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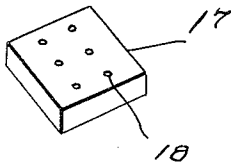
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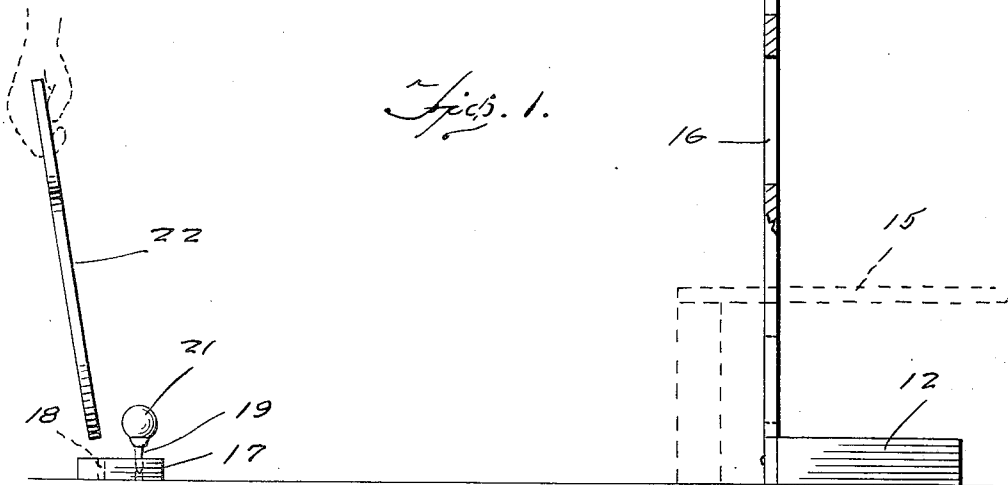
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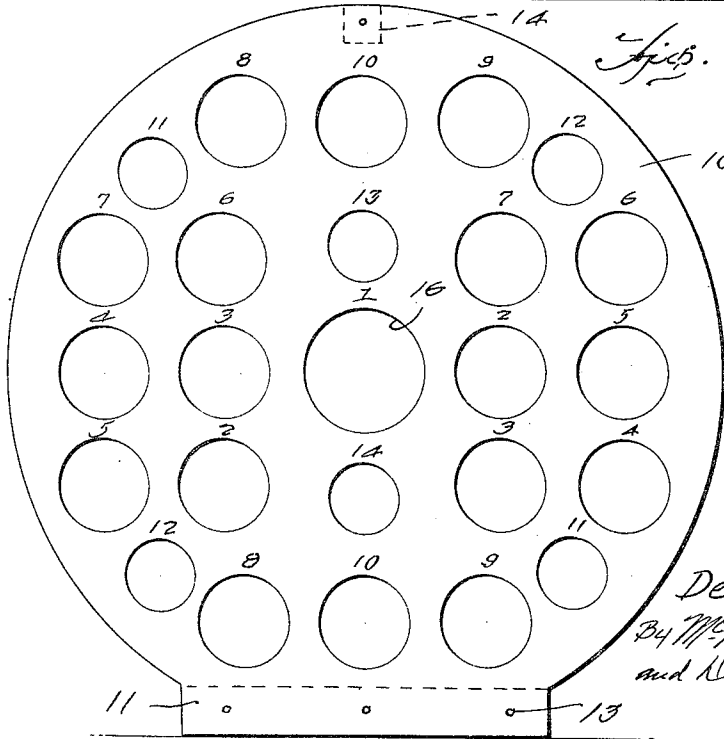
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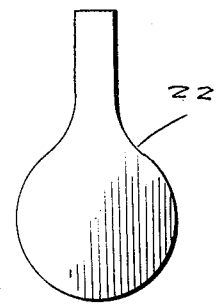
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## DUAL POSITION TARGET

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This invention relates to a game apparatus adapted to be played with a table tennis ball and paddle.

It is an object of the present invention to provide a variation of the use of a table tennis ball and paddle so that with the same skill can be perfected in a different manner by causing the ball to be set upon a tee and driven by the paddle against a target board with openings therein through which it is attempted to pass the ball, each of the openings being of a different score by which a record can be kept of the shots

It is another object of the invention to provide an apparatus for use with a table tennis ball which can be easily constructed, cheap to manufacture, and which will give a great deal of pleasure to the user.

For other objects and for a better understanding of the invention, reference may be had to the following detailed description taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a side elevational view of the apparatus set up to cause the ball to be in position to be driven against a board having openings therein.

Figure 2 is a front elevational view of the board showing the openings therein.

Figure 3 is a plan view of the paddle.

Figure 4 is a block or pad having holes adapted to receive a tee on which the table tennis ball is rested.

Referring now to the figures, 10 represents a board of circular formation which has a depending portion 11 at its edge for the attachment of the same to a base 12 which extends rearwardly from the rear side of the board substantially perpendicular thereto to support the board in a substantially vertical position. This attachment can be effected with screws 13. At the upper part of the board there is connected a support 14 of substantially the same length from the board as base 12 and also secured to the rear side of the board and which will be used when the board is turned down and arranged in a substantially horizontal position 15, as indicated by dotted lines, to give a different effect to the game. The board 10 has openings of different sizes on the face of the board and extending through the board so that the ball can be passed entirely through the openings. Different score numbers are placed on the board to indicate the count for each hole. The board 10 will be made of plywood or Masonite, and is approximately two feet square and has

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twenty-five holes through it. These holes are strategically arranged so that large holes will appear in certain places while medium size holes will appear in other places and still smaller holes in other places. The small holes are given greater count than the medium size holes, and the medium size holes are given a greater count than the large holes which are located in the center and are marked "1". One of these holes is indicated at 16. Spaced outwardly from the board 10 is a plate 17 having small holes 18 therein. Into these small holes there may be extended a tee 19 for supporting a table tennis ball 21. With a paddle 22 the ball is struck at and driven against the board with the hope that the same will enter one of the openings thereof and particularly one of the smaller openings of the same. This operation continues until the number of assigned balls has been depleted.

Having described my invention, I claim:

A target comprising a thin circular board having a co-planar projecting peripheral flange, a base support secured to the rear side of the flange and disposed at right angles to the board to support the board disposed in a vertical position on the edge of the flange, a peg projecting rearwardly from an edge of the board, the edge receiving the peg being diametrically opposed to the base flange with the peg paralleling and overlying the base support and being coextensive therewith, said peg functioning as a counterweight when the board is in a vertical position and cooperating with the base support to support the board in a horizontal position, said board being formed with transverse openings arranged in a predetermined pattern and provided with different scoring values.

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