



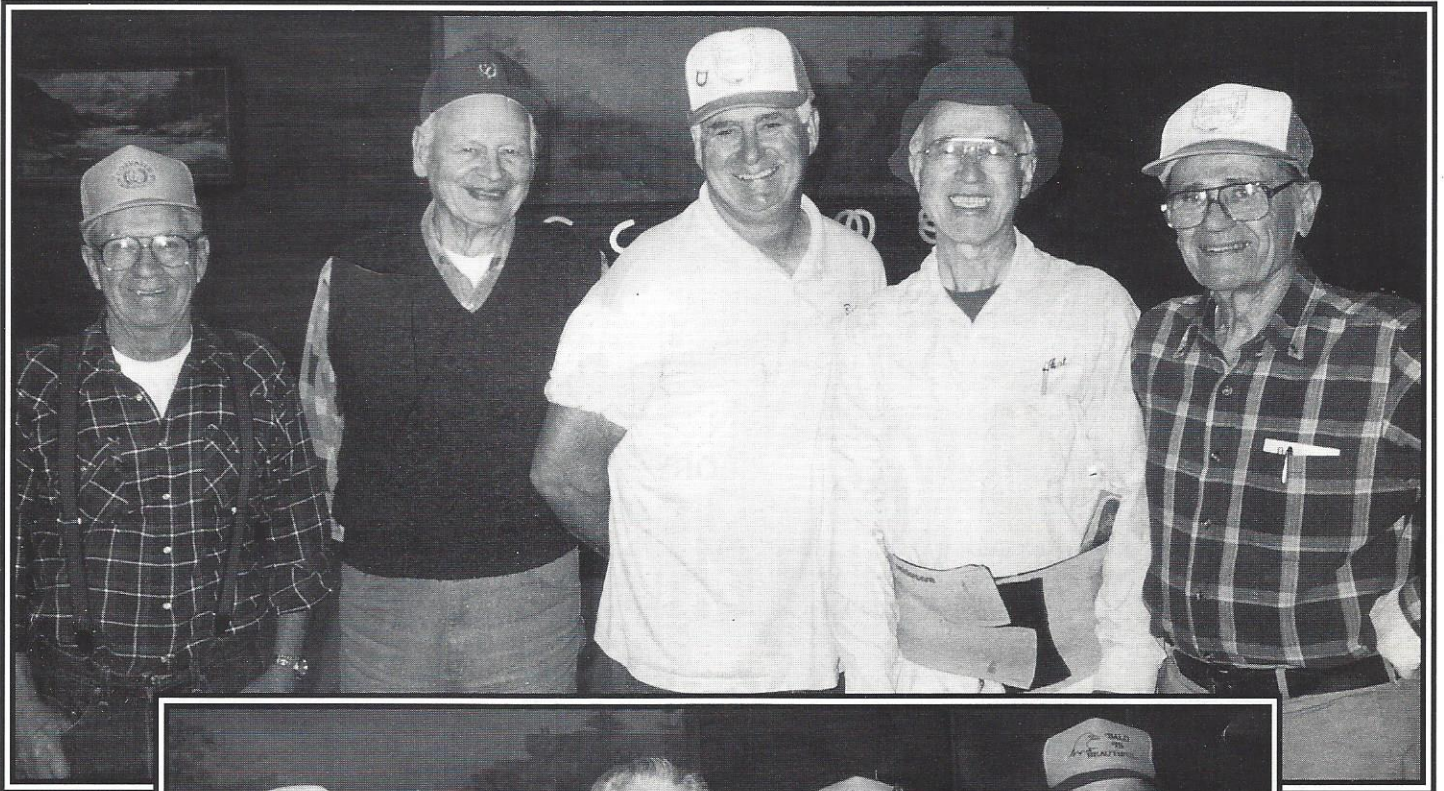
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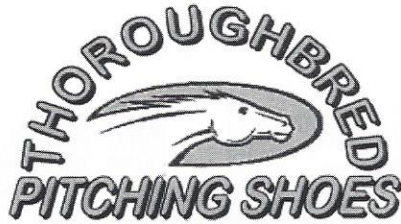




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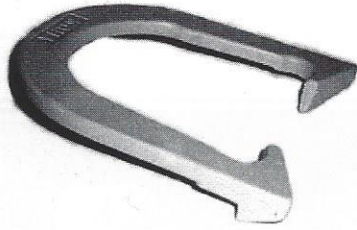
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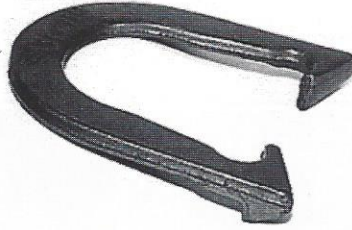
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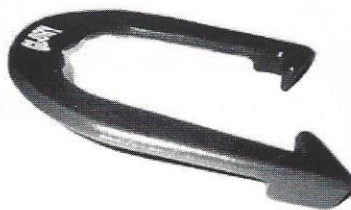
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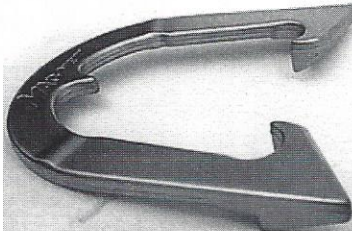
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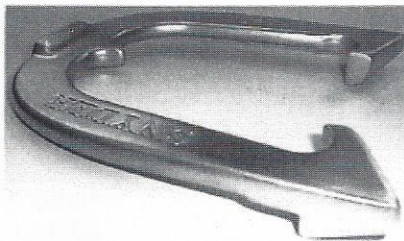
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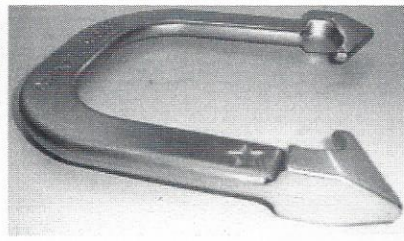
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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**T**his issue is the first under the editorship of Lloyd Kilgore of Albany, Oregon. Lloyd takes over the magazine after twelve years under my stewardship. This change may not be all that noticeable in the visual sense and purposely so, because some members have trouble embracing change.

Associations also often have trouble with change. Generally, the larger the group, the more difficult it is to accept change. We have only to replay some of the convention proposals of recent years, both on Bylaws and Playing Rules, to see how much the membership digs in to maintain the status quo. Change always carries a certain degree of uncertainty but it can lead to new possibilities and enrichment for our association and ourselves. As your President, it is critical that I work with the other officers, committee members, program directors and charters to overcome the natural resistance to change. The membership in turn has to understand and accept their role when faced with the possibility of change. Just what might that entail?

Acknowledge the obvious. If you know that change is inevitable, that you can count on it happening, then look forward to it. More times than not, acknowledgement of pending change will diminish your resistance to it.

Don't allow yourself to become polarized. Maintain a multiple-option outlook on an issue. Try not to think in just a right-wrong, success-failure fashion. Look for other options. You might just notice solutions that a polarized view will keep hidden. Focus on learning more about what the change might do or mean. To deny change without doing this provides no opportunity for personal growth or wisdom. Your ability to deal with change will increase ten-fold when you embrace a multiple-option outlook. Your ability to be a proactive agent of change will greatly elevate your perception of an issue and broaden your outlook on how it might affect the association. In the end, you may come to see NHPA life as a journey, not a destination. Focus on the destination (status quo) and you resist change. Focus on the journey (process of change) and your enjoyment of life and the association's work will improve as you accept and learn.

There are several aspects of our sport and association that can be applied to the above. Some, like acceptance of mixed pitching, have come about rather slowly and not without a great deal

of resistance. I can remember the opposition to a two-dollar dues increase to include one million dollars (now two million) of liability insurance, which over the years has kept hundreds, if not a thousand or more members involved because their league or club did not have to shut down. Was the opposition to supporting the World Tournament prize fund out of dues and an increased entry fee justified? If you look at the results and success of recent World Tournaments, you'd have to say no. The membership continues to be reactive rather than proactive when they fail to include Newsline as part of the dues, when they beat down proposals because of personal preference and oppose financial support to build a Hall of Fame and museum in Tennessee because they will never get there to see it. Such attitudes lack vision and indicate that the membership majority still focuses on the destination rather than the journey of the NHPA. This may well be a factor in our declining membership, slowing tournament participation and inability to attract a younger set to the game.

Put another way, consider that for centuries, people believed that Aristotle was right when he said that the heavier an object, the faster it would fall to earth. All it would have taken to disprove this was for one person to take two objects; one heavy and one light, and drop them from a great height to see whether or not the heavier object landed first. But, no one stepped forward for more than a thousand years when in 1589, Galileo summoned learned professors to the base of the leaning Tower of Pisa. When he pushed off a ten-pound and a one-pound weight, both landed at the same time. But the power of belief in the conventional wisdom (status quo) was so strong, that the professors denied what they had seen. They continued to say that Aristotle was right, reinforcing the observation by Niccolo Machiavelli in his book, *The Prince*, that: "There is nothing more difficult to take in hand, more perilous to conduct, or more uncertain in its success than to take the lead in the introduction of a new order of things." The late Senator Robert Kennedy put it well when he said; "Progress is a nice word but change is its motivator and change has its enemies."

## DAVE'S COURT REPORT

■ The 2001 World Tournament Convention in Hibbing, Minnesota, will discuss, debate and vote on several proposed changes to the Playing Rules. I hope all delegates will take a proactive position when considering the proposals which if the Rules Committee approves by the production deadline, will be published in the next issue.

■ I recently had the pleasure of participating in the November Music City Team Tournament in Joelton. While I was unable to help my team, I did appreciate the opportunity to be teamed with Becky Kemper and Mark Seibold, two former World Champions. During the course of the 15 game round robin format, all mixed play, I noticed that some individuals in all groups continually ignored a playing rule that states a short distance pitcher shall return to the 40' platform if their opponent or any contestant on an adjacent court is a full distance pitcher. Full distance pitchers on an adjacent court were often waiting for them to move on before pitching. It would appear that everyone could benefit by an occasional reading of the playing rules.

■ A reminder to any site interested in bidding for a World Tournament. The year 2003, previously blocked out for Joelton, TN, is now available for bid. March 15, 2000 is the bid deadline. So far only Ardmore, OK, has shown serious interest

■ The NHPF brochure prepared for mailing to all NHPA households started to arrive at some address during the last days of October. The mailing by NHPA-NHPF Secretary Dick Hansen is being made as he gets the final membership reports from Charters, which enables him to finalize the address lists. This information piece about the goals and plans of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Foundation has already brought some new contributions into the fold. When it arrives at your household, please take the time to read it and become familiar with what the NHPF can do for our sport.

■ Anyone interested in running for NHPA office is reminded that the deadline for submitting your written announcement of candidacy to the NHPA President and Newsline Editor is March 15th.



# THIS ISSUE

by Lloyd Killgore



Why?

The burning question that faces a new editor of a national magazine. Why a photo of B Class on the cover? It is a unique chain of stories unfolding, a quintet that could parallel the ways and thoughts of a similar five in your own home state.

This happens to be the November 2000 tourney known as the O.D. Loy Memorial at the four-court indoor facility at Wren, 11 miles west of Corvallis, Oregon, where this magazine is now printed.

The first person to mention is the photographer, Lee Wallace. Lee takes photos of every class at every tournament (maybe 35) during the year. This voluminous display fills countless albums in Oregon's traveling museum which Lee curates.

Starting from the left is Floyd Gray, originally from an obscure Idaho town (Thatcher) where horseshoe pitching was the only game on the farm. He is retired from Oregon State University, where he specialized in animal science.

Second is Harold Jensen of nearby Wren. Harold is a hands-on guy who helps this community hall in a proficient caretaker's manner. He is a retired professor of nematodes (worms) from OSU and during WWII served as a transport pilot.



Jerry Gorton

Third is Bob Hummell, the OHPA's new president. Bob is a sports statistician for his hometown high school at Stanfield. Bob always greets with a big smile and handshake and as outgoing president Bill Graham, Jr., observes, "he's big enough no one will give him any back-talk."

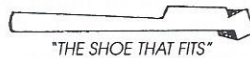
Fourth is Art Eastwood, a retired high school music teacher from

Tigard, sporting the cheeziest smile. Don't let his melodious demeanor fool you; he won this class! At outdoor tournies Art resembles "Lawrence of Arabia," with his white head covering.

Fifth is Warner Kirlin, Eugene. Knowing he is more than happy to

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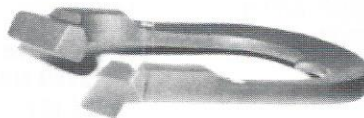
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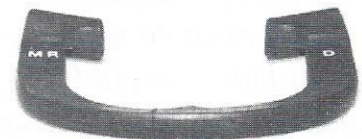
The edges of the Mr. D. Shoe are not round like they are on other shoes. The extra, extra heavy heels tend to keep the heels down as the shoe rings the stake, giving the square edges, and the calks on the bottom of the heels a better chance to grab the pit surface, or the other shoes on the stake, to prevent the shoe from turning around. This will lessen the chance of it being knocked off the stake.

An ideal flip has the shoe coming to the stake as it has just leveled out. Sometimes our aim is off just enough that the point, or heel, of the shoe will hit the stake as the shoe comes in. The points of the heel of the Mr. D. Shoe are at a slant, so that the first part of the shoe to hit the stake is on a plane with the bottom of the shoe. This forces the point of the shoe down, therefore; the extra, extra heavy heels on the Mr. D. Shoe will force the calks on the bottom of the shoe into the pit. The "dead soft" rating then entices the shoe to drop next to the stake for a point.

Because the heel of the Mr. D. Shoe is so heavy, sometimes the heel that doesn't hit the stake will jerk around the rear of the stake. This causes the other heel, that is now holding onto the pit surface, to hook the stake for a ringer as the shoe turns around the stake.

Shoes with hardened points, that hit the stake in this manner when flipped, have a tendency to jump away from the stake and spin to the rear, out of scoring range.

Shoes with blunt points, or shoes flipped with the slope of the heels going up, makes the top plane of the shoe to be the first part of the heel to hit the stake. This, more apt than not, will cause the shoe to flip over backwards and come to rest several inches from the stake - a lot of times out of scoring range.





# REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S **REPORT** by Allen Baptist

## NOTICE TO REGIONAL DIRECTORS

I have been reading as many Charter Newsletters that I can get my hands on, and there's one thing that I have been noticing. There are a few new courts being sanctioned, but I have not received any information from the RDs in these Charters. I need to have the court name, address or location, city, number of courts, clay or sand, indoors or outdoors, and if they have lights. I do have court sanction forms to fill out for the RDs that don't have them. Once I have received this information, I will send out a Court Sanction Certificate. The new courts will be added to the list of sanction courts in your area.

## NEW REGIONAL DIRECTORS

I would like to welcome two new Regional Directors. Ron Kindrick from Alabama has taken the RD position for the Mississippi-Alabama area. Ron is taking over for an exceptional horse-shoe person, Bobby Holland, who recently passed away. He will be greatly missed.

Kevin Snelgrove is taking over as RD for Virginia for Ricky Hall. Ricky will remain as Charter President for Virginia.

## FROM THE MAILBAG

Joe Kubiak, Arizona RD - reports that he has sanctioned 12 new courts in Mesa. The Trailer Village horseshoe courts are located at 3020 E. Main in Mesa, Arizona.

Randy Collins, Texas RD - reports that Texas held 40 sanctioned tournaments in 2000. Their State tournament had 268 contestants and took 3 days to complete. Randy says that they have constructed 24 new courts this year - 12 in Borger and 12 in Bryan. Randy also says that Temple, TX is planning to build ten courts in the near future.

Ron Deckard, Florida RD - reports that Florida has constructed ten new courts in the town of Lady Lake. They are located at the Paradise Center in the Villages on Highway 441 and 27. Ron says that Florida has added three new sanctioned tournaments for the 2000/2001 season.

Ron Taylor, South Carolina RD - reports that they have just completed a new 12-court facility located near the center of the state in Newberry. They are also planning to add six courts at the beginning of the year. With the addition of the new courts, the center of the state is already adding new membership. Including the addition of the Newberry courts, South Carolina now has a total of 80 courts in seven locations.

Elwyn Cooper, Missouri RD - reports that he has sanctioned two sets of new courts. Stockton, MO has completed eight courts with approval from the city to build 12 more. Carl Gricks, Jr., From Diamond has erected a very nice steel building with three beautiful courts inside. He also has one outdoor court. Carl did all of the work himself except some of the roofing. He even made the steel trusses himself; not bad for a man 70+ years young!



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## *New Year's Resolutions for Sanctioned League Directors*

It's the beginning of the New Year and what is one thing we all do the start of the New Year? Make New Year's resolutions. Well, I have put together some New Year's resolutions for all sanctioned league directors.

This year I will:

1. Send in membership report on time. Which is at the beginning of league play, within two to four weeks into the season at the latest. Please remember, your sanction is not in effect for any given year until this has been received.

2. Send in final stats form within two weeks after leagues are completed. Allow enough time for your presentation of awards for patches to be received on time.

3. Fill out all forms complete, which means there must be an up to date NHPA sanction number for everyone in your league. List on all forms what distance pitcher they are.

4. Send in Top Ten form by the December 15th deadline. Remember, if you have juniors in your league, list all of them.

5. Send along with all Junior Scholarship verification forms, copy of birth certificate, and full report card for the school year. Include what league or club they pitched on.



Danny Kuchcinski has a beautiful backswing. Arm and wrist are straight and perpendicular to the ground.

### 6. HAVE A FUN LEAGUE!

Please post this where you can follow your New Year's Resolutions throughout this league season. If you are your club's league director, you will want to make sure that you receive all the benefits of the sanctioned league program that your club and pitchers have earned. This is up to you!

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# THE JUNIOR WINDOW

# Junior News by Heidi Sternberg

**J**unior Scholar Pitcher Awards Program – This is a reminder about the rules and eligibility of the scholar award. Please be advised to the following rules as written in the "Red Book", NHPA Sanctioned Club League Program guide. Those who do NOT follow these rules set forth by the NHPA will NOT be eligible for the Scholar award. Forms are available from 3rd V.P., Lorraine Sternberg W206 N13520 Woodside Ln. Richfield, WI 53076. Forms should also be sent back to her BEFORE the November 15th deadline.

## • Who is eligible?

Any junior with a current NHPA Junior membership card that pitches from a distance of no less than 30 feet who participates in a Sanctioned Junior League or are members of an NHPA Sanctioned Club or Adult League.

## • School and Age Requirements:

The junior pitcher must be within grades 7-12. Junior pitchers eligible for this award must be at least 12 years old and no older than 18 years of age.

## • Scholastic Requirements:

The junior pitcher must maintain a grade point average of 3.00 or above on a scale of 4.00, 85% or above on a scale of 100%. This MUST be the entire school year.

## • Pitching Requirements:

ALL junior members who plan to participate in this Scholar award MUST pitch a minimum of two-thirds of ALL scheduled matches, or have been the statistician or scorekeeper in the same amount of games.

## • Club/League Requirements:

All club or league directors must send a junior membership including the name, address, AGE and NHPA card for each junior pitcher.

## • Parent/Guardian Requirements:

All parents/guardians MUST verify the junior's age and provide a copy of the Birth Certificate with the Junior Scholar Award form.

## • School Requirements:

The school's Principal must sign the Junior Scholar Award form and verify the Grade Point Average of the Junior pitcher.

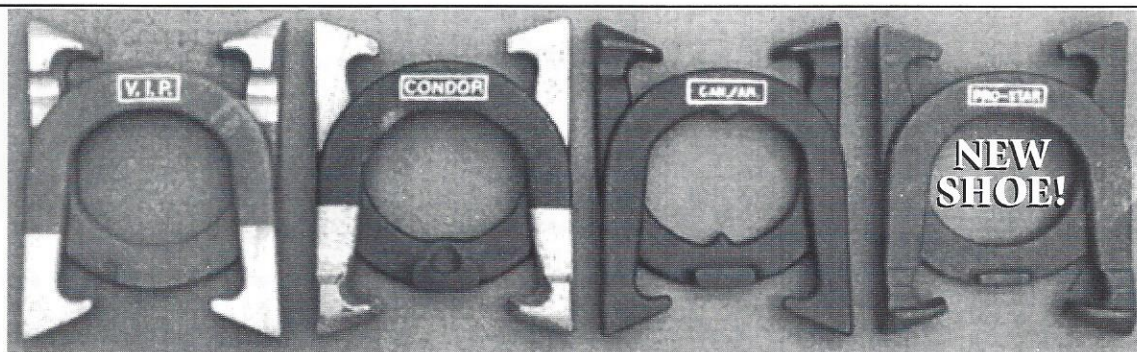
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# NHPF NEWS & CONTRIBUTION UPDATE by Dave Loucks

Over the first weekend of November, six of the seven NHPF Directors were in Joelton, Tennessee. While taking part or assisting in the Music City Team Tournament, the directors did take time to hold their third meeting of the year. Also in attendance were three members of the Ad Hoc committee set up by the directors to bring concerns, ideas and questions from the membership to the Foundation directors. Chair Debby Michaud with members Mark Seibold of Indiana and John Passmore of Maryland represented the Ad Hoc Committee.

The committee presented several questions to the directors. They basically related to the initial infusion of funds from the NHPA Hall of Fame holding account to scheduled goals and the projected timeframe and costs for building the Hall of Fame and maintaining the facility and courts. Dr. Jack Freeman explained some thoughts and discussion he had with his Tax Attorney relating to the best method of donating the improved court parcel so

it would qualify as a tax deductible gift. Because of the value, there are certain qualifications and restrictions that must be adhered to by Dr. Freeman in order to meet IRS provisions for a charitable, tax deductible donation.

The directors who later visited the site discussed Hall of Fame construction, the planned building location and the proposed 4000 square foot size with the Ad Hoc Committee who expressed some concern. After physically viewing the planned building site and measuring some available space in the outside covered court pavilion, it was decided by the directors to make a change. Rather than initially construct a separate building for the Hall of Fame, the directors agreed to enclose and finish an approximate 1700 square foot section of the outdoor facility, which already has concrete flooring and a roof. This would greatly reduce the anticipated expense of a freestanding building and eliminate much concern expressed by the Ad Hoc Committee.

The four-color NHPF information letter developed for the membership

and mailed to the first few charters during the last days of October brought its first donation response by the first of November. The NHPA Secretary/treasurer is making the mailings as he gets the final year-end reports from Charters, which allows him to finish a computerized mailing list for the state. By Thanksgiving week, some 20 Charter mailings had been completed. These are already bearing fruit as many contributions from new and old donors are beginning to arrive. If you haven't yet received your NHPF letter, it will be coming soon. When it does arrive, please read it carefully so you might get a better understanding of the NHPF and what it is all about. Hopefully, you will be sufficiently moved to send a contribution to the endowment fund. Any donation is tax deductible and will assist in preserving the past, showcasing the present and building the future of our sport. Checks should be made out to the NHPF and mailed to P.O.Box 159027, Nashville, TN 37215-9027.

## Contributions received in October and November

### DONATING \$10-40

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Dale Lipovsky, MN  
Joe Faron, MO  
Dave Loucks, CA  
Rich Frakes, MI  
Matt Guy, KY

Earl Setterlund, ND  
Bill Henn, KY  
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Misc. cash = \$117,376.78  
deposited through 11/22/00**

## How your state ranks in number and dollars contributed

1 Tennessee, 27 for \$18,340	13 Florida, 31 for \$2,143	25 North Dakota, 5 for \$720	37 Wyoming, 3 for \$182
2 California, 85 for \$9,644	14 Ohio, 51 for \$1,993	26 Connecticut, 12 for \$480	38 Arkansas, 4 for \$135
3 Georgia, 12 for \$5,645	15 Iowa, 17 for \$1,846	27 New York, 10 for \$422	39 Alaska, 1 for \$120
4 Massachusetts, 6 for \$3,990	16 Kansas, 19 for \$1,667	28 South Carolina, 8 for \$335	40 Alabama, 2 for \$120
5 Oregon, 33 for \$3,856	17 Washington, 20 for \$1,575	29 West Virginia, 10 for \$295	41 New Hampshire, 2 for \$105
6 Wisconsin, 43 for \$3,650	18 Kentucky, 21 for \$1,500	30 Louisiana, 4 for \$275	42 Hawaii, 1 for \$100
7 Minnesota, 85 for \$3,591	19 Indiana, 14 for \$1,273	31 Maryland, 6 for \$265	43 Utah, 3 for \$100
8 North Carolina, 47 for \$3,494	20 Illinois, 30 for \$1,135	32 Montana, 3 for \$250	44 Arizona, 3 for \$89
9 Missouri, 41 for \$3,478	21 Pennsylvania, 22 for \$1,114	33 Idaho, 5 for \$235	45 Virginia, 4 for \$73
10 Colorado, 28 for \$3,206	22 Nebraska, 15 for \$1,086	34 South Dakota, 8 for \$227	46 Vermont, 1 for \$25
11 Michigan, 55 for \$3,147	23 Nevada, 6 for \$840	35 Oklahoma, 6 for \$215	47 Delaware, 1 for \$7
12 Texas, 18 for \$2,475	24 New Jersey, 14 for \$820	36 New Mexico, 3 for \$210	



## WARNER KIRLIN IS A 90-YEAR YOUNG HORSESHOE PITCHER WHO STILL PITCHES FROM 40 FEET..

**NAME:** S. WARNER KIRLIN  
**CLUB:** EMERALD HORSESHOE PITCHERS ASSOCIATION  
**LOCATION:** EUGENE, OREGON  
**WIFE:** JUNE, ACCOMPLISHED MUSIC COMPOSER AND ORGANIST  
**MARRIED:** 50 YEARS IN THE YEAR 2001  
**CHILDREN:** TWO  
**GRANDCHILDREN:** THREE  
**GREAT GRANDS:** THREE  
**BIRTHPLACE:** SARATOGA, WYOMING  
**TURN:** 1 3/4  
**MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENT:** WORLD CHAMPION, CLASS I, 1988 WITH A RECORD OF 20-0 IN BOTH ROUNDS; FOUR STATE TITLES; A WON-LOSS RECORD OF .781 (50-14) IN 1999

Still going strong is a wiry, 5-8, gritty chap named Warner Kirlin of Eugene, Oregon, a member of the Emerald Horseshoe Pitchers Association. Two of the past three years Warner has won the State B class 40-foot title. He won at Phoenix in 1998 and Eugene in 2000. In that three-year period his won-loss records have been 58-27, 50-14 and 23-22, or 131-63 overall. That's 194 games of sanctioned competition against the state's best 30 and 40-foot players, a .675 winning percentage. At .781 his 1999 mark was second in the state behind Elders champion Marvin Tatchio. He averaged 44.57 per cent ringers on 148-332 to win the 2000 Oregon state B title! His ages of 88, 89 and 90, hasn't phased him the past three years. Some of his opponents say he gets better with age.

Back in 1988 Warner attended the World at Pleasanton, Ca. He still marvels at how he won all 20 games! This was when he was a mere 78, insisting on pitching in the Open mens division, Class I, instead of with the lesser-populated Senior Division. He smiles at the memory, shaking his head from side-to-side repeatedly. "I still can't believe it," he said, "twenty straight wins." Three of us EHPA members traveled together to Pleasanton in 1988. I recall entering the town to buy some fruit from a market. As my foot hit the pavement, here was a 1967 nickel next to a drain cover. We shared a motel room near Livermore. During our seven-day stay the total lodging bill was \$210. The three of us combined at \$1 per game to make \$216 keeping score at the tournament. "Let's make some money," Warner urged as we looked at each day's schedule of games. I recall scoring a 90% game by Oscar Manns of Ohio, and meeting horseshoe author Oattie Reno.

Kirlin, a righthander, won all 11 of his first round games and in the finals, withstood a number of close encounters to win nine more games and the I Class title. He thus claimed the WT trophy and \$200. He hit on 40.55 per cent ringers in the finals on 146-360 as he started showing the form that



### SPOILS OF VICTORY:

Finding unique ways to celebrate. Warner Kirlin, seated, left, has just gone 20-0 to win the Class I championship in the 1988 World at Pleasanton, Ca. The three pitchers include the future Newsline editor on the right (cap on), G class; having the most fun is Larry Flanary, E Class, cuddling the charming owners of the cozy little cafe in Arbuckle called "Momma Radke's Country Kitchen."

would beguile future opposition.

He recalls one game vividly. "The last game of the finals," he said, was against North Dakota's Larry Hoyt. Kirlin was 8-0 and his opponent 7-1; a loss meant a playoff. "Our Eugene club president was in the stands watching the game. I remember his presence because when I fell behind 12-0 he left," Kirlin chuckles. "I was getting a little bit tired. But I caught him at 25-25 and won 50-25, making ten ringers in the last 12 shoes."

On two other occasions Kirlin won games with a ringer on the very last throw--both times against Kansas pitcher Marvy Washburn--first in the prelims, then in the finals. To this time his WT record remains 20-0 and indicates a return to this competition at Hibbing in 2001 is a remote possibility, at best. There will be ample cause to celebrate 2001 in the Kirlin household anyway. Warner and wife June, an accomplished music composer and organist, celebrate their Golden Wedding anniversary!

As we headed back north there was a breakfast nook in Arbuckle. Two smartly dressed sisters, both seniors, were interested in our exploits at the world tournament. A customer took our photo with the two owners. One of the fun things about this game--unique ways to celebrate.

Recently Kirlin has endured surgeries to repair a left knee and also a hip replacement. That knee, he reminisced, was first injured at age 13 while horseback riding on the family's Iowa ranch backcountry. "She(the horse) tripped and broke her neck and my leg was pinned," Kirlin recounted the unfortunate accident. "When they told me they might have to roll the horse over to free me I found a way to extract my

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# November Music City Tournament

**E**ighteen teams from fourteen states traveled to Joelton, Tennessee on November 4-5, 2000 to compete in the ninth annual November Music City Team Tournament held at the Jack Freeman Horseshoe Courts. Total payback for the tournament was \$3165.00 with each class paying three places. California, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and West Virginia were represented. Ohio fielded the most pitchers by having eleven pitchers participating. Kentucky was second with ten, followed by Tennessee with eight.

Class A champions were Bob Logan and Fred Gross of Indiana and Dale Lipovsky of Minnesota. Class B champions were the Missouri-Illinois team of Sam Carter, Kenneth Pogue and Charlie Webb. Winning Class C was the team made up of Melvin Bray from Kansas and Bob Outt and Bob Long from Missouri.

Joan Elmore of Tennessee and Bob Logan both had high tournament percentages of 79.50%. Logan had a high game of 95% to lead the men and Sue Snyder and Rivers Prewette each had the high game percentage of 92.5%. Joan Elmore of Tennessee won all fifteen of her games. Melvin Bray lost only one game.

This event used official NatStats averages to place the pitchers in the three classes. Six teams each were placed in Classes A, B and C. The total percentage of the three players on a team could not exceed 215% with no minimum. All games were 40-shoe cancellation. The entry fee was \$105.00 per team with \$25.00 of each team entry being earmarked for the National Horseshoe Pitchers Foundation.

Helping Mary Bastian with tournament stats were Debby Michaud of Massachusetts, John Passmore of Maryland, Mary Walters of Ohio, Susan Foster (TN) and Sally Mullins of Kentucky.

Also present for the tournament on Sunday were future horseshoe pitchers-the four-month-old quadruplet grand-

children (three girls and one boy) of Jim and Barbara Culver of Henderson, Kentucky.

Jack Freeman, Facility Director at the Courts, had these comments: "This was another great tournament for us in spite of computer problems. Several pitchers were here for the first time and all seemed to enjoy themselves. We had to change the tournament pitching schedule somewhat to make room for an NHPF meeting, and this reshuffling also provided an opportunity to meet with the NHPF Ad Hoc Committee and do some planning for the NHPF. We raised \$450 for the NHPF. We also had over \$350 in toys and \$95 in cash for "Toys for Tots". Next year, 2001, will be the tenth anniversary for this tournament and we are planning a larger payback, hopefully as much as \$5,000. We hope many of you will sign up early. To have a good tournament, it is essential that you have a good crew running the tournament. My thanks to Mary Ella Bastian, Debbie Michaud (MA), John Passmore (MD), Mary Walters (OH), Susan Foster (TN) and Sally Mullins (KY)."

## MUSIC CITY TEAM TOURNAMENT NOVEMBER 4-5, 2000

### CLASS A

#### 1ST PLACE (28)

Pitcher	W	L	R	S/P	%
Bob Logan-IN	13	2	477	600	79.50
Dale Lipovsky-MN	12	3	461	600	76.83
Fred Gross-IN	3	12	310	600	51.67

#### 2ND PLACE (24)

Mandell Proctor-MD	8.5	6.5	418	600	69.67
Elbert Shifflett-MD	10	5	412	600	68.67
Tom Decker-PA	5.5	9.5	378	600	63.00

#### 3RD PLACE (24)

Maxine Griffith-TN	11.5	3.5	462	600	77.00
Marlene Roy-TN	10	5	436	600	72.67
Jack Freeman-TN	2.5	12.5	262	600	43.67

#### 4TH PLACE (21.5)

Becky Kemper-KY	12	3	466	600	77.67
Mark Seibold-IN	8.5	6.5	415	600	69.17
Dave Loucks-CA	1	14	315	600	52.50

#### 5TH PLACE (20)

Sue Snyder-KY	8	7	472	600	78.67
Lois Webster-KY	9	6	429	600	71.50
Jim Scott-KY	3	12	268	600	44.67

#### 6TH PLACE (17.5)

Judy Curtiss-MI	9	6	451	600	75.17
Larry Kemp-MI	4	11	346	600	57.67
Jim Willse-MI	4.5	10.5	370	600	61.67

### CLASS B

#### 1ST PLACE (31)

Pitcher	W	L	R	S/P	%
Sam Carter-MO	10	5	383	600	63.83
Kenneth Pogue-MO	9	6	402	600	67.00
Charlie Webb-MO	12	3	426	600	71.00

#### 2ND PLACE (28)

Shannon Foster-TN	10	5	418	600	69.67
Joan Elmore-TN	15	0	477	600	79.50
Paula Hunsicker-TN	0	3	24	120	20.00
Bobby Fields-TN	0	2	38	80	47.50
Frank Jones-TN	3	7	181	400	45.25

#### 3RD PLACE (21.5)

Rivers Prewette-NC	10	5	405	600	67.50
Paul Stewart-NC	9.5	5.5	388	600	64.67
Buck Prewette-NC	2	13	262	600	43.67

#### 4TH PLACE (20.5)

B.Lautenschleger-OH	9	6	394	600	65.67
Rich Knerem-OH	7.5	7.5	350	600	58.33
Tim Gould-OH	4	11	333	600	55.50

#### 5TH PLACE (20)

Milton L. Vinson-GA	7	8	368	600	61.33
Iris Sandham-GA	8	7	349	600	58.17
Lee Presley-GA	5	10	340	600	56.67

#### 6TH PLACE (13)

Brenda Tawney-WV	11	4	473	600	78.83
Donna Dodson-OH	2	13	302	600	50.33
Stan Dodson-OH	0	15	225	600	37.50

### CLASS C

#### 1ST PLACE (32)

Pitcher	W	L	R	S/P	%
Melvin Bray-KS	14	1	430	600	71.67
Bob Outt-MO	8	7	315	600	52.50
Robert Long-MO	10	5	322	600	53.67

#### 2ND PLACE (23.5)

John Knapp-OH	8	7	313	600	52.17
Levi Miller, Jr-OH	6	9	337	600	56.17
Mose Miller-OH	9.5	5.5	337	600	56.17

#### 3RD PLACE (21)

Bobby Brooks-KY	7	8	343	600	57.17
Tony Hankins-KY	3.5	11.5	288	600	48.00
Robert Taylor-KY	7.5	7.5	283	600	47.17

#### 4TH PLACE (20)

Monty Roberts-KY	7	8	283	600	47.17
Jim Culver-KY	8	7	302	600	50.33
Vicki Crank-KY	5	10	290	600	48.33

#### 5TH PLACE (19)

Jan Kreienkamp-MO	9	6	308	600	51.33
Rich Altis-MO	10	5	349	600	58.16
Roy Evans-MO	0	15	193	600	32.17

#### 6TH PLACE (18.5)

Bob Garber-OH	9	6	347	600	57.83
Jack Baldwin-OH	8	7	284	600	47.33
Paul Burkitt-OH	1.5	13.5	232	600	38.67



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### **2001 World Tournament**

The program booklet will include a page dedicated to "Friends of Horseshoes."

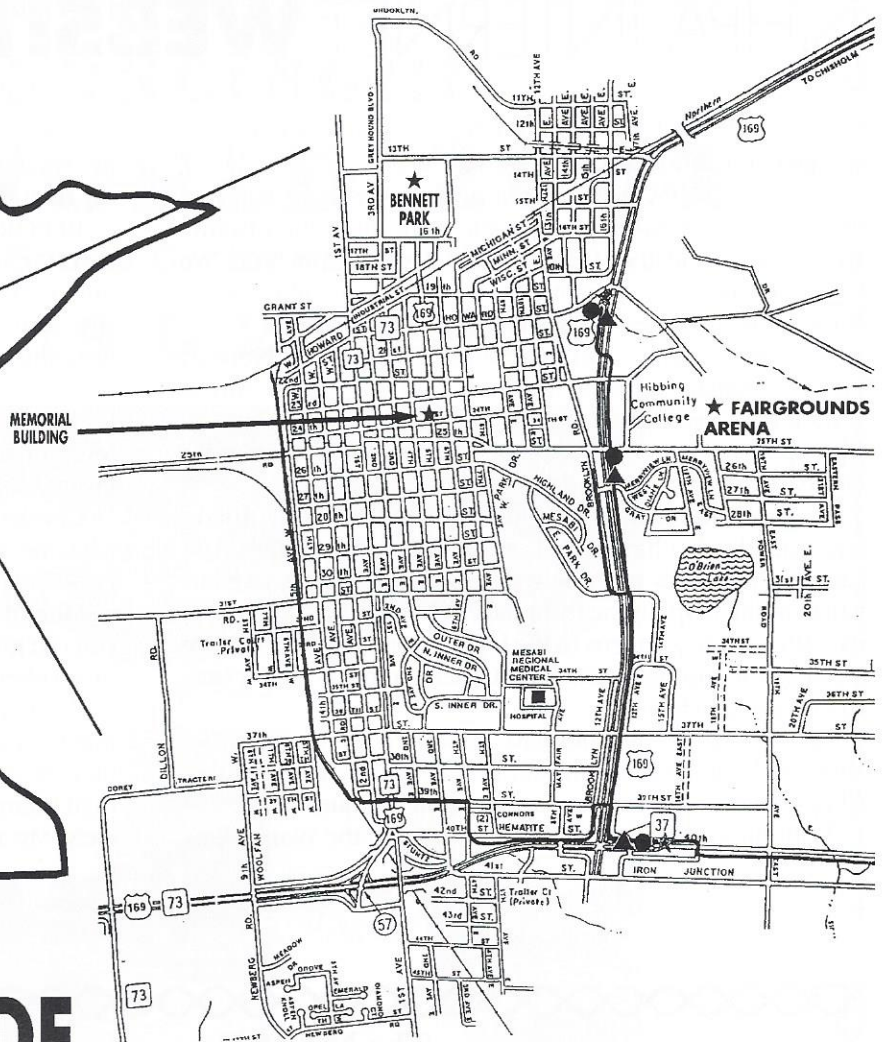
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# LODGING GUIDE

HOTELS	ROOMS	REST. & BAR	SHUTTLE	POOL	DISTANCE TO MEMORIAL BLDG.	PHONE #
Hibbing Park Hotel	120	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 minutes	800-262-3481
Super 8	49	No	No	No	5 minutes	800-800-8000
Adam's House B&B	7	No	No	No	1 minute	888-981-9742
McNair's B&B	2	No	No	No	30 minutes	218-254-5878
Bimbo's Motel	6	Yes	No	No	30 minutes	218-254-2576
Chisholm Country Inn	43	No	No	Yes	10 minutes	218-254-2000/877-255-3156
Americinn Motel	45	No	No	Yes	25 minutes	218-741-7839/800-634-3444
Voyageur Motel	18	No	No	No	30 minutes	218-741-9235/800-235-3521
Park Inn	50	Yes	No	Yes	30 minutes	218-749-1000/800-777-4699
Eveleth Inn	144	Yes	No	Yes	35 minutes	218-744-2703/888-354-6230
Super 8	54	No	No	Yes	35 minutes	218-744-1661/800-800-8000
Biwabik Lodge	47	No	No	Yes	40 minutes	218-865-4588/800-383-3183
Lodge at Giants Ridge	93	Yes	No	Yes	40 minutes	218-865-7170/877-442-6877
Fortune Bay Resort	116	Yes	No	Yes	50 minutes	218-753-2611/800-555-1714
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JKO RV Campsite	13	37	0	0	10 minutes	800-711-7769
Mesaba Co-op Park	0	10	Yes	5	10 minutes	218-262-1350
Pine Beach Resort	20	4	3	6	30 minutes	218-254-3144/800-251-3144
CC Campground	43	All	Yes	0	30 minutes	218-254-5301
Nashwauk City Park	16	All	Yes	0	20 minutes	218-885-1210
West -2- Rivers	0	47	0	0	25 minutes	218-748-7571
Sherwood Forest	28-	4	9	0	30 minutes	800-403-1803
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The World Wide Web and the NHPA website are helping to make horseshoe pitching International.

Since the NHPA website went online over four years ago, we have corresponded with people from more than twenty countries around the world about horseshoe pitching. We have corresponded by email, the message post and the guest book with interested horseshoe pitchers from these countries: New Zealand, Australia, Togo, Switzerland, Norway, Finland, Sweden, the Netherlands, Poland, South Africa, Indonesia, Czech Republic, Ireland, Great Britain, Canada, Philippines, Japan, Saudi Arabia, and several overseas military bases around the world.

Four of these countries, Finland, Sweden, Great Britain and Canada also have websites devoted to horseshoes. You can find the URLs to these websites on the NHPA website. Click on the map on the front page, where it says "Pitch with us". After this page opens to the bigger map page, you will see a link at the top right that says "Other Countries"; click here to visit their websites.

Some of these countries have organized their own horseshoe pitching associations and established their own rules. Check out Sweden's rules; they are quite unique.

With the electronic age of computers and the World Wide

Web we are making horseshoe pitching a small world. How many languages can you say "ringer" or "four-dead" in? I can say them in two languages, English and Southern.

**REPORTED EVENTS:** Glenn Jamieson, NHPA NatStats Director, says the "Reported Events" link has turned out to be one of the more important links we have added to the website. Here, you can check to see if all the tournaments you have pitched in have been reported to NatStats. Glenn says this has cut down on the question, "Why aren't my stats up-to-date on NatStats?" It has also motivated Charters to report tournament results on a more timely basis. The "Reported Events" and "NatStats" files are up-dated weekly.

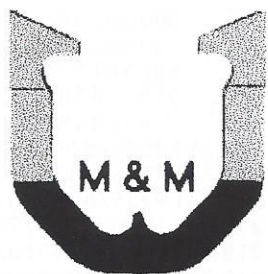
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One of the new links is the NHPF pamphlet link, where you can go to print out an NHPF pamphlet to give to a friend or another interested horseshoe pitcher.

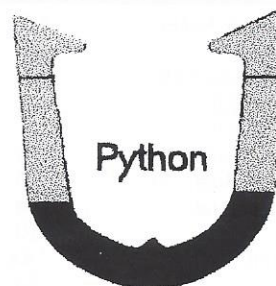
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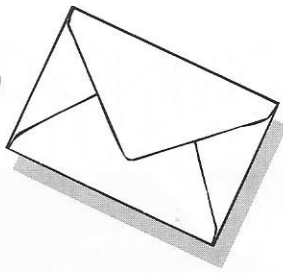


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## Special Thank You

I would like to extend a special thank you to all those that helped my wife celebrate her birthday on the 25th of November. I will not again here say how old she is but it was one of those milestones. As a surprise to her I sent out one E-mail to everyone I had an E-mail address for, with the request that for every birthday card she received I would donate 33 cents to the NHPE. The cost of the stamp. Almost 100 cards came in and because she had so much fun opening them and the many smiles they brought to her face, I will be sending a check to the NHPF in the amount of \$50. In an effort to get the money out of my pocket some even sent as many as four cards! It was well worth the \$50 and besides it is going to a good cause.

Thanks again for all the cards. Maybe you to can find a "special" reason to donate funds to the NHPF.

Paulette would also like to thank everyone.

Thank you,  
Dick Hansen, NHPA Sec/Treas.



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# GET INVOLVED BY INVOLVING OTHERS

by Ward Lutz  
MGSHPA Ringer Digest - Volume 26

**A**s we enjoy another season of horseshoe pitching, let us reflect on how we became involved in horseshoe pitching.

For many of us there was someone who introduced us to the sport and encouraged and supported our participation. As we enjoy pitching horseshoes today we are thankful that someone shared the sport with us.

I was introduced to horseshoe pitching by my cousin. He encouraged and supported my involvement, for which I am ever grateful.

I was 10 years old when this photo was taken. As you will note this photo was taken at the Ohio State fair on the occasion of my cousin winning the State FFA Horseshoe Tournament in 1954. FFA (Future Farmers of America) is a national organization for high school students interested in a career in agriculture.

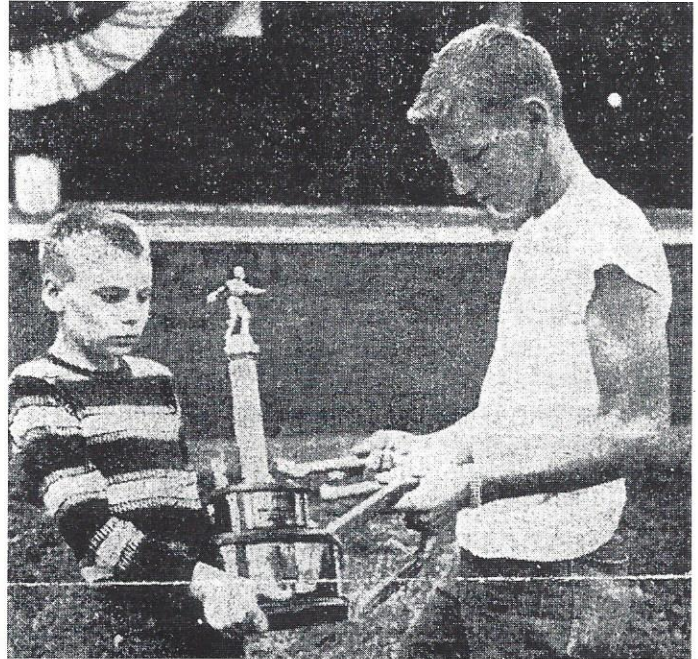
Unfortunately, I do not remember if the Ohio State FFA Horseshoe Tournament was continued. As a youngster I pitched with my cousin and others in our community. We did not have a league. We pitched mostly summer evenings.

I very much enjoyed this activity. It was a positive experience of my youth. Upon entering college and subsequently pursuing a career, I did not participate in horseshoes for over 20 years.

When my situation permitted, I returned to the sport because I remembered how much I enjoyed it as a youth.

By sharing my initial involvement in horseshoe pitching, I hope to encourage you to consider how you became involved and to remember who supported and encouraged your involvement.

As you reflect on the support and encouragement you



**FFA HORSESHOE WINNER** - Robert Ward Jr., 17, Urbana, Route 2, won the first state FFA Horseshoe tournament ever held in the United States at the Ohio state fair. By pitching 41 percent ringers for the entire tournament, Robert won the huge 26-inch trophy, held here by his cousin, Ward Lutz, Urbana, Route 2. The winner is showing his protegee some of his technique, with the pair of horseshoes given him by C.A. Benedict, national youth chairman of the Horseshoe Pitchers association. Robert also won the FFA swine showmanship contest and showed both fourth place gilt and boar in the Hampshire show. He is an FFA member from Westville high school. Plans are being made for the first national FFA horseshoe tournament to be held at the Ohio state fairgrounds next year. (MVF Photo)

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received, think of ways you can support and encourage the participation of others in horseshoes. Seek to involve youngsters and adults in horseshoe pitching and see that their participation is a positive experience.

Share your love and enthusiasm of our sport with them. Give them a lifetime gift of enjoyment, relaxation and friendship.

In addition to becoming directly involved in bringing others into our sport, I ask you to support the efforts of our organization.

There are many ways to support the Association's efforts to recruit new participants including financial support of the Junior Program, sharing your expertise and experience with other members, and encourage members of your club to become involved in recruiting new members.

It is my view that we as promoters of the sport of horseshoe pitching need to reach out to individuals and encourage and support their participation in horseshoe pitching.

It is the right thing to do to use our sport to provide enjoyment and recreation to others especially those who are in circumstances that make it difficult for them to have such experiences.

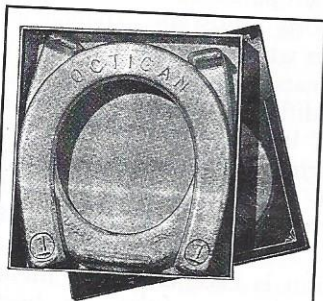
Our sport, and we who love it, become enriched when we use horseshoe pitching as a tool for enriching the lives of others.



# THE HORSESHOE TRADER

## The Stories Told by Old Rules Brochures

by Bob Dunn



### Champion

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"No Human Blow Can Break It"

A great look into the past is possible through the two old rules brochures featured in this issue. First is the brochure produced by Octigan, found while browsing through an antique shop. The date of the brochure is not clear but probably is prior to when the St. Pierre Corporation purchased Octigan. That would date it about 1930. Not only does this brochure give some good views of old shoes, but an incredible piece of our sports history is pictured on the back page in referring to the American Horseshoe Pitcher's Amateur Tournament. This was no small organization if a \$1,000 sterling silver trophy was awarded.

Now you history buffs can sink your teeth into this one and find out when and where that organization existed and conducted their big tournament.

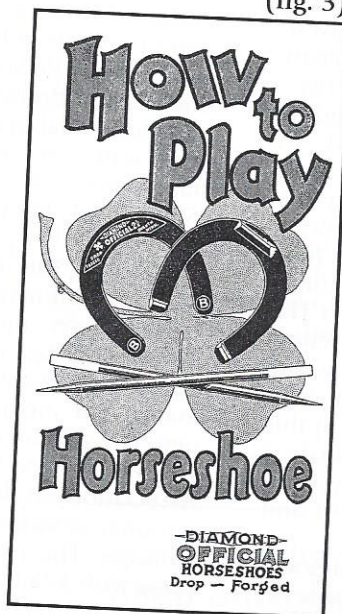
The second brochure featured is a 1928 Diamond Horseshoe rules brochure. This is possible through the efforts of Tom Guill, Shelby, Ohio, who obtained the brochure with a purchase of an old pair of Diamond shoes in the original box.



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(fig. 3)



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(fig. 4)



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At the time each these brochures were printed, the game rules called for the stake to be 10 inches high.



# THE USED KEY

by Lloyd Killgore



**B**en Franklin penned, "the used key is always bright." Let that be a guide for our future actions as it pertains to the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, 14,000 strong. Two of my goals as new editor of Newsline will be to present solutions and visualize our future. Founder Ben was a diplomat, printer, writer, inventor and as acclaimed by the University of Pennsylvania, a horseshoe pitcher.

Our immediate future is attending the 2001 World Tournament in Hibbing, Minnesota. Iron shoes making iron music in a state of iron. My personal theme for this year is "Bring On The Fun." It may well be what Judy Garland of Grand Rapids envisioned when she sang "Somewhere Over The Rainbow." Let's all follow the yellow brick road to Hibbing. Meantime take in great tournaments in Beloit, Wis. and Statesville, N.C. advertised in this Newsline. One of my miracle goals is to pitch a tournament in every state. Even if this takes to the year 2101 and I'm still only 162.

Over the past few years Minnesota's wildlife workers have been able to restore the population of the bald eagle, 600 nesting pairs at last count. In the Northwest a blue heron wades a gully to snag a salamander supper; antelope roam near Klamath Falls; the Des Schutes River yields supple steelhead and horseshoes fill the air lanes in such places as Burlington, Wa. and Oregon City, Or. where pitchers gather for tournaments.

NHPA President Dave Loucks has done a terrific job with Newsline and the presidency. His diligence and leadership will benefit our organization for many years to come. We are fortunate to have this service at least one more year. Dave and his wife Cathie traveled from Lake Oroville, Ca. to Oregon in November to provide me with technical assistance in settling in to the new job.

Judy is my wife of 42 years. Now in jewelry sales, she hobbies in oil painting, endless varieties of arts/crafts and a loving hand for our three children and nine--soon to be ten--grandchildren. Son Kevin is a PHD biomedical engineer in Cleveland, Ohio, creating functional electronic implant devices that enable quadriplegic patients to work their limbs. Corine works for a Eugene media communications firm, doing artwork related to outdoor advertising. Linda of West Linn is a

medical office assistant, working at home on the computer, transcribing medical transcriptions.

One of Judy's oil paintings features an overview of Eugene's horseshoe facility, the Connolly Courts, my first port of call, "under the bridge." These 16 courts and the Emerald Horseshoe Pitchers Association were the inspiration of 75-year old Leo Connolly. The killer whale Keiko, is centerpiece of one of her clothespin designs. Judy and Cori collaborated to create a cartoon critter representing the many state newsletter editors who author "Shoe Bits,"--known as Maynard the marten.

Touching on other target sports, editorial comments in bowling publications decry the lack of publicity. Improved lanes and equipment have optimized average bowler performance. The media views this technology as over-enhancement. As this is written the NDA (National Darts Association) is holding their annual national doubles championships in Chicago. The two winners will walk away with \$25,000 apiece. I am firmly behind our NHPA by-laws and provisions banning alcoholic beverages at our tournaments. We promote a family sport and need to remain unique and keep it that way. Horseshoe pitching has not had an over-infusion of technology. We need to attract new members by optimal use of those nice features about our world champions such as Connecticut's Brian Simmons and Quebec's Sylvianne Moisan. We have come close in the past (Sara Lee) to gaining a major sponsor for our sport of horseshoes. We will soon succeed.

As for newness one idea that I am considering is for our defending mens and womens world champions to write a column entitled "Tips From the Champions." Hopefully we will launch this in March-April's edition. If the champs change, this forum belongs to the new king and queen of horseshoes in 2002.

Some pitchers look for more informational, how-to, columns, finding past publications lacking in the subject. Hopefully we can take off some of this camouflage and bring points to light. Meanwhile check out the Message Post on our NHPA website. A lot of good and specific details about pitching are revealed from inquiry.

Keep plugging away with news of

our sport in local publications. Weeklies are the heartbeat, they care. You become a friend of your local sports editor by delivering accurate reports. News value items are the key, publicity the windfall. Five or so column inches of newsprint nurtured like a farmer's crops become part of the natural sports landscape. Thanks to you regulars who have discovered this! In my 30 years of horseshoe reporting, some 500 different pitchers have been recognized in print--just in Oregon. Like a magnet, Missouri (967 strong) is a great example, promoting and attracting news coverage in a variety of ways.

Television is excellent. Give them ten days advance notice for best results. And when they arrive give them the VIP treatment.

In my initial contacts with President Loucks, Secretary/Treasurer Dick Hansen, and the NHPA executive council, I indicated that my editorial positions would center around essential "building on what we have developed," and to accentuate our qualitative longevity. We need continuance in the persuasion to have all NHPA members receive Newsline. Printers I have met with have calculated the present cost of production at 69 cents per issue. With 14,000 subscribers, that cost goes down to 44 cents--about a 38 per cent savings. Graphic artistry, postage and mailing costs are in addition to printing. Full subscribership assures advertisers complete success. To receive your magazine in a timely manner I recommend going first-class by filling out the form provided.

We have outstanding programs. League, Juniors, World Tourney, world ambassadorship, Website, Newsline. We have outstanding book authors such as Ottie Reno, Gary Kline and John Hult. Our present columns should continue. I welcome contributions from any member.

Now in the 21st century, horseshoe pitching has stood a test of survival. Hundreds of competing sports, especially television dominance by the three major markets, sparked a wave of promotional strategies. Now having wrestled this dragon, a grand future follows.

Incorporation of electronic statistical support when our sport is televised will put us on an equal footing with

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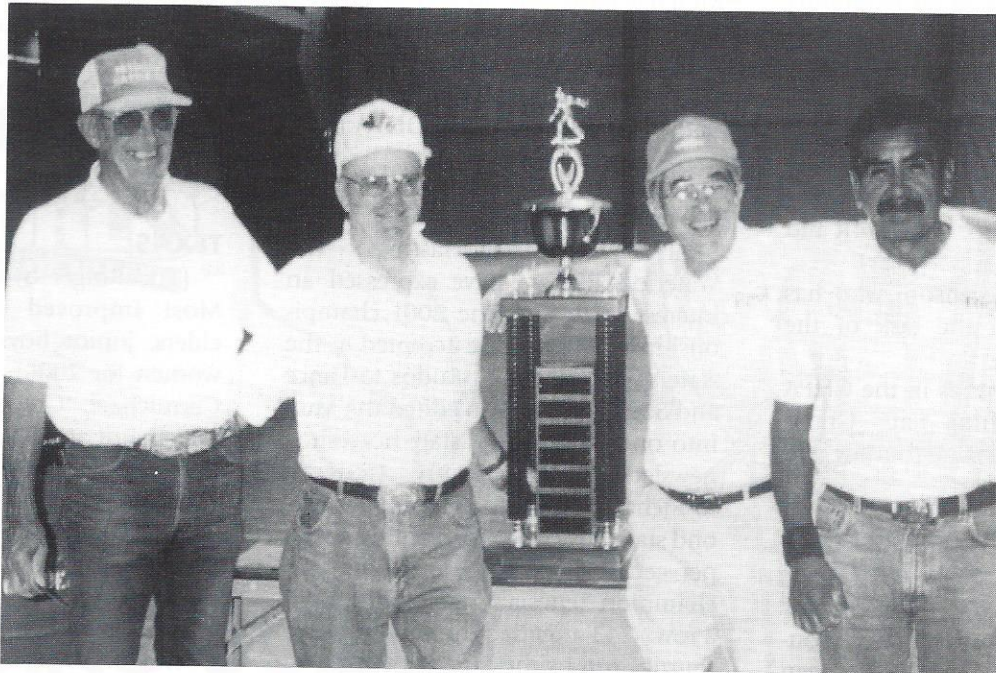


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## COLORADO

(Double Ringer by Bob Champion) - Since 1933 Colorado has crowned 57 winners in WT competition. Ted Allen won 10. Tracy Wilcox and Larry Riley have three each. Bob Champion has compiled the turns thrown by each competitor. Of the 57, 38 pitched the 1 1/4, 9 the 3/4, 4 flip, 4 the 3/4R and 2 the 1 3/4.

Kudos to Lee Stevenson, who has graciously accepted the task of the CHPA Webmaster.

There were 90 entries in the CHPA state championships at Grand Junction. The 2001 state tourney will be at Fort Collins.

## LOUISIANA

(no title) - The 2001 state tournaments will be held in Harahan (doubles) and Welsh (singles). Bob Hogan was reelected president.

A contingent of 20 LSHPA members journeyed to Ocean Springs, Mississippi, for an annual competition with the sister state. Louisiana membership numbers 265, 17 juniors in 2000. Kudos to the recruiting work by Shreveport's Ken Stewart and Jerry Sneary.

## MISSOURI

(Shoe Biz by Jeanette Claas) - Joe Faron was reelected president of the MOHPA. The 2001 state tournament was awarded to St. Joseph. "St. Joe" was a bid proposal by Ron and Peggy Campbell on behalf of the Convention and Visitors Bureau. Missouri had 71 pitchers in the 2000 WT at Bismarck, seven winning class titles. They were Robert Kingsolver, Bill Belt, Gregg Craven, Ron Craven, Jerry Griggs, Jan Kreienkamp and Thelma Trent.

Kudos to Sharon Taylor, who did

her usual great job in chairing the MOHPA raffle, second year in a row.

Faron and Hall of Fame chairman Jerry Griggs have worked out a form that will simplify the process to nominate individuals for the MOHPA HOF.

## NEW YORK

(The Mud by Traci Hastings) - The Waterloo Ringers have expressed an interest in hosting the 2001 championships. Bids will be accepted at the state spring meeting. Kudos to Lance and Sue Twyman who edited the Mud into one of the finest state horseshoe newsletters in the country. Congrats to Richard Marks, Jr., winning his second state boys title and pitching a 93.8 per cent game. Also to Junior girls champion Tenesia Mayer, fifth win in a row. 243 attended the well-run state tourney run by the Pine Grove HC.

The Ernie Graham-Dave Scott Memorial Award went to Peter Back, Sr. "Saint" Peter has been very active promoting the game of horseshoes to youth. Peter brings his grandchildren to tournaments and instructs juniors in horseshoes on the reservation.

## OREGON

(Ringer Review by Pat Gee) - Bob Hummell of Stanfield was elected OHPA president at the 2000 state meeting in Eugene. Outgoing president Bill Graham, Jr., of Bend steps down a notch to first vice-president.

Special events included in the 2001 schedule are the NHPF Benefit in Eugene, a Pro-Am doubles in Corvallis and the all-women Hen House Scramble in Roseburg. State singles will be at the Grants Pass courts for the first time. Lebanon is under new management. Kevin Burt will be managing the club and tournies.

Bob Brennan of Cornelius is the

state's new publicity director, succeeding Lee Wallace. Lee, traveling museum curator, enhanced his horseshoe collection recently, acquiring a pair of bronze "LEE" shoes pitched by Marines Tamboer of Kansas, WT pitcher of an earlier era.

## TEXAS

(The Ringer by Dee Callicoatte) - Most Improved awards for men, elders, junior boys, junior girls and women for 2000: Paz Lopez, Henry Carmichael, Gregory Harold, Jaime Engelhardt and Dee Callicoatte.

Will Wade of Tyler and the Kilo Bay Club is the newest member of the Texas Hall of Fame. Wade has won 23 sanctioned class A tournaments and instrumental in organizing, designing and building the Kilo Bay courts.

The Texas association is looking forward to 2003. They are on record supporting enmasse the Ardmore, Oklahoma, bid for the world tournament. Buddy Bellamy expresses the border campaign this way: "We are encouraging all pitchers..to get enthusiastic about bringing the World Tournament to the South Central U.S." He invites everyone to come to Ardmore to pitch in their tournaments.

## WASHINGTON

(Shoes News by Jim Link) - Mount Vernon's Skagit Valley Club has put together a facility at Burlington that will be considered the premier place to pitch horseshoes in the Northwest for some time.

Thanks to Pat Quinn, the Bellingham and Spokane clubs for contributions to the junior funds. Congrats to Art and Carol Sperber, and

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Almost all that succeed involve community service and charity events. Seems we're back to our "people" again . . .

Now, let's think of some things that have been successful in gaining NATIONAL attention for the sport. What efforts have gained attention? The most obvious is when President Bush invited pitchers to the White House. Also stories were written about his love of the game. Then there's the exposure we get through Walter Ray's bowling success. From time to time, various personalities have appeared on TV and radio. Our World Tournament attracts some attention.

Associated Press picked up the pitching marathon in which one man, Ralph Palmer, from Iowa raised \$16,500 plus for charity. Then shortly thereafter they (Associated Press) also sent another story about a Vermont pitcher, Don Chamberlin, who had started the game late in life.

Ok, let's sum up the brainstorming. The most obvious thing here seems to be dedicated people and a built in structure, scattered throughout the land who share a common interest. Well known, famous people also seem to draw interest.

So consider the thought again, "with these assets in our favor, what can we do to gain National Publicity for horse shoe pitching?"

It seems that we should pool our charity, community service, whatever, into one big project, on a chosen date, at least once a year, much like large associations do when they get behind the Muscular Dystrophy drive on Labor Day.

Imagine, if you will, "marathons" being conducted in 100 cities on July 4th.

We need only to determine the purpose and date of a nationwide blitz, use the charter and club structure we have, and do the something. While local efforts gain local attention with services, a nationwide "blitz", could gain national attention.

By the time you read this the Presidential situation should be resolved.

Wouldn't it be nice if WE could solve our situation, gain National publicity, sometime soon? Please give this writing serious thought, continue the brainstorming started here. For that purpose a special discussion, "Pitch Ideas" area will be set up on the Publicity web site. Please stop by; offer your thoughts. People must think, speak, and act! The time for that is now.

Sitting here in Lady Lake, FL, watching CNN, on day 30 of Election 2000, my brain is filled with thoughts of counting and recounting! The lawyers, concerned citizens, commentators, and indeed, people all over the world have "talked" the situation into the ground.

It strikes me that we have been doing that same thing for many years in horseshoes. A difficult pill to swallow, but it's a true fact! Proof is available in back issues of our NHPA publications of HORSESHOE WORLD, THE DIGEST, and NEWSLINE. When do we stop talking and do something -- I mean something really big? Something that will attract National attention?

And, what is the "something"? Sorry, like others in the past, I don't know, but consider this a step toward finding it! There, having said that, let us begin.

Bear with me as I brainstorm by myself in this column.

What have we got in our favor? A great inexpensive family sport, a sport that almost everyone has tried, a national organization, a structured organization in large and small cities, people dedicated to a cause, people of all ages with a common interest, people who love the outdoors, people with a passion, passion that has led people to move an outdoor sport indoors.

How about successful Charter efforts? Through the past couple of years I've noticed that small town media seems to cooperate, but with a closer look at that thought, it appears more to be that there's a really dedicated member behind it. In many cases, it's not just one member, but an entire club.

## SHOE BITS... *Continued from Page 20*

Jack Johnson, tournament pitchers of the year, for donating their winnings to the Junior Fund. The World Junior Fund ends the year 2000 with a balance of \$1167 and the Junior Investment Fund, is at \$4454.

Russ Phillips of Grandview, using a 3/4 turn, finished

2000 on a roll. He was the mens class A 40 champion in the WSHPA, Marcear International, PNW Warmup and the Pacific Northwest championships at Yakima. His combined record in those four was 34-4. Russ had a high tourney of 73.35 in the Spokane Open.



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### **JUNE 2001**

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## **WARNER KIRLIN...** *Continued from Page 10*

leg--but within a short time I couldn't even walk," he said.

He recovered and later attended Cornell College in Iowa, got his education degree in 1931 and then earned his masters from the University of Iowa. His first job in the profession was teaching in a remote Northern Iowa township of Ledyard. In a short time Kirlin became the principal of this two-building school. One of these, the custodians' schoolhouse, burned to the ground the first Sunday in January. At this point the one remaining building was hastily rearranged to accommodate two female employees and the custodian, who were ousted out of their beds in pajamas. "It was 25 below zero that night," Kirlin recalled.

Kirlin grew up on ranches in Wyoming and Iowa. "We had 16 different sizes of shoes for our own animals," he recalls. Competition horseshoes are larger than what animals wear and although he played off and on, it was only 15 years ago that he seriously took up the sport. That being "under the bridge" in Eugene's Washington-Jefferson Park, after a long and successful career as a school administrator and personnel director. In 1988, he won his first Oregon state title, in G Class, with a 5-1 record at Bend, to follow up his miraculous world tourney performance.

In 1994 Kirlin struck again, first in C Class at Lebanon, now rising in ability range, with a 6-1 record and 36.93 per cent ringers on 147-398.

After second place finishes in 1996 and 1997, Kirlin won the B crown at Phoenix with a 6-1 mark. He connected on 39.79 per cent, 152-382. That was age 88. At 90, he won again at Eugene in 2000. His home courts in Eugene is where he hones

this most impressive performance statewide. Overall, four state titles, three times runnerup and a third place finish in 12 state tournaments.

His opponents all attest Warner is tough in the clutch and have only tipped the iceberg as to his winning secret. Tough is an understatement when he is on his game. He will take you to that little red schoolhouse. In 18 class titles since 1995, he is an astounding 102-13 or .887! These wins include courts like Bend, Phoenix, Eugene, Oregon City, Corvallis, Portland, Lebanon and Roseburg, all with varying backgrounds to test his accurately arcing 1 3/4 turn. In 99 at the Stewart Park Open in Roseburg he swept the C title with 8-0 and registered a torrid high game of 69.23. In those 18 wins he has been steady as a grandfather clock. Kirlin is 2193 of 5570 in those 18, 39.37 per cent. His winning average reached 45.35.

Club tourney director Jerry Gorton, an A pitcher, calls Kirlin "the wise old bird." Jim Postell of Corvallis, a frequent opponent, notes, "Warner grumbles during the course of the game. Then after that, he gets better!"

Remember the story about Walter Johnson shutting out the Yankees in both games of a doubleheader? After the first win the manager handed him the ball and said, "do it again, Walter." Kirlin has a microcosm of this feat in the 97 Skinners Butte Open in Eugene. He won B class with a 6-1 mark on Saturday and came back Sunday with 6-0 winning performance. His ringer percentages were 42.61 and 40.44.

Kirlin, in a relatively short 14 seasons, has amassed five state plaques, including one from Washington state. It takes 15 plates to fill an Oregon plaque, requiring a competitor to finish first or second in his sanctioned class. Kirlin has 53 such plates.

Kirlin has definite ideas about the game he views as presenting the acid test of one's mettle. He likes the 40-point cancellation game. "No shoe limits, please," he says. "Whoever invented shoe limits should have his butt kicked.." he goes on, with a gentle laugh. Noting that a player had just played a six-game tourney in which he left three foes on 39. Waving his right hand forward with emphatic enjoyment he underscores; "that's the fun of this game!!...being able to come from behind!"

Asked to him the most important issue facing the sport of horseshoes today, Kirlin replied, "the big problem is interesting other people." He cites the vast differences from growing up with four brothers and five sisters in a country setting on a ranch, with the urban sprawl and proliferation of the many other sports and activities.

Another issue is the continual prospect of mixing 30 and 40-foot pitchers in tournaments. "I would like to see everyone continue to be able to pitch, but the 30 and 40-footers should be separated entirely. It has driven out a number of the older pitchers. There's no way to equalize it," he believes.

As for a proposed change in favor of ringer percentages over won-loss records for tournaments, he strongly disagrees. The object of the game, he insists, is still winning, using all the devices the rules have allowed for it. To change that competitive theorem would not be in the best interests of horseshoes, he adds.



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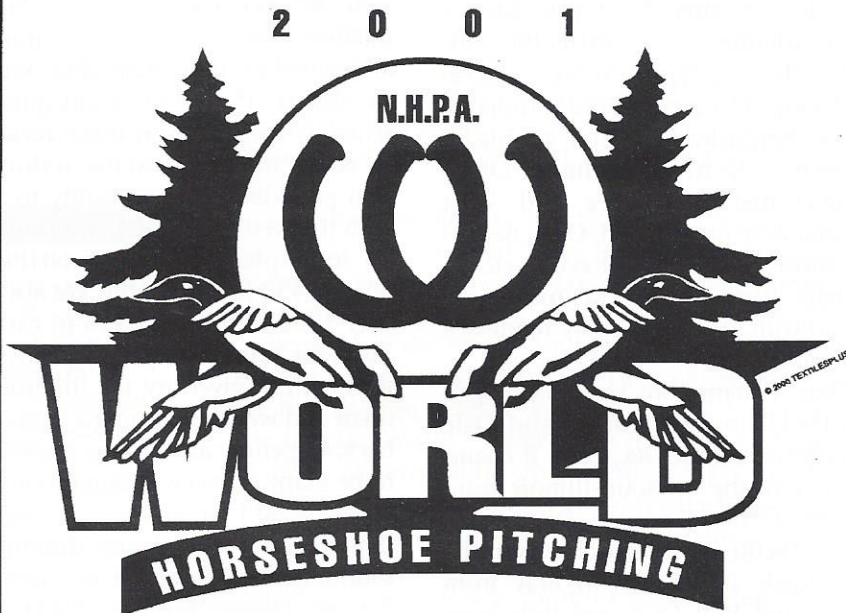
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The booklet will also include ads. If you are interested, please contact Brian W. Karich at 218-263-8851.





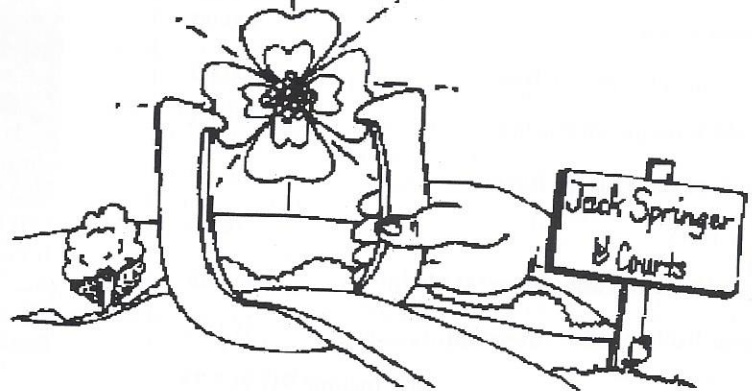
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Ted Allen releasing the shoe at waist level, wrist is held straight.

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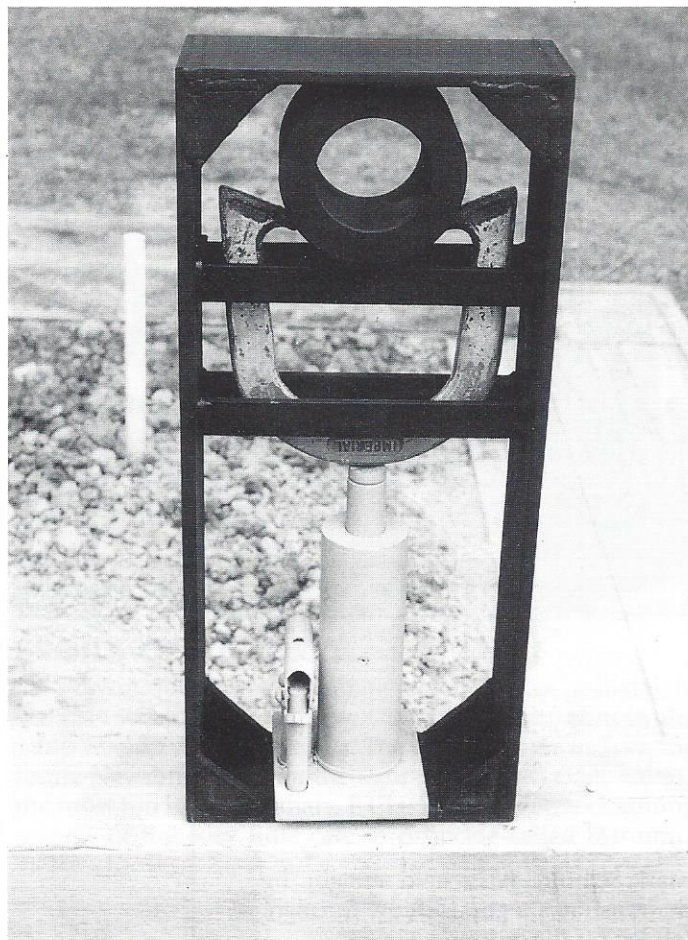
## NHPA Income & Expenditures for October/November, 2000

### INCOME

Membership Dues (2000) .....	\$2,811.00
Membership Dues (2001) .....	300.00
Newsline Subscriptions .....	3,722.00
Newsline Ads .....	520.00
Sanctioned Horseshoe Fees .....	800.00
World Tournament Patches .....	5.00
Sanction Club / Large Patches .....	10.00
State Dues .....	4.00
Firstar Bank Interest (Money Market) .....	3,482.98
Firstar Bank Interest (Checking) .....	112.75
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$11,767.73</b>

### EXPENDITURES

Newsline Printing Supplies & Mailing .....	11,205.67
Newsline Publication, Editing, & Miscellaneous ..	608.00
W.T. Travel Expenses .....	3,031.11
Regional Director Allowances .....	681.34
Sanctioned Tournament Patches .....	11,663.34
Equipment Purchases, Rentals & Repairs .....	529.89
Printing, Paper & Office Supplies .....	2,377.67
Postage .....	3,179.92
Officers Telephone .....	368.28
Officers Travel .....	861.79
Secretary-Treasurer Allowance .....	3,040.00
Presidents Allowance .....	912.00
Publicity, Promotions & Ads .....	469.02
Direct & Indirect NHPF Donations & Support ..	3,336.44
Insurance .....	492.00
Misc. Fees, Bonds, Bank Charges, Etc. ....	59.66
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Everybody knows Thomas Edison invented the light bulb, right? He showed us the light in 1879 but Joseph W. Swan first illuminated his lamp in England, in 1878.

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During one four-year period, an average of one patent was issued to Thomas Edison every five days.

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Did you know that President Abraham Lincoln was issued U.S. Patent No. 6469 on May 22, 1849? It was for a device with inflatable cylinders that lifted riverboats over shoals.



# THE TOLL OF TIME

## FROM NEW YORK STATE

New York State horseshoe pitchers recently lost two avid members from the New York City area. Tom Reitz, in his 90's, who for many years enjoyed our sport and participated in numerous regional and World tournaments. Also, Lou Gancos, from Brooklyn. Lou was a past Secretary/Treasurer of the NYS HPA and a member of the New York State Hall of Fame. At the time of his death, Lou had been a member of the NHPA for 48 years. Lou started pitching in 1946 and in the 60's was averaging close to 70%. Lou was a fierce competitor and participated in many State and World tournaments.

## FRED O. PERRY

Fred O. Perry died Sunday, October 15, 2000, at his home on Signal Mountain, TN. He was 72 years old. He was a retired homebuilder, bricklayer, mason and horseshoe pitcher.

He was a charter member and past master of Signal Mountain Lodge 758, a charter member of the Chattanooga Valley Scottish Rite with an honorary 33rd degree, a member of the Alhambra Shrine Temple, a member and past worthy patron on the Signal Mountain Order of the Easter Star 453, a member of the Tennessee Horseshoe Pitchers Association, a member of the Choo Choo Forge Blacksmith Association and a veteran of World War II.

A memorial service was held at Putnam-Sanford-Reed Funeral Home in Dunlap, followed by a Masonic graveside service at Sawyer Cemetery in Signal Mountain. Survivors include his wife, Loretta, four daughters, two brothers and five grandchildren.

As a member of the THPA, he was Tennessee's first Horseshoe Pitcher of the Year winning that honor in 1995 when the program was inaugurated. In September 1999 he won the Men's 30' State Championship. He was a gentle man and will be remembered by horseshoe pitchers for his kind and courteous ways.

## LEONARD CHRISTENSEN

Sept. 6, 1914-Nov. 30, 2000. Leonard Christensen, 86, a lifetime resident of Harrisburg, Oregon and a member of the Emerald Horseshoe Pitchers Association, died Nov. 30 at an Albany care center.

Leonard was born in the family farmhouse. He continued to work his family's ryegrass farm throughout his life.

Leonard worked as a carpenter raising barns and sheds in the winters. He was part of the family band, the "Christensen Merrymakers," which played for community dances. He was president of the EHPA in 1983. Among several horseshoe pitching championships was the 1989 Class C state title. He was also honored to be among the state's "Top 24."

Leonard was a member of the International Order of Oddfellows for

65 years. He also enjoyed fishing, singing and playing the harmonica, and doing embroidery work.

Survivors include his wife Margaret and son, Charles Christensen, both of Harrisburg, daughters Jean Price of Tangent and Roxie Putman of Albany, a brother Ben Christensen of Harrisburg and sisters Blake Enos and Chris Bryant, both of Sweet Home, and seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and five great-great grandchildren.



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ALASKA		
Men's Championship	W-L	%
Pete Imhof	7-0	43.1
Larry Hettrick	6-1	43.9
Steve Reynolds	4-3	38.3
Women's Championship		
Cathy Adams	5-1	45.7
Ursula Lucas	4-2	43.0
Suzu Siebert	3-3	39.9
Mixed Class A Championship		
Charlie Reed	7-1	27.1
Mixed B Warren Atkins	5-0	13.5

ARIZONA		
Tucson		
Men's Championship	W-L	%
Gary Minnick, Sr.	6-0	69.33
Ron Lipinski	3-3	62.89
Frank Farley	3-3	57.87
Jack Miller	0-6	40.86
Men B Mike Amarillas	5-0	54.0
Ralph Parra	4-1	42.5
Duane Breckbill	3-2	39.0
Pete Nicastro	2-3	44.5
Dennis Bret	1-4	38.0
Ray Wilburn	0-5	32.5
Elders Championship		
Glenn Johnson	5-0	52.35
Rudy Mohar	3-2	44.36
Jim Cyrus	2-2	38.54
Richard Lowry	1-3	31.9
Luther Bullock	0-4	28.72
Men 30 ft. Class B Championship		
Dom Tomasso	4-0	47.5
Frank Zupan	3-1	26.5
Elmo Davis	2-2	28.0
Red Homuth	1-3	12
Rich Durkit	0-4	6.5
Men C Don Livingston	3-1	39.0
Terry Lieverrouw	2-2	35.0
James Smith	2-2	34.0
Ernie Swann	2-2	29.5
Don Hornbeck	1-3	32.5
Men D Ray Coleman	4-1	43.5
Jerry Reyna	3-2	44.5
Jason Bundy	3-2	34.0
Kim Ramey	2-3	36.5
Dick Stormont	2-3	32.5
John Alonge	0-5	18.0
Men E Joe Kubiak	5-1	27.5
Ken Brandt	3-3	26.5
Jim Benson	2-4	25.0
Russ Hoppe	0-6	11.2
Men F William Anders	6-2	19.0
Lou Kusick	5-3	18.7
Julius Huber	5-2	15.0
Ron Grube	5-2	14.3
Wayne Danison	4-3	12.5
Jim Bennett	3-4	12.8
Kent Etter	1-6	9.3
Curt Stewart	0-7	7.1
Women's Championship		
Ruth Barrett	6-0	55.9
Jan Stewart	5-1	59.6
Carol Hoppe	4-2	50.4

Brenda Beck	3-3	47.9
Ann Hardin	2-4	37.1
Lorena Swann	1-5	43.8
Cheri Smith	1-5	37.1
Wm B Helen Valasquez	4-1	32.5
Venus Cassella	3-2	21.5
Connie Trautwein	3-2	16.0
Nellie Anders	3-2	12.0
Joanne Bullock	1-4	18.5
Rosie Kubiak	1-4	12.0

MINNESOTA			
Rochester			
Sep 1-4, 2000	Sanc.	#23-00-022	
Men's Championship	W-L	%	
Dale Lipovsky	7-0	82.93	
Mark Baumann	6-1	72.22	
Eric Sandquist	3-4	61.57	
Wayne Totten	3-4	61.47	
Ron Craigmile	3-4	60.91	
Gerald Stangland	2-5	62.43	
Jerry LaBrosse	2-5	56.8	
Danny Carlson	2-5	55.58	
Men B Dick Dvorak	6-1	55.52	
Men C Bill Grillo	5-2	52.77	
Men D Bob Knudtson	7-0	40.57	
Men E Cliff Presler	6-1	36.28	
Men F Roger Tripp	7-0	57.71	
Men G Gary Boots	7-0	40.85	
Men H Bill Robertson	7-0	46.0	
Men I Shawn Warnemunde	7-0	37.42	
Men J George Ide	7-0	32.85	
Men K Dick Hall	7-0	28.57	
Men L Dave Pedersen	5.5-1.5	28.0	
Men M Bob Kaehn	6-1	22.57	
Men N Jerry Marshik	6.5-0.5	19.42	
Men O Dustin Fenske	6-1	28.28	
Men P Rodney Erickson	6-1	23.14	
Men Q Steve Hovda	6-1	23.14	
Women's Championship			
Bev Nathe	6-1	67.48	
Jan Turnquist	5-2	71.75	
Edi Holland	4-2	66.03	
Tiffany Gage	1-4	57.36	
Rosie Leyk	1-4	56.87	
Lu Cave	1-4	54.54	
Wm B Christy Weyer	6-1	12.28	
Wm C Tina Bussey	5-0	54.68	
Wm D Cheryle Andrea	6-1	45.42	
Wm E Donna Klein	5-0	33.6	
Junior Boys Championship			
Lance Albrecht	5-0	68.98	
Corey Hughes	4-1	50.00	
Adam Mead	2-3	35.32	
David Mead	2-3	34.03	
Brian Robertson	1-4	26.96	
Joe Henry	1-4	26.41	
Jr Boys B Pat Hovda	5-0	25.6	
Jr Boys C Joel Duenow	5-0	48.8	
Junior Girls Championship			
Sarah David	5-1	37.13	
Ashley Anderson	4-2	38.92	
Collette Cave	3-2	40.00	
Kayla Larson	3-2	30.93	
Angie Karow	1-4	19.10	

Jr Girls B Sarah Nelson	7-0	25.71
Senior Mens Championship		
Bert Logsdon	5-2	50.29
Charles Wells	4-3	42.76
Bryan Edwards	3-3	41.03
Martin Birkholz	1-5	34.28
Sr Men B Gerald Piehl	5-1	8.33
Sr Men C B. Christianson	4-1	54.40
Sr Men D Glen Sandquist	7-0	48.57
Elder Men's Championship		
Len Lipovsky		
Marvin Meyer	5-1	69.23
Myron Flann	4-2	65.93
Harold Schrader	3-2	56.06
Rusty Henrikson	2-3	63.15
Ray Tiili	2-3	52.89
*playoff	0-5	50.00
Special Needs Class A Championship		
Steve Stunkard	5-0	27.2
Spl Nds B Jeff Pocrnich	2-1	13.33
Spl Nds C Daryl Boldt	2-1	3.33

OKLAHOMA		
Woodward		
Sep 2, 2000	Sanc.	#20-00-017
Men's Championship	W-L	%
Tom Goff	7-0	63.40
Glenn King	6-1	56.40
Chuck Arnold	4-3	50.00
Ronnie Frederick	4-3	48.00
Michael Davidson	3-4	49.70
Jerry Holt	2-5	39.40
Larry Fordyce	1-6	41.80
Louis Mouse	1-6	36.00
Men A Buddy Bellamy	6.5-0.5	36.40
Men B David Montgomery	7-0	28.60
Men C Bobby Harjo	6-1	26.80
Men D Mike Hester	5-1	12.10
Men E Jerry Ward	7.5-0.5	14.40
Senior Men's Championship		
Willard Brakhage	5.5-1.5	55.00
Bob Reese	4.5-2.5	48.20
Leon Bowling	4-2	41.30
Perry Brown	3-3	48.80
Don Ools	3.3	44.20
Coy Mobley	2-5	35.70
Leonard Burke	1-6	34.60
Sr Men A Coy Mobley	1-0	35.70
Women's Championship		
Rebecca King	5-0	56.70
Lucinda Frisbie	4-1	49.60
Alyeene Hensley	3-2	43.90
Virginia Anderson	2-3	35.60
Nancy Montgomery	1-4	25.50
Ardith King	0-5	28.90
Wm A Debbie Harris	5-1	43.30
Wm B Pamela Morris	3-0	18.30
Junior Boys Championship		
Erik Harjo	5-0	32.00
Joseph Ward	4-1	10.00
Matthew Kraft	2-3	04.50
Braden Stroope	1-4	02.50
Marc Kraft	0-5	05.50
Junior Girls Championship		
Trina Burk	3-2	10.00

TEXAS		
Men's Class A Championship		
W-L	%	
Coke Bowker	7-0	56.96
Marvin Two Crow	5-2	52.27
Paul McCreery	5-2	50.00
Gene Meyer	4-3	51.14
Robert Valley	4-3	49.49
Will Wade	2-5	40.68
Danny Anthony	1-6	42.73
Doug Macha	0-7	35.47
Men B Pete Wheeler	6-1	47.08
Men C Sam Zuniga	7-0	54.58
Men D Bob Stephens	7-1	39.69
Men E Jeff Henkes	7-1	35.71
Men F Max Fahrenthold	6-1	37.14
Men G Billy Lee	7-0	39.08
Men H Gary Horton	6-1	32.86
Men I Kevin Long	7-0	40.83
Men J Jim Ince	7-1	32.81
Men K Donny Hegefeld	6-1	31.67
Men L Steve Oefinger	5-2	36.43
Men M Jimmy Bryant	6-2	34.38
Men N Darren Traweek	7-0	30.99
Men O Randy Mitchell	7-2	25.55
Men P Ken Alligood	7-2	26.94
Men Q Tommy Wilcox	5-1	16.25
Men R D. Ray Wendler	7-0	24.64
Men S Allan Bond	6-2	19.69
Men T Rickey Doty	7-1	20.00
Men U Scott Gibson	7-0	19.29
Women's Class A Championship		
Debra Odum	7-0	60.51
Cathy Richards	6-1	59.63
Marry Ann Kramr	5-2	63.81
Dee Callicoate	4-3	52.74
Janice Howard	3-4	37.31
Brenda Engelhardt	2-5	40.84
Margie Zigrang	1-6	29.55
Wm B Janell Berry	7-2	46.25
Wm C Rita Biggs	6-1	42.14
Wm D Sharon Mathews	7-0	47.50
Wm E Robyn Gonzales	6-1	33.45
Wm F Julie Grigar	6-1	32.86
Wm G Jeri Smith	8-2	19.69
Elder Class A Championship		
Ed Arionus	9-1	75.69
Laymon Gullett	8-2	71.05
Bob Graham	7-3	60.82
Jerry Zigrang	4-6	46.88
Henry Carmichael	2-8	46.88
Elder B Prentice McDaniel	9-1	53.13
Junior Boys Class A Championship		
Randall Cole	6-1	55.06
Blake Graber	5-2	42.12
Joshua Mathews	4-3	39.94
Eric Marion	4-3	39.87
Casey Hitt	4-3	39.39
Jared Graber	2-5	29.65
Justin Engelhardt	2-5	27.21
Keith Collins	1-6	34.02
Jr Boys B Travis Hitt	5-0	41.50
Jr Boys C Levin Cornelius	8-2	37.04
Jr Boys D Scott Howard	9-1	21.88
Junior Girls Class A Championship		
Jayme Engelhardt	6-0	27.08
Triya Davidson	4-2	27.92
Sara Doty	2-4	11.25
Brittany Davidson	0-6	2.50



## THE USED KEY... *Continued from Page 18*

the major sports, improving our market standing. The NHPF at Joelton is a key player. This will be determined by the membership who will brighten the keys. Being able to control costs, having a predictable format, Hall of Fame permanence and the best World Tournament facilities, is worth our patient best efforts to achieve.

I look forward to a time when technology smiles favorably on our sport. A future electronic eye measures and scores before we reach the opposite end. Court tending will be a mastery of button-pushing instead of shovel-probing. This will ease our backs and shorten preparation time so our focus is on pitching. We will work smarter. I am confident because we have many many smart, creative people in our organization!

During a recent project I operated a handheld data recorder while trekking forest country in Washington and Oregon on behalf of Oregon State University's school of forestry. We were measuring and counting 20,000 douglas fir seedlings. At the brink of Washington's snow-blanketed Mount Rainier during a rainy stretch, the recorder malfunctioned. Our leader, an OSU forestry professor, produced notebooks with waterproof pages as a back-up system. With pencil in hand, surrounded by wild huckleberries, the next day the two of us recorded 936 trees.

Old tech still provides solutions to problems. Conventional waterproofing dates back to 1823 England and the Japanese people for centuries have waterproofed paper umbrellas by dipping them into a chemical solution. Thus the paper I inscribed upon is an old--but not obsolete--technology.

Born in 1938, I grew up in the eastern Oklahoma town of Mc Alester during WWII. That year Ted Allen won the Midwest National with a 47-0 record. The icy grip of the Great Depression was in a slow thaw. For fun and games kids drank 4-ounce bottles of grape soda. Meanwhile down at the nearby naval ammunition plant, mom worked the evening shift not unlike 20 million civilian wartime workers, arming shells that would sink enemy warships. My military and civilian journeys have included Kentucky, Tennessee, New York, California, Washington and Fort Churchill, Manitoba, Canada to go with Texas, Iowa, Oklahoma, Oregon and Ohio.

It was at Fort Churchill in 1959 where American and Canadian troops had no daily newspaper service. It came weekly on MATS flights from Winnipeg. During this time I covered the 1959 baseball world series. Gerry Staley was the American League's top relief pitcher that year for the Chicago White Sox. My mimeographed play-by-play of each game was distributed to all troops, made possible by the Armed Forces Radio Service. Imagine my surprise 25 years later to meet Staley, an active Class A horseshoe pitcher for the Vancouver, Wa. club.

My great uncle Lawrence J. Benton, was the National League pitching champion of 1927-28 with Manager John McGraw's New York baseball Giants. He was 40-13 those two seasons. Great grandpa Charles Killgore was one of the 900 victorious American frontiersmen that defeated the British decisively, Oct. 7, 1780, in the Battle of Kings Mountain, S.C. Four brothers fought in this historic Revolutionary battle.

You may notice in your detective sense that I go by two different names. Kilgore is my business name; Killgore is my original family name and the one I use as a writer. My background includes sports writing for the Eugene Register-Guard and a freelance career that takes in numerous weekly

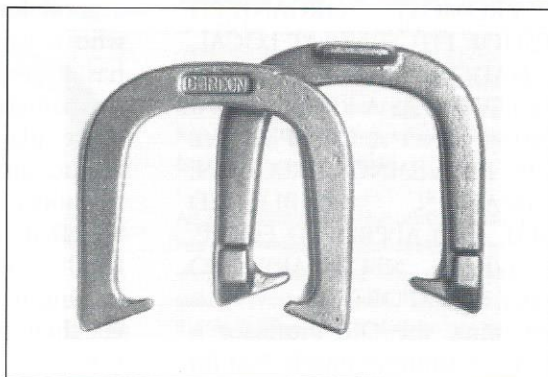
newspapers, including a seven-year stint as sports editor of the Creswell Chronicle. In the U.S. Army I edited and wrote for military publications. Currently I write periodic sports columns for the Corvallis Gazette-Times of which 50 per cent content is devoted to horseshoes.

This career, along with accounting, purchasing and data entry, has consumed 44 years. My NHPA affiliation dates back to 1978, having now served the Oregon charter as its historian 21 years. I have served three different clubs--Lebanon, Corvallis and Eugene--a concurrent 21 as publicity director, tourney director and treasurer. Additionally I was Oregon Ringer Review editor two years and assistant publicity director five years.

One of the main objectives in the new Newsline look will be originality of presentation distinguishing us from the 350 million pages of information on the internet.

During a recent episode of Discovery, the feature was about tree frogs. One specie in Africa sports an impressive coat of arms. At the top of this gold "vest" is a design resembling a horseshoe. Frogs have been on this planet for generations. And, like our sport, for generations to come.

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## Whose Job Is It?

by Bob Dunn

The promotion of our sport and specifically recruiting of new members is critically important to our future. Much had been written, spoken and hoped for in regard to this issue. A reasonable question would be "whose job is it"? If there were goals, objectives or expectations to be accomplished, wouldn't it be proper to understand where the responsibility lies. This is how present-day corporate America would approach this issue. Besides the NHPA constitution clearly states "THE PURPOSE OF THE NHPA SHALL BE TO DEVELOP, FOSTER AND PROMOTE ORGANIZED HORSESHOE PITCHING AT LOCAL, STATE, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVELS, AS A RECREATIONAL PASTIME AND A COMPETITIVE GAME BY PROVIDING DIRECTION, ORGANIZATION, PUBLISHED MATERIAL AND APPROVED EQUIPMENT WHEN NECESSARY, TO ENHANCE THE SPORT."

Good thing, the Old Professor is back from his summer travels. Just for clarification, this question is presented to the Old Professor:

The NHPA is an amateur organization with, for the most part, volunteer officials and state officers, as well as

volunteer leaders at the local clubs level. One must be cautious how to view responsibilities, assignments and all work delegation when the work is to be performed and the results coming from individual dedication and voluntary efforts.

The question may be valid but is better when turned around in a more polite and positive manner and ask, "Who is doing the work now?" Recognize the efforts of who is recruiting your new members.

There are new members to the NHPA each year. To step back and take a good look, one may be surprised, who is carrying the load. The NHPA has a very captured market and as newcomers are recruited to the sport, those players joining a sanctioned league, automatically become NHPA members. New members are being recruited at the grassroots level, by local clubs. These recruiters are unsung heroes and its time that they get their due and are recognized for this. Recognize who is carrying the load and salute them.

Can the NHPA take credit for this promotion effort? No. The recruiters may be NHPA members, but the recruiting effort is actually being

accomplished in the role of a club member or club officer. There is a difference. The same scenario goes for state charters.

The NHPA as the officiating body of the sport can do so much to support and enhance the grassroots level of recruiting. Advertising and promotional material is the first thing that comes to mind. That same support issue stands likewise for charters but with more local or regional orientation. Would increased support and improved materials help and make a difference to the club's recruiting effort? Yes.

Over 95% of the NHPA membership participate in league pitching and in general are participating as members of a local club. If the NHPA wishes to increase membership, or has any expectations in the recruiting efforts, the organization can enhance support to the recruiting efforts by providing (handout) brochures, flyers and advertising. These steps can only remind and encourage the club level to the need of recruiting new members. Remember this whenever addressing promotion issues, now that you see more clearly - WHO IS DOING THE JOB!

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share the spotlight. Not one to seek it, nonetheless it came his way with the remarkable chapter written in the scriptal pages of our sport--refer to the article "90 and Going Strong."

The three A pitchers are Jerry Gorton (OHPA Hall of Fame), Lowell Davis (OHPA Hall of Fame) and Barry Chapelle (NHPA Hall of Fame).

The happy-go-lucky C Class is Lloyd Killgore (Newsline editor); Chuck Owens (Gresham club officer); John Perry (Corvallis, talented music man); Elmer Otnes (OHPA Hall of Fame) and Ben Guidarelli (Portland), who shared with us some of his remembrances of earlier years in Minnesota.

Such stories are good to share around the warmth of a woodstove. Jim Postell worked a bunch to get this place ready; and the late O.D. Loy made this possible as a key remodeler and diligent attention paid to the amenities of the place.



*Lowell Davis and Barry Chapelle*



# PROMOTION JOTTINGS

• There are so many promoters and recruiters that have made significant efforts in behalf of the NHPA and state charters that should receive mention and a bit in the spotlight. That can happen right here in Focus on Promotion. Please write up a profile of your local hero and send that to my address. Photos are welcome.

• A look back in history this time will visit Kansas and Kentucky. These experts are from the Horseshoe Compendium published by the NHPA in 1940:

**Kansas** - On May 16, 1914, in Kansas City, was organized the Grand League of American Horseshoe Pitchers, the first national organization the horseshoe game ever had. But beyond this fact, and the fact that Kansas furnishes the game with many leading pitchers, the state has not done a great deal in organization. Although many hard-

fought state tournaments have been held, none of them were ever sanctioned by the National Association, but with the election of Alvin Dahlene, of Lawrence, to the post of National Second Vice President, it is hoped that this state will decide to enter the fold of sanctioned states by joining the National Association.

Lloyd Woodard, of Columbus, won the state title in 1929, and Bert Harriss, of Minneapolis, captured the honor in 1930. In 1931, Lester McCollam, of Kincaid, a former champion, came back to take the title, which he successfully defended in 1932. Frank Phillips, of Topeka, took the laurels in 1933, after a play-off with Merle Stoner and in 1934 the veteran Bert Duryee once more ascended the throne. Alvin Gandy, of Topeka, won out in 1935 and the following year saw Frank Phillips win in a play-off with Roland Kraft, the one armed star from LeCompton. Gerald Brown, of Lawrence, came through in 1937. In 1938, there was no meet for the title, but in 1939, the scene shifted from Topeka, where all previous tourneys had been held, to Columbus. Alvin Gandy won the title after a play-off with Alvin Dahlene.

With such a wealth of horseshoe pitching talent, Kansas certainly could hold with any other state, and promises to have at least one great team in the National Team League.

The National Representative in Kansas is Alvine Dahlene, of Lawrence.

**Kentucky** - Kentucky first joined the National Association in 1928, but their membership has been allowed to lapse since that time. However, things have been pointing toward their rejoining at an early date.

The first state tournament in Kentucky was held in Louisville in 1923 and was won by J.W. Netheron. Since that time the title was won three times by Mr. Akers, of Nolin, three times by Mr. Young, of Shelbyville, Twice by Mr. McCoy, twice by Sam B. Mattingly, twice by Mr. Beckman, and once each by Mr. Miller and Mr. Soete.

A strong and willing worker for horseshoes in Kentucky is E.B. Patterson who has been president for 12 years.

O—Ringer OO—Double Ringer X—Good ——No Count

## National Horseshoe Pitchers Association

### OFFICIAL SCORE SHEET

Date 7-26-53 Court No. 10 Game No. 20  
Jack Alton vs. Clinton Chappelle

Shoe	Ringers	Points	Shoe	Ringers	Points	Shoe
2	XX		2	XX		
4	XX		4	XX		
6	XX		6	XX		
8	XX		8	XX		
10	XX		10	XX		
12	XX		12	XX		
14	XX		14	XX		
16	XX		16	XX		
18	XX		18	XX		
20	XX		20	XX		
22	XX		22	XX		
24	XX		24	XX		
26	XX		26	XX		
28	XX		28	XX		
30	XX		30	XX		
32	XX		32	XX		
34	XX		34	XX		
36	XX		36	XX		
38	XX		38	XX		
40	XX		40	XX		
42	XX		42	XX		
44	XX		44	XX		
46	XX		46	XX		
48	XX		48	XX		
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82	XX		82	XX		
84	XX		84	XX		
86	XX		86	XX		
88	XX		88	XX		
90	XX		90	XX		
92	XX		92	XX		
94	XX		94	XX		
96	XX		96	XX		
98	XX		98	XX		
100	XX		100	XX		

### SUMMARY

Points	51	Points	4
Ringers	29	Ringers	1/2
Doubles	13	Doubles	30
Shoes Pitched	92	Shoes Pitched	87
Percent Ringers	26.7	Percent Ringers	84.2

Scorekeeper - Harold Wolfe

O—Ringer OO—Double Ringer X—Good ——No Count

## National Horseshoe Pitchers Association

### OFFICIAL SCORE SHEET

Date 8-7-1963 Court No. 10 Game No. 18  
Ray Martin vs. Glen Henton

Shoe	Ringers	Points	Shoe	Ringers	Points	Shoe
2	XX		2	XX		
4	XX		4	XX		
6	XX		6	XX		
8	XX		8	XX		
10	XX		10	XX		
12	XX		12	XX		
14	XX		14	XX		
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38	XX		38	XX		
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42	XX		42	XX		
44	XX		44	XX		
46	XX		46	XX		
48	XX		48	XX		
50	XX		50	XX		
52	XX		52	XX		
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86	XX		86	XX		
88	XX		88	XX		
90	XX		90	XX		
92	XX		92	XX		
94	XX		94	XX		
96	XX		96	XX		
98	XX		98	XX		
100	XX		100	XX		

### SUMMARY

Points	49	Points	52
Ringers	17	Ringers	17.5
Doubles	77	Doubles	80
Shoes Pitched	144	Shoes Pitched	172
Percent Ringers	24.7	Percent Ringers	90.2

## Second Sheet -

O—Ringer OO—Double Ringer X—Good ——No Count

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18	XX		18	XX		
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22	XX		22	XX		
24	XX		24	XX		
26	XX		26	XX		
28	XX		28	XX		
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32	XX		32	XX		
34	XX		34	XX		
36	XX		36	XX		
38	XX		38	XX		
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94	XX		94	XX		
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100	XX		100	XX		



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