight.

And for all who folks out there who weren't there....you missed a great evening!